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## What If?

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BELLE FOURCHE-At the October 15 commission meeting, Commissioner Terry Batterman summed up the process of appointing a new person to the Planning Commission by saying so many of the decisions made lately have been based on a "what if" mindset. He encouraged the others to discuss and decide what to do.

Ager explained why the Commissioners had thought the process of appointing someone for the Planning Commission and why he didn't want to wait until after the first of year. Many times, the commission waits and the person whose term is up has to stay on longer.

Ager's idea is to have applicants, interview the candidates by an interview committee, and then have the committee recommend someone.

Ager further explained that he wanted to have someone chosen to take the vacant seat at the first meeting in January.

Interviews will take place in

County contd. A3

## Enhanced Development on US Hwy 212 West



Aerial (Drone Photo) view of the **CBH CO-OP** facility being constructed just west of the US 85/US 212 Junction. Building will provide expanded space for Ag products, undated retail storefront and improved facilities for fuel, lube, propane, and administrative services. *Hunter Anderson Photo*

## CBH CO-OP Announces Construction of New Facility in Belle Fourche

Belle Fourche, SD – October 17, 2024 – CBH CO-OP, a trusted provider of agricultural products, refined fuels, propane, and retail services across South Dakota and Wyoming, is excited to announce the groundbreaking and construction of its new facility in Belle Fourche, SD.

This new building marks a significant milestone in the company's commitment to better serving its members and customers in the area.

Located strategically on Highway 85 & 212, the facility is designed to

enhance accessibility and convenience.

The new building will feature expanded space for agricultural products, an updated retail storefront, and improved facilities for fuel, lube, propane, and admin services.

The construction reflects CBH CO-OP's dedication to investing in the community, creating local job opportunities, and delivering exceptional service to its members.

"We are thrilled to be expanding our presence in Belle Fourche,"

said Todd Reif, CEO of CBH CO-OP. "This new facility will not only provide a modern and efficient space for our operations but will also offer enhanced products and services to meet the evolving needs of our members and customers.

We are committed to supporting rural communities, and this investment is a testament to that promise."

CBH CO-OP is deeply grateful for the opportunity to rent and operate out of the NRCS building, which has played a crucial

role in establishing our presence in agriculture in Belle Fourche.

"We extend our heartfelt thanks

to the NRCS for their partnership, which allowed us to build a

**CBH CO-OP** Contd.A3



Rendering view of how the 2025 completed facility will look.

## The Bright Gallery Opens



Angelica Garcia, Mikala Horn, BFCC, Ariadne (Ari) Albright, Creative Care at The Bright Gallery, Shirley Blake, Cassie Pannone, President Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce Roger Stevens, Judy & Paul Howard, Wilber Newland, Tony Albright, Nicole Collins, Clark Sowers, Randy Sowers. Chamber photo

Belle Chamber

Specials to the Beacon Thursday October 17th the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting during Creative Care's open house at **The Bright Gallery**.

Guests were welcomed to enjoy coffee and donuts while viewing the art studio, classroom, and event space (former Emmanuel Baptist Church); learning about the creative arts and wellness programs offered.

The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony marked the official opening of Creative Care, LLC at the Bright Gallery, led by Ariadne (Ari) Albright, Director. Ariadne (air-ee-odd-knee) leads

the Arts in Health programs at Creative Care, focusing on how creative practices can improve health and well-being.

These programs are shared in settings like hospitals, schools, and senior living centers, bringing the benefits of creativity to a wide range of people.

Ari is also the arts in health instructor at the University of South Dakota, helping students gain hands-on experience in this growing field. Creativecarellc.com

The Bright Gallery hosts quarterly events featuring artists curated by Albright.

Please RSVP to attend art events at thebrightgallery.com

## Belle Fourche Cowboy Band Seeks Shelter

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The Belle Fourche Cowboy Band has a request. It's not much to ask, especially not considering the years of dedicated service from local musicians for 93 years, soon closing in on a century.



Outdoor concert at **Rail Park** on State Street.

The Belle Fourche Cowboy Band has been performing for parades and special events since 1931. The band was started when Belle Fourche high school band director Charlie McClung was given funding from the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce and

the Black Hills Roundup Committee to start a band. There was quite a lot of enthusiasm from the community and local musicians.

Twenty-six talented musicians came forward to organize and perform in the Belle Fourche Cowboy Band.

The early band was known for distinctive apparel. The original 26 musicians wore 10-gallon hats, black and white shirts, and buff colored corduroy pants tucked into cowboy boots.

During their performance at the 1932 Black Hills Roundup Rodeo, South Dakota Governor Tom Berry was so impressed with the band's appearance and musicianship, he invited them to play at the South Dakota State Fair in Huron.

The band went on to perform in Colorado Springs, Colorado at the "Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo" in 1949 and at Mount Rushmore in 1953 to honor visiting President Dwight D.

**Cowboy Band** Contd.A8

## School Board Recognizes Accomplishments

Robbi Longbrake

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BELLE FOURCHE—October Belle Fourche School District School Board meeting was held October 14.

Presentations to the board and recognitions by the board played an important part of the meeting.

Librarian Karen Schlekeway was recognized for being named SDLA Librarian of the year. The school board was also recognized as it received an ALL Award from the Associated School Boards of South Dakota in recognition for their dedicated service to the students of South Dakota for the 2023-24 school year.

The school board recognized the middle school Students of the Month for September by awarding each recipient a T-shirt and a certificate for their outstanding work so far this year. Honors from the 5th grade: Sven

Tanninen and Johanna Fowler; 6th grade: Antonio Zapata and Amiyah DuBray; 7th Grade: Jaxson Selchert and Gemma Daniels; 8th grade: Braxton Reid and Hope Ogaard. Wyatt Lesmeister gave a presentation to the board regarding his recent trip to

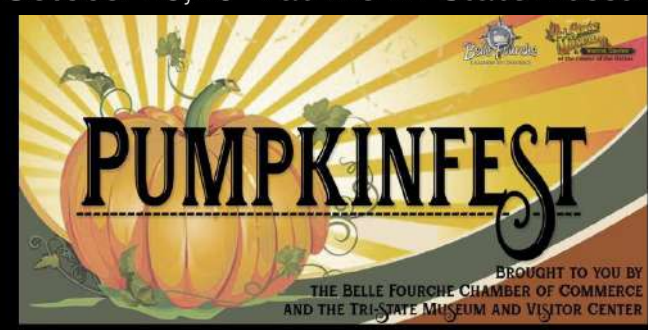
Washington, DC for the Washington Leadership Conference. He discussed what he learned in his conferences and said he learned that you can go to any conference for information, but the information isn't any good if you don't put it to use. And

**School Board** contd.A3



School Board President, **Scott Reder** recognizes **Karen Schlekeway** for being named **SDLA Librarian of the Year**. *Longbrake photo*

October 26, 10-4 at The Tri-State Museum



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**Dorothy M. Clarkson Teague 102**

Dorothy M. Clarkson Teague took leave of her residence at Edgewood Vista in Spearfish, SD on October 16, 2024 at the age of 102. Dotty was born in Berthoud, CO on May 18, 1922 to Vernet and Lenore (Woods) Marsh. She joined two brothers, Kenny and Stan and together they had many adventures there with family and friends, adventures that would continue for the next 100+ years. At 14, the family moved to Laramie, WY where she graduated from Laramie High School. While in Laramie, she worked at the local jewelry store and theater. In 1940, she met a young UW student, Herb Clarkson, who, with his brother Leroy, rented a basement apartment from the Marsh family. Dotty and Herb were married in the summer of 1942, living and working first on the family ranch north of Belle Fourche as well as Tombstone, AZ and Miles City, MT, before settling on the Clarkson Family farm east of Belle Fourche where they spent the next 45 years raising their family of five children. In 1992, they purchased a home on Sand Creek south of Beulah, WY where they enjoyed the fair-weather months entertaining family and friends while wintering in Queen Valley, AZ. Herb died in 2003 and in 2011, after reconnecting several years earlier, Dotty married long-time family friend and Herb's Class of '40 Belle Fourche classmate, Howard Teague. Together they spent his remaining years traveling extensively as well as entertaining and reminiscing with family and friends. At Howard's death in 2013 and with failing eyesight, Dotty no longer felt comfortable driving and decided it best to move to town. To Edgewood Vista she went spending the last decade of her life lighting up each room she entered.



van; brother-in-law, Don Breidenbach; husband, Herb Clarkson; daughter, Kelli Clarkson; son, Scott Clarkson and second husband, Howard Teague. Left to hold dear her memory are her sister, Marilyn Breidenbach; daughters, Karen Clarkson (Doug Anderson), Cathy (Gerry) Bennett; son, Jeb (Maureen) Clarkson; daughter-in-law, Mary Clarkson; grandchildren, Heidi (Matt) Stefanich, Dylan (Nicki) Clarkson, Trey (Brittany) Clarkson, Mason Bennett, Shelby (Chris) Ewert, Bailee (Wes) Fremont; great grandchildren, Logan and Myles Stefanich, Benjamin and Elyse Clarkson, Sawyer, Lennon and Maddox Clarkson, Bodhi and Bella Bennett, Grace and Olivia Cihak, Porter, Lincoln and Rowan Fremont as well as numerous nieces and nephews and Howard Teague's children, Doug (Jan) Teague, Richard (Charee) Teague, Ed (Sue) Teague, and Allen (Colleen) Teague - a legacy of which she was infinitely proud.

Services for Dotty were held at the First United Congregational Church, 717 Jackson Street, Belle Fourche, SD on October 22 under the direction of Kline Funeral Chapel.

Visitation was Monday, October 21 at Kline Funeral Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, the family has established memorials to the Congregational Church and the local P.E.O. Chapter AT, of which she was a 62-year member.

The funeral was livestreamed and can be viewed on Dotty's obituary page at klinefuneralchapel.com

An online guest book is available at klinefuneralchapel.com



**Louise Rohlf 89**

Louise Rohlf was surrounded by loving members of her family as she entered into the presence of her Savior, Jesus Christ, on October 13, 2024 in Wakonda, SD, just 3 days before her 90th birthday. She had received loving care at Wakonda Heritage Manor since December 2022.



the friendships and the opportunities.

For over 60 years she was a member of First Baptist Church in Belle Fourche. Her many years of involvement with Bible School, Sunday School, Good News Club and other Wednesday night activities were utmost on her prayer list, and brought friendship and love from the lives of so many children and their families in this town.

A Celebration of Louise's Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 26 at First Baptist Church in Belle Fourche. A private burial will take place at Black Hills National Cemetery on Friday, October 25.

Arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Friends may leave written condolences, view a video tribute and the funeral service, on the funeral home's website: www.LeveringtonFH.com

Louise Elizabeth Taylor was born, in a log house Northeast of Wood, South Dakota on October 16, 1934, the first-born child of Floyd C. Taylor and Lillian Elizabeth Reinoehl Taylor. She attended elementary school in a one-room school house, and graduated from Winner High School in 1952 as a straight A student and valedictorian of the class.

Louise was united in marriage to William Tuttle on December 14, 1953 at Rosebud Valley Baptist Church. To this union were born three children, Ellen, Lester, and Beverly. On October 16, 1964 Louise was united in marriage to Milton Rohlf in Belle Fourche and the family moved to Belle Fourche. Two more children, Larry Kevin and Lori Michele, were added to the family.

Thirty years as "The Tupperware Lady" gave Louise many opportunities to make lasting friendships and receive unique opportunities - she valued both

family has been Louise's most precious possession - and spending eternity in heaven with them all was her greatest desire, as she prayed daily for each of her loved ones to accept Jesus's gift of salvation.

Surviving Louise are her children Ellen (Al) Margheim, Lester (Garnet) Tuttle, Larry (Cheryl) Rohlf, and Lori (Eric) Maguire, and one step-son Mark Thompson. Also surviving her are 18 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Freeman (Connie) Taylor, her brother-in-law Dale Devish, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Louise was preceded in death by her husband Milt, her daughter Beverly Tuttle, one granddaughter, one great-granddaughter, her parents, her sister Lois Devish, 2 sisters-in-law, her step-son Bill Rohlf and step-daughter Gail Stoddard, her grandparents, and many special aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial gifts may be directed to the children's ministry at First Baptist Church in Belle Fourche, SD; or to the Christian Worship Hour in Aberdeen, SD.



**Joseph Thomas 92**

Joseph Thomas, age 92 of Belle Fourche, died Monday, October 14, 2024 at the Monument Health Sturgis Long-Term Care Center.



life for 12 years. They raised horses and llamas and enjoyed wild turkey and deer on their land. Also they raised several barn cats and two dogs. Due to health reasons, they sold the ranch and moved into Belle Fourche SD in 2005.

The funeral service were held Monday, October 21, 2024 at the chapel located in Mt. Pisgah Cemetery, in Gillette Wyoming. Visitation took place one hour prior to the service. The service can be viewed on Joe's obituary page, located on the funeral home's website: www.LeveringtonFH.com

Joseph J. Thomas was born December 31, 1931 to Joe Thomas Sr. and Eva Freeman in rural South Dakota. He attended country school at Patton School in Aurora County. Joe met Elaine Knigge in 1947 and they were married in 1951. To this union, two daughters and a son were born. During the following years, Joe and Elaine lived in rural White Lake SD, Kimball NE, Collbran CO, and in Gillette WY for 30 years with their three children: Pam, Randy, and Crystal. While in Gillette, Joe worked for various oil drilling companies, mainly Exeter and Lewmont, through the years. Joe and Elaine retired in 1993. They bought a small ranch near Carlile WY, where they both worked very hard and enjoyed

Joe is survived by his daughter, Pamela Thomas of Sturgis; son, Randy (Yan) Thomas of Midland TX; son-in-law, Roger Meadows of Pine Haven WY 2 granddaughters, Jamie (Tony) Sinks and Joanna Elaine Thomas; 4 grandsons, Jonathan (Cassie) and Christopher (Madison) Thomas, Adrian Tarter and Robert (Krystal) Thomas; great grandchildren, Bailey and Marshall Sinks, Lincoln Tarter, Abel Thomas, Ezra and Levi Thomas, Emma Thomas; sister, Marlys Thomas of Belle Fourche; and nieces and nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Elaine; daughter, Crystal Meadows; and brother, Dwayne Thomas.



**Kelly D. Moe 47**

In Loving Memory of Kelly D. Moe  
It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Kelly D. Moe, age 47, who left this world on October 18, 2024. A cherished son, devoted brother, and loyal friend, Kelly was a beacon of humor and warmth in his community.



Edwards); his siblings, Chad Moe (Holly) and Robin Brown (Jeremy); his nephews, Benjamin, Jacob, Andrew, and William Moe, and Tyrel and Chase Brown; and his niece, Terryn Brown. He is also survived by his constant companion and "best friend", Buddy. He leaves behind a loving community of friends who will forever treasure the memories they shared with him. Kelly is preceded in death by his father, Terry Moe; and his beloved grandparents, Bud and Fern Moe, and Leo and Regina McGuigan.

Born on June 6, 1977, in Spearfish, South Dakota, Kelly's spirited nature shone brightly from a young age. After earning a degree in Secondary Education from South Dakota State University, he answered the call to serve in the Peace Corps, dedicating himself to community development in Honduras. During this time, he touched countless lives with his compassion and unwavering commitment to making a difference.

In 2004, Kelly returned home to continue his family's legacy as a rancher in St. Onge, South Dakota. For two decades, he poured his heart into the family ranch, cultivating not just crops, but deep-rooted connections with neighbors and friends. He found immense joy in sharing stories about ranch life, enriching the lives of those around him with his passion for the land and community.

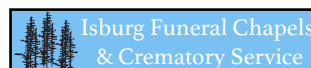
Kelly was known for his quick wit, effortlessly uplifting everyone he encountered. His ability to light up a room with a clever comment or a humorous tale made family gatherings, community events, and social gatherings unforgettable. He had a gift for making others laugh until they cried, and his genuine happiness came from spreading joy to those he loved.

Kelly is survived by his mother, Patty Moe (John

Visitation will take place on Monday, October 21st from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM at Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapel in Spearfish, followed by a burial at the St. Onge Cemetery at 11:00 AM on Tuesday the 22nd. In honor of Kelly's remarkable life, a celebration of his life will be held on October 22 at the St. Onge Bar at 12:00 PM, where friends and family will gather to share laughter, stories, and memories of a man who embodied kindness, humor, and love for others.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the St. Onge Fire Department or the Peace Corps, honoring Kelly's spirit of service and dedication to community.

Online condolences may be written at www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapel.com



**Irene Olson 93**

Irene Olson, age 93 of Belle Fourche, died Friday, October 18, 2024 at the Spearfish Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. For current times and dates of her services, please visit the funeral home's website: www.LeveringtonFH.com

Irene is survived by her children, David (Jeri) Olson of Belle Fourche, Duane W. (Laurie) Olson of Belle Fourche, Carol Ann (Larry Hancock) Olson of Chicago IL.



## Roots Grow Deep and Strong # 19 "Things in the Attic"



Meg English

In English, a gerund, is a word derived from a verb but that functions as a noun. For example, "downsize" is a verb, while "downsizing" refers to a process.

Downsizing is a familiar term that describes the elimination of clutter in one's personal space. To practice downsizing is a considerate gesture to those who may outlive us so the purging of clutter does not become a burden to someone else.

However, avoiding down-

sizing may be seen as an opportunity to get even with recalcitrant children or inattentive relatives. Vengeful attentions aside...

The idea of "downsizing" brings up some questions: Why is there often an emotional connection to possessions? What things do we really need? Why is it better to have more possessions than other people?

The truth is that having too much stuff can may ultimately become a burden. Who doesn't get tired of cleaning out the garage, buying more totes for storage, and adding more shelving to the closets to maximize the space?

Anne Bradstreet, a Puritan wife and mother, and one of my favorite American poets, addresses the subject of earthly possessions. In "Verses upon the Burning of our House, July 10th, 1666" Bradstreet wrote about a devastating fire that

continued support. Stay tuned for updates and announcements as construction progresses.

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destroyed her family's home.

*Verses upon the Burning of our House, July 10th, 1666*

BY ANNE BRADSTREET  
*Here Follows Some Verses Upon the Burning of Our house, July 10th, 1666. Copied Out of a Loose Paper.*

In silent night when rest I took,

For sorrow near I did not look,

I wakened with thund'ring noise

And piteous shrieks of dreadful voice.

That fearful sound of "fire" and "fire,"

Let no man know is my Desire.

I, starting up, the light did spy,

And to my God my heart did cry

To straighten me in my Distress

And not to leave me succourless.

Then, coming out, behold a space

The flame consume my dwelling place.

And when I could no longer look,

I blest His name that gave and took,

That laid my goods now in the dust.

Yea, so it was, and so 'twas

just.

It was his own, it was not mine,

Far be it that I should repine;

He might of all justly bereft

But yet sufficient for us left.

When by the ruins oft I past

My sorrowing eyes aside did cast

And here and there the places spy

Where oft I sate and long did lie.

Here stood that trunk, and there that chest,

There lay that store I counted best.

My pleasant things in ashes lie

And them behold no more shall I.

Under thy roof no guest shall sit,

Nor at thy Table eat a bit.

No pleasant talk shall 'ere be told

Nor things recounted done of old.

No Candle e'er shall shine in Thee,

Nor bridegroom's voice e'er heard shall be.

In silence ever shalt thou lie,

Adieu, Adieu, all's vanity.

Then straight I 'gin my heart to chide,

And did thy wealth on earth abide?

Didst fix thy hope on mould'ring dust?

The arm of flesh didst make thy trust?

Raise up thy thoughts above the sky

That dunghill mists away

may fly.

Thou hast a house on high erect

Framed by that mighty Architect,

With glory richly furnished,

Stands permanent though this be fled.

It's purchased and paid for too

By Him who hath enough to do.

A price so vast as is unknown,

Yet by His gift is made thine own;

There's wealth enough, I need no more,

Farewell, my self, farewell, my store.

The world no longer let me love,

My hope and treasure lies above.

Bradstreet's poignant description of her material treasures shows that she regards her lovely things as wonderful and comforting to have. They help her to recall the many wonderful memories she has of her family life.

She reveals that having these earthy treasures is a gift. The speaker is sad upon giving them up when they are destroyed in a tragic fire, but reminds the reader that there are more important aspirations in one's life and greater gifts in the afterlife.

Even for some present-day readers who may not adhere to Bradstreet's belief system there is still comfort in the poem's message. "Stuff" is maybe not that important after all. While "downsizing" it's helpful to keep Anne Bradstreet's words of wisdom in mind.

### CBH CO-OP from A1 foundation and connect with the local agricultural community," added Reif.

The construction is expected to be completed in early 2025. Once opened, the new building will offer a range of services including CBH CO-OP's agricultural feed and supplies, and a modern retail space that will cater to both the everyday and specialized needs of the community. Additionally, we'll bring all our managerial and bookkeeping services together in one location, allowing us to streamline our operations and make the best use of our resources.

CBH CO-OP looks forward to the opportunities this new facility will bring and thanks the Belle Fourche community for its

## Yes on G

### The Facts

#### Be Informed

SD 2005 Trigger Law went into effect June 2022. It outlaws all abortions except to save the life of the mother. A provider terminating a pregnancy is liable for a Class 6 felony. Unintended consequences of this law include a severe limitation to Physicians' ability to manage pregnancy complications as well as a loss of Obstetricians/Gynecologists in our state and a difficulty in recruiting replacements.

#### What Amendment G Says

##### 1st Trimester

"State does not regulate ... it must be left to the judgment of the pregnant woman"

- 93% of abortions occur in the first trimester, 60% are medication.

##### 2nd Trimester

"State may regulate ... to preserve life or health of the pregnant woman"

- 6% of abortions.
- 99% of abortions < 21 weeks.
- SD's current law does not allow for safe management of ALL pregnancy complications. It prohibits all abortions except to save the life of the mother.

##### 3rd Trimester

"State may regulate ... to preserve life or health of the pregnant woman"

- < 1% of abortions. Nearly always related to congenital anomalies or critical maternal risk factors.
- When the fetus can survive outside the womb, they are delivered as premature infants. There is no killing of live born infants.

Passage of Amendment G will allow for women's reproductive autonomy and allow for health care providers to manage pregnancy complications including miscarriages safely without fear of being prosecuted for a Class 6 felony.

Paid for by Angela R. Anderson, MD, Pediatrician  
PO Box 1132, Spearfish, SD 57783



The time has arrived when ranchers move large numbers of cattle. An October photo in the ring at **St. Onge Livestock**  
Beacon Photo

#### From A1 County

November.

A recommendation will be given to the commissioners, with the final decision given to the commissioners. The new member will probably be chosen after the first of the year and be ready to go the first Planning Commission meeting of the new year.

There have been numerous problems with the county buildings, according to Auditor Annie Capp. She listed several issues including the new water coolers and plumbing issues.

She also gave the quotes for the downstairs of the Administration Building. One quote for flooring was tabled until the next meeting, sited that more research needed done.

Two bids from Ken Thomas were accepted. One bid to texture and paint walls for approximately \$5300 was accepted and the bid for the base cabinets was accepted.

Capp reported on the number of absentee ballots that had already been sent out. Over 464 ballots have been sent with the majority having been returned.

During Public Comments, questions arose once again about the county's expendi-

tures and methods of choosing a Planning Commission person.

Sue Broadhurst suggested that some meetings could be done by Zoom instead of in-person.

Tom Brunner, who will take his commissioner seat in January, targeted the process for choosing someone for the Planning Commission. He said that he has been part of many committees and has never seen a person appointed before there was even a vacancy.

"This smacks of trying to control things beyond your time on the board," he said.

"I recognize bad government. I don't think it's right for this board to be appointing someone to the Planning Board before a vacancy is announced."

Brunner continued to say that by appointing someone before January, he is deprived of his vote and it is overreach and bad government.

Dale Simanton echoed Brunner's thoughts.

Travis Ismay stated that he would like to see the commissioners do more research before making any purchases. For instance, why was the money spent for the new water fountains discussed?

There is a new 4-H club in Butte County, according to Cindy Riley. The club has been organized north of Newell and is a revitalization of an earlier

club. Nicole Braun is the leader of the Sage & Cactus Club.

Riley reminded the commissioners that 4-H Recognition Night is scheduled for November 3 at 2 p.m. at Bressler's.

A final plat was approved for Santa Maria Land and Cattle Corporation at Buckhorn Estates Subdivision.

A written report from County Health Services was read by Auditor Capp. The Delta Dental Truck had visited Belle Fourche September 23-27. Twenty-five kids were seen with dental care valued at \$27,282.

The Butte County Community Health Office continues to offer childhood vaccines to families in the county. Over 117 vaccinations have been given over the past six months.

The WIC (Women, Infant, Children) Program continues to provide assessments and follow up nutrition counseling with the Registered Dietician.

The Bright Start Program is an evidenced-based program that has expanded to offer nurse home visitation services to all first-time pregnant women from conception to over 28 weeks gestation through postpartum period up to six-week-old infants.

More information can be found at Butte County's website buttedsd.org.

The public is reminded to vote November 5.



Historical Photo of the **Cowboy Band** at the **Black Hills Roundup**. Courtesy Photo

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From A2 Obituaries

**John J. Sexton 77**

John L. Sexton, age 77 of Belle Fourche, died Saturday, October 19, 2024 at the Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in Belle Fourche.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held 10:30am Monday, October 28, 2024 at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. There will be no visitation. Inurnment will take place at Pine Slope Cemetery. Friends may leave written condolences and view a video tribute online at: [www.LeveringtonFH.com](http://www.LeveringtonFH.com)

John Lewis Sexton was born August 7, 1947 in Huron, South Dakota. He was a twin son of Harry and Margeret (Bonebrake) Sexton. John grew up on a family farm near Huron, and he graduate from the Huron High School. On February 29, 1980, John was united in marriage to Del Oja in Buffalo, South Dakota. Even though they later divorced, John and Del remained close to each other. For more than 40 years, John was a truck driver. Trucking took John



to many places throughout the country, and John drove well over one million miles. In his trucking career, he worked for Larson Trucking, Moncur Trucking, and Anders Trucking of Union Center. John loved fishing and hunting, and he loved his dog Clancy very much.

John is survived by his children, Joni Sexton of Belle Fourche, Coral Sexton of Spearfish, John Lyman Sexton of Gillette WY, Jamie Lee Sexton of Belle Fourche; ex-wife, Del Sexton of Belle Fourche; 2 brothers, Harry Sexton Jr. of Bath, PA, Jim Sexton of Redfield SD; grandchildren and great grandchildren; and his good trucking friend, Roger Brimmer. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Jason; and sisters, Ramona Diaz, Shirley Curl, Penney Sexton.



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**Five Bronc Seniors end Season vs. Vermillion**



Bronc seniors with the coaches: **Isaac Voyles**, Head Coach **Lucas Trimble**, **Eli Sechser**, **Darian Pesicka**, **Oscar Garcia**, Asst Coach **Michael Ryan & Drake Sutter**. *Courtesy Photo*

The Belle Fourche High School Boys' soccer team traveled to Vermillion 10-12-24 to play the Tanagers in the

semi-final boys' soccer game. Although the game ended with a 0-2 season ending loss for the Broncs, it was a good

challenging game filled with lots of great passes, athletic plays, team connections and good sportsmanship.



**Isaac Voyles #13**. *Courtesy Photo*



**Drake Sutter #33**. *Courtesy Photo*

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# Belle Fourche Bronc Regional Cross Country Meet

## Special for The Beacon

The Belle Fourche girls and boys team competed at the Regional Cross Country Meet in Rapid City, SD at Hart Ranch last Thursday, October 17th.

Five girls and three boys were in the top qualifying 20 securing their trip to the State meet. Eighth grader Lia Mundt was the girls Regional Champ with a time of 19:39. Freshman Rhys Pearson 6th, seventh grader

Piper Curran 10th, Sophomore Misty Drieling 14th, and Seventh grader Layla Drieling 18th. Sophomore Lennon Clarkson led the boys by placing 3rd, Sophomore Nathan Hudson 15th and Junior Oden Walding 16th.

The Broncs Girls' Varsity team took Runners Up, the first in school history (2nd place), securing a team appearance at next week's State meet including Lia Mundt, Rhys Pearson, Piper Curran, Misty Drieling, Layla Drieling, Alexa Stone and Kate Blair. The boys' varsity team took 4th place.

Girls' varsity individual results- Lia Mundt 1st, Rhys Pearson 6th, Piper Curran 10th, Misty Drieling 14th, Layla Drieling 18th, Alexa Stone 26th. Boys' varsity individual results- Lennon Clarkson 3rd, Nathan Hudson 15th, Oden Walding 16th, Clifford Torberson 23rd, Thad Mckenney 24th, Kale Williams 29th.

JV girls and boys combined individual results- Jaxson Bach 5th, Dylan Park 14th, Zach Tonsager 20th, Kate Blair 27th, Isabela Torberson 28th and Laura Drieske 29th.

This was the last meet of the regular season, and nine varsity runners will be competing at the State meet being held in Rapid City on October 26th again at Hart Ranch.



Top L to R: Misty Drieling, Rhys Pearson, Lia Mundt and Alexa Stone. Bottom L to R: Layla Drieling, Coach Clarkson and Piper Curran. Courtesy photo



Lennon Clarkson



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## 7th and 8th Grade Lady Broncs Finish the Season

Meg English

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Belle Fourche 7th and 8th grade Volleyball teams concluded the season at the 7th and 8th grade tournament in Spearfish on Saturday.

The girls performed well and were able to demonstrate the various skills they have learned. Sarah Thompson, 7th grade A

team coach noted that "The girls have really worked hard this year."

The 7th grade teams played during the morning, while the 8th grade teams competed after lunch.

All Belle Fourche teams were accompanied by a large and enthusiastic hometown cheering section.



Team ready for next match. Courtesy Photos



Substitution. Courtesy Photos



Setting up for a score at the net. Courtesy Photos

# Show Up

by Belle LaVenue



It's a Christmas show! **The Best Christmas Pageant Ever - the Musical!** What the show needs now is a cast. Auditions are THIS WEEK on Tuesday and Thursday, October 22 and 24 at 7 PM. Thespians of all ages are needed for this production. Help with tech and backstage is also needed, so check out the BFACT website for more information.

.BFHS and BFMS Bands brought the spirit to the Belle Fourche Homecoming at the pep rallies, the parade, and the big game. Directors Jacque Bratcher (BFMS) and Mika Pennel (BFHS) brought inspiring performances from their growing bands. The powerful high school drumline was an especially big hit for the purple and white crowds!

Now is a good time to add these school and other fine arts events to your calendars!

October 22 & 24: Auditions for actors of all ages for BFACT's December production of **Best Christmas Pageant Ever - the Musical.**

November 2: South Dakota All-State Band & Chorus concert in Sioux Falls & on PBS

November 11: Veterans' Day Programs @ the BFMS (2 PM) & the BFHS (9 AM)

November 21-23: BFHS Fall Production - TBA!

December 2: BFHS Band & Chorus Concert, 7 PM at the BF Rec Center Theater

December 9: BFHS/MS Jazz Concert, 7 PM at the BF Rec Center Theater

December 13-15: BFACT holiday production: **The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, the Musical.**

December 16: BFMS (6-8th) Chorus Concert @ the BF Rec Center Theater, 6:30 PM

December 20: Belle Fourche K-4th Grade Concert, BF Rec Center Theater, times TBA

January 20: BFMS Band Concert @ the BF Rec Center Theater, 6:30 PM

Maybe YOU know what SHOW is UP next? Share your fine arts tidbits and upcoming events at [bellelavenue@gmail.com](mailto:bellelavenue@gmail.com). I especially love the *juicy backstage dish and green room gossip!* Mark your calendars, friends, so you don't forget to Show Up!

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## Scandal flurry spotlights auditor impotence

Jackley's push to empower state auditor rekindles debate on oversight role

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High-profile fraud and embezzlement cases involving South Dakota state employees have renewed calls for corruption reforms. And Attorney General Marty Jackley says a stronger auditor could help.

At a press conference in Sioux Falls this month to announce the indictments of two more Department of Revenue employees alleged to have swindled

taxpayers, Jackley unveiled a four-point legislative package he intends to propose to lawmakers next year that will include overhauling the office of the state auditor.

That package comes in the wake of the indictment of a Department of Social Services employee who is accused of embezzling \$1.8 million from the state's foster care program and a former state revenue employee creating fake vehicle titles to secure bank loans for personal gain. The investigation into the latter spurred two

more indictments.

"As I travel around the state, people want taxpayer dollars protected," Jackley told a scrum of reporters.

But beefing up the South Dakota State Auditor's Office would be a departure from how the duties of that office have evolved since the state's founding. Although the title of the office has "auditor" in it — connoting an oversight role in state finances — the office has a functionary role, tasked with processing vouchers and issuing payments only.



Attorney General **Marty Jackley** makes a pitch for an "anti-corruption" legislative package, which focuses on strengthening the powers of the State Auditor's office. (Jonathan Ellis/The Dakota Scout)

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- Oct 24 - Pasque Fashion Show 5PM @ State St
- Oct 25 - 7:30AM Caramel Rolls & Coffee @ Belle Silver Lining, 6PM Fearless 5K @ Hermann Park, 7PM Ghoul Times Roll Costume (start at Hitching Post Tap House, more info call Chamber office)
- Oct 26 - 11AM-4PM Pumpkinfest @ Tri State Museum
- Oct 27 - 5PM Free Supper @ St James Lutheran
- Oct 29 - Chamber Mixer 4:30PM

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**Butte-Lawrence County Extension Club News**

Butte Lawrence County Extension Clubs offer activities and events for everyone. One of the learning opportunities coming up soon is the childcare roundtable



SDSU Extension is partnering with the communities of Lead and Deadwood to host the roundtable on Monday, October 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanford Lab Homestead Visitor Center (160 W Main St, Lead, SD 57754). Parents, providers, and community members are encouraged to attend to help serve local childcare needs by creating collaborative community-wide solutions.

It's a great opportunity for participants to create a strategic action plan and prepare to apply for funding opportunities. It's also a good opportunity to build connections with community members and experts to improve childcare in the Northern Hills communities. Childcare will be provided during the meeting.

Butte-Lawrence extension clubs are excited to offer new logos and apparel from the 2024 State Fair logo design competition. State 4-H Leaders of SD sell T-shirts, hoodies, jackets, and hats and jewelry year-round. Options are available at this link: [http://southdakota4hleaders.com/tshirt\\_21.html](http://southdakota4hleaders.com/tshirt_21.html)

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A regular weekly Butte-Lawrence County Extension newsletter is sent out at the beginning of each week. To be on the mailing list contact:

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Questions? Contact Michelle May at [icmthatcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:icmthatcoordinator@gmail.com)

**Anything Left in the Barrel?**

The Beacon was certainly happy and thankful the Broncs got a win this past Friday night. The Beacon received no usable coverage of the game.

Had been working with a young man who had expressed interest in being a sports writer for the Beacon.

With all of the different kids involved in a variety of sports both grade & highschool it is a position with much opportunity.

The Beacon has always been fortunate to having many coaches, parents, relatives, and friends of the the student athletes that have forwarded us news and information to keep readers up on the latest.

I am sad to say the arrangement with the young man did not work out and again the Beacon is in search of someone(s) interested in following Bronc activities & writing sports for the Beacon.

In the meantime, while the search is on: *Coaches, parents, relatives, and friends please know you are always welcome to send news and informtion on any of the various activites to the Beacon.* Use the email or the phone in the adjacent blue box to contact & forward to the Beacon. Thank you!

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Recent group photo at the *Herrmann Park Bandshell*. *Courtesy Photo*

**From A1 Cowboy Band**

Eisenhower. For the next several decades, the band's performances were somewhat more low-key. They played close to home and became a familiar presence in the 4th of July Parade and other events throughout the year. In 1983, there was a reunion of the band members that set the stage for a renewal of interest in the Cowboy Band and a new image too. The new band's attire became

red cowboy shirts, blue jeans, white chaps and white hats. Forever stylish, the band continues to seek new members. At one time playing with the Cowboy Band was something like a rites-of-passage for young local musicians. These days the band continues to seek new members as they always have. Even those who haven't taken an instrument out of the case since high school are welcome. So, here's the request. The band would love to have more new members. Many of the current members are not getting younger. But, that's just part of the request. The Belle Fourche Cowboy Band needs a home. Belle Fourche, of course will always be "home" to the band but they need a home that is friendly to their fine costumes and instruments. Belle Fourche High School

Band Director Micah Pennel has made sure that much of the band's equipment has been cared for, and he has created a website for the band <https://bfc-band.blogspot.com>

However, the chaps and some instruments are currently being stored in a snowmobile trailer donated by E.T. Sports. Replacement of even one pair of chaps is estimated to be \$600-\$900 each. Somehow, storing these valuable costumes and instruments in a trailer seems a bit risky. Mice, for example are insidious creatures that have a way of finding their way into just about any structure. They think leather tastes good too. The Belle Fourche Cowboy Band needs a safe place to store costumes and instruments. It needs new members. Only in this way will the "band play on."



*Light up the Night* concert at the *Belle Fourche Community Hall* following the annual Chili Feed. *Courtesy Photo*



September 2024 Middle School *Students of the Month* from left: **Jaxson Selchert, Braxton Reid, Amiyah DuBray, Sven Tanninen, Antonio Zapata, Johanna Fowler, Gemma Daniels & Hope Ogaard.**



South Park *Students of the Month* Backrow left to right: **Ryleighn Njos, Katelyn Daniels, Amari Grove, Lyla Moore** and Lexia finisher **Isabelle Freed**. Front row left to right: **Della Wilen, Alora Thompson, Krissa Williamson** and Lexia finisher **Greta Abraham**. *Courtesy Photos*

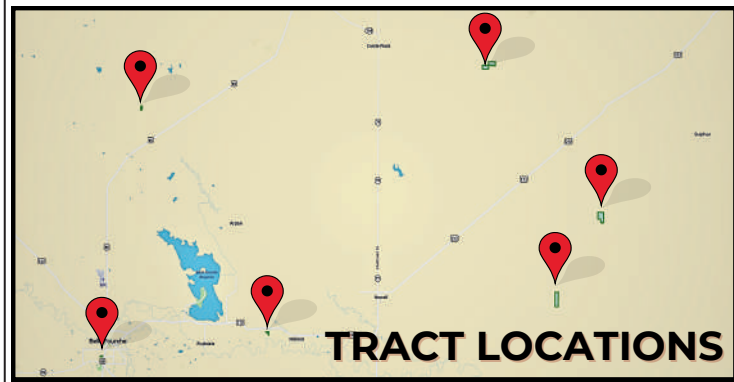
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was told to find out the needs in his community and find a way to fix them. Lesmeister also shared he was able to attend the event on a State FFA Scholarship. High School Principal, Mathew Raba informed the board that all seniors will take the NCRC test on Nov. 5. It is a test that measures career readiness rather than college readiness. He also said the annual Veteran's Day program will be November 11, at 9:00 a.m. in

the rec center auditorium. The public is welcome. The school will host Internet Crimes Against Children presentation for the students on Nov. 14. Parents will have their own opportunity to learn on the evening of Nov. 14. Dr. Julie Hatling, Elementary School Principal announced that September Teacher of the Month was awarded to Mrs. Madi Burgers, third grade teacher. This award is nominated and selected by the students.



**Wyatt Lestmeister** addresses the school board and gives a presentation about his trip to Washington, DC for the *Washington Leadership Conference*. *Longbrake photo*



North Park kindergarten *Students of the Month*. (above) **Tyndall Vetter** and (below) **Aspyn Wood**. *Courtesy Photos*



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Next sale - Wednesday, October 23rd - Spring Calf Special - 12:00 Noon
Friday, October 25th - Yrig & Spring Calf Special - 8 AM Yearlings followed by Spring Calves
Saturday, October 26th - Weigh Up Sale - 9 AM Weigh Ups, 12 Noon Bred Cows
Thank you for marketing with St Onge Livestock!

Table with columns for seller, animal type, and price. Includes sections for Yearlings, Spring Calves, and various breeders like Ellis Livestock, Gardner, etc.

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Spring Calf Special

12:00 Noon -- Yearlings followed by Calves

BT-Branding Time Shots PC-PreCondition Shots DF-Drug Free BV-Bangs
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Calves

- List of calves for sale including 26 Cattle LLC, Kurt Collins, Mueller Land & Livestock, Lee Habeck, etc.

Plus more by sale time!

Friday, October 25, 2024

Yearling & Spring Calf Special

8:00 AM -- Yearlings followed by Calves

BT-Branding Time Shots PC-PreCondition Shots DF-Drug Free BV-Bangs
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Yearlings

- List of yearlings for sale including Walker Livestock, Dan Taylor, Schuricht & Kinsetter, etc.

Calves

- List of calves for sale including Heart H Partnership, Fuller Livestock, Kudlock Ranch, etc.

Plus more by sale time!

Saturday, October 26, 2024

Weigh Up Sale

9:00 AM -- Weighups 12:00 Noon - Bred Cows

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Sheep Report - Thursday, October 17, 2024

Good run of lambs again this week.
Lambs sold \$3 to \$5 higher
Slaughter ewes also sold \$5 higher

Next sale - October 24th - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special
- Selling all classes of sheep and goats
Expecting 3000 to 4000 lambs, 200 yriling ewes & 600 to 800 older ewes
Animals should be here by 10 AM so they can be weighed before the sale
Thank you for your business!

Feeder Lambs

Table with columns for seller, animal type, and price. Includes Orwick, Jack Or Cindy, Newell SD, etc.

Replacement Ewes - Sold By The Head

Table with columns for seller, animal type, and price. Includes Edwards, Dennis, Sundance WY, etc.

Slaughter Ewes

Table with columns for seller, animal type, and price. Includes Basel, Tammy, Union Center SD, etc.

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Thursday, October 24, 2024

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Replacement Ewes

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600 To 800 Older Ewes

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2024 SHEEP SALES

- October 31st - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
November 7th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
November 14th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
November 21st - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
November 28th - No Sale - Happy Thanksgiving!
December 5th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
December 12th - Feeder Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
December 19th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

2024 CATTLE SALES

- Wednesday, October 30th - Spring Calf Special
Friday, November 1st - Spring Calf Special
Saturday November 2nd - Bred Heifer & Cow Special Along With Weigh Ups
Wednesday, November 6th - Spring Calf Special
Friday, November 8th - Spring Calf Special
Saturday, November 9th - Bred Heifer & Cow Special Along With Weigh Ups
Friday, November 15th - Spring Calf Special
Saturday, November 16th - Bred Heifer & Cow Special Along With Weigh Ups
Friday, November 22nd - Spring Calf Special
Saturday, November 23rd - Bred Heifer & Cow Special Along With Weigh Ups
Friday, November 29th - No Sale - Happy Thanksgiving
Saturday, November 30th - Annual Thanksgiving Bred Heifer & Stock Cow Special
Friday, December 6th - Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
Friday, December 13th - Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
Friday, December 20th - Last Sale Of 2024 - Bred Heifer & Cow Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

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### SCOUTING REPORT I Perils of pheasant politics

Jonathin Ellis  
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Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz was featured this month in a campaign appearance pheasant hunt. But to observers in South Dakota, the event brought back memories of an ad that appeared in South Dakota politics 20 years ago this fall.

The ad in question featured then Sen. Tom Daschle. Daschle, the Democratic leader in the U.S. Senate, was in a hard-fought battle for re-election against current Sen. John Thune, a race the Democrat lost. An ad the Daschle campaign featured during the contest was of the senator pheasant hunting.

There he was, working a field. A companion in his hunting party asked where Tom was, and the ad said that Daschle went back into the field upon learning the group had not reached its limit.

The ad was intended to shore up support among hunters – an important demographic in South Dakota – and neutralize attacks from the NRA on his Second Amendment record.

But it boomeranged. The ad started running in September, well before the pheasant season opener. It was kitschy and unbelievable to seasoned hunters. Daschle appeared to be wearing new clothing – most longtime hunters wear faded and patched gear year after year.

Despite its drag on the campaign, the ad continued to run for eight weeks, and the start of hunting season only brought more mocking.

The Walz event has elicited a similar response. His hunting gear looks as if it came off the Cabela's rack the day before. He fumbled loading his shotgun. A shotgun, for what it's worth, made in Italy whose basic model starts at just under \$2,000 and can go above \$3,000. While it's not uncommon to run across an expensive firearm in a hunting party, a \$2,000 shotgun hardly screams "common man."

Daschle lost reelection in large measure because he was viewed as out of touch. His pheasant hunting had only reinforced that for many. Walz, brought in to bolster the campaign of Vice President Kamala Harris with white rural men, might have repeated that mistake from 2004.

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**CANDLES AND MIRRORS #2**  
**By DeAnn Kruempel**  
**“Living By the Rules”**

“Children should be seen, not heard.” Both of our parents were raised by the strict rule; when adults were present, youngsters were not allowed to speak unless spoken to. Our parents carried on the tradition to a certain extent with their own children.



south pasture. It was also a time when the folks reminisced of their own growing-up years. We stayed at the table until everyone was finished. Before we could slide off our chair, each addressed our father, “Please, may I be excused?”

Rules followed us wherever we went, including school. From day one, each of us understood that if we got into trouble at school, we would be in far deeper trouble at home. The rule was pretty effective except for those times when the folks never found out, but that’s another story!

The first thing we did when we came home from school was change into everyday clothes. It was important to take care of what we had. After supper, homework reigned supreme over TV, games or books, at least in our parents’ eyes. However, if I sat in the right spot at the kitchen table, I could lean back and see the TV in the living room.

“Turn off the light when you leave the room.” “Hold the door for others to enter first.” “Offer to carry heavy packages.” “Always say please and thank you.”

Most of our rules were not unique to our family, and though we may have grumbled (very quietly), we understood the reasoning behind them. Respect others. Life is easier when everyone pitches in. Nothing should be wasted.

A lifetime later as I reflect on those growing-up-time rules, I realize they had a part in making us what we are today. We learned teamwork, responsibility, persistence, accountability and the value of hard work. As for that one about children being seen and not heard—well, I am really glad to be the youngest!

**Do You Remember?**  
What were your family’s rules? Tell your stories. Write them down. Your life matters! If you wish to read more of Kruempel’s stories, her nine books are available on Amazon. The newest book, Leaving a Trail, includes all 52 stories from last year’s column plus pictures! Contact the author at deannkruempelauthor@gmail.com.

My siblings remember the family law: when we were among adults, whether in our home or visiting elsewhere, we were expected to listen quietly. As the youngest, most spoiled child, I don’t remember such imposed silence. I did understand that I was to show respect to all adults and that I should never interrupt when someone else was speaking.

Growing up on the farm in South Dakota, we had other rules. Work before play. No shooting baskets or tire swing adventures when chores waited. If Mom was outside carrying feed to the chickens or inside preparing supper, we had better be helping in some way. If Dad was picking corn in the field, the rest of the family pitched in wherever needed. Blackie knew she would be milked twice a day at the same time. The livestock never went hungry. Neither did we.

Everyone sat at the supper table. After saying grace together, Dad helped himself to the bowls of food and passed them around. We were expected to consider the rest of the family; to empty the gravy bowl when five more were waiting would have been frowned upon. Eating the vegetable was mandatory, even if just a spoonful. No dessert allowed unless we cleaned up our plates. And we all loved dessert!

Delmer recalls one of Dad’s suppertime rules: No jam on our first slice of bread. We could slather plum jam or apple butter on the second slice to our heart’s content, but only butter was allowed on the first. I am still trying to figure out the reasoning behind that one!

The supper table conversation may have touched on Dorothy’s purple ribbon no-bake chocolate cookies, Delmer’s home run at the Legion baseball tournament, why I felt the need to run away from Bible School or the thistles that needed hoeing in the



*Bruce Sabastian, my dad, the building where the first pickle bar was.*

**Bruce Sabastian** had many bars over the years, his first one was in one of the building moved into Belle Fourche from Minnesela after the 1895 main street fire, currently the **Hair Gallery**

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**Looking Back in Belle**

Looking Back In Belle -- These articles come from newspaper microfilm from the Belle Fourche Public library, using a new microfilm reader and printer. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.

**124 years ago**  
**THE TIMES**  
**October 19, 1899**

**A GRAND OVATION The Volunteers Arrived in Deadwood Last Saturday** About 10:30 Saturday morning the train bearing the three Black Hills companies of the First regiment steamed in to the city of Deadwood amid the shrieking of whistles, booming of cannons, ringing of belles and loud and prolonged cheers of thousands of people assembled to do them honor. After the exchange of greetings between volunteers and friends, the parade was formed, and the volunteers with a large escort paraded the principal streets, then repaired to the Opera House where, in a few well chosen words, Mayor Star welcomed them to the city and introduced the orator of the day, Col. Steele, who spoke for about twenty minutes in an eloquent strain, and was frequently interrupted by applause of the audience. Capt. Mulbury, the senior officer, was called upon and thanked the people for the splendid reception accorded them. The boys were then escorted to the banquet where everything obtainable was place before them. The Belle Fourche boys of Company L are all looking exceedingly well, and express themselves as being pleased to get back home once more. Henry Roberts was made corporal at San Francisco, and John Wells was mustered out as quartermaster sergeant. All the boys are not here except Fred Brunger, who is expected to arrive from Deadwood this week.

**Commissioners’ Proceedings** Proceedings of County Commissioners Butte Co., S. Dak. In adjourned session October 14, 1899. Members present: P. Edwards, chairman, L. Lachapelle and W. S. Hamilton, who was qualified as commissioner of the second district with W. J. Cheisman and W. R. Glassie as surities. On mention the liquor license bond of Bruce Sebastain, with John S. Barr and E. M. Arnold sureties was approved.

**100 years**  
**The Belle Fourche Bee**  
**October 20, 1924**

**CUCUMBER INDUSTRY A WINNER** County Agent Ellison and E. M. Adams Investigate Methods Used in Colorado. The growing of cucumbers for pickling is a winner is the opinion of County Agent A. D. Ellison and E. M. Adams of Vale, the gentlemen who went to northern Colorado last week to investigate the success of the venture in this country where they have been growing commercial cucumbers for twenty-five years. At the meetings held last week at Nisland, Vale, Newell and Belle Fourche, it was deemed best to send a committee to Colorado and ascertain at first hand just what the framers engaged in the industry thought of it. Messrs. Ellison

and Adams were selected as that committee. Brighton is situated about nineteen miles north of Denver, where the Kunner Pickle Company is located. This company has been operating in this district for about twenty-five years and during this period they have been growing pickles, together with beans and tomatoes, quite successfully. Soil - you perhaps are aware of the fact that cucumbers may be grown successfully on most all types of soil. In Brighton district the soil consists of a light, sandy clay, which requires considerable water to produce a successful crop. **Possibilities for Growing the Crop on the Belle Fourche Irrigation Project** - it appears to the committee, after looking over the situation in the Brighton district, that the cucumber business will be a good cash crop for the irrigation project. It requires a short season and the labor which is necessary for growing sugar beets may be used for gathering pickles. Usually the labor required for the growing of beets has very little to do just before the crop is harvested and may be used to good advantage in gathering pickles. It is not advisable, however, to grow more than one or two acres, unless they have sufficient help to gather the crop. There is very little cash outlay before picking season begins. The Squire Dingee Pickle Company of Chicago is interested in growing pickles in our district and are willing to establish salting stations and also furnish field men to help in growing the crop. They are also furnish the seed for planting the crop, which, of course, is an added incentive.

**75 years ago**  
**The Belle Fourche Bee**  
**October 20, 1949**

**HOT LUNCH PROGRAM BEGINS HERE NOV. 28** A hot lunch program to be conducted under the school lunch program in South Dakota will be started at the local schools Nov. 28. Lunches are now begin served 16,416 students in 159 schools under the 1949-50 school lunch program in South Dakota. A total of \$251,162 in federal funds has been allocated to South Dakota for the program. Schools match the federal money on a 50-50 basis. The program is administered by the state by the state department of Public Instruction under the supervision of Mrs. Esther N. McCulla. Food for the lunch program is purchased locally and is supplemented by surplus commodities donated by the federal government. Donated foods available recently include butter, peanut butter, cheese, canned peaches, dried milk, dried eggs, tomato paste and fresh apples.

**Industry-Wide Problems Face Sheep Growers at Convention** 250 Members Expected for Two-Day 12th Annual Meeting



by **Mary Buchholz**

Faced with many new and serious, industry-wide problems, approximately 25 Western South Dakota Sheep Growers are expected to register here Friday for the two-day annual convention of the association and its auxiliary. President Ward H. Van Horn of Buffalo will call the twelfth annual session to order in the Belle Theater. Following a breakfast meeting of the board of directors in the Don Pratt Grill. Following the invocation by Rev. L. A. Johnson, Mayor O. H. Frost will welcome the sheepmen. Warner M. Buck, Washington, D.C. marketing specialist for the Commodity Credit Corporation, will speak on “Check on Accuracy of Core Testing” and Noble E. Buell of Mitchell, S. D., district agent for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, will talk on the “State Program for Coyote Control.”

**50 years ago**  
**Belle Fourche Bee**  
**October 18, 1974**

**Orman Bill Now Goes to President** One more step and the updating of Orman Dam can become a reality. That step will be if and when President Gerald Ford signs the reclamation act of 1974 which contains a \$3,620,000 appropriation for the Belle Fourche project. Rep. James Abdnor announced yesterday that the house - which originally passed the bill - had concurred with minor changes made by the senate and that the bill is now on its way to the White House.

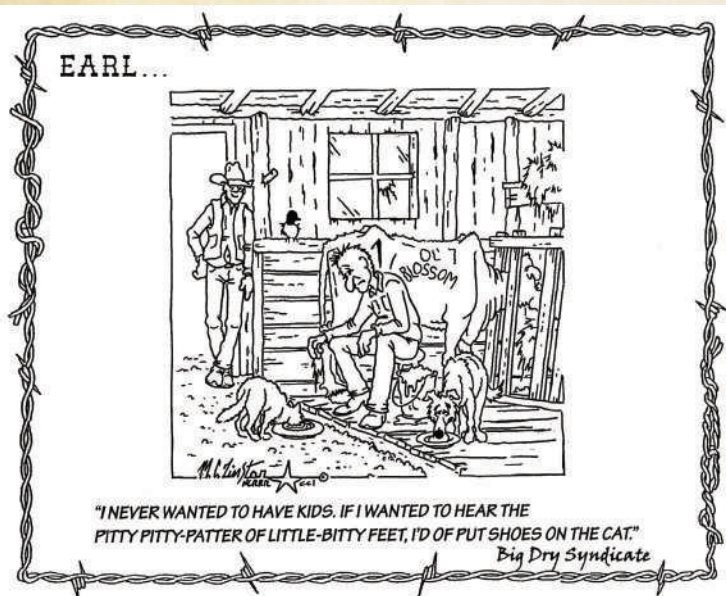
The measure provides funds for construction of a new spillway at Orman Dam. Construction of a new spillway and updating the face of the dam will make it possible to restore the full storage capacity of the dam and thus provide an additional 20,000 acre feet of water. For several years the water level has had to be held 20,000 acre feet below capacity because of the deteriorated condition of the spillway. Although directors of the Belle Fourche Irrigation District have for years been attempting to secure some action on the matter, the project didn’t get off the ground until about a year ago, after Rep. Abdnor made a personal tour of the project. Hearing were subsequently held before the house sub-committee on water and power and companion action was taken in the senate under the direction of Senator George McGovern and Senator Jim Abourezk. The proposal got life when it was included in the omnibus reclamation bill and has begun moving steadily since.



Pickle production seems unusual for an area where rain averages 10 to 12 inches per year. Once the area was developed for irrigation and the huge Orman Dam was built in 1912, the Squire Dingee Company sent out free cucumber seeds, and salting vats were set up in Belle Fourche, Nisland, Newell, Fruitdale, and Vale. In October 1925, the first carload (900 bushels) of salted pickles was shipped from Nisland to the cannery in Chicago. In December 1926, nine carloads were shipped from Belle Fourche and Nisland. Fifteen more vats were installed in Nisland, making a total of 60 tanks, the largest station of this kind in the United States. The production continued with great success until the drought of the 1930s. Business picked up during World War II as the army supplied the troops with pickles, trying to balance their diets. There was a World War II prisoner of war camp located near Orman Dam, and the German prisoners were used as cucumber pickers.

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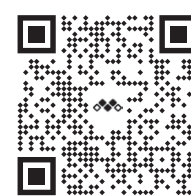
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CALVES	HD	DESC	WT	BID	\$/HEAD
Brett & Melanie Crowser, Belle Fourche, SD	88	Black-Str	627	300.00	\$1,881.64
	39	Black-Str	487	345.50	\$1,681.43
	80	Black-Hfr	580	275.00	\$1,595.85
	27	Black-Hfr	452	324.00	\$1,464.60
Joe And Jane Burke, Newell SD	91	Bk/BwF-Str	610	305.00	\$1,859.82
	109	Bk/BwF-Str	491	349.00	\$1,711.86
Clint Krambeck, Spearfish SD	41	Bk/BwF-Str	572	309.00	\$1,768.19
	10	Bk/BwF-Str	418	395.00	\$1,651.10
	28	Bk/BwF-Hfr	522	279.00	\$1,456.28
Consignment From SD	40	Black-Str	632	295.00	\$1,865.13
	6	Black-Str	504	307.00	\$1,547.79
	16	Black-Hfr	550	275.50	\$1,514.38
	3	Black-Hfr	682	252.00	\$1,717.80
Danny Marlene, Circle MT	68	Bk/BwF-Str	523	336.00	\$1,756.58
	23	Rwf/BwF-Str	521	323.00	\$1,682.40
	18	Bk/BwF-Str	396	397.50	\$1,573.43
	58	Bk/BwF-Hfr	507	287.00	\$1,455.53
	21	Rwf/BwF-Hfr	492	275.00	\$1,353.39
	19	Rwf/BwF-Hfr	400	337.50	\$1,350.00
John Boetker, Rapid City SD	27	Black-Str	611	296.00	\$1,808.88
	2	Black-Str	480	330.00	\$1,584.00
	15	Black-Hfr	580	267.00	\$1,548.60
	1	Black-Hfr	350	340.00	\$1,190.00
Malcom Ranch Llc, Baker MT	24	Bk/BwF-Str	552	306.50	\$1,692.13
Ken Pratt, Forsyth MT	7	Bk/BwF-Str	542	294.00	\$1,593.90
	8	Black-Hfr	552	261.00	\$1,440.39
	4	Rd/Bk-Hfr	419	282.50	\$1,182.96
Jeffery & Sandra Shuck, Newcastle WY	11	Bk/BwF-Str	548	314.00	\$1,721.29
	7	Bk/BwF-Str	467	337.50	\$1,576.60
	9	Bk/BwF-Hfr	458	290.00	\$1,329.16
	5	Rwf/BwF-Hfr	422	300.00	\$1,266.00
Anne Gergen, Broadus MT	35	Black-Str	474	353.00	\$1,672.21
Robert Arpan, Alzada MT	39	Bk/BwF-Str	523	328.50	\$1,719.15
	19	Bk/BwF-Str	431	386.00	\$1,663.86
	34	Black-Hfr	508	280.00	\$1,422.23
	17	Black-Hfr	404	334.00	\$1,350.73
Darrell & Leanne Hohn, Deadwood SD	32	Black-Str	647	294.00	\$1,903.19
	5	Char/Bk-Str	489	328.00	\$1,603.92
	22	Black-Hfr	574	267.00	\$1,533.42
Moke Properties Llc, Deadwood SD	31	Black-Str	718	263.75	\$1,892.61
Larry & Kimberley Logicki, Sheridan WY	32	Black-Str	611	280.50	\$1,714.99
	11	Black-Str	514	286.00	\$1,470.30
	14	Black-Hfr	545	264.00	\$1,439.74
	11	Black-Hfr	440	282.50	\$1,241.71
Kevin Buchholz, Belle Fourche SD	92	Black-Str	508	313.50	\$1,584.87
	81	Black-Hfr	484	276.00	\$1,336.72
	13	Black-Hfr	363	315.00	\$1,143.69
Merle & Amy Logicki, Sheridan WY	60	Black-Str	569	298.00	\$1,696.36
	10	Black-Str	478	329.00	\$1,572.62
	29	Black-Hfr	517	274.00	\$1,416.29
Noah Miller, Mosby MT	16	Rd/Bk-Str	512	313.00	\$1,601.19
	19	Rd/Bk-Str	433	360.00	\$1,558.42
	17	Rd/Bk-Hfr	403	339.00	\$1,365.97
Brunson Family Trust, Aladdin WY	29	Black-Str	465	351.00	\$1,633.36
Ray Bogner, Boyes MT	26	Bk/BwF-Str	523	325.00	\$1,700.15
	12	Bk/BwF-Hfr	479	295.00	\$1,413.54
Leslie (Bud) Strangford, Baker MT	31	Black-Str	575	310.00	\$1,781.00
	27	Black-Hfr	540	274.50	\$1,483.31
Brian & Anita Tope, Rozet WY	20	Bk/BwF-Str	578	299.00	\$1,727.47
	12	Bk/BwF-Hfr	471	285.00	\$1,343.06
Cundy Ranch, Sundance WY	15	Bk/BwF-Str	597	306.00	\$1,827.84
	19	Bk/BwF-Hfr	532	274.50	\$1,459.90
B&L Betz Cattle Company I, Clearmont WY	84	Bk/BwF-Str	537	308.50	\$1,655.61
Paul D Brown, Recluse WY	26	Black-Str	464	354.00	\$1,643.37
Ivn Cattle Co Llc, Newcastle WY	9	Black-Str	747	267.00	\$1,993.60
	19	Black-Str	538	303.00	\$1,630.61
Gladson Family Trust, Gillette WY	73	Black-Str	632	294.50	\$1,859.98
	27	Black-Str	497	334.50	\$1,661.35
Troy Or Marylou Gladson, Gillette WY	12	Black-Str	613	305.50	\$1,871.18
	12	Black-Hfr	599	267.50	\$1,601.65
Frank J Nies, Ekalaka MT	100	Black-Str	570	310.00	\$1,767.31
	48	Black-Str	484	343.50	\$1,660.96
Schellendorf Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	90	Herf-Str	549	326.50	\$1,793.39
Scott & Christine West, Oshoto WY	40	Bk/BwF-Str	488	339.00	\$1,655.20
	12	Bk/BwF-Str	405	375.00	\$1,520.31
Everett Kraft, Upton WY	46	Bk/BwF-Str	580	308.00	\$1,790.11
	40	Black-Hfr	554	271.50	\$1,502.75
Sand Bar Cattle Co, Winnett MT	27	Black-Str	508	329.50	\$1,673.73
	14	Black-Str	400	351.00	\$1,405.25
	18	Black-Hfr	412	334.00	\$1,375.89
Lance Johnson, Bowman Nd	40	Bk/BwF-Str	469	315.00	\$1,478.13
Stockman Exchange, Willard MT	60	Bk/BwF-Str	527	323.00	\$1,703.55
	11	Black-Str	425	364.00	\$1,545.34
	49	Bk/BwF-Hfr	496	285.00	\$1,413.65
	10	Black-Hfr	388	362.50	\$1,406.50
Eracilo Martinez, Edgemont SD	6	Black-Str	502	319.00	\$1,600.31
	5	Bk/BwF-Str	422	365.00	\$1,540.30

Terry Hoenke, Ismay MT	25	Bk/BwF-Str	494	333.00	\$1,645.68
	48	Bk/BwF-Str	395	417.50	\$1,649.12
	22	Bk/BwF-Str	300	400.00	\$1,201.81
Nance Cattle Co, Birney MT	48	Black-Str	621	288.00	\$1,787.70
	23	Black-Hfr	600	257.50	\$1,546.11
	27	Black-Hfr	544	273.00	\$1,486.33
Wolf Ranch Inc, Ekalaka MT	7	Black-Str	419	375.00	\$1,572.32
	7	Black-Hfr	366	365.00	\$1,337.46
Wayne E Pollat, Gillette WY	10	BwF-Str	579	304.00	\$1,760.16
	9	BwF-Hfr	542	270.00	\$1,464.00
Jim & Nancy Mcquown, Black Hawk SD	7	Black-Str	545	306.00	\$1,667.70
	10	Black-Hfr	582	270.00	\$1,570.05
Tom Or Eileen Nistler, Upton WY	26	Bk/BwF-Str	657	291.00	\$1,910.52
	19	Black-Hfr	608	248.00	\$1,507.57
Taft Ranch, Upton WY	76	Black-Str	571	307.00	\$1,753.63
	44	Black-Hfr	534	271.50	\$1,449.13
4r Land & Cattle, Nisland SD	8	Black-Str	460	336.00	\$1,545.60
	23	Black-Str	367	395.00	\$1,451.19
	14	Black-Hfr	420	322.00	\$1,351.25
Zack & Bonnie Jo Jay, Hulett WY	11	Bk/BwF-Str	550	281.00	\$1,546.77
	13	Rd/Bk-Str	448	360.00	\$1,613.07
Shane & Pamela Bivens, Gillette WY	18	Black-Str	494	325.00	\$1,606.94
	11	Black-Hfr	482	290.00	\$1,397.27
John & Anna Mitchell, Aladdin WY	11	Rwf/BwF-Str	556	282.00	\$1,568.94
Charlie Hensley, Rozet WY	4	Herf-Str	560	285.00	\$1,596.00
	5	Herf-Hfr	466	290.00	\$1,351.40
Linda Edwards, Gillette WY	58	Black-Str	458	359.00	\$1,644.59
	20	Black-Str	395	407.50	\$1,608.60
	50	Black-Hfr	433	332.00	\$1,435.90
	12	Black-Hfr	360	377.50	\$1,359.00
Rilee Fisher, Ashland MT	9	Bk/BwF-Str	573	290.00	\$1,661.05
	20	Bk/BwF-Str	580	288.50	\$1,674.02
	24	Rd/Bk-Str	453	353.50	\$1,599.58
Steven Conzelman, Gillette WY	6	Black-Str	498	290.00	\$1,445.16
Bill Mankin, Gillette WY	49	Bk/BwF-Str	421	378.00	\$1,591.07
Guy Casteele Livestock Llc, Newell SD	14	Bk/BwF-Str	569	299.00	\$1,700.02

YEARLINGS					
Houck Ranch, Wibaux MT	80	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	728	269.50	\$1,962.12
	64	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	598	280.00	\$1,675.40
	27	Red/RwF-Yrimg Str	689	263.50	\$1,814.73
	18	Red/RwF-Yrimg Str	602	277.00	\$1,667.38
Robert Budmayr, Belle Fourche SD	38	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	780	247.00	\$1,925.95
	11	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	634	258.00	\$1,634.78
Matthew Stiegelmeier, Otter MT	31	Black-Yrimg Str	719	252.00	\$1,812.77
	15	Black-Yrimg Str	583	269.50	\$1,572.08
Edith & Gordon Harper, Parkman WY	64	Red/RwF-Yrimg Str	477	259.50	\$2,198.65
	8	Red/RwF-Yrimg Str	755	260.50	\$1,966.77
Dan & Virginia Hill, Dillon MT	40	Black-Yrimg Str	790	251.00	\$1,983.21
Helen Wellborn, Dillon MT	38	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	681	253.50	\$1,617.40
Claudia Vroman, Buffalo SD	15	Rd/Bk-Yrimg Str	890	235.00	\$2,091.50
Rittberger Beef, Hermosa SD	14	Black-Yrimg Str	1046	223.50	\$2,338.76
Dave Hayden, Baker MT	12	Black-Yrimg Str	902	234.50	\$2,114.40
	5	Black-Yrimg Str	811	242.00	\$1,962.62
David Or Morgan Hargrove, Nisland SD	23	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	1030	228.00	\$2,347.40
Ronald A Adam, Sturgis SD	28	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	691	270.00	\$1,866.85
	19	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	868	255.00	\$2,213.13
	10	Bk/Rd/Ch-Yrimg Str	528	271.50	\$1,433.52
	16	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	731	247.00	\$1,804.64
	24	Bk/BwF-Yrimg Str	570	269.50	\$1,535.58
Doug Bonsell, Ekalaka MT	24	Red/RwF-Yrimg Str	774	247.50	\$1,916.06
Duane & Mary Odegard, Avada WY	14	Bk/Rd/Ch-Yrimg Str	705	252.50	\$1,779.22

High Plains Commodities Offices  
Belle Fourche Livestock Market, LLC.  
Stop in or Call 1-800-888-1432  
Kim Kling - Kem Kjerstad

UPCOMING SALE SCHEDULE

October 31, 2024	SPRING CALF & YRL SPECIAL / ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
November 1, 2024	BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, BREDS @ 12 MT
November 7, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL - FEEDERS @ 10 MT
November 8, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
November 14, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL - FEEDERS @ 10 MT
November 15, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
November 21, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL - FEEDERS @ 10 MT
November 22, 2024	WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT
November 25, 2024	BRED CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, BREDS @ 12 MT
December 5, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WEIGH UPS @ 10 AM MT, FEEDERS @ 12 MT
December 12, 2024	FEEDER CATTLE & WEIGH UP SPECIAL - WE



Firefighters gather in the early morning to take part in a real life fire training, when they burned down the property at 8th and Aurora in Belle Fourche. Longbrake photos



Keeping an eye on the fire, making sure it is in control at all times.



Getting in the right position to fight the fire is important in fire training.



Fire begins to envelop the entire structure.

**Neighborhood** From C1 the Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Department stepped in and seized the opportunity to engage in firefighter training.

The fire department will focus on the outside structure for fire training.

Fire Chief Aaron Thramer explained, "It is for exterior attack only due to the shape of the house on the inside, it's not conducive to doing any interior drills."

Being a firefighter since 2006 and Fire Chief for the past six years, Thramer had the situation under control and was in command of the scene. "We're gonna do secondary structure protection and basically do a water curtain between this house and the trailer house (next door)."

What will happen is the water droplets, as they fall will absorb the heat, so we'll have 40 to 50 degree difference on either side of the water stream," he explained.

Thramer said his crew was getting valuable nozzle time on the live fire and watching fire behavior develop.

"We're actually letting the cadets, which are the orange helmets, get a little bit of nozzle time plus they got to see how the fire behaved."

Cadets are students that haven't graduate to firefighter status yet. This training exercise provided the perfect learning opportunity for them.

Cadet, Abby Vissia explained, "we learned the differences between what different things can do when you get to the fire, when you put your shield down or the mist in front of you and how the temperature changes."

Cadet Aleyah Carbajal added, "I learned about when using the hose, especially when Captain Bailey was pushing in the wall, we were focusing on making sure that they stayed

cool enough and that the fire wasn't going to be too hot on their skin even though they are protected through the gear."

Having real life experience gave the trainees firsthand knowledge as to what to expect during a fire.

"Like the way that our gear and our shields protect our body from the heat, this kind of was a little bit bigger training from what we've done before with the propane tree, but it just really put it into a better perspective," said Carbajal.

"This gives a chance for the fire department—obviously they don't get a chance too often to have a practice burn—most training is an actual real life situation, so this gives them practice in town," said Bryan.

After the old house is gone the lot will be cleared and rebuilding will begin. "New water, sewer, new everything on the property."

This lot is currently in the Dakota Land Trust program to save people money, because that takes the cost of the land out of the purchase price," said Walker.

A pre-made house will be brought in and placed on the cleaned lot. "This is a Governor's House and those are made in Springfield, South Dakota."

It comes pre-made so you'll be able to turn it around pretty fast," said Bryan. The goal is to have a family living in the home by spring.

As a testament to the hard work and revitalization of the neighborhoods in Belle Fourche, the neighborhood that contains the house that is being burned down and redone, is the fourth corner of an entire intersection that has been rebuilt.

"The fun part about this neighborhood, about five years ago, we actually built the three homes on that



Three firefighters use tools to collapse the last wall standing.



Watching a bidirectional flow pattern develop. It occurs when smoke and air move in opposite directions through the same opening.



Making sure the fire is under control at all times is important for safety and training.

corner, this gentleman redid his home at the same time, and the city put over \$100,000 into Gay Park.

So this property, as we're burning it down and

putting up a new home, will complete all four corners of the heart of that redevelopment," explained Walker.

NeighborWorks has placed

over 120 homes into the Northern Black Hills area, and somewhere in the neighborhood of 25 homes in Belle Fourche.

# Area Church Schedules

**ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL**  
6th and Roundup - 892-2446  
The Rev. Evelyn Weaver  
The Rev. Sandy Williams, Priests Deacon Rev.  
Mike Weaver  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER**  
2020 Vista St - 892-4767  
Dan Carlson, Pastor  
Paul Howard, Pastor  
Sunday Schedule:  
Long Term Care Service 8:45 a.m.  
Sunday School: All ages 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Hour: 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
1105 Todd St.  
John Allred, Bishop  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Sacrament Meeting  
Sunday School:  
1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m.  
Priesthood Meeting, Relief Society, Young Men and Young Women:  
11 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

**Emmanuel Baptist**  
Meet at American Conference room -  
Andy Anderson, Pastor  
9am Sunday School 10am church  
Men's Bible Study 10am at the Senior Center  
Women's Bible Study Tuesday 9am. Call for location.  
website: ebctof.org

**CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC)**  
613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche  
(605)-210-2150  
Pastor Stephen Carson  
Worship Pastor Ashton Plone  
Sunday Worship: 8:45 or 10:15 am

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
807 8th Ave. 892-4178  
Pastor Tim Smith  
Sunday: Sunday School - 9:15am  
Morning Worship - 10:30am  
Wednesday: Salt and Light Youth - Kindergarten - 12th grade  
5:00pm Soup & Sandwich  
5:30pm - Salt and Light

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC**  
892-3402 • www.bfsoucc.org -  
717 Jackson St. Sunday:  
9:35 a.m. Sunday School  
10 a.m. Worship

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
901 Laurel St. Whitewood  
(605)-920-1959  
Peverand Jill Jennewein  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Adult & Teen Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School  
**LANDMARK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
(ABA) - 22 miles east on Hwy 34  
723-1092  
Sunday: 10 a.m. worship service

**NEWELL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**  
308 4th Street, Newell SD, 57760  
605-456-2544  
Sunday Worship Service: 10:00am

**NORTHERN HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
5 miles south of Belle Fourche on Hwy 85 - 642-7167  
Calvin Chapman - Int. Minister  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Bible Class  
10:30 a.m. Praise & Worship  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Bible Class

**NORTH POINT CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
10959 Kellem Lane, Spearfish  
Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM

**NISLAND INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
On Hwy 212 in Nisland  
(605) 257-2356  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship: 10:45 a.m.

**RANGELAND MINISTRIES CHURCH**  
Alzada, MT  
Sunday: Worship: 10:00am  
Mark Leverington, Lay Pastor

**BLACK HILLS GOSPEL ASSEMBLY**  
1/2 Mile east on Hwy 34 - 210-1374  
Kenny Riley, pastor  
Sunday: 1 p.m.  
Friday: 7:30 p.m.

**SALVATION ARMY OF THE NORTHERN HILLS**  
120 Ryan Rd., Spearfish  
605-642-0924  
Envoys: Tim and Peggy North  
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday School: 11 a.m.  
Worship Nursery available  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., Learning and Discovery Study

**ST. ONGE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Sunday School and Worship at 8:30 a.m. • www.bfsoucc.org

**PRAIRIE HOME CHURCH**  
1701 Hwy 212, Newell  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Worship: 11 a.m.

**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
855 5th Ave.  
Father Kevin Achbach, Pastor  
Father Francis Nsubuga, Assoc. Pastor  
Pastor Mass Times  
Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Mass: Weds. & Thurs. 12:15 p.m.  
Confessions available one hour before all Masses

**ST. JAMES LUTHERAN**  
1100 Stanley Street  
Open for in-house worship  
Sunday Worship 10:AM with coffee fellowship following the service.  
Watch live-streamed services: www.sjlbellefourche.org  
Wednesday at 5:55 PM during the school year. Watch our Sunday service live on Facebook.

**SUMMIT OPEN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP**  
Seventh and Summit  
892-4630 or 892-4389  
Pastor Rick and Diane Brennan  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship  
Kidz Church Immediately Following  
Wednesday: September - May 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
Kidz Alive (Kindergarten - 6th Grade)

**GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Sheri Fadley  
1804 7th Ave. Belle Fourche  
605-892-2405  
Worship: Sunday 10:30 am -FB Live  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Small Groups & Studies schedule online at www.bellefourchegmc.com

**VALE COMMUNITY COUNTRY CHURCH**  
Pastor Darla Dunn  
402 Rosander St. Vale SD 57788  
Service Sunday: 10 a.m.  
605-210-0512

**SPEARFISH Adventist® CHURCH**  
290 W Highway 14  
Pastor Darren Purdy and Pastor Marveen Gentillon  
Join Us This Saturday  
Morning Prayer: 9:00am  
Sabbath School: 9:30am  
Worship Service: 10:45am  
Bible Study-Tuesday: 6:00pm

**Red Water Church of Christ**  
Belle Fourche Rec Center  
Sun: 9:30-12:30.  
Contact: Nathan Thompson  
605 569-3057  
Sermons: fightintheshade

**NEW COVENANT PCA**  
1120 North Fifth Street, Spearfish  
642-1122 - Luke Bluhm, Pastor  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service  
**Spearfish United Church of Christ (Congregational)**  
920 N Main Street, Spearfish  
Sunday Service 10 a.m. in person and on Facebook.  
Pastor Randy Hedge  
605-642-8253

## Central Meade County News

By Sandy Rhoden October 15, 2024



After some beautiful temperatures last week we had a cooler day on Sunday, with temperatures in the mid to upper 30s overnight on Saturday. Though we are still in need of rain, we can't complain about the beautiful fall colors on the trees we have been enjoying. It's looking like we have a rather enjoyable week and a good time to get out to enjoy the beauty of western South Dakota.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. For a fun thing to do for Bill Meirose who pastors at the Community Baptist Church of Union Center, Lorie Hausmann presented him with a Vikings helmet and the foam #1 glove on Sunday. Bill is a Vikings fan and just attended a game in Minnesota recently. The church in Union Center very much appreciates Bill Meirose. He is well studied as Dr. Bill Meirose and one never leaves a sermon without learning something new. He spends much time in preparation for his sermons. The wealth of knowledge and speaking the truth is worth more than the church can pay him. But, he loves driving from Sturgis to Union Center to shepherd the church, and the church family looks forward to seeing him and learning every Sunday. He hasn't missed a step even through the loss of his wife, Val.

They were a great team and she is missed sitting near the back of the church and always contributing wisdom. In so very many ways we at Union Center appreciate our pastor, and we hope those of you reading this can express appreciation to your pastors as well.

For prayer warrior readers, please pray for Susan Delbridge as she begins chemo treatments this week. Fighting cancer can be a tough road and a path no one would choose. But, with support from friends, family and neighbors, we can ease that burden to help get these fighters through it. Susan is the wife of Norman Delbridge and daughter of Katherine Spring of Union Center. Also, please pray for Francie Sanders who has stage 4 cancer. She and her husband Norm lived near Enning years ago but she has been in Rapid City for some time now.

Mr. and Mrs. Josh and Talina (Spring) Sandrine were in church on Sunday for the first time as husband and wife. Talina helps with computer-to-screen music and scripture during the church services. They are much appreciated.

Larry and Sandy Rhoden spent Saturday in Yankton to help celebrate the 100th birthday dedication of the Meridian Bridge that connects the states of Nebraska and South Dakota together. It was a picture perfect

### "Building Main Street, not Wall Street"

## The Path to Economic Growth for Rural America

As America's vast network of interstate highways crisscrosses the country, it creates unique economic opportunities at its intersections for local communities.



These interstate interchanges serve as gateways to small rural communities, offering potential for growth and development. However, many of these communities struggle to capitalize on the steady stream of travelers passing by. By effectively marketing their interstate interchanges, rural towns can attract visitors, boost local businesses, and stimulate economic growth.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Interstate Highway System spans over 48,000 miles and connects major urban centers across the country. However, it's the thousands of interchanges in rural areas often go unnoticed and underutilized. The Federal Highway Administration reports approximately 70% of the Interstate System's length passes through rural areas, presenting a wealth of opportunities for small communities.

The National Association of Development Organizations found well-developed interstate exits increase local tax revenues by up to 20% and create hundreds of jobs in rural areas. Despite this, many rural interchanges remain underdeveloped, with only basic services like gas stations and fast-food restaurants. How can local communities take advantage of this?

One of the most effective ways to market a rural interchange is by showcasing the unique attractions of the local community. This could include historical sites, natural wonders, or cultural experiences that set the town apart from others along the interstate. The small town of Wall, South Dakota (population 876) has successfully marketed its interstate exit by promoting Wall Drug, a quirky roadside attraction that draws over two million visitors annually. By plastering billboards along hundreds of miles of interstate, Wall Drug has become a must-see stop for many travelers, bringing significant economic benefits to the town.

Creating a strong, consistent brand for the interchange and surrounding area can help it stand out in travelers' minds. This branding should reflect the character of the local community while also appealing to a broad audience of potential visitors.

The town of Limon, Colorado (population 1,880) has embraced this approach with its "Hub City" branding. Located

at the intersection of two major interstates, Limon markets itself as a convenient stopover point for travelers, offering a variety of services and attractions within easy reach of the highway.

In today's digital age, effective marketing of rural interchanges must include a strong online presence. This may include developing a mobile-friendly website with information about local attractions, accommodations, and services. Utilizing social media platforms to engage with potential visitors and share compelling content about the area. Encouraging visitors to leave online reviews and share their experiences, creating valuable word-of-mouth marketing. The town of Paducah, Kentucky (population 25,000) has successfully used social media to promote its cultural attractions and events, drawing visitors from the nearby interstate to explore its historic downtown and thriving arts scene.

Rural communities can amplify their marketing efforts by partnering with regional and state tourism organizations. These collaborations can provide access to broader marketing channels and help integrate the interchange into larger tourism initiatives. The Alabama Tourism Department's "Alabama Road Trips" campaign is an excellent example of this approach. By featuring small towns and attractions along interstate routes, the campaign helps drive traffic to rural interchanges across the state.

Clear, attractive signage along the interstate and at the interchange itself is crucial for attracting travelers. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) provides guidelines for interstate signage, but communities can also invest in additional wayfinding signage to guide visitors to local attractions and services. The town of Metropolis, Illinois (population 6,000) has leveraged its connection to the Superman character with eye-catching signage and a giant Superman statue visible from the interstate, drawing curious travelers to exit and explore the town.

Creating amenities tailored to the needs of interstate travelers can make an interchange more attractive. This might include travel centers with expanded services beyond basic gas and food. IT might include pet-friendly areas for travelers with animals. It may include information kiosks highlighting

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## Local Food Program Distributes Food Monthly

**Robbi Longbrake**  
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BELLE FOURCHE—In the time of higher grocery prices, there is one group helping out local communities by providing free food each month.

Black Hills Farmers Market distributes food to anyone living in Butte County. A generous grant provided through USDA provides the food.

The grant money is used to buy products from local producers. "One grant requirement is that the food has to be produced for South Dakota and used by South Dakota," said Gwen Kitzan, Black Hills Farmers Market Outreach Program Manager.

In fact, products that are used are purchased within a 200 mile radius of Rapid City, or closer, meaning the money goes right into the local economy.

Kitzan said that the grant covers Rapid City area, Pennington County, Meade County, Butte County and Harding County. In Butte county the distribution centers are in Nisland and Belle Fourche.

Anyone in Butte county is invited pick up food at either location that is convenient to them.

In Belle Fourche food is given out on the second Monday of the month.

The give away usually includes eggs, meat (pork, beef, or lamb), cheese and whatever vegetables are available. Honey and carrots are planned for future packages

according to Kitzan.

This month the bag included hamburger, cabbage, winter squash, eggs, cheese, tomatoes, onions and potatoes. "We might get micro greens instead of a bunch of the vegetables, it always changes."

We always get protein, which is your meat product, we always get eggs and cheese and then whatever veggies are available,"

Knights of Columbus Volunteer. Over 3000 pounds of food was delivered this month, "fresh and delicious local food," said Kitzan.

A group of friendly volunteers with the Knights of Columbus gather every second Monday of the month in the early morning, and begin putting together the bags to be handed out. They wanted to be recognized together as volunteers, rather than one individual getting credit for the work.

The food arrives in the morning and then this group of men divide it up. They load up food that is sent to other communities and take the Belle Fourche community share, spend several hours sorting the food and make up 75 bags, ensuring each packet receives the proper amount of food items.

"We shoot for 75 bags, but if we get enough people coming and could give away 100 bags, we just have to tell the people we

need more bags," Knights of Columbus volunteer.

They are just focused on feeding people and made it clear they want to give food away to local people.

You do not have to sign up for the program, or enroll in the program, and there are no financial requirements to get the food.

You just have to show up to the location and volunteers will load the food into your car. "We don't care if you make a million dollars or \$1, if you show up here, we're going to give you a bag," explained a Knights of Columbus volunteer.

In Belle Fourche food distribution (second Monday of the month) takes place outside of the Meals on Wheels building and in Nisland, on the second Tuesday of the month, distribution is at the south door of the town hall.

The Knights of Columbus also gathered up bags and delivered them to folks that couldn't make it down to the give away location, but needed the food.

The give away begins at 1:00 p.m. and goes until the last bag is given out.

The grant program runs through May, 2025. It is a 20 month program.



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The **Knights of Columbus** men gather once a month to help bag up and hand out food at the Belle Fourche **Black Hills Farmers Market** food distribution event.



Anyone wanting food during the **Black Hills Farmers Market** distribution day just has to pull up beside the **Meals on Wheels** building in Belle Fourche and volunteers from the **Knights of Columbus** will load the groceries right into your vehicle. *Longbrake photos*

## Hawkeye Community College Tops Indian Hills in Sports Shooting



Hawkeye freshman and Belle native **Brenna Leitner** (on left) let the Women's Sport shooting event.

*Courtesy Photo*

OTTUMWA—RedTail Sports Shooting bested the hosting Indian Hills Warriors 481-458 in a head-to-head contest on October 4.

The RedTail men were led by Chase Bindl (FR, Spring Green, WI), who placed first with a 100 straight for the second week in a row. Cole Slabaugh (FR, Uniontown, OH) was one shot behind,

coming in second with 99.

"Experience in windy conditions was very beneficial," said head coach Troy Emley.

For the women, Brenna Leitner (FR, Belle Fourche, SD) led the RedTails with 98 targets. Lydia Covert (SO, Lakewood, NY) came in second with 89. "We did really well today," Emley said. "Some of the traveling

squad were not happy with their performances, but we fought for every target. This competition will help our mental game for later in the season."

The RedTails are next in competition on October 12, facing the Kirkwood Eagles in trap singles.



# What It Means to Young Riders to be in 4-H

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The Young Riders 4-H Club held a meeting recently to elect officers for the new year. One of the benefits of 4-H is learning proper meeting conduct and parliamentary procedure.

Since it is National 4-H Week, the members wrote about what 4-H means to them and how it prepares them for the future:

Abigail—4-H has taught me about livestock.

Liza—I like showing animals. It's really fun. I learned how to train sheep to show.

Sarah—I like making new friends, learning about animals, and learning how to make different projects.

Ellie—4-H has made me more independent and more responsible. I've learned many lessons through 4-H.

4-H has given me a chance to meet other people and make new friends from other schools and towns, as well as our town.

Aiden—It helps me be involved in the community and it is fun.

Neriah—4-H has helped me to become more confident in many ways, such as speaking up in front of other people, and writing better notes. I've also

learned more about my animals and how to take care of them. Thank you 4-H for teaching me these things!

If you are a young person interested in joining 4-H, call the Extension office at 605 892-3371.



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Bring friends, costumes optional, and get moving!

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**Check In:** 6:00-6:30 PM (That's right, it's at NIGHT!)

**Start Time:** 6:30 pm

**Location:** Herrmann Park/Bowman Hall

**Distance:** Full distance 3.1 miles; however you can choose your distance as we have options from .30 (1-lap around the park) and up!

**Registration:** Register at the BF Rec Center or at the event.

**\$5 Kids ~ \$10 Adults \*Add \$10 for an event shirt.**

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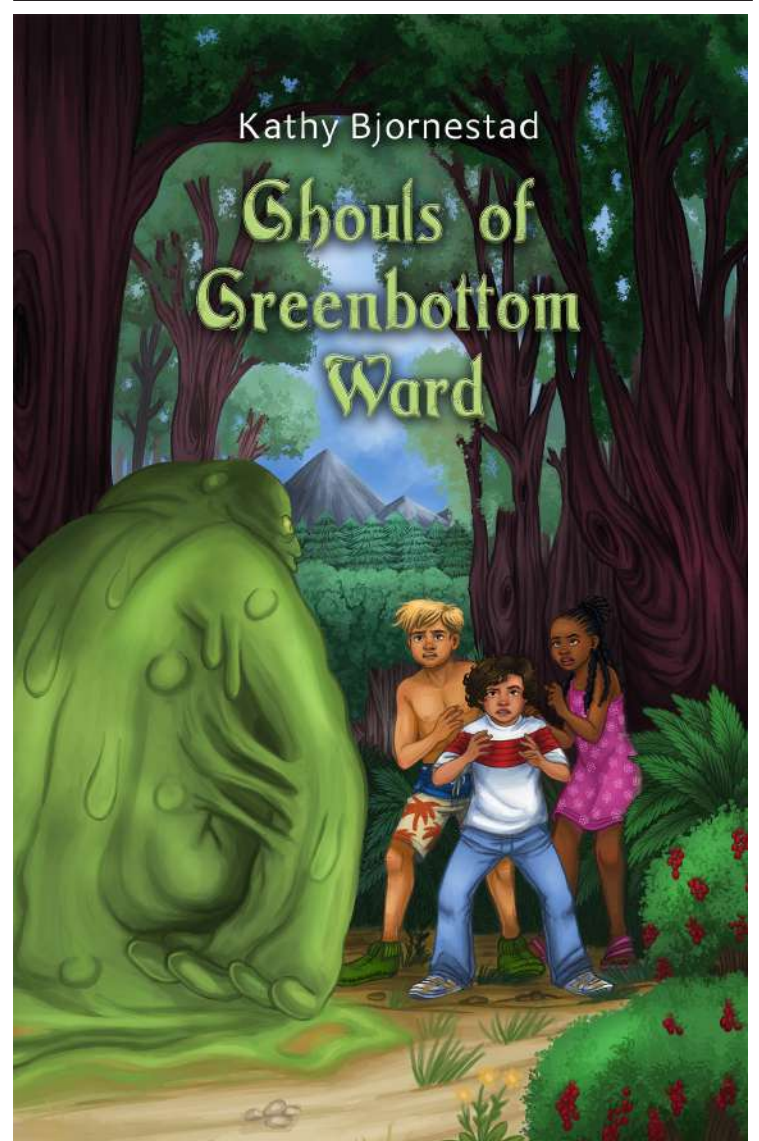
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Matthews Opera House

October 23 & 24: "A Christmas Story" Auditions

The Matthews is excited to announce open auditions for "A Christmas Story," the classic holiday comedy adapted by playwright Philip Grecion. Roles are available for a variety of ages including young actors. This family favorite follows 9-year-old Ralphie Parker in his quest to get a genuine Red Ryder BB gun under the tree for Christmas. Auditions will take place in the Matthews theater from 6-8 pm. No prior experience necessary. For more information, including performance dates, contact the Matthews at (605) 642-7973, visit matthewsopera.com, or stop into the Matthews Gallery at 612 N. Main Street, Spearfish.

October 25 - November 3: "Deathtrap" Community Theater

Would you be a killer for a thriller? "Deathtrap," by playwright Ira Levin premieres at the Matthews Opera House on Friday, October 25 at 7 pm with additional performances on Saturdays, Sundays, and Tuesday through November 3. When a once-successful playwright sees his latest Broadway effort bomb on opening night, he tumbles into despair—until he receives a package from a former student containing a script worth killing for. Audiences should be advised, "Deathtrap" is rated R. For more information, including tickets and performance times, contact the Matthews at (605) 642-7973, visit matthewsopera.com, or stop into the Matthews Gallery at 612 N. Main Street, Spearfish.

October 31: Halloween Drawing Party

The Matthews is excited to announce their Halloween figure drawing workshop on Thursday, October 31 from 6-8:30 pm in the historic theater. This fun workshop for adults (18+) will feature drawing from live, costumed models in a creative atmosphere. Led by BHSU art professor Desy Schoenewies, no experience is necessary to participate in this free event. Artists are encouraged to bring their own supplies. For more information, contact the Matthews at (605) 642-7973, visit matthewsopera.com, or stop into the Matthews Gallery at 612 N. Main Street, Spearfish.

From C3 John Newby

local attractions and events. The town of Cuba, Missouri (population 3,300) has embraced this approach with its Route 66-themed welcome center at the interstate interchange, providing travelers with information about local attractions and encouraging them to explore the historic downtown area.

While marketing rural interchanges offers significant potential, it's not without challenges. Communities must navigate zoning regulations, infrastructure costs, and potential environmental impacts.

Additionally, there's a delicate balance between development and preserving the rural character that makes these communities unique.

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In the BFACT One Act play "Charlie's Masterpiece," Charlie (Katarina Steeves) struggles to believe there is much hope for her artistic dreams and her father's (Michael Meemken) rosy view of life.

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**Public Notice**

The Bureau of Reclamation will implement administrative rules at Duer Lake Wetland Mitigation Area (Duer Lake) in November 2024. Reclamation will designate a Special Use Area for Duer Lake to restrict firearm use and camping at Duer Lake.

Restricting legal weapons to archery and shotgun only reduces the public health and safety risk as farmhouses are located nearby and Duer Lake is located along Hwy 212. In addition, based on the concerns from adjacent landowners to not allow rifle hunting or shooting, Reclamation will restrict the use of all rifles on Duer Lake property.

Restricting camping at Duer Lake is warranted since no camping or sanitation facilities exist and the property is located immediately off of Hwy 212. In addition, Duer Lake will be managed as a Wildlife Management Area. No camping is allowed on Wildlife Management Areas in South Dakota.

Duer Lake consists of 3 tracts of land where Reclamation holds an easement from the underlying landowners to manage the area and allow public hunting access. All 3 of these tracts are connected and will be managed as one unit for a total of 58.32 acres. Duer Lake is located approximately 2 miles west of Nisland, SD along Hwy 212. Duer Lake is part of the Belle Fourche Project.

Reclamation will manage Duer Lake until management can be transferred to South Dakota Game Fish and Parks. Public access will be allowed. Reclamation will post a rule sign at the entrance to the Duer Lake property until a managing partner is secured.

Public interest has increased substantially at Duer Lake since the inception of online hunting map applications. Duer Lake offers waterfowl habitat and public hunting opportunities. Reclamation has made improvements to the area, including parking lot construction and access improvements. Walk in access only is allowed on the Duer Lake property. Boundary signs and a rule sign has been installed to aid the public.

Belle Fourche Project is in western South Dakota northeast of the Black Hills. Principal structures include a diversion dam, a storage dam, and a system of canals, laterals, and drains to irrigate 57,068 acres in the general area of Newell, Vale, and Nisland, South Dakota, along the valley of the Belle Fourche River. The project is a single-purpose development; however, flood control, fish and wildlife conservation, and recreation benefits are inherently provided.

A map of the proposed management actions is available here: [Dakotas Area Office \(usbr.gov\)](https://www.usbr.gov/dakotas)  
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In "Charlie's Masterpiece," the one act play by local writer Stephanie Bussiere, neighbor Gloria (Rachel Munce), has more than enough inspiration for Charlie (Katarina Steeves). Directors Emma Tinsley and Allie Juso Verry brought the BFACT production together for Getting Our Acts Together - four nights with four shows from four northern hills theaters.



With help from friend Sammy (Wes Barnhouse) and sister Mika (Emma Tinsley), "Charlie's Masterpiece" is promoted beyond expectations.

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

**ACROSS**

- Warm
- Three-handed card game
- Inf. Standard Book Number (abbr.)
- Florida (abbr.)
- Braz. tree
- Ploy
- Son of lot
- His (Fr.)
- First stomach
- British thermal unit (abbr.)
- Evil
- Bargain
- Grain beetle larva
- Linnet
- Turk. title
- Pouch
- Niger-Congo language
- Passageway
- Rom. galley
- Fresh-water

**DOWN**

- Express disapproval
- It. family
- Down with (Fr., 2 words)
- Explosive letters
- Larine (2 words)
- Flemish (abbr.)
- Celebrated

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

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 NORIAHAGEN  
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 GALURFAIWI  
 AMESETHFROE

8 "Casablanca" character

9 Nodal

10 Malay law

11 Forbidden letters

16 Russ. inland sea

20 Ensnare

22 Blue-gray

24 In the know

25 Council for Econ. Advisors (abbr.)

26 Male friend (Fr.)

27 Area

28 Sup

30 Head covering

31 Compass direction

34 Scalloped

37 Belonging to (suf.)

39 Scientific name (suf.)

41 Rope

43 Condition (suf.)

44 Sicilian resort

46 Wagon tongue

47 Chills and fever

48 Rosebud, e.g.

49 Edomite king

51 To or from a distance (pref.)

53 Amer. Football League (abbr.)

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Enigma cryptograms are created from quotations and proverbs from around the world. Each letter stands for another letter. Hint: "X" = "M"

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 PGSYH LCESQHBP CDH."

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "It is often easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them." — Adlai E. Stevenson

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The Spearfish clinic will continue to provide medical, emergency dental, counseling, and resource services on Monday nights at Our Savior's Lutheran church, located at 1020 State Street.

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 The SD Abortion Amendment Explained

**1st trimester:** Because of the vague word 'effectuation,' meaning "to bring about," the State would be completely prohibited from enacting any abortion regulations.

**2nd trimester:** Abortion would still be legalized for any reason, even after the child is viable outside of the womb.

**3rd trimester:** The U.S. Supreme Court defined 'health' to include "all factors - physical, emotional, psychological, familial, and the woman's age." This broad definition of 'health' would allow for abortion all the way to the point of birth.

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Before the end of the first trimester, the State may not regulate a pregnant woman's abortion decision and its effectuation, which must be left to the judgement of the pregnant woman.

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After the end of the second trimester, the State may regulate or prohibit abortion, except when abortion is necessary, in the medical judgment of the woman's physician, to preserve the life or health of the pregnant woman.

Adding abortion to our State's Constitution would take away the people's ability to change the law through the legislative process.

Only after the start of the 2nd trimester could the State impose safety standards on abortion facilities that would protect women from unsafe abortions.

The 'physician,' in this case, would often be a Planned Parenthood abortionist who profits off of abortion.

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**October 31st-Trick or Treat, Silver Linings Won't be Beat**

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7	Pork Enchilada Spanish Rice Mexican Street Corn Sopapilla	8 Baked Chicken Roasted Potato Creamed Spinach	9 Spaghetti & Meatballs Garlic Breadstick Veggie Medley	10 Pork Roast Parsley Noodles Green Beans	11 Shredded Chicken on a Bun Roasted Carrots Roasted Potatoes
14	Baked Ham Sweet Potato Broccoli	15 Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Roasted Carrots	16 Chicken Cordon Bleu Rice Veggie Medley	17 Oven Baked Porkchop Parsley Noodles Green Beans	18 Tator Tot Casserole Mixed Veggies
21	Sausage & Rice Veggie Medley Garden Salad	22 Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes with Country Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll	23 Chicken Alfredo Noodles Broccoli	24 Pulled Pork Sandwich Cole Slaw Potato Salad	25 Taco Salad Tortilla Chips Spanish Rice Sopapilla
28	Liver & Onions OR Cheeseburger Roasted Potatoes Veggie Medley	29 Kielbasa Peppers & Onions Wild Rice	30 Pamesian Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans	31 "Spooky" Swiss Steak Parsley Noodles Mixed Veggies Dinner Rolls	Look What's Cooking at Belle Silver Lining Come Join us Every Day 11:00am-1:00pm 828 Kingsbury Street Belle Fourche, SD

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## Yard Waste Removal

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NEWELL-Controversy about yard waste removal beset the Newell City Commission at Tuesday evening's regular meeting on October 15. During the early portion of the meeting, Ken Ballou spoke to the city's requirement of picking up branches and yard waste.

Ballou asked what the procedures were to handle the waste. He voiced his displeasure at seeing maintenance crew driving up and down the streets, occasionally picking up branches. In his opinion, he felt he was not "getting his money's worth" from the city.

Mayor Tara Tennis explained that she sees that the maintenance people working hard and doing a great job. Her sentiments were echoed by several people in the audience, with one citizen who said that she has never had a problem with her yard waste being picked up. She added that Public Works Superintendent Verl Tift had a lot to catch up on.

Branch and yard waste pick up is set for the first and third Monday of each month from April through October, weather permitting. It is mandatory to call first to get your name on the list.

There is a change of hours for the Newell Library. The new hours will be Monday, 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday and Friday hours remain the same.

Newell School Superintendent Dr. Pandi Pittman gave a report to the commissioners updating them on school activities. Presently, elementary staff is focusing on reading, helping students to catch up to grade level. The students have done well in the math department. She highlighted several upcoming events. The commissioners were invited to Literacy Night at the school on October 24.

She also mentioned that several FFA students will be attending the National FFA Convention. Sabrina Harmon had a list of accomplishments that WIT (Whatever It Takes) has been involved. She also mentioned that car seats will be available at the annual Trunk or Treat on October 31.

The commissioners approved vacating the easement on 7th Street. Ryan Dennis told the commissioners that vacate the street would still allow enough room for utility and sewer. The easement on the south end will be 30 feet.

The rental fee for City Hall was waived for Trunk or Treat on October 31. Health care in the Newell area may be in the future. Patrick Flanigan presented

the idea of adding an office in the Newell or Nisland area. Flanigan, FNP-C, is an independent provider who has been active in South Dakota, especially in Tele-Health. He is part of MyCatholicDoctor.com, a nonprofit, nationwide medical practice. He is able to assess, send prescriptions to the pharmacy, order labs and imaging, and make referrals.

Mayor Tennis voiced her enthusiasm for the future in Newell and said she would research somewhere for him to set up practice.

The idea of a Christmas Parade, i.e. Parade of Lights, was brought up for the commissioners to consider. The date set is December 13 at 6 p.m. The parade will begin downtown Newell and end at

## Looking On the Inside



Overall, the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and had a great time with the dissections. Photos by Longbrake

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NEWELL- Tracy Moody, an Anatomy instructor from NSU, visited the Newell School District on Wednesday, October 2nd. During her visit, she brought a sheep heart and a cow eyeball for students to dissect.

The students had the opportunity to dissect the eyeball, removing the lens and other structures while learning about the different parts and functions of the eye.

When dissecting the sheep heart, they explored its chambers, valves, and their respective functions.

the South Park to light the tree. Mayor Tennis would like to see an ordinance passed to stop profanity on flags and signs within the town limits. Even though it may cross the line between what is said and freedom of speech, she said it is unnecessary and is being seen by children. Tennis will check with the town's attorney to see what can be done.

Something also needs done with the turkeys who roam the town. Tennis will notify SD Game, Fish, and Parks. They will trap the turkeys and handle the removal of them from the town limits.

The next regular meeting will be November 12 at 5 p.m. Note the day change because of Veterans' Day on November 11.



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## Grand River Roundup



### Betty Olson

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It turned chilly this week with temperatures in the sixties and fifties and it froze almost every night so it really felt like fall. We finally got a little shower of rain Thursday night and a couple drops Friday night that added up to .13 hundredths of an inch of much needed moisture!

Reub and I went over to Lester and Sharon Longwood's last Sunday evening for a potluck supper and Bible study. Corinne and John Erickson, Duane Harris, and Brad and Linda Abelseth came to the supper and Bible study. Brad and Linda hadn't been with us at our Bible study for a long time while they were dealing with health problems and now they were able to tell us about all the health problems they have gotten over. They lived through a lot of health issues and are doing great now. Praise the Lord!

Reub and I went to Reeder Monday morning for our friend Lenny Jacobs' funeral and got to visit with a lot of people who came to bid goodbye to that wonderful man. After his burial in the Reeder Cemetery we all ate lunch at the old school building. After lunch, we had to go to Hettinger to gas up the pickup and we got back to Reeder in time for coffee with the Prairie Pioneers. Monday was Columbus Day, except in South Dakota where it's Native American Day, so there wasn't any mail that day. Casey and Taz went to help Bill Holt wean his calves that morning at the Grinde place and haul them up to the Holt ranch before they helped Bill work his cows.

Casey went up to the Hackamore to help Doug and Clint Doll Tuesday morning when the wind was just howling. It was blowing so hard that I didn't even hang our flag outside because I didn't want it ripped up. I had a Zoom meeting with the South Dakota

Coalition of Counties that evening about the upcoming elections and thankfully, the only time I had to be outside in that nasty wind was to take care of my chickens.

I've had a lot of people ask me how to vote on the seven ballot issues in November and I'm going to vote the same as the Concerned Citizens of South Dakota. Constitutional Amendment E, Constitutional Amendment F, Constitutional Amendment G, and Constitutional Amendment H, Initiated Measure 28, Initiated 29, and Referred Law 21 are all on the ballot in November. This is what the Concerned Citizens of South Dakota posted: The 2024 Election in South Dakota has a number of ballot items besides candidates and at the end of the day, all you need to remember is "Vote YES on F and NO on the Rest!" This country is in a mess so I hope you are all registered to vote and show up to vote on November 5th to help save our country, our state, and

the American citizens.

I went down to Erin Klemmel's on Wednesday to pick up my Alison's Pantry order and Louise Jenson's order. I stopped at the Reva Sore to get some groceries on the way home and Vince and Collette were back home from Louisiana. Laura Tenold ran the store while they were gone to visit their daughter and her family and to meet their new grandbaby. Their daughter's husband is in the Air Force down there and this is their third baby boy. I took Louise's order to her up at Ralph and had a good visit with her. She had surgery last week and she is recovering nicely.

Taz helped Reub put a new outside door in our basement Thursday morning and thankfully the wind wasn't blowing very hard that morning, but it sure came up hard again in the afternoon.

Friday was a chilly day without wind when the ladies of Slim Buttes Lutheran Church went down to the church to serve the appreciation lunch that Grand Electric Cooperative was hosting for their members around Reva. I came home after the lunch and then Reub and I went to Laufer's Vermeer in Hettinger to get our red pickup they had done and we stopped in Reeder on the way home to have coffee and some good visits with the Prairie Pioneers.

Taz and Amanda and the kids went to Faith on Saturday to watch Copper play basketball with the Harding County ele-

mentary players and it sounded like they sure had fun.

John Sexton, age 77 of Belle Fourche, died Saturday, October 19, at the Rolling Hills Healthcare Center in Belle Fourche. A Celebration of Life Service will be held Monday, October 28, at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche. Inurnment will take place at Pine Slope Cemetery. John Sexton was married to Del Oja from Buffalo.

Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen were gone to the Lutheran Missions Societies annual meeting in Frost, Minnesota, so Wade Hofer came to church this Sunday to give a report of what God is doing through the work of the Gideons while Bill Holt taught the adult Sunday school class and Iver Heier led the church service. We are looking forward to the Coffee House sponsoring Shiloh Hewett and David Paul at the Reva Hall next Sunday, October 27, at 6:00 that evening.

With the election coming on November 5th I'll leave you with this:

\*Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other. ~Oscar Ameringer

\*I offer my opponents a bargain: if they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them. ~Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952

## Then and Now in Newell

### "Looking Forward to our Past"

#### October 22, 1914

The sugar beets raised by Supt Aune at the Government Experiment Farm have been tested at the Brookings Agriculture College and found to have beaten the world's record for sugar content. This record is remarkable because it shows that South Dakota climate puts sugar into beets, no matter where the seed is from. This may open a new industry in this State, namely, the growing of sugar beet seed for beet growers in other states.

The authorities of Perkins County are employing men to

Joe Hetzel and his sister spent Sunday evening with Hester Calhoun.

#### October 25, 1934

Ray Raeburn, Manager of the Arcade Theater in Newell, this week announced that plans have been completed for a new theater in Newell. The new theater will be located south of the Niva Cream Station and will have a seating capacity of 360 people. According to Mr. Raeburn, it will be furnished with modern equipment and decorated in the latest style. The building should be ready about

#### by Linda Velder

ty will be arrested and fined.

A special meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union is called for Tuesday afternoon, October 30 at 3:00 O'clock. Members especially urged to be present. All in sympathy will be welcome, whether members or not. The meeting will be held in the Congregational parsonage.

#### October 19, 1944

A Service Roll is being prepared at Vale in honor of the men and woman of that community who are serving in the Armed Forces. The project is sponsored by the Vale Community Club and the work on the roll will be done by the Vale High School shop class. Those working on the roll include Roger Holst; Alex Achtziger; George Seieroe; Richard Godfrey; John Brown and Junior & Eddie Delatore. The dedication will take place on Armistice Day or on V-Day if Germany surrenders before November 11th.

Mr. & Mrs. T. C. Renelt and Mr. & Mrs. F. A. Busse and daughter Mae of Twilight were Newell shoppers on Saturday and later attended the wedding dance at the Deermont School. Most of the people of the community attended the wedding dance and all report enjoyable time and agree that they never before saw so much cake and ice cream in one place.

Pheasant on the menu locally: Misses Katherine Anderson and Clarice Wiest entertained a fine pheasant dinner at the Wiest home Sunday evening. Those present were Misses Betty & Verna Lyons; Dale Anderson; Glen Sherbon; Bob Kosola and Johnny Price. Mrs. Kirk Malcolm and sons were pheasant dinner guests of Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Gardner and daughter Tuesday evening.

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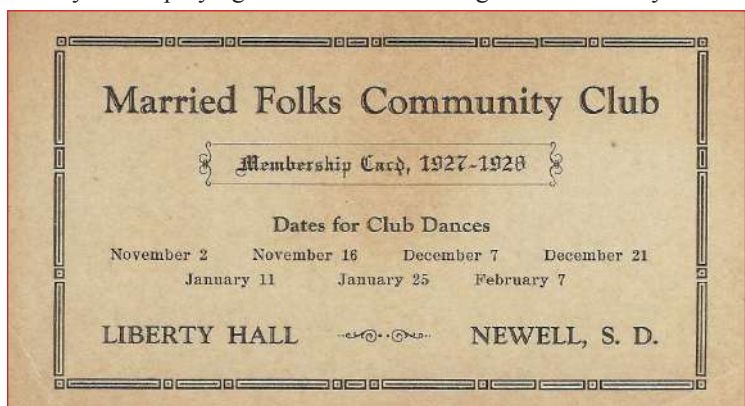
#### October 21, 1954

Double wedding rites united Newell couples: Miss Greta K. Giannonatti daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Giannonatti and Donald Nelson, son of Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Nelson and Miss Fay Hogan, daughter of Mrs. Ives Hogan and Keith Giannonatti son of Mr. & Mrs. James Giannonatti were united in marriage in a double wedding ceremony at the First Congregational Church in Newell Friday, October 15 at 7:30 PM. The Rev R. R. Klein of Belle Fourche performed the double ring candlelight ceremony in the presence of 60 guests. After a 2-week wedding trip to Chicago and Ft. Wayne, Indiana, both couples will settle in Newell. Mr. Giannonatti is employed at the Lampert Lumber Company and Mrs. continues as clerk at Price & Son Drug Store. Mr.

#### October 15, 1964

Jack Smeenk was elected President of the Newell Saddle Club at a meeting held Saturday night at the Cove Café. Other officers elected were Vice President Bill Swan; Secretary-treasurer Loren Poole and Director Bill Miles. Evert Munroe reported that 14 pairs of chaps belonging to the club have yet to be turned in and members who have same are asked to check them in to Munroe. It was decided to donate a trophy to the Ft. Meade Horse Show, with the children's barrel race given as 1st choice. A report was given by members present on the ticket sales for the prize to be given away at the Saddle Club dance November 23. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Susan Verhulst and Harvey Lindulla attended



Married Folks Community Club Membership Card 1927-1928  
 Dates listed for the Club Dances Newell Museum

fill abandoned wells and cellars on the homestead claims which have been proved up, and the owners gone in that section. In one Township men employed at that work have filled 30 old well holes and many old cellars, all of which were a menace to those traveling the prairies, especially at night. Some of the filled were 50 feet in depth. Butte County may employ a similar program.

G. B. Ross informed us that drafts for the waterworks bonds, which were sold to eastern capitalists a short time ago, had been received and yesterday a bill of lading was received of a carload of machinery for the system. This looks pretty good for water works in Nisland in the near future.

#### October 16, 1924

An airplane was at Newell for a couple days, giving 8-minute rides for \$3.50. A great many availed themselves of the opportunity. A Curtis Airplane in charge of Pilot Earl Smith of Minneapolis, did considerable passenger business Friday and Saturday at the field.

A Married Folks' Dancing Club is in the making and will probably be organized within the next few days. It is proposed to have a series of social affairs to help while away the long winter evenings.

Duck dinner seems to be popular in the North Hilen vicinity. The Richman's, Calhoun's and Mathews' have all enjoyed them the past week.

the first of the year or even sooner.

Palmer Varland, Albert Aschenbrenner and Glen Barber returned Monday from a trip to Los Angeles. The boys stopped enroute at Los Vegas, Nevada and visited the massive Hoover Dam, where they saw the work under full sway.

Notice is hereby given by the Newell City Commission that the destruction of property in Newell on Hallowe'en night will absolutely not be permitted. Parents are urged to caution their children against any harmful stunts which would result in damage. Special police protection will be provided by the City, and anyone caught damaging or destroying proper-



Hoover Dam, (also known as Boulder Dam) under construction. Named for Herbert Hoover, on CO River to control flow, provide irrigation and water supply for Southern CA. Newell Museum



Newell Saddle Club -Grand Entry, Labor Day Rodeo,1960. Sr. Riders dressed in red chaps and Jr riders wore blue chaps.

Nelson is employed at the State Highway Department and Mrs. is Clerk at Belle Fourche Irrigation District.

Two Vale young men have recently arrived in Japan for duty as clerks with the US Navy 7th Base Post Office. Announced by the Army Home-town News Center, Kansas M.O. Pvt Melvin L. Fritz, 20 son of Mr. & Mrs. Carl Fritz and Pvt Marvin E. Sorenson, 21 son of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Sorenson. The two young men entered the Army in April on the "buddy system" and completed Basic Training at Ft. Leonard Wood, M.O. both are graduates of Vale High School: Sorenson 1951 and Fritz 1953. They were last stationed at Ft. Benjamine Harrison, I.N. before transfer.

the Open House for the new Clarkson Memorial Hospital in Buffalo Sunday and also attended the farewell party in the afternoon for Fr. Don Murray at the Sky Ranch for boys.

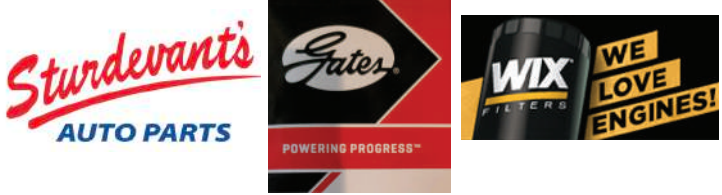
Winter projects were discussed by 9 members of Horse Creek Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Amanda Schmele and Garnet last Wednesday. Mrs. Jesse Maass was not present to report on the Congregational Welfare needs, but a report was given on the Lutheran Welfare needs and members decided to bring articles for the baby and craft department to the November meeting. Get Well cards were sent to Mrs. Almeda Altvater and Mrs. Alfred Berg and a birthday card to Mrs. Albert Healy, formerly Newell, now Sturgis.

## Newell Service Center

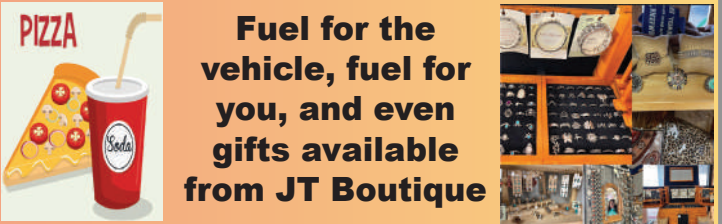
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## More Homecoming Photos



Newell's Kate High, center, is congratulated by her teammates including Hailey McCann, second from left, and Kendra Johnson, right, following a kill during a match against New Underwood on Thursday night in the Austin Auditorium in Newell. (photo courtesy 605 Sports/Matt Gade.)

## Here's What's Happening in Newell!

### Saturday Mornings

Farmer's Market  
8-1, South Park, until frost

### Mondays

Monday Night Bingo at the NVN Senior Center 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### Wednesday

Story Time with Patty  
Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday,  
11 a.m. All ages welcome

### Whistle Stop Market

First Saturday of every month through April, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Newell Senior Center

### Feeding South Dakota

Second Thursday every month, 1:30

### Newell Library Hours

Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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## Unity Day, Cross Country, and Deputy March



The Elementary wore orange for Unity Day to show their support for kindness, acceptance, and inclusion. Courtesy Photo



The Newell Irrigator Cross Country Team had an outstanding day at the regional meet in Philip. Eight of our 13 team members qualified for the state meet in Rapid City on October 26th. The boys who qualified were Clint Winkler (4th), David Kirby (17th), and Bodie Vanderboom (18th). The girls who qualified were Eirelynn Bender (10th), Lucille Ahart (13th), McKenzie Rans (15th), Bethany Mahaffy (18th), and Evelyn Ahart (19th). Both teams will compete at state with the potential to place. Clint Winkler achieved a huge personal record and is aiming to place at state. Personal records were also set by McKenzie Rans, Bodie Vanderboom, and Evelyn Ahart, along with some season bests.

We hope to see you at our pep rally for the state qualifiers on Thursday, October 24th. Congratulations to the entire team on a fantastic performance! Courtesy Photo



Mr. V's Legal Systems class welcomed Deputy Jason March today as our guest speaker. Students had the opportunity to ask questions, discuss, and learn more about law enforcement. Mr V's class would like to give a big 'thank you' to Deputy March and the Butte County Sheriff's Department for their service in and around our community! Courtesy Photo

## NVN Hosts BINGO

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NEWELL—Do you want to have some fun while raising money for a good cause? Then you are invited to play BINGO every Monday night in Newell. From 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. the NVN Senior Center hosts ten BINGO games. For a small fee of \$1 you can buy a BINGO card and participate. New cards are sold each round, so you can come any time.

There are so many fun games, from check mark, letter

N, four corners, straight line to black out with many variations in between. Half of the money goes to the NVN Senior Center and half of the money goes to the lucky round winner.

After five rounds, there is a fellowship break. Snacks and drinks—for a small donation—are served. The friendly community visits and enjoys each other's company before getting back into the fun competition. You cannot go wrong supporting this worthy organization while having a nice time!



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## Betty's Buzz by Betty Bruner

Here we again, looking at another week that went whizzing past. Every morning when I wake up it's dark so it's always a surprise to me what the day will be like. Sure, I can check the weather on my phone, but does that really tell me what the day will bring?

It may be 34 degrees at 3:30 a.m. but I'm pretty sure that it will be mid-70 by noon. So, I put on a sweatshirt and seize the day. Then I forget the sweatshirt a work and have to find another one for the next day. Then I bring two home or forget again and end up bringing three or four home!

Now I can empathize with my grown children when they didn't wear their coats home from school. Or maybe I'm just retro-acting and being more juvenile than I pretend to be! Someday I promise, I will grow up!

Which makes me think that it may not be all that great to be a grownup. Let me think, as an adult I have to do stuff-like the dishes and sweep the floor. I have to go to work and do what needs done whether I feel like it or not. Really, I'd rather be like my young grandchildren and roll my eyes and sigh.

"Why do I have to do that?"

The floor will get dirty and the dishes can just be rinsed off. Actually, it is kinda nice to walk into the house and see a shiny floor and no dishes in the sink (I do like shiny things). So, if I want to live in an orderly home,

I'll have to do it. There is no choice.

Choices are all around us. We choose to go to work or school. We choose a life-partner. We choose whether to have hamburger or chicken for supper. And most of all, we choose whether we are going to enjoy the day or shuffle through it. We can smile or frown. Laugh or cry. The choice is ours.

Long ago I made the choice to see the glass half full. But I married a man who sees the glass half empty. It's not a surprise, we've been married for over 50 years and he has always been that way. But it's okay because he also sees the beauty of the outdoors and loves to sit on his tractor and see the soil turn to begin a new crop in the Spring. He loves me even though my hair is gray and there's more of me to love than when I was 19.

And I know it was a choice I made way back when and now looking into his weathered face, it brings me joy for the choice I made.

Life brings "stuff" and it's what we do with the "stuff" that's important. Choose to enjoy every moment of every day. There's joy in the journey.

I'm going to go and enjoy an Oreo cookie, now. It's part of life! Do you know how to eat an Oreo? You unscrew it very fast. 'Cuz a kid'll eat the middle of an Oreo first and save the outside cookie last! (You sang that didn't you?)"

## Christmas Fair Kicks off Holiday Season

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NEWELL—For over 40 years The Christmas Fair has been a community tradition, this year was no different. The community gathered at the Newell City Hall to prepare for Christmas with the opportunity

to buy craft items, house plants, books, and cookies, candies, cakes and other baked goods on October 17.

The school allows students time off to enjoy the fair and possibly shop for Christmas gifts for family members. "We had all the kids in here from preschool to fifth grade, and

then we had middle schoolers, and we had high schoolers," said Judy Heisler, event coordinator.

The event is put on by Tot 'N Twenty CFEL Extension Club for the purpose of raising money for college scholarships to local students. "We give a scholarship away every year, to a new graduate," said Heisler.

The group is able to give away one to two \$300 scholarship to high school seniors. The money can be used at any higher education institution, from a tech school to a four year college.

The gathering created a festive atmosphere with different kinds of activities to get everyone involved. There was a "guess the amount" in the jar of candy competition, door prizes, raffle baskets and lunch was served.

Chicken noodle soup or chili with bread, dessert and drink were served for \$8.00. "We raised almost \$400 on the soup and stuff, so there's one scholarship," explained Heisler.

**Left:**  
*Did Mrs. Clause make it to the Newell Christmas Fair? No, that is the lovely Patti Karas festively dressed in the Christmas spirit!*



## Literacy Night at Newell School

Please join us for Literacy Night! We will have readers from the Rush hockey team, a photo opportunity with Nugget, games, signed book drawings, bookmarks, and food (sandwiches, chips, cookies, and water). The event will run from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, starting in the Multipurpose Room. Students can "punch" their tickets to a great night!



# Merry Christmas!

## Calendars are in! Stop in to get yours and get a head start on 2025.

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