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## Community Game Hosts Dedication

Saturday July 26th's 4th Annual Community Soccer game was opened with a dedication tribute to Dr. Jim Trimble.

Soccer Board President Ryan Chervený's invitation to the special event was the most fitting tribute to the man who loved the community and the sport. It reads as follows:

"Hello,  
I wanted to invite you to this weekend's (July 26th) Saturday night 4th annual Belle Fourche Community Game at 7:30pm. There will be a dedication to Dr. Jame Trimble. Several from his family will be there in attendance to include his children who are now soccer coaches and also college players. Most of his family is unaware of the sign and this will be a surprise for them also.

I will not be speaking at the dedication as I will be out of town. A high school student made the sign that will be hung on the crow's nest at the field.

Honoring Dr. James Trimble  
Today, we gather for the 4th Annual Belle Fourche Community Game. But before the kickoff, we would like to honor the legacy of Dr. James Trimble—a man who poured his heart into this community and left an unforgettable mark on Belle Fourche soccer.

As a former soccer board member, I was asked by the Soccer Board President if I could help present this honor in his absence, as I have been fortunate to have cheered alongside Jim as we watched our children grow up playing the game we all love.

## Soccer Tribute to Dr. Jim Trimble



Jim's children and their families were in attendance at the event and the soccer players in there added Doc's spark to the game. *Beacon Photo*

**Jim Trimble**  
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Many of us will remember him pacing the sidelines during games, often offering his own colorful commentary on the calls being made.

And who could forget his antics—like the time he taped his mouth shut with red duct tape just to avoid getting in trouble with the refs again!

When the crow's nest was completed, Jim found his new perch. He'd sit up top filming the games

live on Facebook, giving some of the best play-by-play commentary and opinions! But he shared his love of the game with everyone. Jim wasn't just a supporter; he was behind the scenes builder of this program.

From coaching youth teams to offering financial support and he promoted soccer in Belle Fourche, his contributions helped shape what we have today.

Last year, numerous community

members approached the soccer board to ask about keeping Dr. Trimble's passion going. It's because of this passion and commitment that the Belle Fourche Soccer Association, with the help of the City of Belle Fourche, and the High school, are renaming the crow's nest as "Trimble Tower." It's a small way to say thank you for a lifetime of giving back and to ensure that his spirit and enthusiasm continues every time

a Belle Fourche player looks up. Jim taught us all the value of community, hard work, and joy in the game. His legacy lives on in every player, coach, and family who has been touched by this program."

*(In addition Jim was the Beacon's first sportswriter. He not only covered soccer, but wrote on Basketball and football games as well. Well done my friend!*

*He truly is an individual who is missed and will never be forgotten.)*

## Crazy Days in Belle!



The advent of Crazy Days saw a host of wares on State Street sidewalks. Shoppers delighted in finding the bargains. Participants included Belle's oldest and newest businesses: **Hodge Bootery** began in 1946 and the **Pearson Block House Candy shop and the Vintage and Modern** business began on July 1 of this year. Up and down State Street were many more of varying ages. *Beacon Photos*

Up and down State Street most businesses were offering "Crazy Day's specials. Clockwise from right are **Hair Gallery; Belle Flower Co+; Cowboys Tool; Saturday on State; & Dakota Petals** *Beacon Photos*



## Beacon's Light Won't Shine after end of July

**Doug Cole**  
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This July 30th issue of the Belle Fourche Beacon portends to be its last.

Well, the final edition with Doug Cole as its owner and publisher.

Financial circumstances have made it impossible for us to continue.

What started in June of 2018 after the Rapid City Journal (owned by Lee Enterprises) closed the Post & Bee in 2017.

A strong belief that communities need a local news source to provide consistent information for business, life and death, youth and athletics, and schedules of events and activities in all walks of life.

Most newspapers started in the 1800's soon after the many towns and cities came into existence.

How do you start one in the 21st century became the question.

Internet, InDesign, text, and email were the tools that replaced printer's ink; the linotype; and one sheet at a time presses.

Two gentlemen from the District's Postal Headquarters in Sioux Falls and introduced us to a BMEU (bulk mailing

enterprise unit) basically an extension of Every Door Direct Mail marketing.

With it we were able to have the paper delivered to every household on particular mail routes by zip code. No names or addresses were required.

We initially started with all or part of 7 counties in the Tri-State area. Basically the Belle Fourche trade area.

We did free distribution with voluntary subscriptions. Our advertisers were happy to have their's published knowing that everyone received it in the mail.

Down the road we asked readers if they would subscribe, still doing broad distribution, but asking for assistance.

Income was going in right direction, but not substantial enough.

In 2024 the law changed and made way for the Beacon to become a publisher of Legal notices.

We became eligible in July of 2025, but unfortunately before we could benefit from that expansion in publication we became financially insolvent and did not have the resources to continue.

So long and thank you for your support.

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Most of us intend on "getting around to it someday," but that someday never comes and we leave our family wondering whether or not they did the right thing. **It doesn't have to be like that.** It's not pleasant to be reminded of our own mortality; we can laugh, cry, or do a little of both. Regardless of how we prefer to deal with the big questions of life, **it always works out for the best when we face things head on, especially in regard to such a sensitive issue.**

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Pastor's Perspective

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Rev. Sheri Fadley, BF Global Methodist Church



"The Abundant Life with Christ"

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come to that they may have life and have it abundantly."  
John 10:10

Our Good Shepherd, Jesus, promised an abundant life to those who enter through his gate. What did Jesus mean by an abundant life? For many American Christians, the abundant life means material wealth. But for some faithful Christians, this proves to be an elusive blessing, they aren't blessed with material wealth. Material wealth as part of the abundant life, is actually the most superficial understanding of Christ's abundant life.

Deuteronomy 7:15 says: The Lord will turn away from you every illness; all the dread diseases of Egypt that you experienced, he will not inflict upon you. The blessing of good health could be part of the abundant life. And yet once again, this blessing proves to be elusive for many faithful Christ followers as well.

Excluding wealth and health, what are some other blessings of an abundant life in Christ? Besides the gift of salvation, the greatest blessing that Jesus gives to his followers is a deep sense of purpose and meaning for life. There are plenty of people in this world who have wealth and good health, but they don't have a sense of what their life's purpose and meaning is. Those who follow Christ discover what their identity as a child of God is by living out the greatest commandment "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength and your neighbor as yourself." (Mark 12:30-31)

Discovering your spiritual gifts, you discover ways you can serve the Lord as part of your abundant life. Embracing kingdom values like caring for the poor, sick, oppressed, imprisoned, travelers and newcomers we discover our abundant life. Caring for the

creation, we embrace the abundant life. Creating something new we are experiencing the abundant life. Teaching others how to do any of the above we are living an abundant life. Being vessels of love, communicating encouragement, support, guidance, wisdom, we are participating in the abundant life. Working with others in all of these activities we are living an abundant life. Caring for our friends and family and enjoying fun times we definitely recognize our abundant life.

As we journey through life, we will encounter many challenges. We will experience suffering. Experiencing challenges and suffering is also a part of the abundant life. Consider the apostle Paul's life. He endured so much persecution, imprisonment, and eventually death, but he would also say this is part of an abundant life. We will gain a strength of spirit that only comes from the Lord who sees us through. Maturing in the faith and the ability to love are expressions of the abundant life.

For those who think that being a Christian and experiencing the abundant life means mostly wealth and health, they are risking a weak faith that could eventually harm their relationship with Christ, and they are more apt to go astray. The gospel of health and wealth is not the true gospel of Jesus Christ.

If you don't have a strong sense of purpose and meaning in your life, you may consider participating in a congregation's life. Within a church family, you will have the opportunity to develop that personal connection with God, discover your spiritual gifts, and live into the kingdom values which will help you to live an abundant life as you seek God's kingdom and his righteousness.

In Christ's Spirit,  
Rev. Sheri Fadley  
Belle Fourche Global Methodist Church

Ruth McDermott 98

Ruth McDermott, 98, passed away on July 15, 2025 at the Monument Health Hospice House in Rapid City, SD. Ruth was born on August 22, 1926. Visitation was Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis, SD. The funeral service was Wednesday,

July 23, 2025 at Kinkade Funeral Chapel burial followed at Bear Butte Cemetery in Sturgis, SD.



John 16:33

In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.

Isaiah 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Philippians 4:6

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Psalms 34:4

I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Matthew 6:31

So do not worry, saying, What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or What shall we wear? For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Proverbs 3:5

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

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## Plants and Pints

Ryder Heitz

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Hitching Post Tap House teamed up with Belle Flowers & Co. to host a Plants & Pints event on Friday, July 25. Fifteen rounds of bingo were played, and the winner of each round of bingo got to pick out a free plant and drink a free pint of beer.

The tables were full of eager contestants! The entry fee for each player was \$35, and

there were 38 total entries.

This was the first time Belle Flowers has done a plant bingo event. “We did a boutique bingo before, but we’re stepping up our plant game and we had over 200 varieties,” said Brittany Wilkinson, Owner of Belle Flowers & Co.

“Right now, we’re in our transition period with the boutique, and we’re trying to get rid of summer and trying to get into fall stuff.

So I just had a bunch of extra room, and I ordered direct from like 15 wholesalers. And so we’ve been gradually growing our plant section, and they’ve been doing really well for us.”

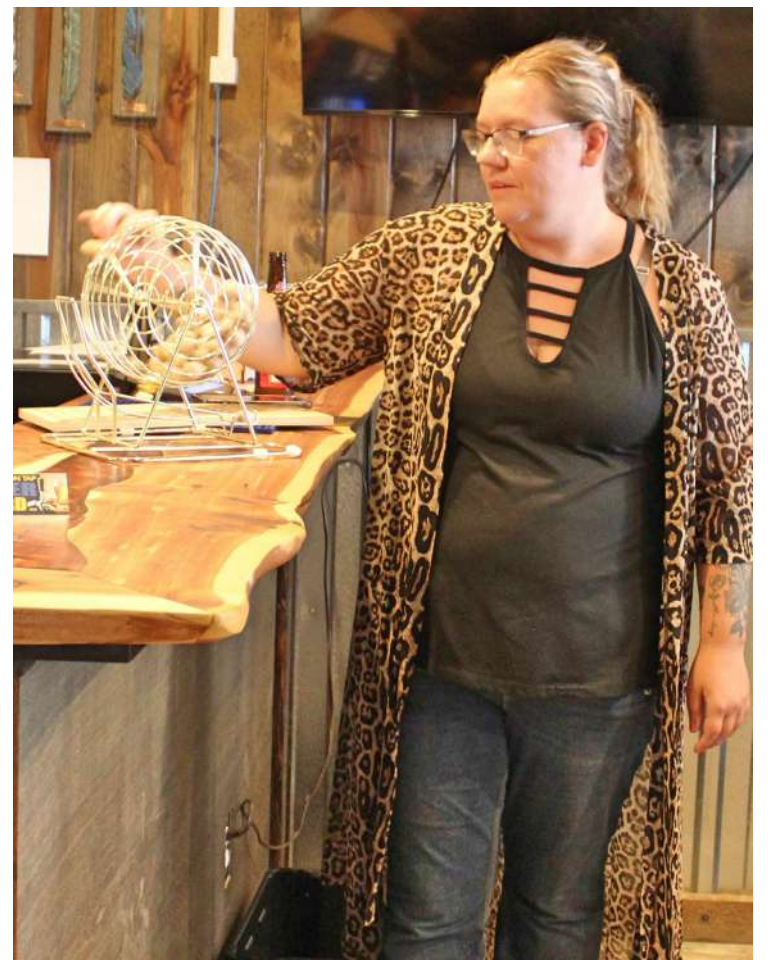
Wilkinson hopes to bring business to downtown Belle Fourche. “That’s my main goal, like, even if they don’t stop with me, as long as they’re downtown and spending money and having fun with friends and family, that’s all I care about,” she said.



Cute plant and pint themed cookies were given out to participants. Longbrake photos



Excited bingo round winners pose with their plants.



Brittany Wilkinson, Belle Flowers & Co+. Owner, reads off bingo numbers.

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## Ilevel Construction Hosts July Chamber Mixer

Robbi Longbrake

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BELLE FOURCHE—Every month all of the Chamber of Commerce members are invited to get together with other businesses to mix and mingle. This month the Chamber Mixer was on July 24.

Ilevel Construction LLC, owned by Jason Pedersen of Belle Fourche, hosted the gathering this month. Ilevel opened the doors to their new location for the first time to invite the public to see their newly

renovated space. Many fellow business owners showed up to the 619 5th Avenue building to welcome the business to its new in-town location. They were invited to come and go from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Light refreshments were provided.

The Collect and Connect drawing with the prize pot standing at \$345.00, was held midway through the event. The business of Bennett Main Gubrud & Willert, P.C. was this month’s winner. Once again the business drawn was not present

so the money will be rolled over to next month.

The next Chamber Mixer will be hosted by Highmark Credit Union on August 14, 2025 from 4:30 to 6:30. The public is invited to attend! They have a fun celebration planned that will include giveaways, door prizes, refreshments and food by Rollin in the Hills food truck.

The Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce is looking for businesses interested in hosting upcoming Chamber Mixers. Let them know if you are interested!



Jason Pedersen, Ilevel Construction, and Brianne Bonnet, Assistant Director, Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce, pick the lucky winner of the Collect and Connect drawing for \$345.00. Longbrake photo

## July 21 City Council Meeting

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BELLE FOURCHE—The City Council held its second meeting of the month on Monday, July 21.

During community input, Raymond Allen expressed concerns about the inability to hear weather sirens in his area, overgrown weeds, and a growing mosquito problem. He also raised an issue with the incomplete sidewalk at 1340 Dacar Street.

The Chamber of Commerce reported that the Heroes Honor Ride comes through Sunday, August 3, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. behind the museum. They are looking for vendors and marketing materials from any local business.

The Library reported that Story Time drew 100 attendees on July 1, and 500 participants have signed up for the Summer Reading Program.

The Council gave a July Budget Update.

Councilperson Elliott requested excusal from meetings August 20 through August 29, 2025.

Councilperson Capp gave an update on his SDML conference in Pierre. The state is covering \$7 million

in cybersecurity upgrades for cities, including ours, to address internet vulnerabilities at no cost. This may include new routers, Wi-Fi, and a switch to .gov email addresses for added security. He also joined the SDML Taxation and Revenue Policy Committee to learn more and help represent municipal interests at the state level.

City Engineer Brent Hardy gave several updates. The Airport Board recommends renewing KLJ’s five-year contract following the selection committee’s scoring, allowing them to move forward with 2026 projects. At the STIP meeting in Rapid City, Hardy raised the need for turn lanes on Hat Ranch Drive—they may do another traffic count. Lastly, the contractor for the Highlands State Park project is mobilizing July 21, with a kick-off meeting set for July 22.

Public Works Director Ryan Stedillie shared that Belle Fourche has been chosen to host the Junior Legion Baseball Tournament, scheduled for July 28 and 29 at the new facility. The city received the exciting news last week following the submission of coach nominations.

The next City Council meeting will be held on August 4 at 6 p.m.



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### LEGALS

Regular Meeting Minutes Butte County Courthouse Commission Meeting Room 839 5th Avenue Belle Fourche, SD 57717 July 15, 2025

#### THE BOARD OF BUTTE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONVENED AT 9:31 A.M.

on Tuesday, July 15, 2025. Commissioners present were Ager, Erk, Batterman, and Brunner. Absent Walton.

Chair Ager called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Brunner, Second by Batterman, to approve the meeting agenda with the addition of two resolutions for BIG grants (3.5, 3.75) and removal of official signer (7d). Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Chairman Ager asked for a moment of prayer.

Beginning at 9:34 AM, the opportunity for public comments was opened with Dale Simanton speaking about running the county as a business, customer service (telephone), and budget planning.

Motion by Batterman, Second by Erk, to approve the Consent Agenda Items with no changes. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda - The following items were placed on the consent agenda for final action to be taken on all items by a single vote. Any item may be removed from the consent agenda by any member of the Commission for separate consideration.

a. Approval of regular meeting minutes - 01Jul2025 b. Approval of special meeting minutes - 09Jul2025

c. County Lien Report LIEN REPORT BUTTE COUNTY CAA/PUBLIC DEFENDER JAIL

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a. Bills per Printout  
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c. Register of Deeds Report  
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\$ 22,250.00  
\$ 95.20  
\$ 0.00 \$  
\$ 199,244.37 \$ 267,124.34 \$  
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i. Sheriff: Sheriff Lamphere to attend Law Enforcement Leadership & Administrative Training in Colorado August 13-14, 2025.

ii. Planning: Final; Owner: Jane Thimmesch, Lots F-2A and F-2B, a Subdivision of Tract F-2 being a Portion of the SW4 of Section 25, T8N, R2E, BHM, Butte County, South Dakota  
Motion Erk, Second by Brunner

to authorize Chairman Ager and Auditor Capp to sign 2026 Bridge Improvement Grant (BIG) Resolution for structure 10-164-240. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion Erk, Second by Brunner to authorize Chairman Ager and Auditor Capp to sign 2026 Bridge Improvement Grant (BIG) Resolution for structure 10-326-340. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

9:45 AM - Opening of Bids: BUTTE COUNTY COURTROOM SECURITY REMODEL

- True Builders - \$492,943.75
- Ainsworth Benning - \$156,006.00
- Scull Construction - \$509,000.00

Motion Brunner, Second by Batterman to table decision on acceptance of bids until 05Aug2025 regular meeting. More information is needed on scope of bid from Ainsworth Benning. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Auditor Capp presented an activity report provided by Treasurer Debbie Lensegrav including Butte County Delinquent Tax List, year to date motor vehicle fees collected, 605 Motor Vehicle System, Assessment Freeze for Elderly & Disabled, and Mobile Home distress warrants (payable 2024).

Sheriff Lamphere provided a monthly activity report, including types and numbers of calls. Pistol Permits and Civil Process was discussed in more detail.

Sheriff Lamphere presented a proposal for a 14x22 Dog Kennel building. This would be used for keeping animals warm during cold weather. Additional discussion included storage unit that will need to be moved, concrete pad already exists, flooring, and cleaning.

Motion Erk, Second by Batterman to accept for Kennel Building not to exceed \$13,500.00. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

A short recess was called at 10:23 AM. Meeting reconvened at 10:30 AM.

Auditor Capp provided an Activity Report on June building activities, job openings, and audit progress. A discussion was held regarding building maintenance options.

Motion by Erk, Second by Brunner, to approve the 2026 Longevity Wage Scale (3% increase). Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Commissioner Walton entered the meeting at 10:49 AM

Motion by Batterman, Second by Erk, to approve the 2026 Provisional Budget. Update Gov't Buildings to \$664,282, Fire to \$151,101, and Ambulance to \$114,776. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Brunner, Second by Erk, to remove Lisa Nelson (former Chief Deputy Auditor) from all signature cards. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

State's Attorney Tim Barnaud gave an activity report that included the number of new cases and gave an update on the mitigation of mold in the courthouse.

Motion by Brunner, Second by Batterman, to approve the Annual

Renewal of Butte Valley Farm Cultivation License. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Erk, Second by Batterman, to go into Executive Session: Personnel 1-25-2(1) at 11:20 AM. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried. Exited Executive Session at 11:48 AM. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

Committee Reports  
• Brunner - Butte County GOP will be serving ice cream at the Butte/Lawrence Fair  
• Walton/Ager - Ambulance meeting entered into a new agreement for accounting.

Old/Unfinished Business - Capp working with the Historical Registry to determine what to do with old jail.

Motion by Erk, Second by Brunner to adjourn the meeting at 11:520 A.M. Vote Unanimous. Motion Carried.

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## Cattle Report - Friday, July 25, 2025

Yearlings in high demand  
Weigh up cows & bulls fully steady

Next Sale - Aug. 1 - Yearlings & Fall Calf Special - Selling all classes of cattle - 10 AM  
Thank you for marketing with St Onge Livestock!

Feeder Cattle					
Paulsen, Mitch Or Mitchell, Custer SD	11	Bld	Str	677	\$387.00
Paulsen, Mitch Or Mitchell, Custer SD	15	Bld	Hfr	649	\$360.00
Ritthaler Cattle Co, Upton WY	15	Bk	Str	844	\$330.00
Anderson, Monroe, Malta MT	1	Bk	Bull	875	\$280.00
Anderson, Monroe, Malta MT	45	Bld	Str	704	\$365.00
Anderson, Monroe, Malta MT	12	R/Ch	Str	691	\$361.00
Anderson, Monroe, Malta MT	24	Bld	Hfr	601	\$360.00
Anderson, Monroe, Malta MT	24	R/Ch	Hfr	691	\$344.50
Alexander, Mike, Oral SD	1	Hfr	Bull	850	\$276.00
Carr, Douglas A, Gillette WY	4	Bk	Bull	978	\$274.00
Eversvik, Tenlee, Reva SD	1	Xbrd	Bull	865	\$272.50
Mpherson, Baxter, Sturgis SD	3	Bk	Bull	860	\$282.50
Weigh Up Cows					
Barker, Linda, Custer SD	1	Bk	Cow	1600	\$164.00
Barker, Linda, Custer SD	1	Bk	Cow	1370	\$160.00
Burghdoff, Cheryl, Camp Crook SD	2	Bk	Cow	1380	\$170.00
Burghdoff, Cheryl, Camp Crook SD	1	Bk	Cow	2000	\$151.50
Burghdoff, Lex, Ludlow SD	2	Bld	Cow	1380	\$165.00
Burghdoff, Lex, Ludlow SD	1	Bld	Cow	1415	\$163.00
Burghdoff, Lex, Ludlow SD	2	Bk	Cow	1270	\$155.00
Geer, Bryan, Gillette WY	2	Bk	Cow	1447	\$170.00
Goodvin, Terry, Hulet WY	2	Bk	Cow	1517	\$168.00
Hillsview Ranch, Sturgis SD	1	Rbld	Cow	1445	\$145.00
Hubbard Cattle Co, Reduse WY	2	Bld	Hfr	802	\$248.00
Hubbard Cattle Co, Reduse WY	2	Bk	Cow	1362	\$166.50
Kerstens, Jack Or Deb, Piedmont SD	1	Bk	Cow	1525	\$168.00
Kerstens, Jack Or Deb, Piedmont SD	2	Bk	Cow	1595	\$167.50
Kerstens, Jack Or Deb, Piedmont SD	1	Bk	Cow	1160	\$159.50
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	2	Bk	Hfr	1202	\$190.00
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	1	Bk	Cow	1275	\$170.50
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	3	Bk	Cow	1568	\$168.50
Lewis, Dan, Rapid City SD	1	Bk	Cow	1585	\$150.00
Owens, Tom, Baker MT	1	Bk	Hfr	905	\$250.00
Owens, Tom, Baker MT	2	Bk	Hfr	1172	\$216.00
Owens, Tom, Baker MT	3	Bk	Hfr	1173	\$211.00
Owens, Tom, Baker MT	17	Bld	Cow	1373	\$169.50
Patten Ranch Co, Broadus MT	2	Bk	Hfr	930	\$232.00
Paulsen, Mitch Or Mitchell, Custer SD	2	Bk	Cow	1367	\$154.00
Roberson, Triston, Newcastle WY	1	Bk	Hfr	990	\$223.00
Roberson, Triston, Newcastle WY	1	Bk	Cow	1320	\$167.00
Schuchard, Eric Or Amanda, Prairie City SD	1	Bk	Cow	1670	\$163.00
Sudbink, David, Newcastle WY	1	Red	Cow	900	\$180.00
Tupper Livestock, St Onge SD	1	Bk	Hfr	1025	\$221.00
Tupper Livestock, St Onge SD	1	Bld	Hfr	790	\$210.00
Weigh Up Bulls					
Bayles, Seth, Broadus MT	1	Bk	Bull	2350	\$195.00
Bayles, Seth, Broadus MT	1	Bk	Bull	1595	\$195.00
Burghdoff, Cheryl, Camp Crook SD	1	Bk	Bull	2065	\$227.00
Courtney Ranch Inc, Alzada MT	1	Bk	Bull	1635	\$210.00
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY	2	Bk	Bull	1750	\$215.00
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY	1	Hfr	Bull	1725	\$208.00
Daly Livestock, Gillette WY	3	Red	Bull	2178	\$211.00
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD	1	Bk	Bull	1800	\$202.00
Duprel, Jack, Sturgis SD	1	Bk	Bull	1890	\$195.00
Hausman, Doug Or Britany, Buffalo SD	1	Bk	Bull	1515	\$181.00
Hillsview Ranch, Sturgis SD	1	Hfr	Bull	1885	\$205.00
Iron, Mitch, Spearfish SD	1	Red	Bull	1020	\$248.00
Johnson Sheep & Cattle, Belle Fourche SD	2	Bk	Bull	1810	\$207.50
Johnson, Troy, St Onge SD	1	Bk	Bull	1920	\$184.00
Johnson, Troy, St Onge SD	1	Bk	Bull	1790	\$180.00
Jumpoff Ranch LLC, Camp Crook SD	1	Hfr	Bull	1900	\$197.50
Kornes, Timothy J, Sturgis SD	1	Hfr	Bull	2010	\$187.50
Latham, Darwin Or Kay, Camp Crook SD	1	Bk	Bull	1975	\$210.00
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY	1	Bk	Bull	1520	\$190.00
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY	1	Bk	Bull	1285	\$205.00
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY	1	Bk	Bull	1000	\$247.50
Miller, Ty, Newcastle WY	1	Red	Bull	1700	\$225.00
Murphy Cattle Co, Hermosa SD	1	Bk	Bull	1810	\$183.50
Norman Ranch, Black Hawk SD	2	Bk	Bull	2025	\$210.00
Norman Ranch, Black Hawk SD	1	Bk	Bull	1915	\$220.00
Norman Ranch, Black Hawk SD	1	Bk	Bull	1655	\$200.00
Norman Ranch, Black Hawk SD	1	Bk	Bull	1395	\$184.00
Odegard, Duane D & Mary K, Avada WY	1	Bk	Bull	1470	\$182.00
Odegard, Duane D & Mary K, Avada WY	3	B/R	Bull	1795	\$210.00
Oshoto Flying M Operations LLC, Gillette WY	3	Bk	Bull	1236	\$201.00
Paulsen, Mitch Or Mitchell, Custer SD	1	Bk	Bull	1835	\$184.00
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	3	Red	Bull	2148	\$219.00
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	1	Red	Bull	1830	\$207.00
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	1	Red	Bull	1800	\$175.00
Pickrel Land & Cattle, Gillette WY	1	Red	Bull	1690	\$184.00
Ritthaler Cattle Co, Upton WY	3	Bk	Bull	1111	\$237.50
Scotfield, Jim, Belle Fourche SD	1	Bk	Bull	1480	\$193.00
Seko Inc, Boyes MT	1	Bk	Bull	1950	\$200.00
Telsrow, Richard Or Charlotte, Aladdin WY	1	Bk	Bull	1750	\$192.00
Tripp, Ralph, Gillette WY	1	Bk	Bull	2000	\$190.00
Walden, Jackie, Ashland MT	1	Bk	Bull	1400	\$190.00

## Friday, August 1, 2025

Yearling & Fall Calf Special

10:00 AM - Weigh Up Cows 12:00 Noon - Feeder Cattle

Followed By Bred Cows

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## 2025 CATTLE SALES

August 8th - No sale due to Sturgis Bike Rally

August 15th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

August 22nd - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

August 29th - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

September 5th - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

September 12th - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

September 19th - Yearling & Fall Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

September 26th - Yearling & Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

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Friday, August 1st - Weston County, Newcastle, WY - 6 pm

Friday, August 1st - Butte-Lawrence County, Nisland, SD - 7 pm

Saturday, August 2nd - Crook County, Sundance, WY - 2 pm

Saturday, August 9th - Carter County, Ekalaka, MT - 3:30 pm

Saturday, August 16th - Harding County, Camp Crook, SD - 2 pm

Saturday, August 16th - Fallon County, Baker, MT - 4:30 pm

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## Sheep Report - Thursday, July 24, 2025

Lamb market was \$3 to \$5 lower

Slaughter ewes sold \$5 lower

Next Sale - July 31 - Regular sale - Selling all classes of sheep & goats

Thank you for your business!

### New Crop Lambs

Bregle, Tate, Buffalo SD 33 ... Lamb ... 89 ... \$212.00

Brown, Tim, Buffalo SD 10 ... Lamb ... 107 ... \$193.00

Deyoe, Tracey, Newell SD 290 ... Lamb ... 77 ... \$224.00

Falzerano, Warren, Belle Fourche SD 52 ... Lamb ... 78 ... \$226.00

Kizian, Dwight Or Gwen, Nisland SD 20 ... Lamb ... 107 ... \$189.00

Kizian, Josh & Heather, Nisland SD 50 ... Lamb ... 83 ... \$215.00

Mansfield, Kathy, Norris SD 26 ... Lamb ... 116 ... \$179.00

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Matt, Hadley, New Underwood SD 68 ... Lamb ... 88 ... \$214.00

Mccooy, Tom Jr, Belle Fourche SD 28 ... Hair Lamb ... 55 ... \$221.00

Meeks, Jaymi, Lanry SD 86 ... Lamb ... 103 ... \$204.00

Page, Ben Or Fran, Faith SD 22 ... Lamb ... 59 ... \$229.00

Page, Ben Or Fran, Faith SD 156 ... Lamb ... 82 ... \$218.00

Popkes, Jake & Seth, Sturgis SD 89 ... Lamb ... 98 ... \$209.00

Remington, Bobbi Jo, Edgemont SD 61 ... Lamb ... 114 ... \$183.00

Riesland Ranch, Broadus MT 140 ... Lamb ... 94 ... \$211.00

Sarsland, Richard & Ruby, Ludlow SD 75 ... Lamb ... 90 ... \$208.00

Schalesky, Tw Or Faye, Faith SD 56 ... Lamb ... 75 ... \$226.00

Schalesky, Tw Or Faye, Faith SD 190 ... Lamb ... 97 ... \$205.00

Secrest, Shannon Or Ashley, Buffalo SD 20 ... Lamb ... 105 ... \$193.00

Stranberg, Reid Or Stacy, Newell SD 147 ... Lamb ... 75 ... \$227.00

Tanner, William, Edgemont SD 26 ... Lamb ... 78 ... \$221.00

Veit, Morgan, Dupree SD 21 ... Lamb ... 56 ... \$227.00

Veit, Morgan, Dupree SD 103 ... Lamb ... 75 ... \$226.00

Veit, Morgan, Dupree SD 75 ... Lamb ... 90 ... \$217.00

### Slaughter Ewes

Innes Ranch, Gillette WY 28 ... K Ewe ... 176 ... \$87.00

Meeks, Jaymi, Lanry SD 20 ... K Ewe ... 200 ... \$88.00

Moore, David E, Douglas WY 10 ... K Ewe ... 150 ... \$90.00

Moore, David E, Douglas WY 34 ... K Ewe ... 179 ... \$87.00

Sarsland, Richard & Ruby, Ludlow SD 15 ... K Ewe ... 171 ... \$90.00

## NEWELL SHEEP YARDS

Thursday, July 31, 2025

Please have animals in by 10:00 AM

So they can all be weighed before the sale!

## 2025 SHEEP SALES

August 7th - No Sale Due To The Sturgis Bike Rally

August 14th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

August 21st - Regular Sale - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

August 28th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

September 4th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

September 11th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

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September 25th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

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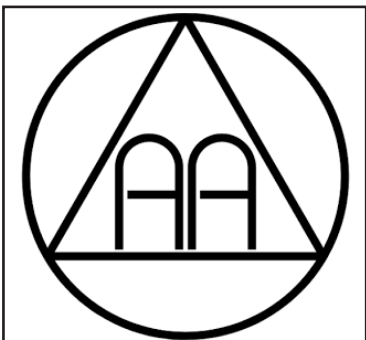
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**124 years ago**  
**TIMES**  
**August 2, 1900**  
**RUNAWAY IN MOUNTAIN**  
**Narrow Escape From Death of a Coach Load of Tourists** Sylvian, S. D. July 30 – Fifteen men and women who are visiting here had a narrow escape from death by being run away with by a fraction team of horses. As it was two of the party were badly injured. The party was in a large coach, and were taking a drive around the lake. The horses became unmanageable and ran away. As the coach swung around a sharpe curve Mr. and Mrs. Raymond of Alliance, Neb., who were riding on top of the coach, were thrown to the ground, the former susptaining a broken arm. After running a half mile the dool and nery driver brought the team to a standstill.

**REFUSE TO SELL Wool Growers Not Satisfied With the Present Price**  
Deadwood, S. D. July 30 – The wool clip of the Black Hills for the past season has been enormous. Jerome W. Higbie, of this city, one of the largest wool growers in the west, places his estimate at 600,000 poounds for the season just passed. At the last wool sale held in Belle Fourche, one of the largest wool markets in the northwest, many millions of dollars of capital was represented by the leading sheep growers of the Black Hills country. At Belle Fourche there are still 175,000 pounds of wool awaiting prices such as will suit the owners.

**Negro Baseball Players** Sioux Falls, S. D. July 30 Lovers of baseball in this region will be treated to some rare sport in this line next month. Arrangements have just been concluded for a tour of the Chicago Unions, a famous club composed exclusively of colored players, for a period of twelve days in this part of the country, during which time they will play two games each with Aberdeen, Madison and Flandreau, S. D.; and Rock Rapids, Ia., and four games with Sioux Falls. August 19 and 20 and August 26 and 27 are the dates when the local team and the colored players will struggle for supremacy on the Sioux Falls diamond.

**100 Years Ago**  
**Northwest Post – July 30, 1925**  
**DEATH OF MRS. BONEFIELD** Mrs. George Bonefield died last Saturday morning at her home on Forty-Eight Mile Creek, in Harding county, seven miles southeast of Capitol, Mont. She had been ill for a number of years, suffering from diabetes mellitus, which was the cause of her death. She was the first piabetic patient in the Black Hills to receive the newly-discovered insulin treatment, which was administered at the Rapid City hospital. Up until a few days before her death she had been in her usual health, but her supply of insulin had become exhausted, and not realizing the seriousness of her condition, she continued to assist in the ranch work until too late to counter-act the effects of the disease. Dr. Chasell was summoned from this city Friday night, but Mrs. Bonefield was beyond help when he reached her bedside. Funeral services were held Monday, interment being made in the cemtery at Capitol. Mabel Thompson was a daughter of Charles Thompson of Spearfish, born in Terraville, S.D. February 22, 1890. About sixteen years ago she was united in marriage with George Bonefield. She is survive of her husband and five children.

**PIONEER CITIZEN CALLED** Mrs. Mary Hardwick, a resident of the Black Hills for nearly half a century passed away at her home, just south of Belle Fourche, at an early hour Tuesday moring, a general breaking down, due to extreme old age being the cause of her demise. Funeral services will be held from the family residence at nine o'clock this (Thursday) morning, conducted by Rev. Father J. J. Donnelly, and interment will be made in

Pine Slope cemetery. Mary Lester was a native of England, born eighty-seven years old. She came to this country when a young girl, later being united in marriage with John Hardwick, who passed away in the old home place near this city some twenty-three years ago. The family came to Deadwood in 1876, being among the earliest settlers in the Black Hills. Thirty-five years ago they moved to their later home near Belle Fourche, where Mrs. Hardwick had resided continuously until her death. She is survived by three children, Mrs. B. C. Simmons of Belle Fourche, William Hardwick of Polson, Mont., and Mrs. H. E. Robb of this city. Mrs. Hardwick was a lady of many admirable qualities, kindly and considerate of her neighbors, and her death will be sincerely regretted by a large circle of acquaintances throughout the Hills.

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From the time when Adam and Eve were enjoying the beauties of the Garden of Eden, up till a very few years ago, the resident of Belle Fourche, since there have been residents here, as well as the settlers up the river as far as the settlers up the river as far as Hulett, and the aborigines who preceded them, were allowed the privilege of angling for and catching an occasional channel catfish in the Belle Fourche river, as their natural instinct lad them to drift up stream in the flood waters of the spring time, and may a family were glad of the opportunity of fishing, with some measure of success, at their very door. However, a few years ago the U. S. government saw fit to dam the river within a mile of the city limits for the purpose of consturcting a government irrigation proposition, overloking what any or all private persons would have been compelled to observe, viz: the constuction of a fish ladder, so that members of the finny tribe could persue their journey up to the shallows to spawn, rather than congregater in a mass in one big hole below a twenty foot wall of concrete. While this oversight has been regretted by those who were formerly allowed the privilege of many a fish dinner, some satisfaction has been felt because of the opportunity of "dropping in" a hook or two below the dam, with more or less success since its constuction. But now, loe and behold! A sign has been posted that no camping or fishing will in future be allwed, even where they have unlawfully corraled all the fish which wander up from the Missouri in search of a spawning ground; why this has been done the writer knows not, but the authorities will probably have some plausible excuse ofor the order.

**75 Years Ago**  
**Belle Fourche Daily Post August 2, 1950**  
**Belle Guard Unit Is Called** Little More Than a year ago, Belle Fourche's National Guard company was officially born, in April, 1949, at brief cercemonies at the city hall here, Col. Kenneth R. Scurr, commander of the 196th, officially welcomed the Belle Fourche unit, headed by Maj. F. J. Gilbert. The latter, although he moved recently to Fort Meade, still heads the local guard unit, which is among those who have been mobilized and ordered to report to Camp Carson, Colo., Sept. 1.

**Soviets Fail In Frist Attempt to Reject China** New York, Aug 1 – Today's historic meeting of the United Nations security council has ended in a technical deadlock, but the mere fact a deadlock existed was a diplomatic victory for the west. Because when the meeting ended, Russia was still in the council. The delegates will meet tomorrow afternoon to try to agree upon an order of business for the August session. Today's meeting was an east-west battle all the way. With Russia's return to the UN, after seven months of boycotting the sturgle between the communist world and the western world once

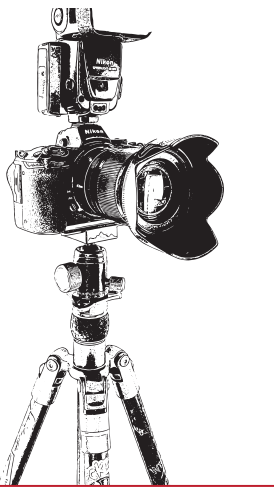


by Mary Buchholz

more got going full blast on the diplomatic level. Russia took most of the punishment when eight nations voted down an attemp to get nationalist China thrown out of the UN. Immediately after the Russian ruling was voted down, Malik asked the council to adopt an order of business that would bring up the discussion of a peace settlement in Korea.

**50 Years Ago**  
**Belle Fourche Daily Post August 1, 1975**  
**Clark to Direct Hills Pioneers** Mrs. Horace Clark, Lead, only surviving origianl member of the Society of Black Hills Pioneers, was presented a bouquet of roses by out-going president, Mrs. Robert Beals, Belle Fourche, at the 86th annual meeting of the organization held Sunday at Deadwood. Mrs. Clark is attending with her son, Cushman Clark of Deadwood, the new president of the Pioneers. Mrs. Clark will be 100 years old on August 25. Mrs. Beal's grandson, Michael Merriman of Plattsmouth, Neb., holds the title of the youngest member and also adds a five-generation membership to the organization. Michael, who was 11-months old is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leigh (Adrienne Beals) Merriman. The generations are Daniel A. Ericson, who came to Deadwood in 1876 and later settled in the Newell area; the late Otto Ericson, who was serving as president of the society at the time of his death; Mrs. Robert Beals, out-going president; her daughter, Mrs. Merriman, and the Merriman's son Michael. Daniel Andrew Ericson, great-great grandfather was a charter member of the Black Hills Pioneers.

**Bentonite Firms Donate \$10,000 to Hospital** The last of the checks has arrived to bring to \$10,000 the total of the contirbutions from local bentonite firms to Hospital Drive '75, it was announced this week. Each of the four companies operating in the area donated \$2500 to the drive, which also received recently \$2500 from the Black Hills Power and Light Company. Hospital Drive '75 netted more than \$160,000, which has been placed in special funds for Belle Fourche Health Care, Inc. Meanwhile, the steering committee continues to accept contributions and now has \$3393.78 in the account (in addition to the \$160,000). Money continues to roll in for the campaign even as work is under way on the new hospital and doctor clinic. The managers of the four firms are Maynard Teppo, American Colloid; Keith Collins, Baroid Division, NL Industires; Cal Geis, Federal Bentonite; Ron Elison, International Minerals and Chemical.



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## Belle Silver Lining Raises Funds with Cornhole Tourney

Robbi Longbrake

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Belle Silver Lining held its 2nd Annual Cornhole Tournament at the Moose Lodge on the morning of July 26.

The Cornhole event is a fundraiser for Belle Silver Lining. Rita Bollwitt, Board President explained, “We do several fundraisers throughout the year—being a nonprofit, our funding comes from either grants or community support and then the fundraisers that we do throughout the year.”

Coming up with new ideas to garner public interest takes some planning. “This is actually the second year that we’ve done this and we had fun last year! And so we wanted to keep making an annual thing of it! It has grown

this year,” said Bollwitt.

In addition to the tournament, the group held a 50/50 drawing, gave door prizes and sold tickets to a gun raffle that will be drawn on September 1. There is still time to grab some tickets if you want in on the chance of winning a Henry Golden Boy Lever Action 22 rifle.

Tony Ramirez with Northern Hills Cornhole was in charge of the tournament. “This format is a bring-your-own-partner teams tournament with double elimination,” he explained. “So if you lose once, you can ultimately come back and win the whole campaign!”

The fun thing about cornhole is that anyone can play—from young to old, male or female. Ramirez said, “So you have

people from youngest—he’s probably 10 years old to probably 60 or 70 years old—I’m 63 years old! Anyone can play!”

The Moose Lodge had pulled pork sandwiches and drinks for sale inside during the tournament and provided the location free of charge.

Silver Lining already has plans for their next fundraiser. Mark your calendar for September 22, 2026 as Joe Wiegand will be in Belle Fourche for a show located at the stage in the Rec Center at 7:00 p.m.

Bollwitt shared, “He is a Theodore Roosevelt impersonator and he’s known across the world, he does a regular show at Medora.”

As always, if you are interested in volunteering, Silver Lining is always looking!



Teams keep score by where the bags land, 3 points for going in the hole, 1 point for landing on the board. This team is counting points and preparing to throw bags.



Participants for the 2nd Annual Belle Silver Lining Cornhole Tournament gather to get directions for play. Longbrake photos



Players of all ages enjoy throwing bags.

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Gail Uses The Knife, Eagle Butte SD	18	Black-Pair	5/Bm	1644	4875.00	\$4,875.00
<b>WEIGH-UPS</b>						
Janet K Evans, Weston WY	1	Black-Hfrt	990	297.50		\$2,945.25
	1	Black-Cow	1400	171.00		\$2,394.00
Mt Consignment, Miles City MT	32	Black-Cow	1618	173.00		\$2,799.62
	9	Black-Cow	1435	171.00		\$2,453.85
Landers Lvst Co Inc, Hot Springs SD	5	Rd/Blk-Cow	1743	169.00		\$2,945.67
	5	Xbrd-Cow	1734	160.00		\$2,774.40
Ben Or Lori Gaman, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow	1470	172.00		\$2,528.40
	5	Black-Cow	1242	214.00		\$2,657.88
	3	Black-Cow	1642	172.00		\$2,823.66
	1	Black-Cow	1410	173.00		\$2,439.30
	1	Black-Cow	1405	165.00		\$2,318.25
Doug Bonsell, Ekalaka MT	8	Red-Hfrt	1044	262.50		\$2,739.84
Travis Or Julie Hurst, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Hfrt	1030	260.00		\$2,678.00
	1	Black-Cow	1420	167.50		\$2,378.50
	1	Black-Cow	1305	187.00		\$2,440.35
Muleshoe Ranch Inc, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow	1305	165.00		\$2,153.25
Richard A Smith Ranch Llc, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Hfrt	1080	275.00		\$2,970.00
Steve Or Renee Mcamis, Belle Fourche SD	1	Black-Cow	1650	167.00		\$2,755.50
Samuel Sandoz, Newell SD	5	Black-Cow	1458	172.00		\$2,507.76
	1	Red-Cow	1525	171.50		\$2,615.37
Alan Lloyd, Otter MT	4	Black-Cow	1574	172.00		\$2,706.85
	1	Black-Cow	1450	172.50		\$2,501.25
Lynn Jaspersen, Upton WY	3	Black-Cow	1512	172.50		\$2,607.62
	1	Bwf-Hfrt	1125	277.50		\$3,121.87
Clint Hahn, Hammond MT	1	Black-Cow	1535	168.50		\$2,586.47
Tarver Heart X Rch, Gillette WY	39	Black-Cow	1508	170.50		\$2,571.92
	8	Blk/Bwf-Cow	1374	168.50		\$2,314.76
	4	Black-Cow	1203	242.50		\$2,916.06
	1	Red-Cow	1650	170.50		\$2,642.75
Clint Krambeck, Spearfish SD	1	Black-Cow	1715	168.00		\$2,881.20
Rauth Ranch Inc, Alva WY	1	Black-Cow	1330	166.50		\$2,214.45
Mary Giberson, Riverton WY	5	Black-Cow	1410	171.00		\$2,411.10
<b>BULLS</b>						
Owen Rumph, Biddle MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2180	230.00		\$5,014.00
S & L Sheep Ranch Inc, Alzada MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2230	201.00		\$4,482.30
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2115	227.00		\$4,801.05

Schelldorf Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Herf-Bull Drug Free	1945	191.00		\$3,714.95
	1	Herf-Bull Drug Free	2330	196.00		\$4,566.80
Laird Ranch Llc, Ekalaka MT	1	Red-Bull Drug Free	1640	201.00		\$3,296.40
Landers Lvst Co Inc, Hot Springs SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2215	225.00		\$4,983.75
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2070	221.50		\$4,585.05
Steve Stoddard, Broadus MT	1	Bwf-Bull Drug Free	1930	225.00		\$4,342.50
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1820	200.00		\$3,640.00
Alan Lloyd, Otter MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1900	229.00		\$4,351.00
Cross W Livestock, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2020	224.00		\$4,524.80
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2100	192.00		\$4,032.00
Paul Or Nancy Brence, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1850	201.00		\$3,718.50
Ashley Pearson, Aladdin WY	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2055	215.00		\$4,418.25

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July 31, 2025	YEARLING SPECIAL - ALL CLASSES @ 10 AM MT
August 7, 2025	NO SALE - RALLY WEEK!
August 14, 2025	YEARLING SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES
August 21, 2025	YEARLING SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES
August 28, 2025	YEARLING SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES
September 4, 2025	ANNIVERSARY BBQ SALE - YEARLING SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES
September 11, 2025	REGULAR SALE - SELLING ALL CLASSES
September 18, 2025	YEARLING & SPRING CALF SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES
September 25, 2025	YEARLING & SPRING CALF SPECIAL - SELLING ALL CLASSES

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**Crazy Days Offers Shopping Madness**

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BELLE FOURCHE—State Street was lined with sidewalk sales and bargain bins for this year's Crazy Days held July 25 and July 26. The warm weather and fabulous discounts brought the shoppers out.

From \$1.00 bins at Pete's Clothing and Hodge Bootery and free and \$5.00 bins at Belle Flowers and Co. to \$2.00 bins at Print Mark-et there were many deals to be found. Many business gave steep discounts. Pasque Ladies Fashions and Cowboys TOO! offered racks of clothing items for 50% off, while The Emporium 605 had 20% off of everything in stock.

Crowds of locals walked up and down the sidewalks hunting for the best items at even better prices. Other businesses that

took part included: Pearson Block Candy Shop, Saturday on State, Crazy Cow Ice Cream, Prairie Hills Pharmacy, Hair Gallery, Budget Appliance N Furniture, SML Conoco Southside, Love that Shoppe, Dakota Petals, Hitching Post Tap House, Pearson Block Hous and Denim & Opal.

Rail Park provided added fun to the Crazy Days event on Saturday July 26. Vendors lined the park selling their wares to customers. Artsy Lyd, Homestead Store, Mary Kay, Wicked Wizard Design, Doterra, Beading with My Mini and Forever Linx Permanent Jewelry were among the business that added to the good times.

CD's Wings Food Truck and Simply Korn and Kones were on site to offer food choices when Crazy Day shoppers needed a snack.



Vendors set up in **Rail Park** to offer more shopping opportunities for shoppers. Longbrake Photos



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## Central Meade County News

**By Sandy Rhoden**  
July 20, 2025

The word to describe our last weekend was a rare one for our neck of the woods. That word would be muggy. The Union Center area received about a quarter inch of rain on Saturday night while Jeff Long's received .8 inch. Some hail came with it as well, but we didn't hear of any damage. It is looking like Central Meade County could be much greener than normal as we enter into the month of August. It has actually been difficult getting into the fields to finish up haying season, which seems a bit strange this time of year.

Jack Seller, Darrel Wilcox and Bill Meirose enjoyed lunch after Sunday services at Nellie's. Larry and Sandy Rhoden and Gary and Lorie Hausmann had lunch there as well. It is the time of the year where we see more than locals there at the café as tourists and motorcycles are gradually coming in for the 85th Bike Rally.

Gary and Amy Cammack attended the funeral service for Mike Diedrich on Saturday afternoon along with many fellow legislators from all over the state. He was well thought of as a legislator, and left a lifelong impact with his many contributions to our state and his community.

He was a man of God and made the world a better place

with his one million dollar smile, his leadership, compassion and courage. He no doubt was met at the gates hearing, "Well done, good and faithful servant...Enter into the joy of your Lord" Matt:25:23 His sons and 3 friends shared personal stories and memories of Mike. It was a heartfelt and honorable good bye to a very good man. Larry and Sandy Rhoden were in attendance as well.

Some of this unpredictable weather brought a tornado touch down north of Watertown. These can form in a very short time, especially on warm muggy days. It is always good to be looking at the sky on days like these even in our area on days like that.

The Days of 76 Rodeo in Deadwood was a packed house on Saturday night. They kicked it off with a horse drawn wagon that Governor Rhoden and Sandy were in. While Delbert didn't bring horses himself for the wagon, he was seen on horseback during a special portion of the rodeo that night. It was an entertaining rodeo that was well run and enjoyed by all who attended. Some more local participants of western SD were seen which made it more fun to watch.

Spud Lemmel celebrated his 96th birthday at the Lemmel Ranch on Friday, July 25th. He shares a birthday with his granddaughter Brianna who turned 36. The double birthday celebration was held from 1:00 - 5:00 with a packed house of family and friends.

The 72 people in attendance celebrated until the last guest left at 7:00 pm, "just in time to watch Cash on the Cowboy Channel" said Spud. Guests brought cards with their favorite memories and the day was enjoyed by all. We all want to wish Spud Lemmel a very Happy 96th Birthday!

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**Capitol News July 27, 2025**  
By Karen Odell

The news around Capitol and Tie Creek has been really slow, this week. The heat and humidity was higher, and the hay fields still producing. Some second cuttings are productive, and the hay amounts are surprisingly abundant.

Dick and Erma Albert had their usual type of week. They made a trip to the Hills, on Monday, and spent an exorbitant amount of money on groceries. Erma is going to the chiropractor in Buffalo, on Wednesdays. Friday was chicken day at the Senior Center, and their monthly chicken dinner was delicious. The attendance was affected by the fact that the Reva Turtle Races were this weekend, too, and many people had gathered near Reva for that special day. Dick and Erma went to the Catholic Church for services, on Sunday.

After church they went to Saloon Number Three for lunch with the Helms family. Lynn Gustafson is spending another week in Alabama, and enjoying her high school reunion. It is fun to see those people you knew so long ago. Bruce has been busy working at the ranch, and discovering that Lynn does lots of work that he forgets about until she's gone.

Junior and Shirley Melum had a quiet week, while Tommy was away at youth group camp in Wyoming. It was so good to see him again, when he got home this weekend. Their family relatives have planned a reunion in Spearfish at the community center near the swimming pool on September First. The Nicodym girls are making the arrangements. Ernie and Rachel have still been busy

in the hay field. Dorothy Padden tried to spend time inside, and out of the heat, this week. She has some raised plots for her garden, and things are growing well.

She got over a half-inch of rain early in the week. It produced some hail, but not enough to fill the cooler for making ice cream, so there wasn't much damage, and her plants are still looking good.

Karen Odell had a busy week. There was a little hail and some rain early in the week, keeping things still green. She got some mowing done, and a little rearranging. Karen got out to the road after the rains,

to mail some letters and visit at Wolffy's. Mollie and Kyia Smith came from Minnesota, later in the week, and are enjoying the cats, dog and the less humid weather. Mollie and Kyia went to visit at Ron Rosencrantz's on Sunday, to visit the other grandmother for a few days. Karen visited with Larry Lyons, and high school classmate Bill Foulkes, on the phone. The Lyons family is planning to gather in a few weeks.

It has been a hot week, but we have to be glad for, and appreciate, the nice days we have had this summer.

Prayer is the most reliable cell phone service.

## Belle Fourche Beacon 'Happenings' and News Bytes Calendar



The Beacon Happenings Calendar is public service listing of meetings, events, and things to do in and around Belle Fourche. Happenings announcements may be sent to: news@bellefourchebeacon.com Deadline is Friday before 5pm.

### Museum "On the Map" Exhibit

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center has a new temporary exhibit. The exhibit is entitled "On the Map," and will showcase the many maps in the museum's collections, including a distinctive map of the Black Hills on a scarf; a WWII combat map; and a mountain and desert map of California, among many others. The exhibit will also include photos, storyboards, a touchscreen quiz, cartography tools, globes and a kids' activity center with a workbook, book to read and a craft to complete. The exhibit will be up until October 4<sup>th</sup>. There is no admission charge to see this exhibit, or the Tri-State Museum. For more information about the exhibit or upcoming events and exhibits, call 605-723-1200. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche.

### Belle Fourche Recreation Center Arts in the Parks

Various activities through the month of July. See calendar

### Cowboy Band Concert

Friday July 31<sup>st</sup> Concert in the Park 5 pm.

**Belle Fourche Silver Linings 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cornhole Tournament**, Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. At Moose Lodge 399 Stanley St. Belle Fourche Registration 9AM Game starts at 10AM. Registration \$50 per team. Bring your own partner. The Moose Lodge will be available for food during the tournament. Contact Steve Parker with questions 605.210.0200

### Butte-Lawrence County Fair

Butte-Lawrence County Fair July 28- August 2. Butte Lawrence County Fairgrounds, Nisland, SD

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**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.

**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

**CONNECTION CHURCH (SBC)**  
613 Sixth ave., Belle Fourche (605)-210-2150  
Pastor Stephen Carson  
Worship Pastor Ashton Rone  
Associate Pastor Chad Logan  
Sunday Worship: 8:30 or 10:15 am

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST**  
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9am Sunday School 10am church  
Men's Bible Study 10am at the Senior Center  
Women's Bible Study Tuesday 9am.  
Call for location.  
website: ebcbf.org

**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  
Reverend Jill Jennewein  
Sunday: 9 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Adult & Teen Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

**GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
Pastor Sheri Fadley  
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605-892-2405  
Worship: Sunday 10:30 am - FB Live  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
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Sunday: 10 a.m. worship service

**NEW COVENANT PCA**  
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642-1122  
Luke Bluhm, Pastor  
Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship Service

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

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

**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 Kellern Lane, Spearfish  
Sunday Services: 9AM and 10:30AM

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

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

**RED WATER CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Belle Fourche Rec Center  
Sun: 9:30-12:30.  
Contact: Nathan Thompson  
605 569-3057  
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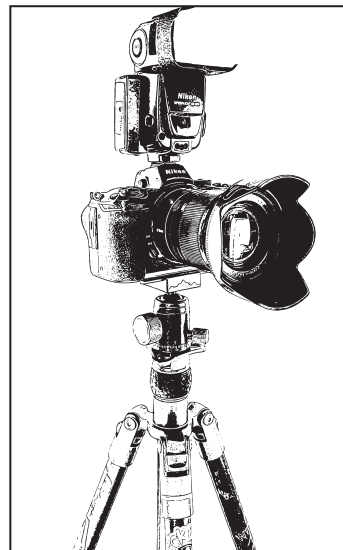
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Let's start with some compelling numbers that illustrate just how much your shopping decisions matter. Consider a typical small town of 5,000 residents. If each person committed to spending just \$25 more per month at local businesses instead of elsewhere, the cumulative impact would be staggering.

That modest \$25 monthly shift would inject \$125,000 into the local economy every single month. Over a year, that's \$1.5 million in direct local spending. But here's where the mathematics become truly fascinating: thanks to what economists call the "multiplier effect," that \$1.5 million doesn't just disappear into individual cash registers. It circulates through the community, creating what some estimates suggest could be nearly \$5 million in total economic impact annually.

The multiplier effect works like this: when you buy a sand-

wich from Joe's Deli, Joe uses that money to pay his employees, who live locally and spend their wages at other local businesses.

Joe also purchases supplies from regional distributors, pays rent to a local property owner, and uses local services like accounting and maintenance. Each dollar spent locally typically generates between \$3 to \$7 in additional economic activity within the community. Conversely, when you spend that same dollar at a national chain or online retailer, most of that money immediately leaves your community, never to return. The local economic impact? Virtually zero.

The "Great Acceleration" is what makes this issue particularly urgent which is the rapid acceleration of money leaving local communities. The COVID-19 pandemic fundamentally altered shopping patterns, with online purchasing becoming not just convenient but habitual for millions of Americans. While e-commerce growth had been steady for years, the pandemic compressed what might have been a decade of change into just a few months.

This shift represents more than just changing consumer preferences—it's an economic redistribution from local communities to Wall Street headquarters. Every Amazon purchase, every trip to a big-box retailer, every online subscription represents dollars that supported local jobs, local tax bases, and local community initiatives. The evidence is visible across the America. Drive through small towns that were thriving just two decades ago, and you'll often find empty storefronts,

struggling Main Streets, and communities that seem to have lost their economic vitality. These aren't abstract economic theories—they're real places where real families have watched their communities hollow out.

The Domino Effect of Economic Decline is real. When local spending decreases, communities experience a cascade of negative effects that extend far beyond simple economics. Local businesses close, eliminating jobs and reducing the tax base. With fewer tax dollars available, municipal services suffer. Property values decline as the community becomes less attractive to potential residents and businesses.

Perhaps most importantly, the social fabric of the community begins to fray. Local business owners are often the same people who sponsor Little League teams, organize charity drives, and serve on school boards. When these businesses disappear, communities lose not just economic anchors but civic leaders and community organizers.

Research consistently shows that communities with strong local business districts tend to have higher levels of civic engagement, lower crime rates, and greater social cohesion. The relationship between local economic health and community well-being isn't coincidental—it's fundamental.

A call for coordinated action and addressing this challenge requires more than individual consumer choices, though those remain important. Communities need coordinated strategies involving local government, business organizations, media outlets, and civic groups working together. Successful communities are implementing initiatives like local loyalty programs, "buy local" campaigns, and events that showcase local businesses. Some cities are revitalizing downtown areas, creating walkable districts that emphasize the unique character that only local businesses can provide. The most effective

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## B's Buzz

Betty Bruner

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There are no words. None. Zip. Finish. My mind had a plan on what I would write this week for the Buzz, but it's beyond just saying so long, see ya soon.

I had planned that this issue would be my last issue for the Beacon. It's been one of three jobs for me for several years and I just haven't been able to do a really good job. I haven't been able to spend the time to search out stories, cover them with the attention that should be given to them, and then write in a way that tells a story.

There is so much history happening all around us and my desire for several decades has been to record that history in a way that future generations would enjoy reading.

A couple of weeks ago, I opened up some old Irrigator papers from 2007, when I was Editor and writing most of the stories. Sad to say, I was embarrassed by how much I covered and how it compared to the insignificant amount of what I do now. It showed me that I have not done a very adequate job of continuing the goal I had set for myself. I must apologize for doing so poorly. What I could do as a 40-50-something, I cannot do as a 70-something. And I see that it is time to leave the profession I love and enjoy.

So, I tearfully say that it's been a kick and I wish it would go on forever.

As many know already, this is also near the end for the BF Beacon, too. No words. There has been a valiant effort to keep it going, but times are changing.

But I cannot leave things on a sad note. That's not in my makeup. I have to tell you about this last weekend because it has made me see the future!

We traveled to Scottsbluff to attend the first birthday party of our Great-Grandson Hunter. He has curly hair and a cheery outlook on the world. Although,

he's only met us a couple of times, he embraced our love. His smile is like his grandpa's and it warmed my heart just to look into his eyes and see our son, Matt.

It showed me that those we love are never really gone. They live in our children and grandchildren. That's the future! Hunter will learn about his grandpa as his mom tells him stories about him. And he will see the future in the dreams Matt had for each of his family members.

This week is an extra tough week anyway, but God's grace has shown through as we enjoyed being with Hunter and seeing his excitement. You see, it's been 23 years since our son Daniel was killed in a car accident. It seems like only a year or so. Sometimes, it's hard to remember what he sounded like, but then when I hear a grandson say something familiar, it sounds like Daniel is right here with us. How wonderful our God is that He knows how much we miss our children! How precious it is to have them even for a little while!

Let me add that we took our granddaughter Clara with us to Scottsbluff. She's six and KNOWS everything! And she continually talks and sings! Which is fine with me, but I'm pretty sure her grandfather was a little overwhelmed with it all. He's so used to having "noiseless" days, that all the chatter filled every little crevice in his brain.

So, now that we've dropped Clara off with her mom, our house is silent. Too silent. I think I'm going to find some more words and make sure those crevices stay filled in Chuck's brain. After all, we girls need to use our 30,000 words up every day! Or is it only 3,000? Oh well, I'm ready to use every word I can think up. Where's the dictionary? I need new ones!

## Pat Lee Celebrates 90th Birthday



Pat's birthday, July 28, 2025, was dedicated as Pat Lee Day in Newell.

Longbrake photo



Friends and family gather at the Newell Christian Fellowship Community Hall to celebrate Pat Lee's 90th birthday.

Longbrake photo

Ryder Heitz  
news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NEWELL—Longtime community member Patricia (Pat) Yuill Lee got to celebrate her 90th birthday in the company of friends and family with a celebration held at the Newell Christian Fellowship Community Hall on Saturday, July 26. Lee has spent many years as a compassionate caregiver in the community as a school nurse, churchgoer, volunteer, baker, founding member of the W.I.T. Coalition, Air Force veteran, and Lions Club member. With everything Lee has contributed to the area, Mayor Tara Tennis dedicated Pat's birthday, July 28, 2025, as Pat Lee Day in Newell.

Family, friends, and community members gathered at the Community Hall and enjoyed cake, beverages, and fruit while socializing and sharing memories

with Lee. Betty Baker, a longtime friend of Lee's, and Karla Burke, Lee's daughter, were instrumental in setting up the celebration event. "We met at a Lion's Club meeting. And she said to me, do you have a church? And I said, no, I'm looking for a church. I was new in the community, and so she invited me to come to First Lutheran, which was our church here in town. And I just felt so welcome and so comfortable there," shared Betty Baker.

"And so Pat and I have been friends for years. We traveled together, she came to the East Coast when I was out there for a few months and I took her around, I got her through surgery, she got me through surgeries. You know, it's what girlfriends do. It's like the old saying that your friends are the family you pick. Your family is, in some cases, okay, but the friends that you have are the family that you

really look forward to." Karla Burke, Lee's daughter, said that Lee "was always taking care of the church and kids and whatever community event needed food, especially always baking or cooking something for some event, and not just taking one thing, taking 10!" Burke said, "When Tara called me about writing the proclamation I said we can't list everything, because that would almost be obscene! It's been a lot." Lee continues her passion of helping others to this day; she volunteers at assisted living centers and once a month participates in an event called Cookies and Chatter where she brings baked goods and visits with patients. On how it feels to be honored, Lee said, "Well, it feels a little overwhelming, and it feels like I have really good friends and family."

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# Grand River Roundup



**Betty Olson**

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We started the week off last Sunday by going over to Lester and Sharon Longwood's for Bible Study that evening with Rollie and Jane Peterson, Susan Gunn, John and Corinne Erickson, and Duane and Dawn Harris. We had an enjoyable evening with all these great people but it was an interesting trip home that night. It started to rain hard just as we were starting to drive home over those gravel roads. It was raining so hard that the windshield wipers couldn't keep up and I had to put the pickup into 4-wheel drive just to keep it on the road, especially when I had to go really slow around the corners without sliding off the road. The rain let up before we got home and we only got just over a quarter inch of rain here but north and east of us they got a LOT more.

We lost another friend: Jim Oatman, age 46, from Trinchera, CO was called home to Jesus on July 17. He spent the last 2 months of his life in a hard-fought battle with Sepsis

at Memorial Central Hospital at Colorado Springs. A Memorial Service and Celebration of Life will be held on August 1 at 10:00am at the Branson School in Branson, Colorado.

It was hot on Monday when Amanda mowed the yard and around the gardens and Reub mowed around the shop and Missy's house. It rained again that night that left almost 3/4 of an inch in the rain gauge and there were a lot of puddles for the little people to play in Tuesday morning.

Knox helped Reub and me go through another big box of Reub's mother's stuff on Tuesday and then drove the Kubota down to the dump with Reub to throw out all the broken dishes we found. We did find some dishes that weren't broken, a lot of her tablecloths and a really nice Pendleton wool blanket. We'll take a bunch of the dishes and tablecloths to the second hand store, but we saved that good wool blanket. I had another ZOOM call that evening with SDPRLACA to hear Steve Sibson talk about TIFs. We had an-

other little sprinkle of rain that evening.

Reub and I went to Hettlinger Wednesday afternoon to finally get some chicken feed from Runnings and some stuff from White Drug. We stopped in Reeder on the way home to have coffee with the Prairie Pioneers, which is always fun.

Reub went back up to spray weeds at the Horse Creek pasture Thursday morning while I stayed home to water the gardens and take care of my chickens. We got just a tiny shower that night that left very little in the rain gauge.

Our granddaughter Lanie Klug brought her kids down from North Dakota on Friday to spend the weekend playing with their cousins and trying to catch turtles for the Reva Turtle Races on Sunday. Reub and I celebrated our 61st wedding anniversary by going to Buffalo that evening for the third annual Worship in the Arena at the Tipperary arena to listen to the wonderful music from Tracy Buer and Tom Johnson with a prayer from Pastor Cliff Claypool. It was really hot

outside but it was pretty comfortable sitting under the roof in the bleachers at the arena.

Matt Klug came down on Saturday to join his family for the turtle races on Sunday. That was the last Saturday in July which is the "Day of the American Cowboy" that I got passed when I was in the legislature in Pierre and we celebrated it by going down to Ranchers Camp at the Coal Springs Antique grounds south of Meadow Corner to hear Jake Stroh, a cowboy and pastor from Jordan, Montana, give the sermon that evening. Pastor Stroh's daughter, who is married to Evan Lopez, and David Paul opened the service with some wonderful music and had the audience join to sing several beautiful hymns with them.

A lot of friends and relatives from around the country came to church Sunday morning before they went to the Reva Turtle Races that afternoon. The Turtle Races were on Sunday but we missed them because we went back to Ranchers Camp at Coal Springs for Sunday School with Tyson Hewitt at 4:00, a pot lunch supper at 5:00 and the sermon from Pastor Jake Stroh at 6:00.

With Ranchers Camp I'll leave you with this:

- \* An Old Rancher's Advice
- \* Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-strong.
- \* Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.
- \* The best sermons are lived, not preached.
- \* Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna

happen anyway.

\* A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.

\* Words that soak into your ears are whispered...not yelled.

\* It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

\* Every path has a few puddles.

\* When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.

\* You cannot unsay a cruel word.

\* Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads.

\* Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

\* Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.

\* The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'.

\* Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.

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## Then and Now in Newell

### "Looking Forward to our Past"

**July 29, 1915**

F. C. Linzy arrived in Newell yesterday from Nebraska to confer with the Commercial Club with regard to the erection of a 65-barrel flouring mill in Newell. Power will be the greatest request for a mill here and we understand Mr. Linzy will be meeting here on Monday evening by officials of the power companies throughout the Black Hills and the matter is taken up thoroughly. The mill proposition should meet with approval and a large attendance will be expected at the Commercial Club meeting on Monday.

The streets and alleys all over town are receiving the attention of the Town Board. We understand that the city fathers have received a couple barrels of oil to experiment with

when something is going on for the only purpose of stealing things and robbing cars of their belongings. Keep it up, you dirty whelps and some of these times some of you will be seen hanging on a lamp post. When the vigilantes get properly organized in this county, a stiff hunt will be made to find the persons doing this dirty work. You thieves take warning.

Mrs. Milberg and sons, Walter and Clarence, took dinner with Mrs. Hannah Wilson on Sunday and brought a quantity of nice raspberries home with them. Aother son, Elmer, who is working at the Experiment Farm, brought Roy Davison home with him for dinner and had the pleasure of preparing it for them unaware, beforehand mother was away at Wilson's.

Frank Newcomb, me-

by Linda Velder

today there are only 4 similar ones in service. When he was executive of the railroad, he lived in the car and the moving of the car to his ranch is more for sentimental reasons than any other. The car is finished with priceless old English walnut and will make excellent living quarters while on the ranch. The move began this morning by the Northwestern Engineering Company of Rapid City. The company estimates the weight of the car is close to 30 tons and moving this car is not an easy job. Upon arrival at the ranch, it will be placed on a concrete foundation.

Burglars invaded the Butte County Sheriff, A. C. Craven's office and got away with a safety deposit box containing \$300 worth of County Warrants & Savings Certificates. They had been placed in a special compartment box and the key hidden under a pile of papers in another compartment where the thieves located the box. The items stolen, however, cannot be turned into cash or other sources but the thief may attempt to sell them. Warrant buyers should be aware and check them closely to avoid buying any of the stolen documents. All are payable to jailer Lucille Craven and endorsed by Lucille Craven.

A jail building, constructed of cement blocks, is being built in Vale near the Woodman Hall, the work being done by M. C. Michelson. Mrs. Michelson has been quite ill. Their daughter, Mrs. F. J. McDonald of Fruitdale, has been a frequent caller assisting her mother.

**July 26, 1945**

Wayne Fredlund, 11-year-old son of Mr. & Mrs. Albert Fredlund, met instant death from a lightning strike Tuesday evening at the farm home 6 miles southeast of Newell. Mr. Fredlund had been irrigating and sons Jimmie and Wayne assisting, when the electric storm approached. The father was on high ground and saw the boys starting for home. When the lightning struck, he rushed to the spot and found Wayne dead. Jimmie crawling on hands and knees, stunned and dazed. Wayne's clothing was torn to shreds and the soles of his shoes were torn off. During the same storm, lightning hit the farm home of O. E. Milberg. It poked around in a cupboard, smashed bottles and mused-up things generally. Fortunately, with quick action, no blaze was started. There was some property damage and the nerves of the

chanic at the Newell Garage, sustained a painful injury last Friday evening when a tire blew out and the rim struck him a stunning blow in the forehead.

Don't forget the big community picnic at Hoover next Sunday, July 26, on the banks of the Moreau River. Bring dinner enough for you and your family, then all will be put together. Any one who can bring a freezer of ice cream will make a welcome addition to the dinner.

**July 25, 1935**

Frank Walters, retired vice president of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, has been spending the past week in Newell superintending the moving of a combination parlor and café car from the Newell Depot to his ranch 5 miles southeast of town. Mr. Walters stated that the car is about 40 years old and

**July 23, 1925**

Last Saturday night, while James and John Mattheson were in Nisland doing some trading, thieves stole a new tire off from one of the hind wheels of James's car and took most of the tools out of John's car. The loss to the boys amounts to about \$40. There are a bunch of thieves that go into area towns



Final remains of Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Executive Frank Walter's coach, his living quarters when on official business. Newell Museum

on the streets. While we are improving in this way let's get out the scythe, hoe and other implements and rid the vacant places of weeds before they dry and we have a fire.

H. E. Rich was down from Belle Fourche yesterday and informs us that arrangements are being made for a continuous telephone service at the local exchange. It is expected that this service will start the first of the month.

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WEDDINGS galore! That's what's happening now that so many of our servicemen are returning to those they hold dear. The season of the year no longer has anything to do with the case. One of the reactions to the war is that weddings come up in any month. In fact, they have become year-round events.

This year with the return of thousands and thousands of eligible men, wedding bells will be ringing more frequently than ever. Design-

ter aisles in endless procession, for weddings are scheduled to take place in record number this year. Lovely beyond words is the very youthful-looking bridal dress of sheerest dotted net shown to the left in the picture. In this bewitching little frock, so frilly and ruffy and sheer, so refreshingly naive in its simplicity and girlish charm, not only the groom but each and every guest will have fallen in love with this winsome bride. A mustily beruffled bertha falls bewitchingly over her shoulders. The simple headdress she wears is of artfully arranged plain net.

Traditional style of chosen weds' fashions the weds' gowns considered in the group. It captures the

WW II is over and soldiers coming home to their loved ones. A Valley Irrigator advertisement for beautiful wedding gowns. Newell Museum

occupants severely strained, but they are cheered with the knowledge that it could have had much worse results.

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selves in creating one lovely gown after another for brides-to-be who want to say "I Do" in a beautiful wedding dress that lives up to tradition.

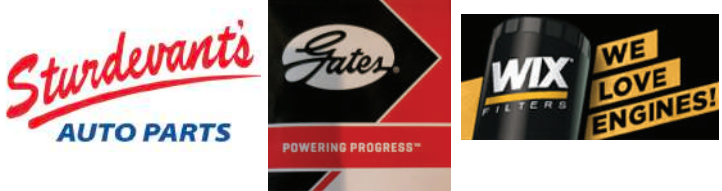
The lowly skunk has been adding to his unsavory reputation by raiding numerous chicken coops of the community. Like the hoppers, kill 1 and 2 come to the funeral and stay. Andy Hade reports the loss of 100 grown chickens and Walter Neiss lost over 301 in a night raid, but he got the animal along with everything it had in

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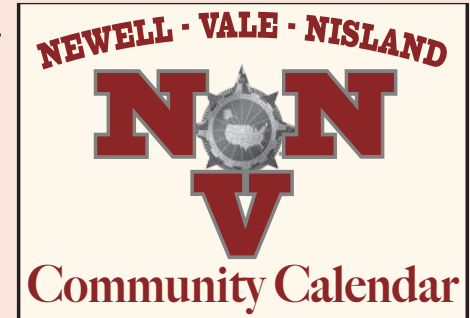
**Mondays**  
Monday Night Bingo at the NVN Senior Center 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**July 29-August 2**  
Butte Lawrence County Fair

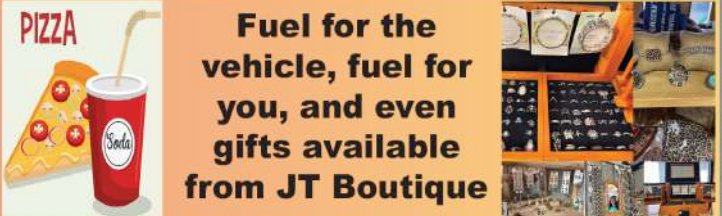
**BH Farmer's Market**  
Second Tuesday each month, 4:30, Nisland Town Hall

**August 2**  
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## THEN & NOW CON'T

its arsenal as a means of defense.

### July 28, 1955

The former "Greasy Spoon" building has been razed to make room for a new business. The old restaurant on Newell's Main Street was erected in 1911 and originally served as a real estate office. Later the site was used for other purposes before the cleaning establishment was started there by former Mr. & Mrs. Cola Clark. The pioneer landmark disappeared the past week in the path of building in which Mr. & Mrs. Fred Bunney have been operating their cleaning establishment will be replaced by a new structure.

Horse Creek 4-H Sheep Club held its monthly meeting on July 18. Roll Call topic was "Safety Around Farm Animals". Committees were appointed to make plans for a float at the Fair. A demonstration on "How To Card and Trim Sheep for a Show" was given by Chester and Raymond Garness. Lunch was served following the meeting.

The John Bentz farm, along the Belle Fourche River near Nisland was named as the top farm in the Butte Soil Conservation District in the annual. G. S. D. A. Soil and Moisture Conservation Contest. E. S. Robinson Ranch west of Belle Fourche won 2nd and Bob Davis Ranch, a neighbor to Robinson ranked 3rd. Bentz, a director of Belle Fourche Irrigation District has been a farmer in the Belle Fourche Valley since early 1900's. Judges were F. B. Roberts, Earl Clarkson and Marion Lucca Belle Fourche and Ragner Boe from south-east of Newell. They also toured the Boe farm and Francis Jacobsen Ranch at Castle Rock.

### July 22, 1965

Plans are complete for the Annual Old Friends of Vale Picnic to be held at Whitewood Park, July 25th, it is announced by R. D. Long, Newell and Mrs. Guy Tucker, Nisland officers of the organization. The picnic will be held at noon, with a potluck dinner and ice cream, coffee and

lemon aid furnished. Also on tap will be a horseshoe pitching contest, other games, music and visiting. All persons interested are invited to attend.

At the Newell Community Club regular noon luncheon meeting at the Cove Café Tuesday, they voted to have 1000 of the new South Dakota 4-color advertising cards imprinted with Newell pictures advertising for local distribution and also that local representation be planned at the Hills Area Resource Planning Survey meeting in Rapid City, August 9th and at a hearing possibly sometime in September to protest abandonment of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad line east of Belle Fourche to Nisland, Vale and to Newell.

A few total scores from Frank Willson & Son 4-H Livestock Judging School: out of a possible 300 points: Gary Gottfredson 269; Nina Donahey 262; Cliff Crago 260; Lester Crago 257; Jean Broadhurst 252; Bruce Gottfredson 251; Sue Broadhurst 249; Bill Otis 248; David Swan 246; Jimmy VanSickle 246; Gary Beckham 242; Linda Swan 241 and Teddy Thompson 241.



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Business Manager  
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*Above: The Community Hall was packed with people there to celebrate Lee. Longbrake photo*

*Right: Mayor Tara Tennis reads the Pat Lee Day proclamation. Longbrake photo*

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