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Save the Vets Charity Event Raises Funds

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BELLE FOURCHE—For the third year in a row, State Street was home to the Save the Vets Smoke Off competition on Saturday, August 9.

Armed Forces of America Motorcycle Club is the driving force behind the event and has been doing some sort of charity event every year for the past 12 years. Senior member, John Arthur or Sarge as he is known by, has been involved in the Club for 25 years and has seen the changes come about through the years. “So we started doing it here instead of a poker run, originally it started as a poker run, then the last two years, we decided to do a smoke contest and try to get the community involved—instead of just people that ride bikes,” he explained.

Angel Nash past owner of the Circle Lounge was a active force behind the move of the charity event to State Street. She coordinated it for the past two years. This year, Circle Lounge new owner, Kari Markley stepped in to help. “It was a little nerve wracking. I’d never done it before and so I was just trying to help, you know! We would like to do this again next year,” she said.

There were six businesses that stepped up to take part in the Smoke Off. First place in the meat category was Fire and Iron. Second place was to the Circle and Trisha Fowler and third place was Win or Lose, We Still Booze. All three winning teams donated their winnings back to the Save the Vet Charity. The total prize pot was \$1335.

Armed Forces of America Event does 12th Annual



Bikes line the 500 block of State Street as Belle Fourche hosted the “Save the Vets” charity event noon to 6 pm Saturday August 9th *Beacon Photo*

There was also a competition for the best side dishes. First place was Win or Lose, We Still Booze, second place went to Papa Smos and third place went to Fire and Iron for their smoked mac and cheese dish. People’s Choice Award was voted on by the public after they tasted all of the smoked meats.

The public placed tickets in the basket of their favorite dish. The winner was Win or Lose, We Still Booze.

In addition to the Smoker, a live

auction, 50/50 raffle and a gun drawing were all money raising activities for the day. An art piece received the highest bid of the day bringing \$750.00.

At the end of the live auction it was announced that the auction brought in over \$7000. Each year the Armed Forces of America Motorcycle Club picks a charity to give the funds to. This year’s recipient is the SGT Colton Levi Derr Foundation, an organization that helps raise awareness

about the profound challenges that veterans face while reintegrating into civilian life and provides resources to combat veteran suicide.

This is the second year in a row the Club picked this Foundation. Last year the Save the Vets event raised \$12,000 for the group. “The SGT Colton Levi Derr Foundation helps out suicide and PTSD—helping veterans and their families—they do a lot in the area, it’s wonderful,” ex-

plained Mark Schild, Armed Forces of America MC member.

Bow Eckenberg of Armed Forces of America Motorcycle Club, Belle Fourche Chapter told the crowd, “Support the SGT Colton Levi Derr Foundation, they take care of us veterans and first responders. They care about us. It has been an honor to support them and be part of their lives and they are part of ours, if you want to learn more about them and why they started this program, please do!”



(L) *State Street* was closed off too all traffic except bikes for the *Armed Forces of America Motorcycle Club’s “Save the Vets” Charity* event; (C) *The State-line Ramblers* entertained the crowd with classic rock, blues and country tunes; (R) *Bow Eckenberg*, Win or Lose, We Still Booze, won the People’s Choice Award, as well as, 1st place for his side dish and 3rd place for smoked meat. *Longbrake Photos*

Hometown Thursdays Come to an End

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BELLE FOURCHE—After a summer filled with music, friends, family and food trucks, the last Hometown Thursdays is upon us! For ten weeks in a row the Belle Fourche community was given a gift of ten different musical acts. The week of August 7th has brought about the final musical performance for the summer.

Dakota Country entertained a large crowd on the final evening. Lawn chairs and picnic tables lined the park at the Tri-State Museum and provided seating for the gathering. A few couples couldn’t stay seated as the music played and found themselves tearing up the dance floor.

Children were invited to participate in a bouncy house. It was a busy place.

Food trucks were set up on the outer rim of the park. PooterQ and Rollin in the Hills provided delicious food for the evening.

A 50/50 fundraiser drawing was ongoing throughout the evening. Proceeds this week went to benefit the Belle Fourche Out of the Darkness Community Walk that is scheduled for September 20, 2025.

The Tri-State Museum will now begin to transition back into fall and winter after a hectic summer season. “We will be going back into our normal hours after Labor Day weekend,” shared Jada Udager, Collections Archivist.



Dakota Country entertained the crowd at the last *Hometown Thursdays* of the summer. *Longbrake photo*

Jam and Honey Festival Celebrates Bees

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NISLAND—For the second summer in a row Owl Creek Organics and Natural Products hosted a Jam and Honey Festival at their country store on August 10.

The Jam and Honey Festival

started last year when the idea was suggested to Bernadette Jensen, owner, by South Dakota Specialty Producers Association. She thought that sounded fun and decided to run with it! The Festival was born.

She has worked to make

this year’s festival even bigger and better than last years. That hard work has paid off as Jensen estimates the turn out this year has doubled in size. “We got really good vendors, a good variety—I don’t like to do double of any vendor,” she explained. “And then we hired a live musician, Luke Olson from Spearfish, he is doing a very good job!”

Jensen’s dad, Bernard Barnaud, kept busy crafting thin crepes while Jensen’s mom, Laura Barnaud handed out flavored honey and jam samples to top the warm crepes. “My dad is making the crepes—he’s actually from France—so he’s doing really good job at those! People really like them and they told us to put a tip jar out for him, because he’s so good,” said Jensen.

The first 50 visitors received a free mini jar of honey as well as jam-filled thumbprint cookies, honey cake, and refreshments.

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Bernard Barnaud takes a quick break from making crepes to get a picture with his daughter, *Bernadette Jensen*, *Owl Creek* owner and his wife, *Laura*. *Longbrake photo*

Beacon Update!

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Beacon Readers:

We our still working out details on a collaboration effort for long term continuation of the paper.

All is going in a positive direction, but like when the Beacon started, it takes more time than you anticipate. Recent news of papers being closed across South Dakota are certainly a setback to those who were em-

ployed and the communities they worked in.

The Beacon will continue on line publication accessible at www.bellefourchebeacon.com, and we hope soon we will have a printed issue in the mail. Thank you for your encouragement to keep going!

Kindest Regards,
Doug Cole
Owner & Publisher, Belle Fourche Beacon

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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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Geraldine Allen 102

Geraldine Allen, age 102, of Kadoka, South Dakota, died on Sunday, August 3, 2025 at the Kadoka Nursing Home.

Geraldine Susie Terkildsen Allen passed away peacefully in her sleep at the Kadoka Nursing Home on August 3, 2025, at the age of 102. She lived an amazingly long life and enjoyed almost every minute. Geraldine Susie Terkildsen was born at home on the ranch, near Wanamaker, SD, on January 27, 1923, to Anita Brown Terkildsen and Niels Terkildsen, attended by Mrs. Phyllis Jacoby, midwife. Geraldine was the 2nd of 10 children. She attended Wanamaker Grade School, south of the store, riding horses or walking to school. After graduating from the 8th grade, she completed her schooling by attending high school at Pine Ridge Boarding School, where she played basketball and loved making pottery. She and her family successfully survived the Depression, Government Cattle Slaughter (to drive up prices), and dry-land farming.

She met Bud Allen at a barn dance at the Pettyjohn barn, just north of the Badland's Basin Hill. They were married October 31, 1942, in Kadoka, SD, attended by Wayne Weaver and Shirley Bauman.

Geraldine was a multi-talented farm wife. She was the local self-taught beautician and was always happy to donate her skills to the community. She also made and decorated fancy cakes for hundreds of birthdays, weddings, and special occasions. Her talents were truly endless, everything from driving the grain truck at harvest to being the community babysitter.

The family moved "to town" in 1968 and boarded high school students in their home during the week. It was in Kadoka at Grabels' Clothing Store that Geraldine got her first paying job. Geraldine had a lifelong love for sewing and was an accomplished seamstress, making fashionable clothes, beautiful quilts and even a teepee and a covered wagon. Geraldine had her own upholstering business, along with her cake decorating, while also working at the H and H Motel.

Geraldine brought a sense of adventure and fun to all she did in life and was always genuinely interested in others, bringing joy to those around her. She so loved her children, grandchildren, great grandchild-



dren, and great-great grandchildren. She was perennially cheerful and enjoyed her life to the fullest. In her later years she joined a quilting group at church to make quilts for a local charity. Her favorite past time was playing cards, and she played up until May of this year. Nothing was better than a day full of visiting; serving coffee, cookies and cake.

This is a true celebration of a long and active life that touched many, many people. She will be missed.

Geraldine is survived by four children, Clarence Allen (Darla), Martin, SD, Patsy Larson, Gillette, WY, Janis Allen, Kadoka, SD, and Wilma Tope (Jay), Aladdin, WY; nine grandchildren: Christy Pranger (Doug), Terri Gregg (Jon), Ami Allen, Cody Allen (Stacey), Dan Larson, David Larson, Taven Snyder, Trent Tope (Jordan), and Taresha Tope (Jeremiah Speckels); seventeen great-grandchildren and fifteen great-great-grandchildren; sister Velma Arment; brothers Lavern Terkildsen (Dianne) and Art Terkildsen; sisters-in-law Tootie Terkildsen and Lou Terkildsen; and many, many loved nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; sisters Dorothy and Verna Mae; brothers Calvin, Slim (Dahlman), Tommy, and Raymond; brothers-in-law Charles Sharp and Marion Arment; sisters-in-law Virginia Terkildsen and Frances Terkildsen; daughter-in-law Nancy Allen; and grandson Torrey Tope.

Visitation will be held 5-7 p.m. with prayer service at 6:30 p.m. Friday, August 8, 2025 at the Kadoka Bible Church.

Funeral Services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 9, 2025 at the High School Gym in Kadoka with Pastor Jesse Taylor officiating.

Interment will follow at the Kadoka Cemetery. Cards and memorials may be sent to P.O. Box 55 Kadoka, SD 57543.

Arrangements are with Rush Funeral Home of Kadoka.



Pastor's Perspective

This week's Pastor's Perspective is from Pastor Jack Hayford's

"Love Is God's Light in the Darkness"

The darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining. He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now. He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes. (1 John 2:8-11)

Twenty centuries after the words of 1 John 2 were written, one might ask: "How is it that the darkness was passing away then, but today the darkness seems to be intensifying?" Scripture is not talking about the quantity of darkness but rather the darkness of the human heart and the erosion taking place in the lives of people as a result of it. People are aware, if they are honest with themselves, that this darkness is taking something away from them and leading to a dead-end. Though unbelievers are not our brother or sister in Christ, the Bible refers to God as the Father of all spirits; we are connected to all in the body of humanity. When Jesus was asked, "Who is my neighbor?" He could equally have been asked, "Who is my brother?" Yet many of us who come from a church background don't feel the need to show sinners any love just preach the Gospel to them, and they can come in on our terms.

The only thing that will touch people in a world blinded by sin is evidence of what they want most: love. Where people see love's vitality, worth, and attractiveness, they will inquire into the Truth that produces it. We will not win the world by persuading people how pure and holy we are but by how loving we are. By being the incarnation of the goodness of Jesus, and showing them love as He did, people will be drawn to Christ.

God's heart breaks over human bondage, just as His Son's body was broken to provide redemption and deliverance from it. God's "wrath" is His fury against the self-destructive things done by His children that hinder Him from fulfilling the good He intends for them. When the spear was thrust into Jesus' heart, blood and water came forth the medical sign of a broken pericardium. It is literally God's broken heart that provides salvation to mankind the same heart breaking in frustration over those who insist on their own self-imposed program of death. We have not been made agents of our Heavenly Father's anger but of the love behind it.

You and I have no power in spiritual warfare if we don't love what or who we're praying for. The raw power of prayer and ministry in the Spirit have to do with authority born of loving that comes from



the transformation of your heart first toward the Lord, then toward those around you. The flow of power in our lives is directly proportionate to the flow of love, and the call of Scripture is always redemptive. God demonstrated His own love toward us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). God so unconditionally loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son (John 3:16). Jesus did not come executing judgment; He came reaching in love. This doesn't mean He had no discernment about people or that He was indiscriminate in His conduct. It means Jesus was not here to raise up a standard for people to rise to, but that He came to reach with the long, loving arms of God to draw people in.

Further, in those of us who've come to Him, there is something of the recovery of what God has in mind for all of humanity. God intends that recovery be manifest in us so others will desire it. The light of Jesus' righteousness enables us to examine our own lives and to attract others to Him by warming them with His love. We are not called to shine it as a searchlight in their faces, telling them to measure up. When we grasp this, something different will take place in the Church today. We are called to holiness, but we are not called to apply that measure to the world. It's a measure we're called to require of ourselves as we grow in the life of Christ. The ultimate measure will always be how the love of God is manifest in us. This is the love that will reach out to the world with tenderness and power not mandating repentance, but offering a people glimpse of God's mindset toward fulfillment and purpose for their lives.

Begin with your own family by cultivating a climate rich in the resources of spiritual discernment and loving discipline (1 John 2). Teach morality on the basis of its promise and hope not as a system of fear and taboos. "Speak truth in love." Then, shine as light in a "crooked and perverse world" (Phil. 2).

Watch for people who manifest a hunger for understanding and a longing for spiritual reality. There are always God-seekers among the lost.

Writing to the Corinthians, Paul said, "Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God?" meaning they will never receive the fullest benefits of God's purpose in their lives.

Listing a battery of horrible sins, Paul tells this church of committed believers, "and such were some of you, but you are washed sanctified justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God" (1 Cor. 6:9-11). Remember, no one is beyond deliverance

1 Peter 5:6-7

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Cathy (Coyle) Grubb Named to 2025 SD Sports Hall of Fame Class

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1979 Belle Fourche/1983 Northern State graduate. Cathy (Coyle) Grubb said, "My earliest sports memories include trying to keep up with my five brothers and sister in all the neighborhood sports we played from football in the street, softball, basketball and any other game we could invent. We loved to compete. There weren't many opportunities for girls at that time outside of fastpitch softball and track. Our dad built a backstop and softball field along with three basketball hoops in the vacant lot behind our house. It was where all the neighborhood kids would gather to play sports. We also had a concrete pad and hoop in the yard behind the garage that Dad eventually put up a light. We have many memories of playing into the night."

Grubb was a two-time All-District 12 and All-American basketball player at Northern State who led Wolves to a four-year record of 98-15. She scored 1,342 career points and was one of the school's best-ever free throw shooters (82 percent career average). She led the Wolves to third in the nation in 1981, the women's first NAIA women's national tournament. In 1980, Grubb and her teammates lost to South Dakota State for the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women state championship. She also was a college track star whose 4x800 relay team placed fifth in the nation at the 1982 NAIA national outdoor meet. She also was a 400-meter hurdle conference champion who helped the Wolves win state and district team titles. Was the 1982 SD Sportswriters' Female College Athlete of the Year for all sports and the 1983 NSU Hildred Wolfe Outstanding Female Athlete.

Started playing high school basketball in 1975 on Belle Fourche's second girls' team. She spent many hours on the outdoor basketball court behind her garage with her radio and her brother's "Garage Door Basketball" book, practicing everything in that book over and over again. Four-year all-conference and three-year all-state player in high school who scored a then school record 1,068 career points (Coyle's niece Jammie Coyle now holds that record). Played in two high school state basketball tourneys, losing to Yankton in the 1978 state championship game despite her 25-point effort (one of three tourney records she



Cathy Grubb

The South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame will be inducting 23 sports legends on Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025, at the Sioux Falls Convention Center.

broke) with the Broncos finishing with a 22-1 record that season. Her basketball team set a Belle Fourche school record of 23 consecutive wins from 1977-78.

High school track star who was a multiple state meet place-winner and Black Hills Conference champion. Lifetime all-state and all-tourney softball player who helped various teams win numerous championships, including the 1977 Class A fastpitch state title and Northern Regional Softball titles in 1985 and 1987. She played in four national tournaments and was named to all-state tourney teams more than 10 times. Grubb was the Belle Fourche volleyball coach for 17 seasons with a 362-174-34 record. Served on the SD High School Activities Association volleyball advisory committee and is a past president of the SD Volleyball Coaches Association. Served as Belle Fourche assistant coach in track, girls' basketball and Special Olympics. Was the 2011 Special Olympics South Dakota Coach of the Year. Retired teaching in 2017. Retired in 2017 after 34 years as a teacher/coach at the high school level at Aberdeen Central, Detroit Lakes (MN), Winner and Belle Fourche. Also has experience as a radio sports broadcaster (BFHS girls' basketball in the mid-90s). Since 2013, has been working for Special Olympics South Dakota as the sports director for the Black Hills Area.

She is in the NSU Athletics (1998), SD Softball (2005), SD High School Basketball (2011), SD VB Coaches (2012) and Belle Fourche High School Athletic (2016) halls of fame. She has been married to husband Jody Grubb since 1989 with one son, Kyle.



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.

The August 17th Family Fun Day at the Tri-State is "Nanny Goats and Billy Goats"

The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center will hold a Family Fun Day on Sunday, August 17th from 2 to 4 p.m. entitled "Nanny Goats and Billy Goats." Families will see an educational film about goats, then get to meet a goat that stops by for the event. There will also be crafts, a book-drawing and a free take-home packet about goats for everyone. Refreshments will be served. Admission is \$2 per person or free with membership. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche.

1903 Reader's Theatre Company presents "Your Friend, Ida"

"Your Friend, Ida" is set in 1958 in the Belle Fourche area and is about women who are avid listeners of a radio show with special appeal to rural women. It was inspired by the work of Wynn Speece who did the My Neighbor Lady show on WNAX for over six decades.

The performances will be on Friday, August 22nd at 7 p.m. and Saturday, August 23 at 2 p.m.

For more information about "Your Friend, Ida," and the 1903 Reader's Theatre Company, please call 605-723-1200. The Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center is located at 415 Fifth Avenue in Belle Fourche.

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 4th.

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

4th Annual Sunrise on State Street Walk/Run Saturday, August 23. Join us for the 4th annual Sunrise on State Walk/Run @ 6:30 am. This event is sponsored in part by Pioneer Bank & Trust, Wild Magnolia Coffee Bar & Eatery and 8th Avenue Bakery.

Annual Coed Sand Volleyball Tournament. Sunday, August 24th Team registrations are due by August 13th. Registrations available at the Rec or www.bellefourcherec.org.

Belle Fourche Writers

The Belle Fourche Writers will hold their regular monthly meeting on Saturday, August 16 at the Belle Fourche Public Library from 10 AM to noon. Anyone interested in writing, regardless of background or experience is invited to attend.



Coed Sand Volleyball Tournament 2025

Date: Sunday, August 24th

Time: Tentatively 11:00 am-8:00 pm

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Format: 3 game guarantee

Teams: 4 person

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Anke's Bakery was a popular vendor at the Jam and Honey Festival. She sold out of many items before the event was over. (Bottom L) Laura Barnaud serves up topping for the crepes. All of the jams and honeys that Owl Creek produces were available to sample. (Bottom R) The Nest, a mobile bookstore, was one of the vendors at the Jam and Honey Festival. Longbrake Photos



Bees from. A1

There was also handouts with honeybee facts—Jensen enjoys educating everyone on the importance of bees. For the kids there was bee themed stickers, games, coloring sheets and headbands. A cute bee photo back drop with an instant camera was available to the kids. A true family affair, Jensen relies on her parents to help her with the business. “I’m from here originally, the Belle Fourche area, and I actually live in

North Dakota now because my husband lives there—but my parents still live here,” explained Jensen. “My mom ships everything for me when I get online orders and she stocks the retailers in Belle Fourche, Spearfish, Sturgis and Rapid City.”

The honey and jam business actually formed out of a different hobby for Jensen. “I got into bees because I was a big gardener and I wanted to increase my production,” she shared. “So then I got more and more into the honey bee

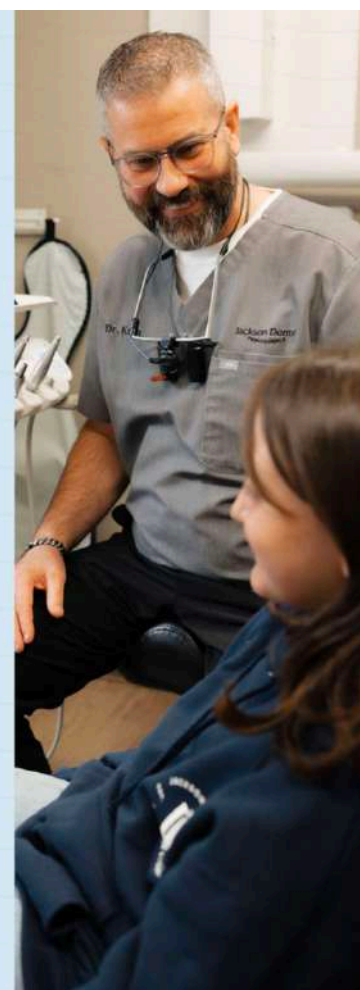
business. So, I mean, I just kind of blossomed from the initial interest in increasing my production in my garden.” Now she spends her time with the honey business and has no time to garden!

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 Saturday, November 15th - Bred Hfr & Cow Special & Weigh Up Sale
 Friday, November 21st - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, November 22nd - Bred Hfr & Cow Special & Weigh Up Sale
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 October 9th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
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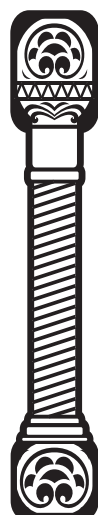
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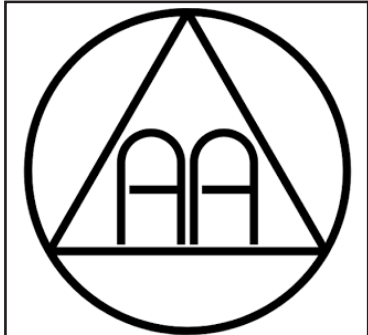
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124 years ago
THE TIMES
August 16, 1900
TEDDY THE STRUTTER FLAYED BY ALTGELD
Ex-Governor of Illinois Exposes the Blatant Rough Rider's Demagogy LIGHT ON HIS PAST RECORD Trimmer, Tax Dodger and Timplat Soldier - Sauthing Excoraiton of McKinley's Running Mate.

Ex-Governor Altgeld, of Illinois, has replied to "Teddy Roosevelt's recent vulgar and venomous tirades against democrats in a manner that is calculated to make that blatant political hariequin be more careful of his utterances in future. Governor Altgeld spoke at the convention of Ohio democrats clubs, in Toledo, and an immense audience cheered him to the echo. The following are some of ex-Governor Altgeld's more pointed remarks: "Every few weeks we are told that the Philippine Islands are pacified; that American sovereignty has finally ialy been established at the point of the bayonet, and yet we have an army of 70,000 men there, and lately when the commanding general was asked to send some of his men to China he replied that one regiment was all that he could spare. "There is today no question of expansion before the American people, and all the talk about expansion is simply an effort to conceal the facts and to mislead the public.

The question is whether we shall go into the colonial business with England and the despotic nations of Europe. "Bear in mind that every trust in America is fighting the democratic platform. Even the alleged democratic stockholders in the republican ice trust of New York, controlled by Tom Platt's son, are fighting out platform. We have seen the spectacle of a major general in the United States army, who was sworn to defend the constitution and was paid a salary by the government for that purpose, stand up in his gorgeous uniform and tell an assembly of wine-drinking trust magnates that the constitution was no longer binding. "Recently a gentleman in New York who had become famous for having been along in Cuba - a gentleman who has adopted as his life motto or coat of arms tow "P's" and a double "S" which four letters signify "pompous posing" and "strenuous strutting" left the capital of New York and went to St. Paul and delivered a speech to an associator of Republican clubs. The speech has not, form beginning to end, a single argument or a single accurate historical reerence; a speech that is made u of invective, misrepresentation and vituperation. "Ordinarily the speech would not be noticed even in a country newspaper, but inamuch, as it was make by a man whom Tom Platt has permitted to be governor of New York, as it was made by aman whom the trusts of America have selected to preside over the senate of the United States in order that their interests may be securd, inasmuch as it was made by a man who is candidate fo the suffrage o the American people, inasmuch as it was made by a man who is relied on to secure the perpetuation of the regime of hypocrisy and revolution in the white house, who is relied on to help make the grasp and control of British influence over our people still more complete, I will notice this speech to see the kind of misrepresentations that the republican party feels compelled to resort to." "Who, then, is this man and what is his history? Personalities are offensive, and I will not indulge in them. But, surely, when we are

thus brutally assaulty we may ask what it is that is berating us. I will notice only a few of the incidents of his public career, which throw light on the question of his sincerity and escretion. I find it recorded that years ago he was a member of the New York legislature, and on one occasion he roused the hopes of his country by making a speech against a class which he called the criminal rich. But he at once dashed these hopes by turning around and voting with and for these very criminal rich who he had denounced. "

100 years
The Belle Fourche Bee
August 20, 1925.
SCHOOLS GETS \$1,538,45
Pierre- The department of school and public lands will apportion a total of \$1,538, 453 to the education institutions and common schools of the state during September. This sum will represent the receipts by the department for the fiscal year from July, 1924 to July, 1925, from fines, interest on school loans, payment upon sales contracts and leases of school lands during the year. Interest payments on loans from the school general fund brought in the greatest part of the amount, \$701,335. Leases of school lands brought \$463,310. Payments upon sales contracts netted \$311,909 and fines paid into state courts brought \$56,899 for school purposes during the year. This money is apportioned on a basis of the number of persons of school age in the counties.

STATE BEEKEEPERS' PROGRAM The State Beekeepers association is putting on a special program starting at Wagner, S. D., on August 31, and visiting several towns of the sate. They will be at Beresford on Sept. 1; at Mitchell on Sept. 2 and at Rapid City on Sept. 4 and 5. At the latter place several prominent bee raisers of the Black Hills country, a trip to Sylvan Lake over the Needles road, and a honey lunch at the state game lodge on Sept. 5.

MORE ANTHRAX Dr. Joseph Miller, local state veterinarian, informs that he found evidence of anthrax in animals belonging to E. A. Kent on the Sugar farm just east of Belle Fourche. Those showing symptoms were vaccinated at once, and all other animals on the farm have since been vaccinated. All other animals in that part of the country will be vaccinated and a determined effort make to check the disease.

75 years ago
The Belle Fourche Bee
August 17, 1950
"World's Outstanding" Says Meier of Child Benefit Star
"The outstanding dramatic soprano in the world today" That is the way Josef Meier, Christus of the Black Hills Passion Play, characterized Marjorie Lawrence, who will sing a crippled children's benefit performance in the Spearfish amphitheater on Sunday, Sept. 3. Speaking at the regular noon luncheon of the Belle Fourche Chamber of Commerce. Meier told of hearing Miss Lawrence sing the very difficult "Electra" with the Chicago Symphony orchestra. "Only the large seating capacity



by Mary Buchholz

of the Spearfish amphitheater makes it possible to bring Miss Lawrence to the Black Hills at the reasonable prices being charged." Miss Lawrence herself was a polio victim, Meier said. Only recently has she been able to stand and sing and she does so now with the aid of a special brace. Ara organizations have already sold out their quota of tickets for the performance which is for the benefit of Crippled Children's hospital.

District Board Maps Keyhole Ballot Plan; Case Clarifies Action Assurance that deferment was being requested of only the construction features which would prevent revising the dam to lower cost of water users in the Belle Fourche Irrigation district clarified the muddled Keyhole dam picture somewhat yesterday. Sunday, Congressman Francis Case announced that he had asked the Bureau of Reclamation to defer awarding contracts on construction of Keyhole dam until the Korean war is over.

50 years ago
The Belle Fourche Bee
August 22, 1975
Rare Sight!! Picket Line
On Range Picket lines are still a novelty in a community like Belle Fourche, but they are a sight that is even more rare in the rolling range north of Belle Fourche. That was the case this week, however, when Montana-Dakota Utilities Company union employees walked out at 8 p.m. Wednesday after failing to reach a wage agreement. With the walkout came the picket announcing the walkout. Since MDU has a compressor station about 20 miles northwest of Belle Fourche, a picket took up his post at the installation Wednesday, as well as in Belle Fourche and at other MDU facilities throughout the area. Meanwhile, MDU officials are assuring their customers that supervisory and technical employees will operate the company, and "every effort will be made to keep the inconvenience to the customers at a minimum." Officials say most utilities services will be provided.

Missing Safe Is Discovered
Sooner or later those things turn up. Back in 1968 after intruders had attempted several break-ins at the Patrons Oil Company, someone finally got disgusted with the piddling around and decided to haul away the safe. Despite an intensive search, that safe was never found - until Sunday. Dave Bolts, who lives along the Whispering Pines road southwest of Belle Fourche, stumbled across the safe about noon Sunday. Whoever had hauled off the safe had cut the thing open with a torch and cleaned out the money. However, many of the papers in the safe were not touched and they were still there Sunday.

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Capitol News
August 10, 2025
by Karen Odell

The countryside at Capitol and on Tie Creek cooled down a little this week. We had a good rain and everything is still green in August. The Ekalaka fair brought people into town this weekend. We had a few days of smoky skies. There was a fire in the West Short Pines, on Wednesday. Doug Davis and Ernie and Tommy Melum were among the fire fighters. That fire was on the west side, and in some very steep terrain that was difficult to reach, but the fire fighters finally got it out. Some of the smoky air may have come from Canadian fires on other days. Saturday was one of the coolest summer days for us, and some people at the outdoor concert in Ekalaka noticed the drop in temperature, but the music was still great.

Dick and Erma Albert, over in Buffalo, made a shopping trip to the Hills, on Monday. Erma had her regular chiropractor's appointment, on Wednesday in Buffalo. They both went to the Senior Citizen Indian taco dinner on Friday. There were lots of people there. On Saturday, Erma went to the Bible Study retreat at the Catholic Church. The lessons kept the women busy for an entire day, and some women had come a great distance for the day of study, that was provided by a nun from Rapid City. Dick and Erma went to church on Sunday, and then joined John and Carol Helms at Saloon Number Three for lunch.

Marlee Cordell went to Belle Fourche for a dentist's appointment on Monday. Alvin made a trip to Buffalo, on Wednesday. Cody Selting and Gene Secrest came out to put a finishing coat on the driveway they had built for Alvin and Marlee. The sealer will protect it, and it will match the patio that they built last year. Alvin met the Hendricksons, up in the Sheep Mountains at the Horton place, on Friday and Saturday. They were finishing up some work for him, before they moved their equipment home. Grandson, Cade Pearson, had spent much of the week at the ranch, and on Sunday the three decided to go to Ekalaka to visit the museum. They had a hard time finding a place to eat. They were glad to finally find the grocery store open, and got a snack there.

Lynn Gustafson was glad to be home, and out of the heat of Alabama, but she had enjoyed getting to visit with past school friends and family, while she was there. On Saturday, she and Bruce went to the Hills for groceries.

Julia Davis had a regular week, but Doug spent some time fighting fire in some rugged terrain in the Short Pines. On Friday, they met with their friend, Freddy Robbins from North Carolina in Spearfish. He had come for the Sturgis bike rally, and they went to have lunch with him before he headed home.

They stopped at Jake Davis's on the way home, and visited for awhile; getting to see Jake's new shop and getting to see their grandsons, too.

Last week, Junior and Shirley Melum went to the Ladner Ice Cream Social, and helped

Jack Ovitz celebrate his birthday. On Sunday, they got a call from daughter, Bertha, and enjoyed the visit. Ernie, Rachel and Tommy Melum went to the Ekalaka fair on three days. They enjoyed two concerts by the Pauls, went to church on Sunday, and got to see the parade. They had all gone to Ekalaka for the Brice Barerre memorial at the cemetery on Wednesday. They are still working hard in the hay field between rains.

Bryce, Dawn and Dorothy Padden went over to Kelly Padden's for a fried chicken supper, on Tuesday. On Thursday, Bryce and Dorothy went to Ekalaka for the Bonnie Gross memorial. Daughter, Lorraine Chin, had come up from Texas, and she took Dorothy to Ekalaka for the fireman's barbecue. Then they went to the evening music concert. On Sunday, Lorraine and Dorothy went back to Ekalaka again, for the fair parade.

Ronda Cordell has spent time trying to get lots of projects done outside, while Oren Basler was there to help. They found that many small projects quickly turned into big projects.

The yard became a big project, this year. During the past five years it had only taken a mowing or two, but this year's frequent showers have kept the grass and kochia weed growing and has kept the mower going. Ronda emptied a half inch of rain from the gauge on the morning of July 30th. The day before, she had done some major weeding eating around the trash. With the overnight rain she thought it safe to burn.

She tended the fire and raked up the kochia that she had weed whacked. As she was about finished with the project, a rattler slithered out from a little clump of kochia. It wasn't even able to detect her, due to the heat of the fire. Clint Zolnoski made a pass with the swather at Ronda's, as the Kochia was over three feet tall again. Now, there isn't such thick cover for snakes to hide in.

The garden is growing quickly. Jake told Ronda that Arlie was amazed at how big the plants were already. She had already been enjoying spinach, radishes, lettuce and found one sugar snap pea. The squash vines will soon have their half of the garden covered over. She had gotten the tilling done a week ago, before they got to where she couldn't till between them.

On August 3rd, Ronda took a cake for Jack Ovitz's 90th birthday party that was being held in conjunction with the Ladner Ice Cream Social. There was a huge crowd, and a wonderful program with lots of great singing.

Chad Zolnoski came from Gillette to pick up Roudy, on Monday. Roudy had spent a couple of days at Clint and Denise's. Oren Basler and Roudy Zolnoski did some prairie dog hunting, and also went with Jake Reynolds, Jason Berg and Arlie Basler to the Powder River for some fishing on Sunday. Arlie was an overnight guest with Darby and Abby Zolnoski.

On Friday, after morning chores, Jake, Oren, Arlie and



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Jason invited Ronda to go fishing. Jason was the luckiest fisherman of the day. Later in the afternoon, Ronda went to Ekalaka for the Fireman's Barbecue, and to look at the exhibits. She bid Oren and Arlie goodbye in Ekalaka, because in the morning, Jake would be taking them to Sioux

City to meet their dad. Jake's 20th class reunion was that evening. On Sunday, Jason came to check on chores, just as Ronda was headed to the parade. Cristen Westling called to say the Basler's had just left for Missouri after having spent the night with her in Omaha. Cristen is working for a period

of time at a post office in Omaha.

On Sunday, Clint and Denise returned from their trip to Sioux Falls, where Abby had undergone some medical testing.

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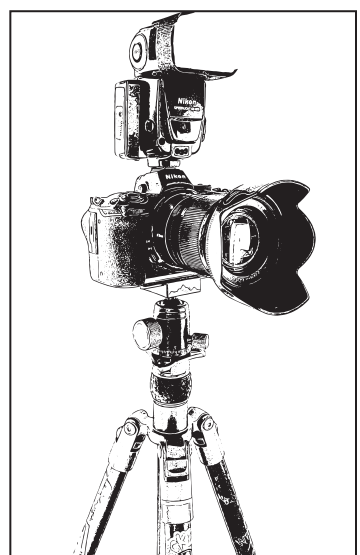
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Businesses on Main Street have never been in a more precarious position as they are now. Never has the future of small business and by default small communities been under a great stress than now. I am not even sure most realize the state of small business. While this is not a political column, the time has never been greater for small businesses to make their voices heard, it is literally a matter of life and death for the future of small business.

John A. Newby is the author of the "Building Main Street, Not Wall Street" column dedicated to helping local communities, government and business combine synergies allowing them to thrive in a world where truly-local is being lost to Amazon and Wall Street chains. His email is john@truly-local.org



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I am often asked why I selected "Building Main Street, not Wall Street" title for my column. While the reasons are many, here are a few of them. Main Street and Wall Street represent two vastly different facets of the American economy.



disproportionately affect small businesses. According to the SBA, small businesses bear a regulatory cost of \$11,700 per employee annually, 20% higher than the cost faced by large businesses. To be fair, small business doesn't have the advantage of economies of scale, they can't spread these costs over a larger revenue base. Small businesses struggle to absorb these costs, leading to reduced profitability, slower growth, and, in some cases, closure.

One of the most significant regulatory burdens on Main Street comes from compliance with complex tax codes. The U.S. tax system is notoriously complicated, with small businesses spending an average of 80 hours and \$5,000 annually on tax preparation alone. This is time and money that could otherwise be invested in business expansion, employee wages, or product development. In contrast, large corporations have teams of accountants and lawyers to navigate these complexities, allowing them to minimize their tax liabilities and reinvest savings into their operations.

Healthcare regulations are another area where small businesses are disproportionately affected. The Affordable Care Act, imposed significant costs on small businesses. Companies with 50 or more employees are required to provide health insurance or face penalties. For a business operating on thin margins, this can be a substantial financial burden. A 2018

survey by the NSBA found that 71% of small businesses cited healthcare costs as a major concern, with many reporting that they had to reduce hiring or cut employee hours to afford compliance with the ACA.

Environmental regulations also present challenges. These regulations often require costly upgrades to equipment, facilities, and processes. Large corporations can more easily absorb these costs or pass them on to consumers. However, small businesses on Main Street often lack the capital to make such investments, leading to fines, reduced competitiveness, or even business closure.

While regulations impose significant burdens on Main Street, they often inadvertently incentivize Wall Street activities. Large corporations and financial institutions, with vast resources, are better equipped to influence regulatory outcomes through lobbying. As per OpenSecrets, the financial sector spent \$2.9 billion on lobbying in 2020 alone. This lobbying power allows Wall Street to shape regulations benefitting large corporations, at the expense of smaller competitors.

The complexity of financial regulations like the Dodd-Frank Act, introduced in 2008, creates barriers to entry that protect established financial institutions from new competition. The cost of compliance with Dodd-Frank has been estimated at over \$36 billion for the financial industry. While large banks can afford these costs, smaller banks and financial institutions often struggle, leading to consolidation in the industry and reduced competition. This consolidation further strengthens Wall Street's dominance, as fewer, larger banks control a greater share of the market.

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Road Construction Happening Between Newell and Nisland

Robbi Longbrake

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NEWELL—If you have traveled through Newell recently you have probably noticed all of the construction happening. The South Dakota Department of Transportation is undertaking a few big projects.

They started in June with trimming and cutting down many of the big beautiful old trees that lined the highway going through town. DOT is also tearing out and replacing all of the sidewalks along SD Highway 79.

The sidewalks on the west side of the highway are currently closed to foot traffic, but access for pedestrians is allowed on the east side of the road.

After they finish the side they are currently working on, they will move to the other side and tear out all of the old cement walks and replace the sidewalks to ADA standards.

The work slows traffic, closes some of the side roads in town and at times takes the two lane highway down to one lane with flaggers.

Monday August 11, the work inside of Newell began and will extend to the highway outside of Newell around the 2 mile corner, where highway 79 and U.S. Highway 212 meet. The SD DOT website they will begin work “on an intersection improvement project that will reconstruct the southern intersection of U.S. Highway 212 and

S.D. Highway 79.”

This means that the community commuting between Newell and anyplace beyond the 2 mile corner needs to be prepared for a temporary all-way stop at that intersection. Additionally milled surfaces and two-way traffic shifts are planned while the new lanes are constructed.

Work will continue all the way to Nisland as the SD DOT is planning on installing new asphalt from Newell to Nisland. All of the work is scheduled to be completed by November 14, 2025, so plan accordingly when traveling as the construction will be ongoing for the near future. For more information you can go to the SDDOT website at dot.sd.gov/newell212.



Central Meade County News

By Sandy Rhoden
August 10, 2025



While we remain unusually green well into August, that may change by the end of the week without some measurable moisture.

A beautiful sight to see is John and Dede Long's corn crop this year. They have a tall, healthy stand of corn that covers over a thousand acres. It's a wonderful sight to see as our ranchers and farmers in the area have been richly blessed this year. Temperatures are staying warm this week even though fall is just around the corner.

Motorcycle Rally week has come to a close for this year, and for some it's not a day too soon. The sound of the motorcycles and the heavier traffic has tamed down making it easier for those who travel daily on our roads and in Sturgis.

Folks came and seemed to really enjoy the Black Hills. The

local motorcycle enthusiasts enjoy parts of the rally as well. But, for many the “sound of silence” is golden.

Francie Sanders is now residing in hospice in Sturgis. Friends and family will surround her in the coming days. Prayer warriors, please keep her family in your prayers.

Also, prayer warriors, we ask that you keep Dean and Joan Wink in your prayers. The loss of their son, Bo Wink, came as devastating news to our community on Sunday. Bo unexpectedly passed away from a heart attack and passed peacefully with his life partner and soul mate by his side. He was an agronomist and traveled the world doing seed research. He loved his friends, science, seeds, birds, and the Cheyenne River breaks on the family ranch. He was born on October 7, 1971 and passed on August 8, 2025. Our hearts and condolences go out to his parents Dean, Joan, his boys, wife,

sister, and family as he was a beloved son, brother, husband, father, uncle and friend. We are holding the family up in prayer through this time of loss. Dean and Joan reside near Howes on their family ranch.

For some school districts, next week the school traffic will begin in the morning before 8:00 and the afternoon from 3:00 and beyond.

Soon there will be football games, volleyball tournaments and all that goes with the fall season. Enjoy the county fairs this year. Best wishes to the 4-H kids and adults who are hoping to qualify their entries for the State Fair coming up the end of August in Huron!



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Rescheduled Nisland Fair Rodeo Goes On

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NISLAND—Originally scheduled for Aug 2—to be held during the Butte/Lawrence County Fair—the Nisland Fair Rodeo (NFR) didn't get to run as planned. The rains made the arena a muddy mess and for the safety of horses and kids the NFR was postponed by a week.

Rescheduled for August 9, the arena was dry and kids and horses took over the Nisland Fair Rodeo Arena and made for a fun day. This year saw a down turn in contestant numbers over last years record setting turnout. Alicia Jacobs, who is in charge of putting together the youth rodeo said, "we had less contestants than last year because we had to reschedule—the arena was way too wet last weekend—so we had to reschedule. The rodeo was down in numbers."

In her 10th year of putting on the NFR, Jacobs does it for the tradition. "My dad (Rich Kokesh) ran the rodeo for a long time. He did the kids rodeo for a lot of years, then when he was over it, my older sister, Meg McNeese, took it over," she explained. "And then when she was done, I said, 'well, I can't let it go!'" Her sister, Katy Winter help with all of the paperwork at the rodeo as well.

The NFR awards belt buckles for first place in each event and provides a jackpot type payout for second and third place. For that part, she has help! "Brady orders the buckles and pays for

them out of his pocket every year. But then I write him a check to pay him back from the sponsor money," said Jacobs. After all of the sponsors are gathered, she is able to give him back his money.

Jacobs doesn't have children that compete in the rodeo, she just gives of her time and energy for the love of it. "I grew up in this arena and 100 other arenas—it's just, it's important! I loved coming to the NFR, you know, it's just a little Podunk little rodeo, but it's fun! It was important and we made a lot of memories from it," she explained.

Without volunteers events like the NFR couldn't run. Jacobs said, "a lot of people that volunteer—everyone jumped in today, and it just worked out. It takes a lot of volunteers! I couldn't do it without them!"

RESULTS: Barrel Racing - 5-6 Barrels 1st - Rickeigh Lei, 2nd - Quincie Lindscov, 3rd - Coy Westland; 7-9 Barrels 1st - Maxon Dell, 2nd - Rory Miller, 3rd Mason Wishard; 10-13 Barrels, 1st - Natalie Lei, 2nd - Mesa Dell, 3rd - Paisley Braun; 14-18 Barrels 1st - Bianca Bierman, 2nd - Kaydence Lei, 3rd - Calisa Alderson;

Flag Race - 7-9 Flag Race 1st - Mason Wishard, 2nd - Rory Miller, 3rd - Cashtin Green; 10-13 Flag Race 1st - Carly Miller, 2nd - Natalie Lei, 3rd - Tristan Wishard; 14-18 Flag Race 1st - Ty Ewing, 2nd - Clancey Todd.

Pole Bending - 5-6 Poles 1st - Rickeigh Lei, 2nd - Coy Westland, 3rd - Lainey Green;

7-9 Poles 1st - Maxon Dell, 2nd - Rory Miller, 3rd - Mariah Todd, 10-13 Poles 1st - Natalie Lei, 2nd - Paisley Braun, 3rd - Mesa Dell; 14-18 Poles 1st - Atty Eastman, 2nd - Kaydence Lei, McKenzie Rans.

Goats - 5-6 Goat Tail Untying 1st - Coy Westland, 2nd - Hailey Fox, 3rd - Tyann Braun, 7-9 Goat Tail Untying 1st - Mason Dell, 2nd - Mason Wishard, 3rd - Chazizley McTaggart; 10-13 Goat Tying 1st - Paisley Braun, 2nd - Mesa Dell, 3rd - Tristin Wishard; 14-18 Goat Tying 1st - Atty Eastman, 2nd - Remy Cargo, 3rd - Kaydence Lei.

Keyhole Race -14-18 Boys Keyhole Race 1st - Ty Ewing, 2nd Trendon Carr.

Breakaway Roping 5-6 Dummy Roping 1st - Rickeigh Lei, 2nd - Coy Westland, 3rd - Tyann Braun; 14-18 Boys Breakaway 1st - Tegan Hughes, 2nd - Ty Ewing. 14-18 Girls Breakaway 1st - Atty Eastman.

Steer Dobbng - 14-18 Steer Dobbng 1st - Trendon Carr, 2nd - Ty Ewing, 3rd - Clancey Todd.

Pee Wee Division, under age 5, no horses, Flags 1st - Tegan Lei, 2nd McKenna Fox, 3rd - Latham McTaggart; Flags 1st - Tegan Lei, 2nd - McKenna Fox, 3rd - Callen Westland; Goat Tail Untying 1st - Callen Westland, 2nd - Tegan Lei, 3rd - Latham McTaggart; Boot Race 1st - Latham McTaggart, 2nd - McKenna Fox, 3rd - Tegan Lei; Dummy Roping 1st - Latham McTaggart.



Rickeigh Lei picks up one of her 1st place buckles at the Nisland Fair Rodeo. Competing in the 5-6 year old division, she took first in Barrels, Poles and Dummy Roping.



Following the rodeo, contestants gathered around the arena for an awards ceremony. All of the buckle winners proudly display their awards. Longbrake photos

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Grand River Roundup



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It was typical hot, dry summer weather this week with temperatures in the upper 80s and 90s. We did get some rain on Tuesday and again on Friday that left us with almost a half inch of much needed moisture.

There are more deaths to report: Viola Renee (Irwin) Prazma, 63, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Hettinger on July 30th. Her memorial services were held at the Assembly of God Church Hettinger on Saturday, August 9th. Her burial will be held at a later date. I didn't know her, but her grandfather Wiley Irwin used to bring the mail to my Aunt Claire Johns' café in Prairie City when I was just a little girl. All the Prairie City mail was deposited in the boxes on the north wall of the café and folks would stop at the café to pick up their mail. Wiley was really good to me and I just loved him.

Diana Shinabarger, age 82 of Buffalo, died Wednesday, August 6 at the Spearfish Canyon

Healthcare Center. Her services are tentatively being planned for September. Friends may leave written condolences at: www.LeveringtonFH.com

Rosalie (Smith) English, 77, of Camp Crook, passed away Tuesday, April 1st, at her home. Her burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis on Monday, August 11th. A celebration of life took place Monday, August 11th, in Camp Crook.

Scott Besler's cousin, Randy Wayne Coffield, 73, of Black Hawk, died Monday, August 4th. Arrangements are pending and being cared for by Osheim & Schmidt Funeral Home.

Reub sprayed weeds at the Horse Creek pasture Monday morning and got home early for lunch. I watered all the gardens that morning while he was gone and then he sprayed weeds around here on the ranch that afternoon.

Reub sprayed weeds around the ranch again on Tuesday because he wanted to make sure to be around for Knox's 7th birthday party and supper that Amanda had planned for Knox

that evening. Grandma Louise Jenson, Ron and Starla Jenson, Jace and Kami Jenson and their kids, Trent and Syd Turbiville and their kids, Casey and Missy, and Reub and I all came for supper to help Knox celebrate his birthday. These get-togethers are always a lot of fun and it's hard to believe how fast these little people grow up!

We went to Hettinger on Wednesday for Reub's doctor appointment at the clinic and we went to visit our dear friend Kaye Smith at the hospital, who is doing much better. It was a good thing we stopped to visit her that day, because she was being sent down to rehab at Rapid City early Thursday morning. We stopped in Reeder on the way home to have coffee with the Prairie Pioneers and they got a kick out of the tee shirt I was wearing that said "At my age, I've seen it all, I've heard it all, I've done it all, I just can't remember it all". We went to get some more weed spray at Southwest Grain before heading home. Josi Jenson came down that day to take care of the kids while Taz and

Amanda were gone and Missy helped Casey bale hay after we got home.

Reub was back up spraying weeds at our Horse Creek pasture on Thursday, which was also the birthdays of Reub's brother Doug Olson and our granddaughter Lanie Klug. Thursday, August 7th is also Purple Heart Day. The Purple Heart medal was established in 1782 by General George Washington and the Purple Heart is a military decoration awarded to military service members who are wounded or killed in combat against an enemy. My father, Sgt. Bryce White earned his Purple Heart when he was wounded in WWII and Sen. Sam Marty earned his Purple Heart when he was wounded in Vietnam, although it was 26 years after he was wounded before he received it. There are several other military members in our surrounding communities that have also earned a Purple Heart after being wounded and we are so thankful for what they have done for us.

Reub didn't go spraying weeds with the little rain we had on Friday and I didn't have to water my gardens. The little people stayed at Grandma Missy's house Friday night and had a really fun time.

Casey went to town Saturday morning to get parts for the swather while Reub was up spraying weeds at the Horse Creek pasture and when Casey got home he went haying again. The wind was so nasty that afternoon that it almost blew my cap off while I was outside taking care of my chickens. You'd think at my age, living in South Dakota

all my life that I'd get used to the wind, but I guess that's not going to happen.

Natasha Besler and Ashley Wilkinson fed us a delicious lunch and coffee after church Sunday morning.

That old tee shirt of mine reminded me of the perks of being over 70 and heading towards 80 and 90!

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August 12, 1915

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So many applications for the principalship of the Vale High School that it is hard for the Board of Education to decide which to accept. Here's hoping for the best decision.

The affairs of the South Shore Community Club are progressing nicely at Fruitdale Point and the contract for the erection of the club building will probably be let on the 12th of September.

August 6, 1925

The crickets and Katy-dids have their orchestras in full swing, and the threshing machines are humming abroad in the land and all things are trending toward frost and the on-coming winter.

Mrs. Anna Mestmacher, 6 miles north of Newell is the proud possession of a Ford roadster, since Bill Doody visited there the other day with his persuasive eloquence. While Mrs. Mestmacher had never touched a car, nor even ridden in one for any distance, Bill had this one so well tamed that the lady is already handling it with consummate skill and ability in spite of her more than 3 score years. A sign was posted on a board, the words are, "Saddles and Horses For Sale". It tells a lot, when you come to think about it, and it would make good sense, the decline of the horse for a horseless carriage.

Fred Brunger, the Vale merchant, was attending business matters in Newell on Tuesday. He says the pickle crop is A-No 1 in the Vale community and pickers are in demand. Nearly 60 acres of producing "cukes" in and around Vale are in prime. Many have fairly clear vision of \$400 to \$500 Gross returns per acre for this year's crop.

August 8, 1935

Construction of an airport hanger on the Newell Airport field was started last week by a crew of carpenters including Henry Schrader, Jos. Anderson, Richard Anderson and Charles Lawell. Funds for the hanger were raised by popular subscription and when completed they will be

under supervision of the City of Newell, lease of the airport site from the US Government. The hanger will be 50'x50' of frame construction and will be large enough to store 6 planes. At the present time there are 2 planes stored at the main headquarters at Newell, one owned by Arthur Severson and the other by Day Hoover. Other planes are presently tethered outside.

The merry-go-round for Sugar Day is already on the school grounds and is creating much enthusiasm among the younger generation. The Annual Sugar Queen celebration and Dance will be held Saturday at which time the Sugar Girl and Sugar Queen will be announced. The young lady selling the most dance tickets is named Queen and the second most tickets sold is Sugar Girl.

August 9, 1945

How many of the old-timers around here remember when there was a Butte Post Office in this county across the Belle Fourche River south of Nisland? That Post Office went out of business 60 years ago, according to records. The Postmaster at Butte, forwarded his resignation to the Postal Department and waited for a reasonable response. Not receiving one, he quietly boxed up the office and deposited it with the nearest agent of Uncle Sam and just went up and quit.

The Antelope Lines is the title of the company which is preparing to establish a passenger bus line between Sturgis and Newell and Belle Fourche. R. I. Forbes of Sturgis is manager of the company. Service is to start September 1st. It is to be a week-day service with a 12-passenger motor bus, depending upon the demands of the traveling public. Headquarters in Newell will leave at 8:00 AM each day arriving in Sturgis at 8:45 with a stop in Vale. The Belle Fourche route will leave at 2:30 PM with pick ups at Nisland and Fruitdale to arrive at 4:00 PM. On Sundays only 1 service trip in forenoon to Sturgis and the return also be transporting the mail.

Grain combines in caravans from Oklahoma, Kansas and other points south have started their annual migration northward to the grain fields in North Dakota and Canada. They are passing through Newell in increasing numbers each day.

August 11, 1955

by Linda Velder

Lt. Kenneth Anderson, who received his wings on August 1st at Mather Air Force Base at Sacramento, California, arrived in Newell Thursday and will spend a month at the home of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Carl D. Anderson, siblings, friends and relatives. Lt. Anderson will be going to Hurlburt Air Force Base in Florida.

The number of flies and mosquitoes in Newell has decreased rapidly in the past week, with private spraying being tested, then arranged and completed block by block over most of the city. Blocks have been organized on a volunteer basis, with one man appointed as Block Captain who will arrange with Lyle Grieme, employee at Experiment Farm who will do the spraying or City Foreman Lyman Bruce for spraying cost of the spraying is only \$1 per residence in a block. The block captain will be responsible for collecting the fee on all residences and report to the sprayer.

Residents of Newell and surrounding territory will have the opportunity to enjoy a show and dance staged by "T" Texas Tyler, former radio, stage and TV artist at the Newell City Hall August 13. Tyler who has appeared on Grand Old Opry, Louisiana Hayride and other national outlets. His troupe is currently on tour from Sacramento, California and visits here enroute to points in Montana and Canada.

August 5, 1965

One of 5 girls, Kathy Swan, Nina Donahey, Mildred Remington, Vivian Jones and Sherry Gruwell will be presented as Newell's 1965 Labor Day Rodeo Queen at the Butte County Fair, it was announced at the monthly Play Day of the Newell Saddle Club at the local arena Sunday afternoon.

Darlene Knutson, Vale, was one of 15 players named from among 165 to the All-state selections at the State Women's Softball Tournament at Ft. Meade the past weekend. Hazel defeated Sioux Fall to win the championship. Darlene catches for one of the Sturgis teams which was entered in the meet.

Harvey Lindulla and Bumps Flaigg are doing carpenter work in the Olson-Burke School house, which has been moved and centralized from the Burke ranch and will be open this fall with the Olson, Burke and Corrigan families as patrons and students.

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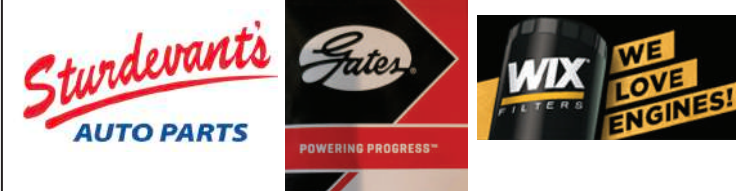


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NEWELL—As summer comes to an end, plans for an exciting new school year are ramping up. The first day of the new school year begins August 18, 2025 for the Newell School District. Many activities are happening before then. Newell School District is inviting all students and parents to an open house on August 14 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Along with meeting new teachers, old teachers finding new classroom and lockers, other opportunities abound! Students in grades 5 through 12 that are interested in participating in band this year will have the opportunity to get their instruments at the open house as Haggerty's Music will be there! Students will be able to rent instrument from them that evening.

The Newell FFA will be on hand during the open house to provide information to anyone interested in joining the club this year. The first football practice of the season was held August 11. And school registration was finished over two days earlier in the week—August 11 and 12. As you can see, Newell school is off to a good start before it



After a summer that seemed to rush by school in Newell resumes August 18th! Longbrake photo

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