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## 9/11 Memorial Walk 7 laps Around Herrmann Park



A sizable group of area citizens took part in **9/11 Memorial Walk** around Herrmann Park Bke path. We shall never forget the trajedy and the lives lost that day. Longbrake photo

### Always Remember!

Ryder Heitz

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Belle Fourche Volunteer Fire Department invited community members to Herrmann Park on Thursday, September 11 for a 9/11 Memorial Walk at 6 p.m.

This was the fifth annual iteration of the event, where locals gathered to walk the perimeter of Herrmann Park seven times in honor of the victims who died or were otherwise affected by the national tragedy 24 years ago.

It was a community effort; Jim Grapentine with Lynn's DakotaMart donated hot dogs for the free hot dog cart, Crazee Cow Ice Cream gave free scoops of ice cream to the first fifty customers, and CBH donated bottles of water for participants of the walk.

Alicia Giaculli thanked everyone for coming and recognized those who helped put on the event before giving the mic to Trinity Hostetter, a Belle Fourche High School student, who beautifully sang the National Anthem.

Then, Patti Helmer Aurand spoke about 9/11 and led the group in a prayer and a moment of silence. "I'm sure we all remember where we were that day, the way we felt, the way we prayed, the way we came together.

We remember that day where 2,977 lives were lost among the places in New York, in D.C., in Pennsylvania. Chances are we could play Kevin Bacon's six degrees of separation and maybe one or two degrees, and we knew people who were there that day," Aurand started. She recognized the 80,000 victims who have been diagnosed with maladies because of that day, and mentioned some individuals like Gus, who stood outside of the World Trade Center every day and always cleaned up gum to make the sidewalks look nice. "We remember. That was the day we became the United States of America, when

we came together regardless of what was going on. When strangers became neighbors, when we all looked out for each other. We remember, and it does a horrible disservice to the memories of those lives

who were lost, the lives that were forever changed that day, if we dare to forget." After a prayer and a moment of silence, everyone gathered for a group photo in front of the American Flag before starting off on their walk. The walk was led by members of the Fire Department. Nikki Hoyme, who helped Alicia Giaculli organize the event, noted that there were a couple of community members in attendance who were in New York during 9/11. These individuals would not like to be recognized by name at this time, but should nonetheless be honored for their bravery and strength.

The 9/11 Memorial Walk has been part of Belle Fourche for about five years now. Giaculli stated that with next year being the 25th anniversary of 9/11, they would love to make the event bigger and have more events. A donation jar was provided for those who wanted to donate to that cause.



BFHS student **Trinity Hostetter** sings the **National Anthem**. Robbi Longbrake Photo

## Lions Learn About the Out of the Darkness Walk

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BELLE FOURCHE—The Belle Fourche Lions Club held their first meeting of the fall on the evening of September 11.

A special guest speaker was on hand to educate everyone on an upcoming event in the community.

Lee Capp, Lion Club member explained that the club meets twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at Grap's Burgers.

The first meeting is always an educational meeting with the second meeting of the month being their business meeting. They don't meet over the summer. Meetings start at 6 p.m. with a social hour.

Sonia Ribordy spoke about the upcoming Belle Fourche Out of the Darkness Walk that is scheduled for Saturday, September 20 at Herrmann Park beginning at 8:45 a.m. with

registration at 8 a.m.

Ribordy shared the story of the loss of her oldest son Ryan in 2019 and how that tragedy catapulted her passion for helping and educating the public about mental health.

In her research to find a way to help, she found the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). Ribordy explained, "We need to do something here—when I looked it up there was nothing West River—everything was East River—Aberdeen, Huron, Sioux Falls. And so I said, let's do this!"

The first Out of the Darkness Walk in Belle Fourche was one of the largest first year walks ever according to Ribordy, with approximately 256 people participating. She said, "I am so glad that there was so much support for mental health awareness and suicide prevention."

That is the importance of the **Walk contd. A3**



**Sonia Ribordy** talking about upcoming **Belle Fourche Out of the Darkness Walk** addresses the **Belle Fourche Lions Club** during their monthly educational meeting. Longbrake photo

## Ribbon Cutting and Open House Celebration

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BELLE FOURCHE—A two day celebration for two new businesses in town kicked off on Friday, September 12 with a ribbon cutting and continued Saturday, September 13 with an open house!

The Chamber of Commerce

was on hand to help welcome Pearson Block Candy Shop and Pearson Block Hous Vintage and Modern to the community. "We're really excited to be a part of the Belle Fourche community and we're so happy to be here! This is a big dream of mine for a long time, but Zach just

kind of found out he was going to be a candy man not that long ago, but we're just so excited to be here, so excited to be a part of Belle Fourche," said Jenny Gaaskjolen, owner, as she addressed the crowd prior to the ribbon cutting.

Then family and friends gath-

**Pearson Block Contd. A3**



**Zach and Jenny Gaaskjolen** ready to cut the ribbpon on their **Pearson Block** stores. Jenny offered hanks to everyone who came! Special thanks to: (front & center) the **Head of Sales**, daughter **Iris**; (left end of ribbon) **Head of Creative**, daughter **Stella Fay**, (right end of Ribbon) son, **The Muscle**, son **Clayton**. Longbrake Photo

## Antique Tractors Rolled into Town

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BELLE FOURCHE—A long line of antique tractors rolled into Belle Fourche on Thursday, September 11 around noon. They travelled in from the South and drove up Highway 85 to the Tri-State Museum and Center of the Nation Visitor Center to see the Center of the Nation Monument.

**Tractors Contd. A3**



Members of the **Tri-State Old Iron Associations** gathered around the **Center of the Nation Monument**. Longbrake Photo

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## James R. (Jim) Heath 82

James R. (Jim) Heath, aged 82, passed away peacefully on September 12, 2025. Born on March 27, 1943, in Chamberlain, South Dakota, to Ben and Regina (Blasius) Heath, Jim was a hard-working man, a friend one could count on, and a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.



and took great pride in his family. Jim leaves behind his loving wife of 63 years Hannah (Parker). Together they had three daughters, Veronica Durand (Frank), Christine Chesser (Jack), and Valerie Kettrey (Robert). They were blessed with grandchildren Callie Kinzer, Andrew Durand, and Haley Luper, step-grandchildren Bob and Scott Kettrey, and great grandchildren Emmaline, Eloise, and Heath Kinzer, and Margot Luper. He is also survived by his brother, August Heath. Jim was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Lloyd and Lyle Heath.

Skilled in many areas, Jim had a rich working life in South Dakota and Wyoming. He held a variety of positions at Black Hills Glass and Mirror in both Rapid City, South Dakota and Gillette, Wyoming. Additionally, he was employed by Campbell County (Wyoming) as manager of its fairgrounds and oversaw its transition to the Cam-Plex events center. He also served as a Wyoming state brand inspector.

A cowboy at heart, Jim was at his happiest riding and tending to horses and was a competitive team roper, earning numerous championship buckles. He very much enjoyed the company of family and friends, especially Friday night pizza and beer with all who could make it. Above all, Jim loved, cared for,

and took great pride in his family. Jim leaves behind his loving wife of 63 years Hannah (Parker). Together they had three daughters, Veronica Durand (Frank), Christine Chesser (Jack), and Valerie Kettrey (Robert). They were blessed with grandchildren Callie Kinzer, Andrew Durand, and Haley Luper, step-grandchildren Bob and Scott Kettrey, and great grandchildren Emmaline, Eloise, and Heath Kinzer, and Margot Luper. He is also survived by his brother, August Heath. Jim was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Lloyd and Lyle Heath.

Jim's legacy is one of strength, dependability, and kindness to those around him. A memorial service will take place Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 11 a.m., at St. Therese the Little Flower Catholic Church in Rapid City. Kirk Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



### Revelation 21:4

"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

### Ezekiel 33:7

"Now, son of man, I am making you a watchman for the people of Israel. Therefore, listen to what I say and warn them for me."

### 1 Chronicles 6:49

"Only Aaron and his descendants served as priests. They presented the offerings on the altar of incense, and they performed all the other duties related to the Most Holy Place. They made atonement for Israel by doing everything that Moses, the servant of God, had commanded them."

### Daniel 4:37

"Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and glorify and honor the King of Heaven. All his acts are just and true, and he is able to humble the proud."

### Ezekiel 43:12

"And this is the basic law of the Temple: absolute holiness! The entire top of the mountain where the Temple is built is holy. Yes, this is the basic law of the Temple."

### Ezekiel 44:2

"And the Lord said to me, "This gate must remain closed; it will never again be opened. No one will ever open it and pass through, for the Lord, the God of Israel, has entered here. Therefore, it must always remain shut."

### Ezekiel 47:12

"Fruit trees of all kinds will grow along both sides of the river. The leaves of these trees will never turn brown and fall, and there will always be fruit on their branches. There will be a new crop every month, for they are watered by this river flowing from the Temple. The fruit will be for food and the leaves for healing."

### Daniel 7:14

"He has given authority, honor, and sovereignty over all the nations of the world, so that people of every race and nation and language would obey him. His rule is eternal—it will never end. His Kingdom will never be destroyed."

### Daniel 6:26-27

"I decree that everyone throughout my kingdom should tremble with fear before the God of Daniel. For he is the living God, and he will endure forever. His kingdom will never be destroyed; and his rule will never end. He rescues and saves his people; he performs miraculous signs and wonders in the heavens and on earth. He has rescued Daniel from the power of the lions."

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**Sept 15-19 Broncs Homecoming Week**

- Sept 17** - Social Security/Medicare presentation 11:30AM Belle Silver Lining
- Sept 19** - Angel Store 5PM @ BF Global Methodist
- Sept 20** - Out of the Darkness walk 8AM Hermann Park
- Sept 21** - Family Fun Day 2PM @ Tri State Museum
- Sept 23** - Black Hills Title Ribbon cutting 4:30PM

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**From A1 Walk**

walk, connecting people for support and education. “The walk itself, the main thing is mental health awareness and just getting conversations started and support for people who have had a loss,” said Ribordy. “That way, the walk brings everybody together.”

If you want to participate in the Out of the Darkness Walk, it is suggested that you sign up online before the day of the walk to save time in the morning.

“They try to get everybody to register—it’s totally free to participate in the event,” explained Ribordy. “It’s for head count too, so that we know how many people have walked with us. I think they had a million people walk, I mean, it’s incredible because there’re so many walks across the U.S.!”

The walk will be approxi-

mately two miles long. The route starts at Herrmann Park and loops around the baseball fields then down to National and on to the fire hall and ends back at the park. “I think it’s just a little over two miles for that.

But the reason we moved it to Herrmann Park is so we have that one little path that is around there—some people the hills are really hard and stuff—it’s like, seven times around makes it about two miles. So that’s a pretty cool that way they can still participate,” said Ribordy.

Throughout the route there will be planned stops and stations for walkers to participate in if they want to. “Along the route we have a bubble gum station, and a rest and restore station. We added a station just right on the bridge, and it’s a little meditation area where you can release rose petals

or pebbles—if your worries are really heavy, there are different activities along the way,” Ribordy shared. “We have the halfway point that is a water station just in case it’s hot that day and we do have a dog station.”

Another station is the Hope Wall where walkers are encouraged to share a photo or anything they want to bring and add to it.

Members of the Lions club stood up at the end of Ribordy’s presentation and volunteered to help with the event. They discussed wearing their yellow Lions Club vests to be identified as helpers during the day.

All money raised during the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Out of the Darkness Walk will be distributed back to South Dakota to be used for research, programming, advocacy and support to those whose lives have been affected by suicide. More information can be found at AFSP/bellefourche.com.

## Good Luck at Homecoming Broncs



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**Tractors from A1**

One by one each tractor turned into the parking lot of the Tri-State Museum and then lined up beside each other and parked.

The members of the Tri-State Old Iron Association then turned off their machines and climbed down to the ground to explore what the area had to offer.

“Well, this is one of our

many trips we made to the Black Hills—we’ve been in Belle Fourche before,” explained Jerome Mueller, President of Tri-State Old Iron Association. “A group of us come from Yankton. We truck them (tractors) out to Spearfish.”

On this trip, the club with over 200 members had 39 of them join the tractor parade. “Well, we started out with 39 yesterday—one petered out,

so he’s following,” said Mueller.

Every year the club picks a place to explore. On this day, the group started in Spearfish, then went over to Beulah, Wyoming and then Belle Fourche before heading back to Spearfish.

That doesn’t seem like that long of a trip by car, but when you drive a tractor, it takes a bit longer! Mueller explained, “Well, we don’t go wide open, we go about thirteen to fourteen miles an hour.” His wife, Beverly trav-

els with him and added, “You know, it’s so nice. You can see so many more things on the tractor!”

The club, Tri-State Old Iron Association, has been going strong for 19 years. They have been doing tractor rides for quite a few of those years. “One day we ride in the pines, the next day we kind of ride in the plains,” said Mueller. “We’ve started at Custer, we’ve started at Hill City,

we’ve started in Sturgis, and this year was Spearfish’s turn,” added Beverly. “We knew this was here—we’ve been here before!”

And with that, each driver hopped back on his tractor and one by one left the Tri-State Museum parking lot. Turning back onto Highway 85, the traffic stopped for them to let them all pass by. The group headed to Stadium Sports Grill for lunch before heading back to Spearfish.



The Antique Tractors pulled into the **Tri-State Museum** parking lot and the drivers stopped to explore the area. (R) Antique Tractors drove up Highway 85 to the **Tri-State Museum**. Longbrake Photos

Is He Dead? BFACT Performances Bring Hilarious Endings

Belle Fourche Area Community Theater's production of *Is He Dead?* entertained three audiences over the weekend. The show was a farcical escape to the art world of the 1800's, featuring a strong cast of characters, a set that supported the feel of the times, and remarkable costumes.

The first act of the show had the audience chuckling at the clever dialogue and varied accents of its unusual characters. An initial wry tone of gloomy poverty surrounded the desperate artist Millet, portrayed skillfully by Tyler Schone, whose subtle irony was made even more humorous by the exaggerated loyalty of the artist's friends (Wes Barnhouse, Ben Jewett, and Arianna Scherer) and the self-conscious morality of his lover's needy family played by Toi Flick, Kelsey Gronlund, and Heather Pittman. Bathing in the dim light of the artist were his landladies, Bathilde and Caron (Allie Juso Verry and Crystal Woods), and relishing in his plight were all of the art snobs and press of Paris.

After an intermission with fabulous BFACT snacks, the audience noticed a distinct contrast as the raucous, openly irreverent second act unraveled all the silly pretentiousness of its characters. Mistaken and unexpected affections were revealed as the characters haphazardly fell in love with all the wrong people and their money. In the role of the villain Bastian Andre, Michael Meemken expertly displayed a hilarious mix of nastiness and gullibility, while Schone elevated his female disguise so that even the elderly father, Flick, fell to one knee in the funniest proposal scene the Belle Fourche stage has witnessed. The quirky ensemble was pushed to hilarity as the second act's shocking revelations enlightened, relieved, and baffled (at least the French policeman played by Carston Sechser). The surprising and physically hilarious final scene landed the production with a satisfying ending - a clever conclusion that brought the show to a close in laughter.

September 29: Writer applications/submissions for the BFACT Center of the Nation Playwriting Festival (see bellefourcheact.org for more information)

October 17 & 18, 7 PM: Center of the Nation Playwriting Festival performances

BELLE FOURCHE SCHOOL DISTRICT upcoming fine arts events:

September 15 - 19: Homecoming week featuring the BFHS & BFMS Marching Bands! Coronation Monday, 9/15 at 7:30 PM & Parade on Friday, 9/19 at 2:30 PM & Football game 6:00 PM.

Maybe YOU know what SHOW is UP next? Share your fine arts tidbits and upcoming events at bellelavenu@bellefourcheact.org. I especially love the juicy backstage dish and green room gossip! Mark your calendars, friends, so you don't forget to Show Up!



The BFACT production of *Is He Dead?* shows to what length an artist might go to simply make a living.



The casket waits, and the dignitaries wish to see who is in it during the final scene of BFACT's *Is He Dead?*



Sometimes even the villain, Bastian, can be irresistible to a disguised lady in the BFACT production of *Is He Dead?*



The cast & crew of BFACT's *Is He Dead?* Back L to R: Jonathan Tinsley (Director), Braxton Reid (Sound), Carston Sechser, Ben Jewett, Michael Meemken, Gideon Gilger, Wes Barnhouse, Crystal Wood, Heather Pittman, Toi Flick, Derek Olson (Director), Allie Juso Verry: Front L to R Isabella Evans (Lights), Raya Meemken (Lights), Tyler Schone, Kelsey Gronlund, Arianna Scherer, Emma Tinsley, and Isabella Quijano.

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Peterson, Jon, Belle Fourche SD	1	Herf...Hfr	1095.....\$208.00
Roush, Dustin & Janel, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Hfr	1115.....\$210.00
Roush, Dustin & Janel, Gillette WY	19	Bbld...Cow	1507.....\$177.00
Roush, Dustin & Janel, Gillette WY	2	Blk...Cow	1467.....\$173.50
Tracy Rev Trust, Doug, Sundance WY	2	Blk...Cow	1252.....\$174.00
Weigh Up Bulls			
Borchgrevink Livestock, Belle Fourche SD	1	Red...Bull	1660.....\$197.00
Clements, Austin, Glendive MT	1	Blk...Bull	1385.....\$180.00
Clements, Austin, Glendive MT	1	Herf...Bull	2590.....\$165.00
Coal Creek Ranch Llc, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1535.....\$162.00
Conzelman, Bryce, Sundance WY	1	Blk...Bull	1355.....\$171.00
Conzelman, Bryce, Sundance WY	1	Blk...Bull	1235.....\$181.00
Crowley, Clinton E Or Stephanie, St Onge SD	1	Blk...Bull	2155.....\$185.00
Crowley, Clinton E Or Stephanie, St Onge SD	1	Blk...Bull	2035.....\$193.50
Eb Ranch, Broadus MT	1	Blk...Bull	1050.....\$300.00
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1915.....\$207.50
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1715.....\$192.50
Elmore Cattle Co, Gillette WY	2	Blk...Bull	1385.....\$194.00
Empire Ranch, Moorcroft WY	1	Herf...Bull	1680.....\$177.00
Frederickson, Nathan & Jayna, Spearfish SD	1	Blk...Bull	2270.....\$200.00
Frederickson, Nathan & Jayna, Spearfish SD	1	Blk...Bull	1620.....\$187.50
Gaskill, Bill, Volborg MT	1	Blk...Bull	1625.....\$187.50
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Grieves, Jd, Upton WY	1	Blk...Bull	2120.....\$184.00
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Hansen, Ken Or Pam, Fruitdale SD	1	Blk...Bull	1775.....\$185.00
Hart H Partnership, Llc, Camp Crook SD	1	Blk...Bull	2085.....\$193.50
Hillsview Ranch, Sturgis SD	1	Blk...Bull	2045.....\$207.00
Hoffman, Matt Or Jana, St Onge SD	1	Blk...Bull	2045.....\$192.50
Hoffman, Matt Or Jana, St Onge SD	1	Blk...Bull	1830.....\$195.00
Howie, Buddy, White Owl SD	1	Blk...Bull	1955.....\$192.50
Howie, Ronald D, White Owl SD	1	Blk...Bull	1970.....\$192.00
Howie, Ronald D, White Owl SD	1	Blk...Bull	1810.....\$172.00
Knutson, Karl, Vale SD	1	Blk...Bull	1365.....\$155.00
Lamphere, Lane, Sturgis SD	1	Char...Bull	1895.....\$207.50
Mills Brothers, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1975.....\$185.00
Mills Cattle Co, Hulet WY	1	Blk...Bull	1860.....\$170.00
Niehaus, Curt, Vale SD	1	Blk...Bull	1210.....\$180.00
Nixon, Josh Or Lynn, Alzada MT	1	Blk...Bull	1800.....\$197.50
Nixon, Reni, Alzada MT	1	Blk...Bull	1970.....\$185.00
Nixon, Reni, Alzada MT	1	Blk...Bull	1955.....\$185.00
Nixon, Reni, Alzada MT	1	Blk...Bull	1435.....\$182.50
Oliver, Randy, Newell SD	1	Blk...Bull	1930.....\$194.00
Oliver, Randy, Newell SD	1	Blk...Bull	1865.....\$155.00
Oliver, Randy, Newell SD	1	Blk...Bull	1750.....\$200.00
Peterson, Scott, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk...Bull	1985.....\$197.00
Peterson, Scott, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk...Bull	1650.....\$183.00
Peterson, Scott, Belle Fourche SD	1	Blk...Bull	955.....\$177.50
Rbj Ranch West Llc, Sundance WY	1	Blk...Bull	1485.....\$173.00
Reynolds, John Or Sally, Rozet WY	1	Blk...Bull	1660.....\$202.50
Rittberger & Sons, Fred, Hermosa SD	1	Blk...Bull	2075.....\$155.00
Rittberger & Sons, Fred, Hermosa SD	1	Blk...Bull	1990.....\$187.50
Rittberger & Sons, Fred, Hermosa SD	1	Blk...Bull	1925.....\$183.50
Rittberger & Sons, Fred, Hermosa SD	1	Blk...Bull	1905.....\$197.50
Rittberger & Sons, Fred, Hermosa SD	1	Blk...Bull	1775.....\$166.00
Roush, Rusty A, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1830.....\$193.00
Roush, Rusty A, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1685.....\$187.50
Sams Livestock, Weston WY	1	Blk...Bull	1660.....\$192.00
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Sheehan Revocable Trust, Frank, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1705.....\$207.50
Sheehan Revocable Trust, Frank, Gillette WY	1	Blk...Bull	1680.....\$212.50
Sieler, Scott, Sturgis SD	1	Blk...Bull	1680.....\$186.00
Stacy, Vergil Or Karen, Aladdin WY	1	Herf...Bull	2420.....\$167.50
Stacy, Vergil Or Karen, Aladdin WY	1	Herf...Bull	2240.....\$190.00
Sinson, Russel & Sheri K, Hulet WY	1	Blk...Bull	2005.....\$187.50

## Friday, September 19, 2025

### Yearling & Fall Calf Special

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October 3rd - Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

October 10th - Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

Friday, October 17th - Spring Calf Special

Saturday, October 18th - 1st Saturday Early Bred Cow Special & Weigh Up Sale

Wednesday, October 22nd - Spring Calf Special

Friday, October 24th - Spring Calf Special

Saturday, October 25th - Weigh Up Sale

Wednesday, October 29th - Spring Calf Special

Friday, October 31st - Spring Calf Special

Saturday, November 1st - Bred Hfr & Cow Special & Weigh Up Sale

Wednesday, November 5th - Final Wednesday Spring Calf Special

Friday, November 7th - Spring Calf Special

Saturday, November 8th - Weigh Up Sale

Friday, November 14th - Spring Calf Special

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

Saturday, November 29th - Annual Thanksgiving Bred Hfr & Stock Cow Special

Friday, December 5th - Spring Calf Special

Saturday, December 6th - Weigh Up Sale

December 12th - Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle

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September 18th - Annual Replacement Ewe, Ewe Lamb & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

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

October 2nd - Replacement Ewe & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

October 9th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

October 16th - Replacement Ewe & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats

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## Sheep Report - Thursday, September 11, 2025

Lambs under 90# sold steady - Lambs over 90# were \$5 higher  
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Next Sale - September 18 - Annual Feeder Lamb, Ewe Lamb & Replacement Ewe Special  
10 AM - Klr ewes & bucks & feeder lambs  
12 Noon - BBQ Lunch  
1 PM - Ewe Lambs & Replacement Ewes  
Thank you for your business!

#### New Crop Lambs

Tetrault, Tim Or Roxie, St Onge SD	84	Lamb	79	\$233.00
Williams, Juanita, Hammond MT	147	Lamb	91	\$217.00
Williams, Juanita, Hammond MT	123	Lamb	108	\$203.00
Johnson, Rick Or Wendy, Quinn SD	178	Lamb	80	\$228.00
Johnson, Rick Or Wendy, Quinn SD	32	Lamb	101	\$203.00
Brewer, Ben, Broadus MT	36	Lamb	99	\$202.00
Burley, Jay, Broadus MT	17	Ewe	98	\$202.00
Cadwell, David, Alzada MT	32	Lamb	74	\$226.00
Cook, Estelle, Glad Valley SD	49	Lamb	82	\$226.00
Cook, Estelle, Glad Valley SD	16	Lamb	100	\$202.00
Couch, Jim, Belle Fourche SD	32	Lamb	95	\$209.00
Jackson & Odessa Mathias, Arlene, Lusk WY	56	Lamb	91	\$208.00
Martin, Robert, Isabel SD	51	Ewe	115	\$196.00
Mills Brothers, Gillette WY	25	Lamb	39	\$269.00
Mills Brothers, Gillette WY	40	Lamb	48	\$247.00
O'Donnell, Jordan Or Ashley, Ismay MT	27	Lamb	82	\$222.00
Spangler Ranch Ltd Partnership, Hulet WY	98	Lamb	97	\$204.00

#### Replacement Ewes

Lodde, Robin, Harlowton MT	84	2-5yr	154	\$180.00
Lodde, Robin, Harlowton MT	48	K Ewe	152	\$97.00
Lodde, Robin, Harlowton MT	32	K Ewe	170	\$96.00
Lodde, Robin, Harlowton MT	58	K Ewe	139	\$97.00
Mills Brothers, Gillette WY	23	K Ewe	147	\$87.00
Mills Brothers, Gillette WY	43	K Ewe	136	\$87.00
Secrest, Shannon Or Ashley, Buffalo SD	13	K Ewe	157	\$97.00
Watt Sheep Llc, Upton WY	31	K Ewe	157	\$97.00
Watt Sheep Llc, Upton WY	57	K Ewe	148	\$87.00
Williams, Juanita, Hammond MT	18	K Ewe	174	\$97.00
Williams, Juanita, Hammond MT	14	K Ewe	167	\$87.00
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**124 years ago**  
**Belle Fourche Bee**  
**September 19, 1901**  
**Needs of Cattle Trails**

The rapid sttling of the western ranges and the fencing of pastures along the ater courses has made it very difficult to trail cattle and sheep from one section to another. C. E. Wantland of the Union Pacific land department discussing the situation in Wyoming says: "It would be a great advantage if i the governor of Wyoming would select a committee of leading men from different parts of the state to carefully investigate and report not latter than the first of January concerning the public lands necreived for the purposes of providing and protecting open driveways across the ranges of the aread is is going to be a serious advantage to the futrue to the owners of cattle and sheep if adtion is not taken to prevent the clection and slosing of special locations which are keys to certain driveways, and as the land is mostly owned by Uncle Sam, action by congress will be needed in some way to meet the emergency. The state also owns some land which ought to be preserved from ale and protected for similar purposes, and the state ought to take charge of public trails.

**100 years**

**The Belle Fourche Bee**  
**September 24, 1925.**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY**

T. L. Ackerman came in Friday from his Four Mile ranch. Mrs. C. L. Wood of Alzada, Mont., was in the city last Thursday. F. N. King of Alzada Mont., was a Belle Fourche caller last week. L. A. Stearns and H. B. Bomford returned Sunday from Huron where they attended the state fair. Charles and Walter Mssie of Mona, Wyo., were in from their ranches in the Bear Lodge country last Thursday.

C. I. McClung, better known as "Daddy" McClung, was in Belle Fourche last Friday and Saturday visiting old time friends. He is now located in Sioux Falls and for the past few days has been looking after his property interests under the Belle Fourche Irrigation project.

When telling about the yields of grain, the Arpan country must not be overlooked. H. G. Foracker had a field of one hundred ninety acres of oats that threshed out eighty-nine hundred bushels machine measure. There are many smaller fields where the yield per acre was higher, but we imagine there are a few fields of that size that will show a better yield. Mr. Foracker has been operating a threshing machine this season and has threshed forty-seven thousand bushels of grain in the Arpan Flat. Another machine has also been operating in that same district during the season.

**75 years ago**  
**The Belle Fourche Bee**  
**September 21, 1950**  
**Army Maps Local Flood**

**Control Plan, \$235,000 Needed**

A \$235,000 flood control project on Hay creek and Redwater river, mostly within the Belle Fourche city limits and involving \$79,500 in local expenditures, was outlined for the city council here Tuesday by Colonel R. E. York of Ft. Peck, district U. S. Army engineer. Colonel York, who was accompanied by J. G. Lightfoot, assistant chief engineer, asked council approval for the project which he said "will give maximum flood protection within the economically feasible limits." Pending a meeting of the full council and s study of the plan for new levees, channel straightening and deeping, new bridges and other revetment work by City Engineer Ben Wood, the council deferred taking final action. As outlined by Colonel York, the project would include the construction of some new levees and increasing the height of present levees along Hay creek. The Hay creek channel would be straightened before its junction with the Belle Fourche river and the Eighth and Tenth avenue bridges would be widened. Redwater river would be straightened from Eleventh avenue to the Belle Fourche river and some levees would be constructed. The engineer explained that while the project would not insure the "standard project" flood protection, it would protect against any flood of record in Belle Fourche. To go the full limit of a standard project would not be economically sound, he declared. After completion of the project, Hay creek would be capable of taking 7,000 cubic feet of water per second and Redwater 28,000. During the biggest previous flood, the two were flowing at 4,000 and 8,600 cubic feet per second respectively. If approved locally, the project plan will be submitted to the division engineers for possible forwarding to Washington for approval by congress. York said the project probably is still two or three years in the future under the best of conditions but asked for local concurrence or rejection before October 15. Final design of the project will be subject to changes required by the city, he stated.

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Four concerts – featuring a opera company, a baritone, a duo piano team and a contralto and designed to appeal to both young people and adults – have been scheduled for Belle Fourche's first concert series this winter. Sponsored by the Jaycettes the concert series will feature top-most stars in

the field, according to the heads of the local ganization which will put the tickets on sales next Thursday. Foremost attraction of the series is the Matinee Opera Company from New York City which will sing in English Humperdinck's enchanting operatic fantasy, "Hansel and Gretal." In authentic costumes against the background of their own specially constructed scenery, a company of eight professional musicians sing and set their way throught the familiar opera bringing the well-known fairy story to life.



by Mary or Buchholz

**50 years ago**  
**The Belle Fourche Bee**  
**September 22, 1975**

**Annual make It Yourself with Wool Fashion Show Scheduled for Oct. 4**

**The annual Make It Yourself with Wool fashion show will be held on Saturday Oct. 4** at the Community Room of the Meade County Courthouse in Sturgis. Winners will be selected from District 1 competition to compete in the state contes at Spearfish on Oct. 31, from the Junior, Senior and Adult division. Mrs. Thors Price of Red Owl is chairman of the district contest. Judging the contestants, who have selected their wool fabric, constructed it, and will present it, will be Ida Marie Norton, Home Economist, Bison, Cathi Christopherian, Lola's Apparel, Sturgis. Mrs. Price, District I director, stated that there will be 19 garments entered in competition which comprises the countries of Meade, Lawrence, Butte and Harding.

**Clem-Walker Reunion Unites Over 100** The Alzada hall was almost filled Sunday when over 100 persons gathered for the Clem and Walker family reunion. Friends and relatives came from as far away as Texas, California and Nevada as well as Deadwood, Sturgis, Belle Fourche, Baker and other places. Five of the six surviving members of the Frank Clem family were present, Ralph Clem, Edith Stetter Clem, Eunice Clem Walker, Mary Clem Brewer, Elsei Clem (Walker) Scholten, Beatrice Clem Nelson was not present two brothers, Franklin and Carl, are deceased. Arthur Walker, William Walker and Madeline Walker Margan represented the Henry Walker family. Bertha Walker (Clem) Read, who was hospitalized in Rapid City, was not able to be present and a brother Sidney is deceased. The afternoon was spent visiting, reminiscing, renewing acquaintances, taking pictures and looking forward to the next time.



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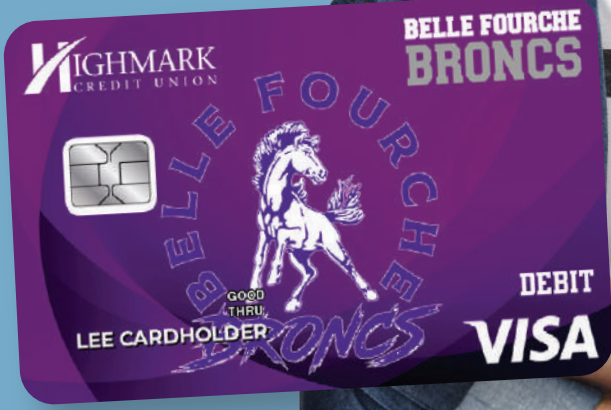
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## Central Meade County News



By Sandy Rhoden  
September 16, 2025

Summer seems to be sticking around a lot longer than usual, but I don't hear anyone complaining. As I travel back and forth from Pierre it is still pleasing to return to green grass and pastures, even though it is the middle of September.

While we appreciate the beauty as summer gives in to fall, we reflect on who and what we are thankful for. The sad news of Ronal Traver's passing triggered thoughts of thankfulness as I remembered how much he thought of the kids he was responsible for all those years of driving bus. He wasn't given the newest and best when it came to driving long lonely highways

to and from athletic events, but he always got them safely and brought them home sound. He had a unique background and always found something to smile about and chat about. Parents like me appreciated how he paid attention to details of each kids demeanor, talents and how they showed respect. He was paying attention to the things most didn't notice. I am thankful for his service for so many years of dedication to the Faith School District. He reminded me just a little bit of my dad. He was dependable and capable of many things, despite some physical hurdles. Our condolences to his family and friends who cherished Ron. We will miss the sparkle he brought to our lives.

Another loss last week was a tragic one as the life was stolen from a courageous, faithful young man named Charlie Kirk. He leaves behind a widow and two young children who will grow up without their father. Many of us knew him for his straightforward messages, while many asked who he was. For those who did not know him, no doubt his name will evolve into a household name such as Martin Luther King in the days ahead. Our sincere condolences to his little family, parents, and all who loved him. Many young adults from our state and beyond were mortified and are still coping with the loss of Charlie. He was one of a kind, and in death he may have even more impact than he had in life.



Capitol News  
Sept. 14, 2025  
by Karen Odell

Capitol and Tie Creek have gotten nice early morning rains on three days, this week. We missed out on the Sunday downpour that they had over at Buffalo. It was black in that direction, but the clouds bypassed us here.

The activity at Ronda Cordell's, this week, has mostly been fixing fence, and moving cows. On September 3rd, they had gotten ultrasound done on yearling heifers. Then on Thursday, Ronda needed some supplies, so she and Jake Reynolds drove to Belle Fourche in the early morning, watched some of the livestock sale, and took in the free barbecue at the sale ring. Last Friday, Ronda went to Buffalo early enough to have lunch at Blossoms N Brew, before going on to the school for Grandparents Bingo with Darby and Abby Zolnoski. Gene Secrest had the same idea for lunch. They both ate and visited and then headed to the school for bingo.

This Tuesday, Ronda drove to Ekalaka for the Farmers' Union Appreciation Supper at the events center. Tod Dague hauled some straw from Ron and Charlene Rosencranz's to Ronda's on Wednesday. Buck Buchanan visited briefly, on Thursday, to go over the Forest fence mapping. The garden is producing, so Ronda has been freezing vegetables. When the garden cuts loose, there is too much stuff for a person to eat. Then, when Jack Frost hits, it's gone. Ronda had a light frost that turned the top squash leaves black, but didn't hurt anything else.

Dick and Erma Albert had over an inch of rain on Sunday, that missed Capitol and Tie Creek. They had been to the Hills, on Monday. On Wednesday, Erma had a chiropractor's appointment. Then later in the day, Father Lee, and a group of church kids, came by to do the Walking Rosary. It was great to see the kids working in the community. Dick and Erma went to the Senior Citizen dinner on Friday.

Father Brian was in town, visiting, so they were glad to get to see him at the Senior Citizen dinner, too. The meal was delicious. Afterward, Erma took a plate of lunch down to Dolores Sperle, and visited awhile there. Dick and Erma went to church, on Sunday, and the church was pretty full, again. Then, they went to Saloon Number Three for lunch.

Bruce and Lynn Gustafson made a trip to the Hills, on Tuesday, for some building supplies. On Wednesday, Lynn went to the Camp Crook Community Center for the Diligent Doers Extension Club meeting.

They went to the Little Missouri Church, on Sunday morning, where they heard that Buffalo had gotten two inches of rain in the night. After church, they went on south to Spearfish to leave a vehicle to be repaired.

Julia Davis went to an eye appointment in Bowman, on Wednesday. Doug and Julia had planned to go to Keaton Davis's cross-country meet on Thursday, but he had gotten the flu, so they all missed out on this meet. They had heard about a fire in the North Cave Hills. On Friday, Doug and Julia went down to stay with grandsons, Rory and Oliver Davis, while their parents went to Silvan Lake for their tenth anniversary.

The grandparents had a wonderful time with the boys. Doug had to keep up with them climbing up and down the hill to the stream, and Julia spent lots of time on her crutches to keep up with them inside the house. Saturday was Doug and Julia's anniversary, and they loved spending it with the little boys. After they got home, the spent Sunday just resting up, and found they were not so used to the activities of the boys.

Dorothy Padden got out to the volleyball games in Buffalo on Tuesday. Dawn and Dorothy went in to Camp Crook for the Diligent Doers Extension Club meeting, on Wednesday. There were early morning rains on each day of Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, that dampened things in the mornings.

Karen Odell was very glad to have her riding mower in running shape again, so she got more mowing done during mornings. The afternoons were still pretty hot. She went to the post office and Wolfy's, one day. Then during the end of the week, early morning showers wet things down. On Sunday, Karen listened to Rev. Jacob Dell of the Congregational Church in Woodbury, Connecticut, and then went to church on YouTube at the First Presbyterian Church of Marietta, Georgia.

Karen had planned to go to Spearfish for the high school football game, on the BHSU field. Mitchell was to play Spearfish High School, on Friday night, but after learning her grandson, Carson Odell, a freshman from Mitchell, had an injury and would not be at the game, Karen stayed home. On Saturday, Karen began watching the game on YouTube, and discovered that it was good that she had stayed home. The game had been delayed for three and a half hours, because of a spectacular lightening and rain storm.

The game actually did not begin until about nine-thirty. As Karen watched the game, she discovered that she knew the entire refereeing staff. The five were all neighbors (neighbors cover a lot of country out here). Karen figured that the referees and umpires, Lathams and Beslers, still had a couple of hours of driving ahead of them after the late game. Then she thought of the Mitchell bus driver, who had about five or six hours of travel ahead of him. Sometimes it's not the players who are the heroes of the game.

It seems, the only ones in the world who can tell the honest truth without any underlying vindictiveness, anymore, are little children.



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Next Clinic: Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>  
& Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
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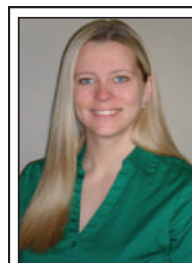
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TJ Livestock, Weston WY	44	Blk/Bwf-Yrfg Str	934	354.50	\$3,311.35
	8	Blk/Bwf-Yrfg Str	801	368.00	\$2,946.30
Nate & Jayna Fredericksen, Spearfish SD	27	Black-Yrfg Hfr	975	322.50	\$3,144.37
Iron Mountain Cattle Co, Belle Fourche SD	20	Black-Yrfg Hfr	922	330.50	\$3,048.03
Neil Kittelmann, Ekalaka MT	13	Black-Yrfg Hfr	904	333.00	\$3,011.08
	3	Black-Yrfg Hfr	1057	312.50	\$3,302.08
Stacy Moke, Belle Fourche SD	3	Blk/Bwf-Yrfg Hfr	885	334.00	\$2,955.90
Tom Riggs, Broadus MT	7	Black-Yrfg Hfr	1009	320.00	\$3,227.42
4 Lazy 3 Ranch Llc, Ekalaka MT	8	Black-Yrfg Hfr	829	338.00	\$2,801.17
Zane Verhulst, Reva SD	8	Red-Yrfg Hfr	964	318.00	\$3,066.71
Jack Or Cindy Orwick, Newell SD	3	Bwf-Yrfg Hfr	1023	317.00	\$3,243.96
	5	Hfr-Yrfg Hfr	915	322.00	\$2,946.30
Lyle Owen, Miles City MT	9	Red-Yrfg Hfr	892	331.00	\$2,953.25
Tom Blair, Ekalaka MT	6	Black-Yrfg Hfr	853	334.50	\$2,851.61
Guy Casteel Livestock Llc, Newell SD	23	Bk/Rd/Ch-Str	500	325.00	\$1,623.58
	19	Bk/Rd/Ch-Hfr	517	320.00	\$1,655.57
Lacy Williams, Broadus MT	4	Black-Yrfg Hfr	808	338.50	\$2,733.38
<b>COWS</b>					
Jeff & Becky Morgan, Gillette WY	1	Black-Cow	1070	192.50	\$2,059.75
	1	Black-Cow	940	220.00	\$2,068.00
L. Russel & Sheri Stinson, Hulet WY	7	Black-Hfr	1146	277.50	\$3,179.35
Owen Rumph, Biddle MT	1	Black-Hfr	1065	242.50	\$2,582.62
	1	Black-Hfr	925	200.00	\$1,850.00
Mccoid Ranch, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Cow	1170	225.00	\$2,632.50
Jack Or Cindy Orwick, Newell SD	1	Hfr-Cow	1340	166.00	\$2,224.40
Richard N Rumph, Biddle MT	1	Black-Cow	1300	170.00	\$2,210.00
Nate & Jayna Fredericksen, Spearfish SD	1	Black-Cow	1555	172.50	\$2,682.37
	1	Black-Cow	1335	187.50	\$2,503.12
	1	Bwf-Cow	1550	173.00	\$2,681.50
	1	Black-Cow	1475	173.00	\$2,551.75
Jeff & Michelle Swaney, Rozet WY	6	Black-Cow	1081	160.00	\$1,729.33
	2	Black-Cow	1290	170.00	\$2,193.00
Patricia & Brian Morgan, Gillette WY	4	Black-Cow	1371	171.50	\$2,351.69
	1	Black-Cow	1305	172.00	\$2,244.60
	1	Black-Cow	1400	170.00	\$2,380.00
Ron Graf, Aladdin WY	1	Black-Cow	1365	172.50	\$2,354.62
<b>BULLS</b>					
Steve Stoddard, Broadus MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2030	221.00	\$4,486.30
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2040	207.50	\$4,233.00
Lester Aye, Broadus MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1900	225.00	\$4,275.00
Twenty One Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Red-Bull Drug Free	2000	212.00	\$4,240.00
Tony & Laurie Farella, Newcastle WY	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1860	205.00	\$3,813.00
Larson Family Ltd Partner, Spearfish SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2355	192.50	\$4,533.37
Houston Creek Cattle Co, Sundance WY	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1915	202.50	\$3,877.87
Pfister Ranch Inc, Alzada MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2110	192.50	\$4,061.75

Kurt Ketelsen, Box Elder SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2380	205.00	\$4,879.00
Clint Krambeck, Spearfish SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2170	212.50	\$4,611.25
Rafter Diamond Lp, Buffalo SD	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1915	192.50	\$3,686.37
Steve Stoddard, Broadus MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2000	195.00	\$3,900.00
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2125	192.00	\$4,080.00
Kurt Ketelsen, Box Elder SD	1	Black-Bull	2150	202.50	\$4,353.75
	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	2365	215.00	\$5,084.75
Paul Or Nancy Brence, Ekalaka MT	1	Black-Bull Drug Free	1825	201.00	\$3,668.25
Rittberger Beef Inc, Fairburn SD	1	Black-Bull	2195	192.50	\$4,225.37
Twenty One Ranch Inc, Sundance WY	1	Red-Bull Drug Free	1960	201.00	\$3,939.60

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Let's be clear: This isn't about demonizing every chain store or corporate presence. The key word is balance. National retailers and franchises can serve important functions—providing familiar services, creating some jobs, and filling market gaps. The problem emerges when they dominate the local economy. Smart communities understand that national chains are merely one piece of the foundation, not the entire structure. The real economic power comes from achieving true balance—leveraging the convenience and scale that some chains provide while nurturing a robust ecosystem of locally-owned businesses that create uniqueness, foster innovation, and keep wealth circulating locally.

In today's hyper-connected world, uniqueness has become the ultimate competitive advantage. Any community can have the same chain restaurants, big-box stores, and franchise operations as every other community. But only your community can offer that specific combination of local businesses, homegrown entrepreneurs, and distinctive character that makes people want to visit, invest, and stay. This uniqueness isn't just about tourism or economic development marketing—it's about creating a community worth caring about. When people have ownership in their local economy, they have ownership in their

community's future.

Building Main Street over Wall Street isn't just a catchy slogan—it's an economic imperative for community survival. The choice facing every community is stark: Will you be the community that invests in local businesses, sees wealth multiply through your neighborhoods, and builds the civic engagement that creates lasting prosperity? Or will you watch your dollars drain away to distant shareholders while your community slowly hollows out?

The \$30 million secret is really no secret at all. It's about understanding that in community economics, what goes around truly does come around—but only if you keep it going around locally first. The future belongs to truly local communities that understand this fundamental truth: When you build Main Street, Wall Street takes care of itself. But when you build only Wall Street, Main Street—and everything that makes a community worth living in—slowly fades away. The choice is yours. The math is clear. The time is now.

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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## "\$30 Million Secret: A Community's Survival Depends on Going Local"

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bounce around your community between three and seven times. Suddenly, your \$5 million becomes \$15 to \$30 million in total economic activity, all while generating the same \$500,000 in tax revenue. Think about what an extra \$15-30 million flowing through your community could mean. More jobs for your neighbors' kids. Better-funded schools. Stronger infrastructure. A downtown that people actually want to visit.

The numbers are compelling, but the human story is even more powerful. Studies consistently show locally-owned business owners give back to their communities nearly three times the rate of outside-owned businesses. These aren't just statistics, they're the fabric of community life. When Main Street Bakery sponsors the Little League team, when the local hardware store owner serves on the school board, when the downtown café stays open late for the high school theater production—that's not corporate policy. That's community DNA in action. Research reveals owners and managers of local businesses are 4X more likely to take leadership roles in chambers of commerce, Main Street organizations, and local politics. They can't pack up and move their investment to the next market when times

get tough, they are invested in making your community succeed.

Here's a sobering reality: A community's poverty rate directly correlates with the percentage of locally-owned, prosperous businesses within its borders. Communities that nurture local innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship—backed by supportive local government policies—see measurable increases in average household income. The inverse is equally true and more troubling: The higher the percentage of retail dollars flowing to out-of-town business owners, particularly in smaller and mid-sized communities, the higher the poverty rate climbs. It's not coincidence—it's economic gravity.

If you want to talk about return on investment, let's talk downtown revitalization. Every tax dollar and private investment directed toward restoring a community's downtown district generates approximately 30% higher returns than investments in other parts of the city. This isn't just about pretty storefronts and nostalgic charm—though those matter too. When you restore vibrancy to your downtown core, you're literally rebuilding the heart and soul of your community. Property values rise not just downtown, but in surrounding neighborhoods. The increased real estate values boost ad valorem tax revenues, strengthening funding for schools and municipal services. Communities that neglect their downtowns don't just lose a few blocks of buildings—they damage their entire economic ecosystem. There's simply no

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## 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](mailto: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 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 Writers

The Belle Fourche Writers will hold their regular monthly meeting on Saturday, September 20 at the Belle Fourche Public Library from 10 AM to noon. Anyone interested in writing, regardless of background or experience is invited to attend. The writers also meet on the first Monday of each month for an editing meeting. During the month of September the writers are participating in a Korean Siho challenge. The sijo (pronounced SHEE-jo) is a traditional three-line Korean poetic form typically exploring a variety of themes.

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	<b>8</b> Sausage and Rice Mixed Veggies Dinner Roll	<b>9</b> Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Country Gravy Salad Dinner Roll	<b>10</b> Beef Roast Zucchini Fries Roasted Potatoes	<b>11</b> BBQ Chicken Rice Pilaf Roasted Carrots Dinner Roll	<b>12</b> Sauteed Sausage, Peppers and Onions Potato Salad Dinner Roll
	<b>15</b> Club Sandwich Chips Broccoli Salad	<b>16</b> Smothered Pork Chops Mushroom Gravy Sweet Potatoes Garden Salad	<b>17</b> Tortellini Soup Turkey Wrap Breadstick	<b>18</b> Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll	<b>19</b> Chicken Stir Fry Asian Vegetables Fried Rice Egg Roll
	<b>22</b> Shepperd's Pie Garden Salad Dinner Roll	<b>23</b> Cordon Bleu Roasted Potatoes Sauteed Mushrooms, Onions & Peppers	<b>24</b> Tater tot casserole Spinach salad Dinner Roll	<b>25</b> Indian Tacos with lettuce, tomato, onion, black beans Fry Bread Refried Beans	<b>26</b> Pulled Pork Sandwich Cowboy Beans Garden Salad
	<b>29</b> Spaghetti & Meatballs Breadstick Garden Salad	<b>30</b> Liver & Onions OR Deluxe Cheese Burger Steak Fries Mixed Veggies	<b>Look What's Cooking at Belle Silver Lining</b> Come Join us M-F 11 am-1 pm 828 Kingsbury St.   Belle Fourche, SD Menu subject to change or modification.		
	<b>From Board of Directors: Until we get a kitchen manag/ head cook hired or volunteers willing to help in the kitchen, our menus will modified.</b>				

## Superintendent's Corner

By *R. Orion Thompson, Superintendent – Belle Fourche School District*

The 2025 school year is off to a fantastic start! Our students, staff, and community have come together with great energy, and we are already seeing positive results.

### Belle Fourche Learning Innovations

One of the most exciting developments is the launch of Belle Fourche Learning Innovations (BFLI). Designed to meet students where they are in their learning journey, BFLI is already creating opportunities for families who need flexibility while showing that our District is committed to innovation.

### Master Planning and Growth

We recently concluded our CO-OP Master Planning partnership, which created a clear and sustainable pathway for District improvement. This plan will help us address facility needs, enhance program offerings, and strengthen both student and staff experiences for years to come.

### Welcoming New Board Members

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Travis Featherston and Mr. Jake Davis to the Belle Fourche School Board. Their leadership will help us continue moving forward with purpose.

### Superintendent's Goals

This year, my work will focus on three priorities:

- Advancing the Master Plan to keep momentum on long-term facility and program improvements.
- Building a Growth-Oriented Evaluation System that supports collaboration and professional learning across the District.
- Policy Review and Alignment to ensure our practices remain up to date with legislative changes and best serve our community.

### Did You Know?

Preparing students for a successful future means nurturing both their academic growth and their social-emotional development. Research shows that when students build skills like empathy, problem-solving, and resilience, they not only improve academically but also develop the confidence and adaptability needed for adulthood (CASEL, 2023; Learning Policy Institute, 2018). Small struggles in childhood, whether tackling a tough lesson or navigating friendships, become valuable learning opportunities when supported by caring adults. These moments help children develop the resilience that makes long-term success more attainable. Together, by focusing on academics, innovation, and social growth, we are building a District where every student can thrive.

## Go Broncs!

*Mr. Thompson*



# The Valley Irrigator

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## The Newell Public Library Has So Much to

**Robbi Longbrake**  
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NEWELL—There is a little gem located right in the heart of the downtown area called the Newell Public Library. There is so much to see and do there! Rows and rows of books to read and computers and free wifi to enjoy, along with comfy seating areas to snuggle in and read plus audio and ebooks if you wish to go that route and so much more!

Coming off a busy summer, the Library is settling into the

school year by inviting little ones to come explore the library and enjoy story time!

Story Time with Miss Patty is offered every Wednesday at 11:15 a.m. "So we have a volunteer that comes in to read to the kids and she has props and costumes and books that she reads to them," explained Matt Clausen, Librarian. "We're trying to get it started back up—to get some more kids coming in." Clausen shared that the story time was geared towards kids under the age of five, but that everyone was

invited to participate.

This summer the Library offered a program called Color Your World where they focused on S.T.E.A.M (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics). With a summer reading list of Super Manny Stands Up, Simon Sock, Badger and the Magic Fan, Just One Little Light, Stories in Art: Mosaics, and Extra Yarn participants were kept busy! The kids logged their reading all summer long and got an entry into a special prize drawing for

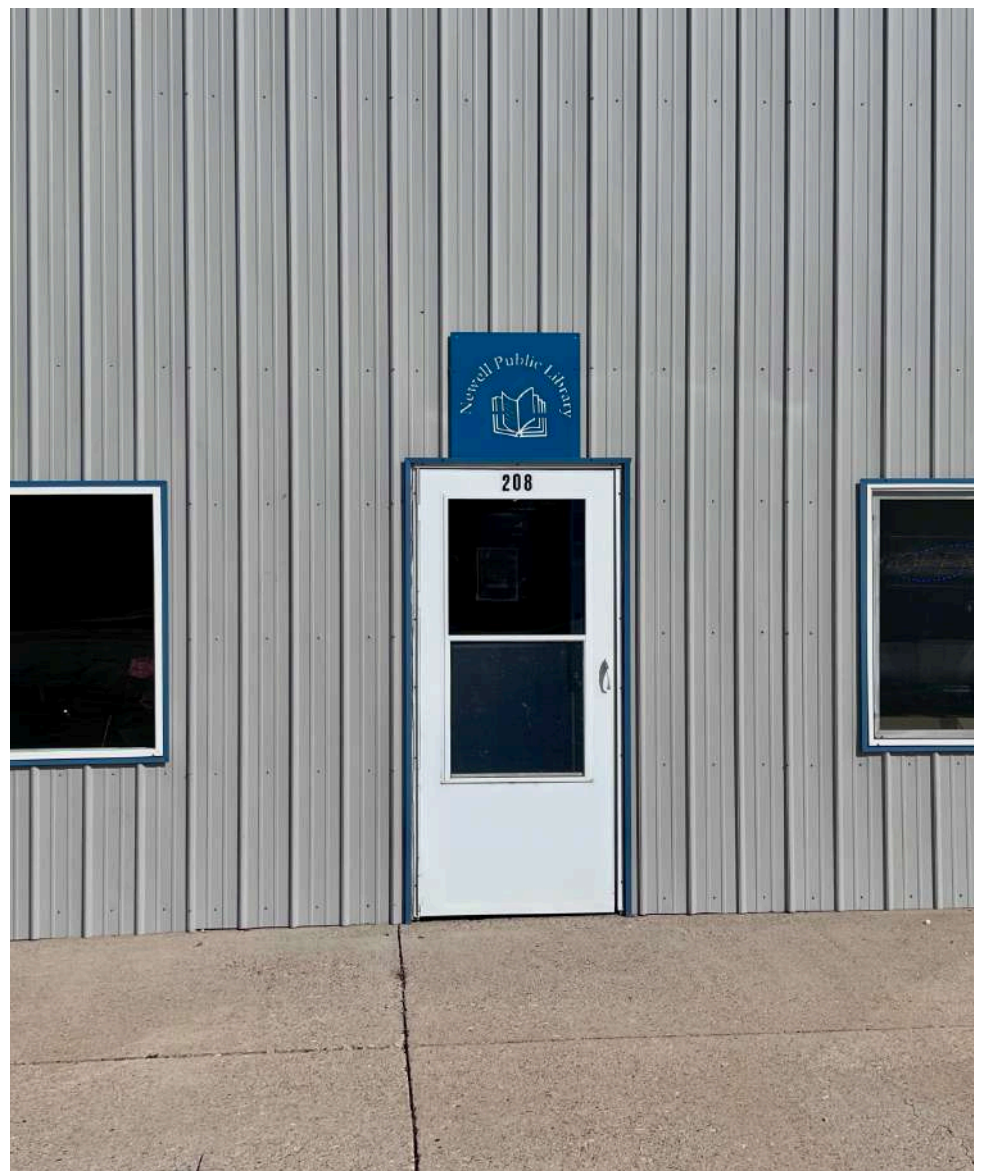
every 250 pages they read.

"We had about 30 kids signed up total," said Clausen. "Every week we had a volunteer come in and read a story to the kids, and then they did an arts and crafts thing related to it."

When patrons aren't at the library, Clausen stays busy doing inventory and sorting books in the system and invites kids to check out the library after school and on school breaks if they get a chance. The library is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

September is Library Card Sign-up Month! So if you get a chance, stop by and get a library card and explore the Newell Public Library! If you live in Butte County, you can sign-up for a library card for free. If you live outside of the county, for a small yearly fee, you can still get a card.

"As long as you're a resident of Butte County, it's free—you just come in and sign up! And for kids, you need to have parents come to get the library card," explained Clausen.



(L) Librarian, **Matt Clausen**, invites everyone to come check out the Newell Public Library! (R) The outside of the library located on **Girard Avenue**.



The inside of the Newell Public Library is cozy and inviting. *Longbrake photos*

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## Grand River Roundup



### Betty Olson

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We got a little sprinkle of rain here last Monday morning when Reub was headed out to spray weeds at the Horse Creek pasture, but he ran into a lot more rain with muddy roads as he drove north so he turned around and came home before taking a chance of getting stuck.

There are more deaths to report: Alvin Heggen, 69, formerly from Camp Crook, passed away at home in Huber Heights, Ohio, on August 5. His funeral service was at the Way of the Cross Church in Huber Heights on August 20. He was laid to rest in the Dayton National Cemetery with military honors.

Loren Weishaar, age 63 of Belle Fourche and formerly from Sorum, died Saturday, August 16, at the Monument Health Rapid City Hospital. No services will be held. Arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the

Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

Philip Resner, age 86, of Hettinger, passed away on Tuesday, August 19 at the West River Regional Medical Center in Hettinger. Per his wishes, no formal services will be held at this time.

These families have our sympathy.

It was pretty hot on Tuesday when Reub went up to spray weeds at the Horse Creek pasture and these guys took Copper and Knox with them to work cows up there with a bunch of neighbors that came to help. In this ranch community, we can always count on neighbors helping neighbors. The guys came home before Reub, who didn't get home until 3:00 for lunch.

It was 100 degrees on Wednesday, which was the first day of school in Buffalo. Amanda took Copper, Knox and River Lu to school that morning and it was River's first day of kinder-

garten. After they got home that afternoon, River told me that school was really fun and she wants to go again! Reub and I took his side-by-side up to John Brown in Reeder to get it fixed that morning and then went over to Hettinger to have lunch at the American Legion. Randy Holden was eating there and we had a good visit about things south of Prairie City a long time ago. After eating lunch we drove out to Missy's Aunt Sylvia Engle's house south of town to get a bunch of really nice sheets that she was donating to the quilters at Slim Buttes Lutheran Church to use on the back of the quilts they make.

We had to get a bunch of stuff from White Drug and Reub was able to get his squeeze from his cousin Roxie Finck before we left the store. We had a good visit with Bill and Colleen Galbreth at Cenex when we stopped to gas up on the way home. Colleen has

a video of one of the Harding County History tours they went on with us and she is going to make a copy of it for me. I can't wait to get that!

We stopped in Reeder on the way home to get some weed spray from Southwest Grain and have coffee and a good visit with the Prairie Pioneers. Diane Sanford gave me a good recipe to get rid of flies while we were at coffee and it really works so I'll share it with you. Mix 2 cups of sugar, 2 cups of water, 1 cup of apple cider vinegar and 10 drops of Dawn dish soap together and pour into an old 8x10 inch cake pan and set it outside. I made it, set it out on our deck and I've never seen so many dead flies! Wednesday was a fun day for us old folks.

I dumped a quarter inch of rain out of the rain gauge Thursday morning. Copper and Knox went back to school on Thursday but River stayed home because the other half of the kindergartners went to school that day but she was able to go back on Friday. Reub went back up to spray weeds at the Horse Creek pasture that morning and made it home for lunch by 2:30. The guys spent the afternoon getting the two semis and flatbeds fixed up and ready to haul in all the bales into the hay corrals.

Reub was back up spraying weeds again on Friday and got home for lunch about a quarter to 3:00. All three of the kids went to school that day and they

stayed in town that evening for the football game against Gettysburg. Everybody on the ranch went to Buffalo for the football game that evening except us old folks and Buffalo won the football game.

Reub was back spraying weeds again on Saturday both here and at the Horse Creek pasture but he doesn't think he'll get all the weeds killed before it freezes. Our home phone quit and I had Taz come up to see what was wrong with it. He found the problem so I have to call Consolidated to come down and fix it for us, so if you've tried to call us and we didn't answer that is the reason.

Pastor Henry and Linda Mohagen were gone on Sunday so Casey led the service and Bill Holt gave a wonderful sermon and then Bev Heier and Amanda Schuchard fed us a delicious lunch with coffee and fellowship after church.

With school and sports starting, I'll leave you with this:

Junior high sports test  
A junior high boy was taking a physical before playing sports at his school. He was given an eye exam like you get from the eye doctor and they put the same sign up on the wall that the eye doctor has you read. They asked the boy to read to them the lowest line he could see. Silence. They asked him again to read the lowest line to them and he said he couldn't because he'd never seen that word before!

## Then and Now in Newell

### "Looking Forward to our Past"

September 16, 1915

The Ladies Social Union will serve lunch and coffee in the building west of the Newell Garage on the two days of the Fair. Look for the nice new signs that adorn Bushnell's Motorcycle Shop in the garage and the Barrett Barber Shop. The work was done by George A. Engler, a sign artist from Spearfish.

About thirty couples enjoyed the dance at the Theatorium Saturday evening. Paul Briggs came over from Nisland to assist the Newell Orchestra. The rain prevented the usual crowds from attending.

Rev. Finney from Wessington Springs and State Superintendent of the Friends Churches of South Dakota, preached at the Empire Friends Church on Sunday. He is guest at the home of Rev. J. Sisson this week and has been calling on folks in the neighborhood. He held baptisms at the river on Monday when six were baptized.

September 10, 1925

Gutzon Borglum, acc From now on the law will be rigidly enforced in regard to lights on all cars or motor vehicles driven on highways in Butte County. The law demands that there shall be two headlights and one taillight, also that the machine be equipped with a dimmer or other contrivance and that same should be used in meeting other cars. A good reminder from A. C. Craven, Butte County Sheriff.

A bunch of Newellites were out to A. B. Long's "Longmont" picking the plentiful plums last Saturday.

Willard Warren was among the suffering from sneak thieves at the fairgrounds last week. He lost a good dress coat, and if the present possessor thereof will kindly send his name and

address, Willard says he will forward to him (or her) the vest and pants to match.

Carl Rudolph Jukkola, 15-year-old son of Mr. & Mrs. Carl A. Jukkola died Sunday at the Rapid City hospital from appendicitis. He was a member of the sophomore class, a particularly bright young man and popular with schoolmates. Superintendent Hanson dismissed school early to give students opportunity to be present at the funeral. The sincere sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

September 12, 1935

Carl D. Anderson's CheMany of the farmers around here plan to hold their wheat on their own farms until the prices are higher. The Columbian Bin is a favorite with farmers as good as any commercial storage. This bin is economical, rat proof and weatherproof. Also easy to erect and priced reasonably. The Vale Lumber Company has a bin set up for your inspection.

School time is here again, the first year of High School is being taught at Horse Creek this year besides the grades. Miss Doris Eaton is the teacher of the Upper Grades, while Miss Elma Schipke teaches the lower.

After many months of work with details Newell Lodge No 174 AF & AM took action Tuesday evening for the construction of a new Masonic Temple in Newell. Plans and specifications were drawn up and calls for brick and tile construction. However, to the cost is beyond the Lodge means, plans were changed for frame and stucco construction, J. Helmer Lee, contractor from Rapid City, was low bidder and awarded the contract of \$46,850. The building will house a full basement, a dining room, living quarters for a

by Linda Velder

caretaker, kitchen, furnace room and lavatories. The Temple will be constructed south of the City Park on 6 lots, which the Lodge already owns.

September 13, 1945

September 13, 1945 Reports from Washington agree that Congress is preparing to put the country back on Standard Time by the end of this month. Both Houses of Congress are said to be practically unanimous on this subject. The change will probably take place at 2:00 A. M. on Sunday September 30.

Frank Palmer has disposed of his home place on the hill in eastern Newell to Wesley Babb, Twilight ranchman. The deal was closed last Saturday.

Meat rationing is to end on October 1 and shoe rationing will end soon after, according to report from Washington on Monday. The OPA and Department of Agriculture have apparently agreed to end price controls on meat. It is claimed there is a good supply of beef, lamb, mutton and poultry but that pork is still short in some parts of the country.

September 15, 1955

Al McDonald, popular operator of the Newell Airport and E-M Flying Service for the past 5 years, is terminating his work here and has accepted a position at the Haley Airport in Rapid City, it was announced this week. The "Main Street Airport" is still under lease to the Skyway Air Service of Spearfish and Rapid City will remain open for use even though the buildings may be temporarily locked, according to City Mayor Vernon Hafner. The City recently purchased lights and a small beacon for the field, which McDonald installed to greatly improve the Airport. McDonald expresses his regrets about



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moving, but it is necessitated by his being unable to continue spraying operations. A host of friends appreciate his valuable service here.

A series of youth dances is being sponsored by the IOOF Lodge of Newell, to bring entertainment to the young people of the community. These dances will be held each Saturday evening from 7:30 to 10:00 PM and will be open to all youngsters and teen-agers. Chaperons are provided by the Lodge. A program of this sort has long been a need in the community, and it is hoped that the young people will help by making suggestions as to what music and dances they want and encourage their friends to attend. Parents are also invited to come and help make the evening successful.

A full 3-day program at the US Experiment Farm at Newell opened today with the Annual Great Plains FFA Judging Contest and will be climaxed by the Tenth Annual Stud Ram Show & Sale Friday and Saturday. At least 13 agriculture departments from South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana High Schools will be represented with the FFA of America Judging contest begins today, reports local FFA instructor Walt Johnson and Secretary of the state organization. The show will start at 10:00 AM and continue throughout the afternoon. The sale will be held on Saturday with registered rams followed by the ewes. Friday evening a buffet supper will be held at

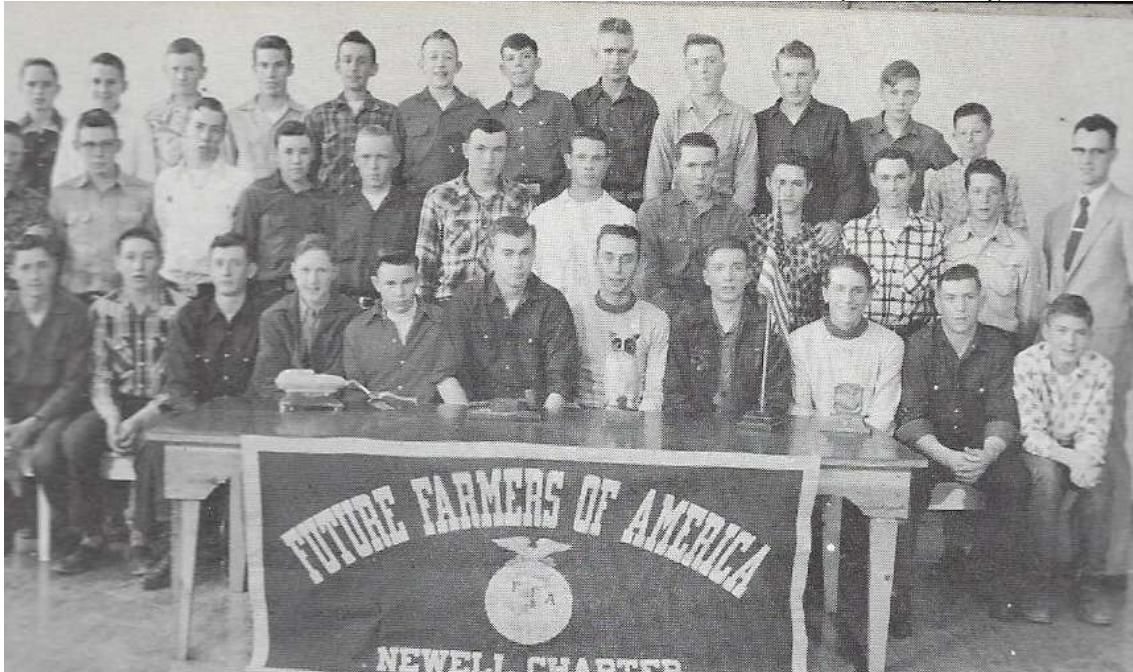
the high school gymnasium with introductions, awards, informal program and musical entertainment. The Newell Community Club sponsors this annual event.

September 9, 1965

City Police Edward Yoder recommended the securing of about 18 more STOP and YEILD signs for placement on Newell streets and also more adequate signs be secured to designate the school area along the highway through town. Yoder spends about ¼ hour each morning and afternoon, when school starts and ends that in that short time scores of motorists there have exceeded the 15 miles-per-hour School Zone speed limit.

The Vale Community Club is sponsoring a Harvest Queen Dance on October 2 in which any high school girl interested in the area are asked to contact Mrs. Fred Heidrich for particulars. Each contestant will receive prizes, and the queen will be crowned at the dance at the Vale Community Hall.

Gov. Nils A. Boe has signed the Eighth Annual Coffee Day Proclamation, designating next Wednesday as Coffee Day in South Dakota. Participating establishments provide the coffee and ask that coffee drinkers to put their "coffee money" into the special container. All proceeds are turned over to the South Dakota Society of Crippled Children & Adults to assist programs to the needy and physically handicapped children and adults.



Newell Chapter in 1955. Top placers in Great Plains Judging Contest held during Stud Ram Show & Sale were: George Breidenbach, Craig Van derBoom, Alan Edwards and Allen Klein.



IOOF Temple, located on Girard Ave, downtown Newell. Bid let in 1935 and dedication 1938.

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

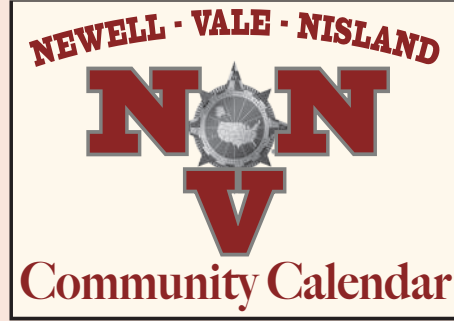
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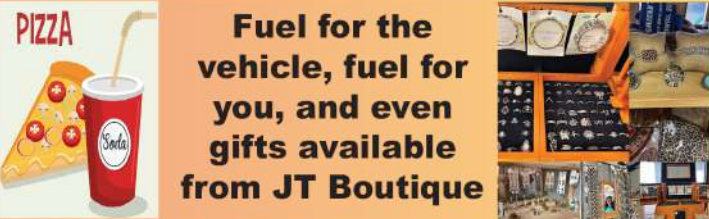
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8) Biscuits & Gravy, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Chicken Alfredo, Brussel Sprouts, Fruit, Milk	9) Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Taco Salad, Peas, Fruit, Milk	10) Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Sloppy Joes, Sweet Potato Fries, Fruit, Milk	11) Waffles, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk	12) NO SCHOOL
15) Breakfast Egg Rolls, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Chicken Patty, Gravy, French Potatoes, Fruit, Milk	16) Bagels, Omelets. Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Salisbury Steaks, Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Buns, Mac & Cheese Soup, Fruit, Milk	17) Pancakes, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Chicken Nachos, Corn, Fruit, Milk	18) Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Flat Bread Wraps with Fresh Veggies, Broccoli Salad, Fruit, Milk	19) NO SCHOOL
22) French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Tangerine Chicken, Rice, Oriental Veggies, Fruit, Milk	23) Maple Baked French Toast, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Walking Tacos, Fruit, Milk	24) Quiche, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Chicken Strips, Corn, Fruit, Milk	25) Croissant Sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Chicken Gyro, Tzatziki Sauce, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk	26) NO SCHOOL
29) French Toast Sticks, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Chips, Fruit, Milk	30) Long Johns, Cereal, Juice, Fruit, Milk  Pizza Wraps, Corn, Fruit, Milk			



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## Second Annual Rooster Roundup Pheasant Hunt Set for October 2 to Fight Food Insecurity in South Dakota

**The one-day guided hunt blends a classic South Dakota tradition with a mission to expand food access for tribal and rural communities.**

DALLAS, S.D. – Team Buche Cares, a South Dakota nonprofit associated with Buche Foods stores, is proud to announce the Second Annual Rooster Roundup, a one-day guided pheasant hunt that begins at Cock Block Lodge in Dallas, South Dakota. Taking place on Thursday, October 2, 2025, the event will once again raise

funds to support Team Buche Cares' mission of reducing food insecurity for tribal and rural communities across South Dakota. "The Rooster Roundup is about more than just enjoying a great South Dakota tradition. It's about neighbors helping neighbors," said RF Buche, President of GF Buche Com-

pany. "Each step we take in the field represents progress toward bringing healthier food options to families who need them most, and that's what makes this event so meaningful." "It is important for Frontier Motors and our companies to donate to a cause supporting the end of food insecurity because no one should have to wonder where their next meal is coming from," said Cody Hair, Dealer Principal for Frontier Motors and Presenting Sponsor of The Rooster Roundup. "Access to quality, nutritious food is a basic human right, not a privilege. I believe that by supporting organizations working to end hunger, particularly here at home,

we can help create a more just and compassionate world—one where every individual, regardless of their circumstances, has the opportunity to thrive." Hunters will have the opportunity to witness a powerful tradition, the Wóphila Ceremony, thanks to First PREMIER Bank/PREMIER Bankcard. During this ceremony, members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe will present event sponsors with a star quilt as a symbol of gratitude, honoring their commitment to expanding access to healthy food and supporting families across South Dakota. "First PREMIER Bank/PREMIER Bankcard is proud to support this great cause as

Team Buche Cares continues to address food insecurity issues with rural populations including the nine reservations in South Dakota," said Miles Beacom, CEO of PREMIER Bankcard. The Rooster Roundup includes an afternoon of guided hunting experiences, dinner, a short program, and concludes with a live auction. **BACKGROUND:** Because of the success of last year's Rooster Roundup, Team Buche Cares was able to donate 100,000 pounds of turkey to 121 communities, including all nine South Dakota reservations, helping families celebrate the holiday season.



Storm Cloud that later dropped 1/4 inch hail in Newell area as picture just before sunset from 8th Avenue in Belle Fourche. (Below) Same cloud as sun set. Tremfous lightning storm illuminate the night skies as storm moved east and north. *Beacon Photos*



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