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Green wonders



Sponsored by the Ponderosa Community Theater, The Missoula Children's Theatre presented "Jack and the Beanstalk" Saturday at Crouch Auditorium after a week of rehearsals by local youngsters, including the three "Wonder Beans" above. See more photos on Page 18. (Photo by Denice Piscioti/NLJ)

Beware

■ Scammers' methods vary from cries for help to lottery winnings

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

The Newcastle Police Department continues to receive reports of residents being victimized by scams, and it seems more and more as if nobody is immune.

"There are scams that target people of all ages, through all types of media. Some are so obvious that it is hard to believe the scammer is trying it. Some are more difficult to see. There is no way to list them all. The important thing is that there are ways to recognize scams and ways to protect yourself, your identity and your bank account," NPD Communications Sgt. Mary Robertson said.

Advances in digital technology have made life easier in many ways, but unfortunately the internet has also made it easier for those who perpetrate these scams to access their victims.

"Just about everyone has been, or will be, approached by a scammer — whether it is the "Hi, Grandma, it's me" scam, identity theft scams or just a mailing stating the recipient has won millions in a lottery or contest that they did not enter," NPD dispatcher Genell Rothleutner told the News Letter Journal.

She said that for most scams to work, the person being scammed usually has to do something like send

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Nutrition is focus for school lunch menu

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 initiated by First Lady Michelle Obama authorizes money and puts policy in place for the USDA's core nutrition programs, the National School Nutrition Program. Recently there has been controversy regarding whether or not the program is actually accomplishing its goal of improving nutrition and hunger in public schools.

The News Letter Journal went to the schools in Weston County School District #1 to find out if children in the district are being feed adequately. At Newcastle Elementary School the

students have their choice of two different entrees and a stocked salad bar that includes several choices of fruits and vegetables. Drink options are 1% milk and fat-free chocolate milk.

"I always drink white milk at home because it tastes better, and chocolate at school," admitted Lance LaCross, NES fourth-grade student.

Other students in his class reported they do not always get full after eating their hot lunch meal in the cafeteria. Upon observation of the



same students, it was realized they did not take all of the food available for them. At the elementary level, only fifth-grade students, who are the last to eat, have the opportunity to get additional portions if they eat all of the food on their plate with the exception of one item.

At both Newcastle High School and Newcastle Middle School, the students also have two different entrée choices for school lunch, including a salad bar with fruits and vegetables, along with 1%

milk or fat-free chocolate milk. If they don't want to buy the hot lunch they also have the option of purchasing items from the a la carte line, where they can choose any of the five foodstuffs available on any given day, such as soup, chimichangas, burritos, corn dogs or chicken poppers, or several beverage options, Gatorade, water, hogwash and pink lemonade.

NMS eighth-grade student Marshal Rhoades said he does get enough to eat with the entrée choices, but he doesn't feel full after purchasing items from the a la carte line. Another eighth-grade student seemed to appreciate having a choice between the two because he

said he eats both, depending on what's available. The boys at their table also said they take advantage of second portions when they can.

Newcastle High School football and track members JT Harper and Mason Piscioti indicated they get full from the school lunch only when they get second helpings. After questioning several other high school students they agreed with the athletes' opinions.

"The students probably would get full if they took full advantage of the salad bar. They are actually supposed to be taking three-fourths of a cup

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Taking aim in Upton

By Christopher Smith for NLJ

For the sixth year in a row, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department has partnered with the Upton Gun Club and the Friends of the NRA to allow the youth of Wyoming to participate in the Wyoming Youth Hunter Education Challenge, which will take place in Upton on June 8.

For children to participate they must submit copies of their hunter education card, their birth certificate, a photo, and they also must be able to pay a \$10 entry fee.

Jim Dawson, of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, stated that they are anticipating that 80 kids will participate this year, but he was quick to state that they will have plenty of room for more if there is interest.

According to Dawson, this

Wyoming Youth Hunter Education Challenge:
June 8, in Upton
\$10 entry
Ages 18 & under

even get a chance to show off their archery skills. The archery challenge will consist of a field course set up where kids shoot at 3D targets.

Participants will also be asked to display their hunter safety judgement and will learn how to identify wildlife.

Any Wyoming child that meets the qualifications may take part in the activities, and they will be split between two groups, Juniors and Seniors, that are determined by their age. The Seniors will be from 15 to 18 years of age, while the Juniors are 14 and under.

The champions from each age group will win a prize, as will the winners from each of the events.

All the kids will go home with something, however, as door prizes will also be given out. Prizes can range from gun

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Still waiting

Weston County Commissioner Marty Ertman and Kim Basham, a forensic engineer from Cheyenne, listen as Kyle Gillette of Schutz Foss Architects, the project manager for the construction of the Weston County Event Center, discusses problems in the building that began to reveal themselves shortly after it was completed a year and a half ago. Basham came to the community March 4 at the request of the county commissioners to inspect the building, and will prepare a report suggesting steps that should be taken to repair damage that is the result of a water leak that degraded the foundation of the building. (Photo by Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

Spaghetti keeps streets safe

“Just because I am in a wheelchair, does not mean I am useless.”

— Scottie Murray, Safe-Ride

By Christopher Smith for NLJ

Safe-Ride, a locally owned volunteer program operated by Judy and Scottie Murray for the past two years, gives those who lack transportation

rides to the store and doctor's appointments, as well as offering rides to those who have vehicles but should not drive, to and from local drinking establishments.

Safe-Ride does not charge a fee for this service, nor do they receive funding from any state or federal program. The organization relies solely on donations from citizens and businesses, and in an effort to generate dollars and interest in the program, Safe-Ride hosted a fundraiser at the Newcastle Veterans of Foreign Wars building on Saturday.

The organization had an all-you-

can-eat spaghetti meal at a cost of \$10 a plate, which allowed for seconds and more. All proceeds received from the meal go toward a motor for the new vehicle the organization

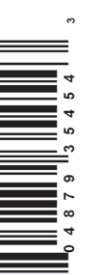
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Scottie Murray, Jamie Hoffman and Rebecca Lorenzen, members of Safe-Ride, enjoy the all-you-can-eat spaghetti fundraiser for the organization held Saturday at the VFW.

Chris Smith/For NLJ



WEATHER FORECAST	Thursday Partly Cloudy Hi 61, Lo 41	Friday Partly Cloudy Hi 61, Lo 34	Saturday Showers Hi 49, Lo 31	Sunday Clouds/Showers Hi 43, Lo 22	Monday Sunny Hi 37, Lo 28	Tuesday Mostly Cloudy Hi 45, Lo 31	Wednesday Cloudy Hi 45, Lo 28	INSIDE: • Pro-start, Page 6 • Safety, Page 7 • Irish fest, Page 8 • Sports, Page 9



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It takes one to know one

"Nothing in the world is worth having or worth doing unless it means effort, pain, difficulty... I have never in my life envied a human being who led an easy life. I have envied a great many people who led difficult lives and led them well."

—Teddy Roosevelt

There is an unwritten rule in the newspaper industry that says the people who write the news should never *make* the news, and many publishers and editors forbid members of their staff from holding positions on public boards and committees.

The News Letter Journal proudly ignores that rule, and the people who work here hold numerous positions with organizations that manage public resources and provide opportunities for local residents, including membership on the School Board, Chamber Board, Travel Commission, and countless other duties with various clubs and entities.

Our philosophy is that we are better able to report on the issues confronted by community organizations, and the decisions made by those who govern them, if we are actively involved. Through participation on these boards and committees, we also believe that our staff has developed an understanding and appreciation for the thought process involved in decision-making, and the balance required to serve the various interests that have a stake in the decisions made by public boards.

After all, how can we report on the activities of these groups- and sometimes question the merits of the decisions made by them- if we haven't put ourselves in their position, and developed a comprehension of the wealth of factors that have to be considered by those who volunteer to act in such a capacity for no other reason than that they want to serve their fellow man.

It has become difficult to get people to participate on such boards over the years, and it has been argued that this newspaper's willingness to question the actions of those boards contributes to the hesitancy expressed by individuals who don't serve. We acknowledge that may be true, but are also aware that this is a community of individuals who think freely, and seldom hesitate to offer their opinions or beliefs.

Because of that, service on public boards is not easy, and we honestly don't think it should be. It should be difficult to make decisions on behalf of your neighbors, family and friends. It should be hard to commit yourself to attending meetings, and you should be uneasy at the prospect of having your views and positions on issues challenged by others.

That said, if it wasn't hard, everybody would do it, and those of us who live in Weston County and enjoy its benefits should appreciate the sacrifice made by those who tackle the tough job of representing us on these boards.

For that reason, we applaud the approach taken by Weston County's newest commissioner, Tracy Hunt, who has indicated a desire to have all those who seek appointment to county boards participate in a brief interview with the commissioners. He has suggested on more than one occasion since joining the commission two months ago that the board should, at the very least, meet with those who wish to be appointed to positions of public trust to determine their qualifications and level of interest. Such a meeting will also provide those who win appointment with direction and an indication of what will be expected from them as board members.

Hunt has also offered to host a Board Member Appreciation Day for current Weston County Board Members and their families, and a casual barbeque/carry-in will take place at the MW Ranch on Saturday, May 4, 2013, and we think the gathering provides an excellent way for the county's top officials to demonstrate the value of the work done by these board members. It also illustrates the importance of citizens not only being willing to serve on boards, but to serve on them well.

Along those lines, the county will also be hosting a board member training on May 8, and we encourage anybody who is involved with a county board to attend.

And if you're not on a board, we would like to again encourage you to apply for open positions that exist in this community. We certainly won't promise that we, or any other members of the community, will make it easy on you, but we will honor your service and appreciate you for the tough job you're willing to do because we know what it takes to do it.

We will respond to 911

By Genell Rothleutner
NPD Communications

Due to events across the nation and closer to home, it is now Newcastle Police Department Communications Center procedure to dispatch a Newcastle or Upton police officer or a Weston County Sheriff's deputy to any 911 abandoned call or 911 hang-up.

A 911 abandoned call is a 911 call that hangs up before the dispatcher can answer. A 911 hang-up is one that is answered by the dispatcher, but no one responds and the call is disconnected without the dispatcher getting information from the caller.

When an abandoned call comes in, the dispatcher can utilize the Abandoned Call button on the telephone computer which will call the number back. Sometimes on 911 hang-ups a telephone number and address is available, sometimes they are not. In cases where a number is not available, the dispatcher makes every effort to find the number or address, or even a nearby location, from latitude and longitude coordinates.

When the dispatcher does have a location to send officers, they immediately dispatch them. It is the individual officer's decision to go or not.

"Nine-one-one calls can and do get interrupted, so the person needing assistance may be unable to speak or ask for help, for a variety of reasons. It was determined to be highly important to make contact with the person making the call and determine, if in fact, the call was accidental or intentional, and to determine the well-being of the person making the call. This requires a face to face meeting between the officer or deputy and the person making the call, or to whom the phone was registered," Sgt. Mary Robertson, Communications supervisor, explained.

Robertson noted that some of these types of calls have been made with a name showing up in the caller ID, only for the officer responding to find out the person making the call was a child, girlfriend, spouse, friend, etc. who had been given the phone for their use by the registered owner.

"Without the officer or deputy responding, no one would have known that help was needed, someone was being abused, and their right to seek help through a call to 911 was interrupted by their attacker or abuser," Robertson said.

Even when someone answers upon call-back, it is still important to dispatch an officer.

"We cannot tell from a phone call if the person we are talking to is holding a knife to the throat of the person who originally called," Communications Corporal Melissa Stubbs said. "We do understand that the vast majority of accidental 911 calls are just that — accidents. However, we cannot take a chance with human life and have that one call we do not dispatch end up a tragedy."

Robertson said other calls could come from someone who is unable to speak due to a stroke, illness or disability. Perhaps the caller managed to dial 911 before going unconscious.

The caller could also be in a situation such as a home invasion, a kidnapping or active shooting and are unable to talk for fear of giving away their location.

If someone does accidentally call 911 or their child does, Robertson said the best thing to do is to stay on the line and talk to the dispatcher, noting the person is not going to get into trouble for an accidental call.

"Advise the dispatcher it was an error or a pocket dial, and give them your full name, your home address and your current location," Robertson explained. "Be cooperative. Try to understand that this procedure is not a means of inconveniencing you, it is a means of making sure that everybody in the county is safe and well."

Stubbs stated to avoid making accidental 911 calls, turn off your phone in places it is not needed such as schools, churches and the movies. Cell users can also check with their cell phone provider about how to disable or lock the "emergency call" button, if it should become a problem. She added that one of the easiest ways to avoid having an officer show up to check on an abandoned 911 or 911 hang-up call is to not let children play with cell phones, even the ones that are old and unused.

"As long as a cell phone has a battery in it, it can call 911. Rather than letting your kids have the phone, give them a toy phone and donate your unused phones to organizations like FOCUS that will use them for a good cause," Stubbs explained.

The Newcastle Police Department Communications Center dispatches for the Newcastle Police Department, Upton Police Department, Weston County Sheriff's Office, Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department, Newcastle Ambulance Service, Upton Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service, Osage Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service and the Weston County Fire Protection District.



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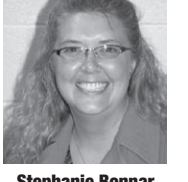
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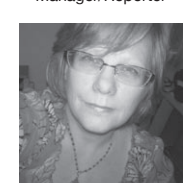
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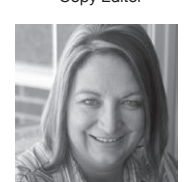
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Letters to the Editor

Curious to know the truth about fracking

Dear Editor,

There have been some issues that have been put in front of the people of Wyoming that have been contentious and I will write concerning one of those.

Before I began I am going to request that the aggressive anger be put aside and we get to education and information.

I needed a cooler head to prevail so I began my discussion with Bob Bonnar. Thank you Bob for having a cool head.

Wyoming is basically a friendly state and I would like to see that friendliness expanded.

The discussion is concerning fracking. There are pros and cons concerning fracking and when I ask questions of the cons they are very up front.

There are states and countries that have banded or placed moratoriums on fracking and their main concern is their water supply.

This too is a major concern for me being as that all of us can not do without water. I admit that I know very little about fracking. So in order to ease my concerns would people that are more informed and educated in this process please answer some questions?

1. What chemicals are used in the fracking fluid?
2. How far away from a water supply should a fracking site be in order to be safe?
3. What does fracking do to the area that is being fracked?
4. Are all of the fracking fluid being recovered?
5. How is the spent fracking fluid handled and where does it go after it is spent?

I can be gotten in touch with a YellingCrow@rtconnect.net. Please be civil and informative.

—Clifford H. Perkins
a.k.a. Yelling Crow

Look no further than the youth of this county

Dear Editor,

On March 4 and again on March 7, I sent the following letter to the editor of the Casper Star Tribune. The second time I requested a reason as to why my letter was not published. I finally received a reply, and it should be printed this week, but would you please publish it? It seems redundant to say it to our folks, but perhaps we don't say it enough: For the past week I have had words tumbling in my head on how to write to the Casper Star Tribune a note pertaining to the character assassination of our native son, Hans.

There was an insinuation that Hans' honest (albeit blunt) retort was somehow related to the fact that he was from Newcastle, as if that was a bad thing. Clever quips and stinging retorts have danced on my mental palette trying to find a way to inform that unnamed editor that he or she picked the wrong place to pick a fight.

I've gone from scathing insults to sickly sweet invitations, all while trying to find the 'correct' way to put that snotty writer and his editors in their place.

But someone got to them before I could. At the 2A State Basketball tourney, two members of the Upton Bobcat girls' basketball team and a member of the boys' team were awarded the Sportsmanship trophy. At the 3A East Regional Basketball tourney, the entire Newcastle boys' basketball team was honored in the same fashion. I didn't have to write a spiel on how great our folks are. Our hometown kids proved it.

My letter would have been just words on a piece of paper, but those 'ladies and gentlemen' stepped onto that hardwood and showed the state what we already knew. Weston County is full of smart, ambitious, tal-

ented, proud, hard working, honest speaking, down-right nice people. And the coolest part of this story is that it is the youth that are leading the way.

Not only are these teams and Hans setting a great example but there are countless other kids in this county working hard to make our and their future bright - very bright indeed and IN DEED.

I am extremely proud to share this 2,400 square miles with the greatest folks in the state.

—Marty Ertman

Political polemic

Dear Editor,

No praise is warranted for any politician, past or present. Almost all have succumbed to the siren song of suitors from big business. The "Banksters who brought our economy catastrophically down made out like the bandits they are. The President and Congress let them off the hook without so much as a slap on the wrist.

The previous President's largesse extended to three groups: Pharmaceutical, the infamous Military-Industrial Complex and generous tax cuts for the wealthiest friends and relatives. The President before that orchestrated the mass exodus of factories and jobs offshore. The list goes on and on but we need not because you get the picture. All of the cited misdeeds brought more profits and wealth to the plutocrats and politicians. To the detriment of the rest of us.

Was not this supposed to be a country of, by and for the people? We have let "Politics" become such a distraction that while we are busy arguing R's and D's the Rats are running off with the cheese. Only self governance ensures our freedom from victimization. It is time for us to get our "selves" back into the fray.

As for another of the points made in a letter that appeared on this page, I should be so lucky as to make some of the same "mistakes" that Warren Buffet did.

—Jerry Baird



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Denise Piscioti/NLJ

Michael Manders and Kyah Miller, students at Newcastle Elementary School, can enjoy a healthy hot lunch each day, designed to fit their tastes. Students at Newcastle Middle/High school have more choices for lunch.

Lunch

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of vegetable and half a cup of fruit — we usually offer both fresh and canned,” Food Service Director Sue Kettley reported.

She knows the students have a choice whether to eat in the cafeteria at the school or leave for lunch, because NHS has an open campus, so it is hard to predict how many lunches to prepare. So far, for March the average number of meals served for breakfast at the middle/high school is 79, and 226 for lunch.

“The new guidelines are based on calories, meat, meat alternate, breads and grains, and then different colors of vegetables. You have to have your red-orange vegetables, your green vegetables and you have to offer them throughout the week,” Kettley explained. “We really have to watch the saturated fats. We are limited to 10 percent of the total in the calories the kids can have, so our salads to have to be lower fat now.”

Not only do they offer a salad bar each day, but it also includes coleslaw, frog-eyed salad and mandarin orange salad. Boiled eggs, pickled spears and extras on the salad bar are offered to help give the students something extra to eat that is healthy.

“We have been using innovative ways to still fill the kids

up,” she said.

By June of 2013 all schools have to comply with the guidelines of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, Kettley acknowledged, but she has been gearing the schools toward that goal since October 2012. By complying with the requirements early, the district qualifies for a .06 cent-per-lunch reimbursement.

“All schools have to follow these guidelines. I tried to get it done as soon as they would accept it so we could at least make the .06 cents, because you have to do it regardless,” she said. “We would lose our commodities and our reimbursements if we didn’t do it.” One of the goals of the kitchen staff at each school is to make food the students will want to eat. Shirley Nelson, the kitchen manager at the elementary school, uses the menu set by Kettley but tailors it to what the younger students at NES would prefer.

Knowing high school students don’t have to eat at the school, the staff there tries hard to make meals they want to eat. On occasion other staff members will bring in recipes from home to cook at the school. One student made a suggestion for Kettley to make lemon chicken breasts, like her father does.

“We tried it and it was a hit again here in a couple of weeks and it will be the third time we have had it on the menu this year,” recalled Kettley.

Kettley is not new to the food service area at WCSD#1. She previously worked for the district in the same capacity she does now for many years and left, returning at the beginning of this school year, when Katie Darrow moved.

As much as possible — especially with desserts and breads — Kettley tries to make everything from scratch, except for the rolls and cinnamon rolls.

“We have brought back a lot of the old recipes they used to use at Kitty Moats, when the schools did a lot of scratch cooking,” she stated.

The director tries to accommodate when she can. For example, during Lent they are offering meatless Fridays. She does not rotate the meals on a set schedule, but sets the menu by paying attention to what meals the students like and what fills them up. Her latest idea is to try making homemade pizza for the students.

“We are just the right size here that we can give the kids personal attention,” Kettley said.

Scams

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money or give information. The scammer will try to get the person to do it fast, without time for thinking it through. They try to make a person fear for themselves or a loved one, or make them think they are losing out on a once-in-a-lifetime, short-term deal.

Local law enforcement officials encourage residents to slow down and stay in control of a situation to avoid falling victim to such efforts.

“The important thing to remember is to not act without thinking and checking. Take a couple of minutes. If they cannot wait, they are probably scamming you. Remember the Golden Rule of scams: If it looks too good to be true, it probably is,” Robertson confirmed.

There are several simple things people can do to protect themselves against scams, and foremost on the list is to never send money or give credit card or online account details to anyone you do not know and trust. NPD also urges residents to not agree to offers or deals straight away.

“Tell the person that you are not interested or that you want to get some independent advice before making a decision. Always get independent advice if an offer involves significant money, time or commitment, and remember there are no get-rich-quick schemes. The only people who make money are the scammers,” Rothleutner said.

She indicated that people should also read all the terms and conditions of any offer very carefully, and make sure they know how to stop any subscription service they sign up to. She also urged citizens to be very careful about offers for medicines, supplements or other treatments, and always seek the advice of your health care professional.

“Remember there are no magic pills or safe options for rapid weight loss,” Rothleutner warned.

Products or schemes that claim to guarantee income or winnings also shouldn’t be trusted, and Rothleutner encourages people to be wary of investments promising a high return with little or no risk and job offers that require them to pay an up-front fee.

“If someone offers you an investment or other financial service, check them out with the Better Business Bureau,” she suggested, noting that individuals should only give out personal details and information where it is absolutely necessary, where they have initiated the contact, and trust the other party.

“Destroy personal information, don’t just throw it out. You should cut up, burn or shred old bills, statements or cards so scammers cannot get your personal details from them later. Treat your personal details as you would treat money: don’t leave them lying around for others to take, and

For more information about scams contact a legitimate source, such as: Better Business Bureau (BBB) of Wyoming and Northern Colorado 8020 S County Road 5, Suite 100 Fort Collins, CO 80528 1-800-564-0371 <http://wyncobbb.org> AARP 601 E Street, NW Washington DC 20049 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277) <http://www.aarp.org>

order a free copy of your credit report three times a year to make sure no one is using your name to borrow money or run up debts,” Rothleutner explained.

To avoid some of the most widespread scams, she insisted that people should never send money to anyone they are not totally sure about, or pay a fee to claim a prize or lottery winnings. People should also make sure that checks have been cleared by their bank before transferring or wiring any refunds or overpay-

ments back to the sender. While the internet has become a favorite hunting ground for scammers, some do still operate the old-fashioned way, and Rothleutner said people should protect themselves at all times.

“If someone comes to your door, ask to see their identification. You do not have to let them in, and they must leave if you ask them to. If you receive a phone call out of the blue, always ask for the name of the person you are speaking to and who they represent. Do not give your personal, credit card or online account details over the phone unless you made the call and the phone number came from a trusted source. It is best not to respond to text messages or missed calls that come from numbers you don’t recognize,” she observed.

When it comes to emails, Rothleutner said residents should not open suspicious or unsolicited emails, and not click on any links in a spam email or open any files attached to them.

“Talk to your internet service provider about spam filtering or, alternatively, purchase spam-filtering software. Install software that protects your computer from viruses and unwanted programs and make sure it is kept up to date. If you want to access an internet account website, use a bookmarked link or type the address in yourself. Never follow a link in an email,” she urged, noting those who use the internet should also beware of free websites and downloads — such as music, adult sites, games and movies — as they may install harmful programs without you knowing.

Avoiding scams often involves nothing more than a little common sense and suspicion, and NPD encourages residents to think before they act and stay vigilant to make sure they haven’t been victimized.

“Check your bank account and credit card statements when you get them. If you see a transaction you cannot explain, report it to your credit union or bank. Keep your credit and ATM cards safe. Do not share your personal identity number with anyone. Do not keep any written copy of your PIN with the card,” Rothleutner offered, noting that those who believe they have been scammed should call the Wyoming Attorney General Consumer Fraud Division at 1-800-438-5799.



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Obituaries

AILA GRACE DIXON
Sept. 10, 2012-March 6, 2013
Our sweet girl, Aila Grace Dixon, born September 10, 2012, left us on March 6, 2013 to be in the arms of her creator. She passed due to a rare incurable genetic disorder named Zellweger Syndrome. Although her life was short, she knew an incredible amount of love through her family and friends. She was an amazing little girl who will forever stay in our hearts. We are happy that she can now be in peace.

Aila is survived by her parents, Christopher Grant and Kayleigh Joy Dixon and her loving big brother, Liam Ray Dixon; grandparents, Gideon and Angela Dixon, Carolyn Sigel and Grandpa Steve; Randy and Sandy Sigel; Great-grandparents Gideon and Shirley Dixon; aunts and uncles, Christian and Brittany Sigel; as well as Adam and Sarah Grant.

A celebration of her life was held at Fountain Springs Community Church on Monday, March 11, 2013 at 10 a.m. with Pastor Norm Hewitt officiating.

A memorial has been set up in Aila's honor. Family request only family flowers please.

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who has traveled this journey with us. It is unfathomable how generous and kind you have all been.

Family and friends may sign Aila's online guestbook at www.kirkfuneral-home.com.

DALE LEE HEBERLING
Sept. 13, 1951-March 5, 2013
Dale Heberling passed away March 5, 2013.

Dale enjoyed many things in life, his family, fishing, shooting guns with his children and his life-long career of long haul truck driving. The light of his life, though, was his nine grandchildren. They all adored him. Dale will probably be best remembered for his feisty spirit, which he was sure to instill in all of his children.

Dale left behind his wife of 34 years, Lynne Heberling; one son, Patrick (Heidi) Heberling; three daughters, Lisa (Larry) Leddy, Jody (Jason) Purviance, Dayle Johnson and Beth Heberling, two sisters, Verda (Bob) Oliver and Glenda Cole; and



Dale Heberling

one brother, Donnie (Sue) Heberling.

Dale is preceded in death by his mother, Patt Shannon; his father, Glen Heberling; one brother, Ricky Sabin; and one daughter, Jaine Heying.

At Dale's request a private service was held. Condolences can be sent to: Lynne Heberling, 4 W. Park, Newcastle WY 82701.

ELLIS F. 'BUDDY' LIVINGSTON
Jan. 9, 1928-March 5, 2013
Ellis F. "Buddy" Livingston, age 85, passed away March 5, 2013, at Weston County Health Services in Newcastle, after a long struggle with cancer.

Buddy was born Jan. 9, 1928, in Lincoln, Neb., to Herbert and Zela (Jacobson) Livingston. He had two sisters, Dee and Lynn. His childhood years were spent in Crook and Weston counties. He graduated in 1946 from Upton High School. He married Norma Jean Mangus on Nov. 10, 1949. In 1950, he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Animal Science from the University of Wyoming.



Ellis Livingston

After finishing college and working on a ranch near Devil's Tower, the couple moved to the Livingston Ranch south of Sundance. They worked together renovating the ranch home and buildings and raised four children, Perry, Debbie, Janice and Doug, along with cattle, hogs, horses, and hay!

Buddy and Norma were active members of Crook and Weston County Farm Bureaus. Buddy served in all local and county officer positions during his long Farm Bureau career. He was a member of the Wyoming Highway Commission from 1966 to 1972. Buddy was the Wyoming Farm Bureau lobbyist from 1971 to 1996 while Norma served as secretary during the legislative sessions in Cheyenne. He was a 4-H leader, member of the United Methodist Church of Newcastle, and Weston County Senior Services board.

Survivors include Perry (Suzette), Travis (Kendall) and Christopher (Amanda); Debbie (Jim) Austin, Beau (Ashley), Abigail (Matt), Hannah and Leah; Janice; Doug (Peggy), Leslie (Max) and two great-granddaughters, Alyssa and

Julie, and Kaitlyn. He is also survived by his sister, Dee (Charlie) Rankin.

Buddy was preceded in death by Lynn (Locke).

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on March 9 at the Newcastle Senior Services Center, 627 Pine St., Newcastle. Honorary pallbearers include Pete Petra, David Holwell, Jack Holwell, Merle Hamilton, Gerald Baird, Russell Davis, Jimmy Hansen, Charlie Rankin and Earl Christensen.

Memorial donations may be made to the Wyoming Farm Bureau Livingston Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 1348, Laramie, WY. 82073.

EDITH FAYE MCCOY
May 21, 1935-Dec. 3, 2012
Edith McCoy, former Newcastle resident, passed away Dec. 3, 2012, in Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif. Edith was born May 21, 1935, in Mandan, N.D., the daughter of William and Wilda Roozen, the fifth of nine children. Childhood years were spent in Mott, N.D., until the family moved to Newcastle in 1950.

Edith married Rex Wayne McCoy on Dec. 21, 1951. They had three children, Cathy, Connie and Rex. The family moved to southern California in June 1968.

Edith is survived by her daughter, Cathy (Bob) Milostan, Lomita, Calif.; her son, Rex (Marilyn) McCoy, Anton, Texas; beloved friend, Douglas Wilkinson, Torrance, Calif.; sisters, Alice Fielder, Bismark, N.D., Joyce Walker of Colorado, Janet (Dennis) Myers, Portland, Ore., and Kaye (Ed) Roozen-Smaltz, Grover Beach, Calif.; brothers, Lee (Marie) Roozen, Westchester, Calif., Harold Roozen, Los Angeles, Calif., and Gary Roozen, Los Angeles; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by three sisters-in-law, Iris Genoff, Newcastle, Deloris (Ron) Press, Portland, Ore., and Nadine Jursnick of Portland; as well as two brothers-in-law, Gene (Marge) McCoy, Newcastle, and Bob (Kathy) McCoy, Ardmore, Okla.

Preceding Edith in death are her husband, Rex; daughter, Connie; her parents; and her brother, William.

Pacific Crest Cemetery of Redondo Beach, Calif., handled cremation services. Private interment will be March 21 at Greenwood Cemetery in Newcastle, handled by Worden Funeral Directors.

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Weekly Scripture Reading						
Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms
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100 YEARS AGO – MARCH 13, 1913

The residents of Weston County were shocked by the news, early Sunday, of the sudden death of George A. Williamson. He was born in Nottingham, England, 61 years ago and came to this country at the age of 35. For the past 21 years he has made his home in Weston County, most of the time being spent in Cambria.

T.P. Sweet, Felix Lavergne, Bob Harper and W.H. Fawcett dehorned their cattle the first of last week. Last Friday they dehorned the Keys cattle at the LAK and Frank Smith's at his place.

Messrs. Frank Shell and Ben Bacon, accompanied by Misses Herma Bartholomew and Pearl Kerns, drove out from Newcastle to attend the dance at C.D. Keef's.

A pleasanter, jollier and better behaved crowd of half a hundred people never got together than the one that met at C.D. Keef's home last Friday night. The weather was ideal, the music furnished by Johnson, Wade, Cowger and Elliott was perfect, the floor good and the supper was delicious.

Jack Birdsell, formerly B & M division superintendent of the local division, is visiting in the city today from his home in Edgemont.

George Walker was in the city last Monday and made final proof on his homestead. He was accompanied by H.O. Wantz, Charles E. Snider and Joseph Morrissey as witnesses.

Mr. J.P. Ost this week has a gang of men at work constructing a large new warehouse on his lots to the rear of the building he is now using as a store room.

M.D. Quick has been perambulating with the aid of crutches the past few days as a result of receiving a severe injury to one of his pedal extremities occasioned by a horse which he was breaking, throwing him.

George Getchell returned last Monday from a week's business trip through the Black Hills country. He was accompanied from Crawford, Neb., by Mrs. Getchell who has been visiting her parents at that place for a few weeks.

75 YEARS AGO – WEEK ENDING MARCH 10, 1938

WPA Director R. Andersen said yesterday that the quota for Works Progress Administration employees in Weston County will be increased to 150.

A 6:30 dinner honoring the members of the school board and high school faculty was given on Wednesday evening at the high school by the Home Economics II class.

Mrs. Selma Swanson left yesterday morning for her home in Kimball, Neb., after having visited for the past several months at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J.R. Parrish.

Washburn Bettis Co. will serve Nash coffee, Del Monte fruits and waffles made from Toomey's famous flour on Saturday.

Mrs. Dare of Newcastle spent Wednesday evening visiting Mrs. Harry Rosane at the Star refinery in Osage.

Dora Perino and Shorty Tavegia of the Four Corners area were guests at John Kudlock's on Sunday.

Ruth Christensen of Horton, is ill with scarlet fever, but is somewhat improved at this writing.

Judge Harry P. Ilsley, Wyoming's youngest judge at the age of 53, says he will seek fourth term as judge of Sixth District. He is serving his 18th year as judge of the Sixth Judicial District.

E.Z. Crum returned Thursday night from Omaha where he had been this week on a buying trip.

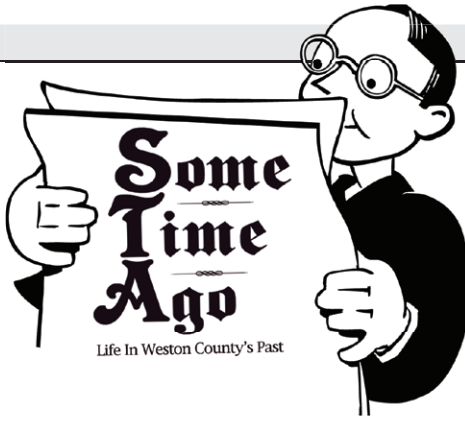
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pauley, of Osage, entertained at dinner Friday evening, their guests being the Misses Theodora Maanum and Lucille Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gunderson and daughter of the Oil Field were dinner guests Friday of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Titus.

Production in the Osage Field during the month of February totaled 25,012 barrels.

Newcastle Dogies will meet the Sheridan Broncos in the second game of the Northeastern Wyoming Basketball Tournament.

Warren Julien, accompanied by David Crum, went to Laramie on Sunday after



Theresa Julien, who assumed her new duties at the county agent's office yesterday.

The new four-inch cast-iron main in Greenwood addition is now in use, according to WPA Director R. Andersen.

Pete Lanham, Juanita Thomas and Ledo Morrow spent Wednesday evening visiting at the Frank Pollat home in the Clareton vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Waddle left yesterday for Billings, Mont., where Mr. Waddle will attend a Penny Store convention this week. They were accompanied as far as Sheridan by Mrs. May Dow and Mae Churchfield, who will visit Mr. Dow's brother, D.J. Dow.

50 YEARS AGO – MARCH 14, 1963

Law enforcement officials in Newcastle are continuing their investigation of the theft of about \$1,035 from the Dogie Theater. The Theater was broken into sometime early Monday morning and the safe was "peeled" open.

The Newcastle Dogies' bid for the state Class A championship this week received a set-back when it was announced that Ron Benson is doubtful that he can play at all in the state tournament. He was hospitalized in Rapid City on Tuesday with a sinus infection. The Dogies have also been without the services of all-stater Dave Crum, who is recuperating from knee surgery.

Joan Harms of Tempe, Ariz., arrived Friday morning by bus to attend the funeral of her father, Earl McCullough, in Newcastle Saturday. While here she was a house guest of her aunt and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bayne.

Joyce Bayne is spending a week with her folks on the ranch, in the Morrissy area.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Purcelli, Linda and David of Mandan, N.D., arrived Friday to spend a few days visiting friends and relatives. While here they are staying with Mrs. Purcelli's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rawhouser of the Boyd area.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Streets and Marcia returned home Saturday from a 10-day trip to Bandon, Ore., to visit Mr. Streets' mother, Mrs. Nancy Streets, and five brothers. They held a reunion Sunday, which was Mrs. Streets' 80th birthday.

Mrs. Francis (Dot) Cowger, president of the 4-H Council in 1962 and a nine-year leader, was selected as Outstanding 4-H Leader for 1962.

Mrs. Hazel Groner was hostess to members of the Sew and So Club at her home last Thursday; 13 members and two visitors were in attendance.

Osage student who placed high in the annual Northeastern Wyoming Science Fair in Newcastle last Saturday were Susan Clyde, whose entry will be entered in state competition, and Leta Savage, who received a special \$10 award from the Wyoming Heart Association.

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A photo of the Newcastle Mercantile in the 1920s shows a group of people, some known and some unknown. Pictured are, from left, unknown, Don Marquiss, Elmer Rogers, unknown, unknown, Dan Reid and unknown. Anyone who knows the identities of the unknown persons is asked to contact the Anna Miller Museum at 746-4188.



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Meetings & Events Calendar

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
March 14	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
	5:30 p.m.	City Planning Commission Meeting	Council Chambers
March 15	10 a.m.	Chamber Coffee	RENEW
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
March 16	2 p.m.	Ed Gibbs Retirement	W.C. Senior Center
	5:30 p.m.	Donna Gilkison Fundraiser	W.C. Fairgrounds
March 17	11 a.m.	St. Patrick's Dinner	Corpus Christi Church
	Noon	St Patrick's Day Party	Fountain Inn Lounge
	2 p.m.	Bingo	Corpus Christi Church
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
March 18	7 p.m.	City Council Meeting	Council Chambers
March 19	9 a.m.	W.C. Commissioners Meeting	W.C. Courthouse
	6 p.m.	Christ In The Passover	Cambria Comm. Church
	Noon	W.C. Cowbelles - Pot Luck	USDA Building
	6:30 p.m.	Dog Obedience Class	Fairgrounds
	6:45 p.m.	ALANON (746-9791)	Mondell Heights
March 20	9 a.m.	W.C. Senior Services Meeting	W.C. Senior Center
	Noon	Newcastle Lions Club Meeting	W.C. Senior Center
	1 p.m.	Representatives Office Hours	W.C. Library
	1:30 p.m.	W.C. Weed & Pest Meeting	Weed & Pest Office
	2:30 p.m.	Representatives Office Hours	Upton Branch Library
	7 p.m.	W.C. Humane Society Meeting	Shelter
March 21	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
March 22	12:30 p.m.	Good Citizen Awards	Newcastle Elementary
	11:30 a.m.	W.C. Library Board Meeting	W.C. Library
March 22	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7 p.m.	Dance	W.C. Senior Center
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall

Birthdays & Anniversaries

March 14:
 Kim Bock

March 15:
 Jennifer Dixon,
 Lois Thorson

March 16:
 Mr. & Mrs. Jason McFarland,
 Daniel Tysdal,
 Cameron Ellis

March 17:
 Mike Hutchinson,
 Frances Van Buren

March 18:
 Don Ottema,
 Brett Cochran,
 Hans Hunt,
 Doug Sankey,
 Barbara Crow,
 Kris Howell

March 19:
 Ryan Scharf,
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March 20:
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Cooking up a piece of Italy

By Christopher Smith for NLJ

The smell of delicious foods were in the air, as the kids of Newcastle High School showed off their culinary skills at the Pro-start Culinary Competition in Laramie, for a chance to go to the National Pro-start competition and win a scholarship.

Newcastle High School teacher Liana Scribner and a band of five students that volunteered for the contest held a practice session in her classroom on Feb. 23 in preparation for the event.

In that practice, the students cooked up a three-course meal consisting of "Amazing Italian Lemon Butter Chicken" on top of Italian risotto, sauteed bell pepper strips with Italian bruschetta, and canolis served with chocolate syrup.

The students participated in two of the three types of competition the Pro-start event offers, baking and cooking.

The students who signed up for cooking, Branden Hawley, Heather Earnest, Austin Manders and Ty Bock, had exactly an hour to cook an appetizer, a plate containing a meat, starch and vegetables, and a dessert.

The students were then expected to arrange three courses on two separate plates, one for display and one for the judges to sample.

The lone student that signed up for baking, Lauren Brownrigg, baked a dessert for the judges to sample.



Christopher Smith/For NLJ

At right, Branden Hawley and Heather Earnest practice at Newcastle High School for the Pro-start Culinary Competition in Laramie.

The competition itself does not supply the students with any of the ingredients or implements used in the preparation of the food, nor does it allow the use of electrical appliances. The participants must bring their ingredients, dishes, a hand washing station, and even tubs to wash their dishes in. The students also had to supply the two butane burners they are allowed to use, and must bring the butane to fuel them.

All the participants of the competition volunteered, even the teachers.

Scribner volunteered her class for the competition to give the students opportunities for scholarships and to give them a chance to improve their culinary skills.

"It's an opportunity to enrich what they learn in the classroom," Scribner told the News Letter Journal.

The students entered the competition for many reasons.

"I love cooking, no question about it," Hawley professed.

Manders stated that if he received a scholarship, he would be going



to college to further his culinary art skills, while Bock volunteered thinking that the competition would be a great experience.

The group stayed three days in Laramie. Scribner said they did not make too many mistakes, but they will not be going to the national competition. She indicated the competition was pretty steep, and they did not finish in the top three.

The teacher explained that her students performed very well in sanitation, and were very organized. They also received high marks for communication, and overall the judges were very pleased, according to Scribner, who said the Newcastle students were marked down in presentation.

"I think they did a great job," she stated. "We just needed to practice our plate placement."

NHS scientists score well at state

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

At the Wyoming State Science Fair in Laramie on March 5, Newcastle High School students represented Weston County School District #1 well by having 33 of the 77 projects presented. Eight champions were crowned, meaning NHS won 47 percent of the 17 categories at the state level.

"We won eight categories, Greybull won six and Laramie won three. I think less schools attended this year than previously," NHS Science Instructor Sharla Dowding recalled.

Senior Payton Crawford received first place in Chemistry at the 2013 Wyoming State Science Fair, as well as earning the University of Wyoming Statistics Special Award. The title of her project was, "The Effect of Beta Carotene in Oscillating Reaction Length."

The knowledge the students gained from working with different materials and performing experiments, as well as speaking on their subject while answering questions from judges, will be used in college and in whatever profession they choose to go into.

"Winning those awards was just exciting! I was surprised and admittedly proud of myself. It was a great reward for all the hard work, time and effort my project took," Crawford acknowledged.

She created chemical solutions that changed color, added beta carotene — an antioxidant — to them, then observed whether the color change in the solution occurred faster or slower as a result of

- Electrical Engineering:**
 - 1-Conrad Farnsworth
 - 3-Sidney Douglas and Kieran Winter
- Materials Engineering**
 - 1-Adam Gettinger and Gideon Baldwin
 - Honorable Mention: Ty Bock
- Energy & Transportation**
 - 1-Dan McMahon
- Microbiology**
 - 1-Mykel Owen
 - Honorable Mention: Merritt Crabtree and Phillip Jagelski
- Earth Science**
 - 3-Chris Spain
- Chemistry**
 - 1-Peyton Crawford
 - Honorable Mention: Colton Epperson, Jordan Brooks
- Environmental Science**
 - 3-Courtney Munger and Kiana Cade
 - Honorable Mention: Abigail Hutchinson, Josh Cadwell
- Animal Science**
 - 1-Madison Crawford
 - 3-Lynnell Hanson and Justin Francis
 - Honorable Mention: Catherine Halliday
- Environmental Management**
 - 1-Alen Henkle
- Medicine and Health**
 - 2-Chloe Coy
 - Honorable mention: Bethany McVay
- Botany**
 - 2-Hannah Williams
 - 3-Trace Buckert
- Astronomy**
 - 2-Jae Whitney
- Mathematics**
 - 3-Mason Sundstrom
- Biology**
 - Honorable Mention: Tracey Whetsell
- Special & Monetary Awards**
 - The Department of Army Awards of Merit-Adam Gettinger, Gideon Baldwin, Abigail Hutchinson, Mason Sundstrom and Jae Whitney
 - The Laramie Rivers Conservation District-Alex Henkle
 - The Wyoming NASA Space Grant Consortium-Conrad Farnsworth, Sid Douglas and Kieran Winter
 - The National Society of Professional Engineers-Conrad Farnsworth
 - The Society for InVitro Biology- Tracey Whetsell
 - The University of Wyoming Statistics Special Award-Payton Crawford
 - Ricoh Sustainable Development Award-Dan McMahon



Submitted photo

Newcastle High School students Phillip Jagelski and Kiana Cade conduct a science experiment.

With assistance from Dowding and materials from the high school's science lab, she used antioxidant, potassium, hydroxide, glucose (sugar) and methylene blue indicator dye to determine which solution was altered.

From fallen logs around the Black Hills, Mykel Owens and her science fair partner Shenae LaCroix experimented to find out the antibacterial properties in fungus, using the NHS science lab. The experiment, entitled "An Investigation of the Antibacterial Properties of Fungal Biofilms From Fallen Woodland Areas," won first place in Microbiology.

"I learned a lot of new lab

techniques and the judges at state gave me a lot of new ideas if this project were to continue. Shenae and I chose microbiology because we were working with fungi and bacteria," explained Owens.

Dowding told the News Letter Journal she felt WCSD#1 could see higher scores if science education was received each school day throughout the district. She believes it would be more beneficial at the upper grade levels if the students had science taught to them each day at Newcastle Elementary School, where they are not taught the subject in the regular classroom

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Scholarship opportunity

The Newcastle High School Alumni Scholarship Committee is offering a \$1,000.00 scholarship for the 2012-13 school year to students that have graduated from NHS. The applicant must have graduated from NHS and be currently enrolled as a junior or above in any college. Applicants are eligible whether or not they have previously received a scholarship from this committee.

In addition, the applicant for the Alumni Scholarship must include a letter of application, to include participation in college activities, organizations and awards. This letter should also include future plans, and why it would be important to receive this scholarship. A copy of the applicant's current college transcript must also be included.

Letters of application and transcripts should be mailed to the NHS Scholarship Committee, 501 Delaware Ave., Newcastle WY 82701, or delivered to the NHS office at the school.

The application is due by April 15, and will be awarded on a yearly basis at the discretion of the committee.

Accomplishments

Honor Roll at EWC

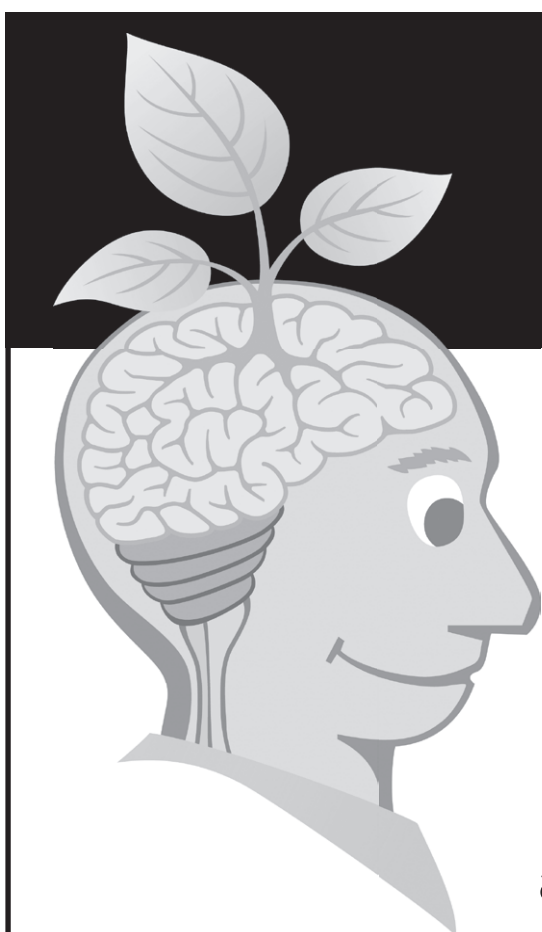
Eastern Wyoming College has announced the honor rolls for the Fall 2012 semester. There were 347 students receiving recognition for achieving high scholastic grades, and several of them are from Weston County.

Newcastle High School students Jeremy Feist, Madison Foster, Haley Himrich, and Mykel Owens were all named to the President's Honor Roll, and fellow Dogie seniors Jared Court, Mashayla Harder, Kaylee Harley, Bailey Roberson, Paige Smith, and Tangela Wraga made the Dean's Honor Roll.

Several Newcastle students achieved the marks needed to be included on the Associate Dean's Honor Roll. They were Gideon Baldwin, Jodi Barker, Brody Benson, Kayla Bergstrom, Nickolas Bock, Kiana Cade, Payton Crawford, Savannah Davis, Tristan Dollison, Jan Elliott, Conrad Farnsworth, Adam Gettinger, Alexander Henkle,

Kianna Hobbs, Jordan Holmes, Debra Hoover, Abigail Hutchinson, Harley Kingma, Shenae LaCroix, Erich Lane, Michelle Lewis, Alexandria Liggett, Jaren Long, Dakota McCormack, Bethany McVay, Robert Nissen, Stephen Palmer, Natasha Quickbear, Tracey Schuessler, Alex Sharpes, Jeremy Spencer, Samantha Thompson, Fermin Villanueva, Tanner Wermers, Kieran Winter, Kelsey Zerbst, and Lane Zerbst. Upton's Ty Beck also made this list.

The President's Honor Roll recognizes students that are full time (12 or more credit hours) and achieve a 4.0 grade point average. To qualify for the Dean's Honor Roll, students must also be full time and achieve a grade point average of 3.5, but less than 4.0. The Associate Dean's Honor Roll recognizes those students who have at least six credit hours but not more than twelve with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.



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Public Safety

New cop is no stranger

By Christopher Smith for NLJ

The city's finest welcomed a new face into the ranks last month, and police officer Jacob Johnson told the News Letter Journal that he loves Newcastle because it reminds him of home.

Johnson said he loves the friendly people here, and believes this town is the perfect size for his tastes. The veteran law enforcement officer grew up in Lander, and in 2008 started working at the Fremont County Detention Center as an officer. He later made the move to enforcing laws on the street when he became a Fremont County patrol officer.

Johnson gravitated for a time to a much smaller community when he moved to Pine Bluffs, and became a police officer there for a time. When



Jacob Johnson

the job on the Newcastle Police Department became available, Johnson jumped at the opportunity to perform his duties in a bigger town and make a little more money at the same time. "The job made me move.

This is a larger community and the pay is better," Johnson stated.

NPD's newest member said he was drawn to law enforcement for the same reason as many other policemen, a desire to assist his fellow citizens.

"I wanted to be of service to people," reasoned Johnson, who was also prompted to look at law enforcement as a career because other family members had served in that capacity as well.

He recently made the move from Pine Bluffs, in the southeast corner of the state, and said he likes the community's surroundings, and is particularly fond of the vistas presented by the Black Hills to the north and east.

Johnson, who is not married and does not have any children, is eager to embrace his new home.

Newcastle home to fire marshal

By Billy Reynolds for NLJ

Homes and businesses in Weston County may become more fire-proofed thanks to one of the community's newest residents.

Greg Lassle was born and raised in Montana, but 16 years ago he took a transfer to Rawlins. At the time he worked in the retail industry, but through a chance meeting decided that working with fire departments and promoting fire safety was something he could be passionate about.

"It being a small community, the fire department came in to the place that I worked to do an inspection. The inspector told me that it was both a voluntary and paid fire department, and I thought it would be a great way for me to get involved in the community," Lassle told the News Letter Journal.

He started as a volunteer with that department in 1998, and shortly thereafter he got out of retail work. Eventually the family moved to the northeast part of the state, and that's where he ran into a fellow firefighter who asked him if he wanted to get into the electrical side of fire fighting.

"We moved to Sheridan to



Greg Lassle

give the kids a better opportunity, and be closer to home, and it seemed like a good place to settle down," Lassle said.

That move led to the opportunity to take a position that allowed him to perform tasks for the State Fire Marshal's office.

"The position of fire and electrical compliance inspector became available last fall, and I ran into the fire inspector in Sheridan and he asked if I would be interested in the position," Lassle explained, indicating that he had already received some training for fire and electrical compliance.

Lassle and his family have not made Newcastle their home yet, but he lives here during

the week, and operates out of an office in the Wyoming State Forestry building. He covers Weston and Crook County, and Wright was thrown into his coverage area as well, and he indicated that there's a possibility his family could be making the move here permanently this summer.

"We do electrical and fire inspection on new and pre-existing buildings. We come in and make sure that the building is up to code for public safety," Lassle said, noting that he also does fire inspecting on commercial buildings, both new and pre-existing, as well. His efforts are designed to make sure that children and the general public will be as safe as possible, and to reduce the threat of danger from fire.

"Fire and electrical safety is a big part of making public places safe for kids and adults," Lassle said, indicating that the response from the community has been rewarding.

"Everyone says they are glad that we are here and making sure buildings are safe. I hope I can be an asset to the community and help make sure that the general public and private homes are safe for adults and kids," Lassle professed.

Butts on the road to recovery

By Kim Dean of NLJ

It is truly an ongoing celebration when a cancer patient is able to return to normal life, and Martha Butts, a teller at First State Bank, can attest to that fact.

Butts received a stem cell transplant and chemotherapy treatment at Mayo Clinic after being diagnosed with multiple myeloma, and she will be leaving toward the end of May or first part of June to return for a check-up there. She anticipates that visit will go well after recently receiving good news from her Rapid City oncologist, who was pleased to report her blood work looked very good.

"It looked so good that he said, since I'm going to Mayo soon, I can skip my next appoint-

ment with him," she smiled. Butts sees her oncologist every three months.

While Butts says she will never rid herself of "the big C," she continues to count her daily blessings, and the community has been a big one. She continues to receive support from the community for her medical and travel expenses, and a recent Valentine basket raffle was won by Marcella Carson.

Another basket raffle is currently in the works, which will have a Spring theme, and Butts has crafted an afghan for this basket also.

For questions concerning the basket, Butts can be reached at 746-4766 or 746-6584, and she also has an account at First State Bank for those who wish to donate.

Safe

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recently purchased. The value of the organization is becoming more known throughout the community, and Murray indicated that local police have even called on them to provide rides from time to time. Appreciation for the service is also growing, as indicated by the fact that a variety of local business do what they can to support the effort. For instance, Safe-Ride gets all their tires donated by Phil's Tires.

None of this is lost on Murray, who stated that he loves Newcastle and its residents and would do anything he can to make his community better.

"We have one of the best communities in the country, as far as I am concerned," he proclaimed.

The "Safe-Ride Family" operates anytime after 4 p.m., and will pick anyone up and transport them to their desired destination, sometimes using

their own vehicle.

Scottie, who is in a wheelchair, started the organization to help those in need, and to keep drivers that may be inebriated off the street.

"Just because I am in a wheelchair, does not mean I am useless," he reasoned.

To contact Safe-Ride for their services call 629-1682. To make donations to Safe-Ride, contact either Judy or Scottie Murray at 307-629-0081.

Challenge

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cleaning equipment and knives to guided hunts and even firearms.

The competition used to be held in May on Mother's Day weekend, but organizers were often confronted by bad weather, so the event has been moved to June. While the date has been changed to decrease the possibility that weather will interfere, it will not be rescheduled if a storm does roll in.

"Rain or shine, the event will be held," said Dawson, who indicated that awnings and other cover will be available if the weather does take a turn for the worst.

The event will start at 8 a.m. and usually runs until 5 p.m., but that could change depending on how many youth show up for the challenge.

Children that do not have a rifle, shotgun,

bow, or ammunition need not worry since event organizers will supply equipment for those that do not have their own.

The winners of the competition have a shot to go to the international competition, which will be held in Raton, N.M., this year, and Rick Rothleuter of the Upton Gun Club is hoping to bring a few Wyoming teens to compete.

Although the event is very well attended by Upton youth, Newcastle kids are strongly encouraged to participate. Last year's senior champion, Nate Pillen, is a Newcastle resident, and organizers hope his success will draw others from the community.

"Being in Newcastle, it's a hot-bed for archery, and we encourage all local youth to participate," Dawson urged.

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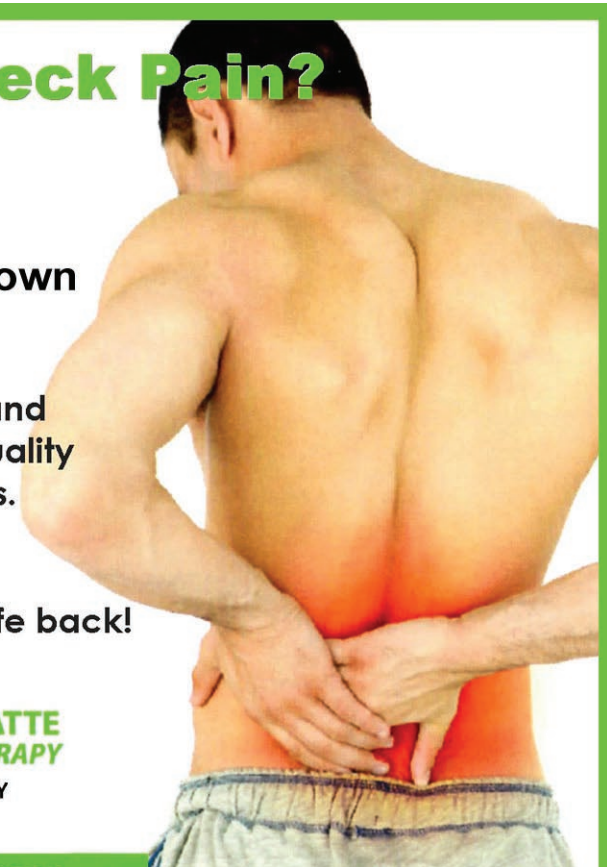
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Everyone's Irish on March 17

By Christopher Smith for NLJ

Shamrocks are being displayed worldwide as Saint Patrick's Day is right around the corner. The Irish holiday, which celebrates everything Irish men and women are known for, is one of the spring's most popular celebrations, and the Fountain Inn is again welcoming the community to share in the festivities and traditions represented by St. Patrick's Day.

In honor of the holiday, the Fountain Inn is offering a first-come, first-served Saint Patrick's Day meal consisting of corned beef, cabbage, and

in proper Irish tradition, beer and other drinks.

The meal itself is free to the public, but participants will be charged for the beer and other libations they enjoy. The meal will be served in the lounge at around noon on March 17, and will last until all of the food has been served.

According to Fountain Inn employee Jacque Tremelling, enough food will be made to serve about 30 people. Once the food is gone, there will not be anymore prepared, so she said it is best to get there early.

This is the second year that the Fountain Inn has served a St. Patty's Day meal, and the tradition was actually begun by

Tremelling as a way to bring people to the establishment. She hopes they'll visit for the free food and the ability to celebrate an age-old Irish tradition with family and friends in a friendly environment, and become more familiar with everything the local business has to offer in the process.

"It was my idea, but a few of my customers suggested it," Tremelling professed.

She said last year's celebration went exceptionally well. Many people showed up, and all of the food was eaten and countless drinks were served, and Tremelling is hoping that this year's celebration will be better than the last.

The spirit of St. Patrick's Day

Are you a fan of Saint Patrick's Day? Do you know that St. Patrick's Day began in Ireland as a Catholic holiday, which in the last 200 years has become a festival as much as a holy day?

The first parades in the United States were begun by Irish immigrants to fight for equal rights. In America, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated with parades and feasts of corned beef and cabbage, and among many, with drinking (drowning the shamrock). To the Irish in Ireland, however, the day is first a feast and holy day. Mass on St. Patrick's Day is traditional, and if one stops at a pub for a pint or two afterward, it's not an uncommon occurrence. But there's no influence to drink more because of the holiday. In Ireland, St. Patrick's Day is treated like any other saint's day.

Family get-togethers are a fun tradition. Invite family and friends over and have a St. Patrick's themed dinner. Go extreme — insist everyone wear green! Serve Irish stew or corned beef and cabbage. Make a green drink and a green dessert.

The Irish Potato Famine is an event that stands out in the history of Irish foods. By the 18th century, potatoes were the mainstay of the Irish diet, with one variety in particular dominating. When this potato succumbed to disease in the 1840s, the country fell into famine. Despite the difficulties faced in these years, potatoes have continued to be a major component of the Irish diet.

Potatoes are not the only wholesome food with a place on the traditional Irish menu. Locally made dairy products, including farm-house cheeses, are popular. With the ocean surrounding Ireland on all sides, locally caught seafood is high on the list of commonly used ingredients. Cod, salmon, prawns, and oyster are among the favorites. Hearty meats including pork, lamb and beef are frequently on the menu as well.

Keep in mind, most traditional Irish foods use simple, basic and inexpensive ingredients, a reminder of the fact that they originated in a less affluent past. Traditional Irish recipes did not have a huge range of exotic ingredients either.

Irish traditional cuisine is a peasant cuisine and food in a poor household is never wasted. There is nothing that illustrates this so well as the pig. Few ordinary Irish households in the past would have eaten beef — food for the rich — but many kept a pig and it is said that they ate every part of it except for the grunt. Crubeens (boiled pigs feet), tripe (pig's stomach) and drisheen (blood sausage) were all



Vicki Hayman
Extension Notes

White Soda Bread

4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt
14 oz. of buttermilk
Preheat the oven to 425°F. Lightly grease and flour a round cake pan.

In a large bowl combine all the dry ingredients; stir well.
Add the buttermilk to form a sticky dough. Place on floured surface and lightly knead.
Shape into a round flat shape in a round cake pan and cut a cross in the top of the dough.
Cover the pan with another pan and bake for 30 minutes (this simulates the bastible pot). Remove cover and bake for an additional 15 minutes.
The bottom of the bread will have a hollow sound when tapped to show it is done.
Cover the bread in a tea towel and lightly sprinkle water on the cloth to keep the bread moist.

popular dishes and are still eaten.

Traditional Irish dishes include:
Irish Stew: Usually made with lamb or mutton and vegetables (Ireland's national dish)

Colcannon: A mixture of mashed potatoes, kale or cabbage, and seasonings

Champ: A mixture of mashed potatoes and spring onions

Irish Breakfast: Large breakfast usually consisting of fried eggs, bacon, sausage, tomato and black pudding (blood sausage) and white pudding (pork and oatmeal sausage)

Soda Bread: A quick bread using baking soda instead of yeast and buttermilk

Brack: A fruity, spicy tea bread eaten with butter

Irish food is not the only thing on the menu in Irish restaurants, and many people would argue it is the liquid in the glass that is more important. We are talking, of course, about Ireland's famous beverages. Dark beer, called stout, along with a variety of ales and ciders are commonly associated with Ireland.

Whiskey is popular throughout Ireland. When whiskey and whipped cream are added to coffee, the brew is known around the world as "Irish coffee." Alcoholic drinks are not the only traditional beverage in Ireland, however. A more common drink may actually be tea, which can be enjoyed with any meal.

If all these Irish foods don't give you an idea, play some Irish music. Ireland has a long history with music, and many styles have been adopted by Americans such as Celtic, folk and traditional Irish songs like "Danny Boy." If nothing else, singing them will definitely get you in the St. Patrick's Day spirit!


(Sources: <http://www.foodbycountry.com/Germany-to-Japan/Ireland.html>; <http://www.irelandlogue.com/food-drink>; <http://www.myguideireland.com/food-in-ireland>)

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Society needs Mallo material

The Weston County Historic Preservation Board needs photos, stories and artifacts which will help them create exhibits presenting the history of Mallo Camp and the surrounding area. The Board is certain that many citizens in the area have information about their experiences at camp in the Black Hills facility. Groups that have used this camp through the years and may have materials of significance are: Girl Scouts, 4-H clubs, women's

groups, church organizations, families who have had reunions at the camp, families who have held weddings at Mallo, school groups who have attended the camps in the fall and any other individuals or organizations that may have material or memories.

Information may be given to the staff at the Anna Miller Museum in Newcastle or the Red Onion Museum in Upton, or to Lucille Dumbrell or Mary

Capps from the Preservation Board. Materials may be loaned or gifted. Copies of photos, letters or documents may be copied and the originals returned to the owners. The history of this unique facility is very interesting and the Board hopes to include the many facets of its use in the exhibits.

The Historic Preservation Board hopes to have most of the exhibits completed and installed this coming summer.

Science

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setting, but as a pull-out class. "I don't think they are as high as the curriculum areas we put a lot of focus on," remarked Dowding. "if we had science in elementary every day — like we do math and reading every day — who knows where we would be."

Since the 2007-2008 school year in the state of Wyoming, PAWS scores in grades four, eight and 11 in science have rose gradually from in the 40 percentile range into the 50 percent range throughout the state.

However, each year the percentage varied greatly in all the grades between science, math, reading and writing. For example, in the 2011-2012 school year the fourth grade test scores in the state for math were 81.06 percent, reading 83.60 percent, writing 74.95 percent and in science 54.53 percent. For the eighth grade, scores were 70.88 percent in math, 77.13 percent in reading, 82.23 percent in writing and 50.67 percent in science. Similarly the 11th grade scores were 64.19 percent

in math, 72.84 percent in reading, 79.84 percent in writing and 48.91 percent in science.

Once the students begin Newcastle Middle School, they have Science classes daily. Dowding feels the students could have a higher platform to begin with in middle school if they were receiving education on science on a more regular basis.

Another Newcastle High School Science instructor, Jim Stith, added to the conversation, implying that other students receiving science education daily in school have an advantage.

"When you take a science test, whether it be PAWS or ACT, it is mostly a reading comprehension of science test. So if your reading strategies somewhere K through 12 aren't teaching science reading strategies, I think science reading is different than literature reading," added Dowding.

The teachers said students who did well at the state competition should score higher on the next standardized test because of the knowledge they received from their experiments.

Sports

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Schedule

NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL DOGIES

Girls Soccer

03/16 V Cody Jamboree A 9 AM
03/21 V Gering High School H 4 PM

Boys Soccer

03/16 V Worland Jamboree A 9 AM
03/21 V Gering High School H 4 PM

Boys/Girls Track

03/16 V Chadron Indoor Invite A
03/21 V Southern Hills Developmental Meet A 1 PM
03/28 V Newcastle Speedgoat Classic H 9 AM

UPTON HIGH SCHOOL BOBCATS

UHS Track

03/22 HS Track Upton Developmental

UHS Golf

03/25 First practice

The Score

8th Grade Basketball

Newcastle 52, Wright 17
Newcastle 46, Moorcroft 17
Newcastle 22, Douglas 49
Newcastle 27, Wheatland 37

Districts - Semi

Newcastle 56, Moorcroft 25
Championships
Newcastle 63, Wright 27

Ladies Basketball

Dogies 38 Lyman 35

Field Goal Percentage 29
3 pt. Percentage 40
Free-Throw Percentage 62
Turnovers 27
Rebounds 22
Assists 2

Individual Stats

Points
Shenae LaCroix 15
Paige Smith 9
Hannah Cass 9
Rebounds
Anna Henkle 8
Hannah Cass 8
Assists
Maddee Foster 1
Hannah Cass 1
Steals
Paige Smith 6

Dogies 23 Douglas 55

Field Goal Percentage 26
3 pt. Percentage 29
Free-Throw Percentage 54
Turnovers 22
Rebounds 21
Assists 2

Individual Stats

Points
Anna Henkle 6
Hannah Cass 5

Dogies 22 Rawlins 62

Field Goal Percentage 34
3 pt. Percentage 25
Free-Throw Percentage 50
Turnovers 26
Rebounds 43
Assists 1

Individual Stats

Points
Hannah Cass 16
Paige Smith 9
Rebounds
Hannah Cass 18
Anna Henkle 8
Assists
Savannah Davis 1
Steals
Paige Smith 2
Anna Henkle 2



Mens Basketball

Dogies 34 Powell 50

26 Field Goal % 45
20 3 pt. Percentage 40
47 Free-Throw % 57
6 Bench Points 13
18 Points in Paint 30
13 Points off Turnovers 25
9 2nd Chance Points 4
34 Rebounds 30
15 Turnovers 10

Individual Stats

Points
Jeremy Feist 10
Wade Gordon 10
Rebounds
Jeremy Feist 12
Wade Gordon 10
Steals
Wade Gordon 2
Assists
Dave Christiansen 3

Dogies 40 Rawlins 44

44 Field Goal % 39
55 3 pt. Percentage 50
80 Free-Throw % 53
4 Bench Points 13
18 Points in Paint 18
12 Points off Turnovers 22
10 2nd Chance Points 2
25 Rebounds 18
17 Turnovers 14

Individual Stats

Points
Dave Christiansen 10
Wade Gordon 9
Jeremy Feist 8
Dakota McCormack 7
Rebounds
Jeremy Feist 8
Wade Gordon 6
Steals
Wade Gordon 4
Assists
Jeremy Feist 2
Wade Gordon 2

Gonna need a bigger bus!

By Alexys Barker for NLJ

The Dogie track team lost a coach with more than three decades of experience when co-head coach Brett Weaver retired after last season, but in his first year as head coach for both the girls' and boys' teams, Coach Pat Hayman is excited to move forward, especially when he looks at the numbers showing up to practice.

Make no mistake, math teacher Hayman, like any other coach, is a big fan of numbers. With a greater number of athletes on the team, it will be easier for Newcastle to score points at meets. There will be more events filled, and the Dogies will be able to run multiple relays, all of which adds up to more opportunities to rack up the points.

"We could always use more," Hayman indicated.

And more is what he got this year, as more than 50 students showed up to practice Monday. It's the most athletes Hayman has had on a squad in several years, and the Dogies should have strong teams on both the boys' and girls' side.

"We've had pretty small teams for a couple of years, and it's good to be back," Hayman smiled.

Although Weaver retired last year, assistant coaches Allen VonEye, Mike Gregory and Kathy

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What a difference a year makes

■ Ladies nail a fourth-place victory at state tournament

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

For the first time since 2008, the Newcastle High School Girls Basketball Team went to the Wyoming 3A State Tournament in Casper. It was an experience Coach Tyler Bartlett and Coach Chad Ostenson have been working toward for four years. The tourney kicked off on a high note for the Dogies when they won their first game, against the Lyman Eagles, by three points, leading them to the semi-finals. Although they lost the next two games, the coaches are proud of what the team did achieve.

"We ended up being fourth at State — that is a big accomplishment for a team that last year won six games and this year won 16! It was a pretty big turnaround, one of the biggest in the state I would say. It wasn't something that just happened in one year, it happened in four. A lot of the credit goes to the three seniors. They have been with us since we were hired, and leaders since then," Bartlett admitted.

He attributed the effort in the off-season of those seniors, Maddee Foster, Paige Smith and Shenae LaCroix. The coach said that, better than anyone, they worked hard during the summer by leading workouts, organizing open gyms and attending team camps.

"The saying is champions are won in the off-season. We might not have won a championship, but the reason we got to go to State and the reason we

did so well is because of the time and effort that they put in, in June. That is the biggest lesson that we can take from those three seniors — the time you put in, at the end of the season pays off," Bartlett recognized.

This being the first time at State for any of the players, the coaches tried to prepare them for what to expect in their first game on the Casper Event Center floor. It was a different atmosphere and a different gym than anywhere else they had played previously.

"You expect to have some struggles scoring. We were two for 18 in the first half, and three for 10 from the free-throw line. So obviously we really had some troubles scoring, with nerves and everything else," he acknowledged.

Defensively the team was on their game, only giving up 19 points in the first half, which helped when they only scored eight points, making them down by 11. Going into half-time the girls felt good knowing they would be able to get shots to fall in the final quarters of the game and knew the defense could carry them through the game.

"I truthfully was not all that surprised by the come-back. It was

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Shenae LaCroix capped off her senior campaign with three solid performances at the Wyoming 3A State Tournament in Casper.

Sierra LaCroix/For NLJ



'We played them tight, we played them tough'

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

"We were happy as heck to be able to turn our season into what we did! And to be able to get Regionals like we did, and get ourselves to the state tournament. But it is something we have preached every single year to our kids: You can never just be happy or satisfied with making it, because those teams are there to play and you have to be ready to play as well," Newcastle High School Boys Basketball Coach Allen Von Eye told the News Letter Journal on their return from the state playoffs.

He continued to say how proud he is of the effort the team put into practicing prior to the Wyoming State 3A Basketball Tournament because they wanted to succeed and make an impact, which is exactly what the coach said the Dogies did against the Powell Panthers on March 7.

"We came out in the Powell game against a very, very good athletic basketball team. We played them tight, we played them tough. We were tied up at half time and feeling great, but came out in the second half and just couldn't buy inside buckets," Von Eye acknowledged. "They battled their tails off and we were proud as heck of what they did, but couldn't get shots to fall."

At one point toward the end of the game, the Dogies were down by a mere three points. The defense did well, but without scoring Newcastle was unable to win the game against the Panthers, losing 50-34.

The next day the team knew they had a good match-up against the Rawlins Outlaws, a team in their conference they had already competed against



Jeremy Feist gave the Dogies a menacing presence in the paint at the state tournament, just as he has throughout his Dogie career.

twice in the season. The game began slow that Friday afternoon, Von Eye recalled, because of the magnitude of the venue they were playing — the Casper College Thunderbirds gymnasium.

"It is so much different! The event center is big and spacious, but the atmosphere is not there like it is at the college, which is packed and loud. I think it caught us back for a little while thinking, this is wild and crazy. Rawlins came out and shot the ball really well so their crowd got into it," the coach recalled.

Late in the first half the Dogies did what they needed to, and in the locker room during the break the coaches stressed slowing it down to take possession and find some way to make points.

Defensively Newcastle worked really hard in the last half of the game, holding the Outlaws to only 16 points compared to the 28 points they made in the first two quarters. Offensively, Von Eye said the Dogies were patient, making big shots.

"It's the story of two totally different games. Against Powell we ended up shooting 26 percent from the floor. Against Rawlins we shot 44 percent from the floor and ended up losing by four points, and Powell we lose by 16. That is just the name of the game. You have got to be able to put the ball in the hoop. And we did against Rawlins," he admitted.

The Dogies went from being down by nine at half-time to having a lead by four at one point in the game. The rhythm was going well until Dave Christiansen, who had been the driving force behind the team, was fouled out. Losing him, Von Eye said, caused the momentum of the team to

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Soccer teams spring into action

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Setting the clocks ahead last week is one indication Spring is coming, and another is the beginning of Newcastle High School soccer. Both teams began practicing last week but only the girls' team will be heading to the Cody Jamboree on Saturday, March 16.

The NHS boys' soccer team will not be heading to the Worland Jamboree over the weekend due to students attending the Wyoming State Future Business Leaders of America Conference and the Wyoming State Speech Competition. Both events will make the numbers on the girls' team short as well, but with a larger pool of players — 24 on their roster — the team will still be able to attend.

The Dogie girls' soccer team currently consists of seven seniors, four juniors, four sophomores, nine freshman and two managers, Tracey Whetsell and Mason Sundstrom. If the numbers stay as expected they will be able to have a Varsity team this year along with a Full Junior Varsity team, something they were not able to have last year when the JV team only played half a game due to the lack of numbers for a full game.

"So I am really excited that we

have two full teams! It will also help in practice because we can run full-sided games. Last year I thought we lacked a little bit in our overall transition from offense to defense and defense to offense because we couldn't practice those situations in a full game simulation," acknowledged Coach Bryce Hoffman.

Three All-Conference Honorable Mention players are also returning this year, Kellie Umphlett, Shenae LaCroix and Savannah Davis. The nine players who earned letters last season and returning this year are Umphlett, LaCroix, Davis, Mashayla Harder, Bethany McVay, Christina Rushton, Courtney Munger, Hannah Williams and Scottlyn Wiggins.

"We will start this season off in Cody again. We actually have the opportunity to start off against the defending state champs, Cody. So we will get a test very early in the season and see where we are at," the coach stated.

With many of the players unable to make the trip to Cody with the team due to prior commitments, Hoffman said it will give those who do attend an opportunity to get good playing experience.

They will play three 50-minute non-conference games. Besides playing the

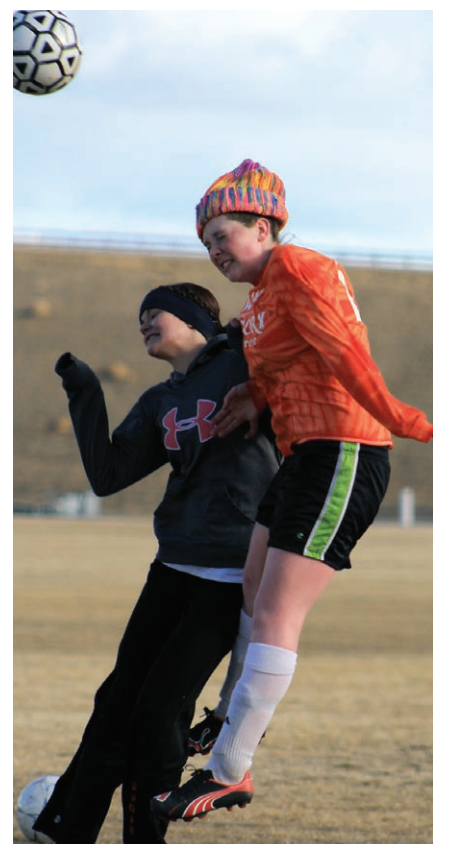
home team of Cody, the Dogies will also compete against Pinedale and Star Valley, giving them a chance to size up the competition on the other side of the state.

"So at least we will get to see those teams, so if we see them later on at Regionals or State we have an idea of what they have," Hoffman said.

Laura McClean and Ashley Reed will again be coaching with Hoffman this season. He said he is blessed to have knowledgeable assistance to help run drills with the players. Starting off this season he began with reviewing rules, strategy and tactics, giving the players a refresher course.

"What I started with at the beginning of the season last year was different than what I started with this year. I learned, just based off our skill levels, what I should be teaching early in the season as opposed to not teaching," he recalled, explaining what he learned from his first year of coaching.

In the eight years of the soccer program at NHS, their opponents from Gering, Neb., have not traveled to Newcastle to play, with the Dogies usually heading east to meet their challenge. That will change next on March 21 when the teams will meet on Schoonmaker Field at 4 p.m.



Amy Menerey/NLJ

Kendra Back and Savannah Davis go to the air to work on their heading skills during soccer practice Monday.

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The Weston County Commissioners are sponsoring free Board Training Classes for all current Weston County Board Members, and anyone interested in attending. Two classes will be held on **Wednesday, May 8, 2013** at the Weston County Library Meeting Room. Presenter: Bill Miller, Local Government Liability Pool (LGLP). Please RSVP for scheduling to Mamie C. Krank, Weston County Clerk on or before 4:30 p.m. on May 7, 2013. You may call (307) 746-4744 or email: wcclerk@rtcconnect.net

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Dogie training

Coach Beau Gregory teaches Newcastle Middle School student Lexie Krogman the proper form for throwing shot-put as track teams took to the field Monday afternoon to begin practices. (Photo by Amy Menerey/NLJ)

Track

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Beehler returned. They were joined by Chad Ostenson, who will take Weaver's spot as the coach of the hurdlers. "We are missing Coach Weaver, who had coached here for 36 years," Hayman said, but his sorrow turns to excitement as he thinks about the potential of this year's team. The coach said it is always hard to get track started because all the other seasons are getting wrapped and focusing on state finals, but most of the athletes should have a good first week under their belt before they jump into competition on Saturday.

There are some "veterans" to lead a team of young talent, and Hayman predicts they will compete well this season. According to the veteran coach, the track season is all about making athletes better, and it also makes it possible for athletes who normally would not be on the same squad to become teammates. Hayman said the sport lures Dogies who have competed separately in basketball, swimming, volleyball, wrestling and football through the course of the year, and he is excited about the mix he is working with heading

into the 2013 campaign. "I think we are going to be good," Hayman grinned. This week the track team will head to Chadron and their indoor track to begin their season Saturday. This will be the first time in seven years that Newcastle will be traveling to the Nebraska meet. Hayman thinks the experience will be good because the meet is earlier in the season than the team is accustomed to, and it will get things going right away. It will show what could be a very promising future for the Dogie track team this year, and

local fans should have plenty of opportunities to witness the athletes in action. Newcastle will host the annual Speed Goat Classic on March 28, and the Dogies will welcome teams back to the track on April 11 for the Race to the Ball Meet, which is held in conjunction with the NHS prom. The sudden spurt in numbers couldn't have come at a better time for the Dogies, who will be hosting the rest of the 3A East Conference at the Regional Meet on May 10 and 11, where the final qualifiers will earn their spots at the State Meet.

Ladies

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obviously exciting and a tremendous effort by the girls — it is what they have done all year. At half-time we kept it pretty simple, we kept it pretty loose," Bartlett said. What they had learned all season, including the previous week against the Buffalo Bison, is that if they were down, they could get back up. After being down by 11 at the break Newcastle out-scored Lyman 18 to five in the third quarter, taking the lead and hanging on to win the game, 38-35. Excitement was in the air as the Dogies made it into the Wyoming 3A State Tournament semi-finals. The following day the ladies' first game was against the undefeated Douglas Bearcats. "We knew if we could just stay with them we'd have a chance, but we couldn't stay with them, they were on fire. They scored a bunch early, we struggled to find

the hoop," the coach recalled. On the positive side, though, everybody on the bench had the opportunity to play in a state play-off game, with several of them scoring. Exposing the younger athletes to that level of competition was good experience, even though the team lost to Douglas 23-55. On Saturday morning against the Rawlins Outlaws the Dogies fell behind early and could not dig out of the whole. A flat defense and not being able to make points cost them the third place title to the Outlaws, with a final score of 62-44. "That also was Hannah [Cass'] best game of the weekend. You know that first game she showed she was a little young — she's a freshman and turns out that was a big stage. Douglas gave us all trouble. But in the Rawlins game she scored 16 points and grabbed 18 rebounds, and was really

that player she was for us the majority of the season, and definitely the majority of the post season. That was good to see. She will be leading us the next three years and find her comfort zone," added Bartlett. On paper, the coach reported, the team looks good because they are returning a lot of talent, but it doesn't matter how much talent you are given if you don't make the most of it. He hopes the younger players follow the example set by LaCroix, Smith and Foster. If they do that he feels they are poised to make a run for the state title for the next few years. "The biggest thing I think about looking back on this year, this should just be the turning point," the coach re-iterated. "This is re-establishing our winning tradition as a basketball program, and something we look to build on and improve on going forward."

Men

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slip away. Executing sets down the stretch didn't happen and the Dogies lost the consolation round 44-40, despite the efforts of the team. Von Eye credited the team for putting their noses to the grindstone and getting a lead to give the Dogies a chance — they did what they needed to. All five seniors on the team played different roles during the season, which changed throughout the year. The last three years Jeremy Feist has been on the Varsity team he has been a key player. "I don't think I have ever seen a shot blocker like Jeremy Feist, or I don't think we ever will, because he just has an uncanny ability — it's just natural. He was just a great inside presence for us," boasted the coach. Dave Christiansen may not look like a basketball player, but he was a consistent, performing 3A point guard all year long, complimented Von Eye. "He consistently scored big buckets for us, you know he just had a phenomenal senior year! There is no reason for it due to his measurements, but the one thing that doesn't get measured is heart. He just plays hard and gets after it," he added. One of the best lock-down defenders the state has had in a while is senior Ty Borgialli, Von Eye said. He grew into the role during the season, being a big key in the Dogies making it to two state tournaments.

Dakota McCormack stepped into more of an offensive role for the team this year, becoming a scorer when needed. His length was a good defender, matching up well against other opponents both inside and out. "He will be sorely missed because of his coachability. There is never a doubt he would do whatever you needed him to, regardless of the situation," the coach continued. This was the first year Taylor Tavegia put in significant minutes on the Varsity squad, offering inside depth for the team, Von Eye reported. Tavegia was an undersized rebounder, stepping in defending posts well. The state tournament was bittersweet, with some of the team members playing their last games on the team. The coach acknowledged the program moves on, but the role the seniors played during the season leaves a legacy that lives on. They are proud of the character the five seniors brought to the team this year. "I wouldn't trade our kids for anything! They are the classiest! They work so hard for us always, and as a coach that is all you can ask for, really. It is something you appreciate as a coach greatly!" Von Eye declared.



Sierra LaCroix/For NLJ
Ty Borgialli rises above a defender and extends for a finger roll against Powell, during the Dogie's first round at the state tournament.

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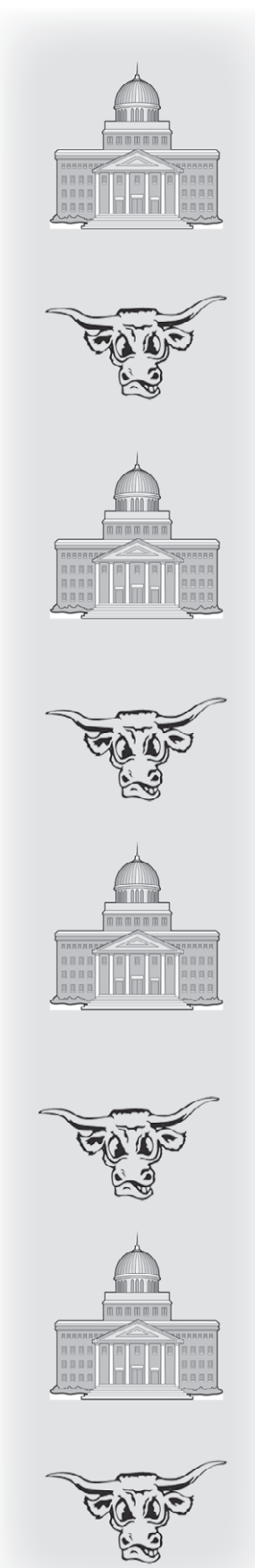
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Top from left: Alysha Engle, Dave Christiansen. Second row: Lane Zerbst, Jeremy Feist, Trenton Engle. Third row: Jake Willadson, Kody McCamly, Merritt Crabtree. Fourth row: Colton Sweet, Brody Benson, Justin Francis, Hannah Williams. Fifth row: Bailey Karp, Mason Sundstrom, Nathina Crabtree, Anna Henkle. Sixth row: Scottlyn Wiggins, Kalyn Houser, Abi Deveraux, Shanae LaCroix. Front row: Johnny Walker, Kellie Umphlett, Sierra LaCroix, Calbi Ausmann. Not pictured: JT Harper, Adam Gettinger, Dakota McCormack, Bailey Roberson, Mykel Owens, Maddee Foster, Paige Smith, Payton Crawford, Koltan Epperson, Wade Gordon, Phillip Jagelski, Kieran Winter, Dillon Ehlers, Alexys Barker, Madi Crawford, Ethan Schuessler, Matt Tidd, Emily Sandoval, Amanda West, Veronica Ratigan, Shelby Wilt, Kianna Cade, Kaylee Harley, Bethany McVay, Jake Villanueva, Courtney Munger, Katara Cade, Shane Bell, Kianna Hobbs, Gideon Baldwin, Conrad Farnsworth, Ricky Larson, Chris Spain, Natalie Artilles.



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City Council Minutes

**NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013**

Mayor James called the regular meeting of Monday, March 4, 2013 to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Absent: Mayor James, Jim Bunch, Linda Hunt, Archie Callander, Todd Quigley, Roger Hesper, Absent: Iva Carter. Also present Department Heads: Chief Jim Owens, Attorney Jim Peck, and Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner. Absent: Engineer Bob Hartley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jim Bunch requested to make one announcement under Mayor/Council Reports. Jim Bunch moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the agenda for March 4, 2013 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jim Bunch moved and Roger Hesper seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2013 and the Executive Session of February 19, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: 1. Clerk/Treasurer Brunner nominated Deb Mills for her hard work for credit card collections.

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION: Mayor James gave a Certificate of Recognition to the cast and crew of Bird Cage Theatrics. Rachel Ehlers was not in attendance to receive her certificate.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – IN WRITING: 1. Mayor James read the annual proclamation for Disabilities Awareness Month for RENEW. Terry Singer, RENEW Director, was in attendance to accept the proclamation.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – VERBAL: 1. Becky Wolf and eight girl scouts appeared to hear Mayor James declare the Girl Scout Proclamation. There were numerous parents in attendance as well.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

1. Mayor James read a letter from Union Telephone Company stating their intent to exercise a renewal agreement with the City for the Communication Site Lease from June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2023. After some discussion regarding the rental fee for this contract extension, Roger Hesper moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve Union Telephone's intent to renew the agreement beginning June 1, 2013 through June 1, 2023. **MOTION CARRIED.** 2. Mayor James read a letter from Ralph Lovelace relinquishing a cemetery lot that he purchased from the City in 2012. Mr. Lovelace requested "donating" the lot back to the City. Jim Bunch moved and Roger Hesper seconded to accept the donation of the cemetery plot from Mr. Lovelace as requested. **MOTION CARRIED.** 3. Jim Bunch informed Council of his retirement upcoming on March 29, 2013. 4. Todd Quigley questioned whether there would be signage posted at the Newcastle Sports Complex.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:
City Attorney Jim Peck - 1. expressed a thank you from the Newcastle Planning Commission on the Council's consideration of their recommendations for mobile homes.

City Engineer Hartley - 1. was absent and had no report.

Police Chief Jim Owens - 1. gave a brief review of calls for service – 438 for February. There were 14 arrests during February with 6

of those being DUI. 2. The cat impound facility began official operation on February 20, 2013. There is an official policy of operation for the cat facility.

City Clerk/Treasurer Brunner - 1. noted to Council that she has the WAM Convention Registration forms for the June convention in Riverton. 2. She informed Council that her staff has begun processing credit card payments for utility bills and other miscellaneous payments.

Mayor James reminded Council that June 13, 2013 is the start of the State Fire Convention in Newcastle.

There were no **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**, no **WRITTEN BUSINESS**, **NEW BUSINESS**, or **OLD BUSINESS**.

Archie Callander moved and Linda Hunt seconded to pay the claims against the City dated March 4, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Archie Callander moved and Roger Hesper seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Claims: Advanced Communications, nite eze case, \$20.00; AT&T Mobility, FD cell ph, \$135.07; BH POWER, electricity, \$9458.47; Black Mountain Software, Cass certification/split, \$100.00; BCBS of WY, health insurance, \$31,250.73; Bryand Streeter, airport wages, \$1072.08; Butler Machinery, parts, \$4393.36; Cedar Hills Family Clinic, physical/Johnson, \$115.00; Centurylink, E911 monthly maint, \$963.25; City of Newcastle, WA/SW/GA, office, FD, LEC, \$350.54; CLT Flooring, night stand, \$79.95; Domson BG Service, engine clean/inforce, \$357.12; Family Dollar, supplies, \$130.75; Fisher Sand & Gravel, L base/crushed rock, \$1886.05; Gemplers, overboot, \$83.95; Hillyard, supplies, \$70.20; James Peck, attorney retainer, \$2800.00; MasterCard, travel, supplies, repairs, \$1405.89; Municipal Code Corp, supplement pgs/or., \$419.84; Newcastle Ambulance,

monthly payment, \$8333.33; Newcastle PD, postage, keys, notary, \$39.00; Office Shop, Canon copier lease, \$13.45; Oil City Supply, supplies, \$18.68; Petedge, kennels, \$695.51; Petty Cash, postage, certified, \$19.42; Postmaster, permit fee, postage, \$1200.00; Powder River Energy, electricity, \$510.74; RENEW, monthly recycling, \$1050.00; Respond First Aid, supplies, \$114.45; RT Communications, trunk line, \$311.55; RT Communications, telephones, \$2553.54; Schulze Enterprises, Dell battery, \$95.00; Sheehan Mack, parts, \$682.51; SourceGas, natural gas, \$2519.48; Terri Meyer, hall cleaning, \$360.50; Titan Machinery, repairs, Case, \$5220.43; TOP Office, PD copy chg, \$184.08; Travis Peterson, mileage, \$192.10; Weston Co. Health Services, labs, \$70.00; Weston Co. Treasurer, tax handling chg, LEC bldg utilities, \$1115.46; WY Assn. Rural Water, spring conf fee, \$275.00; WY Auto, parts, \$1092.81; WY Law Enf. Academy, FTO/Dudzinski, \$284.00; **Water Deposit Refunds:** Dennis Swanson, \$26.45; Donald Achenbach, \$100.00; Rebecca White, \$38.06;

Greg James, Mayor
ATTEST:
Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner

(Publish March 14, 2013)

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Utility Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) has given Black Hills Wyoming, LLC (BHW) and Black Hills Power, Inc. (BHP) (collectively the Companies) authority to provide natural gas transportation services, subject to interim rate regulation, through the Companies jointly owned and operated natural gas pipeline (WBI pipeline). The Commission has also granted BHW a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to operate as a public utility pursuant to W.S. § 37-1-101-(a)(vi)(G), as a natural gas common carrier. These approvals are subject to notice, protest, investigation, opportunity for hearing, change, refund and such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate.

The Commission granted a waiver of the requirements of Commission Rule, Section 210 pertaining to the filing of tariffs and rates. The Companies explained that the interim rate requested under the application is currently being allocated among five of the power plants located at the Neil Simpson Complex near Gillette, Wyoming. The interim rate requested and approved by the Commission for natural gas transportation services is \$240.00 per month per Power Plant. The Companies state they will not provide natural gas transportation services to any other residential or commercial user.

The application is on file at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and in the BHW and BHP's Newcastle, Wyoming, business office, and may be inspected by any interested person during regular business hours.

Anyone desiring to file an intervention petition, request for a public hearing, statement, public comment or protest in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before March 26, 2013. The petition shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 50055-1-PA-12 or 50055-2-PA-12, in your communications.

Dated: February 26, 2013.

(Publish March 7 and 14, 2013)

Public Notice

**STATE OF WYOMING
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF WESTON
EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
NELDA B. BARTON,
Deceased.
Docket No. PR-7920**

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL CREDITORS, HEIRS AND DEVISEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE PROCEEDINGS that a Petition to Determine Heirship of Nelda B. Barton has been filed by Mariah Lee Walker, Shane Thomas Sweet and Kara Anne Sweet, Successor Co-Trustees of the N.B. "Bunni" Barton Revocable Trust pursuant to W.S. 2-9-201 et seq., to obtain a determination of heirs and right of descent of real property belonging to the decedent.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that upon Order duly entered, a hearing on the Petition to Determine Heirship is set for the 25th day of April, 2013 at 9 o'clock a.m., before a Judge of the District Court, Sixth Judicial District Court, Weston County, Wyoming and that in the event no answer is filed or objection thereto taken, the Court may enter its Order and determine the heirs of Nelda B. Barton, the right of descent of the real property belonging to Nelda B. Barton herein after described.

NOTICE IF FURTHER GIVEN that the date of the death of the deceased was October 6, 2000 and at the time of her death she was a resident of Weston County, Wyoming. She died owning real property located in Weston County, Wyoming described as follows:

Township 44 North, Range 64 West, Weston County, Wyoming
Section 25: NW1/4NW1/4
Dated this 26th day of February 2013

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Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated July 30, 2009, executed and delivered by Joshua M. Aiken and Patricia C. Aiken ("Mortgagor(s)") to First National Bank of Gillette ("Mortgagee"), and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by Mortgagor(s), to Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming, on August 3, 2009, at Reception No. 713563 in Book 316 at Page 781; WHEREAS, the Mortgage has been duly assigned for value by Mortgagee as follows:

Assignee: JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.
Assignment dated: July 30, 2009
Assignment recorded: August 4, 2009
Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 713631 in Book 316 at Page 942

All in the records of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale, pursuant to the terms of the Mortgage, has been served upon the record owner and party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to first publication of the notice of sale;

The property covered by said Mortgage is described as follows:

LOTS 2, 3, AND 4, BLOCK 4, ROBY ADDITION, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING. ERRONEOUSLY SHOWN ON MORTGAGE AS:

LOTS 2, 3, AND 4, BLOCK 4, RODY ADDITION, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING.

with an address of 1124 McArthur Street, Newcastle, WY 82701.

WHEREAS, the property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes Section 34-4-109 (2003) that the foreclosure sale of the above Mortgage, scheduled for March 5, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming, has been postponed to 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on April 16, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming.

JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.
By: The Castle Law Group, LLC
330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
Casper, WY 82609-0000
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Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated August 6, 2008, was executed and delivered by Jason Schalesky and Stacy Schalesky ("Mortgagor(s)") to Premier Home Mortgage, Inc, a Corporation, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on August 29, 2008, at Reception No. 706541 in Book 309 at Page 0615 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp., dba 1st Advantage Mortgage its successors and assigns
 Assignment dated: August 6, 2008
 Assignment recorded: August 29, 2008
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 706542 in Book 309 at Page 622

Assignee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB
 Assignment dated: August 6, 2008
 Assignment recorded: March 9, 2009
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 710675 in Book 313 at Page 683

Assignee: Bank of America, N.A.
 Assignment dated: September 18, 2012
 Assignment recorded: October 1, 2012
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 738645 in Book 340 at Page 0321

All in the records of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgagee declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$153,842.90 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$129,773.94 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$17,994.08, plus other costs in the amount of \$6,074.88, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

WHEREAS, The property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

NOW, THEREFORE Bank of America, N.A., as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on March 19, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT NINE (9) BLOCK SIX (6), BLACK HILLS VIEW ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING

with an address of 203 Frontier Avenue, Newcastle, WY 82701.

Together with all improvements thereon situated and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto.

Bank of America, N.A.
 By: The Castle Law Group, LLC
 330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
 Casper, WY 82609-0000
 (307) 333 5379

(Publish February 21, 28, March 7 and 14, 2013)

Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated December 10, 2007, was executed and delivered by George W. Cork ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First Horizon Home Loans, a division of First Tennessee Bank N.A., its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on December 17, 2007, at Reception No. 699892 in Book 302 at Page 861 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
 Assignment dated: December 17, 2012
 Assignment recorded: January 7, 2013
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 740767 in Book 342 at Page 302

All in the records of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgagee declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$189,402.56 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$184,715.04 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$4,027.80, plus other costs in the amount of \$659.72, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

WHEREAS, The property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

NOW, THEREFORE JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on April 2, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 2, PONDEROSA ADDITION, TOWN OF UPTON, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, LESS THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED SOUTHERLY PORTION OF LOT 2: COMMENCING AT SE CORNER OF LOT 2, PONDEROSA ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF UPTON, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING AND IS THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N00°24'23" E ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 2 FOR A DISTANCE OF 208.55 FEET TO AN ALUMINUM CAPPED RE-BAR; THENCE N88°36'21" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 208.36 FEET TO INTERSECT THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 2, BEING MARKED BY AN ALUMINUM CAPPED RE-BAR; THENCE S00°23'38" W ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 2 FOR A DISTANCE OF 203.75 FEET TO A FOUND RE-BAR; THENCE S48°37'08" E ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF SAGE DRIVE FOR A DISTANCE OF 8.15 FEET TO INTERSECT THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF A 20 FOOT WIDE ALLEY, BEING MARKED BY A FOUND RE-BAR; THENCE S88°43'47" E ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 2 FOR A DISTANCE OF 202.15 FEET TO THE SE CORNER OF LOT 2, BEING MARKED BY A FOUND RE-BAR AND IS THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

with an address of 1920 Ponderosa Road, Upton, WY 82730.

Together with all improvements thereon situated and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
 By: The Castle Law Group, LLC
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February 24, 2013
 Parking complaint. Gas drive off reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Suspicious phone activity. 911 hang up. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. Assist other agency. Loud music reported. Theft reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. Suspicious activity reported.

February 25
 Open door reported. Open door discovered. Missing dog reported. Minor accident reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Harassment reported. Injured deer reported. Barking dog reported. Minor accident reported. Parking complaint. Missing cat reported. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. 911 hang up.

February 26
 Suspicious activity reported. Parking complaint, Written Warning issued. Missing person reported. Report of dog at large, impounded. Stray cat impounded. Harassment reported. Extra patrol requested. Extra patrol requested. VIN inspection. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Phone harassment reported. Hazard reported.

February 27
 Open door discovered. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Three VIN inspections. Parking complaint. Red Tag issued. Trapped cat impounded. Lost property reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Suspicious activity reported. Assist other agency. Noise complaint. Suspicious activity reported. Report of a dead deer. Report of a dog at large, impounded. Traffic stop, one arrest for DUI.

February 28
 Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Suspicious vehicle reported. VIN inspection. Theft reported. Horse at large. Missing dog reported. Traffic complaint. Dead deer reported. Parking complaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Domestic assault reported, one arrest. Hit and Run accident reported. Noise complaint.

March 1
 Open door discovered. Assist other agency. Mail fraud reported. Two VIN inspections. Suspicious activity reported. Welfare check requested. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Two cats impounded. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Traffic stop, DUI arrest. Traffic stop, One arrest.

March 2
 Report of a dog at large. Injured duck reported. Dog at large, Impounded. Theft reported. VIN inspection. Missing dog reported. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Minor reported in bar. Traffic stop, DUI arrest.

March 3
 Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Dog at large, Impounded. Drunk driver reported. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Drunk driver reported.

March 4
 Residential alarm reported. Red tag issued. Commercial alarm reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Parking complaint, Citation issued. VIN inspection. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, one arrest for DUS. Report of dogs at large. Assist other agency. Cat at large. Sexual assault report-

ed. Domestic reported, one arrest. Traffic hazard reported. Open door discovered. Motorist assist.

March 5
 911 hang up. Three VIN inspections. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Motorist assist. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Trash complaint. Cat traps requested. Escort requested. 911 hang up. Welfare check requested. Report of a dog at large. Report of suspicious activity.

March 6
 Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Injured deer reported. Civil standby requested. Welfare check requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Civil standby requested. Cat at large impounded. Three VIN inspections. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Disturbance at cat impound reported. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued. 911 hang up. Extra patrol requested. Traffic hazard reported. Open door reported. Suspicious activity reported. Minor accident reported. Missing dog found. Noise com-

plaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued, one arrest.

March 7
 Red tag issued. Red tag issued. Red tag issued. Red tag issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Harassment reported. Cat at large, Impounded. Parking complaint. Parking complaint. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Citation for speed. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Eight VIN inspections. Open door reported. Gas drive off reported. Drunk pedestrian reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, DUI arrest.

March 8
 Civil assist. VIN inspection. Motorist assist. Civil standby requested. Dog at large, Impounded. Report of a dog at large. Traffic hazard reported. Drunk driver reported. Assist other agency. Reckless driver reported. Theft

reported. Civil complaint. Civil standby requested. Civil standby requested. Noise complaint. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Extra patrol Requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

March 9
 Traffic stop, DUI arrest. Traffic escort. Missing dog reported. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.



Utility Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) has authorized SourceGas Distribution LLC (SourceGas) to pass on to its Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] customers in the Gillette Division a net decrease of \$0.07079 per therm in its wholesale natural gas commodity costs, effective March 1, 2013. The decrease is attributed to [i] a projected wholesale gas cost decrease of \$0.0138 per therm for the period of March 1 through May 31, 2013; and [ii] an increase of \$0.05701 per therm in the Commodity Balancing Account (CBA) credit based on a projected over-collected balance of \$78,771. The Company estimates that this application will decrease revenues by approximately \$78,004 through May 31, 2013. This approval is subject to notice, protest, investigation, opportunity for hearing, change, refund and such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate. The table below shows the current and proposed rate components for Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] residential customers in the Gillette Division, stated in dollars per therm:

Item	Proposed	Current	Net Change (\$)	Net Change (%)
Purchased Gas Cost	\$0.42055	\$0.43433	(\$0.01378)	(3.17%)
Amortize CBA	(\$0.07149)	(\$0.01448)	(\$0.05701)	
Total Purchased Gas Cost	\$0.34906	\$0.41985	(\$0.07079)	(16.86%)
Distribution Charge	\$0.1274	\$0.01274	\$0.0000	0.00%
DUPCA	(\$0.0085)	(\$0.0085)	\$0.0000	0.00%
GDCA	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	0.00%
Total Volumetric Rate	\$0.46796	\$0.53875	(\$0.07079)	(13.14%)

The average Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] residential customer in the Gillette Division using approximately 75 therms per month may expect a monthly gas bill decrease, before taxes, of approximately \$5.31 or about 13.14%. Actual bills will vary with usage.

Sections 249 and 250 of the Commission's Rules allow a utility to pass on to its customers known or prospective wholesale commodity cost increases or decreases, subject to public notice, opportunity for hearing and refund.

SourceGas's application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne and in the Company's office in Gillette, Wyoming.

Anyone who wants to file an intervention petition, request for a hearing, or a statement, protest, or public comment in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before April 4, 2013. Please mention Docket No. 30022-202-GP-13 when you call or write. Intervention petitions and requests for a hearing must state the position and interest of the person so filing.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: March 4, 2013.

(Publish March 14 and 21, 2013)

City Officials

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to WY State Statute 15-1-110, the following is a list of Chief Administrative Officials, Assistant Administrative Officials, Elected Officials, Department Heads, and full time employees of the City of Newcastle specified by name and position, excluding salaries;

- Mayor Greg James
- Council President James Bunch
- Councilwoman Linda Hunt
- Councilman Roger Hesse
- Councilman Todd Quigley
- Councilman Archie Callander
- Councilwoman Iva Carter

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- City Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner
- City Engineer Bob Hartley
- City Police Chief James Owens
- Municipal Judge Patrick Crow

CITY OFFICE:

- Senior Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debora Mills

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- Police Officer, Sergeant Greg Locke
- Police Officer, Corporal Eric Dudzinski
- Police Officer, Detective Jared Williams
- Police Officer Peggy Miles
- Police Officer Jason Ramsey
- Police Officer Richard Hillhouse
- Police Officer Jacob Johnson
- Communications Supervisor Mary Robertson
- Dispatcher Melissa Stubbs
- Dispatcher Kami Erland
- Dispatcher Cathy McMeekin
- Dispatcher Tonia Mills
- Dispatcher Sherie Hilgenkamp
- Dispatcher Genell Rotheutner
- Community Service Officer Trinity Hobbs

CITY SHOP:

- Superintendent Doug Sankey
- Shop Foreman Greg Stumpf
- Mechanic John Hawley
- Garbage Truck Driver Tim Stith
- General Labor Taylor Hesse
- General Labor/Meter Reader Bart Roberts
- General Labor/Arborist Travis Peterson
- General Labor Emmet Daunt
- General Labor Greg Stumpf
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- General Labor Tyrel Owens
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Charita Brunner, City Clerk/Treasurer

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County Commission Minutes

MARCH 5, 2013

The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Seeley presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Lenard D. Seeley, Jerry Shepperson, Randy Rossman, Marty Ertman, Tracy Hunt and County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Seeley gave the Invocation and Commissioner Rossman led the delegation in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 19, 2013, as advertised. **Carried.**

The hour being 9:25 a.m. Don Hansen, County Attorney, joined the meeting.

Executive Session

The hour being 9:26 a.m., a motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to enter executive session under Wyoming Statute 16-4-405 (iii) to discuss potential litigation. **Carried.** The executive session adjourned at 9:48 a.m. and returned to open meeting, with all present.

Weston County Event Center

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to draft a letter to Dr. Basham, Engineer for KB Engineering, LLC, to thank him for visiting the Weston County Event Center site on March 4, 2013 and request a building report and cost analysis for repairs. Discussion ensued, **Carried.** The Commissioners requested and Mr. Hansen agreed to draft the letter to Dr. Basham.

The recorded votes were as follows: Ye: Commissioners Shepperson, Hunt and Rossman; Nay: Commissioner Ertman.

Full disclosure: Don Hansen, County Attorney and Commissioner Hunt stated that Mr. Roy Mathis, Concrete Stabilization Techniques (CST), who visited the Event Center site with Dr. Basham, has completed estimates for personal work.

The meeting recessed at 10:03 a.m. and reconvened at 10:14 a.m. with all present.

Ruckelshaus Institute

Commissioner Shepperson discussed a voucher turned in by the Ag Department to the Ruckelshaus Institute for registration to attend collaboration in Natural Resource Forum. Commissioner Shepperson has concerns and will request Bill Taylor attend a Commissioner's meeting to discuss the voucher. No action was taken, this issue will be re-visited.

Rare Element Resources

Mike Finn, Rare Element Resources (RER), met with the Commissioners and invited them to attend a luncheon at the Upton Senior Center on March 7, 2013, at noon. Mr. Finn gave an update on the RER project stating that drilling in the White Tail Ridge area will begin soon. Mr. Finn distributed a press release from the company showing efficiency has increased by forty-five percent. No action was taken.

Homeland Security

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to allow Chairman Seeley's signature on a letter to the Office of Homeland Security, to authorize the return of \$2,579.34 in grant funding. The return of funds is for the unspent portion of a Fiscal Year 2010 Citizen Corps Grant. **Carried.**

Declaration of Official Depository

A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to designate FirstTier Bank of Upton as one of Weston County's Official Depositories for calendar year 2013. **Carried.**

Accept Collections

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to accept the collections of the District Court Clerk in the amount of \$1,380.50 and the collections of the County Clerk in the amount of \$8,460.75. **Carried.**

Local Government Liability Pool

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to accept and sign a membership renewal application for the Local Government Liability Pool (LGLP). **Carried.**

Board Member Training

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a letter to invite current Weston County Board Members to attend a training presented by Mr. Bill Miller of the Local Government Liability Pool on May 8, 2013. Discussion ensued, **carried.**

Contract Engineering Services

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a Request for Contract Engineering Services. The request is for the County Lighting Upgrade Project. **Carried.** A copy will be provided to Jerry Hunt, Contract Engineer for Weston County.

Buffalo Creek Road

Tom Littman, Belle Fourche Pipeline, and Tom Barritt, Upton Logistics Center, met with the Commissioners to discuss easements on the Buffalo Creek Road inside the Upton Logistics Center. Mr. Littman stated that he had contacted Don Bartels, a private landowner, to request an easement be granted to Weston County. Mr. Bartels is willing to grant the easement to Weston County on a portion of the Buffalo Creek Road. Mr. Littman stated the next step is to conduct a survey, which will be paid for by the Belle Fourche Pipeline.

Commissioner Ertman abstained from the vote because of a personal conflict. A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to conduct a survey on a portion of the Buffalo Creek Road. **Carried.** The Commissioners thanked Mr. Littman for working to secure the county easement.

Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Colvard and Sergeant Dan Bush met with the Commissioners. Sheriff Colvard gave the department report including Accounts Receivable and monthly fees. Sheriff Colvard and Sergeant Bush discussed the possible implementation of a canine unit for drug detection in Weston County. Sheriff Colvard went over costs of implementation, certification, care and medical expenses as well as the need for a canine handler contract. Lengthy discussion ensued, regarding insurance issues, civil rights issues and additional costs. Chairman Seeley asked if the initial start up monies were available through the current Sheriff's Department Budget. Sheriff Colvard stated funds were not available and requested the County allocate the monies from another source. A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to table the discussion of canine unit implementation until the afternoon session. **Carried.** This issue will be re-visited.

Code Red System

Doug Jorrey, Homeland Security Coordinator, joined the meeting and discussed Weston County's reverse 911 system or Code Red. Mr. Jorrey explained that this emergency system is currently provided with grant funding and will expire in March, 2014. Weston County will need to discuss keeping this system during the budget session. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 1:27 p.m. with all present.

Board Member Training Classes

A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to advertise two Board Member Training Classes scheduled for May 8, 2013. **Carried.**

Board Appointments

Weed & Pest Control Board: An application for the position of Weed & Pest Control Board was received from Jill Pischke. Chairman Seeley read aloud a letter accompanying the application. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to request Ms. Pischke attend a meeting to speak with the Board of County Commissioners regarding her application. Discussion ensued, **carried.** Commissioner Hunt agreed to contact Ms. Pischke.

The recorded votes were as follows: Ye: Commissioners Shepperson, Hunt and Rossman; Nay: Commissioner Ertman.

Contract Engineer

Jerry Hunt, Contract Engineer, met with the Commissioners and discussed the Mallo Camp Water Tank Replacement Project. Mr. Hunt stated that the Mallo Camp Manager and Board Members were not responding to his requests for information. The Commissioners agreed to contact Mallo Camp concerning these issues. A signed request for contract engineering services was given to Mr. Hunt for the County Lighting Upgrade Project. Mr. Hunt discussed the possible pipeline easement on Buffalo Creek Road. Mr. Hunt suggested the County request boring of at least five feet below the borrow pit level, rather than the road surface, where a pipeline crosses a county road. No action was taken.

Weston County Extension Service/Ag Department

Vicki Hayman, Extension Coordinator; Stacey Madden, 4-H Educator and Lynn Kolund, Hell Canyon District Ranger, met with the Commissioners and discussed the fact that the Forest Service will be relocating to the BLM Building. The Forest Service Office currently houses Forest Service, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Farm Service Agency and the Weston County Extension Service. This relocation will leave the Extension Service without office space unless the lease can be renegotiated. Many other options were discussed including renovating an older building at the Fairgrounds to suit the Extension Offices' needs. The Commissioners requested Ms. Hayman contact the building owner and compile other building lease information before returning to discuss this issue further. Ms. Hayman also relayed that Virginia Craig will be retiring at the end of March 2013. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:36 p.m. and reconvened at 2:48 p.m. with all present.

Board Member Training Classes

Brenda Ayres, Library Director and Karen Bowman, Library Board Member, met with the Commissioners and discussed the Board Member Training Classes being offered by the county. The Library Board Members are interested in attending and thanked the Commissioners for sponsoring the classes. No action was taken.

Wyoming Business Council

Dave Spencer, Wyoming Business Council (WBC), met with the Commissioners to discuss a WBC Board Meeting to be held on March 14, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. in Casper. The Weston County Planning Grant Application for a traffic study on the Buffalo Creek Road will be discussed and Mr. Spencer requested a Commissioner attend. Commissioner Rossman volunteered to attend this meeting to represent Weston County. Mr. Spencer and the Commissioners discussed the site visit at the Weston County Event Center with Dr. Basham on March 4, 2013. No action was taken.

Commissioner Shepperson left the meeting at 3:12 p.m. and returned at 3:15 p.m.

Sheriff's Department/Canine Unit

The Commissioners re-visited the topic of implementing a drug dog/canine unit in Weston County. The Commissioners discussed the current budget and agreed that this matter should be submitted as a budget request through the Sheriff's Department for Fiscal Year 2014. No action was taken.

Road & Bridge Department

Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Foreman, met with the Commissioners and discussed gravel and numerous County Roads. Mr. Williams stated that he had contacted with Taylor Rossetti, WY Department of Transportation (WYDOT) regarding the 2011 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Bid Packet turned in by Mamie C. Krank in December, 2012. Mr. Rossetti apologized for not taking action and promised to get the packet turned in to the correct person for review. Mr. Rossetti stated that both the 2011 and 2012 CMAQ Grants will be ready to bid in spring of 2014.

Commissioner Shepperson left the meeting at 3:46 p.m. and returned at 3:52 p.m.

Mr. Williams discussed the FEMA Flood Mitigation Projects, and predicted their completion by the end of this summer. Dangerous spots on County Roads including the Buffalo Creek Road and Raven Creek Road were discussed. Mr. Williams discussed equipment and the need to purchase two belly dump trailers. The new trailers would replace two 1970 trailers currently being utilized. The Commissioners approved the purchase of two trailers at a cost of approximately \$60,000.00 each, for the Road & Bridge Department. No action was taken.

Weston County Event Center

The Commissioners received a letter drafted by Don Hansen, County Attorney, addressed to Dr. Basham, Engineer for KB Engineering, LLC. A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on the letter. **Carried.** The letter was signed and mailed.

Board Members Appreciation Day

Commissioner Hunt volunteered to host a Board Member Appreciation Day for current Weston County Board Members and their families. A casual barbecue/carry-in will take place at the MW Ranch on Saturday, May 4, 2013. Once the details are worked out, Commissioner Hunt will contact Mamie C. Krank, County Clerk, who will send invitations to current Board Members and their families. No action was taken.

Commissioner's Room Remodel

Mamie C. Krank, County Clerk, stated that she had contacted Howard White of Howard White Construction, regarding a bid for the Commissioner's Room Remodel. Ms. Krank explained the alternate quotes and what was involved in each. After discussion, the Commissioners decided that a remodel of the room was not necessary at this time. No action was taken.

Approve Vouchers

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the vouchers as presented; also approved was a prepaid voucher for March from Public Health for heater repairs in the amount of \$210.00. **Carried.** They are as follows:

066 NCPERS, financial admin, \$288.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$1,720.30, Blue Cross Blue Shield, financial admin, \$51,380.31, Office of Child Support, payroll ded, \$175.00, Orchard Trust, payroll ded, \$1,120.00, WEBT, financial admin, \$180.70, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$40,454.65, WY Child Support, payroll ded, \$625.00, WY Dept of Workforce Services, financial admin, \$2,966.19, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$22,892.47, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$613.98, Hermes Consolidated Inc, oil/gas, \$26,223.92, Pitney Bowes Inc, supp, \$158.08, Advanced Drug Testing Inc, misc, \$26.00, Alpha Communications, tower rent, \$55.00, AlSCO, janitor supp, \$113.24, AT&T Mobility, comm, \$813.35, Black Hills Auto Salvage, invstgtns, \$79.30, Black Hills Chemical

& Janitorial, brd of prisoners, \$307.86, Black Hills Plumbing, repair/maint/brd of prisoners, \$300.75, Black Hills Power, util, \$2,480.97, Burnell Pond, wrs refund, \$22.69, Byrand Streeter, contract wages, \$1,071.82, C&J Newcastle Hardware, supp, \$334.72, Cambria Supply, repair/maint, \$502.23, Casey Thorson, janitor supp, \$1,200.00, CDW Government Inc, p-hlth exp, \$1,063.34, City of Cody, school exp, \$40.00, City of Newcastle, util/dispatch/pub def/p-hlth exp, \$4,684.45, Crook Co Veterinary Service, invstgtns, \$130.00, Dakota Fluid Power, repair/maint, \$219.52, Daly, Davidson & Sorenson, special attny, \$1,343.75, Decker's Market, supp, \$192.58, Delane Haynes, radio exp, \$116.90, Dixon Bros Inc, oil/gas, \$176.62, Drive Train Industries Inc, repair/maint, \$130.96, Eddie's Truck Center, repair/maint, \$488.11, Family Dollar Stores, supp, \$47.75, Fastenal Company, repair/maint, \$448.55, Fisher Sand & Gravel, grvl/rd mtrl, \$3,538.49, Flowers & Things, p-hlth exp, \$29.50, Fossil Creek Designs LLC, uniforms, \$135.00, Fred's Welding Service, Imbr/clvrts/brdg, \$5,136.10, Frontier Home Ranch & Hardware, oil/gas/repair/maint, \$759.76, Gateway Auto Supply, repair/maint, \$2,156.04, Geographic Innovations, elections exp, \$200.00, Godfrey's Brake Service, repair/maint, \$53.64, Golden West Technologies, comp software, \$1,100.00, Grimm's Pump & Industrial Supply, fuel tank maint, \$731.01,

Hansen & Peck, office exp, \$4,250.00, Hillside Pharmacy, jail medical, \$241.90, Hillyard/Sioux Falls, supp, \$219.37, Howard White Construction, maj repairs, \$1,803.30, Jerry Shepperson, mile/trvl, \$84.00, John's Electric, bldg/equip upgrade, \$2,978.50, Jorgensen Log Homes Inc, hist prsrvt, \$12,950.00, KASL, p-hlth exp, \$706.80, L3 Communications Mobile-Vision, hmnd sec exp, \$25,315.00, Leads Online, invstgtns, \$1,188.00, Lenard D. Seeley, mile/trvl, \$40.00, Lichen Research Center, comp software, \$1,000.00, Lori Bickford, p-hlth exp, \$148.06, Lyle Signs Inc, Imbr/clvrts/brdg, \$1,042.50, Mamie C. Krank, school exp, \$230.00, Martha L. Ertman, school exp/financial admin, \$468.50, MasterCard, jailor school/mile/trvl/veh maint, \$1,484.81, Max Masters, gis land records, \$1,900.00, MG Oil Company, oil/gas, \$1,014.72, Michelle Sweet, p-hlth exp, \$34.50, Mike Brewer, repair/maint, \$345.50, Minuteman Lube Center, veh maint/fuel, \$198.69, Moore Medical LLC, p-hlth exp, \$1,395.25, Motion Industries, repair/maint, \$109.44, Mountain States Lithographing, supp, \$179.49, Neves Uniforms Inc, uniforms, \$138.33, Newcastle Ambulance Service, ambinc, \$1,458.33, Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, chamber, \$875.00, Newcastle Equipment Co Inc, repair/maint, \$118.48, News Letter Journal, print/pub/supp, \$3,218.71, Northeast Wisconsin Tech College, school exp, \$175.00, Northern WY Mental Health/Newcastle, pre-emplmnt, \$150.00, Patrick Watsabaugh, wrs refund, \$22.69, Porter Muirhead Cornia & Howard CPAs, financial admin, \$5,200.00, Postmaster, hmnd sec exp, \$200.00, Postmaster c/o wic, wic, \$330.00, Powder River Energy Corp, util, \$1,311.66, Preventive Health & Safety Division, p-hlth exp, \$42.00, Randy Rossman, mile/trvl, \$24.00, Rapid Delivery, post/freight, \$12.00, Regional Health, coroner exp, \$169.00, Ringer Law PC, special attny, \$342.00, Roadrunner Disposal Service, util, \$55.00, RT Communications, comm, \$1,910.28, Safety-Kleen Corp, repair/maint, \$336.45, Sanofi Pasteur, p-hlth exp, \$682.70, Servall Uniform/Line Co, repair/maint, \$217.22, Shopko, supp, \$24.95, Shred's, elections/misc, \$613.25, Source Gas, util, \$2,183.06, Stacy Madden, ag exp, \$30.00, Top Office Products, supp/repair/maint/ag exp, \$1,099.56, Town of Upton, Ind-fill/community cnr, \$2,750.00, Tritex Forensics, misc, \$51.67, True North Steel, Imbr/clvrts/brdg, \$166.03, Ultra Max, jailor schools, \$1,612.00, University of WY, ag exp, \$40.00, Upton Co-op Assn, oil/gas, \$2,719.10, Upton Senior Center, sr citizens, \$625.00, Vaisala Inc, awos, \$1,362.00, Verizon Wireless, p-hlth exp, \$49.64, Vicki Hayman, ag exp, \$42.16, VISA, school exp/p-hlth exp, \$1,639.20, Voelker's Autobody, veh maint, \$1,103.28, WCS, comm, \$200.75, WD Larson Co LTD Inc, repair/maint, \$199.45, Wesco Gas, util, \$2,250.61, West End Water District, util, \$60.00, Western States Sheriff Assoc, pub rel, \$100.00, WC 4-H Council, ag exp, \$160.00, WC Humane Society, humane soc, \$750.00, WC Peace Officers Assoc, pub rel, \$255.00, WC Road & Bridge, veh maint/fuel, \$3,833.04, WC Sr Services, sr citizens, \$6,250.00, WC True Value, repair/maint, \$324.75, Whirlwind Services, janitor supp, \$1,255.00, William Taylor, ag exp, \$79.50, Woody's Food Center, brd of prisoners, \$161.74, WY Automotive Co, repair/maint, \$507.86, WY Dept of Agriculture, tank maint, \$25.00, WY Dept of Health, p-hlth exp, \$632.00, WY Guardian Ad Litem, special attny, \$1,039.66, WY Machinery Co, repair/maint, \$276.62, WY Network, financial admin, \$201.25, Xerox Direct, ag exp, \$94.49. Net Payroll, \$127,298.69. There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Lenard D. Seeley, Chairman
Attest: Mamie C. Krank, County Clerk

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JoAnn Fassbender

Card of Thanks

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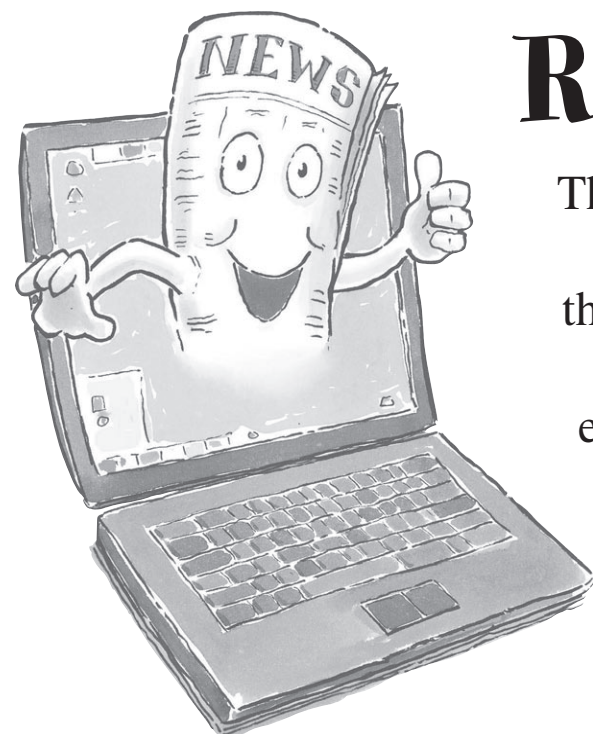
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Jack & the Beanstalk

The Missoula Children's Theatre production of "Jack and the Beanstalk" was presented at two showings Saturday, after a week of practice by local youth and MCT directors. Sponsored by Ponderosa Community Theater, the play featured the familiar children's story of Jack and his magic beans, but with a few twists and additions from other well-known children's stories.

Above, all the actors were on stage to start the play doing interpretive movements to the narrative as told by Nicholas Wineman, one of MCT's theater directors. At right, Jack, played by Sarah Slagle, and his best friend Milky White, played by Anna Gettinger, show how good their friendship is before Milky is sold at the market. Lower right, mother, played by Sierra Hammond, goes Jack about his adventure up the beanstalk. Bottom right, circus musicians Max DeMerritt, Aidan Chick and Dillon Kenney play some "not-so-nice" music. At bottom, the Giant, played by Daniel Caress, sings to his new friend Jill, played by Erika Shultz.



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More entertainment on the way

March is Music In Our Schools Month across the United States and while teachers reflect on the importance of music education, the public has even more opportunity to enjoy the results of that education during the annual High School Variety Show.

Newcastle High School has already had many exciting musical events this month, but music director Janelle Ellis

wants to make sure everyone marks their calendars on March 19 for the hit show that is sure to delight, showcasing local high school talent.

The show will begin at 7:30 in Crouch Auditorium and includes a program full of talent.

"Back by popular demand will be the Masters of Ceremonies, Gideon Baldwin and Conrad Farnsworth, with

their antics. Entertaining you on the piano will be Carissa Deming, and showing off their vocals will be Casey Hall, Bailey Roberson and Taylor Tavegia," Ellis said. "Casey will be accompanied on the piano by Carissa, and the last two accompanied by Nate Smith on the guitar. Natalie Artilles will perform and Trevor Ross will amaze you with his dance moves. Come join in the fun!"

Drought Management Workshop



Friday, March 22, 2013
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