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County value holds up

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

Significant decreases have been forecast in the valuation of many Wyoming counties in the year to come, which produces a negative effect on the amount of tax revenue collected in those locales. Fortunately, the drop for Weston County, which is projected to be only slightly more than \$2.5 million, is significantly less than other counties are experiencing.

Total assessed valuation for the county, as announced in the budget projections for the coming year in last week's News Letter Journal (page 15), is \$155,215,991. That's a bit less than the \$157,884,822 boasted a year ago, but county officials are still confident they will be able to meet the costs associated with a budget that is expected to be about a half-million dollars higher than last year's.

The Weston County Commissioners came together once again on June 25 to review

the budget requests of various entities throughout the county to prepare for the Fiscal Year 2014 Weston County budget. That meeting was part of a series of gatherings held by the commissioners and representatives of different groups and agencies, and requests that were reviewed throughout the day included the Sheriff's Department, District Court, Public Health and other miscellaneous accounts.

According to the proposed budget for the fiscal year that began on July 1, a sum of \$11,318,068.16 has been projected as the total amount of money needed to meet the total requirements in Weston County over the next 12 months. That is approximately \$556,193.04 more than last year's budget, which totaled \$10,761,875.12.

Few, if any, increases are anticipated in the majority of general fund requirements, and entities like the County Clerk,

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Ready for action



Amy Menerey/NLJ

Abi Brown prepares for battle during the Summer Rec Water Fight Wednesday afternoon at Centennial Park. The popular annual event allows youngsters to cool off in a fun way, on a hot summer day.

Escape alerts streamlined

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

When the public expressed some concern over the method and timing of alerts put out by the Wyoming Honor Conservation Camp after a prisoner escaped last year, officials at the prison began discussions with local government officials to address the issue.

As a result of those conversations, WHCC has made a commitment to using the same notification system utilized by other emergency response agencies in the county.

"They will be on the Code Red system to notify those within five miles of the camp in the event of an escape," Weston County Homeland Security Coordinator Doug Jorrey told the News Letter Journal on Monday.

That determination means that while those residents who reside within five miles of the prison will be notified if an escape occurs, they will not be contacted if they don't live within that radius. That has been the case since 2008.

The Code Red system, which is already

being used by the county, has not only proven effective, but has been tested recently as well.

"It's the system we use right now to contact people in case of emergency, and we've been using it quite a bit recently because of the severe storms," he indicated.

WHCC has been on the Code Red system, but also began utilizing one called Leader Alert a few years ago as part of a

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Fire put out quickly

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

A small fire broke out at Wyoming Refining Company shortly before midnight on Saturday, July 6, but workers at the refinery were able to put out the flames in a relatively short amount of time.

"We had it out within a few minutes," WRC Vice-President Mike Farnsworth told the News Letter Journal on Monday.

The refinery has recently upgraded its fire suppression system as part of a series of improvements implemented since its sale to Black Elk Refining two years ago, and last weekend's blaze seemed to indicate that system is functioning well.

"The new fire system worked exactly as it should have. We were very pleased with the operation of the system, however we really don't want to use it if you know what I mean. It's kind of like spanking your kid for the first time," Farnsworth smiled.

The fire was contained and extinguished even before local volunteer fire crews were able to arrive on the scene.

"All we did is do a standby. We staged outside the gates and waited. They pretty much had it handled and in control by the time we got there. We were there just in case we were needed, but it turned out everything was good," Newcastle

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Board member wants art again

By Denise Piscioti

When Newcastle Elementary School Art Instructor Robin Roetzel retired from teaching in 2011, the Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees and Superintendent Brad LaCroix made the decision to not hire a teacher for her position at that time. A new board member elected last fall, after the decision to discontinue the art program at NES had been made, encouraged the board to reconsider that move during the June board meeting.

Tina Chick, who won election to the board in November, asked the rest of the board to revisit the idea of having an Art teacher at the elementary school by expressing the belief

that having art in the school is just as important as music, swimming, physical education or any other extra-curricular education.

She wanted to hear thoughts on ways to bring the program back to NES because she believes students aren't getting enough exposure to art, and aren't producing as many pieces of artwork as they were in the past.

"I know that one of the ideas was to have the regular teachers present that in teaching whatever subject they were teaching. I would have said that would be a great idea, but I am not really seeing that happen very much, and if any of you went to the art show this year you can see that as well," Chick stated. "I just think we

are asking teachers to do something that is not what they went to school in, that is not what they are trained in, and that is not what they do."

The challenges of how to pay for such a program, where it would be held in the already crowded elementary school, and when it would fit into the schedule during the school day were obstacles Chick anticipated, but she was confident solutions could be found to those issues.

Trustee Chris Winter said she had argued the same point when the decision was made two years ago, but claimed her concerns were overshadowed by the willingness of school officials to move away from the program.

"It was pretty clear, at least

from the principal's perspective, that this recommendation was based on fairly sound reasoning and thought. It was kind of hard to insist on Art when the administrator was ready to let it go, so we did," Winter reported.

Chick said that a desire to not see any more extra-curricular education disappear from the district was one of the reasons she chose to run for a position on the school board. As a child in school in the district, the additional instruction of Art and Band was an important part of the education she received, and she wanted her own children to also benefit from it at the elementary level. She acknowledged

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Senator takes heed of citizen concerns

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

Immigration reform, the continued increase in the national debt, and the demise of the Wyoming coal industry were among topics of concern weighing heavily on the minds of Newcastle residents during a listening session held by United States Senator Mike Enzi, R-Wyoming, on July 1 at the Weston County Senior Center.

Senator Enzi met with a group of over 20 Weston County locals who were in attendance to voice their concerns about the future

of Wyoming and the nation. During the Listening Session, Enzi kept his speeches short and his ears alert, allowing the people in attendance to address the problems they believe are plaguing Congress, as well as allowing them to suggest any ideas that could be implemented to form solutions to those problems.

As community members took their turns expressing themselves, Enzi listened intently and jotted down notes.

"How tough is it to establish a decent way to get people over here to America legally," Newcastle's Kathy Dunford

questioned about immigration reform. "Is Congress not able to figure out a procedure that makes it easier for people to come here legally? I know our businesses want people here, but why do they have to be illegal? Also, what is it about some people not understanding why Republicans are a little bit, or rather a lot, anti-immigration? It is the illegal part that we are worried about, not the legal immigrants."

Newcastle community member, Barbra Crow, gave some ideas on how Congress could go about making immigration reforms that would

make it easier to assimilate those wanting to move to the United States and become American citizens.

"I have a daughter who just married a Frenchman, and immigrated over to France. In order to be an immigrant, since she is married to the guy, she was able to get right in and get a green card, but instead of just being admitted to the country and allowed to work, her visa is only for one year. In that one year she must complete 160 hours of French language instruction that the government

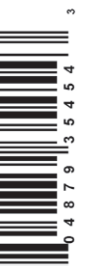


Zeb Wiggins/NLJ

Senator Mike Enzi and his aide, Coy Knobel, take notes as Weston County residents voice issues that worry them.

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WEATHER FORECAST	Thursday Mostly Sunny Hi 97, Lo 67	Friday Partly Cloudy Hi 89, Lo 63	Saturday Thunderstorms Hi 88, Lo 62	Sunday Thunderstorms Hi 87, Lo 60	Monday Mostly Sunny Hi 88, Lo 60	Tuesday Sunny Hi 91, Lo 62	Wednesday Partly Cloudy Hi 93, Lo 63	INSIDE: • Senior Stuff, Page 6 • Helping Hand, Page 8 • All Stars, Page 9 • State's Best, Page 10



Opinion

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Our View

Silence's sorrow

There aren't many things in this town that I haven't been a part of over the past 15 years. That sort of goes with the territory when you've got my job. When a group wants to hold a new event, I'm invited. When an organization wants to draw attention to some aspect of life in Weston County, somebody will invariably try to spark my interest. When a gathering is held to discuss a problem here, every effort is made to convince me that it's a problem worth mentioning in this newspaper.

So when the Weston County Prevention Task Force announced that it was shifting at least part of its focus to suicide prevention seven months ago, it came as no surprise to me that I was invited to participate in the meeting where the initiative was launched. I gladly participated, and as those of you who have shared involvement in events or organizations with me undoubtedly know- I didn't hesitate to offer my own insights and opinion. At the time, I thought those insights and opinions were pretty damn valuable, but after preparing an obituary in this week's paper for a close friend who died as a result of suicide, it has become abundantly clear to me how little I really know when it comes to a subject that the vast majority of us refuse to talk about publicly.

The silence surrounding suicide is almost deafening, and it's generally born out of a desire to respect those closest to the individual who chose to take their own life. It's also the result of a lack of understanding most of us have regarding the thought process of those who contemplate suicide, and what can be done to help guide them away

from the choice. Unfortunately, the silence does nothing to aid in our understanding, and that vicious cycle has resulted in Wyoming becoming the nation's leader in suicide per capita.

Epidemics thrive on ignorance, and if we hope to reverse the escalating trend of the newest one confronting our state (the number of suicides here rose from 132 in 2011 to 163 last year) then we're going to have to overcome our unwillingness to speak openly about suicide, and challenge ourselves to face the reality that has presented itself to us.

It's impossible to confront something when you're back is turned to it, and while I remain sympathetic to those who have died (and to the loved ones they've left behind), I care too much for the people of this community to place the meaningless comfort I can draw from my own silence above the responsibility I have to encourage all of us to do everything we can to bring an end to the senseless tragedy and suffering that has become all-too-common in Newcastle, Weston County and Wyoming.

I loved Bret Rasmussen dearly, and his family will always be important to me. There are countless moments when my friend brought joy to my life, but right now I'm consumed by the sorrow I feel over his last act. For myself, personally, I'm not willing to let that sorrow be my friend's legacy, and given the fact that there have been so many suicides here in recent years, it is my belief that most of those who read this have been left with the same emptiness over the senseless loss of someone they held dear.

The Task Force has put the tools in place in our community to find solutions to the problem and save lives, but we can't afford to just keep hoping that the people who need those tools the most will simply access them without any external stimulus from the people around them. That won't happen if we continue to hesitate to speak the names of those we've lost, and refuse to acknowledge the manner of their deaths. Our silence has proven deadly, and it is time for us to raise our voices for the purpose of saving lives. The legacy I want for my friend, and the other victims of this epidemic is the cure we've been too afraid to embrace. I hope we won't ignore it any more.



Bob Bonnar
Shots from the Cheap Seats

Letters to the Editor

Oil flows easier when government stays away

Dear Editor,

The utilization of fuel to produce heat has been the dominant factor in the progress of mankind from the caves to where we are today. Wind, solar and water energy have long been used, but they do not produce the heat needed for various processes. Wood and coal have long been burned, but it was not until the discovery of petroleum products that a source which was concentrated and portable was used.

Oil was first used from seeps, but it was in Pennsylvania that recovery was first developed. The U.S. system of government whereby the people could own the land and minerals was probably the only country in which this could have happened as it did. The oil business thrived and the economy grew. The oil production fueled our country and was a major factor in the victory we achieved in WWII.

The supply of easy to find oil and gas had its limits and we became dependent on supplies from the rest of the world. People knew of the existence of petroleum in other formations, but recovery was very slow by conventional methods. As with most developments in the industry it took a few men with courage and ability to overcome the problem. They did this on their own, in spite of the concerted efforts in opposition by our government and every environmental organization. The source rock for petroleum is the shale which is deposited with organic matter, which decomposes into hydrocarbons. Some of this material then migrates into formations which have pore space and serve as reservoirs which can be produced easily.

The industry had developed the method of horizontal drilling, and fracking had been around since the 50's. The combination was being used to develop production from tight sands. The pioneers saw this as a method to use to recover oil and gas from previously unrecoverable shale formations and a new industry was born.

The ironic part of the story is that our president, who is devoted to green energy, now tries to take credit for the recent increases in production. We have the capability to become independent of imports and to create millions of jobs if the government will just get out of the way.

— Don Thorson

Patriotism of local youth is refreshing

Dear Editor,

Spring presents a multitude of opportunities to display our flag, what with Memorial Day, Flag Day and now the Fourth of July.

Being brought up as part of a military family, my children were used to starting a movie with the National Anthem being played. My youngest child had never been to a civilian movie and was stumped to find out that the movie started without the National Anthem.

At the start of each day, when the flag went up on the pole at Headquarters, all traffic stopped, all of us paused to stand and salute the flag as we faced it, and in the evening when the flag came down for the day, it was the same thing.

But what surprised me most of all was when I attended the Memorial Day services at Newcastle High School and all of those boys and girls could recite our Declaration of Independence and our Bill of Rights. I was truly impressed by the Newcastle schools and what they are teaching our next generation. It was wonderful. For those of you who never heard of it, there's a poem by John Greenleaf Whittier named "Barbara Frietchie" with its famous line: "Shoot if you must, this old gray head, but spare your country's flag," she said." Written during the Civil War, it embodies patriotism at its best.

— Donna Gochanour



Volunteers make a trip to town worthwhile

Dear Editor,

Cambria Coal Mine Days was indeed, bigger and better than in previous years.

The Saturday car and truck Poker Run and cruise was a blast, to say the least. Thanks again to the hardware stores that donated the grills that went to the winners. A special thank you has to go to Renegade Paint and Pipes, namely Holly and Garrett Borton, who donated, cooked, and served the vast majority of the people that attended, Saturday afternoon and evening- free! You two went completely over the top with your efforts, both in initiating the cruise, and for the open ended feeding of the troops. Efforts like yours make special days in town worth coming here to attend, as well as joining in next year.

Thank you.

— John R. Larsen

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Senator gave us an opportunity to share concerns

Most times, I have no problem voicing my political opinions, and I do try to attend the representative meetings when they hold hours in town.

But with losing two loved ones, my father and grandmother, in the past few months, politics haven't been in my thoughts.

I received news that Senator Enzi would be arriving in town for a listening session on July 1, and made the decision to skip the event this time, even though I had been following and reading about his stops around our great state and wondered when or if Newcastle would make the list.

It was a couple journal entries penned in 2006 by Dad about politics that changed my mind about skipping the event. I know I am fortunate to live in this great country where others have made tremendous sacrifices to ensure my freedoms. We, as citizens, must never be complacent and think that our freedoms will remain because that work has been done for us. People must actively participate in this Democratic government that we have for it to remain "of the people, by the people and for the people".

It felt good to sit and listen to others share their concerns with Senator Enzi, and it also felt good to express a few of mine.

I've always put added pressure on Enzi, through

his reps, about our nation's debt, since he is an accountant, and it felt good to be able to express my fear that our country will crumble from within on this reckless spending path to him directly. I listed five concerns that day, including one for the subscribers of this newspaper.

With the USPS shift to regional sorting or distribution centers, came reports from our South Dakota subscribers that their newspapers have been delayed by up to a week or more. I spoke to our postmaster about the situation, who also made some calls, but the reply was simply that's just the way it will be.

It was difficult to relay that news to a longtime subscriber whose reply was, "if no one can do anything about this, just cancel my subscription, everything is over by the time I get my paper."

I understand her frustration, and we tried an experiment by mailing a newspaper in a first class envelope the same day we mailed her newspaper to see if using a higher postal class made a difference. However, she reported they both arrived on the very same day.

The USPS is facing many challenging issues. Technology has changed their daily grind, along with that of many other businesses that continue to

evolve and adjust with the times.

The NLJ hasn't made the leap to an online version as other newspapers have, and we rely on and pay the USPS weekly to deliver our product to our customers. In the nearly 20 years that I've worn the circulation hat here, there have been a few times I've had to remind the USPS that we must work together as a team to ensure our customers are getting the best possible service. It's pretty simple, if people aren't paying us, we won't be paying the USPS.

I've always had tremendous success working with our local postal representatives, but I mentioned to Sen. Enzi that perhaps the USPS should be allowed to let go of bigger things nationally, for instance Saturday delivery, which may enable them to work on other issues they have.

I learned the most that day from listening to the Senator speak. Many things he informed us about concerned me.

He said the debt has kept him up at night, which isn't surprising when you're a numbers guy. I learned about his plan, called the penny plan, to address our country's debt situation, and hope he makes progress with his idea.

There are many issues facing our great country, and I am thankful to have Senator Enzi working on them and listening to us.



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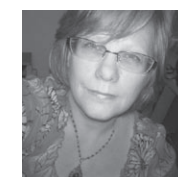
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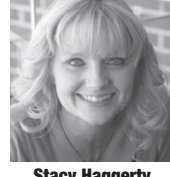
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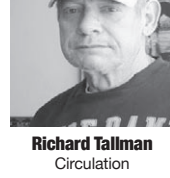
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Budget

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County Treasurer, County Assessor, County Attorney and Road and Bridge Departments are projecting identical costs to the money that was set aside for a year ago. The vast majority of increases are found in the "other county accounts," line item.

One of the bright spots during the day occurred in a meeting with Fair Board member Curtis Rankin, Weston County Fairgrounds Manager Dean Kettley, and secretary Sue Kettley, when the commissioners reviewed an updated budget and expenditure report from the Fair Board. Upon review, the commissioners have estimated a total of \$182,842.00 would be required for appropriations for that entity, which is \$27,858 less than last year's budget.

The total amount set aside for "other county accounts," which include such things as grants, depreciation of equipment, repair projects and other reserves is expected to total \$7,279,098.79. That line item also includes \$379,091.08 generated in additional one percent sales tax, and the projects that derive funds from those monies. Included in the entities that receive funding through one percent sales tax revenue is Newcastle Ambulance Service, and recently elected Commissioner Tracy Hunt brought up the question of why the county is subsidizing that private entity.

"It is my understanding that Roger Hesper runs a very efficient and also profitable business here in the community with his ambulance service. My

question is this, if he is running a successful private business with his services, then why are we subsidizing county funds to his business?" he asked.

Commissioner Chairman Lenard Seeley responded by explaining that there is a guarantee of service to county residents that goes with funding the Newcastle Ambulance Service, and that it would be in the best interests of those residents to continue funding Hesper's company. Seeley believes the county derives other benefits from the arrangement as well.

"Roger has stated to us that those funds go towards training classes for not just his employees, but also for the other EMTs in the county. He is our go-to guy when an emergency does occur, and his is required to be a first responder while other departments might not be able to respond to those emergencies," Seeley explained.

He went on to clarify that both Osage and Upton ambulance services are volunteer, which could mean less availability to respond as quickly to an emergency as Hesper's service can.

"Roger keeps people trained and on call 24 hours a day just for these purposes. I would not recommend cutting anymore than what we already have to budget for his expenses," Seeley stated, referring to the fact that Newcastle's ambulance service received far more in one percent funds than the services in Upton and Osage until a short time ago.

Hunt acknowledged the fact that Hesper is a first responder for the county, and commended

him for doing so, but stated that even without funding from the county, he believes it would still be in Hesper's best interest to do those things to run a successful business.

"I'm not saying we pull any funding away from the Newcastle Ambulance Service," Hunt reasoned. "I'm just saying it would still be beneficial to Roger as a business man to want to continue those practices to continue to run a successful business right?"

"That is not a fight I want to take on at this moment. We have had this headache before when we originally cut funding to that service, and I think that what we get for what we pay is a good deal," Seeley responded.

The duo agreed that further discussion about the funding should be undertaken with Hesper before taking any course of action to cut the \$17,500 Newcastle Ambulance Service receives. The Upton and Osage services receive identical amounts at present.

A public hearing on the proposed budget for Weston County, where the public will be able to comment on this or any other proposed expenditure, will be held on July 15 at the office of the Weston County Commissioners.

Any and all who are interested are invited to appear and be heard regarding the proposed budget. Those interested in viewing the budget in its entirety are reminded that it is available for public inspection in the County Clerk office from 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.



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Alerts

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statewide change.

"Mostly, we aren't changing systems. We did that a few years ago from Code Red to Leader Alert, and that was a Wyoming Department of Corrections decision. Unfortunately, Leader Alert has no mapping capabilities, and that is where we ran into snags with community notification," WHCC spokeswoman Wanda Kerns described, noting that the prison will be using the county system only in the event of an escape.

The Code Red system's database includes landline telephone numbers in Weston County, but those residents who operate primarily on a cell phone will have to go on the county's website, at <http://westongov.com>, to have that number included in the database. It is important that they include their physical address when they do so.

"If people have a wireline

phone, then they're already in the system. If they have a cell phone, and that is their primary means of communication- or a secondary they want to be notified on- they need to put that phone number into the Code Red system. Those who wish to have their cell phone numbers put on the Code Red system need to go to the Weston County website, and at the bottom of the home page is an icon for Code Red. If they click on that, it will take them to Code Red, and they can sign up whichever phone number they wish to sign up for," Jorrey stated.

He said the system also provides the advantage of allowing officials at WHCC to access it directly, and put out their own alerts without the assistance of any other agencies.

"Not just dispatch operates this. The Honor Camp has a password and the ability to

initiate it in the event of an escape," he reasoned.

"They gave us the password to get into it, and a limitation of only calling a five mile radius due to increased costs that would be associated with using a wider range," Kerns stated.

Those individuals who live beyond the five mile radius around the prison, will not be contacted by Code Red in the event of an escape, as it is set specifically to inform those in close proximity of WHCC when an escape occurs.

"Even if they're signed up for Code Red, if their address isn't within five miles of WHCC, they won't get a notification," Jorrey admitted.

There is a provision that will allow WHCC, with the county's approval, to go beyond that radius if circumstances dictate that it is appropriate, according to Kerns.

Dogie grads buy Wyo paper

J. Louis Mullen and his wife, Lisa, currently of Boise, have purchased the Green River (Wyo.) Star from Sage Publications, owners of the paper for more than 40 years.

Mullen had been operating the Weiser Signal-American until last week and prior to that was the Editor-in-Chief of the Silver State Post in

Deer Lodge, and the General Manager of the Philipsburg Mail, both in Montana.

Bob Kennedy of Sage told the staff at a meeting on Monday.

"This is a great opportunity for us," said Mullen, a second generation newspaperman who grew up in Newcastle.

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WALL OF GUNS RAFFLE

Wednesday, July 24
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WESTON COUNTY FAIR PARADE

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10:00 a.m.

The Weston County Fair Parade is sponsored by the Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce and Powder River Energy Corporation. Businesses, Adult and Youth Groups are invited to join the parade. Entry forms need to be completed and turned in by Thursday, July 25 no later than 4:00 p.m. Line-up will begin at 8 a.m. East of the Chamber Office. Parade will run from the Chamber Office to Stampede Street. Tear down will be at the High School parking lot.

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Public Information Meetings
 Bear Lodge Project Community Update

Tuesday, July 23, 2013
 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
 Upton Middle School, Boal Auditorium
 802 Juniper Street, Upton

Wednesday, July 24, 2013
 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
 Sundance High School Auditorium
 8th and Cleveland, Sundance

At 7:00 p.m., Company Representatives will present information on project activities. A brief Question and Answer Session will follow.

Please direct inquiries to:
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Obituaries

BRET RASMUSSEN
 Dec. 29, 1978-July 1, 2013

Memorial services for Bret Rasmussen, 34, of Newcastle, were held at 11:00 Monday morning, July 8 at Stonacek Funeral Home in Norfolk, Neb. He passed away July 1 in Newcastle.

Bret was born in Omaha, Neb. and went to school in Pierce before moving to South Dakota. His family eventually moved to Newcastle, where he graduated from high school.

Bret moved to Norfolk, Neb. after graduation, and was the manager of the Sears store in that community before making his way back to Newcastle. He was a dispatcher for Arch Coal Mines southwest of town at the time of his death.

Bret enjoyed the outdoors, and was especially fond of sports. He was a standout athlete in high school, and helped guide the Dogie football team to a historic playoff victory over undefeated and top-ranked Kemmerer in his senior season.

His friends will perhaps remember him best for his devotion to the Nebraska Cornhuskers, particularly the university's football team, and the program's logo was prominent in the clothes he wore and the things he surrounded himself with.

He continued to enjoy competitive sports well after graduation, and quickly jumped at opportunities to take camping trips and otherwise spend time outside.

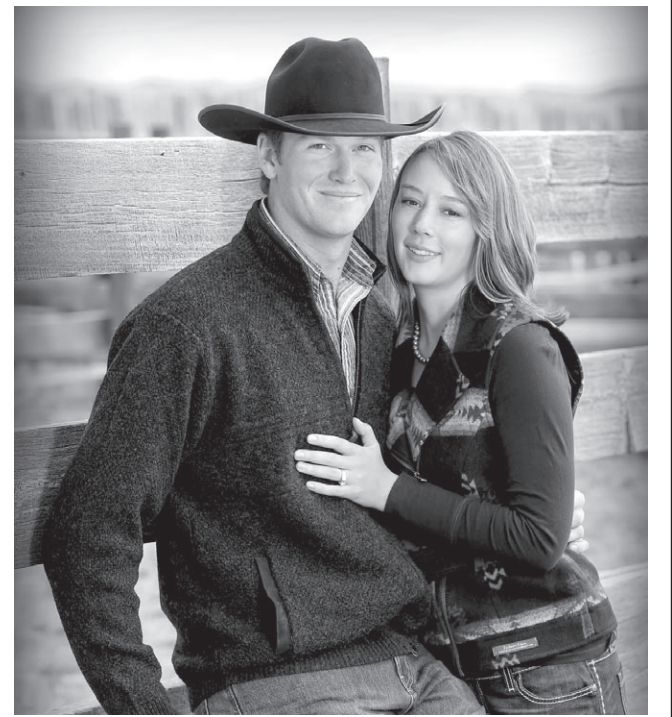
Bret is survived by his daughter, Madison, and his son, Derrick. He is also survived by his parents, Keith and Carol Rasmussen of Pierce, Neb.; sisters Jennifer (Kuper) of Pierce; Jessica (Medina) and her husband, Tony of Omaha, Neb.; Christina (Harris) and her husband, Jayson, of Holts Summit, Missouri. He is also survived and missed by nephews and nieces Koby, Tanner, Brayden, Alyssa, Sydney, Colton, and Breonna, and by his grandmothers, Elaine Rasmussen of Plainview, Neb. and Darlene Bretschneider of Norfolk, plus numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Bret was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Lloyd Rasmussen of Plainview and Arnold Bretschneider of Norfolk, and uncles Terry Bretschneider and Darrel Christiansen.



Bret Rasmussen

Engagement



PODIO-ROBINETT

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Podio III of Newcastle announce the engagement of their daughter, Theresa Carol, to Christopher Lawrence Robinett, son of Keith and Millie Robinett of Powder River, Wyoming.

Podio, a 2007 graduate of Newcastle High School and a 2012 graduate from the University of North Dakota, is an occupational therapist at Aegis Therapies.

Robinett, a 2006 graduate from Natrona County High School, 2009 and 2010 graduate from Casper College, works at his family's cattle ranch in Powder River. A wedding is planned for Aug. 24, 2013.

Birth



ANDEN JAMES HUGH DIXON

Anden James Hugh Dixon was born on May 23, 2013 at 10:26 am weighing 7 lbs 12 oz and was 20 1/4 inches. The proud parents are Austin and Jennifer Dixon, Grandparents are Jim & Joyce Buchanan and Jimmy & Sandy Dixon.

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- BAHA'I FAITH:** Firesides (Open to All) 1st & 3rd Fridays 7:30 pm at 15 Skyview Dr; 746-3626.
- CAMBRIA COMMUNITY CHURCH:** Pastor Chris Walton, 19 Stampede St. 746-2321. Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship 10:30 am; Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm
- CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL:** Rev. Sally Boyd, S. Summit & Winthrop Streets, 746-9684. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, Morning Prayer 10 a.m.; 2nd & 4th Saturday 4 p.m., Holy Eucharist. haydishall@hotmail.com
- CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH:** Pastor John Hopper, 224 West Road, West of Dow Park, 746-2415. Sunday Worship 9 am.
- CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS:** Bishop Greg James, 120 Ash, 746-4131. Sunday Sacrament Meeting 9 am; Sunday School 10:20 am; Relief Society & Priesthood Mtg 11:15 am.
- CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, 19 W. Winthrop, 746-4219. Saturday Mass 5:00 pm; Weekday Mass 8 am.
- COUNTRY CHURCH:** Four Corners, Pastor Bill Haley, 746-9712, Worship 10 am.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** Pastor Gary Anderson, 903 S. Summit, 746-2188. Bible Study 9 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Teaching Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6:30 pm.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** Pastor Lynn Schleicher, 301 Delaware, 746-9663. Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship 10:45 am; Prayer Service 5 pm, Christian Academy.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Paul Holland, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Sunday School 8:45 am; Church Services 8 & 10 am; Nursery care available.
- GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 307-746-8091.
- KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES:** 5018 US Hwy 16, 746-2319 or 746-4517. Tuesday 7 p.m. Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School and Service Meeting. Sunday Public Talk 10 am; Watchtower 11 am.
- NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sunday Worship 10 am; Wednesday Night Prayer.
- NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Wayne Wilson, meets at Black Gold Realty Building, 1517 W. Main, 746-5542. Sunday Worship 10 am.
- OSAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH:** 348 Sheridan St. Osage, 465-2341. Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am and 6 pm.
- SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Gary Force, 78 Old Hwy 85, 746-3504 or 278-0254, Pastoral Assistant Jason Logan 746-2974. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:20 am.
- ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
- VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
- UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Rev. Sheree Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 10:30 am; Children's Church & Nursery are available; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS WEEK

Why attend church this week? Isn't it just a time-consuming ritual that has no place in the fast paced, high-tech world of today? God gave us the Sabbath day for our benefit. The peaceful surroundings, opportunity for prayer and meditation, joyful song, lessons, and fellowship with family and friends can leave us strengthened and refreshed. We are ready for a new week and can face the world with the courage of spirit that God grants us. Do yourself a favor and spend time at your house of worship this week and every week!

Weekly Scripture Reading						
Exodus	Exodus	Exodus	Exodus	Exodus	Exodus	Deut.
20:1-6	24:1-18	31:1-18	32:1-35	33:1-23	34:1-35	1:1-33

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Imperfect moments make the best lifetime memories

Jessalyn Centifanto
Summer Solace

It has now been a week since I said 'I do' to the man I love.

It may come as a shock to some of you that my wedding wasn't perfect. It's true, weddings are not always perfect – at least not in the generic sense. I cried like a baby most of the day from exhaustion and a whole range of emotions. My contacts were so dried out from crying I couldn't see most of the reception, and I won't even start on what my makeup artist must have thought after she spent almost two hours on her "masterpiece" only to have it washed away by salt water.

I also lost so much weight from stress my dress was falling down and I tripped on it multiple times during my husband and I's first dance, but despite all that, and many more things that were less-than-perfect, it was amazing. And yes, even perfect, but not in the way most people would think.

Before the wedding I had a wonderful

time reuniting with friends and family, laughing about the old days and sharing toasts for the future. Yes, I was terrified my huge, loud, east-coast Italian family was going to completely overwhelm not just my new in-laws, but also the entire town of Newcastle, but the two seemed to join seamlessly. New friendships were formed and stories will be told from those times together for many years to come, I am sure.

Someday I will look back on our wedding day and I may or may not remember the people who came, and I've already forgotten a lot of details, but what I do remember are moments in time when I was so overwhelmed with how much I loved the people with me and the man I was marrying. There is a feeling of pure joy, a moment when you can't help but cry you are so full of love and feel so loved by those around you.

Those moments were some of the smallest things- moments like seeing my husband's face as he waited for me at the end of the aisle and the look in his eyes as we exchanged

words, that I remember. I remember looking past my husband and seeing his best man smirking at me because he saw me try and take my husband's ring from the pastor too soon. Like I said, it wasn't perfect, but those are memorable moments that I wouldn't change for anything.

After we were married, after we were "officially" sent off with bubbles and cheering, we had a special time with just our closest friends and family to say goodbye. Those moments with each individual were indescribable. I've never felt so overwhelmed with love, and then it was just my husband and I, as we drove away and got to finally be alone, just us. We realized what an incredible day, what an incredible commitment, what an incredible journey we had just begun.

Remember the moments that make for a lifetime of joy, don't waste your time worrying about the things you can't change. There will always be imperfections but that is what makes us human and makes life memorable.



Newcastle Assembly of God is celebrating their 80th year
Sunday, July 21st
has been set apart to reminisce these years
Call to Worship & Children's Church at 9:30 a.m.
Luncheon at Noon
All members and friends of the church are invited.
Cake and coffee will follow with a 'walk down memory lane' in photos and sharing time.
 Church is located at 216 S. Seneca
 Please phone 307-746-2249 if you have questions.

WHAT'S UP		Meetings & Events Calendar	
DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
July 11	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
	5:30 p.m.	City Planning Commission Meeting	Council Chambers
July 12	6:30 a.m.	W.C. Health Services Blood Draw	W.C. Senior Center
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
July 13	9 a.m.	Buck & Conk Annual Poker Run	West End Grill
	5 p.m.	Helping Hands Live Auction	West End Grill
July 14	9 a.m.	W.C. Fair Horse Show	W.C. Fairgrounds
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
July 15	7 p.m.	City Council Meeting	Council Meeting
July 16	9 a.m.	W.C. Commissioners Meeting	W.C. Courthouse
	6:45 p.m.	ALANON (746-9791)	Mondell Heights
July 17	9 a.m.	W.C. Senior Services Meeting	W.C. Senior Center
	Noon	Newcastle Lions Club Meeting	W.C. Senior Center
	Noon	W.C. Prevention Tast Force	Antler's
	1:30 p.m.	W.C. Weed & Pest Meeting	Weed & Pest Office
	6 p.m.	W.C. Humane Society Meeting	Shelter
	7 p.m.	W.C. School Dist #1 Board Meeting	Board Room
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
July 18	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
	Noon	Chamber Board Meeting	Newcastle Country Club
	6 p.m.	W.C. Health Services Board Meeting	Board Room
July 19	10 a.m.	Camber Coffee	KASL
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall

Family would like to invite you to an Open House Reception for **Rick & Mary Davies**

50th Anniversary

Monday, July 15, 2013
7 - 9 p.m. Newcastle SDA Church

100 YEARS AGO – JULY 10, 1913

Leonard Sedgwick, of Dale, Wyoming, died following an operation in a hospital at Cheyenne Monday. Mr. Sedgwick was a brother of Mr. John Sedgwick, of this city, and was the owner of large ranch and stock interests in Niobrara county.

Mr. and Mrs. DeBow of Cambria, accompanied by their son John, and daughter, Tillie, and Gladys Giffen, left Friday for Ohio where they will visit friends and relatives for the next two months.

The baseball game of Mush creek against Deep creek was pulled off with many flourishes. It was a seven inning game and a scorcher from start to finish. The ground was in fine shape except where it was rough or where cactus grew. Following is the score: Mush creek, 5; Deep creek 7.

Mrs. C. T. Minick, of the Fairview area, and sons, Hubert and Elliott went to Newcastle Thursday to spend the Fourth and attend Chautauqua.

Fred McMoran is the possessor of 75 little pigs; Fred Clark, 65; T. N. Ayers, 45. There seems to be a scarcity of pigs in the country among most farmers.

Six families of the Horton vicinity celebrated the Fourth on Beaver creek, camping on the old Mallo place where a most enjoyable time was had.

The big barn of Frank Huff on Beaver creek was blown down during the hail storm a week ago last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beaver, George Apostol and Mr. and Mrs. Igoe of Osage all came up to Jerome on the hand car Sunday and spent the day at the Alverson ranch.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Schaufelberger visited with Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Coyle yesterday on their way from the Yellowstone to their home in Hastings, Nebr.

Jack Rogers, of the Limestone country, who has been at points in Montana for the past couple of months on a sheep shearing expedition, returned to this city last Saturday. He reports business in that line of work to be very slack this season.

An almost full sized water-spout struck the Clifton vicinity last Tuesday evening, washing out a considerable length of railroad track. Passenger train NO. 43 arrived at the point where the track was washed out a few minutes after and being unable to pass, they backed up with the

intention of taking the siding at Dewey, but it was found that a portion of the track had washed out behind them, thus they were compelled to remain between the two until the damage ahead was repaired, arriving in Newcastle about three o'clock the next morning.

75 YEARS AGO – WEEK ENDING JULY 14, 1938

A large delegation of Lusk softball fans will be in Newcastle to back their Midwest Hardware team in its game against the local Firemen here tonight.

Notice – Dog Owners: You are requested to get a license for your dog before August 1st, 1938 from the city clerk.

A patent on a new type rear engine auto has been granted Henry Ford, the U. S. Patent office revealed today.

Washburn-Bettis Co. Ad: fresh peaches 35 cents a doz., tomatoes 10 cents lb., watermelons 3 cents a lb.

Mrs. Ray Dale and daughter Evelyn were in from the Recreation camp on Beaver Creek Thursday.

Mrs. Robert Dixon and children and Mrs. Harvey Gibbs and children of the Cheyenne River, were Lusk shoppers Thursday.

Gov. Leslie A. Miller said today that he favored the elimination of the two per cent sales tax on foodstuffs.

Several hundred softball fans, the largest crowd of the season, were brought to their feet in the final inning of the Lusk-Newcastle tilt last night, when the invaders staged a hard hitting rally, which fell short one score to give the local Firemen a 12 to 11 victory.

One of the largest wool sales ever reported here was held in Newcastle Saturday with over 100,000 pounds of choice wool selling for the good price of 19 1/8 cents per lb. totaling just over \$20,000.

The NYA playground near the Burlington depot will be discontinued until another girl is available to look after it. Miss Pear Schneider, former overseer, is employed at the Hayward Beauty Salon.

While working on the Updike rig Monday, Wallace Updike had the misfortune to fall from the rig, wrenching his back and tearing muscles.

The worst grasshopper plague in the history of the county was reported yesterday by County Agent Wm. Chapman and the insects are threatening



to destroy hundreds of acres of wheat in the northeastern part of the county.

50 YEARS AGO – JULY 11, 1963

A new boy's dormitory cabin at Mallo Camp is being finished this week. The 20 X 38 log building is in the west area of the Camp. The capacity of the camp is about 250 persons.

The ball diamond at the Newcastle National Guard Armory is nearing completion and will be completed as soon as the new lights are connected. The diamond will be used by little league, Babe Ruth and other groups.

First State Bank installs Time/Temperature sign. The time and temperature unit shows its readings with 162 11 watt lamps. The electronic brain automatically selects the lamps necessary to show the proper readings.

Mrs. Bill Townsend and Mark, of Osage, returned home July 2, from Hoover, S. D., where they had been visiting at the Maurice Brown home. Mark discovered a new colt had arrived during his absence.

Miss Loren Schlaikjer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Schlaikjer, and Miss Elizabeth Freeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Freeman and Nancy Guthrie, home from summer school at Laramie for the fourth of July were flown back to school by Mr. Schlaikjer.

Helen Keeline of Newcastle won the top honors at the Wyoming high school state rodeo over the weekend at Gillette. She won the all-around cowgirl contest, was elected president of Wyoming high school rodeo association and was named queen for the 1964 event.

A refugee from Cuba and a former close friend of Fidel Castro will be the featured speaker on Tuesday at a Lions club ladies night. Dr. Osvaldo N. Soto is presently teaching in Riverton. He is a graduate of the University of Havana and was considered one of Fidel's closest friends at the school.

Robert F. Brown, a teacher at Newcastle High since 1956 is attending a Summer Institute in Field Biology at Aspen, Colo.

From the Vault of the Anna Miller Museum:

This 352-foot-deep oil well was still pumping in 1959, in the Osage Oil Field.



Junior Rodeo
 entries due by **Friday, July 12th at 5 p.m.**

Entries can be dropped off at the Fair Office or mailed to 24 Fairgrounds Rd, Newcastle, WY 82701.
 Rule and event changes have been made so be sure to read the rulebook!

No LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

The Helping Hands Foundation of Weston County

LIVE AUCTION

Saturday, July 13
5p.m. at The West Enc
 Following the Poker Run

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For the Ages

He picked just a "few" things up along the way

Story & Photo by
Donna Gochanour for NLJ

If ever there were a master carpenter in this county, Carl "Junior" Slagle would be my pick.

I had the pleasure of seeing some of his work earlier this week as we visited at the Red Onion Museum in Upton. Slagle was born in Weston County on the family ranch 19 miles west of Newcastle, and he states that the ranch still belongs to him and his family. Growing up, he learned that in order to run a ranch he had to be able to take on any chore and learn a lot of new skills in the process to keep his equipment, and the ranch, running.

Through the years he also worked other places, in the oil field like so many others, for the Osage telephone company putting up overhead phone lines, the county fire department, and even sheep shearing. Slagle confessed that shearing sheep was very hard work, just about not worth what he got paid for it. His daughter, Donna Hogue, says that her dad is a "jack of all trades and master of none" and for those of us who grew up back then it was a matter of doing the best you could with what you had.

In 2000, he started working for the museum under a plan called "Experience Works." This program operates the Senior Community Service Employment Program with funding from Title V of the Older

Americans Act. Its forerunner was the Green Thumb program and it provides opportunities for older people to do useful work for the community and at the same time supplement their income.

In gaining Slagle as an employee, the museum acquired a great asset, for he is a talented and innovative carpenter and has refurbished and repaired endless items for display. If you ever were to go into this little museum in Upton, the ladies will tell you that Slagle has made probably 90 percent of the picture frames in the displays, all of it with used lumber from the old community center -- and there are a lot of frames!

He also built the beautiful wooden doors on the Anna Miller Museum in Newcastle, and has worked at restoring and repairing the old buildings that are displayed across from the museum in Newcastle as well as all of the buildings in Upton's "Old Town."

In 2009, for the Centennial Celebration, Slagle repaired a large variety of wagons, sleighs, buggies and covered wagons that create what is truly an impressive and beautiful display in their bright yellow paint with green trim.

If a part was too worn, missing or broken, Slagle was able to build a replica part to take its place, and you probably wouldn't be able to tell the difference. He also made the ladies of the museum staff very happy when



Carl "Junior" Slagle has been an integral part of the success of museum displays in Weston County.

he put wheels on all of the display cases. This was a big help to them. Slagle can look back now on 87

years and he says that it has been a fruitful life, a good life. "Ranch life is one of the best for

your health, and it is a fulfilling life," he said, and he's grateful to have lived on a ranch.

Friends celebrate Yeager's 90 years

Story and Photo by
Donna Gochanour
for NLJ

A large gathering of people met on June 22 to help Lucia Yeager celebrate her 90th birthday at the Michael's Room at Weston County Senior Services Center.

She was presented with a beautiful cake and applause as she made the first cut.

Lucia is still very active and can be seen at the Senior Center most days. She loves to dance

and usually attends the monthly dances at the center, where our good crew of gentlemen make sure that she gets an opportunity to get out on the dance floor during the evening. She also enjoys Bingo games.

Born in Nebraska, she dropped out of high school when her husband graduated. At that time, they were already married and had two children. Yeager didn't graduate herself until 1980, when she went back to GED classes and earned her diploma. She and her husband were married for 66 years when he passed away.



Small town festivals are nothing new



Living in Alaska, a hundred miles north of Anchorage, was a lot like living in a small town. Even though we were running a business out of an aircraft hangar, and we had customers every day, we still had neighbors who dropped in to visit. A couple of picnic tables sitting out in the side yard would usually have somebody sitting at them just talking, visiting, drinking coffee or a soda.

One weekend, a friend from Anchorage who hadn't seen this place yet came up to look us over. Three or four pilots were working on their own airplanes, folks were visiting, and it was warm and sunny out. He stood there in the doorway and looked a few minutes and said, "my God, no wonder you're not making any money, it looks like a hobby shop!"

Eventually it evolved into (TaDa!) a Hangar Party! We hired a band, the lodge at Montana Creek donated a keg of beer, a friend from Wasilla who owned a portable outhouse business brought up a couple of cute little biffys and the neighbors stood around for a couple of days with cold beers and minded the pig who was slowly being roasted in a pit off to one side of the hangar. Food and music were not enough though -- it was decided that games

were necessary as well.

The neighbor ladies spent a couple of hours filling sandwich bags with flour and we all decided on the rules for a flour bombing contest. Everybody pitched in, moved stuff up against the walls in the hanger and covered up critical areas with sheets of plywood. Somebody constructed a sort of a bandstand, others carried in tables and benches. The ladies brought salads and beans and the works and we were ready.

Ready but not totally prepared for the crowd that came pouring down the road! It seemed like everybody in the neighborhood had invited buddies from Anchorage. Local school kids sneaked through the woods and tried to get close to the beer keg. The party, which started in the afternoon, lasted late into the night. The beer didn't. I was making beer runs to the local lodges, picking up cases of beer. I never got time to eat, but I heard the pork was fantastic.

So, are you wondering about the flour bombs? Well, everybody who wanted to try it paid an entry fee and a circle was drawn on the runway in front of the hanger. Volunteer pilots loaded up contestants and they took off, made a 90 over the swamp on the south end and came swooping down the runway with the bomber leaning out a window and trying to drop the bag of flour on the bullseye. Flour sure is impressive when it explodes out of the bag from several hundred feet in the air! It covered many a spectator with white powder and ghostly grins. Some of those bombardiers were not very accurate. I think probably "drunk" is a better description! The guy who made it closest to the middle of the bull's eye got the entry fees for a prize, which he promptly donated back toward next year's party.

Oh yes, we did this for about three years in a row, by popular demand. We were absolute gluttons

for punishment.

One year, the Anchorage beer distributor got us a couple of Rainier Beer costumes. They were big plastic beer bottles that a guy was supposed to wear, just legs and arms sticking out and their head in the neck of the bottle. A couple of guys put these on, hid in the woods, and at the signal came running out of the woods and down the runway, a couple of wild Rainier beers, loose on the field! It was a sensation.

But sometime during the evening, the beers disappeared from our office where they were stored for the evening. A witness said he saw the beers disappearing out toward the highway, sticking out of the trunk of a small car. Now, the beers were worth quite a bit of money and we were responsible, and I was obliged to call the Alaska State Troopers and report two stolen beers. It was a hard call to make -- I had to struggle between hilarity and humiliation on that one. Well, since the troopers all owned little airplanes and were friends of ours, they were very understanding and the beers were recovered eventually.

Lots of other things happened too, and it was a lot of fun, but one day we looked at each other and said "well, did you have any fun?" and the other replied "no, and I'm exhausted." So we quit.

But I will always remember the night somebody toilet-papered some of the airplanes -- with the owners sleeping in them. And the night the port-a-can got tipped over with our good friend Mike inside -- backwards, no less, so the door was thoughtfully on the "up" side. Mike, an Anchorage policeman, was not happy and I had to take him upstairs, and throw his clothes in the washer. He wore them wet back to the party, and sat there and glowered at everyone while he tried to decide who did that to him!

Never did find out!



Donna Gochanour
I Remember When

Senior Happenings

Weston County Manor
July 11: Wii 10:30 am
 Manicures 2 pm
July 12: Bingo 2 pm
July 13: Movie 2 pm
July 14: Trivia 11 am
July 15: Cooking 3 pm
July 16: Stories 4 pm
July 17: Bingo 2 pm
July 18: Manicures 2 pm
 Men's Club 3:30 pm
July 19: Greedy 10:30 am
July 20: Password 11 am
July 22: Bowling 10:30 am
 Crazy Cart 3 pm
July 23: Scrabble 6 pm
July 24: Kickball 10:30 am
July 25: AI & The Gang 2 pm
 Family Carry-In 5 pm
July 26: Bingo 2 pm
July 27: Name 10! 11 am
July 29: Horseshoes 10:30 am
July 30: Ceramics 10:30 am



Weston County Senior Center
July 11: Miracle Ear Clinic 1 pm
July 12: Blood Draw 6:30 am
July 13: Open Rec Room
July 16: Mexican Train 1:30 pm
July 17: Toenail Clinic 9 am
July 18: Trip to The Lodge
July 19: Bridge Ladies 1 pm
July 20: Open Rec Room
July 22: Visually Impaired Support Group 1 pm
July 23: Mexican Train 1:30 pm
July 24: Manor for Lunch
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A Presidential Major Disaster Declaration has made Wyoming counties eligible for disaster assistance.

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The deadline for applying for FSA loans under this Disaster Designation is February 28, 2014.

For further information, farmers and ranchers located in the designated counties are encouraged to contact their local FSA County Office.

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that an increased emphasis on improving test scores in core subjects like Math and English is threatening elective programs like Art and Music.

"I know some people feel if you want good scores, then you have to spend time on those things, but I would also tell you I want a well-rounded child who happens to get those scores. I just feel like there is a way we could do it, and a way we could make that work. I certainly wouldn't be in favor of losing anymore of those extra-curricular things," Chick continued.

LaCroix admitted he did not disagree with her philosophically, as he thinks extra-curricular programs are good for students, but noted that realistically the district's ability to keep them will come down to whether or not it will be feasible financially to do so.

Student enrollment dictates the amount of money the district receives from the state, and he reported that at Newcastle Middle School for the 2013-2014 school year two grades are projected to have 59 and 42 students respectively, and total enrollment in the district will be down to 776 students.

"The problem is going to be, in this district, unless something changes financially...how much longer we are going to be able to keep them- whether that will be

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—Tina Chick
Trustee, WCSO #1

the block schedule, whether it be Ag, whether it be Science, or Art at the high school or elementary school. Those are all going to be really difficult decisions because we do not have the student numbers that we did at the time," he said, noting that under the current funding model, the district takes money allotted in the block grant for other areas to preserve vocational programs.

LaCroix did say he thought it would be worthwhile to explore the idea of expanding Art exposure in the elementary school because he admitted that in parent surveys distributed at the school, not having art was a concern.

He cautioned that it would take time to come up with a solution, and suggested it was not something that could be accomplished by the time next school year begins in a couple of months.

Trustee Tom Wright, who has held a position on the board since 1975, indicated the belief that it is preferable to not hire a position because of projected financial concerns rather than eliminating existing positions when the money is no longer available.

He said that the key to finding a solution lies in looking at the district as a whole to determine how to offer the widest variety of programs in light of smaller class sizes.

Chick said she simply wanted to put her desire before the board, and begin the work of searching for possible ways to bring Art back into the school.

"I wanted to start talking about it and researching if it is feasible. Can we do it? Because I feel strongly it is a program we need. I appreciate why you guys did it in the first place. I know those things are coming down the pike, and I know that some of those programs are in danger as well, but I would say that out of the things that people talk to me in the community about art is the biggest one," she reasoned.

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provides," Crow stated. "She must obtain a certain competence of the language, and take a test after the first year. She also has to take a class in civics, history and how to integrate into French society. She has to become not just a taker, but also a useful part of the system."

Crow explained that the courses she must take within the first year to become a citizen include how to do every day tasks, such as using the post office and going to the hospital. She explained that if her daughter does attain a proper proficiency in French, she could then be issued a 10-year visa. However, if she does not pass those required government classes she could be sent home.

"I thought this was a creative and positive way to look at the immigration problem. This won't stop those from coming over the boarder illegally, but we have Chinatowns and ghettos in our cities. We don't assimilate immigrants to be Americans. Instead we give them schools in their own languages," Crow expressed. "We enable them to stay part of a separate culture, and it seems like the French must have a pretty good idea here. They don't have Chinatowns, and they don't have ghettos, because they are pretty much integrated into their society in the first year. It just seems like common sense to me."

Kim Dean of the News Letter Journal approached the senator with her concerns of the national debt, and also questions on how we can save the coal industry in Wyoming.

"President Obama's recent 'Climate Action Plan' really concerns me. It directs the Environmental Protection Agency to unleash more regulations on coal-fired power plants and it provides billions of additional taxpayers' dollars to fund 'green energy,' and it picks our nation's energy winners and losers," Dean proclaimed. "The bottom line is that we must have affordable and reliable energy. Our country cannot survive on energy that doesn't pay for itself. This isn't just going to affect people who work at coal mines. This affects every single person that flips a light switch. Why is the EPA being allowed to basically pass laws and rules that the Congress should be passing?"

The majority of the audience maintained a conservative attitude towards the issues that were brought forth to the Senator, and many expressed the belief that the issues plaguing Congress stem from a left-wing agenda that is doing more to hurt our country than help.

"Senator, you are standing between what the founding fathers had set forth for us, and defending that which the liberals are trying to take away from us," proclaimed Weston County

resident Pete Larson. "All I can say is, I know there is a lot of liberal air floating around in Washington, and if you breathe too deeply, you might get infected. I just want to encourage you to continue to hold the line, protect us and fight for our freedoms."

Out of all the speakers heard, Cliff Perkins of Osage was the only announced Democrat in the crowd, and he strongly disagreed with the idea that liberals are totally at fault for the troubles in the U.S.

"So everyone understands, I'm a registered Democrat and a labeled liberal. For anyone that would like to know what a liberal is, come speak to me sometime. If you would like to see what our results do, come to Osage and I'll show you. Why use the word Democrat in a disparaging manner? Open up a dictionary and learn the word," declared Perkins. "I came back to Wyoming where I was born. It is my birthright. I've spent the majority of my entirety on the east coast. Since I have been here, and this comes from the majority of this area, I've had drive-by's telling me to get out. I've had anonymous letters telling me to get out. I've had representatives tell me to take my ideas back east. You ask the people in Osage what being broad-minded and open-minded has done to help them out, because I see very few people from this county stepping up to help those poor people."

After expressing his feelings about being a Democrat, Perkins did congratulate Senator Enzi for doing what he referred to as 'an amazing job' representing Wyoming in a credible way.

During the closing minutes of the Listening Session, Enzi addressed some of the talking points of the meeting and what the future holds for the U.S. Congress.

"I'm going to go through all these pages of notes that I have made here, but I've learned a lot from these sessions, and I get to hear stories that I can take back with me to Washington. I don't have to say, this is what I think we should do. Instead I can say this is what the people in Wyoming told me, and then I can give specific examples of what we can do," Enzi told the News Letter Journal.

"I'm very impressed with the turnout, being that we had the listening session during work week hours, and I thank you all for caring enough about our country and your community to be here with me today," he concluded.

Enzi stated for those who were not able to speak but would like to express their concerns and ideas on making a brighter America, they may contact him through calling his office toll free at 1-888-250-1879 or sending an e-mail to his website at www.enzi.senate.com.

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Art a good addition to event



Amy Menerey/NLJ

Alice Schuette, Colleen Pollat and Neil Sweet shared the books they've authored with those who attended the Touch of Wyoming Cultural Arts Event on June 29.

A Touch of Wyoming Cultural Arts Event was Saturday June 29 on the Weston County Library area in conjunction with the Cambria Day activities downtown Newcastle. Artists displaying their artwork available for purchase were Jeanne Apelseth, Donna Gochanour, Denton Lund and Amy Menerey.

Several authors from the community were also on hand with their work for purchase. Music from Al Costello and the Eleventh Hour Band entertained the crowd.

"It was an outstanding success! I can't remember a crowd that big at an event!" declared Linda Hunt. "There was something there for everybody in the family. It made it so much better having the two events together."

She also told the News Letter Journal it was fun bringing the two wineries—Buffalo Jump Winery and Table Mountain Vineyards—to this side of the state, and they expressed it was about time they attended an event on the northeast side of Wyoming.

"The organizations putting all the events together did a nice job of transitioning from one event to the other," Hunt reported.

Weston County Library Director Brenda Ayres echoed the sentiments of Hunt, saying it was the best event in a long time, she was glad they combined A Touch of Wyoming with Cambria Day.

Hunt noted that Pinnacle Bank gave away 600 hotdogs and hamburgers, and 225 ice cream popsicles were given out as well. She also indicated that First State Bank employees made several trips to Deckers for supplies for the pancake breakfast and lost count of how many they served.

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Helping Hands starts second year

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Helping Hands Foundation of Weston County began fundraising for the organization one year ago with a walk/run in June and a poker run in July, the successful events were once again planned for this year.

The proceeds raised by the non-profit organization are for county residents with major illnesses, who can apply once a year for a check to help with expenses incurred during that illness.

Bright and early, to beat the heat, more than 50 people participated in the Helping Hands Foundation of Weston County's second annual 5k walk/run on Saturday June 29.

Rita Conklin, founder of the organization, told the News Letter Journal there were few people this year compared to last year, but she was pleased with how it went.

After the event, many of the participants went to the free pancake feed sponsored by First State Bank, and Conklin said she and the athletes appreciated the firemen cooking the breakfast, commenting that she believed all of the activities associated with Cambria Day fell together nicely.

This year's poker run will take place Saturday, July 13, and registration is from 9-10

a.m. at West End Grill and Coffee. The fee is \$10 per hand, with no limit, and 25 percent of the total purse goes to Helping Hands.

The group will leave at 10 a.m., and the first stop will be at the Frontier Grill in Custer. The route will continue through Custer State Park on highway 16A, with several more stops in Keystone, Hill City and the final destination—back where it all began— at West End Grill and Coffee.

"It is a real pretty drive through the Park! We will make one stop at each town, and at the end of the day we will have a free supper followed by a live auction. We would love to have donations for the auction!" declared Conklin.

The plan is to have between 40 and 50 items for the auction after the poker run, and donations for the sale are appreciated. To give an article for the auction or apply for monetary help, call Conklin at 307-629-0627, Carol Underberg at 746-2298 or Glenna Reihemann at 468-2316.

Conklin hopes that even if community members do not go on the poker run, they will come to the live auction.

"Everyone is welcome to the auction. It will be around 5 p.m. at the West End," she encouraged.



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

Pastor Chris Walton of the Cambria Community Church leads his wife, Laura, and their two children, Leah and Christopher, in The Helping Hands Walk. It was one of several different events that was held in conjunction with Cambria Coal Mine Day on June 29, 2013.

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Fire

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Fire Chief Don Munger reported.

"We are extremely grateful of the volunteer fire department's response time, even though we had the incident under control when they arrived," Farnsworth noted.

The company is looking into the cause of the fire.

"An internal investigation will be conducted to determine the root cause of the fire. There was some instrumentation

and electrical damage that was repaired within 12 hours. Our safety department has already begun their investing, which will take a few weeks to finalize. Our operations staff has been extremely busy bringing the plant online after a series of power outages due to storms in the area that forced a shutdown, so we are a little tight on manpower for a few days," Farnsworth indicated.

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Leftover licenses

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Leftover licenses are available for purchase full-price via home computer, automated license agents, or at Game and Fish regional offices. Full price licenses go on sale beginning at 8 a.m. on July 10, while reduced-price licenses for cow/calf elk and doe/fawn antelope and deer will be available a week later on July 17.

As is usually the case, a number of areas have licenses remaining. A total of 8,368 full price antelope licenses are available along with 11,478 reduced price doe/fawn antelope licenses. For deer, 3,329 full price licenses are available and more than 10,400 doe fawn licenses. Elk hunters who would still like a license should note that 3,329 full price licenses are available as well as 12,341 cow/calf licenses.

A listing of the areas with licenses remaining for each species is found on the Game and Fish website wgfd.wyo.gov. Some of the areas have reasonable public access either through public federal and state lands or the Game and Fish Hunter Management and walk-in area programs. There are also many licenses remaining in hunt areas that are predominantly private lands where public access is difficult.

Hunters who have questions on applying for leftover licenses or public access in the different hunt areas can contact the Game and Fish at (307) 777-4600.

Soccer Camp

Youth in the community will have the opportunity to learn soccer skills at the Future Dogie Soccer Camp on Monday, July 15, and Tuesday, July 16.

Registration for eight to 14-year-old students begins at 7:30 a.m. at Newcastle High School. The cost of the camp will be \$15, which will include a Future Dogie T-shirt. Camp for eight to 10 year olds will be held both days from 8-9:30 a.m., while 11-14 year old students will expand their soccer knowledge from 10-11:30 in the morning.

At 1 p.m. each afternoon on both days a goalkeeper session for ages eight and up will also take place.

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Jumping through hoops

Colin McVay sprints through the obstacle course that was one of several activities designed to entertain the children who participated in the Vacation Bible School held in Osage last month.

Upton's young guns gear up

As in the previous five Wyoming Youth Hunter Education Challenges, champions were crowned and prizes awarded to all contestants, but this year's event, held June 8, marks the first time the competition was a springboard for teams of young hunters to represent the Cowboy State at the international competition, according to a press release from the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Wyoming will be represented by 17 boys and three girls in two senior teams and two junior teams. The majority of the young hunters are from Weston County, but youth from Jackson, Gillette and Rochford, S.D. round out the teams. The release said they practice daily with coaching from members of the Upton Gun Club.

Since the official state competition began in Wyoming in 2008, several individual youngsters have represented the Cowboy State at the international competition, but this is the first year Wyoming teams have competed.

"After proving their shotgun, .22, muzzleloader and archery marksmanship at the state challenge, this will be the first Wyoming team at the National Rifle Association-sponsored international competition, July 21-26 in Raton, N.M.," the release stated.

"The teams are excited to have this opportunity," said 16-year-old Colton Buckley of Upton. "Everything we've heard is that the international is a great experience."

Anyone who competed in a state youth hunter education challenge is eligible to also compete at the international.

The experience isn't cheap—it costs each youngster \$600 to compete, not including travel and the expenses of the four coaches and chaperones who will also make the trip. Despite the teams' fundraising efforts, they still need sponsors, and donations can be sent to Upton Young Guns, c/o Scott Buckley, P.O. Box 165, Upton, WY 82730.

"The 'Young Guns' are taking this competition very seriously and will do a great job of putting a great hunting state like Wyoming on the map at the international," predicted Jim Dawson, hunter education coordinator for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. "They really deserve our support and hopefully their migration will prompt other Wyoming teams to compete next year."

In addition to firearm and archery shooting, the Wyoming young hunters also display their skills in wildlife identification, hunter safety, orienteering and a hunter ethics exam at the international.

The teams will be wearing gold and brown jerseys at the opening ceremonies.

Learn more about the NRA's 28th annual international challenge at yhcc.nra.org.

To learn more about the Wyoming YHEC teams, call Rick Rothleutner at 307-281-9980.

Local all-stars set for State

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The smell of fresh cut grass, the thunderous sound of a bat cracking as it meets ball and the rush of the race around the diamond to beat the catcher while sliding into home are all a part of the thrill of America's favorite past time, baseball.

Summer days call for kids of all ages to gather with their hats on and their gloves oiled and ready, with dreams of knocking one out of the park just like their favorite professional players.

The players of the Newcastle Little League's Major League baseball team sponsored by Deckers Food Center are no exception, and share that dream.

Their coaches feel they have proven themselves worthy athletes, and believe they are highly capable of taking home the title of Wyoming State Champions as their amazing season starts coming to a close. It's something Newcastle has never been able to accomplish.

"These kids have been doing really good this season," expressed Head Coach Jon Lacey. "We have had an all-around great season, and so far we haven't lost one game on the road. We also played a couple of tournaments in South Dakota, one in Sturgis and another in Spearfish, and we won both of those."

Lacey told the News Letter Journal that currently the Newcastle team's win/loss record is 16-2, and that he sees his team having a real shot at taking home a state championship this year if things continue to play out like they have.

"We go to districts on Monday. If we get first or second in that tournament, we will then head to Laramie for the Wyoming State championships," he stated.

The Wyoming State championships will feature the top two teams from both the west and east side of the state, and if the local all-stars can emerge victorious there, it will earn them a trip to the west coast.

"If we can take that tournament, then that will set us up to travel to



Submitted photo

Newcastle's Major League team, with coaches Jon Lacey and Chad Ostenson, have compiled a 16-2 record this year, including a tournament victory in Sturgis, where they posed after the final game with their medals.

San Bernardino, California to represent Wyoming at the Regional tournament," explained Lacey.

Though many of the teammates on the Newcastle Majors baseball team play multiple spots to get acquainted with all aspects of the game, Lacey stated that most of his players have a specialized position that they play during competition. Because of a commitment to practice, they have learned how to handle their positions proficiently.

"Before the season even starts, we started practicing about five times a week for a few hours a day to get everyone in the swing of things, and

during the season we play a lot of games. We average around four games a week," he informed.

When asked why he thinks his team has had such a fantastic season, Lacey said he believes it's because of the bond that the boys have with one another.

"Most of these guys I have been coaching since they were six years old in T-ball. They have grown up together, and have learned from each other and really understand the game," Lacey claims. "They are a great group of kids who are all friends, and they all look out for each other on and off the field."

Lacey stated that the group of 11 and 12 year-olds has been playing together for around six years now, and he has seen continued growth in their game throughout the years. Lacey also announced that he appreciates all those who have supported the team throughout the season, and would like to thank those who have continued to do so throughout the years.

"These guys are just doing an excellent job," Lacey commended. "The parents that continue to support this league and the businesses that contribute to support this league should be very proud to call these guys their home team."

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Girls State finally gets a Hutchinson

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Abigail Hutchinson, who will be a senior at Newcastle High School this fall, said she felt privileged to attend Wyoming Girls State June 8-15 at Northwest College in Powell sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, but the notion of doing so certainly wasn't foreign to her. She was following the footsteps of her three older brothers—Orin, Asa and Elias— who went to Wonderful Wyoming Boys State the summer before their senior years at NHS.

"It feels like a family circle with my brothers going too," smiled Hutchinson.

She told the News Letter Journal Girls State differs from Boys State not only in the location but in how it is conducted. Close to 100 girls attend the weeklong event that ended with an Inauguration Banquet on Friday evening. The attendees' families were also invited to the dinner, and were able watch the young women be sworn into the offices they were elected to. Hutchinson was appointed Judge of Circuit Court.

There were more jobs in her city, Spruce, than there were individuals, so she was elected to three different positions—treasurer, mail clerk and water commissioner. Collecting money for the pizza and cake party were the basic duties she had as treasurer, and delivering mail to the people in her city was a fun job, she recalled. Water commissioner was the most demanding of her jobs because she had to oversee the bathroom that was shared by close to 30 people.

"We had to police shower time, make sure the water was off, there were no puddles and it was clean. It wasn't too hard, five or six other girls shared the



Submitted photo

Abigail Hutchinson with her mother Karen.

job," she explained.

The bill Hutchinson wrote to present to the mock legislature was about reforming food stamp recipients by forcing them to be drug tested every six months. If they were addicted to a substance, they would go to rehabilitation that was funded from a 2.5 percent tax increase on tobacco and alcohol, so the individuals wouldn't have to pay for treatment.

"It passed the House then moved to the Senate, where it was amended. From there it went to the joint committee and it got stuck there," Hutchinson reported, admitting she was disappointed it was still stuck when the session closed before it could get passed.

After writing an essay about the things she learned, and how she would apply them in her community and

school, Hutchinson received three college credit hours for attending Girls State.

Encouraging the students to "act like young ladies" was stressed during the week. The girls received points for behavior, achievements and kindness.

"Every single day we had to be wearing business attire," she commented.

They were encouraged to participate in the talent shows on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to earn points for their cities. Spruce City, the one Hutchinson was in, took first place in the history test and won the Outstanding City Award for having the most points.

They were taught songs for many of the different daily activities, but she admitted some of the songs they learned were not very lady like, especially the "Boys Song." One of the

rules was no talking to the boys on campus, and if they saw a boy they sang the "Boys Song," which embarrassed those of the opposite gender and generally resulted in them running away, Hutchinson recalled.

Her favorite moment was being a part of the three mock trials where the students were witnesses, jury members, judges or attorneys. Volunteer lawyers tutored the young women on what they needed to do for their roles, and it made the experience more real, described Hutchinson. On the last day the seven top performers from the trials were chosen for court in front of everyone.

"For that I actually got to be a judge! It was fun to argue with girls I didn't know," she said, indicating there weren't hurt feelings as a result of those arguments, and friendships were actually created through the exercise. Hutchinson indicated she made a lot more friends than she thought she would because she said she was "not a social butterfly."

Even though attending girls state was out of her comfort zone, she had a lot more fun than she thought she would.

"I would definitely go with the same group of girls. I learned so much on legislation and everything like that," reported Hutchinson.

Kellie Umphlett, the NHS student who attended the American Legion Auxiliary Girl's State last year, told the News Letter Journal she learned about the legislature and how the process of passing a bill works, but making new friends was one of the greatest memories she has of the event as well.

"My favorite part was getting to meet so many girls from around the state. Every girl was awesome and I still talk to a lot of them!" declared Umphlett.

Variety of experiences at Boys State

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

On the first seven days in June, four Newcastle High School students—Kieran Winter, Chris Spain, Trace Buckert and Justin Francis— had the opportunity to attend the American Legion Wonderful Wyoming Boys' State at the Wyoming State Fairgrounds in Douglas.

It was an experience each of them told the News Letter Journal they would pursue again if given the opportunity.

One of the reasons the American Legion hosts the leadership action program is to educate the young men on government, and after the delegates from around the state received their acceptance letters to the program, they were required to write and submit a bill. One of the bills that was actually passed in the House of Representatives during the Legislative Session of 2013 Wyoming Boys State was crafted by Buckert.

His act mandated that every household own a rooster. Section one stated every household in Wyoming had to own at least one rooster, and stipulated the rooster must be one year old and replaced if death occurred. It also proclaimed that owners must treat the rooster with love and respect, and claimed the purpose of the act was to make sure everyone wakes up in the mornings. Section two stated mistreatment of their rooster would lead to three years in a state jail, while the final section noted household owners who work night shifts must still own rooster, but could have it in a special sound proof room.

Each of the NHS students was in a different numbered city. Spain was in one, Winter two, Buckert three and Francis was in four. They were also placed in political parties, and the first two young men were members of the Pioneer Party while the latter two belonged to the Frontier Party.

The day after their arrival, a variety of games were on the schedule. A free for all lightning basketball game was enjoyed, along with several different team games—tug-of-war, trivia, make a shape out of rope, and others. There was also a talent show where the students had the opportunity to show off their artistic abilities by singing or playing a musical instrument.

One of the political visitors was Liz Cheney and her teenage daughter,

Elizabeth, and one of the punishments handed down during a lunch required Sam Bower from Cheyenne to sing to her, Francis recalled.

"When you lost your name tag, your punishment was to do something embarrassing. At one lunch time they made a line of people doing push-ups with their feet on the other persons shoulders," he recalled.

Winter enjoyed the political aspect of the week. As a member of the Pioneer Party, he ran for and won the office of County Coroner. He was also Chaplain of the House and Chairman of the Health Committee. It gave him a taste of politics, and he said it is definitely something he may consider in the future. He enjoyed going to the Capitol in Cheyenne and working in the actual legislative building passing bills.

"My favorite thing was making good friends that we will hopefully have for the rest of our lives," Winter told the News Letter Journal.

One of the benefits of the adventure Spain also liked was meeting new people and playing basketball and ping pong. On Thursday he enjoyed visiting the Wyoming Game and Fish Department Office in

Cheyenne, and learning what they do. He also was a member of the Wyoming Boys Senate, and with gun control being such a hot topic in Wyoming, he wrote his bill about it.

"I feel gun control is taking away rights. My bill was about keep them from limiting size and taking away assault rifles," Spain reported.

As a member of the court, Francis participated as a juror in both the criminal and civil trials. He also ran for the position of treasurer in both the city and state levels. Francis told the News Letter Journal he appreciated being able to earn three college credit hours from the experience, which helped him get closer to his goal of obtaining an associates degree at the same time he graduates from NHS.

One thing he learned how to do was make military hospital corners on his bed, as keeping their dorm room, or city, clean was important because the group with the cleanest area ate first. His favorite activity was the mattress war on the last day.

"We attacked each other with mattresses. It didn't end in a win. It ended with a hole in the wall," Francis admitted.



Photo courtesy of Dave Thompson

Kieran Winter, Justin Francis, Trace Buckert and Chris Spain were the Boys State attendees from Newcastle High School.

Accomplishments

University of Wyoming Honor Roll

The University of Wyoming lists 850 students on the 2013 spring semester President's Honor Roll, and a number of them are from Weston County. Receiving the honor from Newcastle are Andrea Jimlylyne Chord, Shelby N. Hughes, Clara Dawn Minder, Trey M. Sylte, Bailey Holly Terry, Mitch D. Weigel and Amber D. Wright.

Brittany Jean Hamilton of Osage also made the list, as did Mikala D. Crain of Upton.

The President's Honor Roll consists of regularly enrolled undergraduates who earned a 4.0 ("A") grade point average for the semester. To be eligible, students must have been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades.

Weather Vane

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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 October 21, 2009, was executed and delivered by Rocky Donner ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for New Line Mortgage, DIV. Republic Mortgage Home Loans, LLC. Its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on October 27, 2009, at Reception No. 715446 in Book 318 at Page 0309 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: May 15, 2013
 Assignment recorded: June 3, 2013
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 744037 in Book 345 at Page 628

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 \$166,356.22 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$161,976.17 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$3,799.47, plus other costs in the amount of \$ 580.58, 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 August 6, 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:

LOTS 5 AND 6, BLOCK 1, FAGAN'S ADDITION TO UPTON, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

with an address of 1232 Montana Avenue, Upton, WY 82730.

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

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
 By: The Castle Law Group, LLC
 330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
 Casper, WY 82609-0000
 (307) 333 5379

(Publish July 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2013)

Bid Notice

ACCEPTING BIDS

The Osage Water District is taking sealed bids on a 1988 Chevrolet Utility, 4x4 Truck. Mileage is 95120, New Tires, AS IS WARRANTY. The Board reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Call 465-2407 to view the truck prior to placing a bid. Bids must be sealed and delivered to Osage Water District at P.O. Box 83, Osage, WY 82723 by July 12, 2013. Bids will be opened on July 15, 2013.

(Publish June 20, 27, July 4 and July 11, 2013)

Public Notice

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

**IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
 Dantae Brodrick Peden
 A MINOR CHILD
 Civil Action No. CV-1419
 Rachael DeMerritt,
 Petitioner On Behalf of the Minor child.**

Rachael DeMerritt HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that she has filed a Petition in the District Court of Weston County requesting that her child's name be changed from Dantae Brodrick Peden to Dantae Brodrick DeMerritt in Civil Action Number CV-1419. All parties opposed to this Petition should file notice with the Court within 30 days of this notice.
 Dated this 14th day of June, 2013

Rachael DeMerritt
 Petitioner
 (Publish June 20, 27, July 4, 11, 2013)

Probate Notice

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

Probate No. PR-7933

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
 ELIZABETH NELLIE REESE-NOYES
 also known as ELIZABETH REESE
 Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO HAVE PROBATE PROCEEDINGS
 ADMITTED INTO THIS STATE**

**TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID
 ESTATE:**

Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of July, 2013 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. of said day, at the Courtroom of said Court in the County of Weston has been appointed as the time and place for admitting the probate proceedings in the State of California of said Elizabeth Nellie Reese-Noyes also known as Elizabeth Reese, deceased, in this state as a probate of this state and for admitting certified copies of the proceedings of said estate in California to record in this Court when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.
 DATED this 20th day of June, 2013.

JOHN R. PERRY,
 DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
 (Publish June 27, July 4 and 11, 2013)

Bid Notice

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Weston County, Wyoming is requesting quotes for EQUIPMENT RENTAL, and will accept, until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 15, 2013, quotes submitted on the proper bid form, signed by a duly authorized agent of the supplier and submitted to the Weston County Clerk's Office in a sealed envelope marked "EQUIPMENT RENTAL." The Weston County Commissioners will open said quotes on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at 2:30 p.m. Telephone, telegraph or facsimile quotes will not be accepted. Weston County has approximately 32,000 tons of crushed gravel stockpiled in two locations. The intent of this request is to obtain firm hourly costs for using outside contractors to supplement the Road & Bridge Department in distributing the stockpiled gravel. Detailed specifications, location drawing and quote documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk, County Courthouse, 1 West Main, Newcastle, Wyoming 82701.

Signed,
 Lenard D. Seeley
 Chairman, Weston County Commissioners

(Publish July 4 and 11, 2013)

**Deadline for Legals
 noon on Friday**

Fun and Games

THE FORTIES

ACROSS

- American Mennonite
- Woolen cap of Scottish origin
- Mountain lake formed by glaciers
- Buckwheat dish
- Back then
- It sometimes follows nausea
- Irritate or bother
- *Betty Grable was known for one and the other
- Historical period
- *1940s Bomb type
- Dissimilar
- Message in a bottle?
- *Eastern group
- Digital audiotape
- Dry riverbed
- Knickknack
- Applications
- Fusses or stirs
- Gibson garnish
- Actress Sorvino
- *Japanese-Americans from this state were interned, abbr.
- Ghana money
- Sinbad the Sailor's home
- Past times
- Aquarium organism
- Iroquois tribe
- Understands
- *Month when Pearl Harbor was attacked
- Go to and fro
- One who plays for the University of Utah
- *Chinese Marxist-Leninist
- *New Middle Eastern country
- Hue perception
- H+, e.g.
- Be of use
- News _____
- French lake
- The third canonical hour
- Polio vaccine developer
- Shakespearean verb ending
- Portfolio content

DOWN

- Also known as
- Supernatural life force
- Negative contraction
- Drives away
- Barn loft
- Barber's supply
- Sensitive subject?
- Ski bump
- Serengeti antelope
- Every which way
- Usually served brown or white
- To the ____ degree
- *Fastening invention
- Newton or Stern, e.g.
- "Just kidding!"
- Science of living organisms
- *Disney's unlikely flyer
- From the East
- To the point
- *June 6, 1944
- Ancient Peruvian
- *Where Jackie played, Ebbs _____
- Elks' hangout
- *Widely considered first computer
- Delhi dress
- Your majesty
- Unborn vertebrate
- Gather on the surface, in chemistry
- Grass bristle
- Layers
- Like a gymnast
- Roof overhang, pl.
- "Nana" author
- Twelfth month of Jewish

- civil year
- Jerk
- Mark of a ruler
- Listening devices

- Bloodsucking parasites
- *Morrow covered WWII for it
- ____meal for breakfast
- Tennis do-over

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June 23, 2013
Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, no action taken. Fight reported. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued. Open door discovered. Extra patrol requested. Assist other agency. Report of a dog at large. Report of dogs at large. Traffic stop, Citation issued.

Suspicious phone activity reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Fire alarm reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Assault reported. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued. Noise complaint.

June 24
Open door discovered. Report of a horse on the roadway. Stolen bike recovered. Abandoned bike reported. Two VIN inspections. Minor accident reported. Found dog reported. Minor accident reported. Weed complaint. Suspicious activity reported. Parking complaint. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued.

June 25
Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Parking complaint. 911 hang up. Traffic hazard reported. 911 hang up. Assist other agency. Gas drive off reported. Parking complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic complaint. Report of a dog at large. Hazard reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Report of a dog at large. Noise complaint. Noise complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

June 26
Welfare check requested. Two VIN inspections. Traffic hazard reported. Traffic complaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Assault reported. Assist other agency. Civil standby requested. Trespass Order requested. House check requested. Welfare check requested. Phone threats reported. Traffic stop, no action taken.

June 27
Open door discovered. Abandoned vehicle reported. 911 hang up. Seven Animal license complaints. Two VIN inspections. Barking dog complaint. Protection Order issued. Civil standby

requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Extra patrol requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Welfare check requested. Assist other agency. 911 hang up. Report of a dog at large.

June 28
Suspicious activity reported. Open door discovered. Three VIN inspections. Animal abuse reported. 911 hang up. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. Report of a dog at large.

Budget Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing for the Budget for the 2013-2014 school year for Weston County School District #1 will be held in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, 116 Casper Avenue., Newcastle WY on July 17, 2013 at 8:00 p.m., at which time any and all persons interested may appear and be heard by the Board of Trustees.

A summary of such proposed budget follows:

GENERAL FUND	\$13,812,858
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$284,130
MAJOR MAINTENANCE FUND	\$933,523
CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND	\$587,508
FOOD SERVICE FUND	\$402,833
AGENCY FUND	\$276,604
TOTAL	\$16,297,456

(Publish July 11, 2013)

Probate Notice

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

Probate No. PR-7931

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH YOUNTS also known as SARAH ADDINGTON YOUNTS Deceased.

NOTICE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE HEIRSHIP OF SARAH YOUNTS ALSO KNOWN AS SARAH ADDINGTON YOUNTS, DECEASED, INCLUDING CREDITORS, HEIRS, DEVICES OF SAID DECEDENT:

Notice is hereby given that the Petition of Edgar A. Addington for determination of heirship of said decedent has been filed in the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District in and for Weston County, Wyoming at Newcastle, Wyoming; that the date of death of said decedent was August 12, 1979; that said decedent was a resident of Delaware County, Indiana and at the time of her death the description of the real property interest situate in Weston County, Wyoming of which said decedent died seized is:

An undivided 13/60ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SE1/4

An undivided 13/120ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SW1/4

That said Petition shall be heard by the above entitled Court on the 29th day of August, 2013 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the Weston County Courthouse, Newcastle, Wyoming. That the decedent's children claim entitlement to an interest in the above described property.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2013.

EDGAR A. ADDINGTON, Petitioner
By: HARRY B. DURHAM, III (5-1278)
E. JEANNÉE NUNN (7-4816)
Brown, Drew, Massey & Durham, LLP
159 North Wolcott, Suite 200
Casper, Wyoming 82601
(307) 234-1000
His Attorneys

(Publish July 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2013)

Traffic stop Citation issued. Extra patrol requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. Found cat reported. Civil standby requested. Traffic stop, one arrest. Suspicious activity reported. Noise complaint. Disturbance reported. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Noise complaint.

Budget Notice

NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the board of Weston County Commissioners proposes to amend the county budget for the Fiscal Year 2014 in the following particulars:

Transfer funds in the amount of \$1,332.98 from the 2011 FEMA Flood Recovery Grant account number 516.00.21.0169000.0113 to the General Fund. The emergency work was completed on Ponderosa Road in May and June of 2011 and by the Road & Bridge Department.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that these matters will be considered and acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners at their meeting on July 16, 2013 at 11:15 a.m.

DATED this 2nd day of July, 2013.

Board of County Commissioners
Weston County, Wyoming

(Publish July 11, 2013)

Probate Notice

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

Probate No. PR-7930

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAY MILFRED ADDINGTON also known as JAY M. ADDINGTON Deceased.

NOTICE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE HEIRSHIP OF JAY MILFRED ADDINGTON ALSO KNOWN AS JAY M. ADDINGTON, DECEASED, INCLUDING CREDITORS, HEIRS, DEVICES OF SAID DECEDENT:

Notice is hereby given that the Petition of Edgar A. Addington for determination of heirship of said decedent has been filed in the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District in and for Weston County, Wyoming at Newcastle, Wyoming; that the date of death of said decedent was October 13, 1972; that said decedent was a resident of Marion County, Indiana and at the time of his death the description of the real property interest situate in Weston County, Wyoming of which said decedent died seized is:

An undivided 13/60ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SE1/4

An undivided 13/120ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SW1/4

That said Petition shall be heard by the above entitled Court on the 29th day of August, 2013 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the Weston County Courthouse, Newcastle, Wyoming. That the decedent's surviving spouse and children claim entitlement to an interest in the above described property.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2013.

EDGAR A. ADDINGTON, Petitioner
By: HARRY B. DURHAM, III (5-1278)
E. JEANNÉE NUNN (7-4816)
Brown, Drew, Massey & Durham, LLP
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His Attorneys

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Budget Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF HEARING ON WESTON COUNTY MUSEUM DISTRICT BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the proposed budget for the Weston County Museum District for the fiscal year ending June 30, in the Year 2014, will be held at the Anna Miller Museum in Newcastle, on the 22nd day of July 2013 at 5:00 o'clock P.M., at which time all persons interested may appear and be heard respecting such budget.

Anticipated revenue and expenditures for the fiscal year are:

REVENUE:	
Total Cash On Hand	\$67,001.23
Less Restricted Accounts	
Building Fund CD	\$54.47
Total Available Cash On Hand	\$66,946.76
Weston County Income	\$179,900.00
Investment Income	\$1.00
Other Income	\$825.00
Total Revenue	\$247,672.76
EXPENDITURES:	
Administration & Operating	\$219,000.00
Emergency Relief	\$28,672.76
Total Expenses	\$247,672.76

(Publish July 11, 2013)

Probate Notice

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

Probate No. PR-7932

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MILDRED EDNA MULLEN also known as MILDRED E. MULLEN also known as MILDRED ADDINGTON MULLEN Deceased.

NOTICE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE HEIRSHIP OF MILDRED EDNA MULLEN ALSO KNOWN AS MILDRED E. MULLEN ALSO KNOWN AS MILDRED ADDINGTON MULLEN, DECEASED, INCLUDING CREDITORS, HEIRS, DEVICES OF SAID DECEDENT:

Notice is hereby given that the Petition of Edgar A. Addington for determination of heirship of said decedent has been filed in the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District in and for Weston County, Wyoming at Newcastle, Wyoming; that the date of death of said decedent was April 20, 1982; that said decedent was a resident of Randolph County, Indiana and at the time of her death the description of the real property interest situate in Weston County, Wyoming of which said decedent died seized is:

An undivided 13/60ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SE1/4

An undivided 13/120ths interest in and to the oil, gas and other minerals:
Township 41 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M
Section 12: SW1/4

That said Petition shall be heard by the above entitled Court on the 29th day of August, 2013 at 9:00 o'clock a.m., in the Weston County Courthouse, Newcastle, Wyoming. That the decedent's children claim entitlement to an interest in the above described property.

DATED this 27th day of June, 2013.

EDGAR A. ADDINGTON, Petitioner
By: HARRY B. DURHAM, III (5-1278)
E. JEANNÉE NUNN (7-4816)
Brown, Drew, Massey & Durham, LLP
159 North Wolcott, Suite 200
Casper, Wyoming 82601
(307) 234-1000
His Attorneys

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City Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2013

ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION (a)(1)(A) OF SECTION 13-9 IN ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING 1961 TO REPEAL PROVISIONS PROVIDING FOR USE OF LANDFILL WITHOUT CHARGE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING that:

SECTION 1: Section 13-9(a)(1)(A) of Article II, Chapter 13 of the Code of the Town of the City of Newcastle, Wyoming 1961 shall be and hereby is amended to read in complete form as follows:

"(a) Basic rates for the collection, removal, transporting and disposal of garbage by the employees and agents of the city shall be as follows:

(1) Within the city limits:
(A) Ninety-Five Gallon Capacity Cans. The monthly garbage service collection charge for ninety-five gallon capacity cans collected within the city shall be eleven dollars and fifty-three cents per month for each ninety-five gallon capacity cans for one collection per week per can."

SECTION 2: This Ordinance shall become effective after passage and upon publication as provided by law.

Passed on first reading: June 3, 2013
Passed on second reading: June 17, 2013
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on third reading this 1st day of July, 2013.

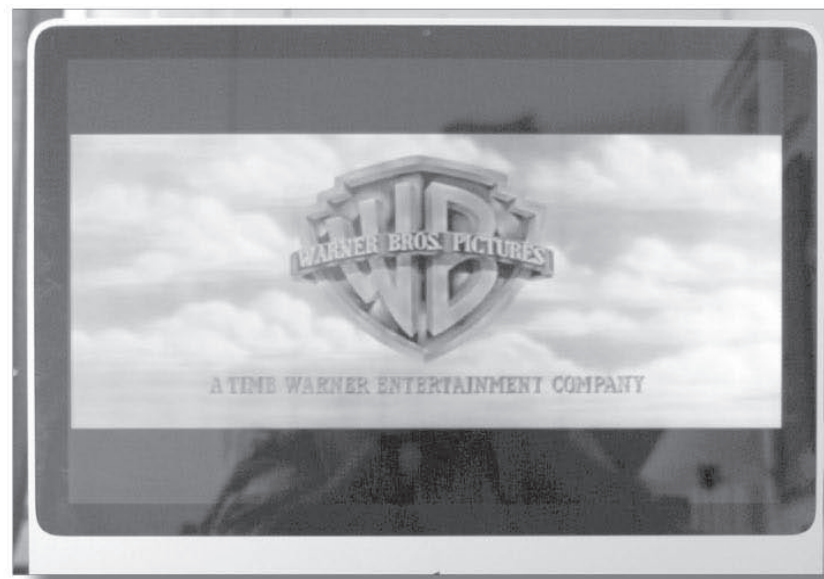
CITY OF NEWCASTLE:
Gregory H. James, Mayor
ATTEST: Charita Brunner,
City Clerk/Treasurer

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City Council Minutes

**NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 1, 2013**

Mayor James called the regular meeting of Monday, July 1, 2013 to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Archie Callander, Linda Hunt, Mayor James, and Todd Quigley. Absent: Iva Carter, Jim Bunch, and Roger Hesse. Also present Department Heads: Attorney Jim Peck, City Clerk/Treasurer Brunner, Police Chief Jim Owens and Engineer Hartley and several guests.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor James added Item #2 under Citizen's Business Verbal, Bruce Perkins, regarding the 4th of July. He also added at 7:30 pm a bid opening for water tank repairs. Linda Hunt moved and Todd Quigley seconded to approve the agenda for July 1, 2013 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Linda Hunt moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June, 17 2013 and the Executive Meeting Minutes from June 17, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: Linda Hunt read a paragraph thanking all the people, businesses, organizations and vendors who contributed to the success of Cambria Coal Mine Days and A Touch of Wyoming. She also nominated 4-Way Gas 'n Go for the canopy and gas pump improvement.

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION: Mayor James gave Certificates of Recognition and Appreciation to Wyoming Refining Co., Craig Deveraux, Jill Pischke, and Newcastle Volunteer Fire Dept. Cambria Landscaping and Supply, This and That, were not in attendance to receive their certificates.

Iva Carter joined the meeting at 7:08 PM **CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – IN WRITING:**

1. Mayor James read a letter from Val Cook requesting to be re-appointed as the city's representative to a three year term on the Weston County Travel Commission. Todd Quigley moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the appointment as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Roger Hesse joined the meeting at 7:14 pm. **CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – VERBAL –** 1. John Larsen appeared before Council to discuss the railroad. 2. Bruce Perkins appeared before Council to discuss the 4th of July. He requested to have an open container relaxation directly in front of his bar from July 4-7; from 10:00 am through 9:00 pm each of those days. Attorney Peck addressed concerns regarding blocking of the sidewalk in front of Mr. Perkins business. Linda Hunt moved and Iva Carter seconded to suspend the open container in front of Perkins Tavern on July 4-7 from 10 am -9:00 pm and allow 2 tables with 4 chairs per table in the same immediate area. The motion is not to include any other area of the street other than that described. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS: - 1. Archie Callander reviewed the WAM Convention recently held in Riverton.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:
City Attorney Jim Peck - 1. read ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2013, and ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION (a)(1)(A) OF SECTION 13-9 IN ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING 1961 TO REPEAL PROVIDING FOR USE OF LANDFILL WITHOUT CHARGE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Roger Hesse moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2013 on third and final reading. **MOTION CARRIED.** 2. he read ORDINANCE #3, SERIES 2013 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DISTRICT ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE on second reading. Linda Hunt moved and Roger Hesse seconded to approve ORDINANCE #3, SERIES 2013 as read. **MOTION CARRIED.** The record reflected that Archie Callander refrained from discussion and vote on the motion due to employment. 3. Attorney Peck updated the Council on the Union Telephone contract and Union's delay in payment of the lease. 4. He has been working on the ordinance changes for the utility deposits and hopes to have those to City Hall for review soon.

At 7:34 pm Mayor James stopped the meeting to hold a bid opening for painting of Water Tank #1: Velocity Constructors, Inc. of Denver Colorado bid - Bid Alternate #1, \$781,907.00. Alt #2 \$781,352.00; Velocity is a non-resident bidder and a bid bond was enclosed. Bid #2 was from Carr Coatings Limited Liability Company of Lovell, WY; the bid included a certificate of residency and a 5% bid bond: the bid was for \$294,510.00; alternate bid #1 - \$ 9,500.00 (temp tank); Alt #2 \$22,000 (temporary tank). Engineer Hartley commented on both bids and asked to review the bids and will give his recommendation at a later time. Mayor James closed the bid opening.

City Engineer Hartley – 1. reported on the Arboretum Sidewalk; When the original bidder, Powder River construction did not respond to the Bid Award Notice Mr. Hartley contacted S&S

Builders who took the job at the bid price which they had submitted during the bidding process. Their original bid was only \$250 higher than the Powder River construction bid. Mr. Hartley recommended at this time that the City not try to go after the bid bond from Powder River since the loss to the City was negligible at \$250. The Council advised against considering future bids from Powder River Construction. 2. by Friday the arboretum sidewalk should be completed and the sprinkler system will be started; he will have S&S Builders build the ramp up to the bridge in Larry Price Park while they are in town. That cost will be under the bidding threshold. 3. He reported on the street project in Frontier Subdivision; 4. water crews have installed a meter on Williams and Cambria; found a very bad valve and will replace on Tuesday; Oak Street leak is causing problems; crews will be working on that tomorrow; 5. blading will begin next week. 6. the train horn company informed him that the train horns will be here this week, July 3rd or 5th; 7. He listed some additional equipment he would like to purchase from Bev Lliteras. For a total of \$13,500. The funds are in his budget. Council consensus was to have the engineer go ahead and purchase the equipment. 8. requested a meeting with the Water Committee to discuss renewing the contract with Cambria Water District. A meeting was scheduled for 6:00 pm on June 15, 2013.

Police Chief Jim Owens - 1. discussed an Incident Analysis by Day report which shows the calls for service through the first 6 months of the year. Total calls for service to date are 2698. 2. He distributed a copy of the State Statute reviewing the hours of dispensing for liquor license holders; his recommendation was to change the City ordinance to match the State Statute; 6:00 am through 2:00 am regardless of the day of the week. The Police Committee agreed with this recommendation. Linda Hunt moved and Roger Hesse seconded to change the City ordinance to match the State Statutes regarding the hours of dispensing. **MOTION CARRIED.** 3. Police Committee discussed, prior to the regular meeting, the deer abatement issue; after reviewing the Game and Fish guidelines for a permit to do deer abatement, the overall consensus of the Police committee was that the City did not meet the justification for a reduction in numbers. His department will continue to monitor through late September to determine numbers to see if there is justification but as of this time the Police Committee's recommendation would be to just monitor at this time. 4. discussed new residents concerns about noxious weeds; there is no ordinance that specifically addresses noxious weeds; the State Statute addresses this problem but there is no penalty attached; the Weed and Pest representative in Newcastle stated that if the Chief gets addresses of places where there are noxious weed problems that he will go and

Public Notice

**STATE OF WYOMING
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY
DIVISION OF AIR QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE**

Chapter 6, Section 2(m) of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations provides that prior to a final determination on an application to modify an existing source, opportunity be given for public comment and/or public hearing on the information submitted by the owner or operator and on the analysis underlying the proposed approval or disapproval. The regulation further requires that such information be made available in at least one location in the affected air quality control region, and that the public be allowed a period of thirty (30) days in which to submit comments. A public hearing will be conducted only if in the opinion of the administrator sufficient interest is generated or if an aggrieved party so requests.

Notice is hereby given that the State of Wyoming, Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, proposes to approve a request by the following applicant to modify an existing source in Weston County, Wyoming.

Black Hills Bentonite LLC
P.O. Box 9
Mills, WY 82644

The applicant has requested permission to modify the Thornton Plant with the authorization of a 5,000 actual cubic foot per minute (ACFM) baghouse to control particulate emissions from the carbon system, installation of an outside hopper to supplement the Mega-Tex screen, installation of a Read Screen-All screen, and the temporary storage of granular product outside the granular bunker. The Thornton plant is located in the SE1/4 NE1/4 of Section 11, T48N, R66W, approximately seven (7) miles northwest of Upton, in Weston County, Wyoming.

A copy of the permit application and the agency's analysis is available for public inspection at the Weston County Clerk's Office, Newcastle, Wyoming. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, special assistance or alternate formats will be made available upon request for individuals with disabilities.

Written comments may be directed to Steven A. Dietrich, Administrator, Division of Air Quality, Department of Environmental Quality, 122 W. 25th St., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 or by fax (307) 777-5616. Please reference AP-12460 in your comment. Comments submitted by email will not be included in the public record. All comments received by 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 12, 2013 will be considered in the final determination on this application.

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Hearing Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing of the Newcastle Zoning Board of Appeals and Adjustments will be held at 5:40 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2013, in the Newcastle City Council Chambers.

The request has been made by Rick and Ann McColley to construct a Car Port that will have one corner within 2' of the side property line. The property in question is Lot 7, Block 5, Duff Grey 2nd Addition, more specifically known as 1525 Grey Boulevard. The reason for the appeal is current Zoning for R-1 requires a setback of 5' from side property lines for Structures.

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address those areas with the owners.

City Clerk/Treasurer Brunner – 1. commented on the WAM Resolutions; 2, reminded Council about Rare Element Resources meeting scheduled in July. 3. Informed Council about National League of Cities national meeting scholarships; 4. Commented that the claims dollar amount high but City is processing grant reimbursements for a lot of the larger expenses.

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

Todd Quigley moved and Archie Callander seconded to pay the claims against the City dated July 1, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.** Archie Callander moved and Todd Quigley seconded to close the meeting at 8:18 PM.

Claims: FY 2012-2013 Claims: Alpha Communications, June 2013 tower rent, \$95.00; Anderson Contracting, remove meter/pr fountain, \$273.00; Archie Callander, WAM mileage, \$325.44; AT&T Mobility, cell phones, \$755.76; BH Plumbing, FD drain/valve work, \$466.52; BH Power, electricity, \$11,466.30; Cambria Supply, supplies, \$15.45; City of Newcastle, WA/SW/GA, \$585.87; Collins Communications, case/clear tube, \$47.00; Croell Redi-Mix, concrete, \$4130.25; Deb Mills, WAM mileage, \$325.44; Energy Labs, water tests, \$60.00; Front Range Apparatus, graphics, \$2169.25; Frontier Home Ranch, supplies, \$653.42; Instrument & Supply, stems, \$5879.96; LGLP deductible Anderson/Allen, \$1235.52; MasterCard, supplies, travel, etc., \$958.91; MG Oil, oil, \$774.50; Minuteman Lube, service 2006 Crown Vic, \$52.70; Newcastle Equipment, remove alternator, \$528.92; Newcastle Hardware, FD supplies for June, \$206.03; Newcastle Vol. Fire, plywood, reg WDFFA/15 couples, \$2412.50; Newman Traffic Signs, signage, \$1324.45; Office Shop Leasing, copy chg, \$18.93; Petty Cash, postage/Title change, \$28.92; Postmaster, postage, \$250.00; Powder River Energy, electricity, \$878.71; Public Safety Center, battery, \$64.13; RT Communications, telephone, \$1232.41; S&S Builders, Arboretum sidewalk, \$57,168.83; Sourcegas, natural gas, \$735.70; Stan Houston Equip., chain, \$909.50; Terri Meyer, hall cleaning, \$360.50; Timberline, 302.07 ton gravel, Pay Req #2 Street imp 2013, \$ \$84,420.87; TOP Office, EFL tray, \$16.65; Tru-Green Chemlawn, application, \$100.00; Two-Way Radio, supplies/warranty, \$2725.00; Valley Green Sod Farm, sod, \$468.00; Valli Information Systems, online pmts

Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE 2

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated September 23, 2009, executed and delivered by William Troupe ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mountain States Mortgage Centers Inc., its successors and assigns ("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 October 2, 2009, at Reception No. 715006 in Book 317 at Page 1007;

WHEREAS, the Mortgage has been duly assigned for value by Mortgagee as follows:

Assignee: Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC
Assignment dated: March 20, 2013
Assignment recorded: April 1, 2013
Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 742515 in Book 344 at Page 32

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:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF WESTON, STATE OF WYOMING, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOT TWELVE (12), BLOCK FIVE (5), BLACK HILLS VIEW ADDITION TO NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

EXCEPT A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PART OF LOT 12, BLOCK 5, BLACK HILLS VIEW ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, AND BEING DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SE CORNER OF LOT 12, THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 89°57'W FOR 10.00 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N25°40'E FOR 147.32 FEET TO INTERSECT THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 12; THENCE S22°05'W FOR 144.27 FEET TO THE SE CORNER OF LOT 12, AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

with an address of 203 Highland Ave, 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 July 2, 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 August 6, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming.

Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC
By: The Castle Law Group, LLC
330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
Casper, WY 82609-0000
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maintenance, \$150.00; Weston Co. Treasure, tax handling chg, \$146.74; **Water Deposit Refunds:** Amanda Finley, \$89.35; Ed Brownrigg, \$11.08; Jason/Sara Ramsey, \$63.19; Megan Siebenaller, \$86.75; Nicole Carr, \$12.11; Troy Toth, \$29.72; Wade Manders, \$91.94; Yvonne Snyder, \$5.33; **FY 2013-14 Claims:** BCBS of WY, employee health ins, \$30,420.52; Bryand Streeter, airport wages, \$1158.75; Jim Peck, attorney retainer, \$2800.00; LGLP, 2014 premium, \$16,639.00; Newcastle Ambulance, July ambulance pmt, \$8333.33; RENEW, July recycling pmt, \$1050.00; W.A.R.M., 2014 property insurance premium, \$14,879.43; WAMCAT, 3 2014 memberships, \$195.00;

Greg James, Mayor
ATTEST: Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner

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WCSD #1 Warrants

**WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
WARRANTS OVER \$500
JUNE 2013**

Vendor/Payee	Amount
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$1,612,362.08
AUDIO-VIDEO SOLUTIONS, INC	\$2,298.00
AVI SYSTEMS, CORP	\$1,420.06
CITY OF NEWCASTLE	\$2,320.91
ASHLEY DEMARAS	\$5,957.50
FIRST STATE BANK-LEASE	\$316,386.36
NEWSLETTER JOURNAL	\$779.93
NORTHEAST WYOMING	\$1,460.00
RT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	\$1,884.17
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	\$1,545.09
THOMPSON MEDIA GROUP LLC	\$536.99
ZONAR SYSTEMS,INC	\$1,251.28
FLYING V CAMBRIA INN	\$1,250.00
FRONTIER HOME RANCH AND HOME	\$911.83
GATEWAY AUTO SUPPLY	\$1,398.99
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES &	\$41,924.00
HAWKINS,INC	\$813.93
NEWSLETTER JOURNAL	\$2,463.00
NEWSLETTER JOURNAL	\$2,871.10
TOP OFFICE PRODUCTS	\$1,474.00
WEST END GRILL	\$900.00
WESTON COUNTY CLERK	\$11,283.85
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #7	\$61,313.00
WOODY'S	\$1,574.07
WYOMING BEHAVIORAL	\$675.00
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$370,427.96
AMERICAN SOLUTIONS FOR BUSINESS	\$612.05
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC	\$626.76
AT&T MOBILITY	\$967.55
BBY PUBLICATIONS,UWA	\$1,776.00
BLACK HILLS CHEMICAL CO.	\$2,527.42
BLACK HILLS POWER & LIGHT CORP	\$19,201.69
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES &	\$5,700.00
HANSEN AND PECK	\$1,060.00
HAWKINS,INC	\$584.57
HEARTLAND PAPER COMPANY	\$906.58
HOLDINGS LITTLE AMERICA	\$2,697.00
LUTHERANS OUTDOORS IN SOUTH	\$3,597.00
MARCO	\$5,154.43
MIDCONTINENT	\$624.00
NORTH PLATTE PT SERVICES, INC	\$2,459.40
NORTHEAST WYOMING	\$27,437.18
NORTHERN WYOMING MENTAL HEALTH	\$500.00
PARKWAY PLAZA	\$1,354.25
PEARSON EDUCATION INC	\$10,742.49
POWDER RIVER ENERGY CORP	\$5,698.05
SOURCEGAS	\$2,719.46
SUMMIT PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES,LLC	\$2,625.00
TAC ONE CONSULTING	\$2,944.00
DANA MANN TAVEGIA	\$3,125.10
VISA	\$3,893.12
VOELKER'S AUTOBODY & GLASS, INC.	\$1,213.80
WASA	\$868.00
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YOGO INN	\$667.12
WYOMING REFINING COMPANY	\$8,925.98
CHILDREN'S CARE HOSPITAL	\$6,004.00
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WHIRLWIND CONSTRUCTION	\$1,200.00
MARILYN LUNNEY	\$5,650.00
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BLACK HILLS PRINTING & SIGNS	\$1,147.50
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VISA	\$4,701.01
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VISA	\$2,703.04
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WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$7,853.58
WYOMING ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION	\$600.00
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WCSD-REC	\$608.84
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SOURCEGAS	\$594.16
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST. 1	\$4,587.51
Weston County School District #1	\$1,483.54
NEWSLETTER JOURNAL	\$446.00
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WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$17,298.95
Checking Account Total:	\$17,298.95
DALE BUCKINGHAM ARCHITECTS LLC	\$4,339.69
WEST PLAINS ENGINEERING, INC	\$3,165.00
Checking Account Total:	\$7,504.69
JOHN'S ELECTRIC	\$660.18
A ROOFING	\$15,012.00
BERENDSE & SONS PAINT CO, INC	\$33,480.00
DAKOTA SEALANTS INC	\$2,100.00
POWDER RIVER HEATING &AG	\$965.00
VISA	\$3,025.66
Checking Account Total:	\$55,242.84
WCSD#1	\$42,515.94
WCSD	\$3,704.49
WESTON COUNTY CHILDREN'S CENTER	\$3,361.42
Checking Account Total:	\$49,581.85
WCSD	\$30,277.65
WCSD-COMM ED	\$8,767.42
Checking Account Total:	\$39,045.07
Grand Total:	\$2,815,483.96

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO RECLAIM ABANDONED PROPERTY

To: RICHARD NIELSEN, MARJORIE NIELSEN All Other Occupants

Upon notification that the property located at 710 Willow Street, Upton, Wyoming 82730 was vacant, Owner's Agent attempted to secure the premises and found that the following personal property remained at the property:

Miscellaneous household and personal items located in the house and on the property.

To claim this property, please contact the Owner's Agent, The Castle Law Group, LLC at (307) 333-5379.

You must take possession of the property to which you are entitled, or notify the agent in writing of your intent to take possession, within seven (7) days from the date this notice is published. If you notify the agent in writing of your intent to take possession of the property, you must take possession within fifteen (15) days from the date this notice is published. The property is deemed abandoned and may be disposed of if you do not comply with either of these options.

JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

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Card of Thanks
Thank you to all of our wonderful friends and family who shared our 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration with us. It was truly a happy occasion. Also, our very special thanks to our daughter Laurie and special friend, Linda Newlin and all those who helped make it such a special day.
Sincerely,
Gene and Joyce
Diedrich

Card of Thanks
A **BIG** thank you to our children for a wonderful 50th Anniversary Weekend. Also to our friends who attended the open house, sent cards, or said congratulations. We appreciated it all.
Tom & Shirley Harder

In Memoriam
In Loving Memory of Randall Jay Hemenway June 1987/July 2006
I thought of you today, but that was nothing new. I think of you in silence, I often speak your name. God has you in his arms. We have you in our hearts. Your Memories are our keepsakes. Forever loved and greatly missed.
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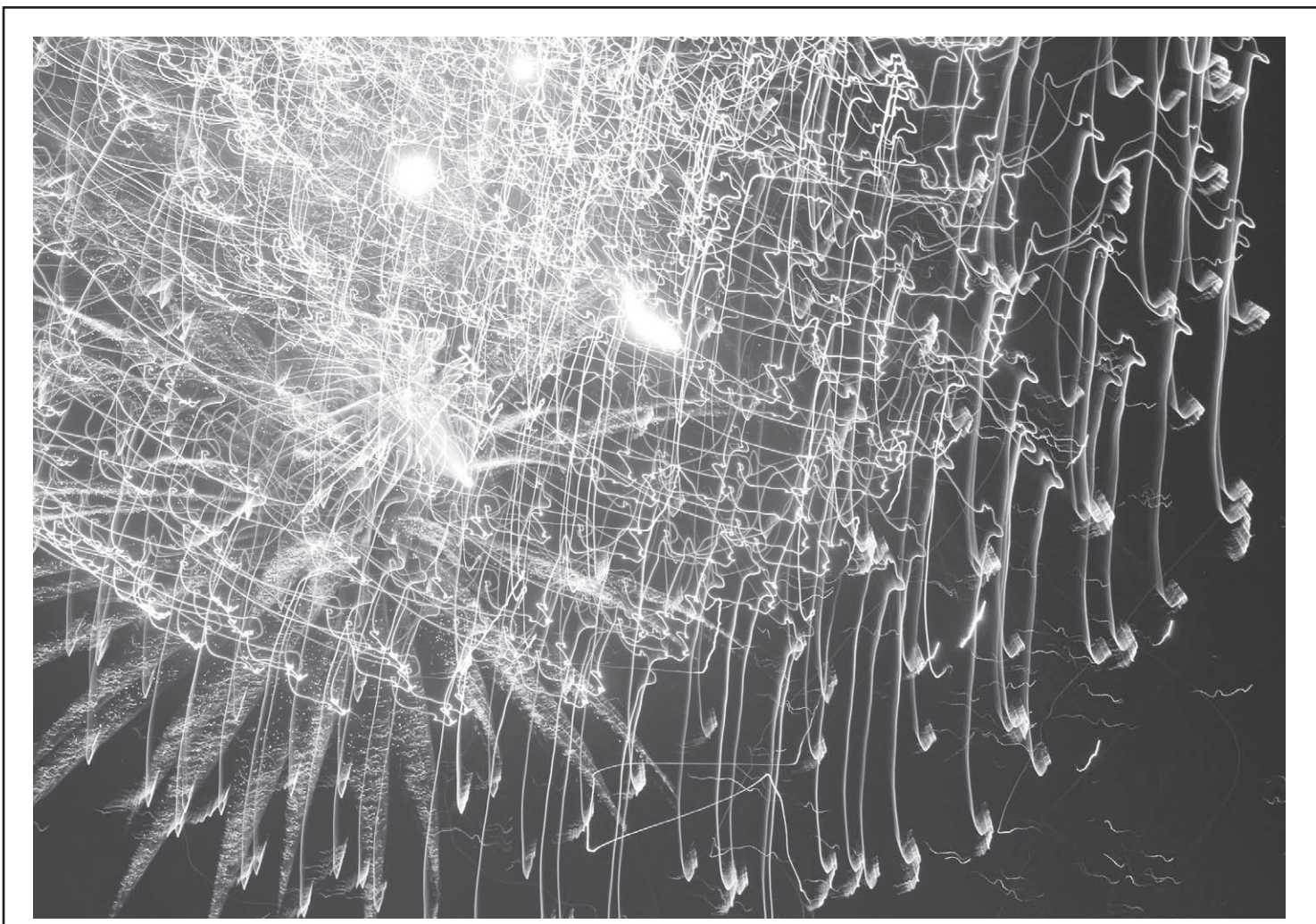
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The difference a year makes
 Fireworks rained down upon Newcastle on the Fourth of July, including these launched by the Volunteer Fire Department at their annual display. A year ago, fireworks were banned as the Oil Creek Fire raged through the heart of Weston County, but an increase in moisture this spring allowed for traditional celebrations to take place, and several solid rains over the weekend removed any fear of wildfire as a result of the holiday.

Booze sale hours extended

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

Local tavern owners and drinking establishments will now be able to stay open longer to better serve their patrons after an amendment was made to city ordinance that allows additional hours for dispensing of alcohol by Newcastle liquor license holders during the July 1 meeting of the city council.

Earlier this year, it was brought to the attention of the council by tavern owners Bruce Perkins of Perkins Tavern and Chuck McFarland of Iron Horse Saloon that their business has had a significant drop in sales, and any help that the City Council could give to keep their doors open would be much appreciated.

Perkins suggested that maybe extending the hours of operation by abolishing the current city ordinance of closing earlier and

opening later on Sunday's might be a solution to keeping their businesses afloat.

"I know it's only a matter of a few hours, but according to hours of operation under state statute, if we could adopt those as our city ordinance, it would allow for us to take advantage of those earlier hours by letting us open doors at 6 am and close at 2 am no matter what day it is," Perkins expressed. "I know it doesn't really seem like much of a change, but anything that you guys could do to help us out would be greatly appreciated. Times are kind of tough for us bar owners right now and anything we can do to not have more empty store fronts on main street is appreciated."

After the council referred the request to the police committee, Police Chief Jim Owens presented a recommendation to the city council to allow for the ordinance change to take place.

Owens stated that he sees no issue in changing the city ordinance and stated the recommendation of the police committee to the council.

"I met with the police committee and after discussion on it, the recommendation would be that we change the city ordinance modifying the current ordinance to match the state statute which indicates the hours of operation in Wyoming," stated Owens. "By changing those to meet state statute would allow for dispensing of alcohol to begin at 6 a.m. and close at 2 am. The overall recommendation of the police committee is that we do modify the ordinance and change to state statute."

Councilwoman Linda Hunt made the motion to make the change to the ordinance and Councilman Roger Hesse seconded which put the new city ordinance into effect.

Lucky clovers can lead to riches

By Denise Piscioti of NLJ

"Can you find 100?" challenged Sue Kettley at the Weston County Fair Office.

In celebration of 100 years of Wyoming 4-H, leaders around the state were encouraged to find ways for their community mark the occasion. Between Kettley, Stacy Madden and Salina Suess-Baker at the University of Wyoming Extension Office in Newcastle, the idea formed to have a contest for residents to find 100 clovers in Weston County.

"50 4-H clover signs are at businesses in the county-they are truly scattered from one end

of town to the other in both Newcastle and Upton. Most of the signs are on front windows, a few are on bulletin boards in the buildings. An additional 50 4-H clovers will be scattered around the Weston County Fairgrounds at 4-H exhibits beginning July 31," Kettley told the News Letter Journal.

The best part is there is no age limit. Anybody can enter, but the contest is limited to one per person. Kettley hopes entire families will participate.

Entry forms for the contest can be found at the Weston County Fairgrounds Office, University of Wyoming Extension office and at Joe's

Food Center in Upton. All forms must be turned in at the Youth Exhibit Building by 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 3, when the drawing will be held.

"They can also use their own method of keeping track of the clovers, and they can be put on an entry form later. Be sure to include the number on each sign with a clover on it. Just don't forget to include your name and address and phone number. The winners will be called," she said.

A donation of \$100 by Dean and Sue Kettley began the pot for the winners of the contest. It was added to by other county 4-H organizations, and now its total is \$500. If more donations are given, the pot will increase.

Each entry drawn on August 3 will receive \$1 for each clover found, so the more clovers found means more money is won by the winning entries. If a person chosen found 56 clovers, then they will receive \$56. Names will be drawn until all the money has been given away, explained Kettley.

The winners, and where all of the clovers were placed, will be announced during the Junior Rodeo. A poster at the fairgrounds will also display the winners for everyone to see.

"I think it will be fun!" Kettley proclaimed.

University of Wyoming rep coming

University of Wyoming representative Linda Day, academic coordinator for the eastern region, will be at the Weston County Library at 23 W. Main Street, to meet with prospective, new, and continuing UW students from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 19, 2013.

Individuals interested in completing a bachelor, master, or doctorate degree are encouraged to make appointments to meet with Linda.

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To schedule an appointment contact Linda Day at 307.532.8204 or lday3@uwyo.edu. Drop-ins are also welcome. Please bring copies of your transcripts. If you are interested in attending UW but are unable to meet on July 19th, contact Linda to arrange a different date and time.

UW fall registration is now in progress and classes begin August 26.

Fire danger remains despite extra moisture

A flurry of thunderstorms sparked several small wildfires throughout the Black Hills National Forest last Thursday, prompting federal, state and local fire crews to take immediate action to contain and control the incidents. Matters were complicated further by a couple of small campfires left burning and unattended, according to South Dakota fire officials.

The largest wildfire, the Horse Trap Fire, occurred in very rugged Forest Service terrain near Minnekahta

Junction on Highway 18. Gusty winds caused the fire to grow to 11 acres overnight. Other lightning-caused Southern Hills fires that evening included the Red Star Fire, occurring near Pringle and burning a tenth of acre, the 313 Fire, burning a third of an acre near Carrol Creek Road, and the Richardson Fire, located near Pleasant Valley.

All three of those incidents were located on Forest Service land and quickly controlled by responding resources. Two separate campfires were left burning

and unattended on Forest Service land in the Central Hills, but were immediately put out by responding agencies.

In the Northern Hills, the Doghouse Fire burned in an area three miles southwest of Crow Peak, while the Grand Canyon fire was located between Grand Canyon and Wagon Canyon along the South Dakota/Wyoming border. Both fires grew to less than a tenth of an acre in size, and were quickly contained and controlled.

Visitors on the forest are reminded to make sure their campfires are dead-out and cold to the touch before leaving them unattended. Officials said wet forests can dry quickly, and fires can still burn when combined with significant amounts of rain. They also reminded that possessing, discharging, or using any kind of fireworks or pyrotechnic devices is prohibited on all National Forest and National Grasslands within the Rocky Mountain Region year-round, regardless of weather conditions or holidays.