

Opinion

News Letter Journal

Our View

The hard road

For as long as most of us can remember, there has been confusion over roads operated and maintained by Weston County, but we were shocked to hear that the Weston County Commissioners believe the burden of that confusion should be borne by hunters and other users of those roads — and not by landowners and county officials who have been unable for some time to resolve disputes about surveys, ownership and easements.

We aren't sure who is to blame for the fact that county roads have been built and maintained — at significant taxpayer expense — on property without clear easements, but we are willing to concede that the majority of the mistakes made on surveys, plats and construction decisions occurred long before any of the current commissioners took office.

That said, if anybody is injured or killed in a dispute over access to roads that appear to the majority of travelers to be public, then the blame should be placed squarely on the commissioners who have failed repeatedly to address an issue that they have all been aware of for far too long.

It is easy to suggest that the responsibility for finding out which county roads are indeed county roads should lie with some out-of-state hunter who doesn't live or vote here, but the problem will not simply go away when hunting season ends. The health and welfare of this county's residents — and yes, the visitors who use those roads once a year — is one of the primary responsibilities of county government, and county leaders are shirking their duty if they fail to fix this problem once and for all simply because it is "hard" to get the parties involved to agree on solutions.

We agree that the option of eminent domain is generally distasteful, but it is widely acknowledged that eminent domain is a necessary evil in some instances, and it is abundantly clear that Weston County is confronted by those very instances now.

We support the creation of a map clearly indicating which of the roads are disputed and which are not, but think this is only a temporary measure that should be undertaken immediately in order to protect road users and landowners alike. The responsibility for creating this map should lie with the county because of its continued inability to resolve these disputes, and the obvious danger created as a result of that failure.

Finally, the map should be widely circulated so residents can gain a greater understanding of which roads are disputed, and which individuals are involved in the disputes. Our elected officials have clearly hit a wall on this issue, and should allow the taxpayers of Weston County to have the information necessary to provide input on how best to resolve it.

It certainly won't be easy, but the things worth doing seldom are. It is time for county leaders to accept the fact that the available solutions may be unpleasant, but continuing to kick the can down the road will eventually produce an incident that is even more so.

Letters to the Editor

This country's ills are greatly exaggerated

Dear Editor,
Jerry Baird's list of ills continues to grow. There seems to be nothing about the country which pleases him.

The Plutocrats caught hell, but I am not sure what constitutes a Plutocrat. When does a person become one? Is it a politician, or perhaps a company president, any rich person, or just someone who has attained a certain place in life?

It would seem to be a person in some position of authority. They must be bad, though, because they cause a lot of trouble for us.

Next comes the politicians, who are all bad. Why do we elect them or why would anyone want to be one? It must be because of the power and prestige they have and the money they receive. Is there an alternative?

Perhaps we could elect the whole Congress for a year and then pick a new one every year. Can you imagine the laws they could pass?

Next comes the vast sums of money involved in the political system. This is really an indictment of the American people because it implies that they are for sale to the candidate who spends the most on advertisement. Unfortunately, this may be too true. The public does respond to money spent for advertising and makes some poor choices on poor candidates who spend more money than the better person. Should we stop all political advertising?

Jerry is wrong when he accuses Bush of giving U.S. oil companies any privileges in Iraq. He specifically avoided this. Any arrangements in Iraq were between the Iraq government and the companies. He is also wrong when he states that a company receives money back for drilling a dry hole.

I agree with him that our system does have its faults, but Jerry does tend to exaggerate them. Whatever the faults, it is still the best in the world, and unlike in many other countries we do have the power to change it.

Is there anyone who would prefer to live in any other country?

We have a lot of people trying to get

in, but very few want to leave. There are a number who want to change our system to the Islamic form of government. We should send them back where they came from.

—Don Thorson

It's easy to see how the rich get richer

Dear Editor,
They have an agent in Congress and you don't! These agents are titled senators and representatives, and they stay busy "Taking Care of Business."

For instance, you pay income taxes on all of your income, the rich do not. These agents for the really rich wrote and passed laws that exempted some types of their income from taxes or reduced the rate drastically. You get no benefit like that.

Then, on top of that, a 'Super Agent' (President) comes along and cuts taxes for the rich, across the board, again!

The arithmetic is, "The more you cut your income, the less you have." Then, someone points out that there are bills to pay and an enormous debt. In spite of all these obvious cuts, the agents decide that the cause is they have spent too much helping poor people with food stamps or Medicaid, and they haven't helped the rich people enough.

Cut food stamps? Cut Medicaid? Of course! They haven't put anything into our 'agents' campaign to get re-elected.

Another way to get rich is sell stuff to the government, like bullets, bombs, and guns, but one of the most profitable is planes. They have been building and redesigning one plane forever, at the expense of the American worker who pays the taxes.

We do not have a war going on at the moment, but our 'agents' in Washington are working on that oversight. After all, we have all these bullets and bombs to expend before they reach their "use by" date.

We haven't even touched on "The War Services Industry" that contributes so much to the wealth of our "agents." Maybe next time.

—Jerry Baird

Burnout uproar was handled well by all involved

Dear Editor,

Many of you know that I got a ticket leaving the car show in Newcastle. I didn't know how much of an uproar it caused. A lot of people were mad, some said they weren't coming back next year, and some voiced their opinion on Facebook. Dick Rich and Kelly Stith weren't too happy. I just want to thank everyone for your support.

A big thank you to Dick Rich for going to the council meeting and speaking on my behalf. I bet that wasn't easy to do. Thanks to the city council members and Jim Peck for listening to what Dick had to say that night. I'm sure it wasn't easy for anyone with all that's been going on. I really want to thank Jim Peck for dismissing my citation.

—Larry Himle

It was wrong to say our town does little for kids

Dear Editor,

I'm writing in response to the article "Mrs. Wyoming wants a rec center," on Page 1 of the Oct. 2, 2014, issue of the News Letter Journal.

I am severely offended by the accusations Mr. and Mrs. Pruitt make in regards to our community. How dare people who have lived here just over two years make the accusation that nobody cares about the youth in this town!

We have dozens of teachers, pastors, business professionals, and everyday lay people who volunteer their time and personal finances ensuring that we have programming for our youth.

We have an outstanding after school program with Double A Aces, a Summer Rec program that offers activities almost every day and sometimes up to three times a day for two months during the summer, active 4-H and University of Wyoming Extension activities, Boy and Girl Scouts, internships, a youth firefighter program (Explorers), a game room, a hobby shop, a movie theater, a library, a skate park, many community VBS programs, and numerous church-sponsored youth groups, as well as our RISK and Impact programs specifically geared towards young adults.

The majority of the complaints I hear is that the kids are so busy they are forced to choose between all of the options and activities available to them.

"Imagine being a teen without a mall, a bowling alley or a skating rink. What would you do for fun?" the couple stated on their fundraising website.

Well, heaven forbid! While I would love to have all those things mentioned, it is ultimately nobody else's responsibility to entertain others. I have lived in Denver, Salt Lake City, and Detroit, and spent time in New York. In every one of those metro cities I've heard the "kids are bored" line, and that's

the reason they turn to substance abuse. Boredom is a state of mind, and instead of blaming our small town's lack of entertainment options, we need to be instilling the attitude into our youth that it is up to them to go do great things.

You choose every day how you're going to live, what choices you're going to make, who you choose to follow and who you hang around with — that's the "life" we need to be speaking into our youth.

As far as the rec center goes, I would absolutely love to see this kind of facility and have been researching grant funding for over two years now. Is their plan to be a non-profit or a business? If it's a non-profit, who's on your board of directors?

As an individual and a business owner, I am not going to donate to a cause which has no governing agency and no business plan accessible to the public. The website referred to in the story is simply a fundraising site, and has no checks and balances, which means there's nothing keeping the person in charge of the site from simply cashing it out and taking the funds.

A 501(c)3 required for all non-profits takes from two to 12 months just in application time, and can't be completed before there's a board of directors. No 501(c)3 means no non-profit, which also then makes taxable write-offs an issue.

If the plan is to turn the rec center into a business, then people need to understand that a portion of their donation will be taxed as income to that business. People should also be asking what are the long-term plans for maintenance?

I also take offense to the statement that the adults in this community grew up with a lie and are not free in their own minds. Over half of the business owners in this town did not grow up here, and those who did have an even deeper investment in our community.

You say you want kids not to feel judged, and yet you just made a blanket judgement on community members who — as youth leaders — you should be encouraging the kids to respect.

I never have been one to believe that just because "it's always been done this way," that means we should stick with it, but I have also had nothing but a supportive response in the community when presenting something new — as long as I could back up my plan with specifics.

I have lived all over our great country, and Newcastle has become my home by choice. The people here are wary of outside influence, not in an effort to keep everything the same, but to protect what we have.

I also agree that the suicide rate is horrible and give major kudos to Kristi Lipp and her effort with the Prevention Task Force. Those programs take time to educate and implement, and I don't see how a basketball hoop is going to fix our suicide problem. In my 11 years as a Newcastle resident, not once have I seen or even heard of anyone

expecting kids to be "perfect." They're kids, and the teachers and community workers who are "on the front lines," as you say, with them every day always view the kids as an investment and not only see, but point out the potential in them.

I work with over 160 kids every week. My goal is to help them learn to look at the positive things, and to challenge them to constantly do the very best they can with what they have. True, there is no mall or skating rink, but you do the best you can with what you have. Don't make excuses for why you made a bad choice, and don't be taken in by things that are too good to be true.

Because usually they are.

—Jessica Graham

Give the Rec Center idea a try

Dear Editor,

For the last 25 years, the kids of Weston County have been writing about having a rec center. Maybe it's time we give it another try.

A few years back the rec center was on the table to be voted on. Three times it was on the ballot, and three times it was voted down. Each time they had downsized the plan of the rec center. At the last vote, we passed for the new pool and that was it. We should have gotten the rec center!

Why can't we have this for the good of the community? What a great addition to our town. As we continue to improve and grow, this would bring more business and growth to Newcastle. It will be used for everyone, not just the young people.

We have to keep moving forward. We seem to have enough bars for a town of 3,500. Why not something healthy and fun and another outlet for people?

Growth and change is not a bad thing to work for. It will make us an even more appealing place to live.

—Barb Riggs

Grocery prices should fall because gas costs are down

Dear Editor,

For some time now, grocery prices have gone up, up, up and everybody blamed fuel prices. Grocery prices are still going up and up, but gasoline has stayed even and now gas in Wyoming is coming down.

I know beef is outrageous, but the rest of groceries are still going up. Now they should go down, down, down. The store owners can't blame gas now. I call it greed! Us older people on fixed income can't raise our checks — two cents, four cents, a dime, 40 cents here and 20 cents there. We are at the mercy of greedy people.

And our beloved politicians, all they do is babble and spend money! I don't like politicians and their garbage. I don't like them, and I approve my message. I don't approve of their message.

—Cal Huber

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Cost of living increases

Alexis Shultz
NLJ Reporter

According to the Wyoming Department of Administration and Information's Economic Analysis Division, the Northeast Region of the state, including Weston County, recorded the highest annual increase in cost of living for the second quarter of 2014. The increase over the second quarter of 2013 was 3.8 percent, which is .6 percent higher than the Southeast Region, and 3 percent higher than the lowest region, being the Southwest.

"The Wyoming Cost of Living Index consists of two parts, inflation, which measures year-over-year change (annual) and the Comparative Cost of Living Index, which compares each county's cost of living in one period (not over time)," stated the Wyoming Cost of Living Index distributed by the agency.

According to the report released last week, cost of living went up statewide.

"All five regions in the state had increases in annual All Items inflation in the second quarter of 2014," wrote Amy Bittner, in a press release sent out with the report.

Regions contain anywhere from three to six counties, with most counties using one city to make the comparison. Newcastle is the city used for Weston County in comparison to other counties in the state, and the lower cost of living here is due largely to low housing costs.

"The Housing category carries the largest weight in a consumer's budget and typically drives the overall Comparative Cost of Living Index values," the report indicated. This means that housing prices greatly affect the overall percentage and ranking of a county, but increases in Wyoming were largely driven by mineral activity.

"Converse County ranked second in the All Items Comparative Cost of Living Index (109). The heightened mineral activity in Central Wyoming attributed to Converse County's high

All Items Comparative Cost of Living Index value for the second quarter of 2014," Bittner observed. Converse County's high housing costs at 117, with 100 being average, contributes greatly to its second ranking in the index.

Weston County, which neighbors Converse County, ranked seventh lowest in the All Items Comparative Cost of Living Index with an overall ranking of 91, which is slightly below average. Housing costs in Weston County are significantly low, with a ranking of 81, causing its overall ranking to be lower. Food (101), Apparel (95), Transportation (101), and Recreation and Personal care (99) all fall right about average for Weston County. The only category ranking well over average in the area is medical costs, with a ranking of 106.

Average rental rates in Weston County saw a slight increase for apartment rentals of 0.5 percent, this equaling only a \$3 increase, the largest increase being in mobile home rentals with 4.6 percent or a \$21 increase. Housing rentals saw a decrease in costs of -1.3 percent, and mobile home lots saw a decrease of -7.3 percent.

The Northeast Region, including Weston County, ranked highest in All Items inflation for the second quarter of 2014. With an increase of 3.8, the Northeast Region, is .9 above the statewide all item inflation of 2.7, and .6 above the second region, the Southeast at .8. The lowest region in the state is the Southwest Region, with an increase of only .8.

The only area in rental costs that saw a decrease for the Northeast Region was mobile home rentals, with a decrease of -0.2 percent. The Northeast Region saw an increase in all other areas of rentals, with the highest being a 5 percent increase in both apartment and housing rentals.

Statewide, the area with the largest inflation was apparel, with 7.8, and transportation seeing a decrease at -2.1. Housing saw a 3.9 increase, with medical seeing an increase of 4.2.



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Let's invest in our future

On Oct. 8, I took a few hours to attend Stakeholder's Day at Weston County School District #1. I wanted a firsthand glimpse of the inner workings of our schools. Our children are our future, and having strong schools here at home and across our nation ensures that success continues on.

Who are WCSD #1 stakeholders? Students,

teachers, employees, board members, parents, grandparents, community members, business leaders, federal and state legislators, taxpayers? The answer is yes to all of the above. Our future success as a state and nation is being shaped now within the walls of WCSD #1, and other schools around the country. It is up to us, as stakeholders, to be involved and ask questions.

I arrived about 8:30 a.m., and after a short meet-and-greet, including coffee and donuts, we toured some middle and high school classrooms. The first thing you notice when entering the buildings are our wonderful, clean and spacious facilities. I am grateful for the wealth our state has, much of it coming from the mineral industries, that have provided the means for these top-notch buildings. Realizing what it takes to keep my own home clean, I appreciate the employees whose job it is to maintain and keep our schools tidy on a daily basis.

There is a wealth of technology housed within the walls of our schools that now warrants the district having its own tech department. High school students take their laptop computers home these days, and the old high school computers are available for day use by middle school students. All are changes from the days when my children roamed the halls.

I toured the vocational building and the timing was

perfect to see some new welders being delivered, and some students welding. On the wood shop side, students were testing in the classroom.

Another noted change is the addition of a teacher mentoring program headed up by Induction Facilitator Kathleen Engle for new instructors, as well as student teachers and substitutes.

It appears that early Wednesday dismissals allow for teacher collaboration with in-house expertise being shared district wide through Professional Learning Communities. I regret not being able to stay long enough to see some of these presentations.

I do keep tabs on education in our community, state, and even bordering states. When I heard that Minnesota, Nebraska and Texas did not adopt Common Core, I expected to hear our state make that list. However, Wyoming has chosen to adopt Common Core.

I've heard several local as well as national complaints about Common Core math, and I posed a few questions in this area to our K-12 math facilitator, Sonya Tysdal. It seems children are being taught multiple ways to solve mathematical problems to encourage critical thinking. However, some parents have voiced concerns that having children learn several different ways to calculate problems can be downright confusing.

My brother in South Dakota said he could get the right answer when he helped his kids with their math homework, but they were quick to tell him, "Dad, you're doing it wrong." Now hold on here a minute, if you get the correct answer, how can you be doing it wrong? Back in our day, we got As for having the correct answer.

I can remember, from my

era, at the end of a school year, there was always a small portion of the book left that we never had time to get through. I'm wondering exactly what is being sacrificed for the extra time it takes to learn multiple methods of solving a problem, rather than being taught a simple, basic methodology? How much of the book are they actually getting through these days?

A few other questions I asked are, if students are still being taught to memorize their multiplication tables, and how to write in cursive. So far they are here. However, it was noted that cursive writing is not a Common Core requirement, but currently our district still sees the importance of children learning it.

While I didn't like the PAWS tests back in my kids' era, the shift to giving the ACT test in high school seems better, but the main question is — does it accurately assess a student's success if they are not headed to college? And what is our school's ultimate goal, having every student go to college, or having every student succeed in life?

Oftentimes, I question the direction that education is taking these days, from curriculum to school lunches. It is easy for someone to say that by adding this new standard, assessment, or textbook, Wyoming will achieve the best educational grade, or this requirement will make lunches more nutritional. I firmly believe if there were less restrictions and more educational leeway left to those in the trenches, more children would ultimately succeed, and we may be able to keep their bellies full a bit longer.

The more things change, I'm glad some things haven't. For through these "old-school" eyes, I still view the person in the trench — a passionate, caring, knowledgeable teacher — playing the biggest role in ensuring a student's educational success.



Kim Dean
Solve It

Bookfest

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their website, www.raisingreadersinwyoming.org. They became a non-profit organization in 2005, and distribute books in all 23 Wyoming counties through participating medical providers and county public health offices.

However, this year, Dorn assures all the money raised in Weston County will stay in the community. The past two years, the local committee for Bookfest and Feast — led by Brenda Mahoney-Ayres, Weston County Library's director — has raised more funds than others in the state. Dorn acknowledged that would not have been possible without the generosity of individuals, local businesses and organizations

that donate raffle items to the event.

Donations are still being accepted. Contact Mahoney-Ayres at (307) 746-2206 or Dorn at (307) 680-7883 to donate items for the raffle, or they can be dropped off at the Weston County Library or News Letter Journal.

"Early exposure to literacy is fundamental in a child's development. Raising Readers and Weston County Library encourages parents to read to their children and promote a love of books. This is the third year the Raising Readers Bookfest and Feast has been held in Newcastle. It is always a lot of fun, and for a great cause," Mahoney-Ayres told the News Letter Journal.

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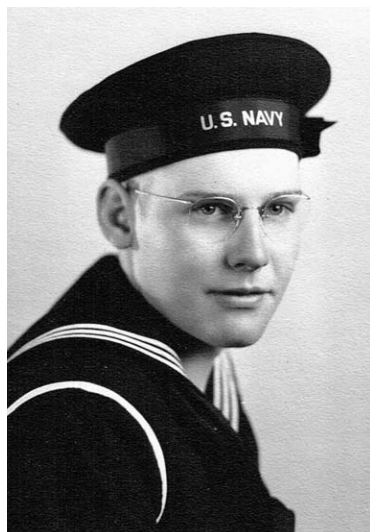
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Public Meeting Notice

The USDA Weston County Local Work Group will meet on **October 21, 2014, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.** at the **USDA Service Center, 1225 Washington Blvd. Newcastle**

The purpose of the meeting is to identify local natural resource concerns. Agenda items include: Purpose of the Local Work Group, how federal dollars should be used to address local environmental concerns, and identify resource concerns important to the local community. The public is invited. Contact Paul Eitel, District Conservationist or Jennifer Hinkhouse at 307-746-3264 for more information.

Obituaries

MARY THOMPSON DUCA JUNE 9, 1926-OCT. 7, 2014

Mary Duca, 88, died peacefully at her Upton home on Oct. 7, 2014.

She was the youngest of five children, born June 9, 1926, in Gillette, to Guy and Jessie Thompson.

Mary was raised in Hardin, Mont., for a few years, while her father was employed with CB&Q Railroad. They later moved to Upton where she met the love of her life, Jack Duca. After a short romance, Jack proposed while at boot camp in California. They were married March 2, 1936, in Sundance, and honeymooned in Spearfish, S.D., after a crisp drive in the back of a rumble seat. Later, Mary followed Jack to California and Florida airbases, living off base and working in officer's canteens to be near her man.

In 1945, Jack returned his bride to Upton to stay with her parents. While he was in New Jersey for combat training, their first child was born. After the war was over Jack was able to join his family, in early 1946. Mary and Jack lived happily together for 69 years.

Mary had a friendly home where all kids in town passed through on their way to the football field. They helped themselves to the home-baked goodies and always came back for more. She enjoyed being a leader for Cub Scouts, Brownies and 4-H groups.

Summertimes were spent growing a large garden and family vacations trips to the Big Horns, Yellowstone and Teton Parks. Occasionally they ventured to other places like Montana and visited earthquake damage in Idaho and frequent trips to a Nebraska farm and visited family.

Mary was a stay-at-home mom while raising her five children. Her hobbies included the care of her family, becoming a wonderful cook and skilled seamstress. She sewed clothes for her children and later in life crocheted afghans for her children and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jack; a son, Steven; sisters, Mabel James, Gladys Gupton and Dorothy Rankin; brother, Don Thompson; and her grandson, Johnny Faxon.

Mary is survived by four living children, Linda Faxon, John (Dee) Duca, Mark (Cindy) Duca and Wendy (David) Strong; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren; as well as nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held Friday, Oct. 10, from 4 to 5 p.m. at Worden Chapel in Newcastle. Funeral services were Saturday, Oct. 11, at 10 a.m. at Upton United Methodist Church, with Rev. Sharee Johnson officiating. Burial followed at Upton Greenwood Cemetery.

Worden Funeral Directors of Newcastle have been entrusted with the arrangements. Pallbearers were Jody Faxon, Keith Strong, Ryan Duca, Levi Duca and Chad Duca. Honorary bearers were Jack Faxon, David Strong, Pudge Fagan, Don Holmes and Greg Nivens.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorial contributions be made toward the Upton Senior Center or Upton Ambulance Service. Contributions may be mailed to Worden Funeral Directors, Box 627, Newcastle, WY 82701.



Mary Duca

GRACE W. HAYES AUG. 2, 1915-OCT. 4, 2014

Grace W. Hayes, 99, of Mesa, Ariz., and formerly of Rangely, Colo., passed away on Oct. 4, 2014. She was born on Aug. 2, 1915, to Andrew and Minette Weaver. She graduated from Newcastle High School in Newcastle. She was married to Ralph Raymond Hayes on July 4, 1935, in Leftbridge, Canada.



Grace Hayes

Ralph and Grace were the owners, with their son Jerry, of Twin Arrow Drilling in the oil and gas production in Rangely. They also owned the big three-story hotel in town, Twin Arrow Motor Lodge, which supplied rooms for many visitors to the community as well as a place for many local sheepherders to stay. They later brought in the town's Montgomery Ward store, where their sons, Jerry and Stan, and daughter-in-law, Loyann, worked, serving the Rangely area. She also worked for the United States Post Office in Rangely, and went on to be the postmaster in Dinosaur, Colo., before retiring.

Grace enjoyed traveling. She went with friends and family to places like Spain, Hawaii, Mexico and with the Colorado Welcome Center to most of Colorado. She went often to Wyoming and Nebraska to visit family members. Grace was the last of three sisters and one brother.

Grace enjoyed doing philanthropic work through her sorority as a lifetime member, Epsilon chi No. 1836 and the Rangely Chapter of the Eastern Star. She was also a member of the Rangely Christian Church, a recent member of the East Mesa Christian Church, as well as a volunteer at Colorado Welcome Center in Dinosaur, Colo., where she logged in more than 1,000 hours. She and Ralph and her sons also helped with bringing in the Rangely College in 1962, now known as Colorado Northwestern Community College, to provide higher education to the children of the Rangely area. They made many donations to the oil and gas program, as well as the flight program. Because of their dedication to these pro-

grams, the building at the Rangely Airport was dedicated to the family and is known as the "Hayes" building. Currently the college main campus is in Rangely with a satellite campus in Craig.

Grace enjoyed her grandchildren. Many evenings were spent playing Pinochle with family and in later years she enjoyed a game of Skip-Bo. She loved having family over for a Sunday meal or just stopping by for her fresh-cooked oatmeal cookies and a visit.

She loved working in her yard, planting flowers, roses and a garden. She may have been the only one in Rangely to grow a peach tree and grapes, which she made into jellies to give to people. Some of her best jelly was chokecherry, for which she picked the berries up on Douglas Pass.

Grace is preceded in death by her husband, Ralph, in 1994; and her son, Jerry, in 2010. She was also preceded in death by her siblings, Lorena Borgialli, Ashton Weaver, Laverna Dickey and Rovilla Thompson.

She is survived by her son, Stan; her daughter-in-law, Loyann; her grandchildren, Becky (John), Mike (Tracy), Beth (Cleve), Katreena (Jeff), Doug (Cindi), and Dirk (Carla); and her great-grandchildren, John (Willi), Jaime (Corey), Laurie (Terry), Shelby, Hillary, Courtney, Alyssa, Keaton, Kalab, Lindsay (Brandon), Lesli (Heath), Krysten, and Kelli. She is also survived by her great-great-grandchildren, Sklyer, Landon, Camron, Chloe, Casey, Adywen, Alyssa and Brennon.

A Celebration of Life was held for Grace at 2 p.m. on Oct. 11, at The Rangely Christian Church in Rangely, Colo. Visit www.melchermission.com to share memories and leave condolences.

NEVA JAYNE LISSOLO ZUMBRUNNEN

APRIL 4, 1921-OCT. 6, 2014

Neva Jayne Lissolo ZumBrunnen died peacefully on Oct. 6, 2014. She was born on April 4, 1921, in Newcastle.

Jayne married Victor S. ZumBrunnen on Feb. 14, 1942, and had four loving children, Noel A. Pettijean, Joan E. Perry, Elizabeth J. Johns and Stan A. ZumBrunnen. Jayne has two grandchildren, William J. (Joey) Perry III and Christopher V. Perry, as well as two great-grandchildren, William I. Perry IV and Alexandra N. Perry.

Services for our beloved mother, Jayne, were held at St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church, 10755 N. 124th St. in Scottsdale, Ariz., on Oct. 11 at 10 a.m. Visitation was before the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to Hospice of the Valley, who supported Jayne and the family during their time of need. Please visit www.hansenmortuary.com to place online condolences. Funeral arrangements were made by Hansen Desert Hills Mortuary.

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• **ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH:** Rev. Norm Brotzman, 216 S. Seneca, 746-2249. Call to Worship 9:30 am; Children's Church during Call to Worship; Faith Rally Sunday 6 pm.

• **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.

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• **FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** Pastor Lynn Schleicher, 301 Delaware, 746-9663. Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship 10:45 am;

PrayerService 5 pm, Christian Academy.

• **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Jeff Thoms, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Sunday School 8:45 am; Church Services 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 746-8091.

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• **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.

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• **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

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John 15:1

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Weekly Scripture Reading

| Deut. | Deut. | Psalms | Psalms | Psalms | Psalms | Psalms |
|---------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 10:1-22 | 16:18-17:13 | 72 | 73 | 75 | 82 | 85 |

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Engagement



CURTIS-NORMAN

Dan and Peggy Curtis of Castle Rock, Colo., are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Curtis, to Scott Norman, son of Gene Norman of Newcastle.

The bride-to-be is currently employed at Sage Valley Junior High as a special education teacher.

The groom-to-be is an engineering supervisor at Coal Creek Mine.

Erin and Scott currently reside in Gillette, and are planning are June 13, 2015, wedding to be held at Custer State Park.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their cards and heartfelt wishes in the event of my retirement/birthday party and for the cards and letters from those unable to attend. A special thank you to the Wyoming Refining staff and employees for putting up with me for the past 40 years and to my wife, James, Joni, Gigi, Sharon, Mary, Neil, Austin, Nick and Trevor for helping make a great party.
Allan Carlson
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100 YEARS AGO - OCT. 1914

The enrollment in the Cambria school for the past month reached nearly 175, with excellent attendance and few tardy marks.

Mrs. Sweet and family of Beaver Creek autoed to town Saturday.

Roy Keys, Frank Smith, Felix Lavergne and Tom Sweet, of the Beaver Creek community, made a shipment of cattle Sunday evening. Frank Smith and Mr. Lane accompanied the shipment.

C.A. Beaver and wife of the Iron Creek area went to Newcastle last Wednesday and returned on Friday night to Jerome on the evening passenger.

J.R. Faulkner and C.C. Kirkpatrick came down to Mahnke's Saturday and hunted on the mountain Sunday, returning to Newcastle Sunday evening.

Mr. Brown came down Monday to relieve Mr. Armstrong as first trick operator at Clifton for a week or 10 days, while the latter went to Hot Springs to receive medical attention.

The past week has been spent by most of the Fairview farmers digging "spuds."

L.W. Shell came out from Newcastle Sunday with supplies for the South Beaver, Howard and Pridgeon school ma'ams.

Mrs. Marcia Whitaker of Cambria has been in Newcastle the past week, the guest of Mrs. Cash.

Mrs. Jane Scarlett died Oct. 10, from the effect of a severe scalding received five months ago. The funeral was held on Monday at the Episcopal Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Carlson were in the city Tuesday from the AU7 ranch. They were accompanied by Mr. Rossiter, uncle of Mrs. Carson, who came out from his home in Ohio some time since and has been visiting at the ranch and with his sister, Mrs. Clark, of this city.

75 YEARS AGO - OCT. 19, 1939

Lloyd B. Unger, 53-year-old experienced sawmill worker, died at a Hot Springs hospital late Saturday afternoon, six hours after he had been crushed in the planing mill at the Gould sawmill south of Newcastle.

With less than a minute remaining in the first half, the Newcastle Dogies scored the first touchdown of the game, but the clawing Sundance Bulldogs came back in the last quarter to push over two touchdowns and an extra point for a 13 to 7 win over the local team on the Crook County field Friday.

Final plans are being made this week for the Twentieth Annual Convention of the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation, which will be held in Newcastle Oct. 30, 31 and Nov. 1.

The Newcastle Dogies went down in defeat, 19 to 6, at the hands of the Lusk Tigers in a football game played at Lusk yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Townsend observed her 79th birthday Sunday at her home in Clareton.

Mrs. Pinkham and son Vernie, of Osage, made a trip to their ranch at Inyan Kara over the weekend.

Fifteen members of the Homemakers Club met last Wednesday afternoon at the

home of Mrs. Carl Hays, with Mrs. Geo. Noyes as hostess. Routine business was conducted and election of officers held.

Russell Stanton, employee at Sam Hook's sawmill, is a patient in the Acord hospital, suffering from a broken leg. Mr. Stanton received his injury when a log rolled over him.

Dave Crum, Chester Jones, Irene Churchfield, Lorraine Cummings, Wallace Smith and Fred Martens spent the weekend in Newcastle and Upton visiting their parents. They returned to Laramie Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Long called at the Ted Elliott and Frank Pollat homes in the Fairview area Wednesday evening.

Mr. Loyd Reimer visited with Mr. Orval Smith over the weekend at his bachelor quarters at Fairview.

Announcing the fall opening of our bowling alley; managers who anticipate having teams in the league should make arrangements immediately.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Kirkwood, Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Roberts, the Jim Brunnen family and the Smith family were guests at the J.C. Christensen home in the Horton area Sunday.

50 YEARS AGO - OCT. 15, 1964

Funeral services are pending for Roger Oliver Mellor of Upton. Mellow, 21, of the U.S. Navy, was killed in an explosion aboard a floating dock in Apra Harbour, Guam on Oct. 8.

The Weston County 4-H Achievement program will be held Saturday, at the Gertrude Burns School, starting at 7:30 p.m.



More than 700 Boy Scouts from the Black Hills Council, including boys from Newcastle, were at Wounded Knee, S.D., last weekend for a camp. Indian teepees and Indian dances highlighted the camp.

Showing at the Dogie Theatre is "Woman of Straw," starring Gina Lollobrigida.

Mrs. John Barker, of Osage, was hostess to a Tupperware party Tuesday evening at her home. The game "Tupperware," similar to bingo, was played and won by Mrs. Gil Heiser, Mrs. Carl Larson and Mrs. Royal Bock. After the demonstration Mrs. Barker served ice cream, cake and coffee.

Golden Age Club members held their monthly meeting last Thursday evening in the hospitality room of the National Bank.

Bob Carr and two sons helped Orin Carr thresh alfalfa seed and stack bales over the weekend.

Clyde Bayne is working on a dam at the Orrin Carr ranch this week.

Mel Hanson has been building dams and doing dirt work for Emry Kropatch.

Mike Koski of Newcastle was awarded the Scouters Key at a meeting of the Pine Tree district committee in Newcastle Sunday night. The Scouters Key is the adult equivalent of the Eagle rank.

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Meetings & Events Calendar

| DATE | TIME | EVENT | LOCATION |
|---------|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Oct. 16 | 10 a.m. | Wyo Veterans Commissioer | Workforce Services |
| | 6 p.m. | WC Health Services Board Meeting | WCHS Board Room |
| Oct. 17 | 7:30 p.m. | Mason's Meeting | Masonic Lodge |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | Corpus Christi Church |
| Oct. 18 | 7:30 p.m. | Bingo | VFW Hall |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Square Dancing | Newcastle Elementary |
| Oct. 18 | 7 a.m. | Free Oil Change | WC Senior Services Garage |
| Oct. 19 | 2 p.m. | Bingo | Corpus Christi Church |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | Corpus Christi Church |
| Oct. 20 | 7 p.m. | City Council | City Council Chambers |
| Oct. 21 | 9 a.m. | WC Commissioners | Courthouse |
| | Noon | Cow Belles | Dana Tysdal's house |
| Oct. 22 | 6:45 p.m. | ALANON (746-9791) | Mondell Heights |
| | 10 a.m. | WC Local Work Group | USDA Building |
| Oct. 23 | 6 p.m. | Stingray Registration | NHS Commons |
| | 7 p.m. | Helping Hands Foundation | WC Senior Services |
| Oct. 22 | 3:30 p.m. | Tumbleweed's Halloween Party | USDA Building |
| Oct. 23 | 10 a.m. | Wyo Veterans Commissioner | Workforce Services |
| | 10 a.m. | Candidates Forum | WC Senior Services |
| Oct. 25 | 11:45 a.m. | WC Health Services Foundation Mtg | WC Board Room |
| | 5:30 p.m. | All School Reunion Meeting | WC Senior Services |
| Oct. 25 | 6 p.m. | Board Training hosted by FOCUS | WC Library |
| | 7 p.m. | Cantata Practice | CTK Lutheran Church |
| Oct. 25 | 7 p.m. | Open House | WC Children's Center |
| | 8 a.m. | Raising Readers Bookfest & Feast | WC Senior Services |
| Oct. 25 | 2 p.m. | Fall Carnival | WC Fairgrounds |

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Oct. 16: Bud Arp

Oct. 19: Paul Holland, Claydon Kachelhoffer

Oct. 20: Seth Rhoades, Cameron Mills

Oct. 21: Mindy Wineteer, Justin Bettorf, Wyatt James Schuerman

Oct. 22: Dustin Freed, David Kline, Shirley Dietz, Annavay Kachelhoffer

For the Ages

News Letter Journal

Capps honored by state historical society

Donna Gochanour
NLJ Senior Correspondent

Mary Capps is looking forward to her 90th birthday shortly, and she was surprised this year to find that somebody had elected her to receive a State of Wyoming Historic Preservation Award of 2014 for a lifetime of preserving Wyoming history. She was officially awarded on Sept. 12. Capps is a longtime local historian and a member of the Weston County Historic Preservation Committee, an arm of the county government working under the Weston County Commission.

Mary has worked on many projects over the years and currently the group is concentrating on County-owned Mallo Camp. They have taken over the oldest cabins that remain and are working to build an interpretive site, with one cabin especially furnished in the same way it would have been years ago when the 4-H kids came out there in the summer. It would have contained bunk beds with straw mattresses, a metal wash dish on a stand, and an oil lamp. Capps is especially trying to find an enameled bucket or pail — no plastic in those days!

She is also on the lookout for pictures from that era. If anyone out there has access to any appropriate items for this project, they would be happily received.

During my conversation with Mary, we had a discussion on whether the straw mattresses were left with the straw through the winter, or if they were emptied and refilled with fresh straw at the beginning of the following summer. She will no doubt be looking for the answer to this question. Later on, the committee hopes to be able to promote the 16-unit Russian



Submitted Photo

Mary Capps received a State of Wyoming Historic Preservation Award for a lifetime of preserving Wyoming History, presented at the State Preservation Conference in Powell on Sept. 12. Among Mary's contributions noted were service as director of the Anna Miller Museum, serving on the Weston County Historic Preservation Board since its inception, and writing nominations for the Cavalry Barn, now the Anna Miller Museum, and the Weston County Court House for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Lucille Dumbrell, chair of the Weston County Historic Preservation Board, accompanied Capps to the conference.

Motel that was built at Mallo Camp during the "Cold War," and Mary is hoping to bring that to the fore in the next few years.

One of the objects of the group is to identify places eligible for historic preservation, and Capps pointed out that having your home or building designated as "historic" is not the loss of it or the owner's use of it, but does make it eligible for some grants, especially for upkeep and repair. Newcastle's downtown historic district, the courthouse and library, the Old Mill, the historic residential area and the old Cavalry barn — now the Anna Miller Museum — are all listed on the National Register of Historic Places, results of the work of the Historic Preservation Committee's efforts to preserve Weston County history. This group also is eligible for various grants.

This lady has filled many positions over the years, and even at the age of 90 her interest in Weston County is still there. She's still actively involved in promoting the history and culture of this area and the rich heritage of the people who first settled here.

Mary would also like to mention some of the sponsors that make these projects possible with their generosity. Powder River Energy, Weston County Commissioners, Wyoming Humanities Council, Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund, Wyoming Historical Society, Weston County Recreation Board and The Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office, as well as many private donors and the tireless efforts of members of the Weston County Historic Preservation Committee all have a hand in preserving local history, as well as the people who live here and share that history, she says.

Senior Happenings

Weston County Manor
Oct. 16: Ring Toss, 10:30 a.m.
Oct. 16: Al & The Gang 2 p.m.
Oct. 17: Movie 6 p.m.
Oct. 18: Riddles 11 a.m.
Oct. 19: Proverbs 11 a.m.
Oct. 20: Anna Miller Museum 3 p.m.
Oct. 21: Music 6 p.m.
Oct. 22: Senior Center 11:30 a.m.
Oct. 23: Noodle Hockey 10:30 a.m.
Oct. 24: Bingo 2 p.m.
Oct. 25: Hangman 11 a.m.
Oct. 26: Church 2 p.m.
Oct. 27: Wii 10:30 a.m.
Oct. 28: Stories 4 p.m.
Oct. 29: Flu Shot Clinic 10:30 a.m.
Oct. 30: Manicures 2 p.m.
Oct. 31: Halloween party 2 p.m.
Oct. 31: Trick-or-Treaters 6 p.m.

Weston County Senior Services

Oct. 16: Trip to The Lodge
Oct. 17: Hearing Aid Clinic 9 a.m.
Oct. 18: Open Rec Room
Oct. 22: Mexican Train 1 p.m.
Oct. 22: Fancy Workers
Oct. 23: Ceramics 1 p.m.
Oct. 24: Blood Pressure Check 9:30 a.m.
Oct. 25: Open Rec Room
Oct. 27: Visually Impaired Group 1 p.m.
Oct. 28: Mexican Train 1 p.m.
Oct. 29: Lions, Noon
Oct. 30: Blood Draw 6:30-10:30
Oct. 31: Blood Draw 6:30-10:30
Oct. 31: Dance 7 p.m.

Note: This list is not complete. For complete schedules see the event calendars at each facility.

Last chance to register, until election day

If you have not yet registered to vote, you've got a few days left to do so — or wait until election day.

Secretary of State Max Maxfield announced that Monday, Oct. 20, is the last day to register to vote ahead of the Nov. 4 election.

"Voter registration closes 14 days before the General Election so that county clerks have time to prepare poll books for the 285 polling places throughout the state," Maxfield said in a release.

In order to register, a person must be a U.S. citizen, resident of Wyoming, and at least 18 years of age by Election Day. Persons convicted of a felony must have had their civil or voting rights restored. Maxfield urges those who are eligible to vote but who have not yet registered, to register by contacting their county clerk's office.

Those who are not registered by the Oct. 20 deadline have one more chance to register — at their polling place on election day, Nov. 4.

"We are fortunate to live in a state where registration is allowed on election day; everyone really should participate in government. I invite everyone to do so," Maxfield stated.

Changes!

Newcastle's Fancy Workers is making a change in their name and expanding to include more crafts. For more information, call Helen Beem at 746-9203, or Weston County Senior Services at 746-4903. The group meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Meet my newest friend: 'Old Age'

Well, by now you readers know the story of my life inside and out. I appear to have reached that stage in life where almost everyone I know is making jokes about old age. I remember about 30 years ago

I found my Mom and her sister Irene standing in Irene's kitchen and they were holding their arms up and comparing flab. Yes, I said, "flab." I wondered what was so fascinating, so I held my arm up too and peered at the underside of it, and they both looked at me and said, "not you, dummy, you're too young."

Well, here I am, gazing, aghast, at my flab. Unfortunately, it isn't just confined to my arms. It has arrayed itself in various sections of my anatomy. Holy cow! What did I do to deserve this affliction? Well, I guess making jokes about it is a lot better than sulking over it, right? But sulking is sometimes a nice change of pace.

Then I discovered that you could blame almost anything on Old Age! How refreshing that is! Driving around delivering Meals on Wheels, I complained that every time I bent over my nose ran.

"Oh sure," my partner said, "that's just Old Age, and my nose does it too." I should have known.

I started to develop a long list of things that I could attribute to Old Age:

Your nose runs but your legs don't.
Your arms are stronger than your legs because they have to hoist your butt out of the chair all of the time.

Your hair is no longer smooth and shiny — it has embraced the wild frizzy side of the hair world. After a few vigorous tries to mend its wayward plunge, you give up and content yourself with



Submitted photo

Sometimes Old Age surprises you, and before you know it 75 years — or more — have passed. That's when Old Age becomes your patsy. Old Age can be blamed for everything!

quick glances in the mirror to check on whatever chunk of it might be standing straight up in a sort of a modified rooster tail on the back of your head.

You used to be an inch and a half taller, but that extra height has slid down and now rests around your belly and your back end.

Oh, the list is endless!

At this stage in life, it's a good thing to try to develop a good sense of humor, at least in public. I remember my cousin Lois at a family get-together. We were in the ladies' room and she was looking intently in the mirror, then she gave a big sigh and said, "Well, when you get to be this age, there really isn't much you can do about yourself." Cracked me up. Whenever I need a smile, I just think about Lois.

Oh, and I forgot memory lapses. I get up

from a chair and walk to another room and stand there and look around and wonder just what I am doing there. I got so I leave the light on in the room I want to get back to — otherwise I'd probably stand there all night just looking around and wondering what to do.

It's also the stage in life where your children have conferences to discuss your present and (horror of horrors) your future. They follow you on shopping trips just a bit behind you poised to catch you if you fall or something. You can see that hovering arm behind you in your peripheral vision. Bless their little hearts, you trained them pretty well! Nice people those kids turned into.

So enjoy your Old Age, you only get one of them!



Donna Gochanour
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Helping others

Pam Gualtieri donates blood at the United Blood Services local blood drive in Newcastle, on Oct. 13 at Weston County Senior Services. Gualtieri said she has been donating blood for 16 years, ever since her daughter passed away after fighting an illness that involved receiving blood. According to United Blood Service employees, in addition to saving lives by donating blood, a person who donates blood burns 650 calories each time they donate, another great incentive! According to Ellen Butts, local director, after receiving a report on the draw Tuesday morning, 61 units of blood were collected in Newcastle at the draw. (Photo by Alexis Shultz/NLJ)

UW alumni to gather for 100

University of Wyoming alumni, friends, educators and others in northeast Wyoming have opportunities to meet with UW College of Education Interim Dean Michael Day and mark the college's 100th anniversary this week.

Receptions are being held Tuesday, Oct. 14, in Gillette; Wednesday, Oct. 15, in Hulett; and Thursday, Oct. 16, in

Newcastle as part of a 23-county tour by Day to commemorate the College of Education centennial.

"I'm excited to get out and around the state to connect with our many alumni and friends, celebrate a century of service to the state, and seek input on the significant plans we have for the future," Day said.

All of the receptions are open to the

public, and no RSVP is required. Light refreshments will be served. The Weston County reception begins at 5:30 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Forest Service Building of the USDA Center, 1225 Washington Blvd. in Newcastle. In addition to the public receptions, Day is scheduled to visit with school officials, staff members and students in the three counties.

Debate

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in other areas, and same-sex marriage in Wyoming was a topic in which the candidates greatly disagreed.

Wills, who disputed that same-sex marriage should be allowed in Wyoming, stated that marriage is a religious institution and a common law institution. He explained that words matter, and the definition of words is important. He believes the longtime definition of marriage is now being changed to fit an agenda. Gosar disagreed with Wills, saying he supports marriage for all Wyoming families.

"The Constitution is pretty straightforward. We have no second-class citizens in Wyoming or the United States, and rights afforded to one have to be afforded to all," he asserted.

The two candidates also disagreed on the issues of gender discrimination in Wyoming. Gosar said he believes it is an important issue in the state, and feels that multiple studies have shown that there is a gender-based wage gap, even after you remove other variables that impact earnings. He stated that, until we do this right, we don't really deserve the 'Equality State' motto.

Wills said he didn't agree, indicating that, in his opinion, there is not a significant problem with gender discrimination in the state.

"I'm not even sure what the question refers to," Wills stated,

adding that he disagrees with the recent study saying there is a gender wage gap in Wyoming. He doesn't agree that the reported wage disparity depends strictly on whether an individual is male or female.

The candidates also expressed differing opinions on the Wyoming Lottery.

Wills, who greatly opposed the passage, stated his concern about the government being able to do something, gambling, that has been outlawed in Wyoming for so long, and confirmed he would have vetoed the whole idea. On the other hand, Gosar supported the lottery.

"I think there is an opportunity to put that money towards useful things," professed Gosar, explaining that the money could go toward things that have been underfunded, like early childhood development, as well as city and county government.

One of the biggest differences between the candidates was their stance on gun laws in the state. The question was asked in reference to a concealed carry bill that was signed by Mead, and prompted Gosar to state that current gun laws in Wyoming are adequate and pretty straightforward.

Wills expressed that gun control is a very important topic to him and others in the state, and suggested Wyoming residents should have even more gun freedom.

"I would have signed that

bill, and I think we need to go farther," Wills reported, explaining two different bills introduced in the house. One bill would have given the right to anyone who had a concealed carry permit to carry a concealed weapon on school property, whereas the other would have given teachers and administrators the option to be trained and carry a weapon with the approval of the school board. He continued to explain that Mead pushed for the gun bill that would allow the teachers and administrators to carry with a permit and training, and called that legislation a "fake gun bill." He then professed that he would have vetoed that bill and pushed the "good gun bill," allowing anyone with a concealed carry permit to carry on school properties.

The candidates were also asked what they believed made them appealing to younger voters, and Wills reasoned that his libertarian leanings fit nicely with the freedom young people want to experience, explaining that young people don't want the government in their bedrooms, on their telephone, or looking through their windows. He believes the government needs to act less like a "nanny."

Gosar stated that, as a candidate, you really want to appeal to all voters and you must go to the voters. He has done so by answering questions on Facebook, as well as going

out and meeting with people. Whether it's the old or the young, access to the candidate is important, according to Gosar, who said that opportunity is missed often by candidates and government officials.

The candidates were asked what their first 30 days in office would look like. Gosar promised that in his first 30 days he would look at the issues, and try to gather input from people throughout the state, in all walks of life. Wills said that in his first 30 days, he would do nothing more than listen, with a couple of exceptions, in particular in regard to funding and his desire to close a refugee center touted by Mead.

At the close of Monday's debate, the candidates thanked those who attended the debate, both live and online, as well as Weston County School District #1 for the use of the facility, RT Communications for the live feed of the debate, and the News Letter Journal for hosting the event.

"It would have been nice if the governor was here, but I think Gosar and Wills did a nice job. I hope a lot of people watch the video at rtcom.tv between now and the election. Thanks to the internet, small towns like Newcastle can host political events like this and still provide for a statewide audience," professed Bob Bonnar, publisher and editor of the News Letter Journal.

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Raising Awareness

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Denice Piscioti
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The annual campaign to raise awareness about breast cancer is here. To help educate women, Weston County Public Health began Project Hope — a breast cancer resource center offering patient navigation and education — that was funded through a grant from Susan G. Komen Wyoming.

In June, WCPH Director of Services Lori Bickford gathered a group of breast cancer survivors in the community for lunch. The meeting gave the women an opportunity to tell their own personal story if they desired. It also gave Bickford a chance to learn from them.

“The group of breast cancer survivors who have stepped forward to assist me in this project are my ‘sisters of hope.’ We want to help other women go through their journey. Seeing a face and knowing someone’s name who fought back and survived this disease, gives other women the courage to do the same. They are our cheerleaders,” Bickford explained.

Susan G. Komen Wyoming’s primary fundraiser is the Race for the Cure that occurs the second week in August every year in Cheyenne. Organizers hope that one day the event will be supported in other areas of the state as well. They have been granting money in Wyoming for 19 years. This year they were able to give a grant to every county in the state but four, but with continued growth hope to one day fulfill grants in all counties.

At last week’s meeting the group met again to learn from and support each other. During this time Bickford excitedly showed the women a YouTube video on Epigenetic Therapy, which may offer new hope to cancer victims. She and Public Health Nurse Michelle Sweet first saw the video during a recent Wyoming Department of Health Maternal Child Health Division conference.

The guest speaker for last week’s meeting was Lindsey Fuller, Region III program manager with the Wyoming Cancer Resource Services. She spoke about resources available to cancer



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

Isabella’s Restaurant was the setting for a luncheon gathering of breast cancer survivor’s that call themselves Sisters of Hope. Together they have helped Lori Bickford, Weston County Public Health director, gather information for Project Hope. Pictured are Carol Thurman, Gloria Riehemann, speaker Lindsey Fuller, Region III program manager with Wyoming Cancer Resource Services, Barb Rhoades and Jane Rhoades.

patients in Wyoming, including financial assistance.

Specifically she handed out information about breast cancer which emphasized the benefits of mammograms in diagnosing the disease early. In recent years, advances in screening and treatment have decreased the number of women who die from breast cancer, she reported. However, not all Wyoming women are benefiting from these technological advances. According to the 2012 Wyoming Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey, only 61.9 percent of women in the state over the age of 40 have had a mammogram in the past two years. That is the worst rate in the United States, ranking Wyoming 51 out of all other states and the District of Columbia in respect to screenings.

Fuller stated that the Wyoming Department of Health’s Public Health Division has an early detection program for free breast and cervical cancer screening services for those who qualify.

Since Project Hope’s first meeting,

Bickford stated, individuals have given her more information to help women dealing with breast cancer.

“What I am trying to do is make Public Health the resource center where you make one phone call to us, and we have got those resources right there. I have an extensive library on everything Susan G. Komen has, all from one source. We can put together personalized information packets based on individual needs,” said Bickford.

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Wyoming Breast Cancer Statistics

From Susan G. Komen Wyoming:
1. Wyoming ranks 50th in the nation for breast screenings (BRFSS, 2012)
2. Late Stage Diagnosis: U.S. 43.8 percent; Wyoming 40.3 percent (NAACCR-CINA Deluxe Analytic File)
3. Breast Cancer Mortality Rates: Wyoming, 21 percent; U.S. 22.6 percent (CDC-NCHS mortality data)
4. Screening Data: U.S. 77.5 percent; Wyoming 65.4 percent (CDC-BRFSS)
In a preliminary study, Komen Wyoming has identified Weston County as one of five high-priority counties in the state of Wyoming (The others are Uinta, Albany, Campbell and Fremont). Preliminary reports, to be released in 2015, that focus on specific counties within the state, indicate Weston County’s rates for late stage diagnosis and mortality rates are higher than the state percentage, and among the highest in the state compared to other counties.

Know what to look for

Breast Cancer

Risk Factors

- Being a woman
- Being age 50 or older
- Personal history of breast cancer
- Having two or more relatives diagnosed with breast or ovarian cancer at an early age (genetic factors)
- First full-term pregnancy after age 35 or no full-term pregnancies
- Menopause after age 55
- Menstruation before age 12
- Obesity, especially after menopause

Symptoms

- None in early stages
- A new lump in the breast; or a lump that has changed
- A change in the size, shape, color, or feel of the breast
- Pain in the breast or nipple that does not go away
- Flaky, red, or swollen skin anywhere on

the breast

- A nipple that is very tender or that turns inward
- Any nipple discharge that is not milk when nursing a baby

Cervical Cancer

Risk Factors

- Not having regular Pap tests
- Intercourse at an early age
- Smoking
- You, or your partner, have had multiple sexual partners
- You have HPV (Human Papillomavirus) or had a sexually transmitted disease
- Compromised immune system or have HIV

Symptoms

- None in early stages
- Increased vaginal discharge
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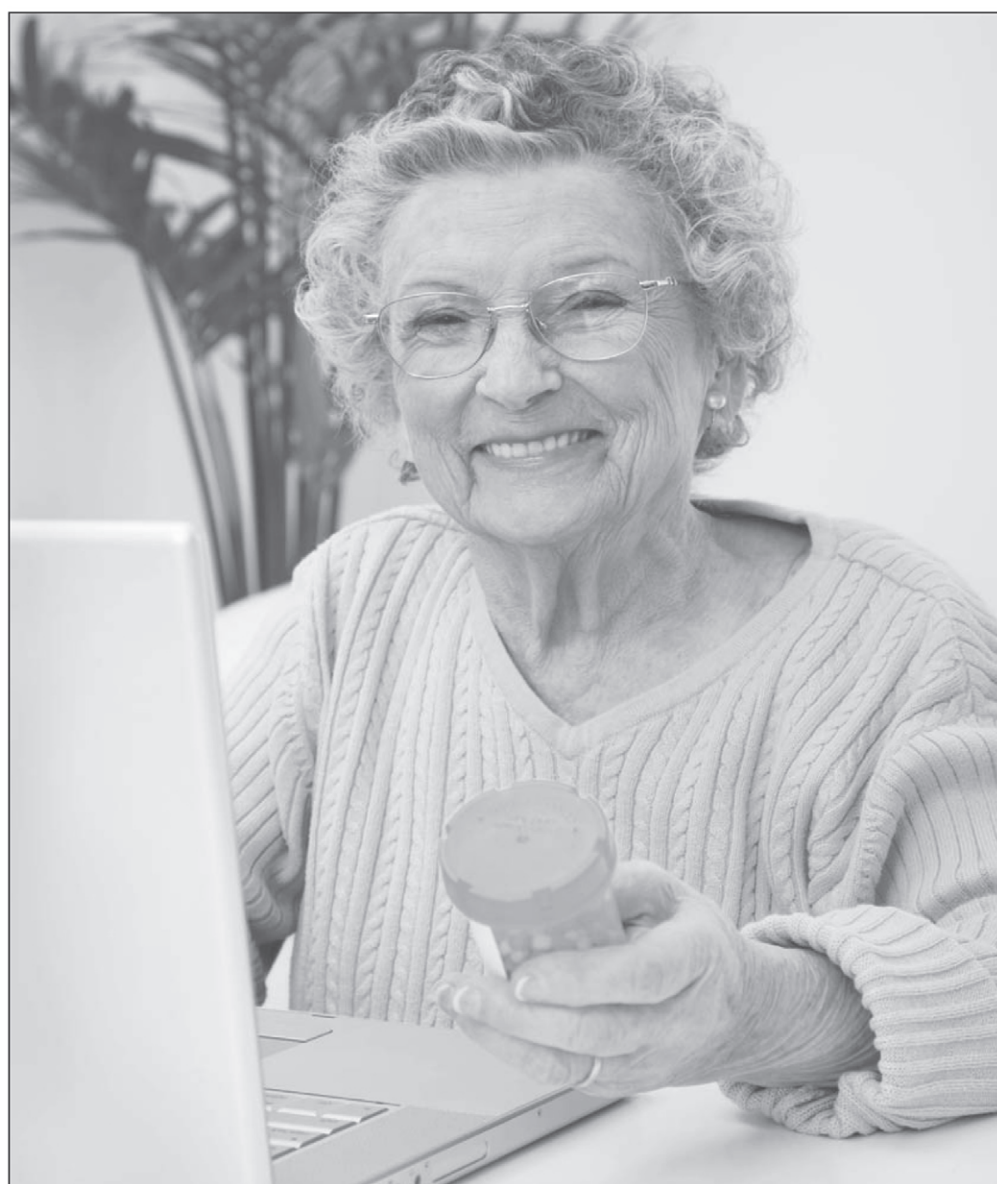
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Hunters

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mind when teaching hunter education classes is the hunters ethics part of that," reported Commissioner Jerry Shepperson, explaining that if hunters have questions about access, are doing everything right, and understand where the land owners are, they should use the land-owners as a source of information. Shepperson said the land owners are actually a source that is better than most, and that's the best place for hunters to go with questions.

One concern, addressed by Commissioner Lenard Seeley, is whether or not the roads in these instances actually lead to a place hunters are allowed to access and hunt. Seeley pointed out that just because there is an access road doesn't mean the hunter can necessarily hunt in places on the other end.

"In these situations, they are trying to access public land and/or hunting areas that they do have legal access to, and the land owner is trying to prevent that," explained Achterhof, adding that the land owner either does this by blocking the road or hanging signs.

"I think, at a minimum, we owe it to the sport to put out a map that shows which roads the public can use, and which they cannot," professed Achterhof.

Seeley agreed that this would probably be a good idea.

Bryan Olsen, Casper Game and Fish employee, explained that hunters are going to go somewhere to get their information, and suggested the county should make sure they get the right information.

"The problem is some of those roads are disputed and there's ambiguity in what the correct answer is," Commissioner Tracy Hunt explained, adding that some land owners claim there is no access when that's not necessarily a good claim.

But Olsen expressed that Game and Fish doesn't want hunters to know about the roads that are in question.

"There are roads all over Weston County, as you are all well aware, that have no legal easement on portions of them," explained Achterhof. "Decisions need to be made. Is this gonna be continued as is? Or are we gonna follow through and get some legal easements so that there is no doubt?"

The question facing Achterhof, is why should a hunter have to go through the turmoil of the county attorney having to decide whether or not the road has legal access after a trespassing ticket has been issued, when it could all be made clear beforehand.

Hunt explained that the cost of surveying a road, even though it is already on a map, is \$7,500. This had to be done in order to get the road platted and established. Hunt continued to explain that Weston County spends the money to establish these roads when no one really benefits. He said he understands Achterhof's point of view, but they must weigh the costs.

With county signs in place on roads that don't necessarily have legal easements, Achterhof professed, he fears for hunter safety, continuing to add that threats have been made involving fire arms. Achterhof explained that traveling some of these roads becomes a "suicide mission," due to land owners.

These roads are marked with county signs for addressing purposes, mostly in the case of emergency personnel, and the removal of those signs, whether confusing to hunters or not, could result in problems, according to the commissioners.

"There are two things that can be sought as

far as the county getting access. They can either pay for it, or they can do eminent domain," professed Achterhof, adding that many of these roads have been in existence for 100 years or more, so eminent domain definitely applies. Seeley explained that those options are not only expensive, but it should be the hunter's responsibility to make a deal with the land owner if through access is desired.

"My philosophy is, I make the deal with you, and I don't think it's the county's spot or place to go condemn a piece of land that probably, the purpose for it being there is gone or changed," stated Seeley. He added that it has come down to just this, the county having to provide access when it has no meaningful purpose. He lamented the idea of using a government entity to condemn a piece of property for someone to have access.

"I certainly understand your problem, but it's not one that is easily solved," professed Hunt.

"One other point about the easements, Weston County hasn't in the past and [doesn't] perceive in the future buying easements," Commissioner Randy Rossman reported.

Achterhof continued by stating that it is an option, and other counties have done it.

"The problem that we run into is that we have to have everybody on the same side, and we don't have everybody on the same side," Commissioner Marty Ertman offered, stating that there is also the option to offer to maintain roads. Ertman also explained that a large number of road easements are stalled, and in order to get this problem fixed everyone has to be on the same page — and she doesn't know if they will ever be.

"We don't wanna bounce around from one road to the next, we wanna get one established and then move on to the next one," explained Shepperson, stating that they have established a priority list and are working through them, but the process is time consuming.

"I just ask that things continue to progress," stated Achterhof, explaining that he knows a lot has been done in the office of Fran Lehman, Weston County GIS coordinator, toward resolving this issue. Achterhof reiterated that he feels some kind of map should be put out that shows the roads that have no problems, so hunters at least have that.

"I don't know what the absolute answer is, but in this day and age, with modern electronics — GPS especially — and maps with the ability to update them in digital format, we owe it to the sport to tell them at least some of the roads we know they can legally access," proclaimed Achterhof.

"I guess what I'd tell them, is these roads are under dispute and do what you need to do," Hunt said, letting the hunter take the responsibility.

"So is there a way we could put together a map?" Olsen questioned, adding that along with the help of Lehman, a map could be established with the roads that are not under dispute that hunters do have access to. With this map, at least hunters would have somewhere to start. Along with the roads that aren't in dispute, contact information of land owners could be added to the map, then hunters would know who to contact with questions about whether or not they can have access.

"Have Fran draw up a map with the roads not in dispute, put that out, bring it in, and we'll have a look at it and have another conversation," conceded Seeley, adding that he doesn't know where it will go, or if it will help, but it will be a start.

Road

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the railroad, and the cost of insurance for the project alone is \$30,000, almost all of the original estimate.

"We just can't go in and pull the sleeve back, we actually have to go in and jack and dig as we go," stated Hartley, adding that the railroad also extended the bore by an extra 75 feet, which adds to cost. Originally the project wasn't expected to include a jack bore process, Hartley said, adding that this, too, adds to the costs of the project.

"This water is a real old line, we have had problems with it, and we need to fix it before major problems arise," Hartley reported, stating that when the second set of tracks

were put in they went clear over the edge of the existing sleeve, so they just can't go in and fix it if the line comes apart.

With the expressed urgency of the project, and the fact that Hartley stated the railroad negotiated with them for one and a half years to get this project going, budgeting must be done to get this project done.

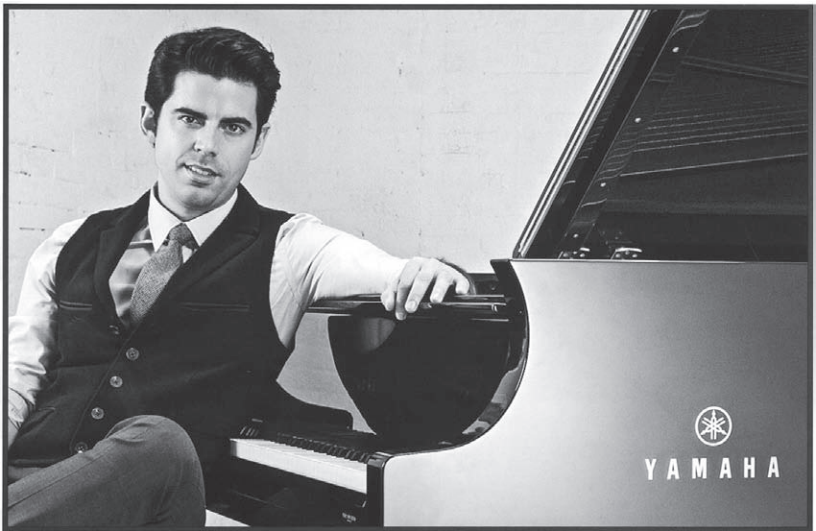
"We had \$60,000 in the budget originally for this project," Hartley explained, adding that with some internal budget shifting they should be able to get it done. A loan from the State Land Investment Board is another possible answer for funding mentioned at the meeting, but both Hartley and Mayor Greg James agreed

during discussion after the meeting that adjusting the budget is the best option, and have chosen to go that route.

"I recommend we pull that water truck," Hartley professed, explaining that the city had \$50,000 set aside to purchase a water truck, but he believes that money would be better used in funding repair of the water line, along with money set aside for fire hydrants. These, along with other methods of adjusting, should acquire enough funds to complete the boring.

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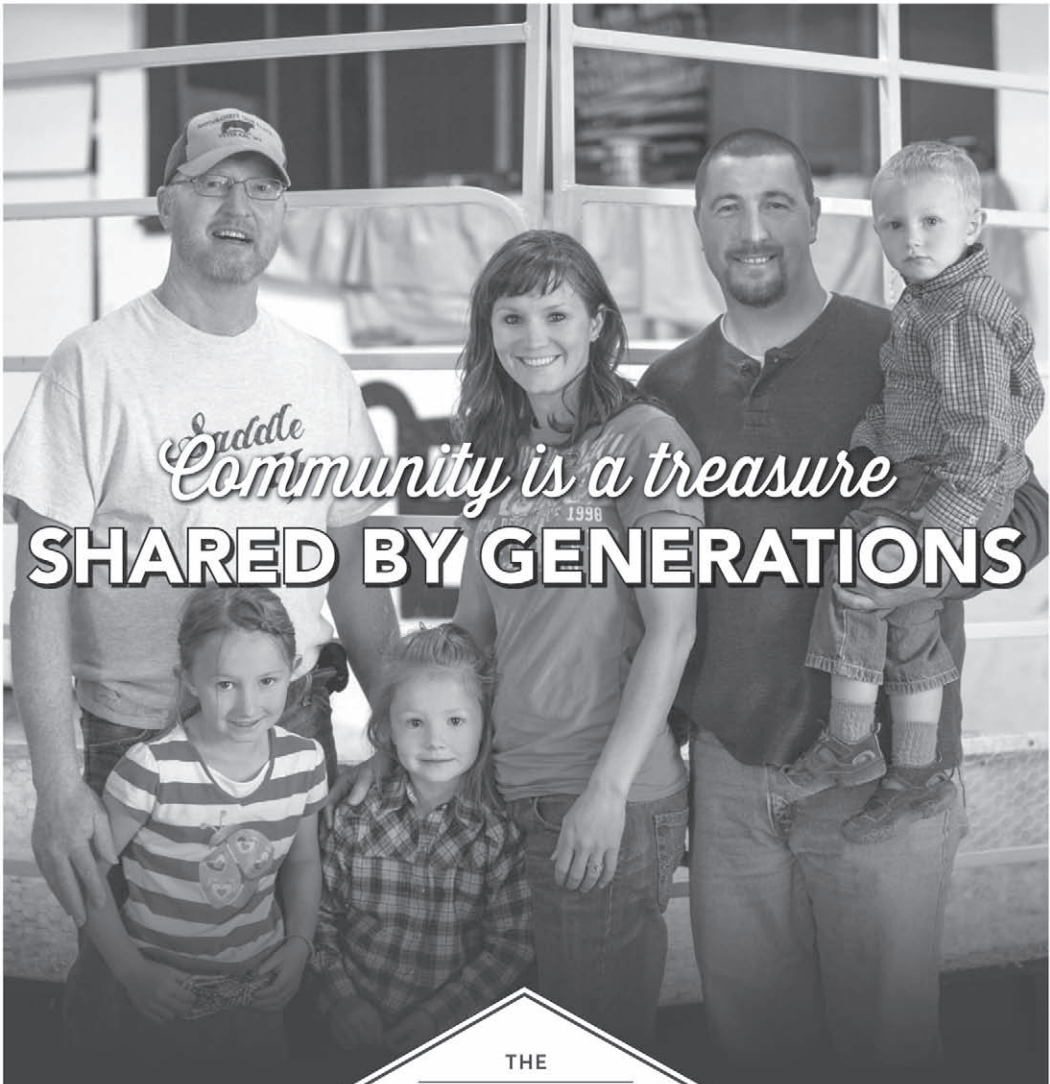


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Enjoying good company

Denice Piscioti
 NLJ Reporter

Enjoying a craft beer together at breweries in the area became treasured time together for Tea and Andrew Wright. They especially appreciated sharing those moments because Andrew worked out of town. The pair needed a change in their lives, though, so they decided to make a living out of what they enjoyed doing together.

When a historical building downtown became available they took the opportunity to make their dream a reality, officially opening T & A Brewing Company on Oct. 1, at 222 West Main Street. The new business is open Wednesday through Monday, from noon until 10 p.m. They serve a large variety of beer and wine along with water, soda, coffee and tea for those who want a non-alcoholic beverage, as well as pretzels and pizza. They do not serve any hard alcohol.

"We have been to a few of the other breweries around and we really enjoyed the atmosphere. We enjoy good craft beer, and we didn't want to have to drive an hour to go do that, so here we are!" informed Andrew.

The building, which was built as a bar in the 1940s, was completely renovated inside. One look in the establishment it is easy to see the hard work the Wrights and their family and friends — Tom Leighton, Garrett Borton, Holly Russell, Wes Grant, Kurtis and Hallie Bell, Dave Young, Terri and Dale Meyer along with Susan Love — put into it since beginning the renovation in July.

They envisioned an industrial theme, dictated by the size and shape of the existing area. Conduit is on the surface with brick showing, giving the interior of the building a finished but rough look. The design was made to be a conversation piece. In keeping with the character of the old building, the original sturdy built bar was reconstructed by Tea to maintain its history. Five tables and three couches provide additional places for customers to sit and relax.

"We gutted it out and figured out what we had, and what we needed to do. The raised seating area wasn't planned, but the floor underneath it was so rotten that we had to do something to cover it up. We just went off of what was handed to us and tried to make it work as best we could," Andrew explained.

Eventually they will sell their own craft beer — after all of the required licenses are in place — in six to eight months. For a year and a half they have been experimenting with making beer at home, learning what they like and how to improve it. Home kits are available with everything needed to make beer, but to produce it and sell it as a business is a completely different process, the couple explained, which is where the crafting begins.



Denice Piscioti/NLJ
Andrew, Tailey, Jaidyn and Tea Wright have spent several months remodeling the building at 222 West Main Street for their new business, T&A Brewing Company.

Creating their own recipes are required, including which grains they use and the amount of hops. Eventually they will create the style they want to be known for.

“We are all about family, and we want to keep it respectful ... We are trying to make it more family time for husbands and wives to come down, play cribbage and play cards and spend time together.”

— **Tea Wright**
T&A Brewing

"It's almost like making cookies, you just have to try it and see," admitted Tea. But the hard part, Andrew added, is waiting several weeks to find out how each creation will taste.

"Once you boil it and make it, you have got to leave it in the fermenter for a couple weeks, and then a couple weeks in the bottles, so it's anywhere from four to six weeks. Some are six months if you want to make a stout beer," he added.

With the help of Kara Sweet of Sweet Sommelier, they have purchased beer and wines for customers to enjoy, which includes some that are new to the area, and some well-known favorites.

They have a wide variety of different beers on tap, with more than 30 currently available plans for an additional 10. A large selection of wines — more than 20 — are ready to be enjoyed at the new establishment as well. Their stock of Redds Apple Ale and Riesling sold out in the first five days they were open.

They hope the brewery will entice people to visit downtown Newcastle, with a nice place and a quiet atmosphere to have a beer or glass of wine and visit with friends.

In researching the build-

ing's history, Tea discovered old photographs of Main Street during the days when businesses filled every building downtown. She said their intention is to help make the Newcastle business district busy again.

On their first day of business, they ran out of pizza. Tea noted that almost every customer left and came back with more people.

"I can't believe how excited everyone has been, it's been the best thing! We've had just fantastic support!" she proclaimed.

It is important to both of the Wrights for T & A Brewing Company to be family friendly, where children can come in with their parents and enjoy a wholesome atmosphere. The facility will be smoke-free, with a designated smoking area outside under the covered porch.

"We are all about family, and we want to keep it respectful," professed Tea.

They also hope to open the patio next summer with a fire pit for customers to sit and enjoy. Eventually they want to put on events as well.

"Hopefully next year, for the street dances, we will have quite a few tables and stuff so they can hang out," she acknowledged. "We are trying to make it more family time for husbands and wives to come down, play cribbage and play cards and spend time together."


"A place where a husband might take his wife on a date, a place where they can have a table to themselves," Andrew added.

Three flat-screen televisions will play music through the televisions with a different theme every day to please diverse tastes. Board games and cribbage boards will be available for customers to enjoy.

"What we are looking for is a nice place, where the atmosphere won't be loud and crazy, and people can come have a nice beer, glass of wine and hang out, enjoy the game, enjoy time with friends and family — a place for people to come and visit," Andrew envisioned.




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Newcastle vs. Sundance
Sept. 30, 2014
7th Grade
Newcastle 0, Sundance 2
8th Grade
Newcastle 0, Sundance 2
Newcastle vs. Custer
Oct. 6, 2014
7th Grade
Newcastle 2, Custer 1
8th Grade
Newcastle 1, Custer 2
3A Championships
Oct. 11, 2014
7th Grade @ Wheatland
Newcastle 2, Buffalo 0; Newcastle 2, Wheatland 1; Newcastle 0, Douglas 2; Newcastle 2, Torrington 1 (3rd Place Overall)
8th Grade @ Glenrock
Newcastle 0, Buffalo 2; Newcastle 0, Wheatland 2

Long line of love

I've always known I have been extremely blessed to have been born into the family that I was, but I so love the opportunity to be reminded of how special their legacy truly is.

This weekend I got that opportunity when I attended my nephew/Godson's wedding as he married the most wonderful woman and most perfect match that he could have possibly found.

In this day and age, our family might be considered to be pretty unique. As an extended unit, we get together each year in August for a weekend campout and reunion with my mother's side of the family.

In any given year, we can be assured that a majority of the 100 plus members of the Brink clan will make an appearance at Wylie Park in Aberdeen, S.D., to hang out and have fun.

My grandparents made sure that the family did this, and even though they are no longer with us, the family continues the tradition.

The wedding of my nephew gave this family another opportunity to get together, and that we did.

All of my siblings were in attendance, and all of my aunts and uncles and a cousin or two were there as well.

The day was full of love and fun, as one might expect from a family member's wedding, but one of the coolest moments that really brought home to me once again how lucky we all are to have been born into this amazing family happened during the wedding dance.

The DJ played a song and challenged all of the married couples to hit the dance floor. During the song, he would have couples who had been married less than an ever-increasing number of years leave the floor, with the goal of seeing which couple would end up the last two dancing.

I had no doubt who would earn those honors, as my parents have been married for 58 years, but I was touched to see the last few couples dancing also were members of my family.

When the DJ had the couples who have been married less than 40 years leave the floor, there continued to dance all of my aunts and uncles and my parents.

It was at that moment that

— See **Karp**, Page 12

Hitting hard

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

It was a bit of a roller coaster ride for the Lady Dogies this past weekend as they travelled to Glenrock to take on the Lady Herders on Friday, then hosted the Lady Outlaws from Rawlins on Saturday.

The team was coming off of a disappointing pair of games the previous weekend and were hoping to turn things around. They certainly accomplished that goal in their Friday match against Glenrock by dominating the Herders in three straight games.

The first set of the match was over in minutes as the squad was firing on all cylinders, stunning their opponents and winning the match, 25-6.

"We played great, and everything just worked on our side," head coach Maja Jechorek grinned. "The girls were moving well, hitting well, blocking and serving aggressively. It was amazing to watch them play so well, and I was super excited to see that."

In the second set, they continued to be a force and won again, 25-13.

The third and final set of the match was the closest of the evening, but Newcastle was able to come out on top with a final score of 26-24.

"In the final set we may have come out a little confident, and we have should be confident," Jechorek stated. "We may have lost focus a little, but it was a great match for us."

The coach went on to point out that this game appeared to be a new beginning for the team and a great start at getting where she believes they need to be.

On Saturday, the team started strong

against the Lady Outlaws, winning the first set 25-15.

"In the first game we came out great," Jechorek commented. "We were owning the court and everything was clicking for us."

The second set was a battle between the two squads, with the Outlaws tying the match by winning 22-25.

"We started having a hard time passing the ball," admitted Jechorek. "Rawlins was serving the ball really well, and we started down and just couldn't bring the game back."

In the third game, the home team struggled against their opponent and dropped it 13-25.

"Again we just had a really hard time. We couldn't pass, so we couldn't set up our hitters," Jechorek frowned. "They were hitting really well and we couldn't turn it around in our favor."

Heading into the fourth set, the home team was back on their game, but lost the lead late in the game and couldn't rally, losing 21-25 to give the set and match to the Lady Outlaws.

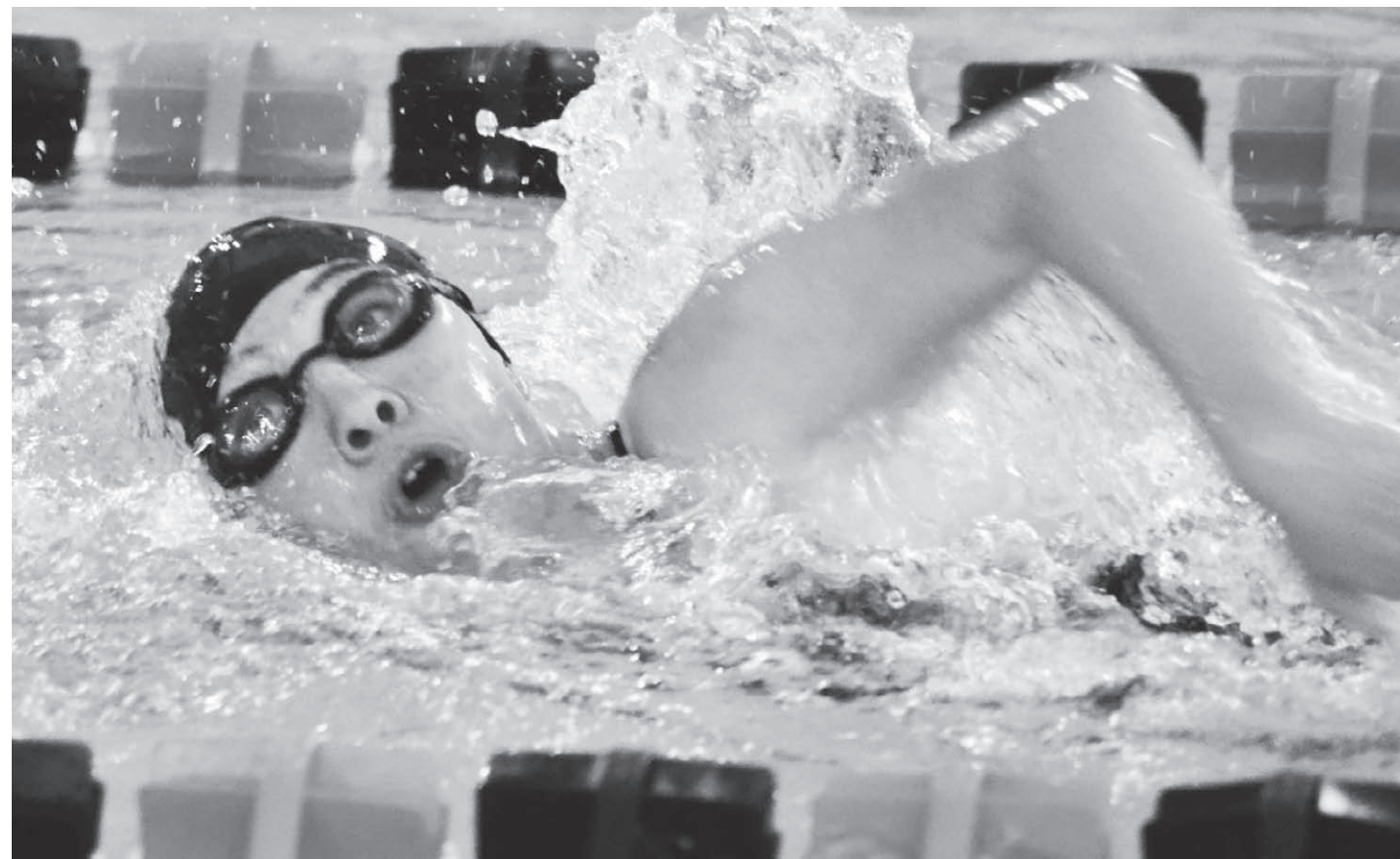
"Overall, it wasn't too bad," stated Jechorek. "Bailey Karp was gone, so the girls had to adjust to some new roles that they are not used to filling."

The coach also surmised that the passing problems the team experienced in the second and third sets may have carried over into the fourth to rattle the team's confidence a little.

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Sonja Karp

Bailey Karp puts the block up against a Lady Herder in Thursday's win in Glenrock.



Sonja Karp

Shaylee Curren kicks to a second-place finish in the grueling 500 Yard freestyle at Thursday's dual with Douglas.

Swimmers are ready

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Seasons are at the point where they are getting ready to wrap up, and for the seniors that means that their high school career is drawing to a close. The Lady Dogie swim-

mers celebrated their lone senior, Jae Marie Whitney, on Thursday as they hosted the Lady Bearcats from Douglas in a dual meet.

Not only was Whitney honored for her commitment to the swimming program, but she also achieved a quali-

fying time for the state meet in the 100 Yard Butterfly.

Though the team had some very good swims, they fell to the Bearcats in the meet.

On Saturday, the team travelled to the Gillette Invitational, which is a very large meet with swimmers

from all classes in Wyoming.

It was Cameron Ault's day to shine as she qualified for the state meet in the 100 Yard Breaststroke.

"Both days we had some great swims," head coach Jenny Pederson exclaimed. "We also had some not so

good swims, but that is very normal right now."

This week the team will begin their taper, and that is when they will see some very fast times, according to Pederson.

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| The Stats | |
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| Newcastle-Douglas Dual Oct. 9, 2014 Team finish: Second Place Individual Stats: | |
| 200 Medley Relay: First place: Rachel Henkle, Mikenna Waggener, Jae Whitney, Sarah Henkle | |
| 200 Free: Cameron Ault 2, Nathina Crabtree 3 | |
| 200 IM: Mikenna Waggener 1, Sarah Henkle 4 | |
| 50 Free: Rachel Henkle 1, Shaylee Curren 3, Rachel Ehlers 5 | |
| 100 Fly: Jae Whitney 2, Nathina Crabtree 3 | |
| 100 Free: Rachel Henkle 2, Rachel Ehlers 5 | |
| 500 Free: Shaylee Curren 2, Jae Whitney 3 | |
| 200 Free Relay: Second place: Nathina Crabtree, Mikenna Waggener, Shaylee Curren, Rachel Henkle | |
| 100 Back: Mikenna Waggener 1 | |
| 100 Breast: Cameron Ault 1, Sarah Henkle 2 | |
| 400 Free Relay: Second place: Cameron Ault, Shaylee Curren, Jae Whitney, Rachel Ehlers | |
| Gillette Invitational Oct. 11, 2014 Team finish: 16th Place Individual Stats: | |
| 200 Medley Relay: 12: Rachel Henkle, Nathina Crabtree, Shaylee Curren | |
| 200 Free: Shaylee Curren 37 | |
| 200 IM: Sarah Henkle 45 | |
| 50 Free: Nathina Crabtree 40, Cameron Ault 59, Rachel Ehlers 83 | |
| 100 Fly: Rachel Henkle 23, Nathina Crabtree 31 | |
| 100 Free: Sarah Henkle 55 | |
| 200 Free Relay: 15: Cameron Ault, Sarah Henkle, Rachel Ehlers, Nathina Crabtree | |
| 100 Back: Rachel Henkle 3 | |
| 100 Breast: Cameron Ault 30 | |
| 400 Free Relay: 14: Sarah Henkle, Rachel Henkle, Shaylee Curren | |

Gridders have another great night

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

It was another great night on the gridiron for the Dogies last Friday, as they travelled to Glenrock and straight up walloped the Herders on their home field, 30-0.

Like the week before, the boys started the game strong, scoring twice in the first quarter, getting on the board early.

"I told the guys that we had to have the pedal to the metal, and start the game fast against Glenrock," head coach Matt Conzelman stated. "We had to have a good tempo and we had

to play our game."

Newcastle kicked off to the Herders to start the game, and with a quick three and out, were able to take possession of the ball.

The offensive drive was short-lived, however, when on the second play of the drive Dillon Ehlers completed a 57-yard pass to connect with Trayton Farnsworth in the endzone for the first touchdown of the game.

Jared Bell was on point with a good point after touchdown to put the Dogies up 7-0.

Once again the boys in white held Glenrock scoreless on their offensive drive, and with 13 seconds left in the

first, Braden Rushton punched the ball across the goal line for his team's second touchdown of the evening.

Bell went two for two, putting the ball through the uprights for the PAT, which put the Dogies up 14-0 to end the quarter.

"Defensively, the Herders were very good and they played a very physical game," Conzelman commented. "But the Dogie D did a great job all day, and our offense was up to the defensive challenge that Glenrock offered."

The second quarter saw more of the same defensive dominance by the Dogies, as they held the Herders score-

less once again.

With 3:05 left in the half, Ehlers jogged one yard into the endzone for his first touchdown of the night, and Bell hit his third PAT to put the Dogies up 21-0 to end the half.

"It was great to go into the locker room with that nice lead," smiled Conzelman. "But I reminded the guys that we were behind last year at the half and came back to win, so this game was not over by a long shot."

Conzelman also reminded the team that they are, by nature, a second half team, so they needed to come out

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Sonja Karp

Sarah Henkle pushes for her second-place finish in the 100 Yard breaststroke on Thursday.



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Swimmers

“Nathina Crabtree is so very close to a state time that it’s crazy,” Pederson smiled. “She was .5 seconds from qualifying on Thursday, and on Saturday she dropped even more time, missing qualification by a mere 10th of a second. It is going to happen,” she said with confidence.

The team will host a qualifying meet this Thursday, Oct. 16, and Pederson is sure that Crabtree will get under the qualifying time then.

At this point, Crabtree and Rachel Ehlers are the only two that have yet to qualify for the state meet, and according to Pederson they are both so close that she believes all of her swimmers will make it to State.

“Rachel Henkle had a great race this weekend, and she is now seeded first in the state for 3A in the 100 Yard Backstroke,” Pederson grinned.

In the meet on Saturday, Henkle had the opportunity to swim against some fast 4A competition and she finished third overall.

“It was a fun race to watch,” Pederson nodded.

The swimmers are tired and broken down right now, which is where they need to be as they begin their taper.

Pederson is excited to see how they will look after taper, in two and a half weeks, at the state meet.

Volleyball

“We have such a strong conference and it’s whoever shows up in a couple of weeks that will get past the regional tournament to make it to State,” Jechorek declared.

Jechorek added that she is not focusing so much on these matches right now and wants the girls to know that it’s all about regionals and being ready for that.

This Friday, Oct. 17, the team will travel to Wheatland to take on the 3A Southeast Conference Bulldogs, and will host the Lady Blazers from Torrington on Saturday.

The team has been putting together some new looks on offense, and the coach is excited to implement these changes to present a new look for their opponents.

The match against Torrington on Saturday will also be the recognition for the senior girls. The

The Stats

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| Volleyball v. Glenrock Oct. 10, 2014 25-6, 25-13, 26-24 | Kendra Back: 19-21 serves, 3 aces, 13 kills, 3 block assists, 2 stuff blocks Abby Gray: 36-36 serves, 3 aces, 185 set assists, 1 block assist, 1 stuff block Ashten Farnsworth: 32-36 serves, 7 aces, 7 kills, 2 set assists |
| Volleyball v. Rawlins Oct. 11, 2014 25-15, 22-25, 13-25, 21-25 | Bailey Karp: 4 kills, 2 set assists, 1 block assist, 1 stuff block Hannah Cass: 20-20 serves, 1 ace, 23 kills, 6 set assists, 1 block assist, 1 stuff block |
| Combined individual stats: Alyssa Dawson: 11-11 serves, 21 kills, 2 block assists Scottlyn Wiggins: 33 serve receives, 2 set assists, 28 digs Katarina Cade: 23-24 serves, 5 aces, 9 kills, 1 set assist, 42 digs | |

match is an early one with the freshman game starting at 11. The Varsity game is expected to begin at 1 p.m., and the senior recognition will occur prior to the start of the Varsity match.

Football

with more intensity and more enthusiasm in the second half than they had in the first.

The Dogies received the kickoff to start the second half, and this would be the only kickoff of the night for the Herders.

With 9:27 left in the third, Ehlers got his second touchdown of the game with a 22-yard scamper across the goal line. This time, Bell was unable to convert the PAT to keep the lead at 27-0 to end the quarter.

Early in the fourth quarter, Bell got a chance to finish off his game on a high note, though, as he was good on a 39-yard field goal to finish out the scoring for the Dogies and give his team a 30-0 lead when the clock ticked down to zero.

“It’s been a while since we’ve handed someone a shutout,” Conzelman noted. “Last year we got one against Moorcroft, but it’s been since 1989 that the Dogies have achieved that against the ‘Rock,” he grinned.

The coaches and players

The Stats

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| Dogies vs. Glenrock Oct. 10, 2014 Final Score 30-0 Team: 157 yards rushing, 199 yards passing Individual Stats: Colton Sweet: 2 carries for 7 yards, 4 receptions for 91 yards, 5 yards kickoff return, 7 tackles Dillon Ehlers: 2 TD, 17 carries for 88 yards, 7-12 pass completions for 184 yards (1 TD pass), 1 punt for 57 yards, 1 punt return for 6 yards, 8.5 tackles, 1 sack Bradon Rushton: 1 TD, 15 carries for 58 yards, 2 receptions for 32 yards, 3.5 tackles Triston Roberson: 2 carries for 4 yards, 1-2 pass completions for 15 yards, 6 tackles Trayton Farnsworth: 1 TD, 2 receptions for 76 yards, 6.5 tackles Jared Bell: 1 FG, 3-4 PAT Ricky Larson: 6.5 tackles Nick Bock: 1 tackle Mason Pisciotto: 2 tackles Bryce Womack: 4.5 tackles Nate Pillen: 3 tackles James Lewis: 1 tackle Zac Rasmussen: 1 tackle Drew Coy: 5 tackles |
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are planning to carry over the successes they have had this season into Friday night’s game, against the other undefeated team in the 2A East Conference as they host the Rams from Big Horn.

Karp

it really hit me how truly amazing that is in today’s world. I’m sure that these couples have gone through difficult times, but they held onto and fought for their marriage and their family.

When it was just my parents left on the floor, the DJ asked them to offer advice to the newlyweds on how to have a long, successful marriage. I had to giggle when my dad said that the best advice he could give would be for my nephew to listen to his wife. My mother’s advice was never to go to bed angry.

I’m sure that both of those bits of marriage wisdom will go a long way toward helping my nephew and his new bride continue the tradition of love that this family has carried on throughout the generations.

Every day I am grateful for my family, but I really appreciate those moments when I am so obviously reminded that I do indeed come from a long line of love.



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Back row from left: Coach Michael Alexander, Shaylee Curren, Mikenna Waggener, Rachel Henkle, Head Coach Jenny Pederson. Front row from left: Rachel Ehlers, Nathina Crabtree, Sarah Henkle, Jay Whitney, Cameron Ault, Megan Logan. Not pictured: Jessica Pastor.



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City Council Minutes

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014

Mayor Greg James called the regular meeting of Monday October 6, 2014 to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Mayor Greg James, Archie Callander, Linda Hunt, and Don Steveson as well as several guests. Absent: Roger Hesper and Todd Quigley. Also present Department Heads: City Attorney Jim Peck, Clerk/Treasurer Brunner, Police Chief Jim Owens and Engineer Bob Hartley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor James added an LGLP discussion and discussion regarding the council appointee to the agenda under Mayor/Council Reports. He deleted the Executive Session regarding Personnel. Linda Hunt moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the agenda for Monday, October 6, 2014 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Archie Callander moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 15, 2014 and the Executive Session Minutes of September 15, 2014. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: Linda Hunt nominated T & A Brewing Company for their new business which opened on Wednesday and Wyoming Refinery Co. for the Newcastle "Dogie" and the Wyoming "Cowboy" bucking horse painted on their new tanks. Mayor James nominated Annette Koester, manager of the local Family Dollar, for her recent national award with the company (Annual Chairman's Circle Award).

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION and APPRECIATION: Mayor James gave certificates to Seth and Kristine Rhoades, Rhoades Dental, new owners and practitioners of Black Hills Dental for their new ownership of the dental office and to Dixon Bros., for their new office building. Casey and Kellee Reed were not in attendance to receive their certificate for moving an old home off their property.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – WRITING: 1. None. **CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – VERBAL:** Marcia Nichols from BH Power appeared to speak to the Council regarding BH Power's Energy Efficiency Awareness Week. 2. Bruce Perkins appeared to request extension of operating hours for October

31, 2014. He requested extending hours from midnight Oct. 31 to November 1, 2014 at midnight. Linda Hunt moved and Don Steveson seconded to extend operating hours for the 24 hour open period as requested. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mr. Perkins then submitted a written request which was read by Mayor James for a catering request outside the City licensing area to cater an event for Weston County Health Services at the Weston County Fairgrounds on November 1, 2014. Perkins Tavern is a liquor license holder in good standing with the City. Linda Hunt moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the request from Perkins Tavern as presented and to authorize the Treasurer to draft a letter of "good standing" for Perkins Tavern to the Weston County Treasurer. **MOTION CARRIED.** 3. Dick and Bonnie Rich appeared to thank the City for the use of Dow Park for the Annual Show & Shine Car Show. Discussion was held regarding how to properly handle a "burn out" after the car show is over to provide for a safe event. Mayor James requested that the Rich's work closely with the Newcastle Police Department prior to next year's show.

MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS: - 1. Mayor James read a Governor's Proclamation declaring September 2014 as the QUASICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF NEWCASTLE. The proclamation was received by the clerk/treasurer's office after the second meeting in September which delayed the official reading of the proclamation until the first meeting in October. 2. He addressed a letter from the Local Government Liability Pool board with a request for nominations for county commissioner or special district. 3. Mayor James commented that four (4) letters of interest had been received for the open council seat; the council Committee of the Whole set a 6:00 p.m. meeting with the candidates for questioning on October 20, 2014 prior to the regular meeting.

Roger Hesper joined the meeting at 7:25 p.m. **MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS:** - (continued) 4. Mayor James addressed an e-mail requesting the City address the issue of "jake" brake noise on the bypass; he replied to the written e-mail question with the council's previous actions regarding this issue.

At 7:30 p.m. Mayor James stopped the regular meeting to hold a microbrewery license hearing for T&A Brewing Co. which is opening a microbrewery in their building on Main Street. Treasurer Brunner stated that the license application is complete and approved by the Wyoming Liquor Division but that the City will withhold actual issuance of the license until T&A Brewing Company receives their Federal Basic Permit which is required for a brewer and submits a copy of the federal permit to the City. Linda Hunt moved and Roger Hesper seconded to approve the microbrewery license for T & A Brewing Company LLC dba T&A BREWING contingent upon receipt by the City of the Federal Basic Permit. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mayor James closed the public hearing at 7:37 p.m.

Mayor James returned the conversation to the discussion regarding "compression/jake" brakes. Without proper training by law enforcement to determine if the trucks are in compliance there isn't much the City can do. Police Chief Owens replied to previous comments and stated that he thought the only solution was to purchase decibel meters and train the law enforcement officers to run those meters.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:
Police Chief Owens: 1. related the department activity for September which is down com-

Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WYOMING IN AND FOR WESTON COUNTY

**Civil Action No. PR-7992-DC
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
FRANCIS DUANE MILLER,
Deceased.**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION OF DECEDENTS ESTATE

That Francis Duane Miller died on the 7th day of July, 2014 in Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming, leaving Edward Duane Miller, as his sole beneficiary to the property described herein.

That Edward Duane Miller, the above named beneficiary, on the 26th day of September, 2014 filed in the District Court of the Sixth Judicial District, Newcastle County, State of Wyoming, his Application for Decree of Distribution, pursuant to W.S. §2-1-205 (LexisNexis 2013), praying that the Court adjudge the following described property located in Weston County, Wyoming be distributed as follows:

Real Property:
Lot Three (3) Block Three (3) West Saddle Subdivision of Arnold First Extension to the City of Newcastle, County of Weston, State of Wyoming. According to the recorded plat thereof, together with all improvements thereon.
Personal Property:
Household Furnishings
First State Bank Newcastle Checking Account No. 606816
First State Bank Newcastle Savings Account No. 11590
Vehicles:
2006 Buick Lucerne
V.I.N. #1G4HP5286U191781
1992 Motor Home
V.I.N. #1FDKE30G6MHB02656

That the said Application has been set down for hearing before the Court at the District Courtroom, Weston County Courthouse, Newcastle, Wyoming, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., on the 23rd day of October, 2014, where all persons interested may appear and object to the granting of the relief;

IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO THE APPLICATION AND IF IT APPEARS THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE APPLICATION ARE NOT IN DISPUTE, the Court will enter into Decree of Distribution setting over the above described real and personal property as set forth above.

DATED this 29th day of September, 2014.

Edward A. Buchanan, of
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(Publish October 9 and 16, 2014)

pared to the month of Sept 2013. For the year to date figures the number of calls is still higher than last year at this time. 2. during the last couple of weeks there have been some major events with three pursuits (two ending with felony arrests). 3. On Friday night (10/3/14) the Law Enforcement Center was attacked by an individual beating on the building with a cinder block damaging several windows and doors; the individual was taken into custody and the Weston County Sheriff's Department is investigating the vandalism. 4. Officer Herrberg has completed his one year probation. Chief Owens requested a 50 cent per hour raise and promotion to permanent status effective Oct 5, 2014. Roger Hesper moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the status change and pay rate raise. **MOTION CARRIED.**

City Clerk/Treasurer Brunner – 1. reported that the annual State Financial Report was filed on September 26, 2013 for FY 2013-14. The report is due on September 30th each year and must be submitted for the City to receive state payments. 2. she report that she has submitted all insurance claim paperwork to the Local Government Liability Pool for a liability claim from Aldrich Fisher who owns a rental property at 19 1/2 North Summit. The residence had a sewer backup. 3. reported on the first quarter (July-September) Financial Report; 4. stated that as of September 30, 2014 she has submitted all of her audit entries to Crowell and Sylte, CPA regarding the FY 2013-14 audit. 5. She requested that the council grant the city hall staff to close the City Hall building on November 28, 2014 (the Friday after Thanksgiving) and on December 26, 2014 (the Friday after Christmas). She stated that the staff was aware that, if granted, this closure time would require use of vacation time by the staff. Mayor and Council verbally gave permission to close on those dates.

Todd Quigley joined the meeting at 7:51 p.m. **City Attorney Jim Peck** – 1. presented a renewal of the contract with Wyoming Refinery for water usage with the same terms regarding water usage; at a rate of \$1.13/ one thousand (1000) gallons of water with the new renewal term date of three (3) years commencing on October 11, 2014. Roger Hesper moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the renewal contract for water usage with Wyoming Refinery at the stated rate for a three year term beginning on October 11, 2014. Don Steveson and Archie Callander abstained from discussion and vote due to employment with the company. **MOTION CARRIED.**

City Engineer Bob Hartley 1. Taylor Hesper has tendered his resignation with the City as landfill equipment operator and Engineer Hartley recommended hiring Lester Weir to that position. Lester had worked in that position previously and has been working part-time for the City since ending his full-time employment. Engineer Hartley requested a pay rate for Lester Weir at \$16.48/hour. Todd Quigley moved and Linda Hunt seconded to accept Taylor Hesper's resignation with regrets. Roger Hesper abstained from the discussion and vote. **MOTION CARRIED.** Todd Quigley moved to offer the position of landfill operator to Lester Weir at \$16.48/hour on one-year probationary status effective immediately; **MOTION CARRIED.** 3. requested that the City approve a \$50/hour raise for Rob Schlup for completion of his one year probationary period retroactive to August 26, 2014 and to place him on permanent status. Roger Hesper moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the pay rate raise for Rob Schlup as requested and change Rob Schlup to permanent status. **MOTION CARRIED.** 4. updated the City projects; paving of Birch, Pine and Carter to Walker; Seneca and Summit; he noted that these paving projects are very expensive and that there was a voucher for payment in the evening's check run for over \$311,000.00 for these paving projects. He commended the city crews who worked very hard prepping for the paving; 5. the contractor has been sandblast-

Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note dated September 29, 2009 executed and delivered by Michael L. Shepperson, as Mortgager, to First National Bank of Buffalo, and a real estate mortgage of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was recorded on September 29, 2009 as Rec. No. 714913, Book 317, Page 0900, in the public records in the office of the County Clerk of Weston County, Wyoming; as assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Mortgagee, recorded October 13, 2009 as Rec. No. 715174, Book 318, Page 0131 in the public records in the office of the County Clerk of Weston County, Wyoming. The premises that are described in the Mortgage are as follows:

Lot 4E, Block 3 County Clerks Subdivision of Lot 4, Block 3, Upton, Weston County, Wyoming. Parcel ID Number: 48653513600500

with an address of 904 Watt Trail, Upton, WY 82730.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., has served a written Notice of Intent to Foreclose the Mortgage by Advertisement and Sale pursuant to the terms of the Mortgage to the record owner or party in possession in accordance with the statute ten (10) days prior to the first publication of the sale.

The amount due and owing on the date of the first publication is \$169,213.65 which includes the unpaid principal and accrued but unpaid interest. Interest continues to accrue on the unpaid balance at the rate of \$22.67 per day.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to W.S. § 34-3-101 et seq., (1977 Republished Edition) that the above described property will be at public venue sold by the Sheriff of Weston County, to the highest bidder at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 18th of November, 2014, at the courthouse steps of Weston County.

DATED this 23rd day of September, 2014.

BY: Greg B. Asay
Associated Legal Group, LLC
1807 Capitol Ave Suite 203
Cheyenne, WY 82001
(307) 632-2888
Attorney for JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

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ing and repairing the blue water tank exterior in preparation for paint; he chose a light brown color for the exterior of the tank. The contractor will be starting on the inside soon. 5. he reviewed the bids that were opened at the last meeting for the water line bore under the railroad; a large part of the higher bid cost was for insurance requirements and extra costs due to requirements from BNSF that were not in the original estimates for the project. Engineer Hartley budgeted \$40,000 in the FY 2014-15 budget; he made suggestions on how to make adjustments to the budget internally to cover the increased cost; he recommended to award the bid to Timberline Services for \$136,866.44; Roger Hesper moved and Linda Hunt seconded to award the railroad bore project to Timberline Services as requested by Engineer Hartley. The bids for this project were opened at the September 15, 2014 meeting with Timberline being the low bidder.

MOTION CARRIED.
Linda Hunt moved and Don Steveson seconded to pay claims dated October 6, 2014. **MOTION CARRIED.**
Archie Callander moved and Roger Hesper seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Claims: All About Play, adhesive/edge, etc., \$12,566.04; Alpha Communications, Sept. Tower rent, \$95.00; American Water Works, membership, Safety First training, \$226.50; Anderson Contracting, water meters install, \$891.00; Arbor Day Foundation, membership, \$15.00; at71 mobility, cell phones, \$719.74; B&K Cleaning, city hall cleaning, \$360.50; Baker Timber Products, grinding/mobilization, \$6200.00; Becky Vodopich, notary fee reimb., \$30.00; BH Auto Salvage, towing, \$233.60; BH Power, electricity, \$11,628.63; BCBS of WY, employee health ins., \$34,130.50; Bryand Streeter, airport wages, \$1158.75; Butler Machinery, supplies, \$3256.29; Cambria Supply, supplies, \$657.96; CDW-Government, ink cartridges, \$448.97; Centurylink, E911 line, \$956.42; Chief Law Enforcement Supply, safety gloves, \$169.29; City of Newcastle, WA/SW/GA, landfill usage applied, \$530.01; Collins Communication, video view upgrade/Dow Park camera, \$3837.44; CRA payment, ignition switch, \$48.25; Croell Redi-Mix, concrete, \$3188.00; Desert Mountain, ice slicer, \$10,907.72; Draphix, LLC, office supplies, \$60.00; Emergecy Services Marketing, telephone, \$14.73; Energy Labs, water samples tested, \$100.00; Farnsworth Services, haul box container, \$1185.00; Fisher Sand and Gravel, WY base course J, \$3151.47; Frontier Home, supplies, \$267.37; JP Cooke, dog tags/books, \$121.50; James Peck, retainer, \$2800.00; John's Electric, repairs, \$201.80; MasterCard, supplies, travel, training, \$1841.81; Matthew Bender, WY Criminal Traffic, \$647.28; Rocky Mountain, name tags, ID badge, \$319.46; Minuteman Lube, service, \$447.95; Modern Cleaners, clean judge robe, \$12.50; Newcastle Ambulance, ambulance services, \$8333.33; Newcastle Equip., supplies, \$60.66; Newcastle Fire Extinguisher, service call, \$126.78; Newcastle Motors, repairs/Chevy Silverado, \$770.91; Newcastle PD, postage, \$35.17; Newcastle Vol. fire Dept., Aug cleaning/postage, \$167.95; Newman Traffic, no truck signs, \$1136.88; News Letter Journal, supplies/publishing, \$2829.45; Northwest Pipe Fittings, supplies, \$6319.42; Oil City Supply, supplies, \$29.78; One Call of WY, June locate tickets, \$22.50; Petty Cash, reimb postage/freight/floor mat, \$275.16; Phil's Tire, flat repair, \$15.00; Postmaster, postage, \$302.40; Powder River Energy, electricity, \$992.28; R. Douglas Dumbrell, judge services, \$1086.24; Recycle Systems, service call/landfill, \$467.50; RT Communications, trunk line share, \$325.97; RT Communications, telephone, \$2574.50; Sacrison Paving, street paving, \$311,245.62; Salt Creek Vet, microchip scanner, \$350.00; Sourcegas, natural gas, \$236.16; TEK Supply, coil sheet door, \$3324.10; TOP Office, copy charge/toner, \$72.40; Voelker's Auto Body, replace vent assy, \$813.30; WCS Telecom, l/d tele charges, \$167.39; Weston Co. Health Services, BAC/Archleta, employee drug screening, \$422.00; Weston Co. Treasurer, tax handling chg, LEC expense share, August airport, \$2375.68; Weston Co. true Value, boards, \$47.64; WY Automotive, supplies, \$2121.83; Wyoming State Treasurer, 2014 unclaimed property, \$384.50; **WATER DEPOSIT REFUND:** Alexis Jagelski, \$85.08; Amanda Carlin, \$86.50; Brian Geisinger, \$14.48; Dan Moudree, \$63.76; Jessica Graham, \$100.00; John Richmond, \$103.92; John Anderson, \$86.04; Jonathan Sloan, \$93.65; Judy Ankeney, \$13.17; Marci Steedley, \$178.02; Michael Cookston, \$70.05; **QUARTERLY SERVICE PROVIDER DISTRIBUTION:** Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, \$3250.00; Newcastle Rec Bd, \$8750.00; Northern WY Mental Health, \$1625.00; Weston Co Children's Ctr, \$2250.00; Weston Co. Health Services, \$1375.00; Weston Co. Humane Society, \$4250.00; Weston Co. Senior Services, \$7500.00;

Greg James, Mayor
ATTEST: City Clerk/Treasurer, Charita Brunner
(Publish October 16, 2014)

Bid Notice

SEALED BID

The Osage Water District will be accepting bids for the repair of Metz Street and Sackett Ave. in Osage, Wyoming. Call 307-465-2340 for the road work requirements. The bids will be opened October 23rd.

(Publish October 9, 16 and 23, 2014)

Election Notice

OSAGE IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICT ELECTION PROCLAMATION

On November 4, 2014, the Osage Improvement and Service District will hold their election. The polling place will be located at the Kitty Moats Complex, Metz Ave, Meeting Room, Osage, Wyoming. The polling hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing two (2) board members for four year terms. For absentee ballots call Cynthia Crabtree at 465-2340

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO (2)
___ CYNTHIA CRABTREE
___ JOSEPH CUMMINGS
___ NATHAN LOCKE
___ (Write in Candidate's name)
___ (Write in Candidate's name)

(Publish October 9, 16 and 23, 2014)

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 June 26, 2013, was executed and delivered by Katina Smith and Gary Smith ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Quicken Loans, Inc., its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on July 16, 2013, at Reception No. 745034 in Book 346 at Page 442 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: Quicken Loans Inc.
Assignment dated: September 11, 2014
Assignment recorded: September 19, 2014

Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 754646 in Book 354 at Page 280

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 \$106,402.75 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$103,218.17 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$2,247.76, plus other costs in the amount of \$936.82, 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 Quicken Loans Inc., 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 November 18, 2014 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 25 N. Sumner, Newcastle, Wyoming, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

The land referred to herein below is situated in the county of Weston, state of Wyoming, and is described as follows:

Lot 17 of painted hills country estates in weston county, wyoming according to the recorded plat thereof

with an address of 100 Kenwood Dr., Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

Quicken Loans Inc.
By: Weinstein, Pinson & Riley, P.S.
123 West 1st Street, Ste. 433
Casper, WY 82601
(206) 438-1034

(Publish October 16, 23, 30 and November 6, 2014)

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

On Thursday, October 23, 2014, FOCUS, Inc. will host a board training at 6:00 p.m. at the Weston County Library Community Room followed by its regular board meeting.

(Publish October 16, 2014)

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees will have a 5:00 p.m. early start on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 for an Induction Program Workshop.

(Publish October 16, 2014)

Utility Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, the Commission hereby gives notice of the application of Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp or the Company) for approval of a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to construct a 69kV distribution power line in Crook County, Wyoming (Project).

PRECorp is a non-profit cooperative public utility as defined in W.S. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), which provides retail electric public utility service under certificates of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission. PRECorp is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to W.S. § 37-2-112.

On October 6, 2014, PRECorp submitted its application seeking approval of a CPCN to construct a new three phase, 33.5 miles of 69kV high voltage distribution power line to accommodate new load associated with ONEOK Bakken NGL Pipeline, LLC's (ONEOK) pipeline pump station pursuant to W.S. § 37-2-205 and Sections 204 and 205 of the Commission's Rules. The proposed power line will originate at PRECorp's Bill Durfee Substation located adjacent to Mason Creek Rd (Section 14 T50N R63W) in Crook County and terminate at the ONEOK delivery point located west of Oak Creek Rd (Section 8 T54N R61W). The proposed line will parallel existing infrastructure where prudent. Access to the project will be maintained from Highways 111, 585, 116 and 24. Existing county roads, Banks, Mason Creek and Oak Creek Roads will also be used as well as many existing two-track service roads. There are twenty-nine easement acquisitions required along the route of this project. Twenty-six of the twenty-nine have been executed.

The total estimated cost of the construction is expected to be \$7,500,591. The entire cost of this project will be paid with contribution in aid to construction supplied by ONEOK. Construction is anticipated to begin mid-December 2014 and will last approximately six to eight months.

This is not a complete description of the application. Interested persons may inspect the application at PRECorp's business office located in Sundance, Wyoming, and at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours.

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before November 7, 2014. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 10014-154-CA-14 in your communications.

Dated: October 8, 2014.

(Publish October 16 and 23, 2014)

Bid Notice

INVITATION TO BID

DUST CONTROL AND ROAD REPAIR 2014 WESTON COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT

The Board of County Commissioners, Weston County, will be accepting bids for road repair and supplying and applying dust suppression agents on County roads in Weston County, Wyoming. Bids are due by 4:00 pm on October 20, 2014. Bids will be evaluated at the October 21, 2014 9:30 a.m. commissioners meeting. Each bid shall be placed in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the outside with the name of the bidder and the words:

"Bid for Weston County Dust Control Project"

Bids must be submitted to:
Weston County Clerk
1 West Main Street,
Newcastle, WY 82701

Bid must be received on or before the date specified above. Bids received after the time and date listed above will not be considered. Weston County reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any formality or technicality in its interest.

Award of this contract will be based on the Base Bid total for two bid schedules.
Bid Bond, Performance, and Payment Bonds are required.

Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of Thirty (30) days after opening. It is to be understood that the OWNER may reject any and all bids, make substitutions and waive any informalities and technicalities as will be in their best interest.

The Weston County Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age and handicapped status in employment or the provision of services.

Please contact Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Supervisor, at (307) 746-5555 for additional information.

(Publish October 9 and 16, 2014)

Election Notice

CANYON IMPROVEMENT & SERVICE DISTRICT

On November 4, 2014 the Canyon Improvement & Service District will hold their election. The election will be mailed ballot election with the alternate polling place to be at 372 Salt Creek Rd. The polling hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing three (3) board members to four year terms.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS FOUR (4) YEAR TERM.

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE (3)

- ___ Jarrod Hossfeld
- ___ Robert Humes
- ___ Bill Lunney
- ___ (Write in Candidate's name)
- ___ (Write in Candidate's name)
- ___ (Write in Candidate's name)

(Publish October 16, 2014)



Election Notice

OSAGE WATER DISTRICT ELECTION PROCLAMATION

On November 4, 2014, the Osage Water District will hold their election. The polling place will be located at the Kitty Moats Complex, Metz Ave, Meeting Room, Osage, Wyoming. The polling hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing two (2) board members for four year terms. For absentee ballots call Cynthia Crabtree @ 465-2340

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO (2)

- ___ CYNTHIA CRABTREE
- ___ JOSEPH CUMMINGS
- ___ NATHAN LOCKE
- ___ RODNEY MCMEEKIN
- ___ (Write in Candidate's name)
- ___ (Write in Candidate's name)

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT

CITY OF NEWCASTLE STREET PAVING AND OVERLAY 2014

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT OF PUBLIC COMMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Wyoming Statute Sections 15-1-113 and 16-6-116 that the Governing Body of the City of Newcastle, has accepted as completed according to the plans, specifications and rules the work performed under that certain agreement dated September 8, 2014, by and between the City of Newcastle and

Sacrison Paving, Inc. of Whitewood SD, as the Contractor, and that said Contractor is entitled to final payment therefore.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on the forty-first (41st) day following the first (1st) publication of this Notice, to wit: November 20, 2014, the City of Newcastle will pay to said Contractor the full amount due under the above-mentioned agreement, subject to Final Pay Request and all Change Orders there to.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person, partnership, corporation, agency or association having any unpaid claim(s) against said Contractor for or on account of the furnishing of labor, materials, equipment, sustenance, provisions, provider or other supplies used or consumed by said Contractor pursuant to said Contractor's performance under the above-mentioned agreement must within forty (40) days following the first (1st) publication of this Notice, to wit: no later than November 19, 2014, file a verified statement of any and all amounts due on account of such claim with the City of Newcastle. Failure on the part of any such claimant to timely file such a statement will absolutely relieve the City of Newcastle from any and all liability for such claim.

City of Newcastle
By: Robert C. Hartley
City Engineer, City of Newcastle

(Publish October 9, 16 and 23, 2014)

Election Notice

WESTON COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCE DISTRICT ELECTION PROCLAMATION

On November 4, 2014, the Weston County Natural Resource District will hold their supervisor election for the purpose of electing three (3) supervisor positions. There are two rural supervisor positions for four-year terms and one at-large supervisor position for two-year term available. The polling location will be at the USDA Service Center Building at 1225 Washington Boulevard, Newcastle, Wyoming. The polling hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Absentee ballots are available at the District office and will be accepted until 3 p.m. on November 4th.

Rural Position
___ Jerry Varnar
___ Write In _____

Rural Position
___ Emily Hartinger
___ Write In _____

At-Large Position
___ Alicia Vigil Redding DVM
___ Write In _____

A meeting of the Weston County Natural Resource District will be held on November 4, 2014 for the purpose of canvassing the supervisor election results. The meeting will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the USDA Service Center Building in Newcastle.

(Publish October 16, 2014)

Fun and Games

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Bless everyone,
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Someone to listen

Denice Piscioti
NLJ Reporter



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

A kind smile and a listening ear can make all the difference in the world to people who are having a hard day. Nikki Bloom, MA, Provisional Practicing Counselor, is in her second year as the at-risk counselor for Weston County School District #1. In her part-time position, she spends the first two days of the week at Newcastle High School and Newcastle Middle School, with the last day of the week at Newcastle Elementary School, helping kids with behavioral and social skills.

"It's going great! The students are responding and I am booked solid! I just basically help them any way they need it. Sometimes it is just someone to talk to. There are a lot of emotional problems up in the high school, along with depression and thoughts of suicide," she explained.

Since 2003, her senior year at Newcastle High School, Bloom just wanted to help people — she felt that was her fate in life. She remembers there not being a counselor at the time, so there was no one to talk to. That's when she made the decision to become a therapist, to be there for young people.

To obtain her master's degree in community counseling, Bloom attended Chadron State College, completing the first part of her studies in Nebraska. Then, after she married Jasper Bloom, she moved back to Newcastle and continued her education through online classes, graduating in December 2012.

"I had to drive to Chadron or Scottsbluff. It was either drive once a month to Scottsbluff or weekly to Chadron, so I'd much rather drive an extra hour once a month versus two hours every week. But it worked! It was a really good program," the counselor acknowledged.

She is still in the process of completing her required hours,

Nikki Bloom is a therapist at Weston County School District #1, spending her time between the three schools.

working under a licensed counselor to obtain her full license, similar to a doctor's residence program, she clarified. In her position, she works with all three guidance counselors at the different schools in the district, which gives her the opportunity to learn from each of them.

"I do like it set up like this, because if I do have a question, I can go to my supervisor and ask, 'I don't know the ropes of this, this is something new.' Over the last 1,000 hours I have learned a lot and I feel comfortable," she stated.

During the summer, Bloom has worked with Northern Wyoming Mental Health's day program for children. However she enjoys the flexibility in working with students from kindergarten until they graduate from high school in her position with the school district. It offers variety, such as playing Candy Land one day at the elementary school, then on another day helping

a student in an upper grade who is talking about suicide. Assisting the kids on these different levels keeps her renewed and on her toes, she said.

In only her second year in the schools, she realizes her face is still a new one, and some of the students may not yet feel comfortable coming to her for support. Her goal is to be in the hallways with the students more, to give them a chance to get to know who she is. She acknowledged that confidentiality is an essential part of her job.

"Last year there were a couple of students who were anxious to see me, so I would just go into the classroom and bring them donuts and visit the whole class, so it wasn't specifically a student," she said. "Unfortunately, with mental health there is a stigma, so I use humor a lot, to lighten the mood. All of the staff have been very supportive. It's been great!"

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Typical intern duties include giving Wyoming constituents Capitol tours and conducting research for legislative aides, in addition to administrative and clerical tasks. Interns also have the opportunity to attend committee hearings and lectures and observe floor proceedings. Enzi provides a monthly stipend of \$1,600 for his interns, and many colleges typically offer school credit for internship programs. The senator encourages candidates to look into specific programs provided by their schools and take full advantage of their time in his office. The spring internship for 2015 runs from Jan. 12 to May

22. Priority is given to students and graduates from Wyoming, or those studying in Wyoming, who have achieved at least a sophomore status at an accredited university or college. Individuals interested in an internship with Enzi's office should apply online at www.enzi.senate.gov. Select the "Students" tab and click on "Internship Information." For additional information, contact Enzi's internship coordinator, Alec Hinojosa, at (202) 224-3424 or at intern_coordinator@enzi.senate.gov.

Rushton awarded scholarship

Black Hills State University student Dawn Rushton, a music education major from Newcastle, was recently awarded the Bruce Page Hultgren Scholarship.

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