

# News Letter Journal

Weston County

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## Straight shooter



Two-year-old Mesa Johnson gets a hand at playing a game from mom, Kelsey, as dad, Scott, looks on at the Cambria Community Church Fall Festival on Saturday. (Todd Bennington/NLJ)

## Landfill board hears options

Todd Bennington  
NLJ Reporter

The newly formed board of the Weston County Solid Waste Disposal District held its second meeting last Tuesday, electing board officers before discussing with Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality officials some of the options available to the county for future solid waste disposal.

Ed Wagoner was elected board chair while Ted Ertman was voted in as vice chair. Ron Brunner and Brian Pischke were elected treasurer and secretary respectively. The board also voted to schedule

their regular meetings for the third Wednesday of every month, with the understanding that special meetings will often have to be called.

Board members, who were joined by County Commissioner Randy Rossman, and for part of the meeting by County Administrative Assistant Dan Blakeman, resolved to arrange a stakeholder meeting with Upton and Newcastle officials after hearing from the DEQ's Craig McComie, program manager for integrated solid waste management and recycling, and Rebecca Dietrich, who handles permitting and corrective action for the south-east third of the state.

Dietrich was standing in for Dale Anderson, who performs the same function for the DEQ for the northern portion of the state, including Weston County.

McComie told the board that when it comes to solid waste disposal they are dealing with a complex issue, although right now options are totally open as far as what path the board might take.

In terms of available funding, however, McComie asserted that the Cease and Transfer program that he oversees, which funds the closure of landfills and construction of transfer

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## New regs for college credit instructors

Todd Bennington  
NLJ Reporter

Eastern Wyoming College Outreach Director Kim Conzelman reported to the WCSD #1 Board of Trustees at their regular meeting last Tuesday on the National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships conference she had recently attended in Denver with High School Principal Tracy Ragland.

New requirements from the EWC's accreditation body, the Higher Learning Commission, will require high school instructors with master's degrees to undergo additional education and testing in order to continue

to teach concurrent classes in their subject area, she told the board.

Board Chair Bob Bonnar and Treasurer Tom Wright spoke out strongly against the requirements, calling them wholly unnecessary. Wright observed that undergraduate classes at four-year universities are often taught by graduate students with minimal academic credentials.

"Are the universities making that same effort with the people they put in college classes that they're expecting us to make," Wright asked Conzelman, mentioning he continues to hear stories of grad students with

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## City resizing lots in Washington Park Subdivision

Alexis Shultz  
NLJ Reporter

The Newcastle City Council gave approval to a plan to resize a number of home lots designated for sale a decade ago, and hope to make at least some of them available to potential buyers shortly after the beginning of the year.

The council held a public hearing to discuss the resubdivision of Washington Park Addition in Newcastle, and after no opinions were offered in objection to the plan, the council unanimously approved it. It was made clear by City Attorney Jim Peck that notice was sent to homeowners surrounding the area that will be resubdivided and the only resident of the area that contacted City

Engineer Bob Hartley did not express concerns with the proposal.

Washington Park was originally purchased by the City of Newcastle from the State of Wyoming back in 2004-2005 because the city was running out of lots in town that were available to people who wanted to build new homes, according to Hartley. He reported that development was

slowed down, however, as a result of delays for soil testing and the market proved unfavorable once that testing was done.

"Shortly after we purchased it, we got a notice from the Corp of Engineers that they were doing a lead contamination test on the property, and

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## Half a loaf

### Hospital makes partial payment to Billings Clinic

Alexis Shultz  
NLJ Reporter

Although the hospital's electronic records systems still aren't performing at the desired level, the Weston County Health Services board last month decided to make a partial payment to their contractor because some improvement has been noted and work continues to be done to iron out deficiencies.

At the regularly scheduled WCHS board meeting on October 15, the decision was made to pay Billings Clinic roughly half of what is owed to them through the end of the last fiscal year as an acknowledgment of efforts that have been made to improve the performance of the local hospital's electronic medical records systems.

WCHS has withheld payment from Billings Clinic, who was contracted to oversee implementation and operation of the Cerner and Lawson systems, due to a number of issues with the systems that remain unresolved.

Cerner was implemented at WCHS in July of 2013 and the facility has worked with Billings Clinic to resolve the issues and receive the product performance they were promised, but because a number of issues remain unresolved WCHS opted out of sending the payments for support to Billings Clinic until a time when they felt the local hospital was receiving the level of service they believe they were promised.

"We have not paid them anything, we are up to about \$86,000 that we owe them," CEO Maureen Cadwell told the board before reporting that a representative from Billings Clinic had approached her about the facility sending a

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Dave Gose stands near five rental cabins currently under construction on the property of his Goose Landing archery range. The Upton native, who divides his time between here and Alaska, plans the multifaceted facility as a regional draw that will provide camping and other recreational opportunities in addition to indoor and outdoor archery. (Todd Bennington/NLJ)

### Gose plans destination archery campground

Todd Bennington  
NLJ Reporter

Dave Gose, a 1972 Upton High School graduate, is currently at work on Goose

Landing, a new multifaceted archery facility located on 23 acres of land he's purchased across from Upton's City Park.

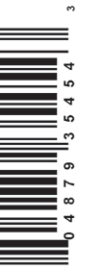
An enthusiast for all things patriotic, Gose is an avid hunter and fisherman who has been residing in Alaska for the past 35 years. Once involved in oilfield work in that state, he's reticent to speak of a drilling rig accident in which he was severely injured several decades ago and

from which he was not initially expected to recover.

Gose, who is joined in his new endeavor by his employees, Officer Manager Tracey MacDonald and Maintenance Manager Larry Ellis, explained that the yet-to-be-opened facility has been conceived as a regional destination that should attract

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<b>WEATHER FORECAST</b>	<b>Thursday</b> AM Clouds/PM Sun Hi 45 Lo 25	<b>Friday</b> AM Clouds/PM Sun Hi 38 Lo 23	<b>Saturday</b> Sunny Hi 48 Lo 29	<b>Sunday</b> Sunny Hi 56, Lo 30	<b>Monday</b> Sunny Hi 52 Lo 29	<b>Tuesday</b> Mostly Sunny Hi 44, Lo 23	<b>Wednesday</b> Snow Showers Hi 36 Lo 22	<b>INSIDE</b> • Burglar caught, Page 3 • Middle School Soccer, Page 9 • Outdoor Adventure, Page 11 • Sports Trainer, Page 16



# Opinion

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### Our view

## One person's trash...

We were greatly discouraged when the Weston County Commissioners appointed the five-member Weston County Solid Waste Disposal District board a few weeks ago, and chose not to appoint any of the three applicants (out of eight) who actually reside in Newcastle to that board. We felt at that time (and still do) that not appointing any Newcastle residents effectively deprives half of the county's population of a voice in decisions that will significantly impact all of us, and it is still hard for us to imagine why the commissioners chose to do so.

After reading the page one story about last week's landfill board meeting in this edition of the NLJ, however, we can't help but be a bit hopeful that a solution may still be found that serves the best interests of all county residents—including those who live in Weston County's largest community.

We are encouraged by the tone of the discussion, the intelligence of the questions being asked and the interest that was expressed in establishing a partnership with both Newcastle and Upton to choose a path moving forward.

And while it is disturbing to hear that there are those on the Weston County Commission who refuse to entertain the thought of using Newcastle's facility (which would be located in closest proximity to the vast majority of the solid waste produced in Weston County) as the county wide landfill, it was gratifying to hear at least one DEQ official express the belief that such a plan may present the county's best option. We were even more pleased to hear DEQ suggest that the possibility of handling trash from other communities in the region—like Moorcroft and Sundance—should be explored as a way to make having a landfill in Weston County more economically feasible. We strongly urge the landfill board to consider the opportunity that may be presented in this instance, instead of focusing only on the negative repercussions associated with the stricter environmental regulations governing waste disposal that have brought us to this juncture.

At this point, it is important to note that "economy of scale" presents the greatest hardship to communities like Newcastle and Upton when it comes to tackling this issue, as small towns don't produce enough garbage to justify the cost of siting and operating a landfill, and as such are being forced to undertake the expense of hauling the waste to larger cities.

But as small as Newcastle is, it is still the largest community in Weston, Crook or Niobrara counties (and a couple of nearby South Dakota counties also) and as such, economy of scale could actually play to our advantage—and Weston County's as well.

We are glad DEQ encouraged the landfill board to investigate this option, and suggest the board should also contact those Wyoming communities that have greatly decreased the cost of landfill operation by securing DEQ approval for performance-based design landfills that don't require pit liners.

We think DEQ left a door open to us that would allow the county to continue to have its own landfill (thus avoiding the cost of hauling waste to another county) and would also allow Newcastle to hand over its landfill to the county (thus avoiding the costs associated with designing and creating an entirely new landfill). That solution would also open the door to getting paid to handle trash for communities outside of Weston County, which would help cover some of the costs associated with solid waste disposal and make it less expensive for residents of this county.

For the past several months, we have struggled to understand why county officials have shunned what—to us—seemed to be the most viable option, and we were pleased to hear the new board is not prejudiced to the idea.

### Letters to the Editor

#### We can't help but trod on the downtrodden

Dear Editor,  
We have a problem. Most of us have been looking at the wrong end of our problem. We have been looking at the results instead of the causes. Since we had no particular or long-term goal the results are scattered and incoherent. We need to go back into recent history and look with new eyes at the cause and effect of our policies and procedures. We also need to take into account the nature of man.

In the beginning some English and European malcontents came across the ocean to become American malcontents. They wanted and took the fields and forests from the original inhabitants. This "wanting and taking" became a habit. It may be part of our genetic makeup. In any case, it became our Standard Operating Procedure. The smarter, bigger, stronger almost always win from the not so smart, smaller and weaker.

We defeated the natives and consigned them to concentration camps called reservations. Then we separated the children from their families and retrained them in "our ways." Take a drive through Pine Ridge and see how well that turned out.

Next on our hit list was the newly freed slaves. By and large, we did not school them at all. That's a fine tradition we have carried on to the present and the foreseeable future. Take a drive through Watts district of Los Angeles or Ferguson, Mo. and see how well that turned out.

Those two were not the only, just the most conspicuous of the groups that the majority has either not trained or mis-trained.

Some evidence I submit are the more or less common terms: Spic, Mick, Wop, Chink, Spook, Kloochee, and other demeaning terms unknown to me.

At this point we introduce some highly technical Psycho-Sociological terms to describe how this works. They relate to cause and effect.

1. As the twig is bent the tree will grow.
2. The acorn does not fall far from the tree.
3. Monkey see, monkey do.

Lest you be tempted to argue that any of them can learn, work hard and get ahead consider that their environment has trained them to be exactly what they are. Some training is irresistible. More than once, we (the US government) have taken large numbers of young Americans through only six or eight weeks of training and then

directed them to run across that land-mine field into withering machine-gun fire to capture the enemy! Drive past any of the many military cemeteries, including the one at Sturgis, to see how well that turned out.

I agree that simply throwing money at the problem will not fix it. Maybe, rather than throwing more money at it we should throw more non-political, intelligent and long term planning. Many of our K-12 schools are far from adequate and far from the best in the world.

Those not academically gifted should transition to a trade school. Switzerland transitions all students into military training and they stay in "The Reserves" until age 65. They are rarely involved in a war.

Our so-called justice system incarcerates (in for profit prisons) a much, much larger percentage of our population than any other country in the world, including Russia and China. Has that, in any way benefited either them or our country? I think not. Try getting a job when you have a record and/or jail time for maybe selling an untaxed cigarette in New York or DWB (Driving While Black) in Ferguson, Mo. Long Beach Ca. or Chicago.

So, it all boils down to this:

1. Get an education if you can pry one out of the political environment you find yourself in – or go to jail.
2. Get a job if your education, lack thereof, skin color or accent doesn't disqualify you.
3. Don't do anything foolish like the men hanging out at the street corner. While they may be the only examples around to copy they are not good examples to follow.

Well, that's a simple enough formula. Why do so many not follow that plan and prosper? There must be a contravening force! Among the many suspects are the Oligarchs: Welch, Immelt, Dimon, Fuld, Blankfein, Coffman, Condit, Burnham, Kresa, Raymond, Cheney, Gorman, Lesar, Campbell and many others.

They have employed politicians to alter laws to benefit themselves and the politicians. They export their factories and jobs overseas. They keep their untaxed profits and income overseas.

Our captains of industry and elected representatives have joined forces and declared war on the American economy and its workers. They are winning. They don't care about the carnage they leave behind. The misery they inflict on workers and the unemployed by their greed is an amusement.

—Jerry Baird



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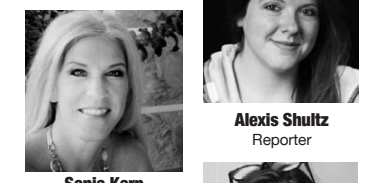
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## Students offer their thoughts on educating our teens

### Education is its own reward

Dear Editor,

In today's society, students getting paid for good grades has become a popular idea, and it should not be even thought about! Students should not receive money for having decent grades when it is expected out of them. When students receive money for having good grades, the incentive sends the wrong message, changes the purpose of learning, and decreases the child's work ethic.

If students are paid for having respectable grades, it may send the wrong message. In 2010, Geoff Johnson, in an article titled "Cash for Grades Teaches Children the Wrong Message," in the November 27 Vancouver Sun stated that, "Paying kids gets them in a way of thinking that in order to have something done, money needs to be involved." He continues to explain that once the adolescent is paid for good grades, his/her mindset suggests that they need immediate gratification. This incentive can also send a mixed message. Growing up, one was always told that life is not always about money, but once the child is paid for having an 'A' in a class, he/she starts to consider that life is all about the money.

When money is used as an incentive for having decent grades, the purpose of learning is changed. In "What's an 'A' Worth" printed on December 17, 2012 in the Wall Street Journal, Van Zutphen says, "The downside of using money as a motivator is that it defeats the true purpose of learning." He later explains that, "The knowledge learned will be worth it in the future." Furthermore, when students are paid for grades, they do not retain the knowledge. The student only tries to receive an 'A' in the class rather than truly remembering.

Although the incentive of getting paid for respectable grades seems like it would make the child work harder, he/she ends up not working as hard. In "Paying Students for Grades May Provide Wong Motivation to Excel, Professor Says" printed in Targeted News on August 5, 2014, Durtzsch hypothesizes that "The end result is the kid is more likely to stop working hard." He explains that once the money stops, so does the hard working child, since there is no motivation to work hard. Not only

that, but if the method of paying for grades is used, the money should slowly decrease so the motivation comes from the student. If the student becomes motivated on their own, paying for grades will no longer be needed.

In the end, parents should not pay their children and instead be telling them, "You can only become truly accomplished at something you love. Don't make money your goal. Instead, pursue the things you love doing, and then do them so well that people can't take their eyes off you."—Maya Angelou

—Courtney Rainbolt

### NHS students should become the next programmers

Dear Editor,

Computer coding opens doors to a world of possibilities, for anyone. Newcastle High School offers a wide range of classes, and computer coding should be one of the classes offered. Learning computer coding opens job opportunities, creates a new generation of computer programmers, and develops important skills.

High school students are starting to discover job possibilities, and computer coding opens up many more of these possibilities. In 2014, Donna Saint George stated in an article titled, "Students Know Computers, Not the Science behind Them," in the April 24th issue of the Washington Post, "There is not a field right now that computer science doesn't contribute to or support." With technology rising, most jobs require some background with computers. Also, without students knowing how to code computers, there will not be new technology for any jobs. Students in high school are the next generation of Americans, and will need jobs. If a student knows nothing about computer science, that process will be extremely difficult. Computer coding is an important skill to be successful in finding a job.

High school students are the next generation of Americans, and a new generation of computer programmers. An article titled "Week-long 'Hour of Code' Campaign Lures Millions of U.S. Students to Computer Coding," printed in the Washington Post

on December 11, 2013 stated, "Don't just download the latest app - help design it. Don't just play on your phone - program. No one's born a computer scientist, but with a little hard work - and some math and science - just about anyone can become one." Students are always using applications on their phones, and playing video games. With a computer programming class, students at NHS would gain the skills to become the next generation of computer programmers.

Many students are interested in computers, they just do not know how to program them. With this class, students will have more interest in computer coding and programming, and through a computer coding class, they would learn how to code and program. This will create a new generation of workers in the computer science field. Most people in generations above high school students will argue that it is too early for students to learn computer coding, but students currently in high school have been around computers their whole life, so they are ready. Some are more than ready.

A computer science class will develop important skills in Newcastle High School students. Further support of this idea is found in Kim McGuire's "Minnesota Schools Scramble to catch up on Computer Coding Classes," printed in the Star Tribune on October 20, 2014. It stated that, "It's all about critical thinking and problem solving, these are the skills we want kids to use." Skills that computer coding develops are skills that students will use in other core classes, and even in everyday life. Most people also think that computer coders are somewhat anti-social, but that is not true. Computer programming also builds social skills. Students learning computer coding will talk with other students to work through problems in the code. Computer science classes will develop important life skills.

To close, computer coding opens doors to a world of possibilities. Newcastle High School should really consider offering a computer science class along with the wide range of other elective classes.

—Abby Nelson

(Ed. note: The preceding letter was written for an assignment in Debb Proctor's Freshmen English class. Please send any responses to this letter to editor@newslj.com)



# Police arrest suspected burglar

Alexis Shultz  
NLJ Reporter

Newcastle resident Tim Dawson was arrested and charged with felony burglary and two misdemeanor drug charges after the Newcastle Police Department investigated a burglary at the Fresh Start store in Newcastle.

Police Chief Jim Owens reported that on the morning of October 26, the burglary of Fresh Start was reported to the police department, leading to an investigation that lasted

two days before Dawson was arrested. Dawson was previously employed at Fresh Start, but had not worked there for some time when the offense was committed.

“On Wednesday, Officer Levi Tacy and Corporal Hillhouse recovered the property and arrested Dawson,” professed Owens. He noted that the property was recovered during a search of Dawson’s home after a search warrant was issued.

Along with the stolen property, misdemeanor amounts of

both marijuana and methamphetamine were found by the officers, leading to the additional charges Dawson is facing.

Owens explained that felony burglary requires no specific dollar amount to be stolen, and is simply described as the entry into a building illegally with the intent to commit a crime, specifically theft.

If Dawson is convicted of the crime of felony burglary, he faces up to 10 years in prison and up to \$10,000 in fines. He is currently out on bond and awaiting trial.



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good faith payment because the identified issues were being tackled.

The board was open to the idea, but discussed how much WCHS should send for that payment because they believe there is still a need to have some leverage over Billings Clinic to ensure that remaining problems are addressed.

“We would be paying a little over half of what we owe them. I believe they are trying,” Cadwell proclaimed in reference to the amount that would be paid if the facility opted to submit payment through the end of the fiscal year that ended on July 1.

Cadwell reported that when she looks at the list of tickets, or items, that are causing issues, they are getting substantially better, in her opinion. Despite the improvement, however, there are still issues with specifics of the program that have been present since the beginning. She said WCHS employees have also mentioned that the system works “to a point,” and that they believe Billings Clinic has demonstrated an effort to address specific parts of the system in response to their concerns.

It was also clarified by Cadwell that the payments that have been withheld are those that were meant specifically to pay for support that WCHS believes it was promised when Billings Clinic sold them on the idea of adopting the Corner system. She noted that all the programs included in the system have been paid for. She did, however, indicate that there have been some programs that WCHS felt they were supposed to get as part of that package, but that Billings Clinic claims were not included.

“Remind them that is done in good faith,” declared Board Chairman Jill Sellers after the motion was made and approved to provide payment through the end of the last fiscal year to Billings Clinic. Cadwell confirmed that the amount of roughly \$48,000 was just that, and expressed the belief that the additional \$40,000 owed on the bill would continue to provide leverage for the local hospital.

Cadwell also noted that all of the monies that are owed have been set aside in the accounts payable ledgers, so payment of those items will not create any issues with the WCHS budget.

### Stat

- On October 15 at the Weston County Health Services Board Meeting, the board reviewed and accepted bids for the first phase of the renovation and expansion of the hospital and manor. CEO Maureen Cadwell announced that the project could begin as early as November 2, but that the date for the start of the project depended directly on approvals that are required from a number of different agencies.
- Weston County Health Services Chief Financial Officer Lynn Moller reported to WCHS board that numbers are looking good for the facility overall. He specifically mentioned that this year WCHS is 21 percent over the budgeted revenue, and despite being negative for the month of September the facility is still positive for the year.
- Moller admitted to the WCHS board that it was discovered that some of the retail pharmacy costs were not counted as expenses for that part of the operation. He had reported at previous meetings that the pharmacy was experiencing significant financial success, but this finding makes the retail pharmacy’s position look less favorable.

# City

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we had to put the whole thing on hold because we did not want to sell property that the government might condemn,” professed Hartley.

He reported that after two years, when the testing was complete, the economy had slowed down and the money the city had originally expected to use on the project was designated for other projects and the development of Washington Park was put on hold.

Hartley explained that the city has now decided it is time to move forward with the development of the area, and has divided the area into lots that will be developed prior to sale, noting that the council made the decision to set the money gained from the sale of the properties over time to develop the next set of lots.

“That was the main thing

they were concerned about. They did not want any money to come out of the general fund to develop the land. It is going to be paying for itself,” declared Hartley. The money received when properties are purchased will go to installing curbs, gutters, pavement, electric, sewer, water, phone, and any other necessities.

Hartley noted that originally Washington Park was plotted in the 1940s or 1950s, and this plan is being completely rewritten, with the City of Newcastle abandoning the roads and alleys that were originally identified to plot larger areas for homes.

“They will be bigger lots. The first ones will be about a half an acre and some of the others will be bigger lots at almost a full acre,” proclaimed Hartley, who indicated that prior to the decision to resize the lots,

the city contacted local realtors to determine what people were looking for. Those realtors expressed the need for larger lots.

Hartley expressed that it will be some time before the lots are ready to be sold because the city is still in the process of finalizing the project, but he projected that the first two lots will be up for sale in the next couple of months, with the others not being ready for sale until next year.

The lots will be zoned as R2, which is classified for single and two family dwellings, but allows purchasers to put a manufactured home on the lot as long as they are built to fit zoning requirements. Hartley said that the decision over how the lots will be sold will be up to the City Attorney and the City Council.

### City Beats

- City Engineer Bob Hartley confirmed that the City of Newcastle has been approved for roughly \$250,000 from the Department of Transportation to continue the bike path through the Country Club. He noted that this was roughly half of what the city originally applied for, and he hopes to apply for the rest of the funding when designing begins next year.
- The resolution that would allow the Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department to consist of 50 members instead of 40 was approved on November 2 at the Newcastle City Council meeting. Chief Donny Munger was present to answer any questions that the board may have had, but it was determined that all previous questions had been answered.

Munger announced that this is the first time in his 20 years in Newcastle that the roster has been full at the department, but said volunteers are hard to find and other departments are having issues filling their rosters. Munger professed that he appreciates the increase in department numbers because he hates to turn away those who are willing to volunteer on the department.

• The Newcastle City Council approved the listing of a number of items owned by the City of Newcastle as surplus so they can be sold with the surplus vehicles owned by the Newcastle Police Department. It was announced that the intention is to sell these items by sealed bid that will have to be dropped off at the city office.

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The first half of the 2015 property taxes are due and payable anytime before November 10, 2015. If the first half of the property taxes are not paid on or before November 10, 2015, interest will be charged. The total amount of taxes may be paid on or before December 31, 2015 and no interest will be charged.

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I would like to thank Dwight and Joan and all the rest of my wonderful family for the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party they gave me Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup>. For all my special friends that came, all the beautiful cards, gifts and food. It was a very special time I will always remember. God Bless you all.

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**Obituaries**

**Melissa Dawn Bettencourt**  
Feb. 13, 1973-Oct. 26, 2015

A bright and shining light went out with the passing of our beautiful girl Melissa Dawn Bettencourt on October 26, 2015. It was cancer that took her life and after a long, courageous battle she passed away peacefully surrounded by family and friends.

She was born to Mike and Paula Skinner on February 13, 1973 at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky. In 1975 the family moved to Newcastle, WY. Newcastle is where Melissa spent a great majority of her childhood but she would also go on to live in Tampa, FL, Grand Island, NE and finally Huntington Beach, CA where she completed her public schooling. It was also in California that she gave birth to her only child and the greatest love of her life, Ian Michael Skinner, in 1994. In August of 1995 Melissa returned to Wyoming and attended Casper College where she earned a degree in nursing.

In 2000, she relocated to Rapid City, SD and embarked on a life-long career as a labor and delivery nurse for the Rapid City Regional Hospital. The love and passion she had for her work was known by all who knew her. In 2002 Melissa married her husband, Jude Bettencourt, in Las Vegas, NV.

Among Melissa's many pas-

sions was her love of cooking and baking. Chocolate being her favorite ingredient. She also enjoyed camping and boating throughout the Black Hills. She never missed an opportunity to soak up the sun or to be on the water. She loved spending time with family and friends, traveling, music, dancing, and her little white dog Pearl.

She is survived in death by her husband, Jude Bettencourt of Rapid City, SD, her son, Ian Skinner of Rapid City, SD, her father, Michael Skinner of Gillette, WY, her mother, Paula Arnold of Newcastle, WY, her sister, Stephanie Skinner of Lewisville, TX, her maternal grandparents, Clark and Madelean Arnold of Lewisville, TX, three uncles, Patrick Skinner, Bruce Arnold, and Mark Arnold, one Aunt, Karla Skinner, and several



**Melissa Bettencourt**

cousins.

She is preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Leo and Elizabeth Skinner of Newcastle, WY and one uncle, Austin Arnold.

A memorial service will be held, Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 1-4 p.m. at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel, in the Lincoln Room, 2111 N. Lacrosse Street, Rapid City, SD 57701.

**Ronald Dean Miller Sr.**  
Apr. 29, 1938-Oct. 25, 2015

Ronald Dean Miller Sr., age 77, passed away Sunday, October 25, 2015 at the Wyoming Medical Center surrounded by his family. Ron was born April 29, 1938 in Newcastle, Wyoming to Vernon Miller and Corinne (Varner) Boyd. Ron enjoyed fishing, golfing, being in the outdoors, working in the yard and watching John Wayne movies.

Ronald is survived by his loving wife of 48 years

Marie Elaine Miller, daughters Rhonda Lynn Miller and Michelle Lee Miller, sons Ronald Dean (Kimberly) Miller Jr., and Scott (Analisa) Miller, brother Robert (Dorothy) Miller, 9 grand children and 2 great grandchildren,

lifelong companion Scrapy, niece Joni Lynn (David) Brown and other numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Ron is preceded in death by his parents, brother Duane Miller,



**Ronald Miller Sr.**

**Veterans assistance in Crook, Campbell and Weston counties**

A state of Wyoming veterans service officer from the Wyoming Veterans Commission will conduct community outreach services in Wyoming cities throughout November.

Brian Yeager is available to meet with veterans and their families to discuss state and federal veterans' benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs claims, or VA health-

care. Yeager can also help veterans and their families apply for benefits, file claims or request healthcare.


His office is staffed in Gillette, at 551 Running W. Drive, Suite 100, and he will also be available at the following locations:

- Newcastle - Nov. 5, 12 and 19 at the Department of Workforce Services, 22922 Highway 85, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

- Sundance - Nov. 2 at the Crook County Courthouse, 309 E. Cleveland St., from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- Upton - Nov. 17 at the Upton Community Center, 916 Ash St., from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Yeager, can be contacted at 307-696-5048 for more information, or to schedule an appointment.




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# Faith and Values



- **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 Todd Olson, 19 Stampede St. 746-2321. Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship 10:30 am; Youth (6-12 grades) Sunday Evening 6-7 pm; Wednesday Night Bible Study 6 pm.
- **CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL:** Rev. Sally Boyd, S. Summit & Winthrop Streets, 746-9684. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, Morning Prayer 10 am; 2nd & 4th Saturday 4 pm, Holy Eucharist. haydishall@hotmail.com
- **CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH:** 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 Mtg 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 pm; Weekday Mass 8 am.
- **COUNTRY CHURCH:** Four Corners, Pastor Bill Haley, 746-9712, Worship 10 am.
- **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** Pastor Gary Anderson, 903 S. Summit, 746-2188. Bible Study 9:15 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Teaching Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6:30 pm.
- **FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** Mike Wiles, 301 Delaware, 746-9663. Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship 10:45 am; Prayer Service 5 pm; Eita Nova Youth Group Wednesday 6:30 pm Christian Academy.

- **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Mark Thurman, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Adult Bible Study 8:45 am; Traditional Church Services 10 am; 10:15 a.m. Children's Church and 11:45 am. Contemporary Praise & Worship Service.
- **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.
- **KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES:** 5018 US Hwy 16, 746-2319 or 746-4517. Tuesday 7 p.m. Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School and Service Meeting, Sunday Public Talk 10 am; Watchtower 11 am.
- **NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sun. Worship 10 am; Wed. Night Prayer.
- **NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Wayne Wilson, meets at Haydis Hall (Next to Christ Episcopal Church), 746-5542. Sunday Worship 6 pm.
- **OSAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH:** 348 Sheridan St. in Osage, 465-2341. Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am and 6 pm.
- **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Gary Force, 78 Old Hwy 85, Pastoral Assistant Matt Dooley 949-0831 and Joe Story 605-891-9954. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:00 am.
- **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
- **VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
- **UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Worship 9 am; Fellowship 10 a.m.; Adult Study 10:30 a.m.; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm.

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Weekly Scripture Reading					
Psalm 73	Psalm 75	Psalm 76	Psalm 80	Psalm 81	Psalm 82
Psalm 84					

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*Should have seen it in color*



**Mallo 1941- Unidentified group of children at Mallo Camp, Circa 1940s.** (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

**Correction:**

There was an error in the cutline for last week's "Should have seen it in color" photo on page five. Lorraine Balsetes should have been listed as Lorraine Rotter (this was her maiden name). Her married name is Balsitis.

**Rangeland internship offered**

The Wyoming Stock Growers Association (WSGA), Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts (WACD), and the Wyoming Chapter of The Nature Conservancy (TNC) are taking applications for the Rangeland Internship Program for the summer of 2016.

WCNRD District Manager Lacey Gurien indicated that the application deadline is Friday, January 15, but applications received before this deadline will be processed sooner. To download the Rangeland Internship Application and read additional information on the program, those interested are urged to visit <http://www.wysga.org/rangelandinternship-program.aspx>.

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**Enzi accepting applications for military academies**

U.S. Senator Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., is encouraging Wyoming youths interested in a military career to apply for a nomination to the military service academies for the 2016 school year. Candidates who are interested can apply through Enzi's office for nominations to the Air Force Academy, the Merchant Marine Academy, the Military Academy at West Point and the Naval Academy.

"Military service academies provide outstanding opportunities to our nation's

youth through education and training. Attending one of these academies is a great way for our young men and women to serve our country, develop leadership skills and begin a career in military service," Enzi said.

For every vacancy available at each academy, Enzi is allowed to nominate 10 people. Nominations are based on an evaluation of leadership, extracurricular activities, applicants' personal statement of interest, SAT/ACT test scores

and letters of recommendation. Based on the applicant's interview with Enzi's selection committee, applicants are recommended to Enzi for final approval. Following Enzi's nomination, final selection for an appointment will be made by each academy.

All applicants for service academies require a Congressional nomination. Applications for nomination are due to Enzi's Cheyenne office by November 10. They should be sent to 2120 Capitol

Ave. Ste. 2007 Cheyenne, WY 82007

Applicants will be interviewed in Senator Enzi's Casper office on December 5, and final nominees will be announced in late December.

The application, procedures and specific applicant criteria are available at [enzi.senate.gov](http://enzi.senate.gov) in "Academy Nominations" under the "Students" tab. For additional application information, contact Karen McCreery at (307)527-9444 [Karen\\_McCreery@enzi.senate.gov](mailto:Karen_McCreery@enzi.senate.gov).

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**WHAT'S UP**  
*November 2015*

*Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar*

	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>Thurs 05</b>	12:00 p.m.	Chamber Board Meeting	WC Senior Center
	4:00 p.m.	VFW Auxiliary	WC Senior Center
	4:00 p.m.	Champagne Evening	Flowers and Things
	6:30 p.m.	Frontier Ladies Night	Frontier Home, Ranch & Hardware
	7:00 p.m.	Salt Creek Water District	District Office
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
	7:00 p.m.	WC Museum District	Red Onion Museum
<b>Fri 06</b>	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
<b>Sun 08</b>	2:00 p.m.	Bingo	Corpus Christi Catholic Church
<b>Mon 09</b>	1:00 p.m.	AARP	WC Senior Center
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Mondell Heights
<b>Tues 10</b>	1:00 p.m.	Artful Gals	Senior Housing
	3:00 p.m.	WC Natural Resource District	USDA Building
	6:30 p.m.	WC Fair Board	Fair Office
	7:00 p.m.	American Legion	State Forestry Building
	7:00 p.m.	Canada's Double Portion	First Baptist Church
<b>Wed 11</b>	2:00 p.m.	Flowering Fingers Garden Club	TBA
	7:00 p.m.	Mallo Camp Board	Public Health Building
	7:00 p.m.	WCSD #1 Board Meeting	Administration Building
<b>Thurs 12</b>	5:30 p.m.	City Planning Commission	City Hall
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
<b>Fri 13</b>	12:00 p.m.	WC Natural Resource Dist. Chamber Coffee	USDA Mtg. Room
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall

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**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- November 5  
Martha Butts  
Misty Wright
- November 7  
Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Butts  
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Boulden  
Amanda Dixon
- November 8  
Mike Morrison  
Jennifer Lipp
- November 9  
Mr. & Mrs. Craig Deveraux  
Theresa Hershey
- November 10  
Jerry Cox
- November 11  
Mr. & Mrs. James Osborne  
Joann Butts  
Michelle Wynco  
Rick McColley
- November 12  
Lois Ann Boulden  
Trey Sylte  
Carson Bock
- November 13  
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Berger  
Bryan Gardner
- November 14  
Patricia Kachelhoffer

**Winter Hours**

Monday ~ Saturday  
 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. & 5 - 8 p.m.  
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I want to thank all my friends and family for their wonderful friendship and for taking the time to stop by my party and make it so memorable.

I can't even begin to tell you how much I appreciate all the cards, visits and phone calls.

I also want to thank Kelly and Elaine for the wonderful party they had in my honor.

*Alice Schuette*

For a complete listing of events, for more information on these events, or to list your own event, visit the Chamber website at [newcastlewyo.com](http://newcastlewyo.com)

**Weston County Health Services Specialty Clinics**  
 November 2015 Schedule

**Orthopedics:** Dr. Eckrich ..... Nov. 13  
 To schedule appointments call 800-446-9556

**Echo:** ..... Nov. 4, Nov. 18  
 Patient's Personal Physician must schedule  
 Usually 1st & 3rd Wednesday of month

**Heart Doctors:** Dr. D'Urso ..... Nov. 3  
 Dr. Alex Schabauer ..... None  
 To schedule appt. call 800-432-7822

**Oncology/Hematology:** Dr. Keith Mills ..... Nov. 19  
 To schedule appointments call 307-688-1900

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**VA Mental Health:** (2nd Friday of Month) ..... Nov. 13  
**VA Clinic:** ..... Nov. 2, Nov. 16  
**ENT Clinic:** Dr. Schleiffarth ..... Nov. 30  
 To schedule appointments call 605-342-3280

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**MRI:** (EVERY TUESDAY, except if a holiday) .....  
**Speech Therapy:** (Every Monday & Thursday, except holidays) ..... 4-6 pm  
**Upton Lab Draws:** (1st Wednesday, except holidays) ..... Nov. 4  
**Wellness Wednesday:** ..... Nov. 11, Nov. 25  
 2nd & 4th Wed., ER/OP Entrance, No appointment necessary 6:30-8:30am

**Home Health/Lifeline: 746-3553**  
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# For the Ages

News Letter Journal

## Senior Happenings



WC Senior Services		Greedy	10:30 a.m.
<b>November 5</b>		Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Trip to Tin Lizzie		Movie	6:00 p.m.
<b>November 7</b>		7th Day Children	10:00 a.m.
Hearing Aid Institute		Hangman	11:00 a.m.
Chamber Board Mtg.	12:00 p.m.	Movie	2:00 p.m.
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	<b>November 8</b>	
VFW Ladies Auxiliary	4:00 p.m.	Name 10	11:00 a.m.
<b>November 6</b>		Church	2:00 p.m.
Rolls	9:00 a.m.	<b>November 9</b>	
Bridge Ladies	1:00 p.m.	Wii	10:30 a.m.
<b>November 7</b>		Cooking	3:00 p.m.
Helping Hands Quilting Day		Bingo	6:00 p.m.
<b>November 9</b>		<b>November 10</b>	
AARP	1:00 p.m.	Ceramics	10:30 a.m.
<b>November 10</b>		Keepsake Krafters/Stories	2:00 p.m.
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	<b>November 11</b>	
<b>November 11</b>		Veteran's Day	
Veteran's Day		Catholic Study	10:00 a.m.
Marna Kuehne Repts	12:00 p.m.	Crossword	10:30 a.m.
Manor Here for Lunch		Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Creative Handcrafts	After Lunch	<b>November 12</b>	
<b>November 12</b>		Food Fancy	10:30 a.m.
Hearing Aid Institute		Manicures	2:00 p.m.
Bridge Ladies		Men's Club	3:30 p.m.
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	<b>November 13</b>	
<b>November 13</b>		Greedy	10:30 a.m.
Rolls	9:00 a.m.	Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Belton Hearing Aid Clin	9:00 a.m.	<b>November 14</b>	
Blood Pressure Check	9:30 a.m.	Laughter Group	11:00 a.m.
Bridge Ladies	1:00 p.m.	Happy Hour	3:00 p.m.
Dance	7:00 p.m.	<b>November 15</b>	
<b>November 17</b>		Trivia	11:00 a.m.
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	Church	2:00 p.m.
Helping Hands Foundation Mtg.	7:00 p.m.	<b>November 16</b>	
<b>November 18</b>		Resident Council	10:30 a.m.
WCSS Board Mtg.	9:00 a.m.	Tony's Tunes	3:00 p.m.
Toenail Clinic	9:00 a.m.	<b>November 17</b>	
Lions	12:00 p.m.	Ceramics	10:30 a.m.
Mondell Heights Here for Lunch		Keepsake Krafters/Stories	2:00 p.m.
Creative Handcrafts	After Lunch	Stories	4:00 p.m.
<b>November 19</b>		Concert	5:15 p.m.
Trip to The Lodge		<b>November 18</b>	
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	Catholic Study	10:00 a.m.
<b>Manor</b>		Crossword	10:30 a.m.
<b>November 5</b>		Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Jeopardy	10:30 a.m.	Board Game	6:15 p.m.
Al and the Gang	2:00 p.m.	<b>November 19</b>	
Dominoes	6:15 p.m.	Bowling	10:30 a.m.
<b>November 6</b>		Al and the Gang	2:00 p.m.

## Wyo winters don't scare them a bit



Alaska natives John and Laurie Bumgarner are adjusting to Wyoming life — but the winters here are quite familiar to the couple. (Donna Gochanour/NLJ)

By Donna Gochanour  
NLJ Senior Correspondent

John Bumgarner is a recent addition to the Wyoming scene. He was born and raised in Alaska and is a relative newcomer to the Upton area. He says that he has lived in Wyoming, off and on, for about four years now, having sold the sheet metal business he and his brother Warren owned in Anchorage. He and his wife, Laurie, chose to live in Wyoming so his wife could be nearer to her family.

Years ago, he retired from a "paying job" and became a member of Sheet Metal Workers Local 23 out of Anchorage and that turned into working for his parents in the original family

business, Noble Mechanical. Eventually he bought the business from his parents when they reached retirement age and was joined by his brother. They became mechanical contractors, traveling all over Alaska and installing heating systems in schools, malls and other large businesses.

Noble Mechanical was named after his grandfather, Noble Bumgarner. Noble was a family business which included John's grandfather, his dad William, his uncle and his brother Warren, a three generation operation. About three years into the business, Laurie joined them as the secretary, expeditor, occasional employee's babysitter, payroll clerk —

whatever, she says.

In about 2009, they started looking for a place in the Lower 48 to build a retirement home and it wasn't long before Bumgarner located a pretty lot in Sundown Trails, with the help of Dan Hart. It was a subdivision off of Dry Creek Road north of Upton. In 2010, he contracted with Morton buildings to put up a large shop on the property and shortly after, he got together with Hart—who was builder of most of the roads in the area— found the perfect spot to build the house on, and had Hart put in the driveway for them.

"Couldn't have done it without Dan Hart," Bumgarner stated.

In 2011, The Bumgarners contracted Kevin Whisler to build the house and in a year's time, Kevin and his wife Linda had it done. Originally Whisler had a helper but soon the guy disappeared and Linda pitched in on the project. The Whislers did a beautiful job.

Meantime, Bumgarner made periodic trips back to Alaska, bringing back trailer loads of belongings from their home in Anchorage. When John's father died in 2014 his household was added to the rest of the confusion involved in a big move, disposing of a lifetime accumulation of belongings. John and Warren had a pretty big job to do.

Meanwhile, back in Wyoming, Bumgarner was busy learning about cows. Neighbor Rob Taft is his teacher-mentor and that first year, Taft made Laurie Bumgarner the gift of

three pregnant cows. Next came fencing the pasture, followed by a barn, a corral fence and gates, an equipment shed, and so on. Now Laurie says "I'm a ranch woman!" They have both been busy learning about the 'cow business' as they settle into their new home north of Upton.

Both of the Bumgarners are enjoying their life here in Wyoming, although after spending all of his life in Alaska, it's a little hard getting used to the heat in summer, but Bumgarner says that he's no stranger to ice and snow, and Wyoming has got that too. They like the neighborhood and have good neighbors. His wife enjoys being able to visit family, but for both of them this is pretty much a complete change in lifestyle.

They plan another trip to Alaska in the spring, to finish emptying the house in Alaska and put it up for sale, but they plan to keep their cabin out in the Bush for now. John owns an airplane yet, a PA18 Supercub, and is still debating whether to keep it or not. The cost of maintaining it as opposed to hiring an air taxi service to get to their remote cabin may result in selling it.

They love their property out there in Sundown Trails and both agree they wouldn't like to live in town. They have two girls back there in Alaska, along with grandchildren and even one new great-granddaughter that they haven't had a chance to spend much time with yet, as well as relatives and friends that they left behind.

## A day of Grace



By Donna Gochanour  
NLJ Senior Correspondent

The 90th birthday of Grace Davis filled the Michael's Room at Weston County Senior Services center to capacity on Sunday, the 25th of October. Grace reported that 140 people signed the guest book and then there were a few who didn't sign it. She was very pleased that her brother Dale came all of the way from Centralia, Wash., to help her celebrate,

as well as a few other relatives from the Tacoma area, and many traveling from other places in Wyoming.

When asked what she felt contributed to her long and healthy life, she said that she walks every day and also gives a great deal of consideration to what she eats.

Davis says that though she did not work outside of the home, she volunteered and tried to be helpful wherever she could. Born in Weston County, she and her husband raised two daughters. She is very active in the Methodist church and has been a member for many years, holding a volunteer position as finance secretary for something like 50 years. The last five or so years, she helps with refreshments at receptions following funeral services.

Grace loves to crochet and knit, and tries to get a lot of things done to sell at the church's bazaar every fall. Sharon Roness, a friend and fellow church member, says that, "Grace is always willing to help out," and this once earned her the nickname "Amazing Grace."

Happy Birthday Grace!



Donna Gochanour  
I Remember When

My brother Larry reminded me a few days ago of life when I first moved to Wyoming, back in 1993. When I first came here to start a life on top of Salt Creek Canyon with my friend Duffy, there was no telephone, no iPhone, no CB — absolutely no

way to contact the rest of the world. Larry had purchased the land where Duffy used to live, across the road, but in those days he hadn't even started to do much with it. However, Duffy's telephone line was still there! The solution to the phone problem finally worked itself out by moving an old fridge close to the driveway, hooking a phone to the line and putting it in the fridge to keep it out of the weather. Voila! A phone. There still loomed a treacherous drive down "the hill," but you know how women are with phones, gotta have them, gotta use them. So I set a lawn chair out next to the fridge and I could call anyone in comfort. Sort of.

Soon everyone in the neighborhood would know about the phone and the prospect of someone making unsolicited long-distance calls was present, so Larry went down to the local hardware store and asked for a padlock. The clerk showed him to a display of padlocks. "No," Larry said, "I need one with a much longer hasp." Huh!

"Not many people want one like that, what are you going to use it for?" "Oh, I want to lock up the refrigerator," was the reply.

"Now, why would you want to do a thing like that?" he was asked.

And of course the reply was, "So



nobody can use the telephone."

Poor clerk could not think of anything else to say, so completely baffled he filled the order and Larry went off to put it on the fridge.

Then one day I had to use it to call an agency in Cheyenne and after a couple of minutes she said, "would you mind if I put

you on hold for a little bit?"

So I said, "Okay, but not long, I'm calling from the refrigerator."

A pause while she processed this and then, "I'll hurry!"

This was the situation for quite a while, and every once in awhile I would suffer an attack of "black cord fever" and go down to my fridge-phone with a list of people to call. All four of my children still lived in Alaska and then there were my many friends to visit with, "What's the latest news?"

A cell phone wasn't common back then! The day that we got the word that we would have a real phone right there in our house was like a miracle. It was a very long way to string phone wires, and often Duffy would be walking the entire length of the line looking for a break. Lots of exercise that took!

Well, it was certainly a new and interesting way of life! I learned that the cowboys had turned into ranchers who wore work boots or tennis shoes and ball caps and rode three-wheelers around instead of horses. I learned that those funny green plastic tanks on the back of all those pickups were for hauling water. Consequently, I learned how not to leave the faucet running! I learned that horses eat all of the flowers that you try to grow and also that they have a knack of opening up trash bags to see what is in them — and never put it back, the spoiled brats. Lots different than a dog team or my snowmachine, gotta twist myself around and get used to it!



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Elementary School Teacher Mrs. Pam Pzinski reads a book to Laila Lopez during the Newcastle Elementary School Fall Festival on Tuesday, October 27. (Alexis Shultz/NLJ)

## Teachers

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limited English language ability teaching freshman university classes.

Conzelman answered, saying her understanding of the change is that it is across the board for all HLC-accredited institutions. Many people at the conference, which gathered attendees from most of the 50 states, were upset with the changes, she added.

Bonnar said he is interested in pursuing the matter and potentially getting in contact with school districts elsewhere who are opposed to the move.

"This absolutely disgusts me....," he told Conzelman.

"If people are really upset about this, I'd be interested in knowing if there's any sort of organization to the people who are upset, because I think there needs to be a significant push-back on this."

"This is another set of obstacles between kids and what kids need to succeed," Bonnar continued, "and it's being cranked out by some organization that piles up money in a corner somewhere to do nothing but find problems so that they can present solutions ... At some point this becomes too difficult for us, there's too many obstacles for us to overcome,

and we're not going to be able to provide this opportunity for our children in this district."

Conzelman noted that the change does not come entirely as a surprise, having been a subject of discussion over the past five years. The overwhelming success of concurrent programs nationally was touted at the conference, she also noted.

The district's concurrent program through Torrington-based EWC allows high school students to simultaneously earn both high school and college credit by taking college-level courses.

### School Notes

Other discussion items at the Wednesday, October 28, meeting of the WCSD #1 Board of Trustees included the following:

- Trustee John Riesland, who represents the WCSD #1 board to the Wyoming School Boards Association, presented WSBA awards to Trustees Tina Chick, Dana Gordon, and Joe Corley for credit earned through workshop and conference attendance toward becoming "certified" board members.

- The board voted to approve the first quarter financial report presented by Business Manager Deb Sylte, which represented the period from July to Sept. 30 of this year. The district has spent about 14 percent of its total annual budget so far, though the report doesn't really reflect a full fiscal quarter since school doesn't begin until August, Sylte noted.

- Student Counsel Representative Sierra LaCroix reported that a blood drive is scheduled to be held on November 24 in the high school library.
- Maintenance Director Greg Gregory displayed to the board a sample of the new elementary school siding which incorporates a mesh material in order to deter woodpeckers from burrowing into and nesting in the building's outside walls. Based on his discussions with biologists and other knowledgeable parties, Gregory said the birds should be discouraged by the siding and seek to nest elsewhere. The only guaranteed alternative, according to Gregory, was a steel siding system that would have cost the district four times as much and would not have been visually pleasing.

- Double AAces Program Director Tamara Allen reported on a recent Wyoming After School Alliance conference she had attended where new rules and guidelines pertaining to after school programs were discussed. The WCSD #1 program has been chosen to par-

ticipate in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) initiative, she added, with evaluations to be conducted over a two-year period. Allen also mentioned that a robotics program has started for late elementary as well as early middle school and some high school students.

- Chairman Bob Bonnar reported to the board on a provision within a resolution that has been put forward by Sublette County to the Wyoming School Boards Association that adopts a Wyoming Assessment Taskforce recommendation to make the 10th grade accountability assessment score a factor in Hathaway Scholarship eligibility. Bonnar said that the reasoning behind the proposed change is that it will motivate student performance but that he is personally opposed for several reasons. Among Bonnar's objections was that, unlike the ACT, the 10th grade assessment can only be taken once. Board Treasurer Tom Wright said he would like to see the resolution amended to strike that particular provision.

- At the Eastern Weston County Rec District meeting immediately following the adjournment of the school board meeting, new Rec Director Jessica Bettorf reported she had met with rec center directors in Deadwood and Sturgis to gain a better idea of how they run their facilities/recreation systems. She provided the board with an example of an informational folder she is creating as a handout, which contains information about recreational opportunities locally. Bettorf said she is in the process of creating a website and will also be setting up a Facebook page. Additionally, she mentioned a survey she intends to pass out to local businesses and at parent-teacher conferences regarding recreation.

## Goose

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archers and campers from throughout Wyoming and nearby states. Gose said he was unaware of any comparable facilities in Northeast Wyoming.

"There's little places where you can go shoot and they've got tournaments, but nothing where big numbers can come in," he said, while admitting that though he's not an expert archer himself, it's a sport he enjoys.

Among the amenities that are expected to be on offer at Goose Landing are an indoor archery range, outdoor 3-D archery area, approximately 35 RV hookups, tent sites, a barn and corral for horses, at least five cabins, two buildings each housing laundry, showers, and restrooms, and even a skating rink during the winter months. An extensive parking lot accommodating several hundred vehicles is also planned, Gose added.

While the cabins are currently under construction, and Gose predicted the laundry and shower buildings probably won't be built until next spring, the centerpiece of the facility, a 70 by 170 foot building named "the Gallery," with a maximum capacity of 1,000 people per fire safety regulations, has already been essentially completed.

Built by a Utah-based contractor specializing in metal structures in a roughly two-week period last winter, it will house the indoor archery range, as well as an office and rest-

rooms, and feature an adjacent deli and an outdoor picnic table area.

Three garage-style doors will allow for easier access into the facility for hearses or delivery vehicles, as Gose said the facility is intended to be rented out for banquets, weddings, and funerals from time to time.

Gose further explained that he hopes that the facility will serve to host invitational archery shoots, and the Gallery's 80-inch televisions, of which there are four, are planned to be utilized for get-togethers surrounding major sporting events such as the Super Bowl.

When he spoke with the NLJ, Gose indicated he was awaiting a water and sewer permit from state authorities in Cheyenne and that Goose Landing would be opening as soon as that is obtained.

"I'm sure once we get going it will bring in other businesses around town," he predicted, adding of the impetus behind the project that he saw an opportunity in the deer-traversed property off of Highway 116 and, feeling that the town he grew-up in could use the development, opted to go ahead with it.

"I'm not a business man, but I'll learn one day, the rough way, once we get this going," he predicted, laughing.

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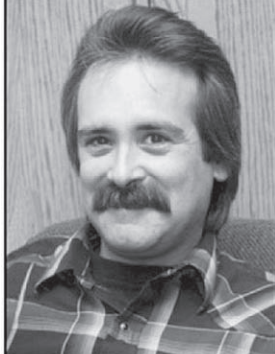
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From left, the DEQ's Craig McComie holds forth on available solid waste disposal options as county landfill district board members Ed Wagoner and Ron Brunner listen last Tuesday. McComie emphasized to the board that funding is only available through the DEQ for the creation of transfer stations to ship waste elsewhere and not for the siting of new landfills. (Todd Bennington/NLJ)

stations, is probably the most viable option. In answer to a question about whether money was only available from the DEQ for landfill closures and not for siting a new landfill, McComie confirmed that was the case.

"That's correct. There are funds for [landfills] from [the] State Revolving Funds [Program]. Park County got a SRF [loan] with \$800,000 principal forgiveness to line their landfill, but those SRF moneys, Congress has not replenished the principle forgiveness side," said McComie, adding that, as federal loans, SRF money comes with a number of strings attached.

McComie, who serves in an advisory capacity to the State Loan and Investment Board, contended also that SLIB funding is an unlikely source of money for landfill projects.

Though the Cease and Transfer program, which pays for up to 75 percent of costs in the form of grants and loans for landfill closure and transfer station construction, does not directly apply since the county does not currently operate a landfill, McComie said the program could be relevant in a scenario in which the county works in conjunction with the municipalities. For the county landfill district to directly receive Cease and Transfer funds, however, it would be required to first take over the Newcastle landfill through permit transfer, McComie explained.

Asked by Ted Ertman about the cost of closing local facilities, McComie answered that the general rule of thumb is about \$100,000 per acre and that by his own calculations closure of the Newcastle landfill alone would cost about \$1.1 million.

In terms of siting a landfill within Weston County, McComie expressed concerns about economy of scale and suggested an attempt would need to be made to bring in communities outside Weston, such as Moorcroft and Sundance. Without at least the

cooperation of the municipalities within the county, which account for the bulk of its population, McComie warned such a project would not be feasible.

"My biggest concern with a landfill is what if you site it and they don't come," McComie fretted. "Because if we're telling you it might be five years to get this thing up and running, well, I can tell you in five years we will have already made Upton and Newcastle make a decision with what they're going to do with their waste. We're not going to have vertical expansions just to hope they're going to come to you. One, you need the contracts in place, but, two, they're already going to be shipping somewhere by the time you've got your doors open. Unless your price is better than where they're shipping, it's going to be really hard to pry them out of what they're doing."

McComie continued, enumerating a few other obstacles he foresaw in terms of landfill construction in Weston County.

"I think it's a real uphill battle, whether it's that the rapport doesn't exist with those two communities currently, or whether [the municipalities] are going to be in a transfer station situation at that point, or [whether] Newcastle will be going down the road toward a performance based design demonstration," he said.

Given the financial risks involved in drilling test wells and other costs associated with siting a piece of property for a landfill, McComie suggested that the potential Newcastle purchase of 40 acres contiguous with their existing landfill might be the most promising possibility. He seemed to indicate, however, that the DEQ's Dale Anderson, who would be responsible for permitting the facility, has some concerns about the performance based design option the city favors in which design technique and impermeability of soil would substitute for a costly liner.

Torrington and Washakie County might be approached about what engineering firms

actually being constructed, he said, though that would entail considerable upfront costs.

McComie seemed largely dismissive of such concerns, however, seeming to believe a number of options will continue to exist for the county in terms of where waste can be shipped. He noted Rapid City and Campbell County, at \$56 and \$75 per ton respectively, might be potential recipients of waste. Casper charges \$46 per ton unless a written agreement is entered into in which case it can go as low as \$35 per ton, he further mentioned.

"There is no sure thing," McComie said. "The way the City of Casper does it is they say, 'You enter into this contract with us and we guarantee we won't raise your rates without raising our own customer's rates'."

The Casper contract also waves liability, though it stipulates how waste will be sorted and delivered, McComie continued.

Generally, transportation of waste tends to run around \$30 a ton, according to McComie. A transfer station for the county would probably cost between \$1.5 and \$2.1 million, he added.

Ertman observed that a county transfer station with which the municipalities don't participate would mean small volumes of trash being shipped at high prices.

McComie responded by saying that is the reason that a partnership between the county and Upton and Newcastle is key, as both municipalities' garbage and votes are necessary for the project's economic viability and the potential passage of a mill levy to help initially finance it.

The levying of the three mills allowed to the landfill district might be possible, McComie predicted, provided it was clearly explained to voters how and for what the mills are to be used.

Dietrich and McComie insisted they weren't attempting to steer the board in any particular direction but only giving an idea of what options are realistically available. McComie said that DEQ officials would be happy to attend any stakeholder meetings arranged between the county and municipalities.

In terms of the ultimate legal liability for landfills within the county, in particular the Central Weston County (Osage) facility, McComie emphasized he is not a lawyer and would have to look to the state Attorney General for a more definitive answer. He stated, however, that it is likely that the state would look to the county should the entity with direct control of a particular landfill for some reason default on its responsibilities.

Toward the close of the meeting, Commissioner Rossman asserted that he would not be comfortable with the county taking over Newcastle's facility but believed some sort of cooperative arrangement is in order. He said he believes funds for landfills will be forthcoming from somewhere, even if it's yet unclear.

"The state doesn't know what they're going to do with them, and they don't want to encumber these poorer counties to have to truck it to Casper or wherever ... There will be something out there," he predicted.

At the request of the rest of the board, Chairman Ed Wagoner said he would approach Newcastle about putting together a work session on landfills.

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# Sports

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### Schedule

<b>Middle School Girls Basketball</b>			
11/05	Hulett Red Devils	H	4 PM
11/12	B Team vs Gillette Rec	H	4 PM
<b>Middle School Wrestling</b>			
11/07	Wolf City Invite @ Moorcroft		9 AM
11/12	Wright Invite	A	3:30 PM

## Lessening the sting

"If it's true that we learn more from losing than we do from winning, we are getting quite an education."

A coach recently said this to me with an air of disappointment as he described his season, but I actually began to ponder the long range implications of the statement. Don't get me wrong, I know how frustrating it is to lose when you know that you have the talent and the ability to win, and how disappointing it can be when you fall short of what you consider to be your potential, but maybe it's ok to suffer the pain of loss.

This past weekend our Lady Dogie volleyball team experienced this situation in a big way. They headed into their Regional Tournament up against it, having to take on the top seeded team from the Southeast in order to advance. Unfortunately they were unable to prevail, which meant that they had to then get by Douglas, their nemesis, if they wanted a ticket to the Big Dance.

I'm not going to lie, I was worried for the girls. Newcastle has had a mental block when it comes to playing the Lady Bearcats for as long as I have been here and for this do-or-die match, they were going to have to defeat this team on their home court—a daunting thought by anyone's imagination.

When the ladies lined up for introductions, I could see that they were nervous in the fidgeting of the starting seven. However, as I watched the first set start to unfold I could see the squad, and the five seniors in particular, playing with what I interpreted to be the determination of those who knew that this could be their last game as a Dogie and who didn't want their high school volleyball career to end before they were ready.

They stunned the Lady Cats by playing some of the scrappiest and tenacious ball that I have seen this season and after dominating the first two sets they were only one away from claiming victory in the match. As I watched, I could see that Douglas was reeling from the Lady Dogies' aggressive attacks on offense and their tenacity on defense. Knowing how important the third set was, though, I was still nervous for our girls. It didn't take long in the third set for me to lose my nerves as the ladies continued to play strong and confident against their opponent. When the Lady Dogies reached match point

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## Middle school soccer proposal moves forward

Todd Bennington  
NLJ Reporter

A proposal to expand Newcastle's high school soccer program to the middle school's seventh and eighth grades passed the first of three scheduled readings at the regular meeting of the WCSD #1 Board of Trustees last Wednesday.

Before the vote was taken, soccer coaches Bryce Hoffman and Josh Peterson presented to the board, as they had done at the meeting previous, saying they wanted to clarify a few things in regard to the proposal. Hoffman told the board the

program was planned for the spring semester only, and is projected to cost \$8,688 annually for salaries and benefits for the planned three coaches. The program would cost \$9,827 annually in total, he said.

Peterson suggested to the board that the program would benefit those students who are unable to compete in the Newcastle Soccer League for religious or financial reasons, as games and practices would not be held on Sundays and participation would be free of cost.

Based on his investigations into the matter, Peterson went on to say that he expected

about 20 students who did not participate in any other activity last spring to turnout for soccer. The program would also be of benefit as a feeder program to the high school in terms of skill development, he contended, citing a letter to that effect from Gillette's high school coach.

Superintendent Brad LaCroix recommended against the proposal for reasons related to the uncertainty surrounding state funding for education and the district's potential future downsizing, but board Treasurer Tom Wright moved to vote on the proposal, and Vice Chairman Tina Chick

spoke in support of the extension, saying the \$9,000 seems to her like a reasonable expenditure.

"I understand that we are trying to be conservative as a district ... and I think that's right to do. But I also feel like it's not very much money to provide something that I think is going to be important for some of our kiddos," she said.

Trustee Dean Johnson said he would like to see specific projected numbers in regard to the program, while Trustee John Riesland spoke in favor of the measure but acknowledged there is value in both sides of the argument. Trustee

Ron Mills indicated he is on the fence due to financial concerns, but voted 'yes' in order that two more readings might be heard on the matter.

Board Chairman Bob Bonnar cast the lone dissenting vote, though he said he welcomed the discussion. Only Buffalo, Worland, and Gillette could serve as potential opponent schools, he pointed out, and Newcastle High School is already among the smallest in the state to offer soccer as an option to begin with.

The board has opted to hold three readings on the matter in order to garner as much public input as possible.



Senior Katara Cade returns a serve in the team's final game against Douglas as Alyssa Dawson gets herself in position for the next volley. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

## Douglas survives three game points to end Dogies season

Sonja Karp  
NLJ Sports Reporter

The senior-laden Newcastle High School volleyball saw their hopes of competing at the State Tournament dashed when the host Douglas Bearcats rallied to claim a loser-out contest in a grueling five set match, but the local netters knew the road to State wouldn't be easy after the brackets were released early last week.

When the Lady Dogies hit the road to Douglas for the 3A East Regional Volleyball Tournament last Thursday, they knew that the road to State was going to be a rough one. With five of the eight teams slated to compete all having a legitimate chance of moving on, Newcastle was determined to be among the top four that would advance, but they had to get by some tough competition to

get there. Because the squad ended up going into the tourney as the four seed from the Northeast, their first challenge was to try to get by the Southeast number one seeded Rawlins Lady Outlaws. Having only seen this traditionally dominant team once during the regular season and having lost to them in three sets, coaches and players knew that they would have to be at the top of their game to pull out the upset.

"Rawlins is very balanced this year in their offense as well as their defense," head coach Maja Jechorek began. "They played fast and in-system in their offense and made very few errors when we played them on Friday."

Unfortunately, the speed with which the Lady Outlaws competed was too much for the Lady Dogies, so while they played them pretty close, Newcastle was unable to get past their opponent and lost once again in three straight sets. That early morning loss put the Lady Dogies into a loser-out situation against Wheatland in the first contest on

Saturday morning. "Heading into the match, we knew we were playing to stay alive, and we performed well in games one, three and four, but made too many errors in game two," Jechorek analyzed.

Despite a close loss in set two, however, the squad was able to defeat the Lady Bulldogs to advance to their second loser-out game of the day against Douglas, and this was one that would decide who would punch their ticket to the State Tournament.

"We lost to Douglas twice this year, however we came out with a very positive mind set and a huge will to beat them in the most important game of the season," Jechorek began. "It is such a mind game when you play in that match to advance to State because you know that if you win you advance and if you lose you are out. We worked harder than I have ever seen us work before. We moved extremely well on defense and scored more than usual on the net and that helped us win the first

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## Swimmers finish strong

Sonja Karp  
NLJ Sports Reporter

Numbers have been the Lady Dogies' Achilles Heel this season when it comes to team finishes, but the small team was able to even out the odds a little against their Conference rivals at the 3A State Swimming and Diving Championships in Gillette last Thursday and Friday.

Teams are allowed to enter all swimmers in the Conference meets, but only those who swim qualifying times move on to the State Meet, and the Lady Dogies sent six swimmers to the culminating event who competed in six different individual events and three relay races—and it paid off in the form of a sixth place finish, which is considerably better than the Dogies have performed in recent years.

With team size no longer as big of a factor, the talent the Lady Dogies entered in the State Meet gave them a good shot at scoring higher as a team than they had all season.

"We tapered very well and had some significant time drops at the meet," head Coach Doug Scribner exclaimed, noting that the girls swam very well and finished strong in several events. Senior Shaylee Curren swam her best time in the 100 Free and the 200 Free, dropping almost six seconds in the latter, while senior Nathina Crabtree dropped two seconds in the 100 Butterfly, achieving not only a career best time but also claiming a personal victory by beating the personal best time put up by her sister, Kiersten, a former Lady Dogie Butterfly swimmer.

Rachel and Sarah Henkle each swam the 50 Free faster than they had before, and Rachel improved her time from the Conference meet in the 100 Backstroke as did Mikenna Waggener. All three relays saw significant improvements as well.

Even though the swimmers put up times that in the past would have not only guaranteed a place in the finals, but would have put them in a position to place well overall, Scribner said this year's State Meet was larger and faster than the 3A coaches and even several officials had ever experienced.

Curren's and Crabtree's times in the 200 Free and the 100 Fly would have been enough to advance to finals in the past, but this year those times put them just one place short of the opportunity to compete for the title. Sarah Henkle found herself in a similar situation in the 50 Free. She put up an impressive time of 27 seconds in the prelims, which has historically been fast enough to advance, but not this season.

In fact, in the 50 Free final race in which her sister Rachel competed and placed fifth, all swimmers put up a time in the 25 second range,

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## Karp from page 9

with a relatively comfortable lead but lost the serve to Douglas, it was only a matter of a side out for Newcastle to both advance to the state tournament and defeat the Lady Cats in one fell swoop.

But as Douglas made one point after another and as Newcastle struggled on their side of the net, I started to see uncertainty in our girls. Unfortunately, the set ended with Douglas claiming the come-from-behind win to push the match into a fourth set and I got a terrible feeling in the pit of my stomach.

It was almost like looking at a deflated balloon when I watched our girls take the court. They had been one point, one side out, away from victory, but fear and uncertainty got the best of them.

Long story short, Douglas won the next two sets to win the match and end the season for the Lady Dogies.

Having experienced close losses myself as a player, a coach and a parent of players, I know how those games replay in your mind over and over again. You feel like you will never forget and never stop feeling the sting of the disappointment from the loss.

I would posit, however, that it will not be the case. Time will dull the pain, and from the experience, all of those on the team can learn a valuable lesson about life.

You will run into situations that are much more challenging than winning a game against your rival, and the lessons you learn from your mistakes can often be used to your advantage in those future circumstances.

When you examine where you went wrong, what held you back and why you failed to reach your goal, you can make the needed changes, whatever those might be, to bring about a more positive result.

I know that the thought of using a painful loss to your advantage later on doesn't do much to ease the disappointment of missing out on the State Tournament right now, but eventually the players will look back and be proud of how hard they fought.

They will also be wiser for the lessons learned.

I believe that winners aren't always defined by the score at the end of the game, but rather by how they deal with the loss, and the Lady Dogies are most certainly winners in my book.

## Volleyball from page 9

two sets." That set up an exciting third match, and the two teams battled throughout. The Lady Dogies had the advantage of reaching 24 points with a three point lead over the Bearcats, but Douglas was determined not to see their season end.

"We played well in game three, but Douglas was not giving up and they served us and hit at us very aggressively. We, on the other hand, could not finish on the net and we ended up losing very closely by a score of 24 to 26," Jechorek sighed.

According to the coach, from that point on it seemed as though her team got more and more nervous and things were not working as smoothly as they had in the first two sets. While Douglas was getting more aggressive on the net, Newcastle played more timidly and seemed to worry about unforced errors and they were unable to claim the third set victory they were seeking.

"My heart was so sad for these girls when we lost in five after being so close and almost beating Douglas in three," Jechorek sighed.

The loss to the Bearcats ended the season a week earlier than players and coaches had hoped, and ended the career for five of the starting six on the court.

"Looking back and reflecting on the season, I have

nothing but amazing memories with the team, and I hope the girls feel the same," Jechorek smiled. "This group of girls was very committed to summer workouts and open gym. They did not complain about morning practices and always came to practice with a positive attitude and a will to learn and improve."

Jechorek went on to voice hopes for her team and her vision of the future of the program.

"I hope the girls enjoyed the time they spent together in the gym and on the bus trips. I hope as they reflect on this season, they recognize how important teamwork and teammates are, and I believe that the last defeat that hurts our hearts so bad will only make the girls want to achieve their dreams even more and will motivate them to work even harder. When you have courage, when you never give up, when you believe in yourself and work harder each time after you fall, no matter what the outcome, you are already a winner," she exclaimed!

Looking to next season, Jechorek expects that the 3A Conference will be just as competitive as it has been for the last four years, as most of the teams have many of their athletes coming back to play.

Given that scenario, she noted that it will not be an easy road for the Lady Dogies because the squad is graduating

five amazing athletes in Abby Gray, Alyssa Dawson, Ashten Farnsworth, Katara Cade and Kendra Back. She believes a goal for next season will be to focus on building a completely new team as there is only one returning starter.

"We will definitely have to work on skill and competitiveness given the level on which this year's JV will have to play next year is a lot different than what they are used to. However, we do have a talented group of athletes that have the heart for the game and are very coachable, so I am optimistic that they will adjust quickly to a different game pace and level of competition," she concluded.

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## Low-Stress Cattle Handling Clinic

**Kylan Beyl**  
Upton FFA Member

Whit Hibbard, a leading expert on Low-Stress Cattle Handling, came to Upton High School to give a presentation on October 13, 2015. In attendance were 65 FFA members from Upton, Moorcroft, Newcastle, Wright, and Hulet.

Ten other area local producers attended this event as well, and Hibbard had a phenomenal presentation on the 12 principles, as well as techniques of being able to change conventional ways to low-stress techniques. Mr. Hibbard is a fourth generation Montana cattle and sheep rancher who said he strongly believes in the importance in stockmanship and is very committed to its study and promotion. Hibbard reported that he participated in a major change on his family's ranch, from conventional ways to low-stress cattle handling. He holds a P.H. D in Human Science, and also has three books and six peer-reviewed journal articles to his credit.

When asked why somebody would want to convert to low-stress techniques, Hibbard suggested it helps lessen the amount of stress put

on the animals, hands, and equipment. Using conventional livestock handling can affect the weight gain, conception rates, immune function, fertility, carcass quality, and milk yields of the animals. Conventional ways are very human based, physically oriented, forced with fear, less ethical, tense, and cause very high stress on animals, which has a very big effect on shrink of the animal. Plainly stated, Hibbard indicated you don't need fancy sturdy corrals and pens if your livestock are calm. Shrink is an important consideration when selecting cattle handling techniques, and using Hibbard's technique will help lessen the percent of shrink. One percent of shrink on a typical Wyoming ranch can have up to \$5,200 of negative economic impact.

Using Hibbard's techniques can also help with the mortality rate and money loss on a ranch. Hibbard told the group the proper movements and how each movement would change the path and speed of the herd.

"We don't move the cattle. They move themselves to get away from the disruption, which is the cowboy. The cowboy just opens gates so they can pass," Hibbard stated.

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# Shoot to thrill



From left, Justin Smart of Casper along with Chris Madden, Darrin Bomkamp, and Lee Krumbach, all of Wisconsin, pose with antelope taken during a hunting excursion sponsored by Outdoor Adventurers. Formed in 2010, the nonprofit provides hunting opportunities to the terminally ill and physically challenged. (Submitted Photo)

## Non-profit offers hunting opportunities to disabled

**Todd Bennington**  
NLJ Reporter

There may be a number of activities that those who are seriously disabled are unable to pursue, but thanks to a local landowner and a growing number of volunteers, hunting is not one of them.

Outdoor Adventurers for the Physically Challenged, a 501(c)3 organization founded in 2010, has for the past few years offered hunting opportunities to the terminally ill and seriously disabled at ranches near Newcastle and Sundance.

Co-founder Ron Brunner, 72, told the NLJ that the impetus for Outdoor Adventurers began when his youngest adult son became determined to take a friend, Dave Reynolds of Wisconsin, who was paralyzed from the neck down in a car accident, along on a hunting trip at a ranch south of Newcastle.

After witnessing Reynolds bag an antelope at a couple of hundred yards using a set-up in which Reynolds utilized his chin to move his rifle and a straw to control the trigger, Brunner and his three fellow co-founders figured they might be on to something. That was confirmed when Reynolds took a mule deer the following day.

"The four of us [saw] all this and said, 'Wow, disabled people can do things that other people can'," recalled Brunner.

The following year the group took several more wheelchair-bound persons along hunting with them, and today a waiting list exists, fueled both by word of mouth and the organization's website.

With only a limited number of spots available, Brunner explained Outdoor Adventurers tries to give priority to the terminally ill, but otherwise makes few stipulations.

"We do not care how the person's hurt, how rich they are, how poor they are. We don't make any judgement," insisted Brunner, who indicated that participants have included those injured in bar fights and drunken motorcycle accidents along-

side veterans of Iraq, Afghanistan, and Vietnam, as well cerebral palsy and muscular dystrophy patients.

"If you get picked, we'll buy your fuel to get here. You get your room and board and all you can eat ... We buy their licenses ...," said Brunner, who commended the state's Game and Fish Department for their flexibility and assistance in helping ensure Outdoor Adventure's clients are able to get the requisite hunting licenses, and for allowing his organization to use a trailer-mounted hunting blind owned by the state for a portion of the year.

"Game and Fish have been big supporters of this thing since it started," he said.

Joe Sandrini, a Senior Wildlife Biologist with Game and Fish who is also closely involved with Outdoor Adventurers, told the NLJ that state regulations have become progressively more accommodating to the disabled in recent years.

"Back in the day, there was nothing special for any of the disabled hunters," he explained. "The only thing that we did have was a permit that would allow people to shoot from a vehicle. They still had to be off of a public road, but they could shoot from a vehicle. As time went on, the Legislature developed another permit for disabled hunters which allowed them to hunt deer, antelope, and elk starting five days early. So it gives them a little advantage out of the gate."

Though the state bans what's called party hunting, whereby one license is utilized by a group, Sandrini further explained, a permit allowing disabled persons to be accompanied by a guide is also available, which is important because if a disabled person wounds an animal, they're typically unable to chase it down themselves. Sandrini reasoned that increased opportunities for hunting and fishing by the disabled is a boon for state wildlife management.

"For Game and Fish it's a good thing, too, because recruitment and retention of hunters, that's how we stay in business," he said. "We couldn't manage the wildlife in the state without hunters and fishermen. They pay for it even though the vast majority of wildlife is not hunted or fished for. The management is all paid for by them."

"As the culture has shifted and we

have more kids playing video games and fewer out hunting, hunter recruiting and retention is a big thing for us," Sandrini continued.

Brunner indicated that Outdoor Adventurers has served a total of 33 people over its brief history. Those hunters have taken over 50 animals combined, with the organization currently able to accommodate 10 to 15 hunters a year. No hunter has ever gone home without taking an antelope, he said, and this year five deer, 13 antelope, and two elk had been taken by participants at the time Brunner spoke with the NLJ.

"Their success is higher than the state average," observed Sandrini, also mentioning that more volunteer guides and people willing to allow hunting on their property would be beneficial in expanding the opportunities the organization is able to provide.

Although much of the organization's founding membership remains Wisconsin-based, a number of local people have come to be involved in volunteering their time and efforts. A non-exhaustive list includes Larry Napolitano of the Flying V, who processes all animals free of charge; Jesse Bloom of Rocky Top Taxidermy, who donates his labor in mounting animals; Game and Fish Commissioner Keith Culver who has donated an unprecedented three commissioner's licenses; Game Wardens Troy Achterhof and Chris Teter, as well as Phillip Holmes and Rocky Rhoades.

No one has ever been paid for their involvement and Outdoor Adventurers subsists solely on donations and funding from a charitable foundation his family runs, Brunner said, mentioning a recent unsolicited check he'd been pleasantly surprised to receive from the VFW's Ladies Auxiliary.

"Each one, you have to work with their limitations of what they can do and can't do and these guys are amazing on how they accommodate them," said Sandrini of what he's observed of Outdoor Adventurers. "... They'll do everything to help those guys and make it work. I've just been really impressed."

The official site of Outdoor Adventurers for the Physically Challenged can be found at [http://outdooradventurerspc.org/Home\\_Page.php](http://outdooradventurerspc.org/Home_Page.php).

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 Welch, Russ J, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$106.00  
 Wiggins, Craig J, DUI: ALCOHOL 0.08% OR MORE, Total Fines Paid \$490.00, Jail: 30 Days Suspended: 28 Days Unsupervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Schaffner, Trevor J, UNLAWFUL CONTACT: RUDE, INSOLENT OR ANGRY TOUCHES W/O BODILY INJURY, Total Fines Paid \$490.00, Jail: 60 Days Suspended: 60 Days Unsupervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Sundstrom, Amy J, USE CONTR SUBST - SCH I, II OR III, Total Fines Paid \$240.00, Jail: 180 Days Suspended: 85 Days Unsupervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Carr, Justin M, VALID DRIVER'S LIC, Total Fines Paid \$120.00  
 Foster, Thomas S, COMPULSORY AUTO INSUR - 2ND + OFF, Total Fines Paid \$440.00, Jail: 30 Days Suspended: 30 Days Unsupervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Foster, Thomas S, VALID DRIVER'S LIC, Total Fines Paid \$140.00  
 Lines, Aaron, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$100.00  
 Lines, Aaron, DRIVE WHILE LIC CANCELLED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED IF NOT SUSPENDED FOR 31-5-229 OR 31-5-223, Total Fines Paid \$240.00, Jail: 7 Days Suspended: 7 Days Unsupervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Yellowtail, Cris, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$139.00  
 Yellowtail, Cris, LIC PLATES FOR NONRESIDENT, Total Fines Paid \$60.00  
 Scott, Cindy A, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$94.00  
 Scott, Cindy A, SEAT BELT: DRIVER, Total Fines Paid \$30.00  
 Scott, Cindy A, IMPROPER USE OF CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$55.00  
 Kokesh, Tara P, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$93.00  
 Podio, Rebecca M, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$73.00  
 Taylor, Brandon A, COMPULSORY AUTO INSUR - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$420.00  
 Valenzuela, Sergio Dominguez, VALID DRIVER'S LIC, Total Fines Paid \$125.00  
 Valenzuela, Sergio Dominguez, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$104.00  
 Gesinger, Christen M, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$96.00  
 Podio, Andy K, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$126.00  
 Emmert, Marcus A, SEAT BELT: DRIVER, Total Fines Paid \$25.00  
 Nelson, Derek W, EXHIBIT ACCELERATION, Total Fines Paid \$110.00  
 Morgan, Jonathan E, LOAD ON VEH, Total Fines Paid \$60.00  
 Hanson, John E, DUI: ALCOHOL - INCAPABLE OF SAFELY DRIVING - 1ST OFF W/IN 10 YRS, Total Fines Paid \$490.00, Jail: 90

Days Suspended: 83 days unsupervised probation: 1 year  
 Frederick, Jerald Neil, COMPULSORY AUTO INSUR - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$420.00  
 Frederick, Jerald Neil, SEAT BELT: DRIVER, Total Fines Paid \$25.00  
 Bujarski, Curtis Alan, DRIVE WHILE LIC CANCELLED, SUSPENDED, OR REVOKED IF NOT SUSPENDED FOR 31-5-229 OR 31-5-233, Total Fines Paid \$420.00  
 Templeman, Raymond Charles, MEET OR PASS STOPPED SCHOOL BUS - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$420.00  
 Engesser, Neal Alan, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$94.00  
 Rohde, Zachary James, STOP SIGN, Total Fines Paid \$120.00  
 Willadson, Ron Lee, DUI ALCOHOL =TO> .08% W/IN 2 HRS OF DRIVING - 1ST OFF W/IN 10 YRS, Total Fines Paid \$490.00, Jail: 30 Days Suspended: 28 Days Unsupervised Probation: 1 year  
 Cope, Christopher R, DUI ALCOHOL =TO> .08% - 1ST OFF W/IN 10 YRS, Total Fines Paid \$740.00, Jail: 30 days suspended: 26 days unsupervised probation: 1 year  
 Fairchild, David G, COMPULSORY AUTO INSUR - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$290.00  
 Williams, Jesse R, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$105.00  
 Liggett, James J, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$105.00  
 Bell, Kurtis Patrick CHILD SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEM- 1ST OFFENSE TOTAL FINES PAID: \$50.00  
 Bohnet III, Ronald D, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$97.00  
 Bates, Joshua A, CHILD SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEM - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$50.00  
 Bates, Joshua A, CHILD SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEM - 1ST OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$50.00  
 Testerman, Tammy J, SEAT BELT: PASSENGER OVER 12 YRS, Total Fines Paid \$10.00  
 Martin, Laurie S, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$82.00  
 Patel, Falgun M, DUI ALCOHOL =TO> .08% - 2ND OFF W/IN 10 YRS  
 Garrison, Orville L, DUI: ALCOHOL - INCAPABLE OF SAFELY DRIVING - 1ST OFF W/IN 10 YRS, Total Fines Paid \$390.00, Jail: 30 days Suspended: 29 days Unsupervised probation: 6 months  
 Hyatt, Marcy Dawn, USE CONTR SUBST - SCH I, II OR III, Total Fines Paid \$580.00, Jail: 180 Days Suspended: 165 Days Supervised Probation: 6 Months  
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 Hyatt, Marcy Dawn, DRIVE WHILE LIC SUSPENDED - 2ND + OFFENSE, Total Fines Paid \$290.00, Jail: 180 Days Suspended: 165 Days Supervised Probation: 6 Months  
 Ayres, Timothy L, RIGHT OF WAY FOR EMERGENCY VEH, Total Fines Paid \$80.00  
 Crabtree, Sean R, LIC TO STORE OR

DISPOSE OF VEH, Total Fines Paid \$140.00  
 Harrington, Misty, VALID DRIVER'S LIC, Total Fines Paid \$125.00  
 Harrington, Kealear, TKS/VEH (>26K LBS) EXCEED 65 MPH PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$379.00  
 Fowler, Terra L, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRMRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY, Total Fines Paid \$97.00  
 There were 200 out-of-area violations totaling \$ 20,852 in fines.

**MUNICIPAL COURT**  
**JUDGE R. DOUGLAS DUMBRILL**  
 Kelly Ann Farrar, SUPERINTENDENT'S SPEED ZONE, Total Fines Paid \$128  
 Gavin W. Holmes, SUPERINTENDENT'S SPEED ZONE, Total Fines Paid \$136  
 Kara Marie Fladstol, DOG AT LARGE (1ST OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$45.00  
 Wendy A. Wolf, SUPERINTENDENT'S SPEED, Total Fines Paid \$140.00  
 Dean Theodore Pridgeon, STOP SIGN, Total Fines Paid \$90.00  
 Jesse W. Penfield, DOG AT LARGE (2ND OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$70.00  
 Gail Gray, STOP SIGN, Total Fines Paid \$90.00  
 Hunter D. Liggett, EXHIBITION DRIVING (1ST OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$120.00  
 Marsha L. Halliday, SUPERINTENDENT'S SPEED ZONE, Total Fines Paid \$92.00  
 Teresa Diane Schutterle, DOG AT LARGE (1ST OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$45.00  
 Jennifer Lee Johnston, BACK SAFELY & W/O INTERFERING W/TRAFFIC, Total Fines Paid \$50.00  
 There were 25 out-of-area violations totaling \$ 3,173 in fines.

### Hearing Notice

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Newcastle will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on November 16, 2015 in the Newcastle City Council Chambers on the second floor of the Newcastle City Administration Building located at 10 West Warwick, Newcastle, Wyoming to take public comment regarding changing the zoning of Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 1 and Lots 1 through 6 in Block 2 and Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 3 of the Resubdivision of Blocks 1, 2 and 3 and Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Blocks 5 and 6 of the Washington Park Addition to the City of Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming to R-2 (Single and Two Family Residential District). Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 1 are currently zoned M-H (Mobile Home District). Lots 1 through 6 in Block 2 and Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 3 are currently zoned R-1 (Single Family Residential District).  
 DATED this 30th day of October, 2015.  
 CITY OF NEWCASTLE:  
 By: Charita Brunner, Clerk/Treasurer  
 (Publish November 5, 2015)

### Public Notice

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR TAX DEED #2**  
**TO: MCCOY ALICE M PO. BOX 911 NEWCASTLE, WY 82701**  
 To all owners possessors or occupants of the real property described as: Lots 7 & 8 Block 11, Forest Hill Park Addition, Weston County, Wyoming \*\*McCoy Alice M  
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 Dated this 29th day of October 2015.

William G. Ingalls  
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 (605) 631-0014  
 (Publish October 29, November 5 and 12, 2015)

### Weston County Commission Minutes

#### UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OCTOBER 20, 2015



The Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:00 a.m., Chairman Bill Lambert presiding. Present were Commissioners: Marty Ertman, Tracy Hunt, Randy Rossman, Tony Barton, County Clerk Cheryl Kregel, and Assistant Deputy Clerk Melanie Stevens.  
**Good of the Order**  
 Commissioner Barton gave the invocation and Commissioner Hunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
**Approval of Agenda**  
 Commissioner Barton moved, Commissioner Rossman seconded, to approve the agenda. **Carried.**  
**Approval of Consent Agenda**  
 Commissioner Rossman moved, Commissioner Barton seconded, to approve the consent agenda items including the October 6, 2015 minutes, signatures on petition and affidavit for cancellations of taxes, and tax roll collection. **Carried.**  
**Road and Bridge Department Report**  
 Rick Williams, Road & Bridge Supervisor; reported on the repairs to the bridge on Piney Creek Road, cattle guards on Green Mountain Road, and a request from Linda Hunt to gravel a walking path.  
**County Engineer Report**  
 Jerry Hunt, Weston Engineering; reported on Timberline Services submitting their second pay request for the completion of work on Green Mountain Road, that Powder River received the paperwork and will contact Hein & Bond to begin working together concerning the historical architectural study and the Courthouse HVAC system,

and the bid packets for the EOC roof and county shop floor projects are completed.  
**County Assessor Report**  
 Tina Conklin, County Assessor; presented the Oil and Gas production evaluations that are current thru June 30, 2015, and talked about the progress with updating the employee handbook.  
**Public Hearing for Budget Amendment**  
 The hour being 10:00 a.m., Chairman Lambert opened the hearing for the budget amendment. Chairman Lambert called three times for public comment. There being no public comment, the public hearing portion of the budget amendment hearing was closed. Commissioner Hunt moved, Commissioner Ertman seconded, to approve the budget amendment increasing the general fund portion of the 2016 FY budget by \$2,597,543.00 for an unanticipated grant amendment to allocate the monies to the expenditure account 300.00.40.0256000.0000. **Carried.**  
 The public hearing for the budget amendment ended at 10:05 a.m.  
 The meeting recessed at 10:06 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m.  
**County Attorney Report**  
 William Curley, County Attorney; reported about the purchase contract for the Pinnacle Bank building, Title 25 application issues, a contract he's drafting with Campbell County Memorial Hospital, and on the Road Identification Project committee. Commissioner Ertman asked that itemized statements be included with Title 25 vouchers. Discussion ensued over a request from Contango Oil & Gas to place a water transfer pipeline in the county road right-of-way on Mush Creek Road. Attorney Curley and Rick Williams, Road & Bridge supervisor; are not comfortable granting this request due to weed work needing done, county liability issues, landowners' access, and lack of details in Contango's requests.  
**Old Business**  
 Discussion ensued regarding complaints heard regarding advertised repair bids. The Commissioners agree that all future advertised bids need clear details as to what repairs are being bid on so these can be compared equally.  
**New Business**  
 Commissioner Rossman moved,

Commissioner Ertman seconded, to approve Kim Conzelman's request for appointment to the Weston County Library Board for the term that expires in 2018. **Carried.**  
**Discussion Items**  
 Cheryl Kregel, County Clerk; discussed the letter from the Senior Housing Task Force.  
 The Commissioners decided the Mallo pickup will go to the Weston County fairgrounds and the pickup from the fairgrounds will go to the impound yard.  
 The meeting recessed at 10:54 a.m. and reconvened at 11:13 a.m.  
**Weston County Public Health Nurse Contract**  
 Lori Bickford, Public Health Nurse; came before the Commissioners for the annual renewal of the Weston County public health nurse Emergency Preparedness contract with Crook County. The Commissioners unanimously supported her request.  
**Sheriff Report**  
 Sheriff Colvard came before the Commissioners to request the purchase of two pickup trucks. Discussion ensued; Commissioner Rossman moved, Commissioner Ertman seconded, to approve the purchase of three 2016 Chevrolet LT 2500 HD pickup trucks from Newcastle Motors in the amount of \$38,553.00 per vehicle, from account 100.00.20.0051000.0000 for the Sheriff's department. Commissioners Rossman, Ertman and Barton voted Yea. Commissioners Lambert and Hunt voted Nay. **Carried.**  
**Visitor Comments**  
 Chairman Lambert opened the floor to the morning visitor comments. None were heard at this time.  
 The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.  
**Voucher Discussion**  
 Commissioner Rossman moved, Commissioner Ertman seconded, to approve voucher #59553 to Century Companies in the amount of \$1,947,998.25 for pay request 3, voucher #59554 to J.W. Services in the amount of \$48,301.55 for the Mallo Camp water project, voucher #59555 to Bearlodge Engineering in the amount of \$500.00 for the Mallo Camp water project, voucher #59558 to Century Companies in the amount of \$107,932.86 for pay request 4, voucher #59559 to Morrison Maierle, Inc. in the amount of \$42,490.92 for invoice #155622, and voucher #59556 to Sofia Baeza in the amount of \$2,770.00 for Septembers janitorial services. Commissioner Barton abstained from voting citing a conflict of interest. **Carried.**  
**Administrative Assistant Report**  
 Dan Blakeman, Administrative Assistant; discussed the county credit card was used to purchase the security door for the County Attorney's office and the repairs needed in the main floor women's bathroom. Blakeman asked to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Commissioner Hunt moved, Commissioner Rossman seconded to enter executive session under W.S. 16-4-405 (a)(ii). **Carried.**  
 The meeting entered executive session at

1:30 p.m. and returned to open session at 1:55 p.m.  
**Weston County Extension Office**  
 Vicki Hayman, Weston County Extension Office; introduced Michelle Pierce as the University of Wyoming Community Development Educator and answered questions on extension office vouchers.  
 The meeting recessed at 2:17 p.m. and reconvened at 2:22 p.m.  
**Planning and Zoning Subdivision Exemption**  
 Commissioner Rossman moved, Commissioner Barton seconded, to approve the Dysart-Kummerle request for exemption of subdivision rules and regulations. **Carried.**  
**Discussion**  
 Linda Hunt discussed the walking path and connected grants with this project. Commissioner Barton moved, Commissioner Hunt seconded, to authorize Road & Bridge to spread gravel for the walking path between public health and the fairgrounds at no cost. **Carried.**  
 Commissioner Hunt moved, Commissioner Barton seconded, approving reimbursement of gratuity on credit cards of 15% or less for employees on county business, any amount above 15% being the cost to the employee. Commissioner Ertman voted Nay. **Carried.**  
 Cheryl Kregel, County Clerk; mentioned the purchase of a new set of indexing books for recording documents at a cost of \$5,980.00 and the needed updates to the courthouse phone system, including conference call capabilities. Quotes will be presented to the Commissioners.  
 Commissioner Ertman noted the picture hanging in the Commissioners room was hers and will be taken with her at the end of her term.  
**Employee Appreciation Bonus**  
 The employee appreciation bonus for all county employees will be given after December 1, 2015. Weston County fairgrounds and library managers need to submit a voucher with the December vouchers including net pay, social security, Medicare, and federal taxes.  
**Rare Element Resources**  
 Mike Finn, RER, gave an update to the Commissioners on the progress with continuing projects, environmental work and shared RER's appreciation of the county's continued support.  
**Weston County Event Center**  
 Commissioner Barton moved, Commissioner Rossman seconded, to authorize the chairman's signature on two Vertex contracts pending the receipt of payment and approval from Ray Hunkins, Hunkins Newton Law Firm. **Carried.**  
**Visitor Comments**  
 Chairman Lambert opened the floor to the afternoon visitor comments. None were heard at this time.  
 There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.  
 Bill Lambert, Chairman  
 Attest: Cheryl Kregel, County Clerk  
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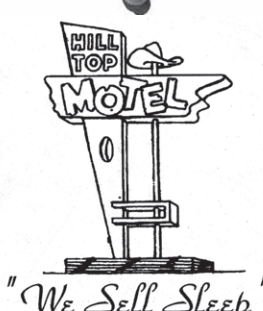
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## Swimming

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with the difference between first and sixth place only a mere .81 of a second.

"This race is tricky because it will come down to whom-ever shows up that day and has

that much better of a start," Scribner began. "Rachel ended up fifth and she came up to me and asked what she had done wrong and I told her that she did everything right. She dropped time, her breakout was right with everybody when it had been slower at Conference, so it really was just an incredibly fast race across the board and exciting to watch."

According to Scribner, all six swimmers turned together, everybody's feet touched the wall at the same time and everybody was coming back swimming neck and neck. He went on to note that in this short, fast race nothing is guaranteed, despite seeding. The person who was seeded first this year didn't get first, because when there's only a few tenths of a second separating all six swimmers, it's anybody's race to claim.

The 100 Backstroke was also an exciting race for Scribner and his team. Returning state champion Rachel Henkle and Waggener each were entered into the race, along with the number one seeded swimmer from Jackson. In the race, the three were swimming next to each other with the two Dogies side-by-side.

"Mikenna was on the Jackson girl the entire race," Scribner beamed. "She kind of missed her last flip turn otherwise I think she would have taken her, but it was a really exciting race. Mikenna came in only one second behind the winner and Rachel came in only half a second behind Mikenna. To have two fast backstroke swimmers on one team is awesome."

The relay teams also swam fast and competed well. The swimmers for each team were the same as in the finals at Conference and the times that each dropped from one weekend to the next was significant. The 200 Medley dropped 2.22 seconds, the 200 Free dropped 6.23 seconds, and the 400 Free dropped 7.48 seconds.

The 200 Medley team went in seeded third, and according to Scribner it was a good race.

"We had our fastest time of the season in prelims and then posted an even faster time in the finals," he reported.

The team of Rachel Henkle, Waggener, Crabtree, and Sarah Henkle finished in third behind Jackson and Powell. Rachel swam her fastest backstroke time of 28.9 in that race and all the other Lady Dogies were also on their best time.

The 200 Free Relay final's team made up of Curren, Rachel and Sarah Henkle, and Crabtree went in seeded ninth. In prelims MaKenzie Wagoner

was in the relay as Scribner was looking to see where Sarah would end up in the backstroke, but when she didn't make it to finals, Scribner put her into the relay and the squad dropped five seconds from the prelim time to end up beating Cody to claim eighth place.

In the prelims of the 400 Free Relay, Scribner didn't think that his team had made it into finals, however they ended up beating Douglas by .35 so that bumped them over the latter to advance and ultimately finish sixth overall.

"That really made me glad as Shaylee was a member of that relay and since she is a senior, I was glad she got to place in the finals at the State Meet. Nathina swam the Fly in the Medley relay, so she also was able to be on a state finals team," Scribner grinned.

Though the team didn't bring home any individual championships from this year's State Meet, there can be no arguing that they performed extraordinarily well. Waggener and Rachel Henkle's times in the 100 Backstroke put them into the top 10 all-time fastest for the Lady Dogies. In fact, the squad has eight Newcastle top-ten athletes this year. Rachel Ehlers and Sarah Henkle made it into the top ten in diving, even though they were unable to qualify for State, and Rachel Henkle also made it in the breaststroke and the 50 free.

With the 2015 season behind him, Scribner began to speculate about his team's chances next season.

"We are losing three seniors, but I think that the 200 Medley relay should be okay," he nodded. "We will lose Nathina in the Fly leg of the race so we need someone to step up there, but I'm confident that we should still be very competitive."

"I've got a lot of things planned for off-season and for next summer, so I think that we will go into next season pretty strong," Scribner smiled.

### Swimming

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1. Jackson	337	7. Kemmerer 77
2. Worland	194	8. Cody 73
3. Lander	178	9. Douglas 51
4. Powell	136	10. Lyman 50
5. Sublette Cnty	123	11. Buffalo 46
6. Newcastle	87	12. Rawlins 42
<b>200 Medley Relay</b> 2.59		
3 Rachel Henkle, Mikenna Waggener, Nathina Crabtree, Sarah Henkle		
<b>50 Free</b>		
5 Rachel Henkle	25.89	
<b>200 Free Relay</b> 1:53.29		
8 Shaylee Curren, Rachel Ehlers, Sarah Henkle, Nathina Crabtree		
<b>100 Back</b>		
2 Mikenna Waggener	1:02.37	
3 Rachel Henkle	1:02.87	
<b>400 Free Relay</b> 4:02.88		
6 Shaylee Curren, Nathina Crabtree, Mikenna Waggener, Rachel Henkle		

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