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## Moisture!

■ Snow levels, moisture are down, but hope remains

By Kim Dean of NLJ

Black Hills Snow Course readings as of Jan. 1 could be categorized as bad, and some may say they're ugly. The good news is that it's early enough that the area still holds the promise of a winter wonderland, and many of the area's wise weather watchers are predicting "we could still get dumped on."

As of the start of the new year, Mallo tallied the most snow depth with 11.1 inches, and 1.4 inches of snow water equivalent, marking 48 percent of 30 year average, which averages 2.9 inches of snow water equivalent. The lowest snow depth was at Ditch Creek, registering 5.9 inches and held a mere 0.7 inches of snow water equivalent, hitting 41 percent of a 30 year average, which is 1.7 inches of snow water equivalent.

According to Ryan Mar, NRCS rangeland management specialist, the snow the area has received is pretty grainy and fine, and lacks moisture.

"We kind of had that problem last

year, too," he explained.

Mar predicted the next snowfall readings toward the end of January will look better, since he knows the Blind Park area received an extra five inches shortly after his measurements.

"It seems a lot like last year. I do know the 12th of December last year, the ice was thicker sooner," he added, and said a lot can happen between now and the end of the season.

"February is typically when we get the most snow," he offered.

Mallo Camp Manager John Prell has a number of snowmobilers on the books for the month of February, and he's answered numerous phone calls from people checking snow totals there.

"We don't have a lot of snow. Right down here in the bottom we probably have a foot and half. It doesn't compare with what we had last year," Prell reported to the News Letter Journal on Jan. 10, and at that time he was hopeful the weekend would add more snow to the area.

"Tom Farnsworth says the best snowmobiling right now is around Mallo, so we're better off than most, I guess," he acknowledged.



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

Deputy Sheriff Pat Watsabaugh makes his rounds at Newcastle High School, keeping an eye out for trouble.

## Hot topics

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The first week of the 2013 General Session of the 62nd Wyoming Legislature has finished, and what a busy week for legislators it was. The first day of the General Session commenced on Jan. 8 with the swearing in of all House members followed by an address to the House made by newly elected Speaker Tom Lubnau of Gillette. During the address, Lubnau stressed that disagreement is necessary to facilitate the legislative process — debate

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## Safety and goodwill

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Observation combined with being prepared are the tools Weston County School District #1 along with the help of both law enforcement agencies in Weston County are using to respond to the recent shootings in schools throughout the United States in recent weeks. Several

times during the school day, officers and deputies have been walking through the corridors of all three schools in the district.

"Both the police department and the sheriff's department have always had an open invite. We don't need a

— See **Presence**, Page 3

## In appreciation

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

When Weston County and Crook County volunteer firefighters worked tirelessly to save Kathy Calhoun's house from the Oil Creek Wildfire last summer, she had no idea how to repay the folks that rescued her home and belongings. After thinking over and over how she could pay back those who sacrificed for her, raffling off her award-winning quilt was an idea that came to mind.

"How do you repay people who have done so much to save your livelihood? The only thing I could think of was to hold some sort of fundraiser to show my appreciation for all that the volunteers did to save the properties of my neighbors and myself. This quilt raffle is all for those volunteers and every dollar that is earned from ticket sales will go to those brave men and women," Calhoun expressed.

The one-of-a-kind handmade quilt, titled "The Star of Justice," won the 2012 Grand Champion Award at the Weston County Fair last summer. Taking more than 200 hours to create and design, Calhoun crafted the king-sized quilt with impressively detailed features, depicting the flag of all 50 U.S. states.

"It took me close to three hours per flag when I was embroidering. After that I probably spent around 90 hours to get the center fully completed. I would also like to acknowledge that after my time spent on it, Shelley Reed continued an amazing job on the quilting," beamed Calhoun.

All 50 state flags have been embroidered in astonishing detail and line the border of the quilt, going in order from the first state, Delaware, to the last state, Hawaii.

"I tried to take pictures for flyers

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“I just want to encourage the community of Weston County to buy tickets because this goes to all of those that helped us when the fires were so bad.”

— Kathy Calhoun



Zeb Wiggins/NLJ

Kathy Calhoun shows the quilt on display at the Weston County Library which she is auctioning off to raise funds for the Weston County Volunteer Fire Department in appreciation for all that they have done.



### Take my blood

Liz Townsend has her blood drawn by Andrew Poole, Med Tech from Weston County Health Services, at the Weston County Blood Draw on Friday. (Photo by Denice Piscioti/NLJ)

## School bus driver arrested, removed

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

According to a press release issued by Weston County School District #1 Superintendent Brad LaCroix, on Jan. 9, school bus driver Tim Saxton was arrested by agents of the Wyoming Department of Criminal Investigation on charges of sexual exploitation of children for possession of child pornography, a felony.

LaCroix told the News Letter Journal that in the wake of the arrest, he has removed Saxton from his duties, and he is no longer an employee of the school district.

Nearly two years ago, Newcastle High School science teacher Jay Whitney resigned his position with the district after he was arrested by federal authorities on April 30, 2011, for possession of child pornography. Whitney would eventually be sen-

tenced to two and a half years in federal prison after reaching a plea agreement that allowed him to avoid prosecution on one of the two counts he was originally charged with.

LaCroix said that while it is unfortunate that either incident occurred, the previous arrest allowed for protocols to be put in place in the district to deal with circumstances like these.

"At this time, we have no reason to believe that any children in this school district were harmed by Mr. Saxton or his alleged actions, and we have taken steps to encourage that anybody who has a concern related to this report can come forward to share those concerns and any information they may have with school officials and the appropriate legal authorities," LaCroix reported.

Saxton had his initial appearance in Circuit Court late last week.

WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday Sunny Hi 39, Lo 21



Friday Mostly Sunny Hi 40, Lo 18



Saturday Mostly Sunny Hi 27, Lo 10



Sunday Partly Cloudy Hi 22, Lo -9



Monday Sunny Hi 9, Lo 8



Tuesday Partly Cloudy Hi 33, Lo 24

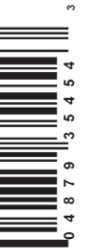


Wednesday Partly Cloudy Hi 37, Lo 25



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# Opinion

## News Letter Journal

### Our View

## Put it on the ballot

A significant number of Wyoming state legislators are unhappy over the person you selected to be the Superintendent of Public Instruction in 2010. As a matter of fact, according to statements made by more than one State Senator during floor debate on Monday afternoon, they don't think you've done a very good job of picking the state's top education official for the past 20 years or so.

In response to the poor judgment you've shown at the ballot box the last five or six times you've been entrusted to elect a State Superintendent, the legislature is moving forward with great haste to pass Senate File 104, which will strip the power now held by Cindy Hill, and turn it over to a person appointed by the governor, who we apparently are still qualified to elect—at least for the time being.

Despite the fact that the Superintendent's position and duties are spelled out in the Wyoming Constitution, the bill, which is signed and sponsored by the leadership of both the Wyoming Senate and House of Representatives, seeks to avoid putting the issue before voters in the form of a constitutional amendment, and we hope our readers will loudly voice their disapproval of the legislature's effort to take such a monumental decision away from them.

Several Senators argued that the legislature is not legally required to make this proposal as an amendment to the state's Constitution, but we can't help but think that the effort to avoid the amendment process ignores the spirit and intent under which the Constitution was written.

The amendment process would allow voters to decide whether or not the majority of the authority now placed in the hands of the elected State Superintendent should be turned over to an appointed 'Director' of the Department of Education, who "shall serve at the pleasure of the governor and may be removed by him." Such a move should only be made through the amendment process because there can be little doubt that it makes a significant change in the fundamental way in which we are governed in Wyoming.

As a matter of fact, it is seeking to abandon the principle of self-government that we are so quick to champion in this state, and surrender it to a bureaucratic approach that we are so quick to criticize when it is proposed by politicians in Washington D.C. It's even more frightening that our lawmakers in Cheyenne are attempting to do it so quickly that the people of Wyoming have been given little or no chance to study the proposal and decide if it has merit.

It's hard to believe that the state legislature feels such a drastic shift in the authority of one of the state's top five elected officials could be undertaken without having it put before the voters in the form of a constitutional amendment when only two months ago Wyoming's voters failed to pass a constitutional amendment that would have expanded the authority of district court commissioners. If we were loathe to expand the authority of a district court commissioner, what would make them think we are going to stand for creating a new position and giving the individual appointed to it the majority of the authority held by someone we are currently asked to select through open election.

Legislators have said that there is a need to make this shift because improving education may be the most important challenge we face in Wyoming, and we say that if the challenge really is that important (and we think it is) then that is all the more reason that the people should ultimately be asked to make this decision.

## That's old whatshisname

I'll be the first one to admit that I am horrible with remembering names. It has been a cursed burden that I have carried upon my shoulders throughout my entire life. I'm an ace in the hole when it comes to remembering people's faces, but I can't for the life of me remember people's names.

For example, I'm the guy who couldn't tell you the name of a person who told me a funny joke, but I can describe in vivid detail what they were wearing, what they looked like, their body language, what they were drinking and so forth. 'It's that one guy, you know? The guy that wears the red hat and has a mustache. He was eating curly fries the last time we saw him. Had a deep laugh, you know who I'm talking about right?'

If you know me, you have probably heard me describe people in this manner of guessing game instead of just stating who they are. It's not because I don't know them personally, it's because I am just horrible with names.

When working in the service industry it was natural for me to refer to a couple by their food order and not their moniker. It wasn't Tom and Mindy entering the diner, it was Denver Omelet and Chicken Sandwich. In journalism however, having this particular quirk can be a very bothersome problem because names are very important when reporting the news. Making a name mistake in a story can lead to calamitous results, not to mention it is incredibly embarrassing. Because of my affliction with what I call 'name amnesia,' I have learned a few tools on how to adapt to this idiosyncrasy.

One method I found to be helpful is to use a person's name at least five times in conversation when I first meet them. This does help drive the point home for me, however it seems to be an annoyance to people as well. The fourth time I've repeated their name is about when I

start to get funny looks. I had someone once ask me if I was messing with him because he thought I was mocking him by using his name so many times. I had to explain what I was doing and let's just say it was a little awkward.

Another technique that I have found really useful is to combine both a name and characteristics of a person into a song. 'Hey, that's Matt (clap, clap) He has a cat (clap, clap) and he wears (clap, clap) a baseball cap!' Using a little rhyme can do the trick, but don't get caught singing it out loud. Doing so may mark you as 'odd.'

I've also utilized the most basic of methods by simply being as vague as possible when seeing someone I know in person and not remembering their name. I use the phrase 'Hey you, how ya been man?' this method won't work forever, because sooner or later that person is going to want to talk again before the night is over. This method should only be used to stall for a small amount

of time until you can get the forgotten name from someone else in the area. If not used wisely, you may find yourself asking for the person's name again, which can be a humiliating situation when you should already know who you are talking to.

I have started to better overcome this problem since becoming a reporter, but as you'll note from the corrections that appear in this paper (and will probably in future ones) I have not yet won the battle.

As I continue my endeavors in journalism I will remain vigilant in the fight against name loss to better serve the reader, and for those people whose names I have jumbled in my writing, please understand that I meant no disrespect.

More important, know this: I may not always remember a person's label, but I will never forget a person's character.



Zeb Wiggins  
The Real Scoop

## Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

## Letters to the Editor

### Ailing child appreciates support she's received from community

Dear Editor,

On behalf of Avery, myself and our family near and far, we would like to extend our most heartfelt thanks to more than many in Newcastle and surrounding areas. Our family has been living through an emotional, stressful and very trying time in the last month and a half.

I would just like to say that with all the events combined the trial was absolutely nothing in comparison to the amount of support, generosity, and love that we have received from each and every one of you. For every person involved, no matter how big or small your actions, we are forever grateful and hope that in some small way we can come close to returning the favor. There are many people and businesses that are owed recognition for all they have done to be a part of Avery's recovery and also her future. My hopes are that I can achieve getting recog-

nition in every place it is due.

I would like to begin by saying that if it were not for Ken and Jacque Tremelling (Avery's Nana and Papa), Ryan [Williams] and I would have never made it through what we have thus far as smoothly as we have. Also, Jeff and Michelle Williams for their understanding and unconditional support to us and also Avery's little sister Breanne. Without our parents we would not have been able to find who we are and make it to this point for our family.

All of our siblings have shown unconditional love and support as well. Josh and Trish Tremelling provided our home away from home and offered all they could along with Tyler, Kyle and Bryce Williams. Our family has kept not only Avery, but the two of us, hopeful, positive and above all safe. Thank you for all you have done.

Thank you to Sonya Rath and Brandi Huntington for their kind gestures with the donation cans that were dispersed throughout town, to Tom and Amy Walton and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Minzel for the coordination of the benefit dinner, handling of donations and any other thing they have done. Thank you to Newcastle Elementary School staff, students

and family. The support given by all of you to Avery and myself is indescribable. Without all of you, her spirits would not have been half of what they were.

We appreciate all of those involved in donating and bidding in the benefit, barbecue and silent auction. The turnout and generosity are beyond describing. Thank you to all of those who participated in this event.

I would just like everyone reading this to know that Avery continues to be the same intelligent, determined, kind-spirited person that she always was before. She is fully aware of all the things that have been done all in honor of her. She is not only as grateful to all of you for your selfless acts as we are, but probably even more so. I personally feel that she is only continuing to find the correct words to express what she is feeling. All of us, as her family, will never give up on helping her do just that. In the meantime, she is comfortable with her words being spoken through me. I hope throughout her life she will remember how incredibly much she is loved.

Without all of you, none of this would be possible. With the utmost sincerity, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

—Avery and Tara Sleeman and Family

## Organizations should focus on what matters most

Some New Year's resolutions are harder to keep than others. The New Year is barely off to a start and I struggle on a daily basis with my pledge to have a more positive political outlook. I feel I have made slight improvements, like not instigating politics in general conversation, and a few close friends have reported that I have been "good" in that department. I apologize, in advance, if I bend my new pledge in this column.

I have to admit that November 6 left me feeling like I wanted to retreat from the whole political arena, which I did for a short while. However, it didn't take long for me to realize that when you live in the best country on earth, it is worth fighting for with actions and words each and every day to preserve and protect its greatness.

I am concerned our future generations will become lax in their mindset and ways, thinking that this great country will remain so without any effort and support from them. It is clear that we, as citizens, must participate in the process and elect leaders who wholeheartedly believe in upholding the Constitution and our freedoms. If we elect leaders who believe the Constitution is outdated and old-fashioned and must be changed or amended to suit new ideals, what is left to ensure our freedoms, a trusted leader?

A free country is only one Hitler away from dictatorship. Our founding fathers left us with tools in place ensuring our freedom, however we should never assume that the work is over and done.

I have a number of concerns for this great country, and topping the list is out-of-control spending. Make no mistake, it is a spending problem, not a revenue problem, and, quite frankly, asking for more money from anyone, regardless of how much they make, is just plain wrong in light of all the abuse and waste going on. The fiscal cliff legislation that recently passed included tax incentives for Puerto Rican rum producers, Hollywood, NASCAR, and many others. That part of it should have been thrown over the cliff for sure.

This out-of-control spending is threatening our way of life, and definitely threatens the lives of future generations. Will the American Dream continue for us, our children and grandchildren? All budgets can be trimmed, and must be and our political leaders should be demanding people do more with less. Many ideas have been presented from Simpson-Bowles to individual departments. Spending is a huge problem, so

pass that buck, or lack of it, around. Let each agency know it's time to get back to the basics and that this country must live within its means, call it the Take Back America Pledge/Campaign. Give them a specific goal. People can and will rise to meet that challenge. Our political leaders should be encouraging these actions within all agencies from bottom to top.

While my frustration with the federal government is apparent, our state government thankfully practices more common sense. Because many of the bad decisions being made at the federal level are trickling down and causing a rainy day feeling here, our energy rich state feels as though it is in survival mode. The Cowboy State's purse strings are definitely tightening, especially with a Presidential administration that has basically declared war on fossil fuels. And where do the feds seek funds for their continual spending spree? From AML taxes collected and supposedly flowing back to the Cowboy State, taxes gathered on each ton of our coal. Wyoming's share of Abandoned Mine Land funds,



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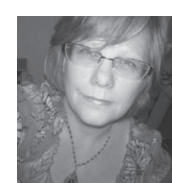
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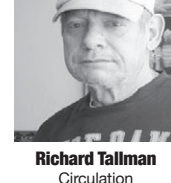
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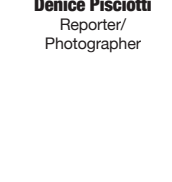
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# Get ready for winter

Although last weekend's big winter storm turned out to be less of a threat than anticipated, the season for hazardous winter weather is upon us, bringing with it blowing snow, negative temperatures and often, power outages.

Local service provider Black Hills Power last week offered reminders to its customers to stay safe during winter weather conditions and provided tips to prepare people for any weather-related service interruptions.

Although a key component of BHP's preparedness includes constant monitoring of weather forecasts, much of the company's ability to respond quickly is the result of actions they take before a storm actually hits, according to their release. These include coordinating with local emergency officials and developing staffing plans to provide 24-hour outage responses.

"Safe, reliable service is our priority. We regularly inspect and maintain our system to ensure reliability and safety," said Chuck Loomis, vice president of operations, Black Hills Power. "Regardless of whether power is on or off,

never touch or attempt to pick up a fallen power line, and keep children and pets away. Assume any downed power line is energized. Do not attempt to rescue someone in contact with a power line."

If you see a downed power line, immediately call BHP's 24-hour customer service number at 800-742-8948.

If power does go out, the company offers the following advice to customers:

- First, see if your neighbors have lights. If they do, check for blown fuses or a tripped circuit breaker in your home. If your neighbors don't have lights or you can't locate the problem, contact BHP at 800-839-8197. The outage reporting system is automated, so when customers go through the process over the phone, the system logs their outage information, and they will dispatch crews to restore power as quickly as possible.

- Leave a lamp or radio switched on so you'll know when electric service is restored.

- Flip your porch light switch on. This will help speed the power restoration process,

as crews will be able to quickly confirm that your power is back on without knocking on your door.

- Do not open your refrigerator or freezer more than is necessary. Undisturbed food will remain frozen in most freezers for up to 48 hours.

- Do not use charcoal grills to heat your home or for cooking indoors. Dangerous carbon monoxide fumes can build up and cause serious injury or death.

- If you use a portable generator, follow the manufacturer's safety and operating guidelines. Be sure to operate the generator in a well-ventilated area. Never operate a generator inside your home or in your garage. Again, dangerous carbon monoxide fumes can build up and cause serious injury or death.

- Because carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless and tasteless, have a carbon monoxide detector with fresh batteries installed to warn you of potentially dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.

More information about electric safety can be found at [blackhillspower.com](http://blackhillspower.com).

## Presence

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schedule or a routine. The biggest thing that helps us, truly, is that relationship, and just the idea of them being visible," stated WUSD #1 Superintendent Brad LaCroix.

The walk-throughs of the schools is a service that law enforcement has been doing more of since the shooting in Connecticut, stated Newcastle Police Chief Jim Owens, however it takes everyone in the community to stay alert and be aware to help prevent a possibly bad situation.

"If they see anything that seems to be out of the ordinary, let someone know about it," stated Owens.

Being safe and helping protect students are not the only reasons for law enforcement to make a presence in the hallways. It also helps with good public relations by making the students feel the officers are approachable, which was seen in Newcastle High School by the News Letter Journal when a student asked Deputy Sheriff Pat Watsabaugh to help with the Science Fair to be held at the school in February.

"Our walk-throughs with the schools are not only for safety and protection but there are so many more good aspects of it. Also good community policing, which our sheriff supports and is under his direction to do 100 percent. But also we have a lot of new deputies in our department and it helps with familiarity, because regardless if its an ambulance for a medical assist or a fire or something that requires our immediate response, familiarization with the schools is paramount," confirmed Watsabaugh.

As with having law enforcement's presence in the schools, having a system that will place the school under lock-down through a main control system enables school officials more management of a potentially dangerous situation.

"What that will allow us to do district wide, is when a teacher gets there in the morning

and opens the door then they can 'lock' it, but then put it on the magnet so when that system is tripped then the teachers are not going into the hallway to 'lock down' the school. It frees you up to allow the building to become a little bit more secure," the superintendent explained. He continued to say the elementary and middle schools already have the system in place and the high school is in the process of getting it installed.

Other measures have already been in place, such as continued training with seclusion and restraining, which is provided each year to keep the staff updated on what to do should an emergency occur with a student. The program focuses on the safe management of disruptive and assaulting behavior, arming the staff with methods of de-escalating someone that is disconnected with emotions.

"Our hope is that all staff will be exposed to the training. Additional training is we will be working with Sheriff [Bryan] Colvard in the very near future will deal with individual kinds of things that can be done for safety," LaCroix said.

Another idea being looked into at the schools is an interior door lockage system where visitors would enter the foyer then need to be buzzed in to access the interior of the school. No decisions have been made on this preventative measure but all possibilities are being looked into.

"All of the schools are wired and set up to do that, so it is not a monumental leap. What we do now is convenient — this other way will not be as convenient. In the years past, when we have done things like this, our stakeholders got pretty frustrated with that kind of a system. So I think it is something we really have to think about, if we want to. Because it is something that is real easy to do, but if you don't live with it and use it appropriately then why do it," reported LaCroix.

## Dean

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\$700 million over the next decade, will be paying for federal road construction and keeping student interest rates low across the nation. It seems Wyoming and its AML taxes from coal are the new stimulus.

I understand the Cowboy State likes to solve their own problems, but when the feds are grabbing that huge slice of our pie for that long, perhaps we should have both hands extended to regain some AML bucks to maintain our roads and create road construction jobs here, instead of imposing a 10 cent gas tax.

I will be watching a number of proposed measures including the proposed hunting/fishing license increases, which I am opposed to. My family hunts, fishes and enjoys being in the great Wyoming outdoors, so this will affect us. Every agency can trim the fat, and those who ask for more of our hard-earned dollars should be required to show us their

budget numbers and be accountable.

I support SF 55, which would allow the governor's policy office and reps from the energy industry to provide materials and build a curriculum for educating public school students. In light of the fact that more and more people have no connection to where their food, fuel and fiber comes from, and that I've heard a number of our public school children in the Cowboy State are being shown Al Gore's "Inconvenient Truth" movie, I think there is a definite need for more balance and facts in this area.

The DVD titled "Code of the West" highlights our strong Wyoming values and does Wyoming proud, and I believe SF 55 will also. My hope is that SF 55 helps us be more aware of the benefits and facts of our home-grown energy and expands to include the food and fiber that originate here.

We should all know where

the gas comes from that we put in our tank, and what makes the power when we flip the switch, and the sooner we can make these connections, the better off we all are.

I will be watching a couple of gun proposals being debated by our state legislature. I will be watching the Firearms Protection Act, that specifies any federal limitation on guns would be unenforceable within the boundaries of our state and I'll also be watching HB 73, making the Freedom Arms Model 83 the official state handgun. This gun is made in Wyoming.

People in Wyoming continue to grieve for those whose lives have been forever changed by the Connecticut school massacre, however, I do believe the majority of Wyomingites understand the tools used are not to blame for this horrific event, and they also believe there should not be any restrictions added to the Second Amendment.

## CORRECTIONS

In the Jan. 10, 2013, Page 1 story, "More applicants needed," some of the names of appointments to county boards were incorrect. On the Recreation (Mallo) Board, Larry Cole was appointed to a four-year term. On the Weed and Pest Board, Terry Groenewold was re-appointed for a four-year term, Mike Davis was re-appointed for a four-year term, and

Mark Stenson was re-appointed for a four-year term. On the CLG Historic Preservation Board, Lucille Dumbrell was re-appointed for a three-year term and Mary A Capps was re-appointed for a three-year term. On the Fair Board, Zane Marty was appointed for a four-year term.

We apologize for the errors.

# EQUALITY

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Time: 12:00-4:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 1/25/13

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Fee: \$40 for 3 computer classes or \$20 per class  
Day: Monday, 2/4  
Time: 7:00-9:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 1/24/13

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Fee: \$40 for 3 computer classes or \$20 per class  
Day: Thursday, 2/7  
Time: 7:00-9:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 1/24/13

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Day: Monday, 2/11  
Time: 7:00-9:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 1/24/13

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Fee: \$40 for 3 computer classes or \$20 per class  
Day: Thursday, 2/21  
Time: 7:00-9:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 2/7/13

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Day: Monday, 2/25  
Time: 7:00-9:00 pm  
Registration Deadline: 2/7/13

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Fee: \$50  
Day: Mondays or Tuesdays  
Dates: 2/5-4/16  
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Registration Deadline: 2/1/13

### Hors D'Oeuvres

Fee: \$20 for supplies  
Day: Wednesday, 1/23  
Time: 5:30-8:30 pm  
Registration Deadline: 1/16/13

### Biscotti

Fee: \$20 for supplies  
Day: Wednesday, 2/13  
Time: 5:30-8:30 pm  
Registration Deadline: 2/6/13

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Fee: \$100  
Day: Wednesdays  
Dates: 2/6-3/20  
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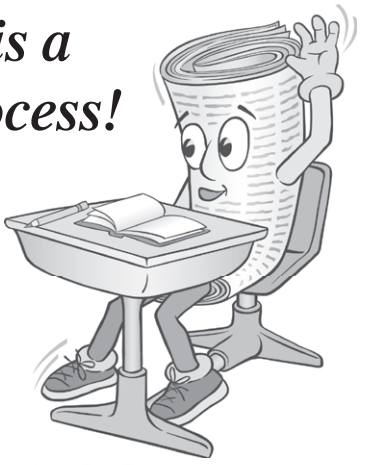
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Child Support Authority Board	1 Position	

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Anyone wishing to submit an application for any of the above positions may contact the Weston County Clerk's Office, 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Anyone wishing to apply may submit a written letter of interest. Letters need to be received by 4:30 p.m. on February 4, 2013. This matter will be considered on February 5, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

Weed & Pest applicants need to contact the Weed & Pest office for qualifications. Weston County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or handicapped status in employment or the provision of services.

**Obituaries**

**MARY E. HOOK**  
**Jan. 17, 1914–Jan. 7, 2013**

Mary E. Hook, 98, passed away on Jan. 7, 2013, 10 days before her 99th birthday, at Rapid City Regional Hospice House in Rapid City, S.D.

Mary Elizabeth Roberts Hook was born on Jan. 17, 1914, at the family ranch near Sundance to William and Nettie (Angel) Roberts. Mary attended school in Sundance, graduating from high school in 1931. After taking fifth year normal at the high school she attended the University of Wyoming for the summer. She taught for several years in rural schools in Weston County.

Mary married Samuel A. Hook on June 15, 1938, in Sheridan. They lived on their ranch at Buckhorn until 1952 when they purchased another ranch at Nisland, S.D. Winter and spring months were spent at the ranch at Nisland and summer and fall months were spent at both ranches.

Mary loved to crochet, sew and made many birthday, wedding and anniversary cakes. She loved to travel and was thrilled when she got to go to all 50 states and many Canadian provinces. Since the death of her husband on May 10, 1986, she has lived with her youngest daughter in Rapid City.

She is survived by her daughters, Alberta (Pete) Krush, Belle Fourche, S.D., and Rita Hook, Rapid City; three grandsons, Kevin R. Queen, Rapid City, Michael (Joan) Krush, Fargo, N.D., and Matthew (Elizabeth Fallon) Krush, Edina, Minn.; three great-grandchildren, Aidan and Alana Krush, Edina, and Gerin Krush, Fargo; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Sam Hook; daughter, Roberta Queen; brothers, William, Matthew "Mick" and Don Roberts; sister, Nora Reimer; nieces, Linda Sievert, Debbie Reimer and Kathy Roberts; and her nephew, Michael Roberts.

Funeral services were at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 16 at the United Methodist Church in Belle Fourche. In lieu of flowers, a memo-

rial has been established to the Rapid City Hospital Hospice House.

Arrangements are under the care of Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapels & Crematory Services, Spearfish, S.D. Online condolences may be written to [www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapels.com](http://www.fidler-isburgfuneralchapels.com).

**MERELENE 'JO' EBERSPECHER ROBY**  
**Oct. 13, 1941–Jan. 7, 2013**

Merelene "Jo" Eberspacher Roby, 71, of Newcastle, passed away on Jan. 7, 2013, at Weston County Health Services. She was born Oct. 13, 1941, in Glenrock, to Helen Robinson Eberspacher and Tom Eberspacher. As a child, her family moved about quite a bit, spending time in St. Mary's and Santa, Idaho, as well as Casper, Glenrock and Douglas before settling in Newcastle, where Jo attended high school with the class of 1960. She met the love of her life, L.D. Roby, at Newcastle High School and they were married on May 27, 1959, in Deadwood, S.D. To this union, three sons and two daughters were born. L.D. and Jo made their home in Newcastle and operated Babe's Texaco for some time where Jo did bookwork and serviced vehicles. She always managed to maintain a loving home environment while doing whatever was needed of her.



Merelene Roby

Jo was generous, loving, loyal and outspoken — if you were on her good side, she loved you unconditionally, but if you were on her bad side, you knew it. She enjoyed reading, cribbage, and many more of life's little perks, but the highlight of her entire existence was her grandchildren. Jo will be missed by her husband, L.D., of Newcastle; two sons, Randy (Diana) Roby of Wright and Daniel (Gina) Roby of Guernsey; two

daughters, Deann Roby-Whitney (Leslie) and Jodi Roby Barker (Jason), both of Newcastle; 14 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and far too many friends to count. She is preceded in death by one son, Donny Roby; her parents; and all of her siblings. Services for Jo were held at the LDS Church in Newcastle on Jan. 11 at 10 a.m. There was also a viewing at Worden's Funeral Directors on Jan. 11 from 5-7 p.m. Burial was at Greenwood Cemetery.

**FRANCES L. WAGONER**  
**June 27, 1930–Jan. 7, 2013**

Frances L. Wagoner, age 82, of WaKenney, Kan., passed away Jan. 7, 2013, at Trego Manor in WaKenney. She was born June 27, 1930, in rural Gove County, the daughter of Nicholas and Thersia (Shuster) Kaiser.

Frances was a 1948 graduate of Collyer High School. On April 10, 1950, she was united in marriage to LeRoy Anthony Wagoner in Angelus, Kan. He preceded her in death. Frances was a proud homemaker who had a very close and loving relationship with her family. She was a member of Christ the King Catholic Church and altar society.

Burial mass was held at Christ the King Catholic Church in WaKenney on Jan. 11, at 2 p.m.

Frances will be dearly missed by many friends and family, including two sons, Jerold (Stacy) Wagoner of Haxton, Colo., and Edward (Marjorie) Wagoner of Newcastle; three daughters, Illa (Dennis) Woodard of Fort Lupton, Colo., Donna (Val) Reiss of Weskan, Kan., and Sandra (Randy) Cline of WaKenney, Kan.; 18 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; twin children, Lyle Allen and Linda Elaine Wagoner; two brothers, John N. Kaiser and Ferdinand C. Kaiser; and two sisters, Rose M. Bird and Mary E. Conard.

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Speaker Monica Zech from California will be at the **High School Auditorium at 9:30 a.m. on January 24th** to talk about safe driving.

**Please come to join!**  
Local insurance companies will also be there to talk about the benefits of safe driving.

You are requested to attend the **75th Birthday Celebration for Al Novak**

**Date: Saturday, January 19**  
**Time 4-8 p.m.**  
**Place: West End Lounge**

*No gifts please*

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- CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL:** Rev. Sally Boyd, S. Summit & Winthrop Streets, 746-9684. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, Morning Prayer 10 a.m.; 2nd & 4th Saturday 4 p.m., Holy Eucharist.
- CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH:** Pastor John Hopper, 224 West Road, West of Dow Park, 746-2415. Sunday Worship 9 am.
- CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS:** Bishop Greg James, 120 Ash, 746-4131. Sunday Sacrament Meeting 9 am; Sunday School 10:20 am; Relief Society & Priesthood Mtg 11:15 am.
- CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, 19 W. Winthrop, 746-4219. Saturday Mass 5:45 pm; Weekday Mass 8 am.
- COUNTRY CHURCH:** Four Corners, Pastor Bill Haley, 746-9712, Worship 10 am.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** Pastor Gary Anderson, 903 S. Summit, 746-2188. Bible Study 9 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Teaching Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6:30 pm.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** Pastor Lynn Schleicher, 301 Delaware, 746-9663. Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship 10:45 am; Prayer Service 5 pm, Christian Academy.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Paul Holland, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Sunday School 8:45 am; Church Services 8 & 10 am; Nursery care available.
- GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 746-8091.
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- NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sunday Worship 10 am; Wednesday Night Prayer.
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**CHELSEA ROSE HELMS**



Mike and Bridget Helms of Newcastle welcomed Chelsea Rose Helms on Dec. 22, 2012, at 8:47 a.m., at Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette. She was 7 pounds, 6 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are David and Mary Beck of Campbellsport, Wisc. Paternal grandparents are Cathy and Cliff Dowdy of Rozet, and the late L.A. Helms of Newcastle. Great-grandparents are Rose Marie Beck and Mary Lou McKee of Kewaskum, Wisc., and Dean Helms of Newcastle and Myra Clingan of Upton.

**Engagement**



**SCRIBNER-HEBBRING**

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Jan. 17	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
	12:30 p.m.	Good Citizen Awards	Newcastle Elementary
	6 p.m.	W.C. Health Services Board Meeting	Board Room
Jan. 18	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
Jan. 20	2 p.m.	Bingo	Corpus Christi Church
Jan. 22	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	9 a.m.	W.C. Commissioners	W.C. Courthouse
	7 p.m.	City Council Meeting	Council Chambers
Jan. 23	6:45 p.m.	ALANON (746-9791)	Mondell Heights
	Noon	Newcastle Lions Club Meeting	W.C. Senior Center
Jan. 24	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	8:30 a.m.	TOPS (weight loss)	W.C. Senior Center
Jan. 25	11:45 a.m.	W.C.H.S. Foundation Board Meeting	Board Room
	11:30 a.m.	W.C. Library Board Meeting	Newcastle Library
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Jan 17: Frank Humes, Fred Hansen, Kobee Fatzinger, Carol Sylte
- Jan 19: Ashlee Snyder
- Jan. 20: Sandra Berge, Ronna Marano, Kyle Kachelhoffer
- Jan. 21: Nicole Boom, Heather Ann Stith
- Jan. 22: Salina Suess-Baker
- Jan. 23: Mackenzie Cottrell, Claire Beastro, Emily Beastro, Cassie Cassey

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**100 YEARS AGO - JAN. 16, 1913**

Both houses of the Wyoming State Legislature convened at noon Tuesday. The Republicans organized the senate and the officers elected were as follows: president, B.H. Sage of Laramie County, vice president, Ismael C. Jefferis of Weston County.

Everyone is invited to attend a dance to be given at C.D. Keel's home, in the Howard area, on Jan. 24. There will be stable room to shelter the horses of the guests.

The Pine Ridge Dramatic Club took the train from Jerome early Wednesday for Cambria where they will present a play, also the two following nights at Newcastle.

The Foltz brothers have contacted for a saw mill outfit and Rumely oil pull tractor and will soon be in a position to do your sawing. They will set mill near Mr. Folgelberg's ranch on the Pine Ridge.

The new county of Campbell proposes to start the new year right by ordering all saloons to close up from midnight Saturday to midnight Sunday, also games of chance which include gambling of any description to close altogether.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tavegia received a fine Christmas present in the form of a baby boy.

Tom Rhodes, who is employed at Horton, was made happy over the arrival of a baby boy one day last week.

The Cambria hospital staff has been badly crippled for the past week with both doctor and nurse sick. Mr. S.W. Johnson was in camp Thursday acting as camp's doctor in the sickness of Dr. Bradbury.

Since Jan. 6 Wyoming has 21 counties. Besides the original 14 there are Lincoln, Campbell, Niobrara, Platte, Goshen, Washakie and Hot Springs.

The local plumbers have been a very busy bunch of people for the past few days, or since the mercury dropped out of the thermometer and drove a hole in the cement pavement in front of the drug store some several nights ago, but they have had regular summer weather in which to repair all the damage done at that time.

As a result of his team taking fright at Cambria last Sunday and breaking loose from their moorings, the driver of the Aimonetto hack was compelled to journey back to the county seat on foot. Upon his arrival here he found the team standing patiently in front of the stable waiting for some one to let them in.

**75 YEARS AGO - WEEK ENDING JAN. 20, 1938**

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Walker returned to their home at Ekalaka, Mont., after spending New Year's at the Andy Wocicki home in the Four Corners area.

Jack Gallentine and William Stearns made a business trip to the Stearns ranch near Chadron, Neb., Friday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Watson of Newcastle spent several days last week at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Watson and family, on the Prairie.

The Buffalo Creek Homemakers Club met Thursday for an all-day meeting. A



covered dish luncheon was served at noon.

The Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters entertained more than a hundred members, wives and husbands at a dinner at the temple here last night. Following the dinner a varied program was given and a social hour spent by the gathering.

The C.B.&Q. Railroad pays more taxes into the treasury of Weston County than in any other county in the state. Weston County received about \$16,000 more funds than Campbell County during 1937. Campbell County received \$42,719.83 in taxes.

The condition of Claude Acord, 27, was considered satisfactory last night following an accident in which he miraculously escaped serious injury or possibly death when the truck in which he was riding was struck by Burlington Passenger Train No. 44 a mile west of Upton.

The Newcastle Dogies have played but one conference game this season and were defeated by Gillette 41 to 24.

On Sunday afternoon the congregation of the Church of God and other friends gathered at the home of Guy Gillum honoring the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Gillum and Mrs. Chas. Wulff, pastor of the church. A covered dish dinner was served to about 45 guests.

**50 YEARS AGO - JAN. 17, 1963**

A low of -25 degrees in Newcastle was recorded during winter's longest and most widespread siege of subzero weather.

The Newcastle Dogies slipped to third place in the state basketball ratings for AA-A teams by United Press International. Although the Dogies are still undefeated, Riverton took over the second spot from Newcastle. The Dogies downed the Gillette Camels here last Saturday, 57 to 41.

The Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the home of Mary Decker Monday evening with 13 members present.

A discussion on international relations was held at the meeting of the Gateway Gals. Letters were read from pen pals and friends in other countries.

Ronnie Metz and Erica Rogen were crowned king and queen at the annual DeMolay-Job's Daughter Snow Ball held recently in Newcastle.

Newcastle's Dogie five cracked down on the Upton Bobcats, 58 to 31, to tie down their seventh straight win in Upton Tuesday evening.

**From the Vault of the Anna Miller Museum:**

This photo, circa 1930, features T.B. Ely and team cutting blocks of ice from the Belle Fouche River on north fork of the Cheyenne. The team horses were Pink and Dick. Crook County Wyoming.



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# The Younger Years

## Aunt Kathy

*How one woman made an impression*  
An essay by Pat Crow — Part 2

Note: This is the second in a five-part series

On David's fourth birthday, Aunt Kathy — the woman my wife and I met in the mid-'70s who became a dear friend and our son's godmother — was assigned to the office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. I don't remember the details, but we had not made plans for a party to celebrate his birthday. Aunt Kathy decided something needed to be done, so she arranged for David to 'Do Lunch' with her in the dining room of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Pentagon. Aunt Kathy made arrangements to meet Barbara at the Main Concourse of the Pentagon. This was before Sept. 11, 2001, so that just meant Barbara and David took the subway to the Pentagon stop and then rode the escalator up from the station to the Main Concourse. It's much more complicated now.

The Main Concourse of the Pentagon, at least back in 1992, was sort of a strip mall without the parking lot. It contained a bookstore, a

clothing store, a chocolate stand, a men's clothing store, a collection of fast food places and a bunch of other shops I don't remember now.

David was dressed appropriately, in khakis, a light blue button-down collared shirt, a red plaid tie and a navy blazer. You don't do lunch with Aunt Kathy in a T-shirt and jeans! When Barbara and David arrived at the Main Concourse, Aunt Kathy was there to meet them. She took David by the hand and told Barbara she would drop him off at our house when they were done. They headed to the chairman's dining room and Barbara headed home. I don't really have a report on the lunch except that it was "fun."

At that time in his life, David was interested in a career as a naval aviator, particularly flying jet fighters off aircraft carriers. Unlike most kids who have dreams like that, David's godmother was Aunt Kathy. As part of his fourth birthday celebration, after lunch, she arranged for him to visit a three-star admiral who had flown jet fighters off aircraft carriers, commanded a fighter squadron

and had commanded a U.S. nuclear aircraft carrier. So, after lunch, David was escorted to the admiral's office, where the admiral greeted him and invited him to sit down on the couch in the conversational part of his office and chat. People around here who know David will be not at all surprised to learn that he enjoyed the experience, but he wasn't intimidated.

At one point, the admiral showed David a Lucite cube containing a gold model of the carrier the admiral had commanded. I believe the model was of one of the Nimitz Class carriers. David said it was different from the Enterprise, another of our nuclear carriers. The admiral said the Enterprise was a Nimitz Class carrier, meaning the blueprints for all of them were essentially the same. David, however, told the admiral that the flight deck of the Enterprise was a certain number of feet longer than the flight deck of a Nimitz Class carrier — the admiral disagreed.

After an appropriate period, David's visit with the admiral was completed. David thought the admiral was "cool," and the admiral got a kick out of that little kid. The admiral did, however, immediately order one of the people on his staff to check out whether the flight deck on the Enterprise was as David described it. David was right.

Two years later, as David's sixth birthday was approaching, it turned out that Ellen's soccer team was scheduled to play in a tournament near Norfolk, Va., over his birthday. The Norfolk Navy Base is home to at least half of the Navy fleet. As a birthday present, Aunt Kathy arranged to have the executive officer of a nuclear aircraft carrier, which happened to be in port in Norfolk, give David a tour of the ship. David visited the flight deck, the bridge, the maintenance deck and almost everything else except the living quarters and the engine room. Again, he described this adventure as fun.

Read Part 3 — The Later Years, in the next edition of the News Letter Journal.



Photo courtesy of Barb Crow  
Kathy Carlson on Jan. 19, 1987, with David and Ellen Crow.

# How about some fantasy?

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The Bird Cage Theatrics Company is proud to announce that they will be hosting their fifth dinner theater performance in the coming month of February. The company will be performing "The Education Of Angels," a two-act comedy-fantasy show written by Playwright Mathew Carlin about two angels working to get their wings. The News Letter Journal caught up with the co-directors of the show, Shane Sellers and Dorothy Walker-Brown, to get an inside look at the production.

"This is a show unlike anything we have done in the past," expressed Sellers. "Before we have mainly stuck to comedy and farce style productions. This is the first time we have done a show with a deeper feeling. There is a tender element in it and a pathos that we haven't done before. There are still a lot of funny parts, but this will be the first time we have really dug into emotion."

The Bird Cage Theatrics Company has been presenting theater to the community of Newcastle since 2010 and have managed to put on major productions with the use of only community volunteers. The company started as an outreach to the community for something fun and creative to do. With the help of volunteers and availability of a stage provided by the First United Methodist Church, what was just an idea came to fruition with the very first show titled, "A Little Murder Never Hurt Anybody."

"We have always wanted to be a true community theater company. Everything we need for constructing a performance we produce locally. From our actors, to our hardware used for building sets, to the food we serve, it's all locally gathered," conveyed Sellers "We aim to be a community theater company in the truest sense of the word by getting everything we need right here in Newcastle."

Co-director Walker-Brown told the News Letter Journal that even though the BCTC has grown in numbers, the first performance that was held almost didn't happen at all.

"We tried to do auditions for our first show. We had advertised on the radio and in the newspaper. We even made little flyers and hung them all over town. The night of the auditions, not a single person showed up. We decided at that point that if we wanted to have a show, we better start recruiting some people instead," chuckled Walker-Brown. "Since that first time we have not had auditions and it has worked out pretty well for us when recruiting the actors for the shows."

With three years of being in production, Sellers conveyed that if it wasn't for all of the community coming together, BCTC wouldn't be able to do what they do.

"We are so fortunate that everyone we work



Zeb Wiggins/NLJ

**Tim Lorenz practices his lines for the upcoming show of "The Education of Angels," being brought to Newcastle by the Bird Cage Theatrics Company.**

with is so excited and driven to do it. The Bird Cage Theatrics Company exists today because of the creative vision and the willful sharing of time and talents of many, many people. Among those that devote a lot of their time are Wayne Sack, Wilber Lease, Chris French, Kelly and Heidi Wood, Roy Domina, Chris Mueller, Rogene Long and Paula Arnold. There are several others, but these stand out because of their endless enthusiasm and long-time service to our community theater ideals," stated Sellers.

"The Education of Angels" will play Feb. 14, 15, and 16 at the Fellowship Hall of FUMC in Newcastle. A matinee performance will be presented on Sunday, Feb. 17. The price of admission is \$25 for the evening performances, which includes dinner and dessert. The matinee is \$20, and includes lunch and dessert. The Valentine's Day performance coincides with annual Sweetheart's Dinner hosted by the United Methodist Men. In keeping with tradition, there will be flowers and candy for each lady in attendance. Doors will open at 5:30 for the evening shows with the curtain opening at 6:30. Doors for the matinee will open at 12:30 with the curtain starting at 1:30.

Tickets may be purchased by calling Sellers at 746-4245, Walker-Brown at 746-4056 or Julie Domina at 746-6131. Performances are limited to 90 patrons, so reserving a ticket is highly advised.

"From what we hear, this is something that community of Newcastle is hungry for. We provide a top to bottom quality experience that is well worth the ticket price. This is going to be one of the top class acts in Newcastle and you won't want to miss it," beamed Sellers.

**NLJ Asked:**  
*What is your cold and flu remedy? Did you get a flu shot?*



"I just get a flu shot — and I hope it works!"

— Don Gregory, guest @ Weston County Senior center



"To stay away from people, and to get a flu shot."

— Betty Quick, WCSS guest



"Chicken noodle soup, and hot tea with honey! And get a flu shot."

— Sylvana Holloway, WCSS transportation



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— Barb Riggs, secretary, Cedar Hills Clinic



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"Two weeks in Hawaii!"

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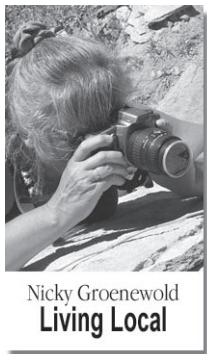


### Valentine goodness

A Valentine's package basket is being raffled to help Martha Butts with medical and travel expenses for a return trip to Mayo Clinic. Butts was diagnosed with multiple myeloma, and underwent a stem cell transplant at Mayo last year. This will be her first check-up at Mayo since her transplant. Butts reports she is doing "fabulously," and that each previous Mayo trip has cost a minimum of \$1,000, not including medical expenses. In addition to the basket, Butts crafted and donated a colorful afghan to the raffle. The basket is located at the Antler's and tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. The drawing will be held Feb. 14. Butts appreciates the care and support shown to her, and can be reached at 746-4411 or evenings at 746-4766. (Photo by Kim Dean/NLJ)

## There's a mouse in the house!

At 11:37 p.m. — about an hour after I got to sleep — I gradually awakened to a noise something like what an elephant doing push-ups on a pallet of plastic bottles might make. As I became aware of my surroundings, it dawned on me what the noise probably meant: something smaller than the pachyderm, in the form of a tiny, cute, bright-eyed, four-legged hanta virus-plagued rodent.



Nicky Groenewold Living Local



Nicky Groenewold Photo

In my cozy cocoon, drowsy and unmotivated, I debated leaping up to turn the light on (thereby scaring my spouse out of his wits — or, as John Wayne said, scaring him out of three years of his life, which he could not afford to lose), or creeping up to get a flashlight, or the rational response, finding a trap, baiting a trap, setting it somewhere near the bedside table and hoping I wouldn't step on it later in the night.

Of course, the only true solution was the latter so I reluctantly crawled out of my warm nest and traipsed into the entry to look for my stash of mouse traps. Blearily-eyed, I didn't see them and thought to myself that perhaps I had taken them to the garage to get the nasty things out of the house. (Having never yet seen a house — in my price range or social strata — that has enough cupboard, counter or closet space, my mouse traps usually reside in a grocery sack above the batteries and below the iron, spray bottle and spot remover in the laundry cupboard.)

I'd probably rather have a tooth pulled than go out into the bunkhouse/garage area in the middle of the night, barefooted in a sleeveless night shirt but at this point it's too late to worry about being any more wide-awake at midnight than I already am. So I make the trek to the pantry/storage area and search among the bug sprays, rat poison, vet supplies, cans of paint (and so forth and so on).

Three promising-looking grocery bags contain the bait blocks (getting close?), ear tags and a ruined paint brush wrapped in a stiff rag. No mouse traps. I surely didn't throw out the whole lot, even though that's been suggested by several people when they see my ugly collection. Back in the house, thoroughly chilled, I open the cupboard over the washer (the one I had looked in five minutes earlier) and there sits my sack full of traps.

Unwrapping them, I then find the generic peanut butter (the one I have to caution people not to use as it's old, rancid and used mainly for baiting my trap line), dab a dollop of peanut butter on each trap and set them in strategic locations where the mice have been known to travel. (About this point, my spouse wanders out, red-eyed and crazed looking. Waking the man up in the middle of the night is not high on

my want-to-do list as he looks like an ax murderer when awakened from a sound sleep. And, of course, waking a man out of a hard-won deep sleep might turn him into an ax murderer.)

He wants to know if I need to go to the doctor — a logical response to my wandering about the house in the wee hours because that usually means my once-upon-a-time cast iron stomach is giving me fits. "A mouse doctor?" I ask. That would be a form of sarcasm which might be lost on "normal" folk in the middle of the night, but which he is able to correctly interpret as, "All's well," and heads back to bed. Hopefully with my warning not to put his bare feet anywhere he can't see when he gets up in the dark ringing in his consciousness.

Trap line laid out, I slide back between the now cool sheets, pull the comforter up to my icy nose and eventually drift off again. In the morning, though, no traps sprung, no mice caught, and I can't find out what they might have been chewing on so stridently during the night. I am forced to question my sanity and/or my hearing. But I have been known to hear a dying fly from two rooms away — that terrible airplane engine noise they make, lying on his back, spinning in circles with his little germ-ridden body spreading God only knows what unseen diseases throughout my house!

The weatherman had given us a winter storm warning for the weekend, snow accumulations of anywhere from 4 inches to a foot, blowing snow, high wind warnings, actual temps in the teens and as low as zero, wind chills below zero. The critters always seem to know. (Between the nocturnal munchings of our rodent population and my aching joints, who needs a bona fide weather report?)

Oh well, back to reality, which, at this time of the morning, is a hot cup of coffee and planning my day — and reminding myself to spring and remove all the traps if the grandbaby (or company) arrives.

## Raffle

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about the raffle, but those pictures just don't do it any justice compared to having the actual quilt right in front of your eyes," laughed Calhoun. "People really should stop in the Weston County Library and take a look because I think they will like what they see."

Calhoun stated that she would love to see the community get involved in this fundraiser and donate as much as they can to help out the Weston County volunteer firefighters.

"So far we have collected around \$800. We have a reserve of \$2,000 that we would like to raise before we have the

drawing. We would like to see even more than that if we can, because these volunteer firefighters need it. They risk their lives to save ours and this is a great way to help give back to those men and women," Calhoun proclaimed.

The drawing for the winning ticket is scheduled for Presidents Day, Feb. 18, as long as the reserve has been matched. If \$2,000 has not been collected in ticket sales, the drawing will be held off until that reserve has been filled. Tickets are one for \$2, three for \$5, and 20 for \$25, and can be purchased by contacting Calhoun at 746-4647,

Becky Hadlock at 746-5875, Susie Overman at 629-6168, Becca Overman at 629-1063, Karen Bowman at 629-0003 or Denise Thompson at 468-2516. Tickets are also available at the Assessors Office or the Newcastle library.

"I just want to encourage the community of Weston County to buy tickets because this goes to all of those that helped us when the fires were so bad," declared Calhoun. "It would have been devastating for a lot of families if these guys didn't do what they did to save us. All the money is for them, so please help us help them out."



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# Always looking for something old

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

Finding old treasures turned from a hobby into a business for Jerry Childs. For close to five years he has been selling his Lonesome Spur Antiques out of two stores in downtown Newcastle, Wild Hare Books and Gifts and Something Healthy.

"It works very well for me because I don't have to be there. Both stores do a good job of selling my antiques. It gives me a chance to be out looking for more, which is something I like doing a lot," acknowledged Childs.

Buying antiques became a hobby for him while he was teaching and coaching. He began by attending auctions, branching out from there. Throughout the years he has sold his antiques in other towns such as Casper, Gillette, Hill City, S.D., and Spearfish, S.D.

After he retired from 32 years of teaching he moved back to Weston County where he grew up and bought a small ranch on Skull Creek Road. The ranch keeps him busy doing other things he enjoys.

"Basically it is nice to be able to live here and sell my antiques here," he said.

He began selling them in Newcastle at Wild Hare when they were located across Main Street where Lunatic's is now. Shortly after he started selling them there, Something Healthy also began selling Lonesome Spur Antiques. Ironically the bookstore moved next to the health food store, so both places that sell his wares are now right next door to each other.

"I am always looking for antiques. People call me when they have stuff they want to sell," he reported. "When I travel I pick up something I could use in the store. I like unusual stuff."

Childs appreciates the loyal, local



Denice Pisciotti/NLJ

Jerry Childs has been selling antique treasures at two Newcastle locations, Something Healthy and Wild Hare Books and Gifts.

customers who venture in often to see what neat items have been added. He also has customers that travel from as far as Bismarck, N.D., to buy his antiques.

"I feel it brings in quite a lot of people to Newcastle," Childs stated, a sentiment echoed by Patty Cole, owner of Something Healthy.

"Having antiques in the store brings in tourists," she remarked.

Advertising collectibles are among his favorite to find. People seem to be especially interested in merchandise with locations. Antiques from Deadwood are also valuable.

During his time of antique hunting,

he has bought a little bit of everything. Finding quality antiques is what he is after, so he tries not to deal with reproductions or glassware with chips.

"Once in a while I run into something I've never seen but not very often," he admitted.

He is always looking for anything that is truly old with advertising on it. Western spurs and chaps are sought-after items as well. His particular interests include military items, old railroad paraphernalia, lanterns and signs.

"Someone collects just about anything, it takes the right person that wants that particular item," Childs stated.

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## Session

should be civil, and he encouraged members of the legislature to do so in an even-tempered manner.

Following shortly after Lubnau, Majority Leader Kermit Brown of Laramie also gave an address. Though not much business was conducted on the first day of the session, the first 40 bills to be voted on were referred to their appropriate committees for review.

On day two of the General Session, Gov. Matt Mead delivered his annual State of the State Address to the joint session of the Wyoming Legislature in the House chamber. The governor urged the legislators to approve his proposed 6.5 percent in budget cuts for the upcoming year that would save an equivalent of \$60 million in state money. A large part of the governor's address was also urging legislators to act upon the ongoing issues facing the Department of Education, including the current standoff between the superintendent of Public Education and members of the State Education Committee. Chief Justice Marylyn Kite spoke after Mead and thanked the legislation for the increased salaries for judicial employees that have been pushed through in the past. Kite stated that she is appreciative of those raises and encouraged further pay raises soon. As the Education Committee met in the afternoon, they discussed a bill that would replace the current GED system

with a High School Equivalency Certificate for those who have never completed high school. The bill passed the committee and is currently up for the first reading on the floor.

Two bills passed the Ag Committee Thursday, on day three of the General Session. The first bill was to change the current definitions of diseased livestock. The second bill updated fines and fees for certain agriculture-related issues. As several bills were referred to their various committees the House did not dissolve into Committee of the Whole as intended. Due to only one bill being up on the floor for first reading, business was postponed until the following day.

The House convened at 10 a.m. on Friday. After reference of bills to committee, the House dissolved into Committee of the Whole to discuss bills being brought to the floor for first reading.

"Among these bills we discussed were a bill to adjust child support payment rates, the bill concerning High School Equivalency Certificates, and a bill to update the state's banking regulations to comply with changing federal rules," explained Rep. Hans Hunt, R-Newcastle.

As the legislature moves into the current week, the proposed .10 cent-a-gallon increases will hit the committee floors,

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which is currently opposed by one of northeast Wyoming's representatives.

"I will not support the increase at this time until the Legislative Joint Appropriation Committee is statutorily required to review WDOT budget as they do with all other state agencies," stated Rep. Mark Semlek, R-Moorcroft in his weekly update to the press. "I will also not support any appropriation from the General Fund to increase revenues for WDOT, as I still contend that if and when we believe additional funding is necessary, the revenue should be raised through a user tax."

Senate File 104, Education, has also been passed out of the

Senate Education Committee. The proposal will establish a position of director of the Department of Education, to be appointed by the governor from a list of three names of qualified candidates submitted by the State Board of Education, if it passes. The appointment shall be with the advice and consent of the Senate as the state currently does with all of the other agencies directors. This proposal comes after several years of different attempts to more effectively deliver educational accountability measures through the Department of Education.

Constituents are highly encouraged to contact their Senate and House representatives during the General Session of the 62nd Wyoming Legislature to voice their opinion on how representatives should vote. Legislators can be contacted through e-mail by using the address formula of [firstname.lastname@wyoleg.gov](mailto:firstname.lastname@wyoleg.gov). The online hotline can be used to express support for, or opposition to, a specific piece of legislation. Constituents can visit <http://legisweb.state.wy.us/postcomments/online-hotline.aspx> to indicate one's position on legislation as well as leave a comment that can be viewable by all legislators. Voters can also receive further information by calling the Legislative Service Office at 307-777-7881.

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### Schedule

**NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL DOGIES**

<b>NHS Wrestling</b>			
01/18	VJ	Chadron Invitational	A 11 AM
01/19	VJ	Chadron Invitational	A 9 AM

<b>Girls Basketball</b>			
01/17	V9	* Buffalo Bison	A 4 PM
01/19	V9	* Douglas Bearcats	A 2 PM
01/21	9	Wright Panthers	A 4 PM

<b>Boys Basketball</b>			
01/17	V9	Buffalo Bison	H 4 PM
01/19	V9	*Douglas Bearcats	A2:30 PM
01/21	9	Wright Panthers	A5:30 PM

<b>Boys Swimming</b>			
01/18	V	Worland Quadrangular	A 4 PM
01/19	V	Worland Invitational	A 4 PM

**UPTON HIGH SCHOOL BOBCATS**

<b>UHS WRESTLING</b>			
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
1/18-1/19	Moorcroft Mixer		Moorcroft

<b>UHS GIRLS BASKETBALL</b>			
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
1/18	Kaycee	4/5:30	Kaycee
1/19	Midwest	1/2:30	Upton
1/22	Hulett	4/5:30	Hulett

<b>UHS BOYS BASKETBALL</b>			
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
1/18	Kaycee	4/7	Kaycee
1/19	Midwest	1/4	Upton
1/22	Hulett	4/7	Hulett

### The Score

**Ladies basketball scores**

**Freshmen**  
Newcastle 33, Glenrock 19  
**JV**  
Newcastle 41, Glenrock 20  
Newcastle 43, Worland 36

**Men's basketball scores**

**Freshmen**  
Newcastle 15, Glenrock 39  
**JV**  
Newcastle 30, Glenrock 57  
Newcastle 28, Worland 43

# Ladies' conference heats up



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

Bailey Karp fins her teammate as she goes for the assist against Glenrock.

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

In both basketball games last week the Newcastle High School Dogie girls played better in the first half of the game than in the latter half, according to Coach Tyler Bartlett. On Thursday they played the Glenrock Herders (3-9, 0-4 3A East) in the Dogie Dome followed by a double header against the Worland Warriors (0-12, 0-5) winning both conference games at home.

"For whatever reason, if we were unaccustomed to that or whatever, it was coming out of half time that we let teams back into it. Start of the third quarter for both of those games we didn't come out ready to defend, didn't come out and get buckets. We just let teams back in that probably shouldn't have been in it," reported Bartlett.

With Glenrock's size an advantage over the Dogies it took all five players on the court to rebound against them. Having people on the floor willing to compete for the rebounds means success in the long run. Bartlett was disappointed in how the team played against the larger squad, since previously they had done a better job.

"I was disappointed to take a bit of step back there, but it's always good to have a game where you learn a lesson and where you can see what you need to work on, but you still come out on top. I am a firm believer in you can learn lessons and win," smiled the coach.

In the second half of the game against Glenrock, the Herders out-

### Ladies Stats

<b>Dogies 47</b>	<b>Glenrock 42</b>	<b>Dogies 41</b>	<b>Worland 33</b>
Field Goal Percentage 39	3 pt. Percentage 23	Field Goal Percentage 42	3 pt. Percentage 38
Free-Throw Percentage 44	Turnovers 20	Free-Throw Percentage 42	Turnovers 24
Rebounds 23	Assists 9	Rebounds 27	Assists 11
<b>Individual Stats</b>		<b>Individual Stats</b>	
Points	Hannah Cass 17	Points	Paige Smith 11
Rebounds	Anna Henkle 5	Rebounds	Anna Henkle 5
Assists	Maddie Foster 2	Assists	Bailey Karp 5
Steals	Anna Henkle 2	Steals	Bailey Karp 3
	Shenae LaCroix 2	Steals	Paige Smith 4
	Paige Smith 12		Anna Henkle 4

scored the Dogies by seven points, but it did not cost them the game because of how well they played in the first two quarters of the game. In the end the final score was 47-42, for the Dogies' second conference win.

"When you get into conference, every game is a little ugly. Every game is a battle, every game you are going to have mistakes and the bottom line is the good teams find ways to win. And with both games this week we did that, and that's what it really comes down to, doing what it takes to win," Bartlett stated.

The coach sees the positive in the fact he feels that even though they are 8-4 this season, and 3-1 in conference wins, the girls have yet to play their best.

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# Calves come home champs

The Newcastle Middle School Wrestling Team went down to Hulett for the district tournament and came home with the District Championship, reported Michael Patterson, coach.

Although the Calves had 14 guys in the finals, six of them came home with first place.

"Still, I could not be any happier with the attitude our boys had going into every match and the way that all of them performed," Patterson said. "Our guys went into districts with a mission, and there was no way, in their minds, that they weren't going to take what they wanted."

Colin Heaton, Teigen Marchant, Wyatt Corley, Bryce Womack, Trayton Dawson and Lyle Whitney were district champions.

"With the closing of a fantastic season, I just want to reiterate what every competitor in Newcastle already knows: If these kids want to get to the next level, now is the time to start lifting weights," Patterson said. "Seventh and eighth grade is when that choice to outwork everyone in the off-season begins. Newcastle is notorious for having dominant middle school athletics, but when we don't lift — and everyone around us does — the results become very apparent in high school. If our boys want to be the best they can be, they need to be in the weight room working their tails off."

Patterson also mentioned how essential for success the Fall Guys wrestling program is to any child who wants to be a great wrestler.

"Joe Corley and the rest of the coaches do a great job with the boys. I highly recommend that any kids who want to be the next middle and high school champions, and be a part of a group of winners, start there," he commented.

Patterson also reported that the boys worked harder than anyone, and had a lot of fun as well.

"We had a great season this year," he said. "The team would like to give a huge 'Thanks' to the community for its support. We look forward to next year. It's going to be great!"

# Team still short on swimmers

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The Newcastle High School Men's Swim Team is still in the struggle to get a full roster together for competition. Since the beginning of the season, only three athletes have been eligible to compete at all the meets Newcastle has attended. The story remained the same as the Dogies traveled to Buffalo to face the Bison rivals at the BHS Invite on Thursday. It was a battle of personal records as the three Dogie swimmers, Conrad Farnsworth, Matt Tidd and Kolton Epperson, vied to beat their own personal best times against the clock. Head Coach Doug Scribner spoke to the News Letter Journal about how the lack of a full team has not stopped these three from doing their best in the water.

"Without the other kids being eligible for competition, there is nothing we can really do about getting enough points to win a meet. The team con-

tinues to practice together and is staying in shape, but that doesn't help with a 'W' if we can't get them in the water," expressed Scribner. "The three swimmers that have been able to contend are doing a fantastic job with their times and they just continue to do better as we go through the season."

Farnsworth competed in two events at the Buffalo Invite. He placed fifth in the Open 200 Freestyle, where he came in with a time of 2:39.19. He was nine seconds away from placing fourth in that event. Farnsworth also competed alongside Epperson in the Open 100 Freestyle where he came in fifth over Epperson, who received sixth place in that event. Farnsworth had a time of 1:08.90 with Epperson close on his tail with a time of 1:12.93.

Epperson and Tidd battled against each other in the Open 100 Breaststroke where Epperson managed to pull just

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Brendan Carl/Buffalo Bulletin

Matt Tidd catches his breath during the 100 Breaststroke in Buffalo.

# Men get first conference win

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

In the Dogie Dome on Saturday the Newcastle High School Boys Basketball Team won their first conference game of the season against the Worland Warriors (0-11, 0-5 3A East) a much-needed victory after losing by just two points two days earlier against the Glenrock Herders (6-7, 1-3).

Worland traveled to Newcastle ready to play since neither team had won a conference game this season, creating a high-pressure situation. Coach Allen Von Eye told the News Letter Journal the Dogies were not focused in the first half of the game but the players changed it around in the last half of the game.

"We held them to four points in the third quarter and two of those points came on a buzzer beater as well. Two points to an entire eight minutes is pretty stellar. We got flow and rhythm going and played much better the second half," Von Eye recalled.

He was impressed with the defense of intensity forcing turnovers, making steals and having opportunities with lay-ups to make points. Continuing that momentum will be the

focus this week.

Earlier in the week the game against Glenrock was tough due to not having two of the Dogie starting players in the game, however the coach was pleased with the players who stepped up for an end result of 45-43.

"First and foremost I was proud of the way we had some kids really stand up in the Glenrock game, playing an extended role. They needed to play a bigger role on offense or defense than they usually do, especially with Dillon Ehlers, Colton Sweet and Justin Francis. We got huge minutes out of them and they did a great job!" declared Von Eye.

It took the first half of the game to get into the rhythm, but in the second half the score seesawed back and forth. With about 3.8 seconds left in the game, Glenrock made a three-point shot giving them a lead. Three time-outs were called consecutively to make a plan of action.

"Our kids did a great job of executing what we drew up and we got a look at a great bucket with Jeremy Feist right at the buzzer with about six

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Denice Piscioti/NLJ

Sophomore Dillon Ehlers pushes past the Warrior defense as he drives to the hoop.

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# Fall Guys prep for home tournament

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The USA folk style wrestling season is underway as the Newcastle Fall Guys Wrestling Club gears up to host their first tournament of the season at home on Jan. 19, where they expect a packed house with numerous teams coming to compete for a gold medal on the mat.

Around 40 kids have started attending regular practices and recently were able to get their first matches of the season when the Fall Guys attended their first tournaments in South Dakota, at Sturgis and Rapid City on Saturday. Joe Corley, president of the NFG wrestling club, expressed the excitement that the kids are feeling about hosting a home tournament.

“The kids are getting amped up about the tournament. Our home tournament is our biggest fundraiser for the season. This tournament gets a lot of people coming in from all over the surrounding areas of Wyoming and South Dakota,” Corley stated. “The kids are getting excited to have a chance to win a medal here at home. It’s a lot of work put on by the parents to get this tournament to run smoothly, but it is also a lot of fun as well.”

Corley has been the president of NFG wrestling club for the past nine years. Since he has started coaching and running the club, he has seen more growth in the past few years and it seems to only be getting bigger. The club has a

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— Joe Corley

large age gap of competitors ranging from age 4 all the way up to age 13.

“We have grown quite a bit since I first took over as president. Having over 40 kids of all different ages can be pretty difficult to manage. Keeping the kids focused and teaching them moves can be a problem if you don’t have the help. The parents have become a huge help in organization when it comes to both practices and tournaments,” Corley informed.

He stated that not only is the number of wrestlers in the club growing, but so is the talent. With some middle school kids wrestling in both school sports and NFG they are getting almost two full seasons of wrestling in one year. Because of so much competition available for middle school

wrestlers, Corley stated that he is seeing a return of talent on the mat for Newcastle.

“I would love to see people get excited about wrestling in this town again. We are helping that dream become a reality because for a lot of our talented wrestlers, they started right here. We are seeing that when these kids get old enough to start wrestling at that middle school level, they are already ahead of the game in most cases. I would love to see that finally carry on to the high school. We will continue to work hard at this level and then it is up to the kids to take that passion for the sport forward,” expressed Corley.

The home tournament will begin 9 a.m. on Saturday. Tickets to attend are \$5 per person or a

family ticket good for six people can be purchased for \$10.

“We always have a big community turnout, which is really good,” beamed Corley. “We also will be doing a few raffles during the tournament as well. This year we will be raffling off a 60-inch flat screen TV. These funds that are raised go directly to the traveling expenses for the kids as well as equipment.”

Corley would like to strongly encourage the community to come out and show their support for the wrestling youngsters this weekend.

“These kids love to work hard and win. They do so much better when they have a crowd cheering them on. I hope to see many faces here to support the team and the sport.”

## Ladies

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“What is nice is we have kids step up all the time. Paige [Smith] in the first half against Worland was scoreless, then in the second half she scored 12 points. That idea of stepping up for the team and rising to the challenge, and toughing up a bit and doing what it takes, we see examples of that all of the time. And that is what I am most pleased with!” he proclaimed.

For a short period during the second half Worland was ahead, but the Dogies did not let them keep the win. In the last minute of the game both teams scored, but in the end the Dogies came out on top with a final score of 41-33.

“We’d rather have had larger margins of victory or have the games go easier, but in the long run those games are character builders and show us how to win tough games

and how to win close games, and how to do things when you need to. When the game is on the line, can you rise up to the challenge? I think that is great experience going into a couple tough weeks ahead,” Bartlett admitted.

Thursday the Dogies will travel to Buffalo (9-3, 2-1) to play the Bisons knowing they will be challenged by the inside players. Bartlett knows rebounding is the key, and they will need speed and to push the tempo to have an advantage over the opposition.

“It’s going to be a clash of styles as far as us wanting to press and run whereas they probably want to get the ball inside to their talented players at the post,” he acknowledged.

Knowing they need to take better care of the ball on the road during conference games is a point that

will be emphasized during practice this week. Saturday they will travel again to Douglas (13-0, 4-0) to face the number one team in the state. The coach feels that will be a good midseason test for the team, allowing them man-to-man defense thereby making the team better.

“We are obviously still improving. I think the process is seeing that. We are seeing us improve on both sides of the ball. That is what we are going to continue to do this week with a couple challenging road games,” said Bartlett.

**Hannah Cass hustles for the rebound during a game against the Worland Warriors in the Dogie Dome Saturday. The Dogies came out on top, 41-33.**

Denice Piscioti/NLJ



## Swimming

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Brendan Carl/Bufallo Bulletin

**Kolton Epperson powers through during the Buffalo Invite Thursday where the Dogie swimmers continued to cut time.**

slightly ahead of Tidd by a little over two seconds. Epperson ended with a time of 1:39.62 and Tidd came in with a time of 1:42.93. Tidd also competed in the 50 Freestyle and bested his previous time with a count of 31.46. Though no one was able to score higher than fifth place during the meet, times still saw a little improvement than past meets.

“As long as these guys can continue to improve, I can’t ask for anything more out of them. We have a ways to go if we want to compete against those teams with really fast swimmers, but we will continue to strive to get faster as we learn

better technique through practice,” expressed Scribner.

It is still in the air if any other swimmers will be able to attend the next meet as the Dogies hit the road for the two-day meet in Worland on Thursday and Friday. Thursday will host three schools for competition while Friday’s invite will have an estimated eight to 10 schools in attendance.

“I sure would like to see us have more kids in the water,” declared Scribner. “Hopefully we will be able to see that here real soon. As we go to Worland, we are going to continue to swim hard and just get better as we progress.”

## Men

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Mens Stats		
<b>Dogies 43</b>	<b>Glenrock 45</b>	
51	Field Goal Percentage	30
22	3 pt. Percentage	36
43	Free-Throw Percentage	70
6	Bench Points	11
26	Points in Paint	22
22	Points off Turnovers	29
0	2nd Chance Points	10
23	Rebounds	35
18	Turnovers	15
<b>Individual Stats</b>		
Points		
Wade Gordon 12		
Dillon Ehlers 10		
Rebounds		
Jeremy Faist 7		
Wade Gordon 6		
Steals		
Taylor Tavegia 2		
Assists		
Wade Gordon 5		
<b>Dogies 42</b>	<b>Worland 26</b>	
34	Field Goal Percentage	19
0	3 pt. Percentage	25
50	Free Throw Percentage	50
11	Bench Points	14
28	Points in Paint	12
20	Points off Turnovers	8
7	2nd Chance Points	3
34	Rebounds	31
15	Turnovers	21
<b>Individual Stats</b>		
Points		
Dave Christiansen 8		
Jeremy Faist 8		
Rebounds		
Jeremy Faist 8		
Steals		
Dave Christiansen 5		
Assists		
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feet or so. You can’t ask for more than that,” the coach reported.

Getting shots inside has been the Achilles heel, noted Von Eye, for the last five or six games. Shooting a higher percentage and making the shots is necessary to bring home wins.

“We were happy with the way our kids battled and they came back. They fixed a lot of adversity and showed a lot of character. That is what we are proud of, and that is what will make us a better team down the stretch, being able to do that despite the loss,” Von Eye acknowledged.

The coaches are prepared to be challenged in both games they will face this week, the first of which will take place at home Thursday, when the Buffalo Bison (8-3, 2-1) come to Newcastle.

“They are athletic and have good defense, running a different brand of defense than most of the us do. A lot of us in the conference are straight man-to-man teams. You probably aren’t going to see a second of man-to-man from Buffalo — it’s probably going to be all zone,” he said. The key to winning in the Dome on Thursday will be to shooting the ball well, while rebounding.

On Saturday the Dogies will travel to Douglas (8-6, 4-0) for a double header against the Bearcats. Even without two of their starters for the past few games, the Bearcats have not lost a conference game. Defensively they will have to change their strategies to be able to compete against their left-handed post.

“They are playing really good basketball right now. They will have their starters back at full strength on Saturday, so we have got to play our basketball. As long as we play good hard-nose defensive basketball and rebound the ball well we will be fine,” Von Eye concluded.



Denice Piscioti/NLJ

**Nate McMahon maintains his focus as he lines up for a free-throw in Saturday’s game against the Worland Warriors, at the Dogie Dome.**

# EQUAL RIGHTS

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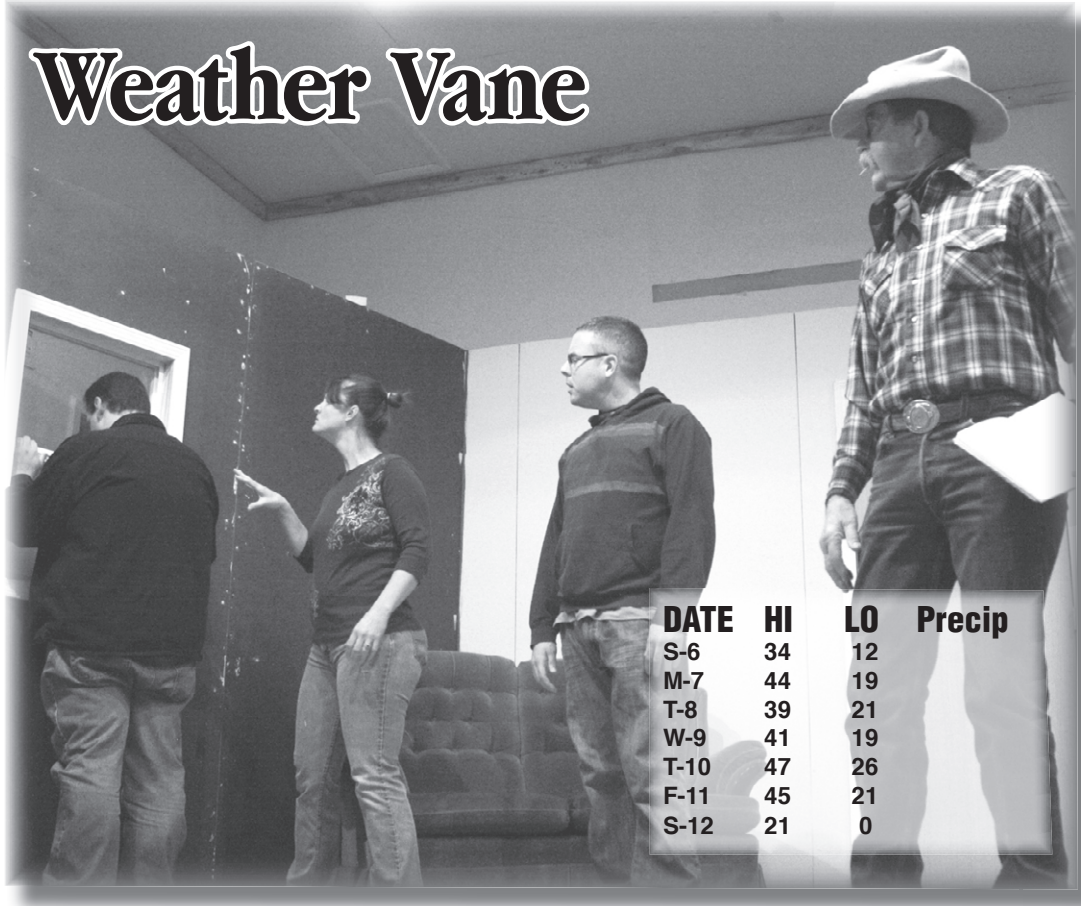
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## Court Report

**CIRCUIT COURT  
JUDGE FRED R.DOLLISON**  
Kristina Jade Russell, Compulsory Auto Insurance, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Kristina Jade Russell, Vehicle Registration Required, Total Fine Due, \$120.  
Robert Bartels, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$50.  
Jody J. Piechura, Fail To Report \$1000 Property Damage or Injury, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Tiffany S. Mullane, Expired/Improper Registration, Total Fine Due, \$110.  
Joshua E. Liggert, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$82.  
Teresa M. Hudspeth, Upton, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$82.  
Mark K. Stevenson, Upton, Fail To Use Seat Belt Whole Operating CMV, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Mark K. Stevenson, Violate Legal Weight, 2001-4000, Total Fine Paid, \$115.  
Steven M. Hintz, Violate Legal Weight, 6001-8000, Total Fine Paid, \$180.  
Melissa Leigh Suess, Follow Too Closely, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Kristi L. Engle, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Logan J. Hershey, Exhibit Acceleration, Total Fine Paid, \$120.  
Dale T. Stietz, DUI Alcohol To .08% W/In 2 Hrs of Driving, 2nd Offense W/In 10 Years, Jail Term, 90 Days, Days Suspended, 83 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day, Probation Begins, 11/7/12, Probation Ends, 11/7/14, Total Fine Due, \$690.  
Dale T. Stietz, Open Container Alcohol/Moving Vehicle-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Leah M. Wolf, Under 21 Consume Alcohol, Jail Term, 7 Days, Days Suspended, 7 Days, Probation Begins, 11/7/12, Probation ends, 5/7/13, Total Fine Due, \$340.  
Brittany A. Huelle, Under 21 Consume Alcohol, Jail Term, 7 Days, Days Suspended, 7 Days, Probation Begins, 11/7/12, Probation Ends, 5/7/13, Total Fine Due, \$340.  
Jason David Whitney, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$91.  
Daniel L. Lee, No Authority In Vehicle, Total Fine Paid, \$60.  
Nicholas D. Halifax, Turning Reqs Signal & Safety, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Andrew Wilson White, Expired/Improper Registration, Total Fine Paid, \$120.  
John T. Lacey, Open Container Alcohol/Moving Vehicle-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$110.  
John T. Lacey, Speed Too Fast For Conditions, Total Fine Paid, \$60.  
Kyle D. Williams, Seat Belt Driver, Total Fine Paid, \$25.  
Kyle D. Williams, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$101.  
Krystal D. Crinklaw, Meet Or Pass Stopped School Bus-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$420.  
Dennis E. Lill, Battery, Jail Term, 14 Days, Days Suspended, 11 Days, Days Credited, 3 Days, Probation Begins, 10/31/12, Probation Ends, 4/30/13, Total Fine Due, \$590.  
Deetta Russell, Drive While License Cancelled, Suspended, Or Revoked If Not Suspended, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Kathleen M. Beehler, Meet Or Pass Stopped School Bus-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$140.  
Colton D. Pierce, Upton, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$90.  
Shane Patrick Bell, Fail To Provide Proof Of Liability Insurance, Total Fine Paid, \$420.  
Kevin Meglemre, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$100.  
Kim E. Brewer, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Donald G. Daniels, Under 21 Consume Alcohol, Jail Term, 14 Days, Days Credited, 14 Days, Total Fine Due, \$430.  
Dennis Blaine Williams, Jr., Hunt, Trap, Or Fish on Private Land W/O Permission, Total Fine Paid, \$220.  
Fred J. Weibert, Upton, Meet Or Pass Stopped School Bus-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$410.  
Lani Dale Lill, Battery, Jail Term, 14 Days, Days Suspended, 11 Days, Days Credited, 3 Days, Probation Begins, 10/31/12, Probation Ends, 4/30/13, Total Fine Due, \$590.  
Brandon Richard Osche, Speed Too Fast For Conditions, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Judith A. Green, Upton, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$88.  
James C. Pedulla, Meet Or Pass Stopped School Bus-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$420.  
Gerald J. Gesinger, Jr., Compulsory Auto Insurance-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$420.  
Donald G. Daniels, Seat Belt Driver, Total Fine Paid, \$25.  
Donald G. Daniels, Under 21 Yrs: Drive W/Alcohol 0.02% Or More, Total Fine Paid, \$240.  
Danielle R. Clayton, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$90.

Kody W. McCamly, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$90.  
Taylor E. Cleverdon, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$90.  
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Dimitry C. Oberneder, Reckless Endangering, Jail Term, 180 Days, Days Suspended, 173 Days, Days Credited, 3 Days, Jail Begins, 11/5/12, Probation Begins, 11/5/12, Probation Ends, 5/5/13.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Flee Or Attempt To Elude Police, Jail Term, 7 Days, Days Suspended, 4 Days, Days Credited, 3 Days, Probation Begins, 11/5/12, Probation Ends, 5/5/13, Total Fine Due, \$690.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Traffic Control Signals: Red Vehicle, Total Fine Due, \$390.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Stop Sign, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Stop Sign, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Littering, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Dimitry C. Oberneder, Open Container Alcohol/Moving Vehicle-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Paul Lambert, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$90.  
Michael L. Shepperson, Upton, Battery, Jail Term, 180 Days, Days Suspended, 166 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day Jail Term Begins, 1/8/13, Probation Begins, 1/4/13, Probation Ends, 1/4/15, Total Fine Paid, \$440, Total Fine Due, \$11,993.52, Restitution Thru Court, \$837.45.  
Joseph Murphy, Expired/Improper Registration, Total Fine Paid, \$120.  
Timothy Leo Nolan, Back Safely & W/O Interfering W/Traffic, Total Fine Paid, \$70.  
Richard L. Rich, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$67.  
Leah M. Nelson, DUI: Alcohol 0.08% Or More, Jail Term, 30 Days, Days Suspended 29 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day, Probation Begins, 12/26/12, Probation Ends, 12/26/13, Total Fine Due, \$490.  
Robert Walden, Seat Belt Driver, Total Fine Paid, \$25.  
Clinton Sieber, DUI Alcohol To .08% W/In 2 Hrs of Driving-1st Offense W/In 10 Yrs, Jail Term, 30 Days, Days Suspended, 29 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day, Total Fine Paid, \$345, Total Fine Due, \$345.  
Gennifer A. Swisher, DUI: Alcohol to .08% W/In 2 Hrs of Driving-1st Offense W/In 10 Yrs, Jail Term, 30 Days, Days Suspended, 29 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day, Probation Begins, 12/19/12, Probation Ends, 12/19/13, Total Fine Due, \$690.  
Gennifer A. Swisher, Open Container Alcohol/Moving Vehicle-1st Offense, Total Fine Due, \$140.  
Richard W. Wilson, DUI: Alcohol 0.08% Or More, Jail Term, 30 Days, Days Suspended, 29 Days, Days Credited, 1 Day, Total Fine Paid, \$690.  
Robert Alton Thomas Miller, III, Compulsory Auto Insurance-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$100, Total Fine Due, \$190.  
Matthew J. Hayman, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$79.  
Stanton Marty Hicks, Upton, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$85.  
Mickie D. Remington, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$112.  
Charles W. Norwood, DUI: Alcohol-2nd Offense W/In 10 Yrs, Jail Term, 180 Days, Days Suspended, 120 Days, Days Credited, 30 Days, Probation Begins, 12/19/12, Probation Ends, 12/19/14, Total Fine Due, \$940.  
Jeremy D. Byrd, 1) Use Another's Credit Card-Under \$1000 2) Use Another's Credit Card-Under \$1000, Jail Term, 180 Days, Days Suspended, 90 Days, Days Credited, 69 Days, Probation Begins, 12/19/12, Probation Ends, 6/19/13, Total Fine Due-\$350, \$290, Restitution thru the court, \$500.  
Jeremy D. Ault, Drive While License Cancelled, Suspended, Or Revoked If Not Suspended Total Fine Due, \$190.  
Terry Dresser, Meet Or Pass Stopped School Bus-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$140.  
Mark E. Pollat, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$73.  
Gregory Dunham, Exceed 65 MPH on Prmry/Scndry (6+ mph Over) Hwy, Total Fine Paid, \$76.  
Louden MJ Brickley, Upton, Under 18 Possess/Use Tobacco-1st Offense, Total Fine Paid, \$50.  
Berry Allen Rumbolz, Drive While License Suspended-2nd Offense, Jail Term, 25 Days, Days Credited, 25 Days, Total Fine Due, \$310.  
Berry Allen Rumbolz, Drive While License Cancelled, Suspended, Or Revoked If Not Suspended, Jail Term, 2 Days, Days Credited, 2 Days, Total Fine Due, \$190.  
Dillon L. Davis, DUI Alcohol To .08% W/In 2 Hrs of Driving-1st Offense W/In 10 yrs, Jail Term, 7 Days, Days Suspended, 5 Days, Days Credited, 2 Days, Probation Begins, 11/16/12, Probation Ends, 5/16/13, Total Fine Due, \$440.

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NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MINUTES  
Monday, January 7, 2013

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** Jim Bunch asked to add the old school building on Seneca to the agenda under Mayor/Council reports. Archie Callander moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the agenda for January 7, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Jim Bunch moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2012. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jim Bunch moved to nominate Pat Crow as Newcastle Municipal Court Judge for the calendar year 2013. Roger Hesse seconded the nomination. **MOTION CARRIED.** Clerk/Treasurer Brunner then led Judge Crow and re-elected Council members Hesse, Carter and Quigley and Mayor James in the Oath of Office.

**NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION:** 1. Jim Peck nominated the new owner of 517 Williams Street, Shawn Crabtree, for cleaning up that property. Mayor James nominated the People First Chapter for being the most successful chapter in WY and Michael Lane for being named Self-advocate of the Year for 2012.

**CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION:** Mayor James gave Certificates of Appreciation to Anna Miller Museum and Anna Hansen and Kelsey Johnson. Darren and Amanda Bench, owners of Sweet Country Suites were not on hand to receive their certificate.

**CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – IN WRITING:** 1. Mayor James read a catering permit request from Perkins Tavern to cater the Weston County Health Services Employee Appreciation from noon on January 26, 2013 through noon on January 27, 2013 at the Weston County Senior Center. Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the catering permit as requested. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – VERBAL:** None. **MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:** 1. Jim Bunch began the discussion regarding the old school building on Seneca. His concern was that the building was not "secure" from the public. After considerable discussion it was decided that Engineer Hartley, Attorney Peck and Councilman Bunch would set up a meeting to discuss the situation with the property owner. There was explanation provided by Mayor James regarding what the City can and cannot do in the abatement of old buildings.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**  
**City Attorney Jim Peck - 1.** read ORDINANCE NO.1, SERIES 2013 on first reading AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13-8 OF ARTICLE II, CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING 1961 TO INCREASE REFUND TIME IN SUBSECTION (b) FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE UTILITY DEPOSITS FROM TWELVE MONTHS TO THIRTY-SIX MONTHS FOR DEPOSITS POSTED AFTER MARCH 1, 2013; TO INCREASE THE TIME IN SUBSECTION (c) FROM TWELVE MONTHS TO THIRTY-SIX MONTHS OF SERVICE FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE UTILITY DEPOSIT TO NOT BE REQUIRED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve Ordinance No. 1, SERIES 2013 on first reading. Roger Hesse commented that he felt that this was a cost of doing business and that the business practice should be to turn the person in to collections. Mayor James commented that he felt this ordinance was a proper way of handling the issue; Todd Quigley commented that he had voted against the "drafting" of the ordinance due to having not enough information before; his concern was that an ordinance be changed for a very small percentage of the

customers. Roger Hesse called for the question; **Aye:** Archie Callander; Linda Hunt; Greg James; Jim Bunch; Iva Carter; Nay-Roger Hesse; Todd Quigley. **MOTION CARRIED** on first reading. 2. Attorney Peck read ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES 2013 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 26-5 (b) OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING 1961 TO INCREASE REFUND TIME IN SUBSECTION (b) FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE UTILITY DEPOSITS FROM TWELVE MONTHS TO THIRTY-SIX MONTHS FOR DEPOSITS POSTED AFTER MARCH 1, 2013; TO INCREASE THE TIME IN SUBSECTION (c) FROM TWELVE MONTHS TO THIRTY-SIX MONTHS OF SERVICE FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE UTILITY DEPOSIT TO NOT BE REQUIRED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve Ordinance #2, SERIES 2013 on first reading. Mayor James asked for discussion; there was none. **Aye:** Archie Callander; Linda Hunt; Greg James; Jim Bunch; Iva Carter; Nay-Roger Hesse; Todd Quigley. **MOTION CARRIED** on first reading. 3. Atty Peck commented on a memo that he gave the Council regarding a WY Supreme Court decision on subdivisions within one mile of a municipality. This court case between Cheyenne and Laramie County could have significant repercussions for future subdivisions. Atty Peck felt that the Supreme Court construed the law too strictly.

**City Engineer Hartley – 1.** requested a Parks Committee meeting for January 16, 2013 at 11:00 am. The WYDOT representative in charge of the bike path study wants to come to Newcastle and meet with the Parks Committee regarding picking a consultant that will write the report regarding the bike path. . 2. updated Council on the maintenance crew's work around town. They are working on the site for the restroom/concession facility at the Newcastle Recreation Complex as well as other projects. 3. he is working on possible scale fee schedules; right now the scales are operational but fees have not changed yet. He hopes to have those fee schedules ready for the Landfill Committee to review sometime in March.

**Police Chief Jim Owens - 1.** reviewed the 2012 statistics activity for his department compared to 2011. 2. commented on the Cat Impound facility; expects it to be operational by January 27, 2013; 3. in conjunction with the sheriff's department the police department officers on duty are doing multiple, daily "walk-throughs" of the Newcastle Schools; 4. there have been zero red light complaints since the bus stop point was moved on west Main Street. 5. he commented on the 2-hour parking complaints investigation he has conducted; he recommended doing away with the two-hour parking restriction. This would not require any ordinance changes.

**City Clerk/Treasurer Brunner – 1.** reviewed the State Income report with Council. She showed detail of how the City compares with other similar size municipalities in enterprise fund revenues and expenses. 2. she informed Council that the 2012 ordinances had been sent to the publisher.

Mayor James re-appointed all of the Standing Committees for 2013; he reminded Council that the next meeting will be Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the Monday holiday that week. .

There were no STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS, no WRITTEN BUSINESS, NEW BUSINESS, or OLD BUSINESS:  
Linda Hunt moved and Todd Quigley sec-

Bid Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Newcastle, Wyoming /Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department will be selling on EBAY (www.ebay.com) by competitive bid commencing on January 18, 2013 and ending on February 1, 2013 to the highest bidder meeting the minimum reserve amount the following-described property: 1961 Dodge Powerwagon 4x4 ¾ ton pickup with manual transmission with approximately 34, 417 miles. Terms of the auction will be set forth in the EBAY advertisement. Delivery of the vehicle will not be available, and the vehicle must be picked-up at Newcastle, Wyoming. The vehicle can be viewed in Newcastle, Wyoming by contacting Donny Munger at (307)746-5951 or Chris Kenney at (307)941-1562.

City of Newcastle  
Charita Brunner  
Clerk/Treasurer

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onded to pay the claims against the City dated January 7, 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jim Bunch moved and Roger Hesse seconded to designate the News Letter Journal as the official publication site for the City of Newcastle for 2013. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Roger Hesse moved and Archie Callander seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Claims:** Ad-Pro, office supplies, \$143.57; Adams Machining & Welding, reseat cylinder, \$360.66; Advanced Communications, phone cover, \$50.00; Aire Master, office deodorizer, \$10.00; American Red Cross, misc., \$114.00; Anderson Contracting, cat house water heater, \$1748.00; AT&T Mobility, fire dept cell phone, \$95.34; BH Plumbing, repairs, \$889.50; BH Power, electricity, \$8939.26; BCBS of WY, health insurance, \$31,250.73; Bryand Streeter, airport wages, \$1072.08; Butler Machinery, parts, \$253.25; Cambria Supply, supplies, \$524.90; CDW-Government, cartridges/shipping, \$365.52; Centurylink, E911 maintenance, \$951.70; Charles Martens, composite site rent, \$1000.00; City of Newcastle, WA/SW/GA, \$368.94; CLT Flooring, install, \$1100.64; Crowell & Sylte, progress billing/non-audit, \$2750.00; Curry Garage Door, service, \$1200.00; Dale's Tire, tires, \$2624.40; Dana Kepner, supplies, \$2961.37; Deckers, grocery, \$193.35; Domson BG, Advanced Formula MOA, \$206.40; Econo Signs, sweat-shirts, \$303.32; Edge Construction, supplies, \$481.02; Fisher Sand and Gravel, concrete rock, \$6945.13; Frontier Home and Ranch, supplies, \$474.00; Gempler's, supplies, \$777.25; James Peck, monthly retainer, \$2800.00; Jenner Equip., rim deck, \$206.66; John's Electric, install outlet, \$185.71; MasterCard, supplies, travel, etc., \$2397.40; Midwest Tire and Muffler, tires, \$291.73; Newcastle Ambulance, monthly services, \$8333.33; Newcastle Hardware, supplies, \$1820.66; Newcastle Police Dept., petty cash,

\$306.61; Newcastle Vol. Fire Dept, 2 months hall cleaning, \$300.00; Newman Traffic Signs, safety signs, \$1396.34; News Letter Journal, publishing, supplies, subscription, \$2061.69; Northern Safety & Industrial, supplies, \$2038.66; Northwest Pipe Fittings, supplies, \$4258.10; Petty Cash, postage, \$9.98; Powder River Energy, electricity, \$1004.34; Rapid Delivery, delivery fees, \$56.40; Rocky Mtn. Scale, landfill truck scale, \$33,260.00; RT Communications, share trunk line, \$311.55; RT Communications, reg., telephone, \$2728.22; Safeguard Business, W-2's & 1099's, \$91.97; Sourcegas, natural gas, \$6208.16; Terri Meyer, hall cleaning, \$360.50; TOP Office Products, PD copy charge, \$99.80; Tri-Star Surveying, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, \$728.00; WCS Telecom, long distance telephone, \$129.00; Wesco Gas, propane, \$20.41; Weston Co. Treasurer, LEC expenses, airport master plan, \$1323.61; Weston Co. Clerk, election expenses, \$5669.07; Weston Co. Humane Society, food fee, \$17.00; Weston Co. True Value, supplies, \$261.40; WY Assn of Municipalities, WAM Winter Workshop registration/Bunch, \$210.00; WY Automotive, supplies, \$1072.80; WY Law Enforcement Academy, lodging/meals/Locke, \$50.00; QUARTERLY SERVICE PROVIDERS: Chamber of Commerce, \$ 3250.00; FOCUS, \$1625.00; Newcastle Recreation Board, \$10,000.00; .Northern WY Mental Health, \$1625.00; RENEW, \$1050.00; Weston Co. Children's Center, \$2250.00; Weston Co. Health Services, \$1375.00; Weston Co. Humane Society, \$4250.00; Weston Co. Senior Services, \$7500.00; **WATER REFUNDS:** Cody Shuck, \$60.01; Hailey Ellingham, \$41.01; Joan Lesmeister, \$80.27; Kelli Taylor, \$100.00; Stacy Madden, \$100.00;

Greg James, Mayor  
ATTEST: Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner

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Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated April 27, 2009, executed and delivered by Richard R. Nielsen and Marjorie M. Nielsen ("Mortgagor(s)") to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("Mortgagee"), and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by Mortgagor(s), to Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming, on April 28, 2009, at Reception No. 711600 in Book 314 at Page 556;

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

The property covered by said Mortgage is described as follows:

THE SOUTH 11' OF LOT 3, ALL OF LOT 4, BLOCK 14, EAST ADDITION, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.  
with an address of 710 Willow Street, Upton, WY 82730.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes Section 34-4-109 (2003) that the foreclosure sale of the above Mortgage, scheduled for January 8, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming, has been postponed to 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on February 12, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming.

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

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Wyoming Statutes, Annotated, Sections 34-4-104 and 34-4-105 (2013), that a certain mortgage dated September 18, 2007, which was executed and delivered by Justin D. Burke, a married man dealing in his sole and separate property, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Wallick & Volk, Inc., and recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Weston County, Wyoming, on September 19, 2007, in Book 300 at Page 504, as Document No. 697761, and which mortgage was assigned to Wyoming Community Development Authority on September 21, 2007, and the Assignment was recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Weston County, Wyoming, on December 7, 2007, in Book 302 at Page 589, as Document No. 699665, will be foreclosed by a sale to the highest bidder at a public auction of the premises described pursuant to a power of sale contained in the mortgage.

The premises that are described in the mortgage are as follows:

All of Lot 2 and the East One-Half of Lot 3, Block 1, Getchell Addition, Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The mortgage contains a street address of 506 Pine Street, Newcastle, Wyoming, 82701.

The above sale will be conducted by the Sheriff or the Sheriff's Deputy at the front door of the Courthouse in Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming, at 10:00 a.m. on February 12, 2013. Justin D. Burke has defaulted in the terms of the note and mortgage and the undersigned claims \$129,240.66 and interest due on the mortgage, plus per diem interest of \$20.19 on the unpaid balance to the date of sale, plus reasonable attorney's fees and expenses of sale.

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

DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

Wyoming Community Development Authority,  
Mortgagee  
BY: James R. Bell #5-1606  
Murane & Bostwick LLC  
201 North Wolcott  
Casper WY 82601  
307-234-9345 / Fax: 307-237-5110  
Attorney for Mortgagee

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Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE


The Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees will have a 5:00 p.m. early start at their meeting on January 30, 2013 to discuss the superintendent's contract and administrator's evaluations.

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# County Commission Minutes

JANUARY 8, 2013

The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:02 a.m. with Commissioner Shepperson presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Lenard D. Seeley, Jerry Shepperson, Randy Rossman, Marty Ertman, Tracy Hunt and County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank. Also present: Deputy County Clerk, Shawnda Morrison.

### Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

### Elect Commission Chairman and Vice Chairman

Commissioner Rossman nominated Lenard D. Seeley for Chairman of the Commission. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to cease nominations for Chairman. **Carried.** Lenard D. Seeley was officially elected as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for calendar year 2013. Chairman Seeley was congratulated. Commissioner Rossman nominated Jerry Shepperson for Vice Chairman of the Commission. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to cease nomination for Vice Chairman. **Carried.** Commissioner Shepperson was officially retained as Vice Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for the calendar year 2013. Commissioner Shepperson was congratulated.

The hour being 9:09 a.m. Chairman Seeley took over administration of the meeting. Deputy County Clerk Shawnda Morrison left the meeting.

### Good of the Order

After discussion, the Commissioners agreed that the heading entitled "Good of the Order" should be changed to "Invocation and Pledge of

Allegiance" from this meeting forward. Chairman Seeley also requested that there be no appointments for the first one and one quarter hour of the first meeting of each month. Chairman Seeley explained that this would allow fifteen minutes for all members to read the minutes and one hour to review all county vouchers.

### 2013 Legal Newspaper

Weston County received two sealed bids for the 2013 Legal County Newspaper. The first from Weston County Gazette was opened and read aloud by Chairman Seeley. Based on a sample set of Commission Minutes, Mrs. LeVasseur quoted \$5.00 per column inch, a total of 66.5 inches in the sample, and a cost of \$332.50 for publication. Chairman Seeley read the second letter and price quote received from the News Letter Journal. Based on an identical sample set of Commission Minutes, Mr. Bonnar quoted \$11.00 per column inch, a total of 95 inches in the sample, and a cost of \$1,045.00 for publication. Discussion ensued; Commissioner Shepperson asked Mrs. LeVasseur and Mr. Bonnar for circulation statistics. Mrs. LeVasseur stated that the Weston County Gazette's circulation was approximately 1,000 readers. Mr. Bonnar stated that the News Letter Journal's circulation was approximately 2,150. Mr. Bonnar stated that he was willing to again sub-contract to the Gazette at the bid price submitted to Weston County and allow either paper to use the heading "an official newspaper of Weston County". Mrs. LeVasseur stated that the sub-contract between herself and Mr. Bonnar had worked out well and she was willing to sub-contract again if the agreement was the same as last year. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to retain the News Letter Journal as Weston County's official legal newspaper for the calendar year 2013. Discussion ensued, **carried.** The recorded votes are as follows: Year: Commissioners Shepperson, Hunt and Rossman.

Nay: Commissioner Ertman.

The meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m. and reconvened at 10:03 a.m. with all present.

### Board Appointments

Recreation (Mallo) Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to appoint Larry Cole to the Recreation (Mallo Camp) Board for a four-year term. Discussion ensued, **carried.**

Weed & Pest Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to re-appoint Terry Groenwold to the Weed & Pest Control Board for a four-year term. **Carried.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to re-appoint Mike Davis to the Weed & Pest Board for a four-year term. **Carried.**

CLG Historic Preservation Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Shepperson, to re-appoint Lucille Dumbrell to the CLG Historic Preservation Board for a three-year term. **Carried.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to re-appoint Mary A. Capps to the CLG Historic Preservation Board for a three-year term. **Carried.**

After discussion, the Commissioners decided to contact Zane Marty, Weston County Fair Board applicant, to join the meeting.

The hour being 10:45 a.m. Zane Marty, Fair Board applicant joined the meeting.

Mr. Marty answered questions from each Commissioner pertaining to his possible appointment to the Weston County Fair Board.

Fair Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to appoint Zane Marty to the Fair Board for a four-year term. **Carried.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman to interview all applicants for the Weston County Fair Board. Discussion ensued, **motion failed** due to a lack of a second. Commissioner Ertman rescinded her previous motion.

### BRC Planning Grant

The Commissioners participated in a conference call with Dave Simonsen, Business Ready Communities (BRC) Program Manager; Dave Spencer, Wyoming Business Council; and Tom Barritt, Upton Logistics Center, concerning Weston County's application for a traffic study. Chairman Seeley explained the project briefly and Mr. Spencer fielded questions on funding. Commissioner Shepperson questioned Mr. Simonsen regarding a committee made up of representatives from the County, WYDOT and the Upton Logistics Center. Mr. Simonsen responded that this committee will be formed once the grant is approved. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:33 a.m. with all present.

### Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Colvard met with the Commissioners and discussed the department's Accounts Receivable and monthly fees. Sheriff Colvard briefed the Commissioners on Court Room Security and Courthouse Security issues as well as upcoming ammunition purchases. Pat Amend, Architect for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will visit with the Commissioners in February to discuss cost estimates and plans for the next phase of construction on the EOC. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 12:09 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with all present; except Commissioner Ertman who attended a meeting with Sheriff Colvard at the hospital.

### Accept Collections

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to accept the collections of the County Clerk in the amount of \$8,478.25 and the collections of the District Court in the amount of \$1,169.00. **Carried.**

### Child Support Authority Board

The Commissioners received a letter from the Child Support Authority Board notifying them of a vacancy on the Board. A letter of interest from former Commissioner Tom Bruce was received and read aloud. A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to re-appoint Tom Bruce to the Child Support Authority Board to fulfill a term expiring on June 30, 2013. **Carried.**

### Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 18, 2012 with a correction under the heading Weston County Event Center. Commissioner Ertman previously requested the change from "...has contacted a forensic engineer who is willing to assess the facility" to "...is working on contacting a forensic engineer to assess the facility." **Carried.**

### Weston County Event Center

The Commissioners discussed correspondence from CNA Surety, Paul Reed's Bonding Company; and a letter from Hansen & Peck addressed to Kyle Gillette, Schutz Foss Architects, requesting information. No action was taken, this issue will be revisited.

### Wyoming Wolf Coalition

The Commissioners received emails from Harriet Hageman, regarding the Wyoming Wolf Coalition, and intervening in new law suits which challenge the Wyoming Wolf Plan. A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to contribute \$1,000.00 to the Hageman Law Office for the Wolf Coalition fight. **Carried.**

The meeting recessed at 2:25 p.m. and reconvened at 2:36 p.m. will all present, except Commissioner Ertman.

### Investment of Public Funds Disclosure Statement

Each Member of the Board of County Commissioners completed disclosure statements for Investment of Public Funds pursuant to Wyoming Statute 6-5-118. The Commissioners also received statements from County Treasurer's Office and the County Clerk's Office. The disclosure statements will be filed.

### County Road Easements

Fran Lehman, GIS Coordinator, met with the Commissioners and discussed easements on the Salt Creek Road.

The hour being 3:08 p.m. Commissioner Ertman rejoined the meeting.

The County needs one easement on the Upton Fairview Road, which Mrs. Lehman is working on obtaining. The Commissioners also discussed the Quest Road. No action was taken.

The hour being 3:25 p.m. Commissioner

Ertman left the meeting and returned at 3:30 p.m.

### Title 25 - Involuntary Commitment

Commissioner Ertman briefed the Board on the meeting attended by herself and Sheriff Colvard at the hospital concerning the rise of Title 25 incidents in Weston County. No action was taken.

### Approve Vouchers

A motion was made by Commissioner Shepperson, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to approve the vouchers as presented. **Carried.** They are as follows:

066 NCPERS, financial admin, \$272.00, AFLAC, payroll ded, \$1,720.30, Blue Cross Blue Shield, financial admin, \$51,380.31, Office of Child Support, payroll ded, \$175.00, Orchard Trust, payroll ded, \$1,120.00, WEBT, financial admin, \$180.70, Weston County Clerk, financial admin, \$41,100.93, WY Child Support, payroll ded, \$625.00, WY Dept of Workforce Services, financial admin, \$3,183.37, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$24,780.87, WY Retirement System, financial admin, \$596.78, Becky Hadlock, election exp, \$103.63, Kathleen Tavegie, election exp, \$132.25, Lisa Wagner, misc, \$1,126.25, Postmaster c/o Sheriff, post/freight/box rent, \$180.00, Hermes Consolidated Inc, oil/gas, \$49,539.80, Morrison Maierle Inc, master plan airport, \$28,711.33, GDA Engineers, master plan airport, \$2,350.00, Dustbusters Inc, cong-mit, \$37,881.08, C&J Newcastle Hardware, hmlnd sec exp, \$175.96, Pitney Bowes Inc, misc, \$794.67, Contractors Supply, new equip/mallo fld hazd, \$753.26, Croell Redi-Mix Inc, mallo fld hazd, \$3,493.25, Fisher Sand & Gravel, gravel/rd mtrl/ mallo fld hazd, \$12,107.82, True North Steel, mallo fld hazd, \$950.18, CLT Flooring & Furnishings, maj repairs, \$29,513.76, Upton Co-op Assn, mallo fld hazd, \$853.88, A&B Welding Supply Co, repair/maint, \$6.57, Alpha Communications, tower rent, \$55.00, AlSCO, janitor supp, \$105.80, American Stewards of Liberty, financial admin, \$1,000.00, AT&T Mobility, comm, \$1,041.59, Barnes Distribution, oil/gas/repair/maint, \$540.52, Black Hills Auto Salvage, sheriff invstgtns, \$254.40, Black Hills Chemical & Janitorial, brd of prisoners, \$250.84, Black Hills Power, util, \$2,692.55, Black Hills Printing & Signs, supp, \$249.30, Brian Sebade, ag exp, \$85.00, Tom W. Bruce, mile/trvl, \$76.00, Byrand Streeter, contract wages/repair/maint, \$1,276.77, C&J Newcastle Hardware, repair/maint, \$474.04, Cambria Supply, repair/maint, \$136.87, Carrie Sutherland, invol commit, \$200.00, Casey Thorson, janitor supp, \$110.00, Chris Tomford, wrs refund, \$58.30, City of Newcastle, util/dispatch/pub def/p-hlth exp, \$4,699.04, Comtronix, misc/p-hlth exp, \$153.00, Culligan Water Conditioning, misc, \$21.00, Decker's Market, supp, \$86.14, Defensive Edge Training & Consulting Inc, school exp, \$1,150.00, Denise McGinty, misc, \$11.00, Dixon Bros Inc, oil/gas, \$351.92, Eddie's Truck Center, repair/maint, \$791.80, ESRI, gis land records, \$1,750.00, Executive Forum Inc, p-hlth exp, \$128.50, Family Dollar Stores, supp, \$19.50, Fastenal Company, repair/maint, \$209.76, Fisher Sand & Gravel, grvl/rd mtrl, \$1,231.02, Fred's Welding Service, cntrct/equip/lbr, \$568.39, Gaylord Bros Inc, record rtn, \$75.55, Glock Professional Inc, school exp, \$195.00, Godfrey's Brake Service, repair/maint, \$113.42, Golden West Technologies, comp software, \$1,150.00, Great Western Tire Co, repair/maint, \$1,506.95, Grimm's Pump & Industrial Supply, oil/gas, \$39.63, Hansen & Peck, office exp, \$4,250.00, Hillside Pharmacy, jail medical, \$155.75, Jerry Shepperson, mile/trvl, \$221.00, KASL, p-hlth exp, \$684.00, Kone Inc, repair/maint, \$493.86, Lenard D. Seeley, mile/trvl, \$340.00, Lichen Research Center, comp software, \$1,000.00, Lori Bickford, p-hlth exp, \$797.03, Mallo Camp, mallo camp, \$2,500.00, Martha L. Ertman, mile/trvl, \$167.00, MasterCard, school exp/veh maint/fuel, \$1,919.73, Matthew Bender & Co Inc, law library, \$38.49, Max Masters, gis land records, \$1,900.00, Michael Worden, vital stats, \$28.50, Midwest Cancer Screening, p-hlth exp, \$8.90, Mike Harris, hmlnd sec exp, \$1,800.00, Moore Medical LLC, p-hlth exp, \$39.00, Motorola, hmlnd sec exp, \$6,549.45, Newcastle Ambulance Service, ambinc, \$1,458.33, Newcastle Equipment Co Inc, repair/maint, \$57.76, Newcastle Extinguisher, repair/maint, \$131.78, Newcastle Motors, veh maint/fuel, \$1,007.05, News Letter Journal, print/publ/supp, \$4,341.74, North American Truck & Trailer, repair/maint, \$45.36, North WY Mental Health, jail medical, \$45.00, Powder River Energy Corp, util, \$593.98, Power Plan OIB, repair/maint, \$240.16, Preventive Health & Safety Division, p-hlth exp, \$12.00, R&S Northeast LLC, p-hlth exp, \$139.81, Randy Rossman, mile/trvl, \$24.00, Rapid Delivery, post/freight, \$12.00, Regional Health, autopsies, \$688.00, Reserve Acct-Pitney Bowes, post/freight, \$850.00, Rexford's Locksmith Shop, repair/maint, \$50.00, Ringer Law PC, special atny, \$618.87, Roadrunner Disposal Service, util, \$55.00, RT Communications, util, \$1,931.60, Sanofi Pasteur, p-hlth exp, \$333.19, Servall Uniform/Linen Co, repair/maint, \$172.50, ShopKo, supp, \$29.96, Source Gas, util, \$1,680.86, Tina Conklin, school exp, \$28.31, Top Office Products, supp, ag exp/p-hlth exp, \$679.05, Ultra Max, equip/ammo, \$1,444.00, Upton Ambulance, ambinc, \$4,375.00, Urbin & Patterson LLP, special atny, \$179.20, Vaisala Inc, avos, \$449.00, Verizon Wireless, p-hlth exp, \$49.66, VISA, school exp/comp software, \$1,343.89, WC Natural Resource Dist, nat res garden, \$125.00, WCS, comm, \$197.91, WD Larson Co LTD Inc, repair/maint, \$64.60, West End Water District, util, \$60.00, West Payment Center, law library, \$571.24, WC Children's Ctr, chlrdns ctr, \$3,750.00, WC Predatory Management Dist, predator mngt, \$500.00, WC 4-H Council, ag exp, \$514.88, WC Gazette, print/publ, \$316.00, WC Road & Bridge, veh maint/fuel, \$3,241.79, WC Sheriff's Office, pty cash, \$40.39, WC Treasurer, post/freight, \$11.34, Whirlwind Services, janitor supp, \$515.00, William Taylor, ag exp, \$29.00, Wireless Advanced Communications, new equip, \$1,568.89, Wolf Autostarts, veh maint/fuel, \$70.00, Woody's Food Center, brd of prisoners, \$57.85, WY Dept of Health, p-hlth exp, \$632.00, WY DEQ Admin, maint, \$400.00, WY Guardian A Litem, special atny, \$995.35, WY Honor Conservation Camp, brd of prisoners, \$2,003.05, WY Law Enfrmnt Academy, jailor school, \$50.00, WY Network, financial admin, \$201.25, WY Sheriffs Assoc, pub rel, \$300.00. Net Payroll, \$138,913.89.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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

(Publish January 17, 2013)

# County Payroll

## CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES OF WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING DECEMBER, 2012

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EMPLOYEE/POSITION	SALARY
Tom Bruce	
County Commissioner Marty Ertman	\$ 1000.00
County Commissioner Randy Rossman	1000.00
County Commissioner Jerry Shepperson	1000.00
County Commissioner Lenard Seeley	1000.00
County Commissioner Mamie Krank	1000.00
County Clerk Shawnda Morrison	3,750.00
Deputy Clerk	2,818.01
Asst. Deputy Clerk	2,751.34
Susan Overman	
County Treasurer	3,750.00
Denette J. Price	
Deputy Treasurer	2,818.01
Asst. Deputy Treasurer	2,751.34
Asst. Deputy Treasurer	2,651.34
Tina Conklin	
County Assessor	3,750.00
Karen Bowman	
Deputy Assessor	2,818.01
Field Appraiser	2,751.34
Asst. Field Appraiser	2,651.34
Bryan Colvard	
Sheriff	3,916.67
Denise McGinty	
Administrative Assistant	2,816.67
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Deputy Sheriff	3,244.92
Dean Emmert	
Detention Supervisor	3,469.67
Detention Officer	3,487.40
Detention Officer	4,063.15
Detention Officer	3,116.98
Detention Officer	3,117.28
Detention Officer	2,993.90
Detention Officer	3,660.13
Deb Sweet	
Youth Services Educator	2,848.00
Roger Hespe	
County Coroner	900.00
Don Hansen	
County Attorney	4,000.00
County Attorney Sec.	2,673.34
Sandra Walford	
Clerk of District Court	3,750.00
Gidget Macke	
Deputy Clerk of Dist. Court	2,818.01
WC Extension office Sec.	2,651.34
Rick Williams	
Working Foreman Road & Bridge	4,040.40
Asst. Foreman, Maint., Road & Bridge	3,560.40
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,380.00
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,460.00
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,450.00
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,440.00
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,994.75
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,231.00
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	2,619.50
Maintenance, Road & Bridge	3,128.75
R & B / Homeland Security Sec.	2,543.10
Michael Jording, MD	
County Health Officer	1,250.00
WC Public Health Sec.	2,632.91
Lovell John Prell	
Manager, Mallo Camp	2,846.24
Doug Jorrey	
Homeland Security Coordinator	3,113.33
WESTON COUNTY LIBRARY	
Brenda Ayres	
Director	2,870.40
Sherri Randall	
Upton Branch Manager	1,813.50
Library Asst. (Adult Serv)	2,704.00
Library Asst. (Child Serv)	2,712.67
WESTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS	
Dean Kettley	
Manager	3,086.67

(Publish January 17, 2013)

# Public Notice

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION OF REAL PROPERTY

### TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ORVAL DE WRIGHT:

You are hereby notified that on January 4, 2013, an Affidavit and Application for a Decree of Distribution of Real Property was filed in the District Court, Sixth Judicial District, Weston County, Wyoming, Probate No. PR-7919. In the Affidavit and Application, Rick Roberg, Trustee of the Dale Wright Living Trust dated December 15, 1994, claims the real property owned by the Deceased described as follows:

A working interest of 0.03433570 in oil, gas, and other minerals being produced from the Carolyn Fee 1-1 Well located in Township 44-N, Range 68-W, Section 18, Lots 3, 4, E½SW¼ Weston County, State of Wyoming.

Any action to set aside the Affidavit and Application must be filed in the above Court within two weeks from the date of the first publication of this notice, i.e., January 31, 2013. Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> of January, 2013.

Mario Rampulla, Esq.  
Prehoda, Leonard & Edwards, LLC  
P.O. Box 789  
Laramie, WY 82073  
307-742-7896

(Publish January 17 and 24, 2013)

# Public Notice

## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WESTON COUNTY SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF WYOMING 1 West Main Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming 82701

Docket No. PR-7918  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
PATRICIA A. FAUST,  
Deceased.

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL CREDITORS, HEIRS AND DEVISEES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE PROCEEDINGS a Petition to Determine Heirship of Patricia A. Faust has been filed by Michael T. Faust pursuant to W.S. 2-9-201 et seq., to obtain a determination of her death, a determination of her heirs, the degree of kinship and the right of descent of the real property belonging to her.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that that upon Order duly entered, a hearing on a Petition to Determine Heirship is set for the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013 at nine o'clock a.m., before a Judge of the District Court, Sixth Judicial District Court, Weston County, Wyoming and that in the event no answer is filed or objection thereto taken, the Court may enter its Order and determine the date of death of Patricia A. Faust, the heirs of Patricia A. Faust, their degree of kinship and the right of descent of the real property belonging to Patricia A. Faust hereinafter described.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the date of the supposed death of the deceased is July 16, 2006; that at the time of her death she was a resident of Willis, Montgomery County, Texas; that she died seized of an interest in the real property located in Weston County, Wyoming described as follows:

An undivided one-fourth (1/4) interest in and to the SE ¼ NE ¼ and the NE ¼ SE ¼, Section 31 and the NW ¼ and the N ½ SW ¼, Section 32, all in Township 47 North, Range 65 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Weston County, Wyoming together with an undivided one-twelfth (1/12) interest in the oil, gas and other minerals in, on and under this parcel of land.

DATED THIS 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012.

SANDRA WOLFORD,  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

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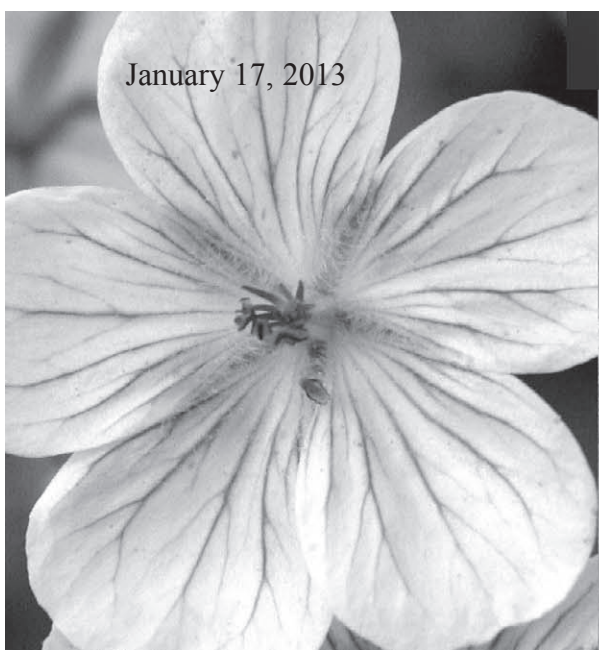
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### Card of Thanks

The Family of Ruth Bickford would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards and kind words in the loss of our wife, mother and grandmother. A special thank you to the staff and doctors of the Weston County Manor for always giving her such great care.

Harland Bickford, David and Lori Bickford & Family, Starlia and Dale Singleton & Family, Vicki and Les Zimmerman & Family, Marty and Barry Borgialli & Family

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### Garage Sale

MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE: **New Items Added**. Saturday, Jan. 19th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Open Class Building at the Weston County Fairgrounds. Antiques, furniture, lots of boys clothing from birth to size 8, girls clothing, lots of toys, household items and misc. 03-1tp

### Deadline-FRIDAY

### Land For Sale

**LAND FOR SALE:** 3 miles North on 85, 3/4 mile off Highway. Overlooks Cambria Canyon. \$6000/Acre-20 or 40 Acres. 746-5337. 34-1fc

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### No Trespassing

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### ART/Susan Love

Susan Love will be displaying her portrait paintings at the News Letter Journal stop into see them next week!

### Self-Help

**Open Door AA Meetings**, Sunday, Wednesday and Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Church Basement (Back Entrance). Contact, 629-0211 for more information. 3-1fc

**AA Meetings-** Weston County Hospital on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. 23-1fc

**AL-ANON** (help for family and friends of alcoholics) meets every Tuesday night at 6:45 p.m. Mondell Heights.

### Self-Help

**BIBLE STUDY**-Non-denominational. Thursdays 10 a.m. Senior Citizen's Dining Room. We are at "Isaiah". More info call 629-0211 or 629-1472. 45-1fc

**TOPS Club** meeting every Thursday morning at the Weston County Senior Center. Contact Grace Davis, 746-4531.

**TOPS Meeting** on Tuesdays at 4:45 p.m. at First United Methodist Church upstairs. Contact Norma Lease 746-4568

### Self-Help

**HELPING HANDS Foundation of Weston County.** Applications are now available to help. Please contact Rita Conklin at 307-629-0627 for information. 35-1fc

### RECOVERY OF HOPE-N.A.

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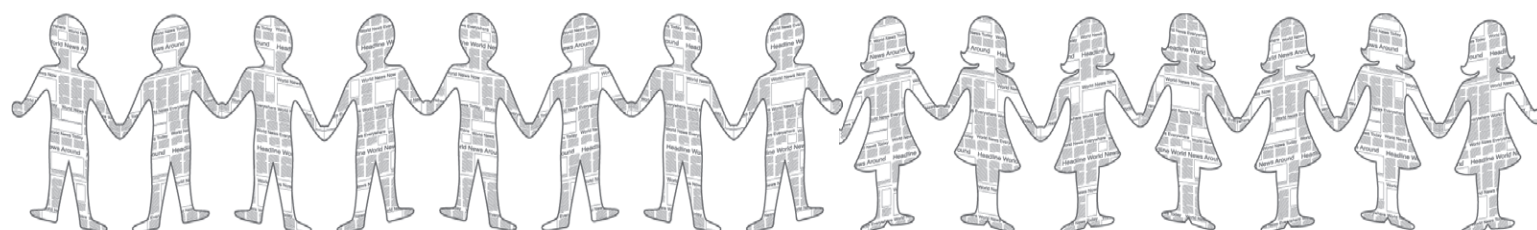


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# Generations

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## Twelve years in the making

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

This is the first year Newcastle High School has had a student chosen to attend the American Choral Directors Association National Honor Choir. Senior Taylor Tavegia earned the distinction out of more than 3,600 students that applied from different schools across the United States for four different choirs. He will be in Dallas, Texas, from March 12-16 to practice the music before the final concert.

"I am honored to be the first one from Newcastle. I am one of 44 bass II that got accepted throughout the country," stated Tavegia.

For the audition process he had to perform scales and he had to prepare an art song he had already performed to audition to attend Carnegie Hall, explained NHS Music Director Jan Ellis.

"He did a very nice job! And then he had to sing America acappella. So everything had to be in tune, everything had to be rhythmically and tone quality superior. He tapes really well, easily. But he worked really hard to get that audition just right," acknowledged Ellis.

Recently he was sent his music to begin practicing before he arrives in Texas, which he has already begun to practice on at home. Soon he will start practicing with Ellis to ensure he is ready to begin rehearsing with the choir before their final performance.

"They are strict because you have to memorize and know all of your music, because as soon as you get there you begin practice. They will tell you to sing this part and if you don't know it well they will send you with a tutor and they will help you with it. But if you don't know it they won't let you sing in the concert. So you have to know it before you are there,"



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Tavegia remarked.

Students attending the ACDA National Honor Choir will participate in one of several different choirs. There will be a community youth choir, middle school choir and women's high school choir and a mixed high school choir, which is the one Tavegia will be involved with. The director for the mixed choir will be Edith A. Copley, a Regents' professor and director of choral studies at Northern Arizona University where she conducts Shrine of Ages Choir while teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in conducting and choral literature. She is in high demand as a conductor/clinician and has conducted honor choirs in Germany, the Netherlands, Tasmania, Japan, Luxembourg, Australia, China and Turkey, according to www.

acda.org.

Tavegia is accustomed to memorizing music before attending choir events. However this is the first time he will have to know the music in great detail before he practices with the other choir members.

Previously he participated in choirs at Carnegie Hall, three times at All North West and will soon participate in his second All-State, as well as traveling to New York, N.Y., in March with Ellis and other NHS students to sing at the Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center. He attributes what he has been able to accomplish to Ellis, whom he is proud to have had as a music instructor since attending kindergarten in Osage.

"I am the only student she has had for all 12 years!" Tavegia declared.



### Keeping silent

Nancy Johnson-Highfill writes a bid for a basket item during the silent auction for MS during the Newcastle High School double header basketball games in the Dogie Dome last weekend. The Future Business Leaders of America held the silent auction to raise money for the Colorado/Wyoming Multiple Sclerosis chapter. A total of \$3,159.71 was raised during the auction held on Saturday, with a grand total of \$5,259.66 raised for MS from the walk, auction and donations. (Photo by Denice Piscioti/NLJ)

### Accomplishments

#### White earns Dean's List

Nancy R. White, daughter of Suzanne and Kenneth White of Laurel, Mont., has been placed on the Dean's List for her scholastic performance at Cottey College during the fall 2012 semester. To be on the Dean's List, the student's grade point average must be between a 3.5 and 3.74 on a 4.0 scale, with a minimum of 12 credit hours completed.

Cottey College is an independent, liberal arts and sciences college for women with two-year and selected four-year programs. The college's residential student capacity is 350, and the typical student body is composed of young women from 40 states and 24 countries. Cottey is owned and supported by the P.E.O. Sisterhood, a philanthropic educational organization of approximately 250,000 members. Cottey is the only nonsectarian

college in the nation owned and supported by women for women.

#### Weston county students listed on Honor Roll

The University of Wyoming recently announced that several Weston County students have earned recognition on the 2012 fall semester President's Honor Roll. The President's Honor Roll consists of regularly enrolled undergraduates who earned a 4.0 ("A") grade point average for the semester. To be eligible, students must have been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades. Students listed on the Honor Roll from Newcastle are Carl M. Ausmann, Andrea Jimylyne Chord, Mitch D. Weigel and Amber D. Wright. Osage's Brittany Jean Hamilton and Mikala D. Crain of Upton also made the list.

## Team effort helps pull off Newcastle speech meet

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Newcastle High School Assistant Speech and Debate Coach Jim Stith took over the head coach position when Andrea Peterson moved from the area with her family last month. His first duty was to plan the NHS meet held at the school Friday and Saturday. Even though he had been a coach in Newcastle for almost two years, the venture was a new one for him to organize by himself.

"It is going surprisingly well," smiled Stith after the first day. The winter weather was his biggest problem, causing half of the schools — originally 12 were scheduled to attend — to dwindle to six attending the meet. Students from Greybull, Sheridan, Buffalo, Gillette, Wright and Cheyenne South made the trip despite the weather. Due to bus issues, though, Gillette only was able to attend on Friday.

Stith told the News Letter Journal he lost sleep worrying about what would happen if the entire meet had



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Newcastle High School Speech/Debate team members Jordan Brooks, Jessica Pastor, Natalie Artiles converse with coach Jim Stith.

to be canceled, but fortunately that did not happen.

As usual, the community came out to volunteer in whatever area was needed, be it judges, kitchen

help, donations and anything else that was asked of them. Stith also was appreciative of the support of the high school administrators, Principal Tracy Ragland and Activities Director Todd

Quigley. A couple of speech coaches from other teams pitched in to help Stith as well.

"In the computer room Emily Farwell from Buffalo, Joalyne Steinhausen from Cheyenne South have been a big help!" he proclaimed.

Stith explained that a computer tabulation program is used to calculate the different categories and which students will be in each round, making the tournament run smoother.

A big expense for the speech team is purchasing the awards that are handed out to the students at the end of the meet, on Saturday. The coach was able to find a way to save the team money while at the same time being able to give the visitors a nice memento from the Newcastle tournament.

"One of the nice things in March last year, after we paid way too much for trophies, I talked with Bryce [Hoffman] and had his class make blank plaques for us. I spent a few nights after school in the wood shop

using the laser engraver to make nice trophies for us this year," reported Stith.

At their home meet the team does not compete, but instead play the role of host. Working hard to make sure the participants knew where to go and the judges had the needed ballots were the 12 students on the team, Sid Douglas, Kolton Epperson, Rhyse Rhoades, Kieran Winter, Natalie Artiles, Jordan Brooks, Sebastian Cote, Madi Crawford, Mason Sundstrom, Jae Whitney, Megan Logan and Jessica Pastor.

In Gillette, on Jan. 25 and 26, the NHS students will have their next competition. Every day after school they practice their material to be read for the next meet. The state meet will take place in Rock Springs on March 13-16. Shortly afterward the "Hole in the Wall" District, which NHS belongs in, will have a national qualifier competition in Cheyenne, from April 4-6, to determine who will attend the national competition in June in Birmingham, Ala., this year.

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