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The other side

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The debate over Senate File 104 returned to Newcastle again this week, when Superintendent of Public Instruction Cindy Hill addressed an audience of teachers, school board members and concerned voters at a public forum held at the Crouch Auditorium on Tuesday.

Hill's purpose was to encourage

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How much?

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

A lengthy discussion was held at the Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees meeting April 10 regarding nepotism when hiring new staff for the district. The conversation was initiated by Trustee Tom Wright about no one in particular, just a general inquiring if it would be beneficial to the board to know community background on who the district is hiring. By the end of the discussion, most everyone was in agreement that they should not ask for information other than what they have been.

"I have wondered from the standpoint of the board being informed, if we should or could ask what ties these people have to the community and to families here, so we are just informed. I am torn in two ways, I am not sure I want to know, but in some ways it would cut down surprises for me if I knew that about them," explained Wright.

In the past he had not known some of the family connections regarding new hires until he had been told, he reported, and wondered what other

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Singin' their hearts out



Youngsters from the Cookie Monster Class at Weston County Children's Center belt out a song during the annual spring concert, "A Night of Nursery Rhymes." Pictured are Tanner Baird, Evelyn Garcia and Emily McMaster. More photos on Page 6. (Photo by Denice Pisciotti/NLJ)

Rates suggested for landfill

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

The Sanitation Committee presented their recommendation during a Newcastle City Council meeting on April 16 for new rates and fees to be implemented with use of the recently added scales at the Newcastle Landfill. The recommendations that have not yet been enacted would change a multitude of rates for both private and commercial truckloads being dumped at the landfill, as well as day rates for roll-off containers.

"After going over different ideas and taking a look at our research, we believe we have come up with a rate system that will be more equitable and fair to residents who use the landfill," City Engineer Bob Hartley stated at the meeting. "Most people are not going to see much of a change in the cost of what they are dumping. Our research has shown that on average, we are charging around .05 cents per pound when people are dumping, as is. It may be more expensive for those hauling heavier loads, but most will not see a drastic increase in the payment of their dump loads."

Currently residents can dump a truckload of refuse at the landfill for anywhere from \$10 to \$120 a load for Newcastle residents, depending on the truck size, and \$20 to \$120 a load for out-of-town residents that wish to use the landfill. The rate change would modify the current sliding scale rate to a flat-rate weighted fee of .05 cents per pound of dumped rubbish for Newcastle residents and .04 cents per pound of garbage for commercial dumping companies. Roll-off containers would remain around the same price per day rental as they currently are.

"We have both 10-cubic yard and 20-cubic yard roll-off containers that residents can rent for their sanitation needs. Currently we charge \$7 a day for both sizes. The new charges would change our 20cubic yard roll-off to \$10 a day, plus we will charge a minimum tipping fee of \$100 with .04 cents a pound for anything over 2,500 pounds," Hartley explained.

The newly modified system would do away with the one free dump a month that residents currently obtain by bringing their water bill to the landfill, but

would keep the fee free of charge for dumping metal and white goods.

"Since we will be going by a per pound pay scale, we would have to do away with the one free dump a month to keep things fair and balanced for Newcastle residents. However, we will continue to accept scrap metal and white goods free of charge as long as metal prices warrant us to do so, and white goods are hauled in separate loads. If someone brings in a refrigerator, it must be separate from other waste. If not, we would have to charge them the per pound weight of the whole load to dump," Hartley expressed.

The Demolition Permit rate that encourages demolition of old dilapidated structures would also jump in price. The current rate for a demolition permit is around 20 percent of the normal landfill fees, but would jump up to around 50 percent.

The motion to continue with the Sanitation Committee recommendations was made and

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Offering the D.C. diagnosis

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

Senator John Barrasso, R-Wyoming, made his usual visit to Newcastle for the annual Weston County Health Services Health and Trade Fair last weekend, and it makes sense that the residents who visited with him there were concerned about health-related issues and the impact that implementation of the Affordable Care Act will have on their lives and pocketbooks later this year.

At the same time, there were plenty of other issues involving the federal government that Wyoming people want the senator to pay attention to.

"The number one question I've been getting has to do with our Second Amendment rights, and defending our Second Amendment rights," Barrasso told the News Letter Journal after making the rounds at Weston County Senior Services center on Saturday morning.

"That's been in the news a lot," Barrasso said.

The United States Senate defeated seven proposed amendments to a gun control bill being offered by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nevada,



DeeDee and Greg Stumpff listen as U.S. Sen. John Barrasso gives his take on Wyoming and U.S. events, during the Weston County Health Services Annual Health and Trade Fair Saturday.

last Wednesday, but according to a press release issued by Wyoming's other senator, Mike Enzi, the body was expected to vote on more amendments in the days to come, and a final vote on the underlying bill may

be forthcoming as well.

Wyoming's congressional delegation has been at the forefront of the battle against increased gun control, and Barrasso said he will continue to disagree with those

who claim that the motivation behind the Second Amendment was a desire on the part of the founders to assure that citizens will always be able to take up

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Counterfeits hit local bank

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

Counterfeiters are hard at work brainstorming ways to scam banks and business owners as a new wave of counterfeit bills and money orders hit local banks earlier this week. First State Bank of Newcastle reportedly received two different forms of counterfeit currency on Monday. One in the form of a phony, yet surprisingly well printed \$20 bill, and the other was a bogus United States Postal Service Money Order. Deb Sewell, head teller of FSBN, took a moment from her busy day to speak with the News Letter Journal about the recent counterfeit efforts that her bank has received.

"One of our tellers recently received a counterfeit Post Service Money Order in the amount of \$950.00," stated Sewell. "We were not able to verify that the money order was legit once we called it in on the verification phone number. I spoke to the postal verification person and she informed me that there were scams going around with secret shoppers. When a victim gets the money order, they are told to cash it at their local bank, send part of the money back, and then spend the rest. The money order is then returned counterfeit to the bank."

Sewell stated that after all is said and done, the victims are left responsible for paying back the full amount of money paid out for a forfeit.

"These scams are not only bad for our bank, but they hurt our customers as well. Many times the people that are affected by these scams are then forced to take out a loan to pay back the lost monies. It puts a real financial burden not

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News Letter Journal

Our View

We prefer loose lips to lawsuits

This community has been fortunate over the past week to have leaders on both sides in the debate over Senate File 104 make appearances in Weston County, where they presented arguments for and against the legislation, and listened to questions, comments and concerns expressed by local voters.

A petition is presently being circulated that seeks to have a referendum on the measure put on the ballot in 2014, which will allow the people of this state to make the final decision on whether the restructuring of the Wyoming Department of Education, which transfered a significant amount of the duties of the elected Superintendent of Public Instruction to an appointed Director of the Department of Education, should in fact occur.

The opportunity to have arguments presented directly to county residents on both sides of the issue will help local voters make an informed choice if the matter does appear on the ballot next year. We hope the public engagements that took place in Newcastle are just the tip of the iceberg, and we encourage other communities to follow our lead by holding similar forums so the public has the chance to hear an open debate on a vastly important issue that offers such widely differing viewpoints.

Proponents of both sides disagree strongly over every aspect of the bill. Is it Constitutional? Does it actually strip the Superintendent of her most important duties? Did it diminish the voice of Wyoming people in regards to education? Is it an effort it to eliminate local decision-making and centralize control over teaching and learning in Cheyenne? Are there problems with education in Wyoming that warrant such a drastic measure, and was the structure of the WDE and the performance of the current Superintendet responsible for those problems?

The discomfort expressed by a wealth of Wyoming residents when the legislation was debated, passed and signed by Governor Matt Mead suggests that those questions have not been answered to the satisfaction of this state's voters, and that's why we support the effort of Superintendent Cindy Hill and her supporters to have the issue ultimately decided by the people of Wyoming by putting it before voters in November of 2014.

If voters are to make an informed choice, however, they will have to be able to hear the arguments presented by both sides in this issue, and we were disappointed to learn last week that a lawyer representing Superintendent Hill has threatened to sue lawmakers for distributing a 'white paper' that details their rationale for passing the statute.

It has been our experience that whenever a lawsuit is threatened, the level of public discourse on an issue is significantly decreased, and we view the threat to sue in this situation as a hindrance to free speech. That is a freedom that is most important in matters of politics and government, and we strongly encourage Hill to withdraw the threat and welcome free and open debate so people can hear all of the arguments and make the best decision possible for this state, its schools, and its children.

For that reason, we also encourage our readers to sign the petition for referendum regardless of which side of the debate they find themselves on at present. We believe the importance of this legislation isn't restricted to the issue of education. We think it also pertains to the manner in which we want to be governed in Wyoming, and how we want political power in this state to be distributed.

That could make SF 104 the most significant piece of legislation passed in our lifetimes, and voters should be given the chance to listen to the explanations presented by both sides for the next year and a half so they can indicate their desire at the polls in 2014.

Sign the petition before the May 28 deadline and give voters that choice. Weston County's petition sponsor is William Curley. He can be contacted at 941-0372, or at william.curley.3@gmail.com.

Tistorically, there have been no following day. greater friends- from an institu-

tional perspective- than the United States Postal Service and this country's newspapers. After all, the USPS was started by Benjamin Franklin, a newspaperman, and the two entities have been linked ever since.

Newspapers rely on the Post Office to deliver our product to consumers, and the USPS has always relied on the income it receives from the high volume of mail this industry produces every year.

As a result of this interdependent relationship, the USPS and newspapers have generally gotten along very well, as the two entities rely on each other for their very existence.

The rise of the digital age has forced changes on both industries, and you would expect that would draw us closer together. Unfortunately, the opposite appears to be true, and the USPS finds itself in the rare position of being at odds with its best customers as it strives to find ways to adjust to the modern marketplace in its effort to achieve financial solvency.

To make matters worse, Congress has

been called upon to intervene in the areas where disagreement has occurred, and it should come as no surprise that the decisions made in the U.S. Capitol, motivated more by politics than logic and practical business sense, have invariably been wrong.

The most recent example of politics trumping common sense in Washington D.C. can be found in a decision by Congress to thwart the Post Office's attempt to restructure its delivery schedule.

You may recall reading that the USPS planned to discontinue Saturday mail delivery beginning in August. The Post Office believes that measure would have resulted in \$2 billion in annual cost savings. Under the plan, Saturday delivery would have continued for packages, and the elimination of weekend delivery would only apply to mail.

Of course, larger newspapers across the country raised their voices against the proposal, and Congress responded to that pressure (along with complaints lodged by other lobbying interests) by informing the USPS that it would have to continue offering Saturday mail delivery.

I actually break with my own industry on this issue, and feel the merits and cost savings associating with restructuring the Post Office's delivery schedule far outweigh concerns of daily newspapers that would have had to ask customers to wait one more day for an issue of their paper.

This is one of those instances where we, as newspapers, should have acknowledged the fact that subscribers who receive their daily newspapers in the mail already wait an extra day because they aren't delivered on Sunday. The majority of those readers who "hate the wait" have learned to use the online access that is generally offered with subscriptions to daily papers to scan for important items on Sunday while they wait for the paper product to arrive the

Smaller weekly newspapers, like this publication schedules.

address its financial shortcomings.

another proposal, and it represented a far greater threat to newspapers than the elimination of Saturday delivery would have.

The USPS asked Congress for permission several months ago to offer a special cut rate to high volume marketing agencies that distribute advertisements through mass mailings because they believed this

> community newspapers like this one at a significant disadvantage because these companies compete directly with us for advertising dollars, and are now able to to distribute their materials at a lower cost than the one available to us. We argued that the imbalance in the marketplace would result in lost revenue for the Post

circulation that will occur as a result of mass mailing companies enjoying this cost advantage, but on this issue Congress actually sided with the USPS and allowed the special rates to be offered.

It is inevitable that the USPS and this Congress to sort it out for us.

In the two examples I've presented here, I think it's clear that in one instance the Post Office was right and newspapers should have set their comparatively minor concerns aside to support its partner. In the second example, I believe newspapers were right, and the USPS should have acknowledged the harm it would inflict on its partner and withdrawn the proposal.

DC thinking hinders PO

one, aren't able to offer that kind of online access yet because of cost, but most of us create our product early in the week so it can be delivered to the majority of our readers by Friday. The rare weekly publications that are delivered on Saturday could have simply adjusted their print and

Such an adjustment on our part would have made it easier for our partner, the USPS, to make changes in its own business model that would have given it greater economic flexibility, but we chose to lobby Congress to block the proposal to eliminate Saturday mail delivery, and helped that body force the USPS to find another way to

Unfortunately, the Post Office did have

lower rate would entice a greater volume of mailings from these companies.

Of course, the move also put

Office in the form of decreased newspaper

nation's newspaper industry should occassionally find themselves in conflict as both seek to restructure themselves to face the challenges presented in a digital world, but I can't help but think that both entities would be better off if we found solutions that worked for both of us, instead of going head-to-head on these issues and trusting

Instead we turned to Congress for the answers, and of course, Congress got it wrong both times. I hope my industry and the USPS learned the futility of putting our collective fates in the hands of a body ruled by politics, and approach the future with a commitment to compromise so we can present a united front that will help take Congress out of the equation.











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Letters to the Editor

Progress is not possible without some kind of risk

Dear Editor,

If all the detractors of "fracking" were in control,

we would still be in the Stone Age.

There was a point-counterpoint article in the Wall Street Journal in which the writer in opposition to fracking brought up so many nebulous points that fracking would be banned forever. Every scientific and engineering advance has

always had 'what-if' factors. Airplanes might crash, automobiles might wreck, fire might burn something, ad infinitum that nothing could be built. The combination of horizontal drilling

of the most important developments ever in the utilization of energy for the world. We have the opportunity of being self

and large scale sandfracking has been one

dependent for sources of petroleum energy. —Don Thorson

While you were sleeping

Dear Editor,

You guys who worried that you needed guns to fend off a repressive government, to defend against an incipient dictatorship, are too late. While you were waving flags and marching around, our government was taken away from us.

We do not control it anymore. We may vote, we may elect people to go to Washington but we do not control them. They are controlled by the guys who spend big money on them. The controlling "big money" people are called plutocrats. The rest of us of do not matter to them.

How else can you explain that they are in the process of taking Medicaid, Medicare, aircraft controllers, and a whole bunch of the other things we

paid for away from us while they are busy giving big tax breaks to the plutocrats?

How else can you explain that, a long time ago, the plutocrats dismantled our mental health system, directly causing the "homeless" problem?

Concurrent with the homeless is also the problem of having no comprehensive way to identify and treat the mass murderers among us.

Meanwhile, millions of our tax dollars are given to the casino banksters who lost big-time at Las Vegas East- i.e. Wall Street.

How else can you explain Halliburton taking \$39.5 billion in profits out of the Iraq War while our maimed and mangled Iraq veterans cannot

get adequate medical care? How else can you explain our elected officials taking away Social Security as we know it while they are getting lifetime retirement at full pay after working only one term, as little as

You may not have paid any attention to these issues, but be assured that the

plutocrats have paid attention to each of these issues and more too. So much so that the moguls at Citibank have already renamed our form of government!

"Plutocracy!"

Letters

to

the

Editor

Views

—Jerry Baird

We should fight for all of our freedoms Dear Editor,

As westerners, everyone in this area is willing to fight hard to protect their Constitutional right to bear

But what about an even more important God given right, freedom of religion? Would as many Americans

fight for that?

Bob Bonnar

Shots from the

Cheap Seats

If you are, and you or someone you know uses a computer, access www.persecutionreport.org. This site is provided by Hudson Institute Center for Religious Freedom, a "think tank" in Washington, D.C. staffed by our nation's top scholars working in the critical areas of national security, energy, persecution, etc.

Around the world, Christians- including U.S. citizens working or visiting abroad- are being punished and charged with the "crime of blasphamy." This is occurring even in countries to which the USA sends billions of our dollars in foreign aid.

I have recently visited by phone with Nina Shea of the scholars, who was recently interviewed on EWTN and who is one of the authors of the book "Persecuted: the Global Assault on Christians," published in March.

She suggested that a good place to start is to contact our U.S. Senators and Representatives and demand that aid to those countries is stopped.

For those of us in Wyoming, the contact numbers are: Sen. Mike Enzi; 202-224-3424; Sen. John Barrasso, 202-224-6441; and Rep. Cynthia Lummis, 202-225-2311. It would also be a good idea to contact our President, Barack Obama: 202-456-1414, or direct to his "comment line," 202-456-1111.

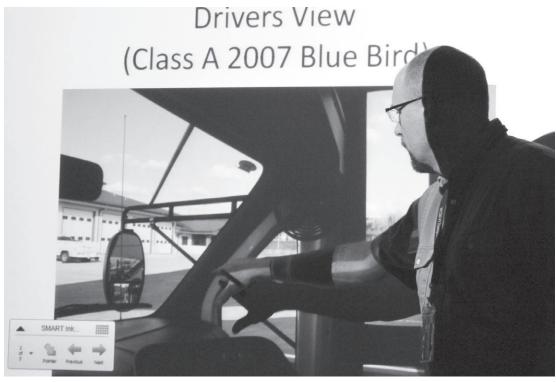
Should the USA really support any foreign nation that violates human rights? And another question we should all ask ourselves, "have I prayed for our nation's leaders lately?"

Daily is not too often!

-Patricia Bock

Correction

The wrong headline was mistakenly placed on a Letter to the Editor in the April 11, 2013 issue. The headline on the letter submitted by William Curley should have read, "Republicans favor repeal of Senate File 104." We regret the error.



Denice Pisciotti/NLJ

WCSD #1 Transportation Director Mark Peterson makes comments during a presentation befire the school district's board of trustees regarding the safety of bus drivers and children.

Another bus stop questioned

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

As the father of students riding a Weston County School District #1 bus, Jon Tidyman approached the board of trustees on April 10 about changing one of the district's bus stops.

During the conversation, WCSD #1 Transportation Director Mark Peterson countered with his reasons why the bus stop in question should remain where it is. After hearing both sides, the board made a motion to change the bus stop to that proposed by Tidyman.

The father explained to the board via a PowerPoint presentation where the bus stopped on U.S. Highway 85. The students are picked up on the east side in the morning and dropped off on the west side in the afternoon, forcing them to cross the highway to go home. The bus traveling south on Highway 85 stops 520 feet short of Dewey Road, dropping them off on the west side, and parents have to travel up Dewey Road, crossing the highway to pick up children.

"Parents or guardians, whoever happens to be there to pick them up, enter Highway 85 then travel up to the road to the approach to pick the children up. My proposal is to move from the present drop-off to the actual Dewey Road, where there is plenty of space for a turnaround. The kids could then be dropped off, off the highway, on the same side as what they all live," noted Tidyman.

He pointed out safety concerns with the current situation, such as the bus not pulling off the highway while picking up or dropping off students, with the bus remaining in the north and south bound lanes with lights flashing and sign extended.

"As has been the case twice that I have witnessed, sign extended, lights flashing really doesn't mean a whole lot to somebody traveling on the road. It has been passed with all of that going, on two separate occasions," the father stated.

Even when there is not an adult to assist children across the highway to where they live. the bus driver asks them to cross the highway and

walk to their homes. The biggest concern related is that semi-trucks with large loads that often travel on the highway may not be able to stop in enough time during inclement weather.

The bus generally stops in the south-bound lane and drops the kids off to cross the road, which to me is really an issue — a hazard with kids trying to get across safely," Tidyman continued.

The county has indicated they would help put down gravel at the bus stop to help with mud issues when the vehicle turns around, he indicated.

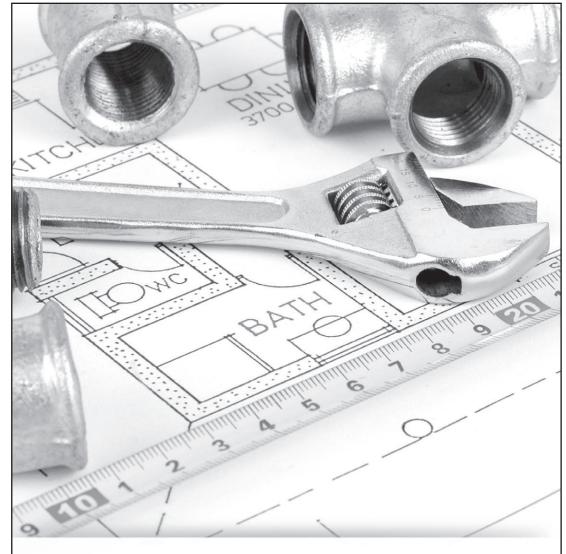
Peterson also presented pictures to the board demonstrating why he feels the bus stop should remain the same. With this particular route, the bus driver is a "park out" driver, meaning she drives the bus home after she drops the students off, which is why the bus doesn't turn around prior to dropping the students off at their stop.

The director feels it is a safe option because there is plenty of room to see vehicles approaching when dropping kids off, however he does prefer adults to be on the right side of the road to pick up the students. Tidyman reported that his schedule doesn't always allow him or the children's grandparents to be there every day to meet the children.

"I have a concern about pulling in there because there are a lot of blind spots in the bus. Yes, we could pull in there and drop the Tidyman children off safe and sound, but then my driver with other kids will be going back out there to re-enter the highway and they are at danger. I feel like the way we are doing it now is as safe as I can make it," stated Peterson.

Trustee Tom Wright voiced he was in favor of the bus change because of the concern regarding students walking across the highway. WCSD #1 Superintendent Brad LaCroix indicated a possible problem with the dirt road if it is not graveled.

"I spoke to the county and they are in agreement to do anything that we need to do to do that. If it is alright with the board, I would like to see it graveled before we start doing that," Peterson interjected. "If we get a little pad there, I will go ahead and make that change."



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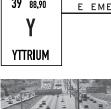




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board members thought about it, if it is something they should inquire about during the interview process.

WCSD #1 Superintendent brought up a good point and admitted he should do a better job of making sure all the board members are aware of the family connections with any new staff.

In response, acting Chairman Bob Bonnar stated that if he had prior information, he may be inclined to not hire someone with ties to the community because of incidences in the past.

"I hesitate to want that information, and what I tell people is, it cuts both ways. Hiring someone with ties to the community generally brings hugs all around in the community. But if we hire them and that person does not work out, and we do not give them a continuing contract at some point, boy, that is more painful for me than the other is pleasant," Bonnar commented.

Wright pointed out that often teachers are successful in this district because they have the experience of growing up in a town similar to Newcastle. He agreed with Bonnar, though, that if the person doesn't work out in the schools, then it becomes a painful decision for both the local family members and the WCSD #1 board.

"Many years ago, our board kind of gave the informal guidance that we weren't going to hire hometown people. Well that wasn't very smart, either, because hopefully we are raising people who are excited about education, excited about the kids, excited about the schools

Many years ago, our board kind of gave the infor-Brad LaCroix stated Wright mal guidance that we weren't going to hire hometown people. Well that wasn't very smart, either ..."

— Trustee Tom Wright

and who know something about our town. But we haven't had this discussion for a while," Wright added.

If the question is asked regarding family ties during an interview, Trustee Jan Mason, pointed out, it can give the impression to the candidate that they either got the job — or didn't — because of their ties to the community or lack thereof.

"I think their interview has to take precedence, without that clouding the process," Mason concluded.

The subject had been brought to the attention of new board member Tina Chick, who said she hesitates to know that information ahead of time, and so far is glad she doesn't know. Chick stated she trusts the hiring committee to learn the information needed to make the best decision for the district.

"I agree with Tina there, it's something that sometimes on applications you can't even ask their age because it's discrimination. In a way I probably would not want to know to start with, because it is up to the committee to do an interview that is fair for all of the participants," asserted Trustee Ronnie Mills.

On the fence with the idea was Trustee Bill Lunney, who reported it doesn't bother him to not know if the candidate is related to anyone in the community or not.

The recommendation from WCSD#1 attorney Don Hansen was to not intentionally seek the applicant's relationships in the community as a board to use it in the decision. It is a different matter, however, if trustees individually have the knowledge.

As an administrator, Special Education Director Klinette Brandon offered, she feels a responsibility to inform the board if there is a local connection she believes to be a conflict of interest, which has been an issue in the past.

LaCroix recalled a question he asked 20 years ago to Jerry Anderson: what is the most important thing anyone can bring to a job? Anderson's answer was ownership, because Newcastle needs to be home. He agreed with Bonnar — the handshake coming in is great, but it is more difficult to say good-bye to someone with ties.

"One of the things that is probably the most rewarding, being the superintendent, is the young person that you chased around the hall — that may have not been the most desirable character when they were 15 or 16 — they come back and apply for a job, they step in and do a good job. That is truly the piece I think the legislators in Cheyenne truly do not understand, is that there are truly a lot of kids that do just a great job. I do think it is important to be equal and to truly bring the best one in for your team,' concluded LaCroix.





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> Wednesday, May 8, 2013 **Weston County Library Meeting Room**

Morning Session Afternoon Session 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Public asked to name Newcastle arboretum

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

A name can be the first initial impression about something. The Newcastle Tree Board is asking for help from the community of Newcastle to help name the new arboretum, which will be almost a quarter of a mile long, located along Stampede near the Wyoming Refining Company and Weston County Children's Center, across from Newcastle High School. The name will be announced on May 23, the day Newcastle will celebrate Arbor Day this year.

The City of Newcastle's arborist, Travis Peterson, told the News Letter Journal the reason behind asking the community to help name the arboretum is to get the public involved by generating interesting, unique ideas. The deadline for submitting names to the city is May 1, and suggestions can be taken to City Hall or emailed to cityofnewcastletrees@ rtconnect.net.

"Arbor Day will be celebrated in Newcastle with two ceremonies on May 23. At 10 a.m., by the Weston County Children's Center, we will be planting a Toba Hawthorne right off the

parking lot. Then, at 4 p.m., the Boy Scouts will help plant a tree at the arboretum," reported Peterson. As the day approaches, he added, more information regarding these and any other events will be announced.

The Tree Board was set up to be an advisory to the city regarding the planting of trees within city limits. This year marks the 19th year the Newcastle Tree Board will be celebrating Arbor Day. Each year the board plants a different kind of tree to diversify the city's urban tree forest. At the tree planting each year, a time capsule — which includes the Arbor Day Proclamation signed by everyone present at the celebration — is placed with the tree in the planting hole.

The Wyoming State Forestry established a grant specifically for developing satellite arboretums based on the one in Cheyenne, the High Plains Arboretum, which was authorized in 1928 as an experiment to propagate shade, ornamental, fruit and shelterbelt trees and shrubs adapted to semi-arid or dry land areas. The money from the grant needs to be used by 2014.

The arboretum — which basically

means a collection of trees — will be completed in two phases, with 100 trees planted, 55 of them in May of this year, with the rest scheduled to be planted next year. A large variety of trees will be planted, those which have been proven to be successful in city parks.

"We will be planting some fruit trees - apricots, and to be completely different cherry trees — just a little bit of everything. For a whole week, we will be working, planting trees. If groups want to help plant trees, call or email the city," urged Peterson.

To add to the uniqueness of the arboretum, a six-foot-wide sidewalk will begin at Main Street, continuing down the middle of the arboretum to encourage visitors to walk along its stretch and to connect with the bike path. Descriptions of the trees will be installed, along with grass and shrubs. The idea is to have a place the community can enjoy and learn about trees as well.

The city arborist is appreciative of Newcastle's City Council's support of planting trees throughout the years.

"These guys make a point of always setting aside green space," he smiled.

Weston County eligible for emergency drought loans

The Secretary of Agriculture has declared a number of Wyoming counties eligible for disaster assistance, and Weston County is among those where farmers and ranchers may qualify for emergency loans based on losses caused by drought that began April 2 and is continuing.

Under the declaration, all 23 Wyoming counties qualify for assistance. Albany, Big Horn, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Crook, Fremont, Goshen, Hot Springs, Johnson, Laramie, Natrona, Niobrara, Park, Platte, Sheridan, Sublette, Sweetwater, Washakie and Weston counties in Wyoming were all declared primary disaster areas, while Lincoln, Teton and Uinta counties are considered contiguous to the primary designated counties and are therefore also eligible for assistance.

To qualify for production loss loans, applicants must have suffered at least a 30-

percent loss of their normal production per acre or normal per animal production. Production losses are calculated from an average of the three years immediately preceding the disaster year and may be made for an amount up to 100 percent of the total actual calculated production loss.

Under the FSA Emergency Loan Program, the amount available to qualified producers cannot exceed the sum of the physical loss or \$500,000, whichever is less. FSA emergency loans are available only to operators of not larger than family size farms and operators unable to obtain credit

The deadline for applying for FSA loans under this disaster designation is Dec. 10. For further information, farmers and ranchers located in the designated counties are encouraged to contact their local FSA county office.

Local worshippers attend Gillette conference

"Safeguard Your Conscience" was the theme of a special assembly day of Jehovah's Witnesses held at Cam-Plex Event Center in Gillette, on April 20. Congregations from the Black Hills and eastern Wyoming attended with a peak attendance of 718.

"Each day, we are exposed to situations that could cause us to violate our conscience. The program helped all in attendance give serious attention to how we are utilizing this remarkable gift from our Creator," said Bruce Frye of the Newcastle congregation.

Jeff Rudell, circuit overseer for the Black Hills area, organized the assembly

day and also spoke on the topic, "Clean From the Blood of All Men — How So?" Rudell drew from verses in Acts, Chapter 20, to show how the apostle Paul was able to have a clear conscience with regard to his ministry by giving a thorough witness to the individuals he spoke with.

Visiting speaker from Patterson, N.Y., was Gordon QuoVadis, who delivered the main address, "Follow Your Spirit-Directed Conscience." QuoVadis explained the importance of training based on Scriptural principles such as the many admonitions given by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. "Never let the voice of your conscience be muffled," he concluded.

Participating from Newcastle was Kenneth McKee, discussing the Watch Tower study article "Stay in Jehovah's Valley of Protection," and Rusty Childress handling the segment, "Young Ones Who Bear Up Under Grievous Things." Childress interviewed three young people who were able to bear up when pressured to compromise their Bible based beliefs.

Meetings will continue this week at the Kingdom Hall, 5018 U.S. Highway 16, Newcastle.

Regular Church Attendance

- ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH: Rev. Norm Brotzman, 216 S. Seneca, 746-2249. Call to Worship 9:30 am; Children's Church during Call to Worship; Faith Rally Sunday 6 pm.
- BAHA'I FAITH: Firesides (Open to All) 1st & 3rd Fridays 7:30 pm at 15 Skyview Dr; 746-3626.
- CAMBRIA COMMUNITY **CHURCH**: Pastor Chris Walton, 19 Stampede St. 746-2321. Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship 10:30 am; Wednesday Bible Study 6 pm
- CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL: Rev. Sally Boyd, S. Summit & Winthrop Streets, 746-9684. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, Morning Prayer 10 a.m.; 2nd & 4th Saturday 4 p.m., Holy Eucharist.
- 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 5:30 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.

746-2487

P.O. Box 760

- FIRST UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH**: Pastor Paul Holland, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Sunday School 8:45 am; Church Services 8 & 10 am; Nursery care available.
- GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP: Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 307-746-8091.
- KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES:

5018 US Hwy 16, 746-2319 or 746-4517. Tueday 7 p.m. Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School and Service Meeting. Sunday Public Talk 10 am; Watchtower 11 am.

- NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH: Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sunday Worship 10 am; Wednesday Night Prayer.
- NEW LIFE FELLOWSHIP: Pastor Wayne Wilson, meets at Black Gold Realty Building, 1517 W. Main, 746-5542. Sunday Worship 10 am.

- OSAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH: 348 Sheridan St. Osage, 465-2341. Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am
- and 6 pm. • SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST: Pastor Gary Force, 78 Old Hwy 85, 746-3504 or 278-0254, Pastoral

Assistant Jason Logan 746-2974.

Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am;

- Worship 11:20 am. • ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC **CHURCH**: Father Killian Muli, Upton.
- VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH: Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.

Saturday Mass 4 p.m.

• UPTON UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH**: Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 10:30 am; Children's Church & Nursery are available; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm.

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language? In the absence of words, we find methods of communication out of necessity...an expression or a gesture can express our needs. By the same token, we can communicate our spiritual strength to those around us. A warm smile, a hug, a thumbs up; there are so many ways to share the language of God's love. Matthew 5:16 says, "In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Visit your house of worship this week where the language of His love transcends any other.



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Obituaries

KATHERINA COLICH Sept. 26, 1927-April 14, 2013

Katherina Colich, 85, of Newcastle, died April 14, 2013, at Weston County Manor.

Katherina born Sept. 26, 1927, at Kolbermoor, Germany, the daughter of Jakob and Katherina Strasser. Katherina met Petar Colich shortly after

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April 25

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Katherina Colich

EVENT

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TOPS (weight loss)

Senior Center Dance

Dog Obedience Classes

W.C. Museumn District Meeting

Tanglefoot Squares Dance

ALANON (746-9791)

Lions Club Meeting

Card Making Class

TOPS (weight loss)

W.C. Health Services Board Mtg.

W.C. Library Board Meeting

18, 1948, in Kolbermoor. The couple immigrated to the United States where she was a homemaker until her children were grown. Prior to her retirement she was employed at various jobs at the Sioux Cafe and later the Old Mill Inn.

She enjoyed puzzles, knitting, playing bingo and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her children, Elizabeth (Frank) Brott of Arkansa, Mary Toohey of New York, Angelina (Pete) Evans of California, Donna (David)

World War II and they were married on Sept. Dutcher of Newcastle, and Stephen (Vicky) Colich of Iowa. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and several great- and step-grandchildren, as well as her younger siblings.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Petar, and her sons, Thomas Ray, David Lee and Michael Colich.

Services were private.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made to the Weston County Humane Society or Weston County Manor Activities Fund.

Meetings & Events

HAT'S UP

LOCATION W.C. Health Services Foundation Mtg **Board Room** W.C. Senior Center **Board Room** 2nd & 3rd Grade - Princess & Pea Crouch Auditorium Newcastle Library Corpus Christi Church W.C. Senior Center VFW Hall Corpus Christi Church Corpus Christi Church W.C. Fairgrounds Mondell Heights W.C. Senior Center Four Corners Country Inn Corpus Christi Church Anna Miller Museum

W.C. Senior Center

VFW Hall

NES Cafeteria

Corpus Christi Church

Calendar

April 25: Birthdays & Anniversaries Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Lease April 26: Tracey Tupa April 27: **Emily Gregory** April 28: JD Smith April 29: Deb Proctor April 30: Kevin Senger, Don Thorson May 1:

100 YEARS AGO - APRIL 24, 1913

The Newcastle steam laundry is now in laundry wagon on the job and all work will be called for and delivered promptly.

Belden Moran has quit the section at Jerome and last Saturday went over to his home near Howard.

C.G. Lowell, with a gang of men, was surveying and setting stakes for the new Upton-Newcastle telephone line last week.

The Foltz brothers shut down their saw mill the 17th and moved their engine over to Miss Jaynes where they have a contract to plow 30 acres. From there they will go to Roscoe Michaels and plow

40 acres for him. Jack Ambrose and family have returned to their ranch near the Soda Holes and now Mr. Fogelberg is baching again. Mrs. Fogelberg and son Guy will return from Kansas in about five weeks. Guy graduates from the high school this spring.

Martin Tisdale has returned from a two years' trip through Norway and other points Hill City are moving on the Ed Hawley ranch in Europe. Martin says Wyoming is good in the Boles Canyon area this week. enough for him.

Arrangements are under way for the construction of an auto boulevard from Newcastle Louis Peterson's. A large crowd attended. to Salt Creek and on to the stone quarry.

Miss Rora Barr and John F. Kraft were Felix Perino home Sunday. united in the holy bonds of matrimony in this two one.

The snow has melted rapidly in the Boyd area the past week and very little remains on

the ground now, except in the drifts.

Rev. L.P. Holmes is moving to Gillette full operation. The management has put a today, having decided to take charge of the Episcopal church work at that place and at Moorcroft.

> The Newcastle Drug Company this week installed a fine new show case in the cigar department of their establishment. It is a beautiful piece of furniture and adds much to the beauty of that institution.

75 YEARS AGO - WEEK ENDING **APRIL 29, 1937**

Barbara Lee Hays, 2-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hays, passed away at the Hays home Tuesday night, a victim of congenital heart disease.

Townsend and Mrs. Pinkham of the Oil Field were Newcastle callers Wednesday.

Ray and Frank Shull moved Bob Peltz and family Monday from Ed Hawley ranch to what is known as the J. Blaine house.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Brophy and family of

Joe Rosetti of Horton was a visitor at the

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson and family, city last Monday afternoon, Justice Cooper Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Watson and son, Mr. pronouncing the mystic words that made the and Mrs. Fred Watson, Jiggs Nisson and Hank Metz were visitors Sunday at the Alvin Watson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cool and family

departed Saturday evening for Burlington, Wyo., for an indefinite stay, being called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Cool's father.

A large number of folks gathered at the Mrs. C.C. Townsend and baby, Mrs. W.D. John Kudlock home near Four Corners to hear the Newcastle school boys play over the radio from Rapid City Sunday.

The City of Newcastle is facing the most critical water shortage in its history as the supply in both tanks at midnight last night was exhausted and city officials were fearful lest a fire start which would endanger the whole city. A serious break on Salt Creek was The Jolly Woman's Club of the Inyan discovered last evening and officials said that Kara area gave a club dance and card party at only a small stream was coming in through the six-inch line.

During the 30 years that Henrick Hanson has lived on the Cheyenne River it has always had a good stream of water until the last five years, when the river has been dry 11 months

Osage Women's Club met at the Community Building Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Lester Updike as hostess.

50 YEARS AGO - APRIL 25, 1963

Plans for a new bank in Newcastle were announced this week. Application filed in Denver for First National Bank of Newcastle.

Jack Naugle was chosen to serve as the new president of the Newcastle Jayees at elections Tuesday night. Naugle succeeds Bill Boulden.

Funeral services are pending for Max Robert Grund, who died of a heart attack Tuesday. Mr. Grund died at Berman Lumber Company in Newcastle where he was employed as a sawyer.

A total of five inches of snow was reported by weatherman Glenn Jackson.

A capacity crowd turned out Saturday night at the annual fiddler's frolic.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Allen and Mr. and Mrs. David Rawhouser Jr. were supper guests of

Mr. and Mrs. David E. Rawhouser Tuesday. On April 16, Mrs. W.D. Townsend III received a telephone call from her husband, "Butch" in Izmir, Turkey, telling her that he expected to be returning home soon.

By Minnie Popham of Lone Tree: "Well I believe winter is here. We are sure having lots of snow this last two weeks. Sure good for the ground, as it is really going right in."





Robert Bunch



24 Hour Service will resume May 27







From the Vault of the Anna Miller Museum:

Wearing an assortment of creations for the Busy Beaver Hat Sale are: Pearl Fawcett, Ethel Lewis, Grace Davis, Lorraine Davis, Leona Watson, Viola _, Adelaide Schulze, Clara Fawcett, Fannie Muskgrave, Ina Morgan, Anna Cattles and Zola Sweet. Circa 1960s.(Children are unidentified. Anyone who knows the missing names, please contact the Anna Miller Museum)





Monday, June 10 - Friday, June 14 1 - 4:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Free for Kindergarten through 5th grade. Call 746-8727 with any questions.

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Scholarship deadline approaching

The Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma is offering a \$600 scholarship to a high school senior attending school in Weston County. The recipient needs to be planning to have education as their field of study as they go on to college. Applications are available at each of the high schools in Upton and Newcastle or may be obtained by writing Jody McCormack, Newcastle Middle School, 116 Casper Avenue, Newcastle WY 82701, or emailing mccormackj@ weston1.k12.wy.us. Deadline for receipt of the applications is

Results from Newcastle Middle School's

I=Superior II=Excellent Vocal Soloists: Hailee Cheshier-Brady Wilkes-I Betoney Dixon-II 7th Grade Isabella Mitchell-I Shelby Vandersnick-II 8th Grade Tania Bau-II+ Daytona Bennett-I+ Gracey Carlin-I Rachel Ehlers-I Flint Hossfeld-I++ Liz Jarboe-II+ Kinlee Witney-I Vocal Ensembles:

6th Grade Girls-II Hailee Cheshier, Mykena Howen, Jozee Lawler Abrienne Sharpes, Kaylie White & Tailey Wright 6th Grade Boys- I Ashton Coffey, Kolby Pisciotti & Brady Wilkes 7th Grade girls II

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Baritone Duet - Rachel Henkle & Rose McMahon - I Flute Solo - Kinlee Whitney - II Baritone Solo - Rose McMahon - 36 points, 1- rating (superior/excellent) Baritone Solo - Rachel Henkle - 35 points, 2+ rating

Alto Saxophone Solo – Alyssa Umphlett – II

hon, Kinlee Whitney & Savannah Williams

Students qualify for national meet

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

Excitement was definitely in the room when the News Letter Journal met with six young ladies from Newcastle High School and their Future Business Leaders of America advisor, Alysha Engle, to talk about qualifying for the FBLA National Convention June 26-July 1 in Anaheim, Calif. It was the first time qualifying for the competition for all of them.

'The competition was pretty tough at the state level. They were really, really prepared. I was pretty confident the group projects were going to make it to nationals — I was surprised about the rest of it," smiled Engle.

Each event advances two finalists from every state to the national competition. Five of the qualifiers from Newcastle are seniors, whose goal it was to make it to the national competition this year in California.

"I am really excited to go! The last four years I have been in FBLA I have worked really hard to go. I am a little nervous because I am not too comfy with going out of my comfort zone," commented Shenae LaCroix.

Owens said it was nerve-wracking the morning before they presented their project — which is about informing people about multiple sclerosis — to the judges, because their projector stopped working, they couldn't connect to the internet, and the computers would not let them get on Prezi, the cloud-based presentation software they were using for their presentation. Thankfully, though, everything came together in the end.

"What we did was create both a PowerPoint and a Prezi. We used the Prezi for our actual presentation, but we had the PowerPoint for a backup. We also brought down our own projector and stuff, then we brought down our T-shirts, our jars and all of that to show the judges while we did our presentation," explained Mykel Owens.

Maddee Foster said she worked hard with Owens and Payton Crawford



FBLA students Bailey Roberson, Mykel Owens, Shenae LaCroix, Peyton Crawford, Maddee Foster, Advisor Alysha **Engle and Madi Crawford.**

on the project about MS, practicing many times, which enabled them to do the presentation exactly the way they wanted.

For the Job Interview portion of the competition, Bailey Roberson has to send in an application, a resume and a cover letter for a job opening at a fictitious company to be judged beforehand. After she arrives at the competition she does a live interview in front of three judges in a preliminary contest. At the state level, 10 advance to the finals. Engle was not sure how many advance at the national level, which has the same process as the state level.

For the state competition in Desktop

Publishing, Foster and LaCroix took a test at NHS on preparing materials for opening a restaurant. The duo had to build from scratch five different items on the computers, in a sequestered environment at the school, in an hour and a half time period. At state they completed a multiple-choice test on the software itself. The scores from the computer and the written test were averaged together to calculate

"They did really well. It will be the same at nationals. After they finish, we put it back in the envelope and seal it. We don't know what the topic is until it is time for them to take the test,"

FBLA Wyoming State Competition Results

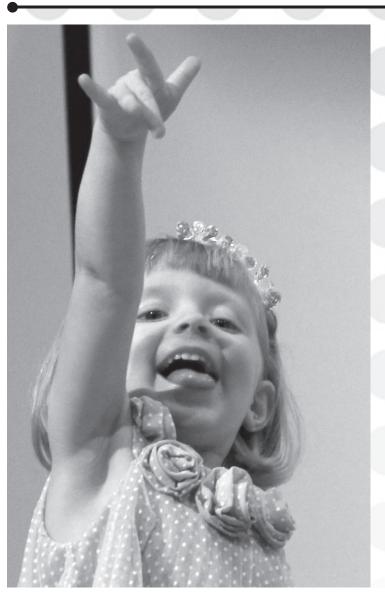
1 Desktop Publishing Maddee Foster and Shenae

1 Partnership with Business Bailey Roberson, Madi Crawford and Shenae LaCroix

2 Job Interview Bailey Roberson 2 Community Service Project Payton Crawford, Mykel Owens, Maddee Foster

acknowledged the advisor.

"Shenae and I work really well together and we studied before we took the test. We were very excited because we worked together last year and didn't even make the top four, so this year getting first place was an accomplishment," Foster conveyed.







Masters of song -

Weston County Children's Center/Region III Developmental Services held its annual Spring Concert Thursday, "A Night of Nursery Rhymes," in which the children attending the Center showed their talent of singing, complete with hand gestures. Some of the songs included "I'm a Little Teapot," "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star," "Mary Had a Little Lamb" and "This Old Man." Far left, Paetyn Sylte. Top left, Madison and Alexis Gisi. Below left, Tealah Stevenson is a little shy. Below, Kyler Kopp and Laila Lopez. (See more photos at www.newslj.com)

Photos by Denice Pisciotti



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voters to sign a petition that will place a referendum on the ballot that will repeal SF 104 if successful. She argued that the adoption of SF 104 was in violation of the Wyoming Constitution because it stripped most of the duties she held as one of Wyoming's top five elected officials.

Hill disagreed with allegations made by sponsors of the bill that her leadership contributed to a failing school system, and said the changes she made in the Wyoming Department of Education were motivated by a desire to provide instructional leadership to the state's school districts and a commitment to fiscal responsibility.

Many of Hill's remarks were in rebuttal to comments made by Wyoming House Speaker Tom Lubnau, who presented the legislature's rationale for passage of the bill at a similar public forum held a week earlier at the Weston County Senior Center.

Hill refuted Lubnau's claims that the WDE had a number of accounting discrepancies under her leadership, and bristled at his implication that educational growth in Wyoming schools continued to lag during the two years she has been at the helm of the WDE.

She also addressed concerns expressed by legislators over the amount of employee turnover at the WDE during her tenure, and her decision to close the department's assessment office in Laramie and move those staff members to WDE's offices in Cheyenne.

"The department had once been very focused on instruction. In the 70's that focus switched to compliance, which means focus on managing money, contracts and contractors," Hill declared. "When I came into office I was thinking instructional leadership means that we all are working on the same issues, and I knew that I needed to rally the troops to shift our vision back to instruc-

Hill asserted that Lubnau's allegations of a failing school system were erroneous, and claimed that student performance had improved statewide since she took office.

"As a result of the work across Wyoming and because of

the focus on instruction, there is good news to be discussed about education in Wyoming. For the second year in a row, our state assessment shows increases in student performance statewide in all areas," she announced, declaring that it was the first time growth had occurred in successive years.

Hill said Wyoming has scored above the national average in reading and math on the National Assessment of Educational Progress, and pointed out that according to a 2012 CNBC survey, Wyoming currently ranks eleventh in the United States in education.

"Despite this evidence of improvement, we hear that Wyoming schools are failing and that teachers are to blame," Hill wrote in a handout distributed to those who attended. "We have become mired in this false narrative. The truth is that teachers and administrators are showing quantifiable progress and we are working very hard to achieve results."

Hill also denies the claim of accounting discrepancies within her department. Hill presented an audio recording of a report made by an auditor to members of the Wyoming State Legislature in which the auditor reported that there were no accounting discrepancies aside some lags in reporting due to position transfers within the department. The auditor said in closing that it was an "unusually good" audit and that they had found less than one percent of discrepancies in the accounting, which is a rarity.

"The Wyoming Department of Education under my leadership has never requested a supplemental budget. In fact, we have reverted over \$1 million dollars under my leadership," proclaimed Hill.

Lubnau also claimed that SF104 did not strip Hill of her duties, and simply shifted some "secretarial duties" as well as administration of federal funds and pass through grants to the newly created Director of Department of Education position, but Hill argued that the legislation has completely removed any executive decision making abilities from the Superintendent position. She stated that important leadership

functions have been taken away from her, and she was left with mostly mundane tasks, such as being in charge of toxic waste disposal, and being responsible for awarding Teacher of the

"They have taken away my ability to do the work that voters put me in office to do," Hill asserted. "They have stripped not only the power of the Superintendent position, but the voice of the voter as well."

Senator Curt Meier (R, LaGrange) was also in attendance, and was one of ten Senators who voted against the measure. He spoke in opposition to Lubnau's statement that legislators who voted against the bill were not threatened with repercussions. He predicted his 'No' vote may have negative consequences.

"There are consequences for me feeling this strong about my position on this. When you step up and you tell leadership exactly what's on your mind and that they are doing things wrong, you don't exactly get your way all the time after that, and I expect that for a while I wont get my way all the time down there. That doesn't make any difference because there is a right way to do things and a wrong way to do things and what we did was the wrong thing. You don't disenfranchise 100,000 people in this state by taking away their vote," he pronounced.

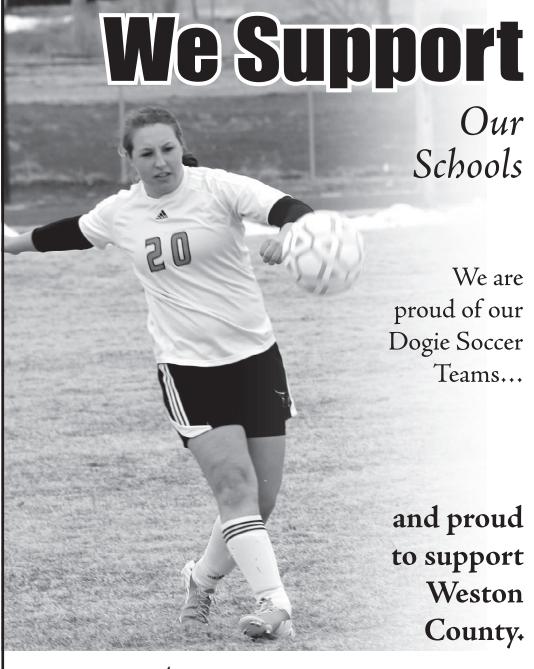
Event organizer Tracy Hunt closed the forum, as he did a week ago, by encouraging voters to sign the petition, and bring the issue to a vote of the people.

Member FDIC

"It is not an obligation to vote on it. It is just to get the option on the ballot. One reason to change this legislation is that when it comes time to vote on the next state elected Superintendent, we will be having a heated debate on who has a better platform for the placement of Pine-Sol in the janitor closet. That should urge us to not walk, but to run to sign that petition," he urged.

In order to put the measure in front of voters, 37,606 valid signatures are needed by the May 28 deadline.

It will then take a majority of the votes cast in the next election for the referendum to succeed in repealing SF 104.







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ATTENTION

The second half of the 2012 property taxes are now due and will become delinquent after May 10, 2013. All unpaid real estate taxes will be advertisied for tax sale, which will be held August 26, 2013.

Property Tax Relief Program Forms are now available at the County Treasurer's Office in Newcastle and the City Hall in Upton.

Applications have to be made on or before June 3, 2013 to the Wyoming Department of Revenue.

The Wyoming Department of Revenue, rather than the County Treasurer will issue the relief checks.

The 2012 property taxes must be paid in a timely manner.

Must be a Wyoming resident for a period of at least five years, immediately preceding the year of relief. For further information, contact the Wyoming Department of Revenue at 307-777-7320 or the Weston County Treasurer's Office at 307-746-2852.

Barrasso from page 1.....

arms and form a militia to defend the nation from outside forces. He believes the amendment was intended to spell out an individual right, not necessarily a collective one.

"The Bill of Rights had to do primarily with what the government can't do to us as citizens," he asserted.

While residents of the Cowboy State continue to be focused on efforts in Washington, D.C., to impose new restrictions on gun ownership in the wake of mass shootings in other parts of the country, Barrasso did indicate that concerns expressed by many of those Saturday's Health Fair were directed toward the Affordable Care Act — often referred to as Obamacare — and the impact it will have on health care when it is fully implemented later this year. He said a degree of apprehension was shared by health care providers and consumers alike.

"Whether you talk to Dr. [Lanny] Reimer or the nurses, or anybody else around here, they've got concerns," Barrasso professed, noting that the worries largely revolve around the cost of care after implementation, and the effect the program will have on availability of care in rural areas like northeast Wyoming.

The senator indicated that the other primary concern expressed by those he spoke with at the Health Fair relate to the nation's economy — particularly jobs, the federal deficit and government spending.

"The facts are on the side of the people of Wyoming," Barrasso stated, noting that his constituents know balancing budgets and keeping the economy strong lies in a commitment by an entity to not spend more money than is taken in. It's something he said families and states have proven time and again.

There is a fear that the recent federal spending sequester — which implemented across-theboard spending cuts in federal agency budgets — will have negative impacts on Wyoming and its citizens, but Barrasso indicated that there is no reason that the public should bear the weight of those cuts. He believes the cuts are being made in the most visible manner possible by President Barrack Obama to manipulate public opinion in an effort to increase both taxes and federal spending.

"I think the President is intentionally trying to make it as painful as possible so he can raise taxes. A good leader would do [the sequester] in a way that the public wouldn't even notice. That to me is a failure of leadership," the senator reasoned.

While Barrasso listened intently to the concerns expressed by voters during his tour of the Health Fair, he also shared whatever information he could with those who asked questions about Washington, D.C., and national politics.

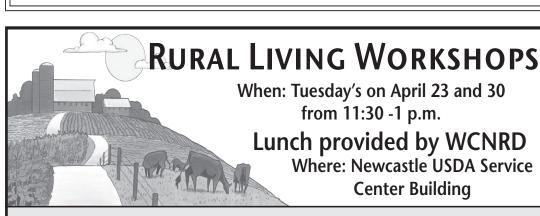
"I try to make sure people have the facts right. It's what I did as a doctor, and it's what I do in the United States Senate," he offered.

Osage wants to be at the center

The Osage Sanitation Committee is still fighting for the Osage landfill to become the main dumpsite for all of Weston County. As the county already owns the land that the landfill is on, the Weston County Commissioners have been approached to promote Osage as the central hub for all of Weston County refuse. Cliff Perkins, district manager of the Osage Water District, told the News Letter Journal "This is something most that it is just a matter of waiting for new rules and regulations to be passed before the commissioners can take action in promoting the Osage landfill.

> 'New rules and regulations are being passed, and once that has happened, we can then work with the Department of Environmental Quality and the County Commissioners to assess what we need to do to follow those new standards of operation," Perkins explained.

> Once the new regulations have been put into place, the DEQ will then make an assessment of the Osage landfill and its safe handling requirements. After that has been done, it will be up to the commissioners to make sure those standards are followed through.

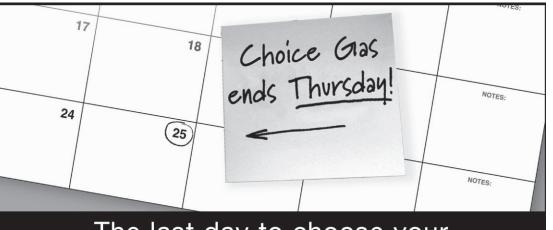


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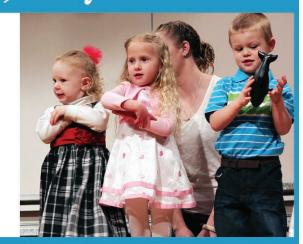
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seconded during the meeting. The City Council will have to read and vote on the recommendations three times by law before it is passed into city ordinance. If passed through the council, the new city ordinance will be enforced to all residents of Weston County and will have an effective date of July 1.

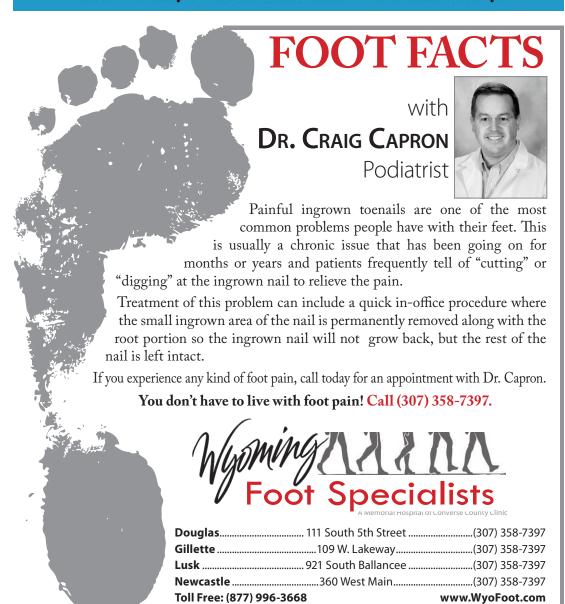
landfills through the state have done, and we need to be doing as well. The state is asking for us to be able to come up with a per ton average of what we are dumping, and these scales will now give us an answer for the questions the state is asking," conveyed Hartley. "All in all this is a good change for the landfill and will overall be a more equitable and fair change for the citizens of Newcastle.3

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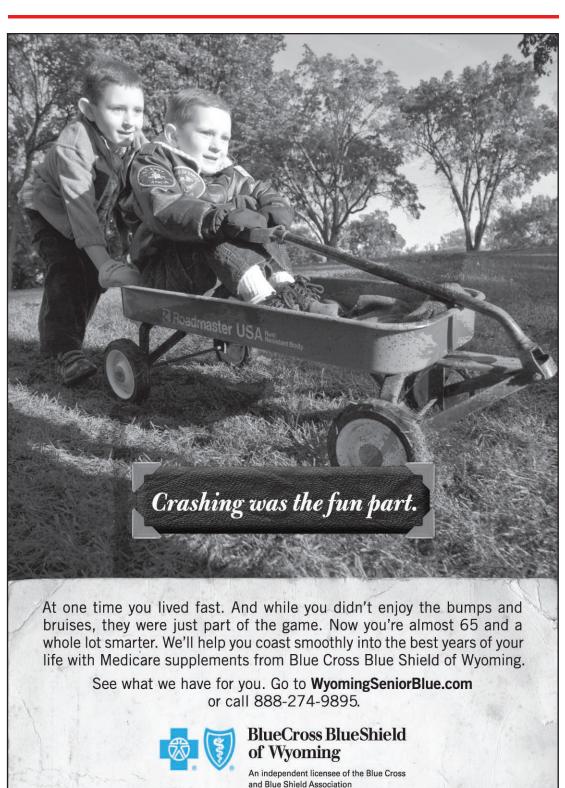
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Get Involved, Stay Involved! Pederson awarded

By Zeb Wiggins of NLJ

Jim Pederson of Arnold Realty in Newcastle has obtained high honors in the world of property sales as he recently was announced the winner of the 2012 Wyoming Association of Realtors At-Large Realtor of the Year award. With that award, Pederson has also earned a nomination for the 2012 Wyoming Association of Realtors State Realtor of the Year award.

The Realtor of the Year award is a peer-recognized honor, as well as one of the highest awards given out by the state association. Traditionally each of the 14 Wyoming local boards of Realtors selects one agent each to submit to the Wyoming association. As Pederson is an At-Large member and does not belong to a local board, Pederson's nomination for the prestigious award did not come from a local board, but rather from the voice of the public he has served.

In a three-page letter written to the Wyoming Association of Realtors, Greg Henderson of Fort Worth, Texas, expressed his admiration for the excellent work and professionalism that Pederson demonstrated in helping Henderson find the perfect piece of property.

"I am exceptionally pleased to recommend Mr. Pederson of Arnold Realty in Newcastle, Wyoming, for potential consideration by the Wyoming Association of Realtors as candidate for the Realtor of the Year in Wyoming. The real estate experience that my wife and I had while working with Jim was so rewarding and informative, I felt compelled to seek recognition for Jim's efforts," Henderson wrote.

Henderson went on to inscribe that he started looking into property in the Black Hills back in 2008 and with the help of Pederson he was able to narrow his search for property in Wyoming exclusively.

"With very knowledgeable advice from our visit with Jim, his friendly demeanor, the wonderful benefits of living in Wyoming and the exceptional thoroughness of Arnold Realty's website, I was not only convinced to choose Wyoming, but also Jim to be my agent. I am so very glad I did," he proclaimed.

Henderson also went on to note his appreciation for Pederson's extensive knowledge not only about the properties he had shown, but also about Wyoming history, ranching and local recreational activities.

"Jim's attention to detail regarding his clients is no less impressive," he wrote. "In all of our time with Jim he was completely professional,



Becky Vodopich/NLJ

Jim Pederson was recently announced the 2012 Wyoming Association of Realtors At-Large Realtor of the Year.

friendly, accommodating and very attentive to our needs. I also believe Jim acts in accordance with the highest ethical standards expected of him as a real estate professional."

After the letter written by Henderson was received by WAR, it was then forwarded to the State Realtor of the Year Committee and included

in their considerations for the esteemed award. "We do not usually receive this kind of feedback from the public and have never had someone nominated for this award by a member of the public," stated WAR Executive Guyla Greenly. "We felt that as an at-large member not having a local board to make nominations, Jim

should receive recognition!" "It was a real honor and a nice surprise to receive the nomination for Realtor of the Year from the Hendersons," Pederson expressed. "I enjoy being able to help people find their 'dream' property. We work very hard to help folks accomplish their property goals, and it's nice to hear that your work is appreciated."

Pederson was celebrated as WAR's 2012 At-Large Realtor of the Year During the 60th Inaugural Banquet held in Casper on Sept. 20, 2012, and also shares in the honor of being added to the Land Report's list of America's best Brokerages.

Mail collection will be earlier

Due to mail processing and transportation changes, the Newcastle Post Office has been forced to change the collection time of outgoing mail to 3:40 p.m., according to Postmaster Craig Ausmann.

"This is a change beyond our control," Ausmann stated in a press release.

Beginning May 1, the Newcastle Post Office will cease collection of mail each day at 3:40 p.m., meaning the last collection time for all mail will be at that time, and any mail collected after that time will be postmarked the following day.

"Retail window operations will continue as normal, closing at 4:30. But anything mailed after 3:40 at the window will be postmarked the next day and go out the next day,"

Ausmann reported.

Also, he explained, any mail collected by letter carriers on their routes will not be committed to go out that day. In most cases, the carriers come back to the post office and drop off all morning collection mail. Therefore, this mail will be going out that day but anyone living on a route delivered in the afternoon hours may not have their outgoing mail collected from their personal mail boxes and placed on the outbound transportation truck until the next day.

"I would urge anyone with important mail guaranteed to go out that day to bring to a collection box or retail window at the post office before 3:40 p.m.," Ausmann said. "We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause."

Counterfeits

only on our bank, but also on the backs of honest, hard-working people who fall victim to these

scams," Sewell expressed. Sewell stated that fake checks are not the only issue that the bank deals with on a regular basis. Counterfeit bills have also become more of a hindrance as of late.

"We recently received a counterfeit \$20 bill in a local businesses deposit that was dated for Saturday," Sewell stated. "The color of the bill was a good likeness and the paper even felt correct, but after using our counterfeit pen, we noticed that it marked a yellowish-brown color, which indicated that it might be a counterfeit. After closer inspection, we found that the bill did not have a security strip, and that the face image on the right side of the bill was also absent."

Though there are many security features built into checks and bills, counterfeiters are gaining headway in mim-

icking these safety measures. Sewell conveyed that because of the diligence of her staff, most counterfeits are caught before causing a major problem that could cost their targets hundreds of dollars.

'We always have to be on the lookout for falsities when working with our customers. Though we would like to trust all of our customers that do business with us, sometimes the effects of counterfeiting would hurt those customers if we were not vigilant in checking the authenticity of bills and checks that we receive," she declared.

Community members can help stop these scams by being aware of the different security features of the currency they choose to use. Sewell also expressed that people should be aware of what these current scams look like.

"If you receive something that sounds too good to be true, it most commonly is. If someone receives a check and a letter stating that they need to send some of the money back after cashing the check, that is a good indicator that they are being scammed. Also checking the postage stamp is another good way of catching these types of scams. If the letter received is postmarked from a different country or is asking that you send money to a different country, most likely that is a con," she elucidated.

Due to the new counterfeit findings, Sewell is urging all business owners to make sure they have a counterfeit pen handy when accepting cash. Counterfeit pens can be purchased at local business like the News Letter Journal and Ad-Pro.

"Counterfeiting is a problem that will never go away," proclaimed Sewell. "As long as people continue to be aware of the problem, we can at least better manage the issue and hopefully in the long run save headaches for both the bank and its customers."



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800 Meter Run

2nd Adam Gettinger

3rd Ryan Fulk 2:29.54

4th Andy Nelson 2:33.39

5th Alex Henkle 2:33.61 6th Branden Leddy 2:34.53

8th Matt Tidd 2:37.73

1600 Meter Run

9th Paul Lambert 2:42.75

1st Justin Francis 4:59.72

2nd Andy Nelson 5:17.63

4th Alex Henkle 5:27.30

8th Matt Tidd 5:36.63 9th Paul Lambert 5:51.81

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1st Ty Borgialli, Dillon

2nd Ethan Scheussler

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2nd Phil Jagelski 17'8.5"

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1st Kevin Keim 39'3.5"

2nd Chris Spain 39'.75"

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3rd Johnny Walker 103'2

Discus Throw

3rd Johnny Walker 37'11"

Pole Vault 2nd Justin Francis 7'6

Long Jump

Triple Jump 2nd Dillon Ehlers 36'6"

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4th Kaullen Sundstrom 1:02.24

Sasquatch Stampede Newcastle High School Results

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Triple Jump 2nd Ashlyn Dollison 28-08.25 3rd Kiana Cade 26-05.75 3rd Jenna Piper 21-10.50 4th Kennedy Ragland Discus Throw 3rd Jenna Piper 69-09.50 4th Kennedy Ragland

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In the eye of the storm ■ Tracksters take advantage

of a break in the weather

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

There really is no substitution for competition, and after weather prevented the Dogie thinclads from taking to the track for most of April, coaches saw a small window of opportunity available to them on Saturday, and jumped through it.

"We threw this meet together in one day, so I'm happy and the rest of the coaches are extremely happy that we got one in," Dogie Coach Pat Hayman grinned.

For the most part, the weather was favorable for the hastily assembled Sasquatch Stampede held last weekend. A brief downfall of sleet threatened to derail the meet, but athletes from a handful of northeast Wyoming schools soldiered on, eager to compete for the first time in several weeks.

"It was great to get one in," Hayman said after both his boys and girls claimed victory over the Wright Panthers in what was, for all intents and purposes, a dual meet between the two schools.

The Lady Dogies outpaced their counterparts from Wright by a score of 227-126, while Newcastle's men scored 322.50 points to easily eclipse Wright (156.50) and a small contingent from Upton (26).

"I don't care if you're just running against yourself, the best training is racing. You just can't beat competition for making yourself better. You just can't simulate that in practice. We needed to compete, and we got to. It was a little bit thin on the high school side, but we got to race," Havman reasoned.

The Newcastle Middle School teams were just as anxious to compete, so the meet was organized to include younger athletes as well, and the high school coach said he welcomed the opportunity to expose the future of the resurgent Dogie track program to its present.

"I think it's good every once in awhile so the younger athletes can see what the older ones do, and maybe get to know each other a little bit," Hayman reasoned.

The Calves were just as successful as their high school counterparts, with the eighth-grade girls, eighthgrade boys and seventh-grade boys all taking top honors over Upton, Wright, Kaycee and Sundance. The seventhgrade girls finished second in team point totals to Upton.

The middle-schoolers were able to face a bit more competition than the high school squad, but Newcastle was dominant in their head-to-head matchup with the Wright Panthers nonetheless. The Dogie boys took 11 of the 17 individual event titles at the meet, while the Newcastle girls claimed the top spot in 12 of 17 events.

"We had some kids do some really good things," reported Hayman, who indicated he's pretty happy with how



Photos by Sierra LaCroix and Denice Pisciotti

Freshman Hannah Cass, above, is one of three NHS students who will be attending the Wyoming Track Classic in Casper this week. Below, Johnny Walker scored third in the Shot Put event at the Sasquatch Stampede.

his team performed, particularly given the long layoff they have endured between competitions.

The biggest highlight for the Dogies came when Calbi Ausmann pre-qualified for the State Meet in the 800 Meter Run with her time of 2:25.86. The freshman qualified earlier in the year in the 1600 and 3200 meter races, but she wasn't the only Dogie newcomer that turned heads on Saturday.

Classmate Hannah Cass had her best effort in the long jump when she leaped 16 feet, 9.5 inches, and fellow frosh Ethan Schuessler is starting to get some attention after winning the 400 Meter Dash with a time of 54.73 seconds.

"We're young, but we've got talent. We've got some kids that are freshmen, but they aren't acting like it. I don't think anybody told Calbi, Hannah or Ethan that they're just freshmen, and they're getting after it," Hayman boasted.

While there is plenty of excitement surrounding the Dogie freshmen, the coach said he's pleased with the progress being shown by all of his athletes, and he's excited that they performed so well after a three-week hiatus.

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By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

Setting goals has been a way to show the young Newcastle High School Boys Soccer Team they are improving in this team-building year, acknowledges their coach, Kris Will.

Working toward that effort, the team was able to accomplish one of the two goals they set for themselves as they competed against the Lander Valley Tigers (3A Southeast 1-0-1,6-1-1) on April 13, despite leaving Newcastle at 5:30 a.m. to head south.

"We are making small goals and working our way at it," reported the coach.

The team had 11 players in the game and did well against the 32 players on the Tiger's roster, he noted. Unfortunately they were not able to get a ball into the net against Lander to accomplish their offensive goal of scoring two points, making it the only game this season they have not scored in.

"They sure worked at making it! It was a good game!" proclaimed Will.

Against the tough defensive team of Lander, the coach was impressed with how well the Dogies held their ground, completing their offensive goal, which was to keep the opposition from scoring more than seven points in the game. That goal was met with the final score against the Tigers at 6-0.

Lander made four of their points in the first half of the game, with the final two in the last half. Will felt the second half was better than the first because the Dogies were finally able to recover from the long bus ride.

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Goals for goals | Girls hold their own

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

Competing against a team that has not lost a game all season is never easy, especially when it is accompanied by a long bus ride to play, as was the case when the Dogie girls' soccer team played against the Lander Valley High School Tigers (3A Southeast 2-0, 7-0-1) last week. However, when the Newcastle High School girls competed with the Tigers on April 13, Coach Bryce Hoffman was impressed with the team's ability to play, even with the only team in Wyoming 3A girls soccer to be unbeaten

so far this season. "We had a good 10-minute stretch where we were pushing the pace of play. So I like to see that the girls are able to do that, especially against a quality team like Lander. It's just now putting that focus into the whole game against a quality team," reported the coach.

On the warmest day they have played this season, the Dogie defense kept the Tigers

They all defended really well. We had time transitioning into the attack They all defended really well. We had because of Lander's defense - they really held us in. But we kept them only at six, and they are a very good team."

— Coach Bryce Hoffman

from scoring until the 24th minute of the game. Hoffman admitted the girls would have been better off working together as a team, as it would have saved them energy to be used for scoring. Two more times in the first half the Tigers were able to score, allowing them to go into the break with a 3-0 lead.

In the locker room, Hoffman talked with the team about putting the first half behind them, and playing in the second half to win. He stressed the importance of working together as a team and gaining possession of loose balls. Although the Dogies were unable to bring home that win, in the last

portion of the game the Tigers only scored one more point for a final tally of 4-0.

"In the second half I thought we played better; we communicated better as a team. We were able to do a better job with the 50/50 soccer balls. But overall we played really well in that second half," he smiled.

Hoffman said the Dogies have improved since they played against the Buffalo Bison (3A Northeast 1-0, 5-3) the previous week and lost 7-0. He attributed the progression to the defensive effort of the backline — Courtney Munger, Bethany McVay, Mykel Owens,

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"I am feeling pretty good. We expected to better our marks, and most of us did," he professed.

The Dogies will get another chance to improve on their marks when they travel to Wright for the Scott Hardy Invite on Friday. Forecasts are favorable for this weekend, and it doesn't appear that weather will force another cancellation, so Newcastle should get a chance to compete against a much larger field than they did here a week ago.

Given the number of meets that have been derailed by weather at this point in the season, teams will be allowed to enter up to six contestants in each event, and that gives coaches another chance to see how kids stack up against each other and against the competition in their favorite events.

"We're pretty much looking for more of the same as far as continuing to show improvement, and there's almost unlimited entries, so that's good," Hayman said.

Ausmann, Cass and junior Chris Spain will compete in Wright, but they'll leave early in the afternoon to make their way to Casper, where they'll join a field that includes the 10 top athletes in each event at a special meet.

"We're also taking three kids to the Wyoming Track Classic on Friday. We're going to do both meets," Hayman said, noting that Ausmann will match up against the best from all four classifications of Wyoming high schools in the 1600 Meter Run, while Cass will do the same in the Long Jump and Spain will see how he stacks up against the

state's top discus throwers. Although Newcastle hasn't had many chances to compete, the season is rapidly approaching its conclusion, as the 3A East Regional Track Meet — which will be held in Newcastle on May 9 and 10 — is now only two weeks away. Hayman said he is constantly checking marks turned in by athletes from other schools in the conference, and reminding his own team of how little time is left to close the gap on the competition.

"I keep track of it all of the time, and show our kids where they're at in the region. There's only one meet after Wright before Regionals is here, and I've been trying to stress to these kids that every second of every practice is important. This season is so short, and here we are winding down. Next week is May, and we have one more week until Regionals. It's upon us," the coach observed.

Fortunately, the local athletes are buying into his urging, and he thinks the squad will be ready to go when the rest of the 3A East pulls into town early next month.

"They're working hard. Every little group is working hard," Hayman nodded.

Sasquatch Stampede

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As a result of practice the men were able to win more balls out of the air during the game, and goal keeper Mason Pisciotti saved the ball from the net 11 times. The coach said the team hustled well, working together to defend the goal, with the back line developing good skills as well.

He attributes the success of the line of defense to the control of the sweeper, Kieran Winter. The whole defensive back has been a good asset to the team, along with Winter, Trace Buckert, Kolton Epperson and Dilon Jeppesen comprising the defensive line.

The coach has encouraged the defensive wings — Buckert and Epperson — to take runs on the sidelines, which has contributed to the goals the team has been able to make this year. Putting more

numbers in the attack has been a key, but Lander was able to shut it down, allowing the Dogies only one shot on goal.

"They all defended really well. We had time transitioning into the attack because of Lander's defense — they really held us in. But we kept them only at six, and they are a very good team," he said.

Controlling the ball mid field will be their focus this week in practice as they prepare to travel to compete with the Douglas Bearcats (3A Northeast 1-0, 1-7) before hosting Cheyenne South (4A East 0-6, 1-7). Both teams has similar records

as the Dogies (3A Northeast 0-2, 0-6). Aware the Dogies have forfeited once to the Bearcats this year, the team knows

Friday's game is an important one. "Douglas is an athletic team. They are still pretty new, so they don't have their own style yet. You have got to create your own style and stick with it. We really don't change to a team, this year we can't. You have to just develop a style and go with it. We are more of an attacking team this year. I don't want to just sit back on defense - that's the way it's been before — but I want to get us some goals," Will acknowledged.

Will recalls the game against Cheyenne South last year as being a shutout, so he is hopeful they will be a good match for the Dogies on Saturday at Schoonmaker Field

"I have faith in them, so we will see what happens. It's the journey, not the end product, but it's what you get from it," he remarked.

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Back — in forcing the Tigers to taking long shots instead of close shots.

In defending the net, Kelsey Wood had 11 saves. Her goal-keeping skills are improving, especially in oneon-one situations where she is aggressive at putting pressure on the opponents.

"Kelsey did a nice job. We can see her growing throughout the season. She is being a lot more patient with

Bailey Roberson and Kendra distributing the soccer ball about 6 p.m. back," noted Hoffman.

> 1-7-1). Earlier in the season, when the two teams competed the first time, the game ended in a tie. This time both teams will be hungry for a win. The JV game will be at 4 p.m. followed by Senior Night the Varsity game starting

"This week we are looking On Friday, April 26, the to break that tie and it will Dogies will host another team put us in a position for better in their quadrant, the Douglas seeding in the regional game," Bearcats (3A Northeast 0-0-1, he professed. The focus of practice leading up to Friday's game will be to play team soccer and work on communication. With effort and attention to detail, the coach reported, the Dogies will be in a position where they activities, the coach said, with can win the important game against Douglas.

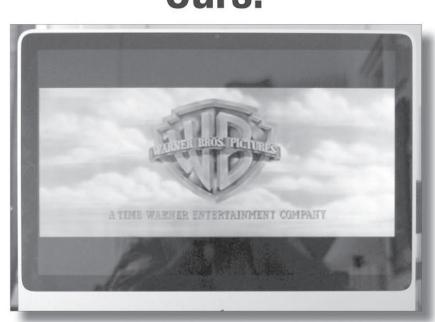
The following day they will travel to Cheyenne to play the Chevenne South 4A East (0-5, 2-5) team in a non-conference game. Last year, the Dogies played their second team, recalled the coach, because their Varsity schedule was full, so he is uncertain what to expect out of the

squad this year. "Hopefully we will build off whatever we do on Friday, where our focus is," the coach stated.

Theirs:



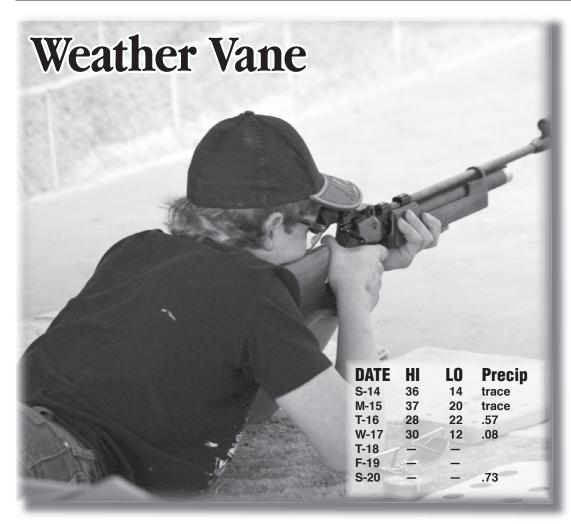
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NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF **FORECLOSURE SALE**

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated December 10, 2007, executed and delivered by George W. Cork ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for First Horizon Home Loans, a division of First Tennessee Bank N.A., its successors and assigns ("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 December 17, 2007, at Reception No. 699892 in Book 302 at Page 861; WHEREAS, the Mortgage has been duly

Assignee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National

assigned for value by Mortgagee as follows:

Assignment dated: December 17, 2012 Assignment recorded: January 7, 2013 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 740767 in Book 342 at Page 302

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

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

The property covered by said Mortgage is described as follows:

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

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

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 April 2, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming, has been postponed to 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on May 7, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, State of Wyoming.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association By: The Castle Law Group, LLC 330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202 Casper, WY 82609-0000 3073335379

(Publish April 4, 11, 18, 25 and May 2, 2013)

Deadline for Legals noon on Friday

Public Notice

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF **TRANSPORTATION** CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the State Transportation Commission of Wyoming has accepted as completed according to plans. specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming, acting through said Commission, and McMurry Ready-Mix Co., the Contractor, on Highway Project Number 0600016. in Weston county, grading, draining, milling plant mix, placing crushed base & bituminous pavement surfacing, bridge rehabilitation, removal & replacement of guardrail & cattle guards, fencing & miscellaneous work. The Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on May 29, 2013.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 18, 2013.

STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF WYOMING

By: Kimberly Lamb Project Resource Coordinator **Budget Program**

(Publish April 18, 25 and May 2, 2013)

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 February 22, 2006, which was executed and delivered by Anthony R. Goebel and Amy S. Goebel to GMAC Mortgage Corporation, and recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Weston County, Wyoming, on February 22, 2006, in Book 284 at Page 866, and was then assigned to Wyoming Community Development Authority on February 22, 2006, and the Assignment was recorded in the County Clerk's Office, Weston County, Wyoming, on February 22, 2006, in Book 284 at Page 886, 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:

A tract of land 100 feet by 100 feet in the NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 9, Township 46 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M., more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of Lot 12 of Block 19 of the Town of Nefsy, Wyoming; thence easterly in continuation of the southerly line of said Lot 12 and along the northerly side of Metz Street a distance of 10 feet; thence southerly at right angles across Metz Street a distance of 60 feet to the point of beginning of the tract of land herein conveyed and being the northwesterly corner thereof; thence easterly and parallel to the southerly line of Metz Street 100 feet; thence southerly at right angles 100 feet; thence westerly at right angles 100 feet; thence northerly at right angles 100 feet to the point of beginning of the tract of land herein conveyed. Said tract being and comprising Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16 of Block 14 of the Town of Nefsy, Wyoming as originally platted and dedicated prior to its vacation.

The mortgage contains a street address of 410 Metz, Osage WY 82723.

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 May 7, 2013. Anthony R. Goebel and Amy S. Goebel have defaulted in the terms of the note and mortgage and the undersigned claims \$38,417.28 principal and interest due on the mortgage, plus per diem interest of \$5.60 on the unpaid balance to the date of sale, plus reasonable attorney's fees and expenses.

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 3rd day of April, 2013.

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

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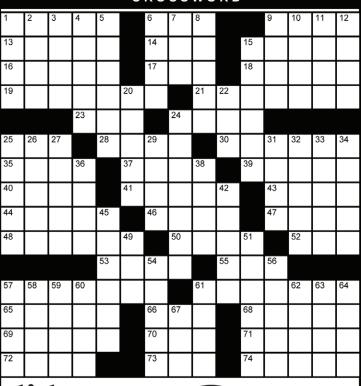
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Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated March 9, 2007, was executed and delivered by Cody L Bowen ("Mortgagor(s)") to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on March 12, 2007, at Reception No. 692216 in Book 294 at Page 730 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to fore-close the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$105,841.26 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$101,280.11 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$3,248.96, plus other costs in the amount of \$1,312.19, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

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

NOW, THEREFORE Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on April 30, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

A PORTION OF LOTS 10, 11 AND 12, BLOCK 13, ORIGINAL TOWN, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 12, BLOCK 13, ORIGINAL TOWN, NEWCASTLE AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S 29°42' E ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF LOT 12 FOR A DISTANCE OF 80.0 FEET TO AN "X" ON TOP OF ROCK WALL; THENCE S 62°18' W FOR A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO INTERSECT THE WEST **BOUNDARY OF LOT 11 AT AN ALUMINUM** CAPPED REBAR; THENCE N 29°42 W ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF LOT 11 FOR A DISTANCE OF 55.0 FEET; THENCE S 62°18' W FOR A DISTANCE OF 0.3 FEET; THENCE N 29°42' W FOR A DISTANCE OF 25.0 FEET; THENCE N 62°18' E FOR A DISTANCE OF 100.3 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 12 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND

A STRIP OF LAND LOCATED IN THE DEDICATED ALLEY BETWEEN LOTS 1 THROUGH 6 AND LOTS 7 THROUGH 12, BLOCK 13, ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE NE CORNER OF LOT 10, BLOCK 13, IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, THENCE ALONG THE NORTHERN LOT OF LINE OF SAID LOT 10 IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 0.3 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES IN SAID NORTHERN LOT LINE OF SAID LOT 10 IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 0.7 FEET; THENCE IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION IN SAID ALLEY A DISTANCE OF 24.6 FEET TO A POINT 1.0 FEET IN A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION FROM THE NORTHERN LOT LINE OF LOT 11, BLOCK 13 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION A DISTANCE OF 1.0 FEET TO INTERSECT THE NORTHERN LOT LINE OF SAID LOT 11, THENCE IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG THE NORTHERLY LOT LINE OF SAID LOT 10 AND LOT 11 A DISTANCE OF 24.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID STRIP OF LAND BEING 24.6 FEET LONG, 0.7 FEET WIDE ON THE WESTERLY END AND 1.0 FEET WIDE ON THE EASTERLY END.

with an address of 120 S Sumner Ave, Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

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

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Gwamma by JaNel Farnsworth



City Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES 2013

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13.ee
OF NEWCASTLE ZONING ORDINANCE NO.13,
SERIES 1985 TO CHANGE DEFINITION OF
MOBILE HOME FOR INDIVIDUAL ZONE LOTS
AND SPACES IN MOBILE HOME PARKS
AFTER MAY 1, 2013; AMENDING SECTION
6.f.(14) OF NEWCASTLE ZONING ORDINANCE
NO.13, SERIES 1985 TO SPECIFY TYPE OF
SKIRTING REQUIRED FOR MOBILE HOMES
ON INDIVIDUAL ZONE LOTS; AND PROVIDING
FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS the Planning Commission of the City of Newcastle has recommended the amendments to Newcastle Zoning Ordinance No. 13, Series 1985 as hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the City of Newcastle, after duly publishing notice for a public hearing as required under Wyoming Statute Section 15-1-602(b), held the public hearing on March 18, 2013 to consider the amendments to Newcastle Zoning Ordinance No. 13, Series 1985 as hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS at the public hearing held on March 18, 2013 there were no public comments regarding the recommended amendments to Newcastle Zoning Ordinance No. 13, Series 1985 as hereinafter set forth.

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

SECTION 1: Section 13.ee of Newcastle Zoning Ordinance No. 13, Series 1985 shall be and hereby is amended to read in complete form as follows:

"ee. MOBILE HOME: Subject to the exceptions hereinafter provided in this subsection, the term "mobile home" means a structure: (i) transportable in one (1) or more sections; (ii) built on a permanent chassis; (iii) designed to be used for permanent year round residential occupancy, with or without a permanent foundation, when connected to residential utility services (water, sewer, natural gas and/or electricity) and includes plumbing, heating and electrical systems, bathroom facilities, kitchen facilities, sleeping room(s) and living areas consistent with residential occupancy; (iv) was manufactured not more than twenty (20) years prior to set-up or installation within the City; (v) is certified to have been manufactured in accordance with and meeting the Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (24 C.F.R. Chapter XX, Part 3280 et seq.) in effect at the time of manufacture; and (vi) when set-up or installed is seven hundred twenty (720) or more square feet in size. Calculations used to determine the number of square feet in a mobile home will include the total of square feet for each transportable section comprising the completed structure and will be based on the structure's exterior dimensions measured at the largest horizontal projections when set-up or installed on site. These dimensions will include all expandable rooms, cabinets, and other projections containing interior space, but do not include bay windows. Mobile homes may be placed on permanent or nonpermanent foundations constructed in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications or in accordance with applicable specifications promulgated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and approved by the City

building inspector.

<u>Exceptions:</u> (A) The above definition shall

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Sealed BIDS for the Newcastle Arboretum Sidewalk Construction will be received at Newcastle city office until 5:00 P.M., May 6, 2013. Bids will then be opened by the Newcastle City Council at, 7:45 PM May 6, 2013, during the regular council meeting, and read aloud. The project will consist of constructing a6foot wide sidewalk 2500 feet long.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:
City Engineer's Office, City of Newcastle, 10
West Warwick, Newcastle, WY 82701

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of

The City Engineer, City of Newcastle, 10 West Warwick, Newcastle, WY 82701. Payment for each set is \$15.00 (non-refundable).
Dated: 4/3/2013

Robert C. Hartley P.E. City Engineer/City of Newcastle, WY

(Publish April 25 and May 2, 2013)

Bid Notice

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

The Wyoming Department of Transportation will receive sealed bids in the Office of the Procurement Services Manager, 5300 Bishop Blvd., Building No. 6189, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82009-3340, until 11:00 A.M., May 15, 2013, at which time they will be publicly opened and read for FURNISHING JANITORIAL MAINTENANCE AT THE MOORCROFT REST AREA AND OFFICE BUILDING. A MANDATORY Pre-Bid inspection will be held at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at the Moorcroft Office Building located at 604 Highway 51, Moorcroft, Wyoming. Only bids received on Wyoming Department of Transportation bid forms will be considered. Bid forms and further information may be obtained, without charge, by going to http://www.publicpurchase.com, logging in and clicking on Bid No. 13-218DA. You must be registered with Public Purchase to log in and view bids. If you are not registered, click on the "free registration" button and follow the registration instructions. The registration process takes up to 24 hours, so signing up right away is recommended.

BY: HANS F. HEHR, CPPB PROCUREMENT SERVICES MANAGER

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not apply to any structure, transportable in one (1) or more dependent sections, designed for use as a single family residential dwelling unit, but which does not meet the requirements for either a "manufactured home" or a "modular home" as defined in this Section, nor meet the requirements for "mobile home" as defined above, which structure was permitted and set-up or installed on an individual Zone Lot prior to May 1, 2013. Such structure shall be permitted to remain on the individual Zone Lot, but may not be moved and set-up or installed on another individual Zone Lot within the City. Any transportable structure replacing such existing transportable structure must meet all current applicable requirements under this Zoning Ordinance and other ordinances, rules and regulations of the City in effect at the time of set-up or installation.

(B) The above definition shall not apply to transportable structures set-up or to be set-up on a space in a mobile home court or park, which space in such mobile home court or park existed on May 1, 2013; but shall apply to any space in any mobile home court or park not existing on May 1, 2013. The City shall keep and maintain a public record of the location of each existing mobile home court or park and all existing spaces therein as of May 1, 2013. A structure, transportable in one (1) or more dependent sections, designed for use as a single family residential

dwelling unit, may be set-up on said existing space in an existing mobile home court or park. Changes in ownership of such existing spaces in existing mobile home courts or parks after May 1, 2013 shall not affect this exception."

SECTION 2: Section 6.f. (14) of Newcastle Zoning Ordinance No. 13, Series 1985 shall be and hereby is amended to read in complete form as follows:

"(14) Skirting: All mobile homes not in mobile home courts or parks shall have a skirting of a rigid type material, such as masonry, masonite, metal or wood but such skirting shall not permanently attach the mobile home to the ground or create a fire hazard. Such skirting must be in place within sixty (60) days after the mobile home is set on the Zone Lot."

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall become effective after passage and upon publication as provided by law.

Passed on first reading: March 18, 2013 Passed on second reading: April 1, 2013 PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on third reading this 15thday of April, 2013.

CITY OF NEWCASTLE: Greg James, Mayor Attest: Charita Brunner, City Clerk/Treasurer

(Publish April 25, 2013)

Blotter

April 14, 2013911 hang up. Civil standby requested. Missing



dog reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Drunk driver reported. Welfare check requested. April 15

Noise complaint.
Open door discovered.
Parking complaint.
Traffic stop, Citation
issued. Two VIN inspections. Traffic stop,
Written Warning issued.

Written Warning issued Injured cat reported. Motorist assist. 911 misdial. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

April 16
911 hang up. Assist other agency. Ministerial assistance requested. Two VIN inspections.
Trailer theft reported. School bus red light runner reported. Lost dog found. 911 hang up. Assist

Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated May 28, 2009, was executed and delivered by Eric Kleinfeldt ("Mortgagor(s)") to First National Bank of Gillette, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on May 29, 2009, at Reception No. 712221 in Book 315 at Page 220 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Assignment dated: May 28, 2009
Assignment recorded: June 2, 2009
Assignment recording information: at
Reception No. 712314 in Book 315 at Page 314

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

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to fore-close the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$143,684.38 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$140,493.11 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$3,015.27, plus other costs in the amount of \$176.00, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale:

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

NOW, THEREFORE JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on May 7, 2013 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 18, BLOCK 5 OF BLACK HILLS VIEW ADDTION, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING

with an address of 215 Highland, Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

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

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other agency. **April 17**

Bond violation reported. Animal abuse reported. Assist other agency. Junk/trash complaint. Trespass Order requested. Two VIN inspections. Arrest Warrant issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Identity theft reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

Probate Notice

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANCIS D. BRUCH, Deceased.

Probate No. PR-7922

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DECREE OF SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Craig F. Bruch, Tracy J. Bruch and Linda A. Newlin have filed in the District Court for the Sixth Judicial District in Weston County, Wyoming, an application for decree of distribution to them as the heirs at law of Francis D. Bruch, deceased, of the decedent's interest in the following described property in Weston County, Wyoming:

a) A tract of land which lays in the NW1/4 SE1/4 of Section 30, Township 45 North, Range 61 West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Weston County, Wyoming and is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a concrete right-of-way monument on the north boundary of Highway 16 Bypass, that lays N43°13'09"W a distance of 2581.36 feet from the SE Corner of Section 30, Township 45 North, Range 61 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Weston County, Wyoming and is the point of beginning; thence N41°09'00"W along the north boundary of Highway 16 Bypass for a distance of 325.88 feet to a found sucker rod; thence N89°16'55"E for a distance of 628.27 feet to an 11/2" aluminum capped rebar; thence S07°05'29"E for a distance of 204.37 feet to a 11/2" aluminum capped rebar; thence S03°13'22"W for a distance of 181.33 feet to a 11/2" aluminum capped rebar; thence S62°10'42"W for a distance of 232.54 to intersect the north boundary of Highway 16 Bypass at a 1½" aluminum capped rebar; thence northwesterly along a curve to the right with a central angle of 01°07'38" and a radius of 1809.86 feet (which chord bears N46°12'47"W with a length of 35.60 feet) for an arc distance of 35.61 feet to a 21/4 " aluminum capped rebar that marks the C.S. of the highway boundary; thence northwesterly along the north boundary of the highway right-of-way on a spiral curve to the right (which chord bears N42°37'56"W with a length of 291.54 feet) for a curving a distance of 291.63 feet to a concrete highway right-of-way monument and the point of beginning.

b) 1994 Chevrolet pickup VIN# 1GCEK14K4RE179306

Title to this vehicle was held in the name of Francis Bruch and Pauline Bruch, dba Newcastle Auto Salvage and Repair, as joint tenants with right of survivorship, Wyoming Title No. 21-166999. Pauline Bruch died November 22, 2005, in Weston County, Wyoming.

c) 1969 International Flatbed, VIN# 416 060 C04 0692

Title of this vehicle was held in the name of Francis D. Bruch dba Newcastle Auto Salvage and Repair, Wyoming Title No. 21-0136885. d) 1968 Ford Flatbed truck, VIN F35BLC76850

Title to this vehicle was held in the name of Newcastle Auto Salvage, Wyoming Title No. 21-83189. Newcastle Auto Salvage was not a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other form of legal entity, but was the name Frances D. Bruch used to conduct business. This vehicle was owned by Francis D. Bruch at the time of his death.

The application is filed under the provisions of Section 2-1-205, Wyoming Statutes.

The Court shall consider the Application at 9 o'clock a.m., on May 30,2013. If the facts stated in the Application are not in dispute, the Court shall enter a decree establishing the right and title to the property, and distributing the property as requested in the application. When recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Weston County, Wyoming, the decree and the record thereof shall be presumptive evidence of title to

the property.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2013.

Clerk of District Court Sandra Walford by Gidget Macke, Deputy

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City Council Minutes

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS **MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2013**

Mayor James called the regular meeting of Monday, April 15, 2013 to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Mayor Greg James, Linda Hunt, Todd Quigley, Archie Callander, Roger Hespe, Jim Bunch, Iva Carter.

Also present Department Heads: Attorney Jim Peck, Senior Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Deb Mills, Police Chief Jim Owens and Engineer Hartley along with several guests.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the agenda for April 15, 2013. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Roger Hespe moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 1, 2013. MOTION CARRIED.

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: Linda Hunt nominated Justin and Jessica Bettorf for the remodel of their house at 123 E. Winthrop. Greg James nominated Chris Mueller for the new store front at Newcastle Hardware.

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION: Mayor James gave a Certificate of Recognition to Norma Shelton for her nine years of service as the Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS - IN WRITING: 1. Mayor James read a letter from Cedar Hills Family Clinic, and Weston County Museum District requesting summer sewer averaging Linda Hunt moved Roger Hespe seconded to approve the request. MOTION CARRIED.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS - VERBAL - 1. Members of the Weston County Humane Society were on hand to give their report. Neela Beardsley mentioned upcoming events including a yard sale, Chip N Dip and a Bake Sale as money makers. 2. Jodi McCormack and members of the Newcastle Middle School Student Council appeared to present the Council with

a check for \$400.00 on behalf of the Scenic Byways Project.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: 1. Todd Quigley informed the council the sanitation committee met, and Bob Hartley reported recommendations for landfill fees. Linda Hunt moved to move forward with the recommendation and be effective July 1, 2013. Jim Bunch seconded, MOTION CARRIED.

At 7:30 pm Mayor James stopped the regular meeting to hold a public hearing on the renewal of CLUB LICENSE #1, NEWCASTLE COUNTRY CLUB, dba Newcastle Country Club. Mayor James asked if there was any public comment regarding the renewal of this license. There was no public comment. Mayor James asked for a motion to approve CLUB LICENSE #1. Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve the license as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor James returned the meeting to regular session at 7:35 p.m.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Senior Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Mills – 1. Clerk/Treasurer Brunner was absent but reminded Council and Department Heads about the budget work-session scheduled for April 29, 2013 at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

2. The City of Newcastle have been taking credit cards for a couple of months and it is going very well.

City Attorney Jim Peck - 1. read third reading of ORDINANCE #1, SERIES 2013 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 13ee OF NEWCASTLE ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 13 SERIES 1985 TO CHANGE DEFINITION OF MOBILE HOME FOR INDIVIDUAL ZONE LOTS AND SPACES IN MOBILE HOME PARKS AFTER MAY 1, 2013; AMENDING SECTION 6.f.(14) OF NEWCASTLE ZONING ORDINANCE NO.13, SERIES 1985 TO SPECIFY TYPE OF SKIRTING REQUIRED FOR MOBILE HOMES ON INDIVIDUAL ZONE LOTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Jim Bunch moved and Archie Callander seconded to pass

ORDINANCE #1, SERIES 2013 on third and final reading. MOTION CARRIED. 2. Mentioned he had been visiting with Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Mills about deposits dealing with delinquent accounts. The council decided to have a committee meeting at 4:30 April 29, 2013, to review the new proposals and bring back the recommendations to the council.

City Engineer Hartley - 1. Informed the council the new restrooms at the ball field are up and running. Power is run temporarily. The City will not have the expense of renting port-a-potties this summer. 2. The new meter house at the Refinery will be operational within a month. 3. Taylor Hespe has taken the position as equipment operator at the landfill and Bob has recommended his hourly wage be raised to \$12.50 per hour starting the next pay period. Jim Bunch moved for the increase in Taylor's hourly wage effective next pay period, Archie Callander seconded, MOTION CARRIED. Roger Hespe abstained from the discussion and vote. 4. The vacancy left at the shop Bob recommended, hiring Sean Goodart at \$11.50 per hour, on probation. Jim Bunch moved, Linda Hunt seconded, to hire Sean Goodart, MOTION CARRIED

Police Chief Jim Owens - 1. Recommended a \$.50 pay raise for Officer Peg Miles retroactive April 2, 2013 as she has reached professional level. Linda Hunt moved, Archie Callander seconded, the pay raise retroactive April 2, 2013, MOTION CARRIED. 2. April 27, 2013 is drug take back day. This will be in the parking lot of Shopko from 10AM -2PM

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

Todd Quigley moved and Archie Callander seconded to pay the claims against the City dated April 15, 2013. MOTION CARRIED.

Archie Callander moved and Roger Hespe seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Claims: Ad-Pro, labels/envelopes, \$25.44; Aire

County Commission Minutes

APRIL 16, 2013

The regular meeting of the Weston County Commissioners convened at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Seeley presiding. Present for the meeting were Commissioners: Lenard D. Seeley, Randy Rossman, Marty Ertman, Tracy Hunt and County Clerk, Mamie C. Krank. Not present for the meeting was Commissioner Jerry Shepperson.

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

Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 2, 2013, as advertised. Carried.

FY2013 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality **Application**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a Resolution to apply for FY2013 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant funding in the amount of \$261,877.20, of which \$52,375.44 is local match funding. Carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to approve and sign a Right of Way Certificate for the FY2013 CMAQ Application. Carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, to approve and sign a letter for modified projects explaining the cost increases contained in the FY2013 CMAQ Application. Carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to approve and authorize Chairman Seelev's signature on Appendix B, the public interest finding for the FY2013 CMAQ Grant Application, and attach the article from the News Letter Journal to the application. Carried.

Public Health

Lori Bickford, Public Health, met with the Commissioners and discussed the Emergency Preparedness Response Coordinator's position. Mrs. Bickford has been filling this role but would like to share a Public Health Response Coordinator (PHRC) with Crook County. Mrs. Bickford informed the Commissioners that her supervisor would attend the Commissioners Meeting on May 7, 2013, to discuss options for Weston County. No action was taken.

Central Weston County Solid Waste

Cynthia Crabtree and Delbert Strickling. Central Weston County Solid Waste District (CWCSWD) Board Members, met with the Commissioners and discussed the future of the facility. Mr. Strickling related that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will not allow the District to expand due to ground water issues, and the District has approximately one year's time left in the current boundaries. The Commissioners discussed a county-wide district. Mrs. Crabtree stated that the District property is owned by Weston County and the Commissioners should consider funding this facility. No action was taken, this issue will be re-visited.

The meeting recessed at 9:59 a.m. and reconvened at 10:08 a.m. with all present. **County Commissioner Scholarship** <u>Awards</u>

Three new County Commissioner Scholarships and one Renewal Scholarship; each in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the academic year, were awarded by the Weston County Commissioners. The Commissioners considered the eligibility of each applicant and awarded on the basis of need, academic standing and leadership qualities. A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to award the Renewal Scholarship to Mitch Weigel (Newcastle). Discussion ensued, carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Hunt, to award Susan Button (Newcastle), Adam Gettinger (Newcastle) and Shannon Donohoe (Upton) new scholarships. Discussion ensued, carried. A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to list the alternate candidates as follows: Kaitlyn Livingston, Dakota McCormack and Gideon Baldwin. Discussion ensued, carried. Chairman Seeley will present the scholarships in Newcastle and Commissioner Shepperson will present in

The meeting recessed at 11:08 a.m. and

reconvened at 11:15 a.m. with all present. Budget Amendment - LEPC

Chairman Seeley opened a Budget Amendment Hearing to consider transferring funds from the General Fund portion of the FY2013 Budget to a revenue account for the LEPC Haz Mat Emergency Plan Grant, to cover expenditures made in FY2011. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to accept a budget amendment to transfer funds in the amount of \$166.40 to LEPC Haz Mat Emergency Plan Grant. Discussion ensued, carried.

Budget Amendment - Coroner Chairman Seeley opened a Budget Amendment Hearing to consider transferring funds from the General Fund portion of the FY2013 Budget to the Coroner's Budget to cover costs incurred from 2006 to 2010 for autopsy services rendered. A motion was made by Commissioner Hunt, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to accept the budget amendment in the amount of \$4,080.50 for the Coroner's Budget as advertised. Carried.

Wyoming County Commissioners <u>Association</u>

Commissioner Ertman gave a report on the Wyoming County Commissioners Association (WCCA) Meeting she attended in Casper from April 10-12, 2013. Many topics were discussed including: State of Wyoming budget cuts and the effects on Counties, insurance changes due to new legislation, Federal Regulations associated with the Health Care Reform Bill and the importance of counties placing fire restrictions or bans early in the season. Commissioner Ertman was thanked for her attendance at the meeting and reporting back to the Commission. No action was taken.

Sheriff's Department Bryan Colvard, County Sheriff, met with the Commissioners and discussed a US Forest Service Patrol Grant for FY2014. Sheriff Colvard stated that the grant is in the amount of \$4.900.00, the same as the last several years. Sheriff Colvard discussed updates for the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) drawings and remodel. Sheriff Colvard discussed legislation concerning gun control in Wyoming, and the possible implementation of a canine unit in

The meeting recessed at 11:56 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with all present except Commissioner Hunt who joined the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

Weston County. No action was taken.

FY2012 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a FY2012 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$152,925.00, comprised of \$122,340.00 Federal Funds and \$30,585.00 Local Funding. Discussion ensued, carried.

Circuit Court Rental Agreement A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a Circuit Court Rental Agreement between Weston County and the City of Newcastle effective July 1, 2013. The agreement is in the amount of \$800.00 per month to be paid by the County to the City for the use of the building for State of Wyoming Circuit Court. Discussion ensued, carried.

Public Defender Rental Agreement A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a Public Defender Office Space Rental Agreement between Weston County, Crook County and the City of Newcastle, effective July 1, 2013. The agreement is in the amount of \$600.00 per month paid to the City, shared equally between Crook County and Weston County. Carried.

Audit Service Renewal Agreement A motion was made by Commissioner Ertman, seconded by Commissioner Rossman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on a Renewal Agreement to provide Audit Services between Weston County and Porter Muirhead, Cornia & Howard CPA's for FY2014. The Agreement states that all audit services will be provided to Weston County through June 30, 2014, at a cost of \$41,000.00. Carried. **Weston County Event Center**

Chairman Seeley read aloud an annual report written by Mamie C. Krank, Weston County Clerk, to Wyoming Business Council regarding the Business Ready Community (BRC) Grant Funding used for the construction of the

Weston County Event Center. A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on the BRC Annual Report.

Boring under County Roads Chairman Seeley read aloud a letter addressed to Tom Littman, Eighty-Eight Oil, concerning boring under county roads. The letter stated that the Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) method of installing steel pipe as presented in the meeting of April 2, 2013, along with cathodic protection and smart pig monitoring would be an acceptable alternative to casing steel pipeline when boring under the county roads in the Upton Logistics Center. Prior approval of the letter by Commissioners Seeley, Shepperson, Ertman and Hunt was discussed for the record. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened at 2:28 p.m. with all present.

Work Session / Board Member Removal The hour being 2:28 p.m., the Commissioners entered a work session to promulgate rules for removal of County Board Members. The Commissioners convened the work session at 3:15 p.m.

Library

Brenda Ayres, Library Director, met with the Commissioners and discussed landscaping upgrades. The Library Foundation would like to upgrade flowerbeds and landscaping on the property. The Commissioners agreed that the upgrades should be completed. Mrs. Ayres discussed storing some of the downtown speaker system equipment at the Library. The Commissioners agreed that if there was room, they had no objections.

Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Rick Miller, BLM, met with the Commissioners and discussed upcoming projects in the surrounding area. Mr. Miller discussed the Black Hills Power Teckla Power line project which will stretch from Rapid City to the Osage Substation and on to Gillette, primarily on BLM lands. Mr. Miller discussed the Thunderbird Pipeline, which will not be located in Weston County but will run from Alzada to Hulett, Wyoming. Mr. Miller discussed a Uranium mine in Sundance, Wyoming and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) involvement. Commissioner Ertman questioned the impact monies for Weston County. Mr. Miller related that a Sage Grouse meeting will be held in Rawlins on June 3-4, 2013. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Miller for the information given. No action was taken.

Gravel

Joni Kachelhoffer, WY Department of Transportation (WY DOT), met with the Commissioners and discussed the WY DOT project on Highway 16 and the County's gravel crushing agreement. Because of changes to the WY DOT project, the bid letting will not be held until June and Mrs. Kachelhoffer suggested the County may need to purchase gravel from another source for this summer's projects. Mrs. Kachelhoffer discussed the removal of a cattle guard on the Salt Creek Road approach. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 3:48 p.m. and reconvened at 3:55 p.m. with all present. **USFS Patrol Grant**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on an Agreement for US Forest Service Patrol Grant Funds for FY2014 in the amount of \$4,900.00. Carried.

Work Session / Board Member Removal

The hour being 3:57 p.m., the Commissioners entered a work session to promulgate rules for removal of County Board Members. The Commissioners convened the work session at 4:25 p.m.

Rebate of Taxes

A motion was made by Commissioner Rossman, seconded by Commissioner Ertman, to accept and authorize Chairman Seeley's signature on two Rebates of Taxes for Direct TV received from the County Treasurer. The first numbered 1052 in the amount of \$119.01 and the second numbered 1053 in the amount of \$127.57. Carried.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

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

(Publish April 25, 2013)

Master of WY, office deodorizer, \$10.00; Alpha Communications \$ 95.00; American Engineering Testing, Landfill #2, \$2746.80; Architectural Specialties, doors/panic bar, etc., \$1862.66; BH Power, electricity, \$1300.20; Blue Tarp Financial, safety vests, \$521.95; Cambria Supply, supplies, \$1301.76; CNA Surety, Robertson E&O, Notary bond, \$100.00; Collins Communications, offsite data storage, \$45.00; CPS Distributors, battery/ solenoid, \$2429.08; CRA Payment Center, 2 pipe, \$146.00; Croell Redi-Mix, concrete, \$4209.00; Culligan, water, \$30.00; Dakota Radiator, repairs. \$230.00; Deckers, grocery, \$18.83; Energy Labs, water samples, \$60.00; Fisher Sand & Gravel, L base, \$359.55; Frontier Home, supplies, \$161.88; Gateway Auto, supplies, \$464.22; Gempler's, over-boots, \$96.50; Hansen Equipment, auger/ scraper blades. \$118.59: Neve's Uniforms. pants/shirts, \$282.18; Newcastle Hardware, supplies, \$651.36; Newcastle Police Dept., petty cash expenses, \$59.08; Newcastle Vol. Fire Dept., credit card reimb, \$573.03; News Letter Journal, publishing, business cards, tree insertion, \$2119.20; Norco, supplies, \$22.63; Northern Safety & Industrial, supplies, \$548.63; Northwest Pipe Fittings, low voltage wire, \$24.08; Office Shop Leasing, Can copier leasing, \$106.81; Oil City Supply, supplies, \$38.14; One Call of WY, March tickets, \$26.25; Randy Dixon, computer support, \$90.00; Rapid Delivery, delivery charges, \$50.40; Renegade Paint and Pipes, windshield, \$474.95; RT Communications, trunk line share, \$311.70; RT Communications, E911 /lines, etc., \$1517.67; Salt Creek Vet Clinic, \$47.38; Shopko, supplies, \$145.08; Terri Meyer, hall cleaning, \$360.50; Thar's Ranch Supply, whip/syringe, \$18.35; US Games, swing seats, \$269.06; WCS Telecom, I/d tele, \$137.26; WEBT, life ins. \$98.50: Weston Co. Health Services. blood test, \$20.00; Weston Co. Road & Bridge, fuel, \$9651.30; Weston Co. Treasurer, airport expense, LEC utilities share, \$2096.75; Weston Co. Clerk, youth services program, \$966.55; Weston Co. Humane Society, food fee, \$3.00; Weston Co. True Value, fire hall supplies, hose/ washer, \$295.29; WY Conference of Municipal Courts, Crow/May conference fee, \$100.00; WY Automotive, supplies, \$951.86; Water Deposit Refunds: Joseph Stringer, \$69.51;

Greg James, Mayor ATTEST: Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner

(Publish April 25, 2013)

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF WESTON COUNTY RETAIL, LIMITED RETAIL, RESTAURANT LIQUOR AND RETAIL MALT BEVERAGE **PERMITS**

APPLICANT DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

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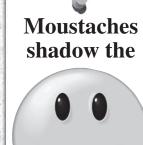
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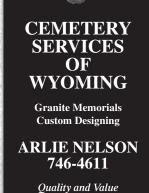
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3RD GRADE: ALANA HADLOCK



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When interviewed for our Buddy Biography project Aidan wrote that, "She is fun and when she tells you things they are always true."

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A=awesome helper to her peers and teacher

N=never says I won't

A=awesome personality we all like to be around.

Congratulations Alana Hadlock!

3rd Grade: Cael Holmes



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With most of the year behind us and only a month left a teacher can truly tell who their good citizens are. They have been around them day in and day out and have seen them grow as individuals. This is why the choice for April was an easy one to make. The student for the month of April is the same genuine caring passionate student that he was the first day of school. This student has the upmost respect for teachers and his peers alike. You can see in his actions and the sound of his voice that he is truly concerned with others. He is the first one to volunteer for any job, whether it is answering a question, running an errand, or picking up a mess. When a class mate is hurt he is the first one to console them and find out if they are alright. When the class starts to get out of hand he is the first one to ask them politely to please quiet down so that others as well as himself may work. This student is a great leader in which many look up to and follow his good decisions. The good citizen for April cares not only for others but is very concerned in his own work. This student works to the best of his abilities on every piece of work that is put in front of him. Not only does this student have all of these great traits that I look for in a good citizen, he has the unique ability to have fun and make a classroom fun for all teachers and students alike. He knows how to have fun, but also understands when it is time to work. So it is with my great pleasure to introduce to you the good citizen of the month, who I believe could host his very own "madder than a rattle snake in a bus barn," Cael Holmes.

4th Grade: Paige Deyo



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To be considered for Good Citizen in 4th Grade, students must be able to overcome new obstacles and grow academically and socially. They must continue to display numerous other qualities that come with this grade level

To rise among these numerous unseen barriers, and flourish, is one of the challenges that accompany a 4th grader. As new growth in nature appears during these final Spring days of the school year, it also occurs in the classroom and on the playground. One student who has consistently displayed growth in her academics, and also in her openness towards classmates and adults. deserves to be recognized. She follows the rules, practices good manners, and shows common sense daily. She treats others around her with respect, and her attitude has continued to grow and change in a positive fashion. She is hard working, responsible for her work and continues to be productive in these final days. She is constantly striving to prepare herself for the next level. "oh my gosh!" escapes her lips as she enthusiastically takes on another challenge. Way to go, Paige Deyo, our April Good Citizen.

5th Grade: Jake Deveraux



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Our outstanding fifth grade student for this month is a very focused and responsible student who clearly fills the role as Good Citizen! This person is a great model of hard work and excellence to everyone around him. Our student of the month has an incredible work ethic. He always strives to do his very best and is willing to put in the time to succeed. He will work as long as it takes to understand a concept and will accept nothing

He is willing to ask for help and to help others. His "grin" flashes throughout the room and classmates appreciate the time and effort that he tirelessly gives to them. He does not judge his classmates but works with patience, humor and kindness to help them find success.

His classmates think of him as a well behaved student who is respectful of others. In the classroom as well as the playground this student is a leader who is fair and stands up for injustice to others. He will defend whoever is honest and needs help solving a problem.

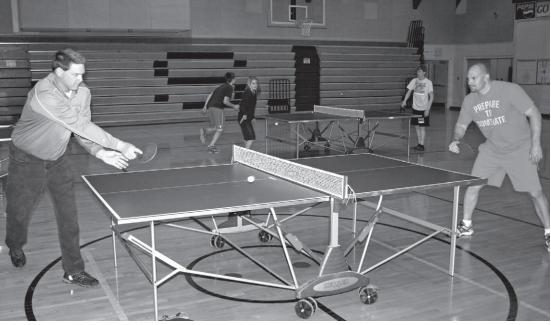
This young man does not allow people to be left out and has the ability to make everyone feel important. He works very well with everyone in small or large groups. He loves to hang out with his classmates. They love his incredible sense of humor and his ability to laugh at himself.

Our student of the month knows how to smile and cooperate when things don't go his way. His drive and fearfulness allows him to face new challenges with a commitment to excellence.

His classmates say he is nice and very funny. They like how much he helps others and admire the way he tries new things. They say he is very athletic and good at sports.

This is a young cowboy who loves to rope and ride! He enjoys playing football, the Denver Broncos and his new passion, riding his dirt bike. It is with great pride that our choice for Good Citizen for 5th grade this month is Jake Deveraux.

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The school year might be winding to its inevitable conclusion, but students and coaches at Newcastle High School are still excited about sports. Unfortunately, the wealth of spring moisture — most of which has come in the form of snow — has curtailed competition as track and soccer teams have seen games and meets cancelled on several occasions throughout the past few weeks.

But where there's a will, there's a way, and a pair of high school physical education teachers have found a way to keep the emphasis on being active, and encourage students to find competitive outlets even when Mother Nature isn't cooperating.

And if they get a chance to relive their glory days a bit while they're at it, that's

That's the attitude NHS football and basketball coaches Matt Conzelman and Chad Ostenson brought to the Dogie Dome over the past couple of weeks while high school PE classes were working up a sweat, albeit a light one, during the ping-pong unit that was being taught.

Conzelman, a former Hulett Red Devil, and Ostenson, a star with the Custer Wildcats back in the day, decided to engage in a little friendly competition by challenging each other to a best-of-seven showdown.

Once the students were taught the basics of the game, and given time to pair off and compete against each other, the two teachers would take over one of the available tables and square off for a match or two. After a week of spirited competition, the series was tied at 2-2, and that's when Conzelman raised the stakes by alerting the media.

"It's starting to get interesting," he told the News Letter Journal early last week.

Ostenson is a long-time Dogie assistant coach in both football and girls' basketball who did his student teaching here this year. He overcame the expertise Conzelman had developed after several years of teaching the unit in Newcastle, and stood poised to pull off an upset after the first three games of the series.

"When he got up 2-1 on me, the trash talk started," Conzelman reported.

The veteran rallied to claim victory in Game Four, turning the match into a best-of-three series, and the duo picked Friday afternoon as the day when they would settle the matter once and for all.

Conzelman, Newcastle's head football coach and an assistant in the high school boys' basketball program, showed up covered in orange for the event, but Ostenson, perhaps sensing that he would have to summon as close as it got, and Conzelman do!" he grinned.

up some of the magic that he displayed in his athletic prime, elected to don his old school colors for the confrontation.

'Wildcat purple!" he proclaimed as he stepped up to the table for the start of the match. That may not have been the

best choice, as Conzelman's orange wardrobe seemed to give him something of a home court advantage, and he dominated through the early going to stake himself to a 14-6 lead.

"Time out!" Ostenson called in an effort to regroup.

"I've got him on the ropes," Conzelman grinned at the students as his opponent walked in a circle, gathering himself for a hoped-for comeback.

It wasn't to be, however, as Conzelman made short work of the ex-Wildcat by rattling off five straight points to claim a 3-2 advantage in the series with a 21-6 win.

Faced with the prospect of having to win two straight contests to claim the title, Ostenson indicated that his counterpart may have brought extra attention to the event in an attempt to get him off his game. If that was the case, it appeared to have worked.

"It's not good. Maybe I can't handle the pressure of having the media here," Ostenson smiled ruefully.

He bounced back and made Game Six a more competitive affair, but Conzelman was in rare form — and apparently unwilling to relinquish bragging rights in the gym he has taught in for the better part of a decade. With time winding down on the class period, he held a 20-16 lead, and his adversary was going to have to summon a miracle to force a seventh and deciding game.

"This will be one of those epic comebacks," Ostenson predicted before serving and claiming a quick point to get within three.

Unfortunately, that would be

made the whole affair somewhat anti-climactic by returning the very next serve for the deciding point in a 21-17 victory.

Ostenson, clearly chagrined by the poor showing, did his best to make light of the situation.

"I suppose it would have been embarrassing for you, as a full-time PE teacher, if you didn't beat me," he laughed, as Conzelman set down his paddle and raised his arms in triumph.

"I don't know, you were pretty tough," the champ said as the two shook hands in a display of sportsmanship for the small handful of students that had taken a break from their own matches to witness the affair.

Conzelman, who over the years has organized dodge ball tournaments for students and teachers to participate in during lunch, and makes a practice of finding ways to make competition more interesting during class periods, has generally found a way to involve himself in whatever activity his students are engaged in. He said the showdown between himself and Ostenson was just another way to demonstrate for kids the enjoyment that can be taken from participating in lifelong sports like ping-pong.

"We just like to have fun with it," he said as the class period came to a conclusion.

Although there were no awards presented to the coaches after their series wrapped up, Conzelman said he often finds ways to reward the students for the level of prowess they show as different activities are undertaken during the course of the school year. He has purchased Gatorade bottles of varying sizes for those who will be crowned winners at the conclusion of the ping-pong unit, with the larger bottles going to those who advance the farthest.

"And when we play pickleball later, I'm going to give different-sized pickles to the kids depending on how they

Love wins skills competition

A Newcastle student attending Gillette College Technology Competition followed by his GC was recognized for exceptional knowledge and expertise in his chosen field at a competition in Wyoming this month. The Northern Wyoming Community College District student teams represented Sheridan and Gillette Colleges' technical programs well during SkillsUSA competitions in Casper last week, according to Dean of Career and Technical Education, Jed Jensen.

"The performance of our students is a direct reflection on the quality of both instruction and curriculum at our Colleges," said Jensen. "The competition is fierce, and our students demonstrated poise, knowledge, and professionalism. I am proud of them all."

GC student John Love won gold in the Diesel

peers, Brandon Winterholler and Kris Krogman, who took silver and bronze, respectively. Those who won gold medals during the competition will be invited to participate in the national competition that will be held in Kansas City in June. The Outstanding College Chapter award went to Sheridan and Gillette took the runner-up award.

"Our congratulations to all of the students who participated in this year's state-wide competition and to those who earned medals for truly outstanding effort," said Jensen. "None of these awards would be possible without our outstanding faculty who have taught, trained and prepared the students for this competition and worked to help make them job-ready as they graduate."