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Bob Bonnar
NLJ Editor

Travelers who venture to Newcastle this summer will find that there is plenty of tradition and heritage to boast of in Weston County, but the community's ability to verify the wealth of local lore that exists was threatened considerably when historian Leonard Cash reported that a significant portion of his photograph collection has mysteriously disappeared.

"He came in and reported that his photo albums were missing," Newcastle Police Chief Jim Owens said after Cash appeared at the Law Enforcement Center to report the suspected theft on the morning of June 9.

Cash told the News Letter Journal that he first discovered the photo albums were gone two days earlier, when stone mason John Francis visited him to view Old Mill photos in Cash's collection.

Francis is currently recon-

structing part of the historic Newcastle restaurant at Devil's Tower, using stones from the building to create a new visitors center at the monument.

"It was a week ago Sunday," Cash recalled. "Some of the numbers (used to reference placement of the stones in the original structure) got washed off, and he wanted some really good pictures of the Old Mill."

He said he furiously searched his home for the photos and has confirmed that at least five albums full of historic photos taken around Newcastle and Weston County are missing.

"I tore that house up from one end to another, and they are just not in the house. I figure there are well over 1,000 gone, and some of them we will never be able to replace," Cash sighed.

His daughter, Annette Koester, immediately spread word of the dis-

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Weston County School Board member John Reiland, Mayor Greg James, northeast regional director for the Wyoming Business Council Dave Spencer and councilman Steven Ladwig discuss recreation plans. (Todd Bennington/NLJ)

Rec talks move forward

Todd Bennington
NLJ Reporter

Representatives of Weston County School District No. 1, Eastern Weston County Recreation District, and Newcastle met with Dave Spencer, northeast regional director for the Wyoming Business Council, the afternoon of Wednesday, June 10. The local entities are exploring the possibility of an obtaining a Community Enhancement Grant from the council in order to fund recreational infrastructure improvements.

The proposed improvements are being considered in conjunction with the potential creation of the position of a community recreation director position. The person hired to fill the post would work to increase the public's access to and awareness of existing recreational opportunities and facilities and to coordinate facility use.

Though the council is unable to provide direct funding for the position, those present at the meeting said they considered WBC funding, in the form of an

enhancement grant for related infrastructure projects, to be integral to the success of any new position in the long run.

News Letter Journal Publisher Bob Bonnar, who was present in his capacity as a school trustee, told Spencer that "we think that in order (for the community recreation director position) to have long-term stability and community buy-in, that we probably do need to show some effort to improve infrastructure, and that's why we've asked you to be here."

The proposed projects and funding

The main infrastructure projects proposed are the completion of the existing network of bike/walking trails, the construction of two tennis courts at the Larry Price Memorial Park and improvements to the patio area of the Kozisek Aquatic Center. A written proposal from the recreation district estimates the cost of the trail completion and tennis courts at \$200,000 and \$150,000, respectively.

Bonnar said that though the enhancement grants require a 50 percent match,

he believed much of the required matching funds were already available, potentially allowing city and recreation board funds to be put directly toward salary and support of the rec director position.

"I think through (city Councilwoman Linda) Hunt's work," he said, "through some of the private partnerships and corporate sponsorships in the community, the money that's already been secured and put into that project in recent months, ... that we might be at our 50 percent or near our 50 percent right now, which would then free up recreation resources to put into this recreation director position."

City Engineer Bob Hartley clarified with Spencer that a federal grant, which is filtered through the Wyoming Dept. of Transportation and is being used to fund some of the bike paths, could be counted toward the matching funds. Typically grants through WYDOT require a 20 percent grant match themselves, the pair noted.

In response to a question from Hunt about whether it might be more feasible to

pursue additional WYDOT funding, Bonnar reminded those present that the business council's enhancement grant has the advantage in that, unlike the WYDOT funding, it can be utilized more broadly and would allow for construction of the tennis courts.

Spencer cautioned, however, that when it comes to using other grants as matching funds, timing is crucial. Though he said the business council now works on a quarterly rolling-deadline system for grant applications, with applications due the first of September, December, March, or June, grants utilized for matching funding need to coincide with the council's timetable.

Time line, in-kind funding issues

"When you're trying to match existing funding, you want to make sure that that nexus is happening at the same time. We can't use stuff that was funded previous to any kind of an application being filed. It has to be part of the same project basically," Spencer said.

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Funding friends

Denice Pisciotto
NLJ Reporter

The Eastern Weston County Recreation District board agreed to provide financial support to the Weston County Friends of the Fair at their meeting May 27, even though some board members expressed concern over the current operation of the fairgrounds.

Nancy Darnell, who represented the Friends of the Fair at the meeting, presented two separate requests for money at the Weston County School District No. 1 board of trustees meeting immediately prior to the rec board meeting. The first request was for \$2,000 for general upgrades to the fairgrounds, which would include a donor sign above the bucking shoots. A second request for \$1,000 was to help fund five Gymkhana equestrian events at the fairgrounds this year. Darnell told the board that she hoped they would fund one or the other but didn't expect them to provide money for both.

Board members, who are all school trustees, had varying opinions about giving money to the fairgrounds, but in the end, all agreed to fund not only the \$2,000 request but also the \$1,000 request for the gymkhana.

"As Friends of the Fair, we raise money for projects and ask for donations. Then every bit of money that the Friends of the Fair has goes either for fairgrounds improvement or promotion. Our bylaws require that, and that is how we conduct ourselves," Darnell said.

Ten years ago, the Friends of the Fair received \$2,000 from the board to

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Newcastle grad seeks to revolutionize microscope technology

Todd Bennington
NLJ Reporter

How medical professionals go about diagnosing diseases in field situations, particularly in the developing world, may be turned on its head if the engineering and entrepreneurial endeavors of Jeffrey Schmidt, a 1976 graduate of Newcastle High School, come to fruition.

Schmidt, who holds engineering-related degrees from the University of Wyoming and the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, is currently hard at work on a super-compact, portable imaging microscope, the Peri-scope 1, which is intended to function as a removable module for Google's new Project Ara smartphone.

The innovative Ara phone, which is currently in development with a trial release scheduled for the end of this year in Puerto Rico, will feature ports for removable hardware, such as cameras and scientific instruments like the microscope Schmidt is designing.

"The basic idea of this project is that Google has developed this phone that is modular," Schmidt explained. "A typical cellphone these days, you can develop different apps for it. It's open source software. In this case, it's open source hardware as well, so you can just add anything you want to the phone. You can basically make the

phone into any instrument you want by adding hardware to it."

Schmidt, who worked in telecommunications for 14 years, mainly on cellphones, said the impetus for starting his California-based company, Peritech, came after being laid off last year from multinational communications and technology giant Nokia during a bout of restructuring.

"I looked for a job for a while and then just got to thinking to try my own thing," said Schmidt, who added that he claims no particular title for himself within his company.

In part, that's because Peritech is essentially a one-man show, at this point, although Schmidt's sisters, Janene and Jennifer, provide him with some respective support with business management and getting the word out about his current project.

"When we first started, we had four founding members and then, due to delays in getting support from Google for this project, almost everybody went their own ways," Schmidt explained. "A lot of developers are just stuck right now because Google hasn't delivered the development hardware that they promised because they're redesigning it."

But the setback of having his fellow co-founding engineers leave to find work elsewhere hasn't been the only obstacle Schmidt has faced in seeing his technological vision come



Jeffrey Schmidt of Poway, Calif., holds a prototype of his Peri-tech 1 microscope module for the new Google Project Ara smartphone. He hopes the device will simplify the diagnosis of malaria in the developing world. (Submitted Photo)

about. Development costs for optical equipment run high, he said, with the design of the lens itself presenting a significant financial hurdle.

"Optical engineers are a specialty, and they charge an arm and a leg," Schmidt said with a sigh, adding that all quotes he's obtained thus far have

estimated the cost for the design of the lens alone at \$20,000-\$50,000.

Still, Schmidt, who intends his product for use in diagnosing diseases in parts of the developing world where infrastructure is limited, said he believes he can still keep his costs reasonable, aiming for a retail price

of under \$200.

"To make each lens is going to be a significant cost to the product," he reasoned, "but I'm hoping, since we're a small company, I don't have to ask for a large margin on the

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Our View

There to share

We hope that the loss of a local historian's valuable photo collection is an indication of the interest residents have in our local heritage and customs, and not merely the work of an individual seeking to do nothing more than inflict pain and misery on a man who has worked tirelessly to preserve some of our community's most cherished memories.

As you can see from the greatly expanded *Western Heritage Guide* included in this issue, we believe that our history is one of Weston County's most valuable possessions, and we hope the publication will not only attract visitors to this area, but also remind those of us who live here — and the folks who will be coming home for the All School Reunion — of how rich our heritage truly is. We could not have produced the *Western Heritage Guide* without the help of people like Leonard Cash, and we drew on him as a resource several times over the years as we developed the stories that you'll read in it. While we were fortunate enough to draw on his memory for most of what we produced, his vast collection of not just photographs — but also notes, artifacts and past publications — is a resource that others will be able to tap into long after all of us are gone.

Indeed, the value of Cash's collection — which can't really be determined in dollars and cents — is greatly increased because he is the one who possesses it. His willingness to share the things he has gathered over the years is probably even more valuable to this community than the collection itself, and we should all be more than just a little bit concerned over the disappearance of hundreds of photographs that belonged to him. His attitude towards history, and desire that it be shared freely, means that those photographs belonged to all of us, regardless of where they are stored.

Most of our readers can no doubt close their eyes, and picture Indiana Jones holding aloft some priceless relic that he has retrieved from a profit-seeking mercenary, triumphantly shouting, "This belongs in a museum!"

Leonard Cash's exploits in building his own collection pale in comparison to those of the fictional character created by George Lucas and Steven Spielberg, but he was motivated in his own quests by the same belief — that history is meant to be shared.

It is for that reason that we hope the photos will be found and returned to their rightful caretaker, and we echo the prayers of he and his family that none of them are destroyed. We also urge anybody who knows what may have happened to them to provide that information to local law enforcement so the collection can be secured, not just for the man who worked so painstakingly to create it, but for those of us who value our tradition and the work he has done to preserve it.

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Letters to the Editor

Heighten your awareness as the Rainbow people arrive

Dear Editor,

The "Rainbow Gathering of Living Light", a national gathering that could attract 7,000 to 20,000 visitors, will be coming to camp soon on the Black Hills National Forest.

The Rainbow Gathering claims its purpose is to camp together as a community to discuss political and environmental issues, pray for world peace, and celebrate life over two-plus weeks surrounding the Fourth of July. An event of this size can have a significant impact on communities, traffic, local resources, natural resources, cultural resources, forest users, residents and visitors.

The Forest Service and local law enforcement are bracing for this influx of people in a vicinity near our community. The area around Rochford has a high likelihood of being chosen as the meeting site. This large influx could occur beginning June 17, increasing up to the targeted gathering dates of July 1-7.

Newcastle Police Chief Jim Owens has expressed concerns that their presence could impact our community in a less than positive way.

As with any large concentration of people, they are not all good. Several observations of bad behavior have been relayed through the meetings of law enforcement and forest service. There have already been incidences in surrounding towns as they make their way to the Black Hills.

Please be aware of an increase of shop lifting, gas drive-offs, panhandling and loitering. Observe a heightened level of security in the coming weeks.

If you have questions or concerns please contact the Newcastle City Police Department.

—Susan Love
Director, Newcastle Chamber of Commerce

Local vocalists did us proud when they honored our nation

Dear Editor,

It was a pleasure to listen to the young group that sang our National Anthem at the fairgrounds on

Living up to Dad's code

Jessalynn Centifanto
Summer Solace

I have always been bad at math. Since I can remember doing my first math problems in elementary school, I have been bad at it. In high school, I remember failing a midterm math test, which resulted in a sit-down discussion with my dad.

What he told me was that he wouldn't be mad if I didn't get an A in the class. However, he did expect me to do everything I could do to get an A and he would get me whatever help I needed. The result was that I worked with a math tutor every day for a year and sometimes spent up to five hours a night on just math homework. I got the A, but I had to work really hard for it.

In another, advanced placement class, I got a B on my midterm and still maintained an overall A in the class. My dad was furious. He knew I was capable of getting an A, but because the class came easy to me, I didn't work as hard and had settled for a B on my midterm because it was still better than what most of my peers got.

My dad is rare kind of man. There are few parents like him in this world. As Father's Day approaches and I think about all the things he has given me, I think one of the greatest is the determination to work hard and do my best, not the minimum or the "good enough" or the "good enough compared to my peers," but my best, out of respect for myself. And, in relation to others, that means doing my best to honor the commitments I make, not just to the level that is expected but to the level that honors my commitment in the best way I am capable of.

Now, as an adult, I work with a lot of people who haven't had the honor of having a dad like mine, someone who set such high standards for me. And it shows. If there is one thing that I could encourage, even beg, parents to do, it is to teach their kids how to work hard and do their best.

Even if that means doing more than what is required or expected. It seems like it is a lost value in our society today, and it shows in the most obvious and painful ways.

I am constantly baffled watching some of my coworkers and how little respect they have for themselves and their commitments and how little they care about how their work reflects on their character.

If you can teach your children that respect in a job is not found in a title, position, or doing well enough as compared to their peers, that it is in doing their utmost to exceed and do their best, whatever job they are given, then they will always have a job in which they can respect themselves and others can respect their work ethic.

In the real world, you often do jobs you don't love to do. Very few people get to do something fun or something they love for their job. However, if you can do your best at whatever you do, you will always feel fulfillment in your job, based on the fact that you are doing your best and can respect yourself for that.

The "American dream," as penned by early writers and the Founding Fathers, was the idea that here in America anyone can "work hard and get rich." Today, the American dream seems to have shifted to "do what you have to, to get rich." As a consequence, there are many cheap, underhanded, less-than-best, knock-off versions of the American dream that die in infancy and result in jaded, disillusioned people who have given up all together on dreaming or working hard. Nobody wakes up in the morning with the dream that they will work hard. They wake up with the dream of grand European adventures and second vacation homes in Barbados. But the reality is that without hard work coming first, the rest cannot happen; realistic dreams are better than ones that are unattainable and unrealistic without prerequisites.

Even on days that I don't love my job or make as much as I would like to, which is more often than not, I can still go home knowing that I did my best with the opportunities given me and, for now, working hard and honorably to accomplish what I need right now is a practical dream that allows me to respect myself at the end of the day. Sure, I have glamorous, up-in-the-clouds, someday dreams, but today and every day, working hard and respecting myself enough to do my best has to be the first goal or none of the other ones will matter.

So, dads out there, my hat is off to you. You have a hard job with more lasting impact than you realize. Make sure you're using your power wisely and that your children know what it means to work hard and respect themselves. They'll go much further, be a lot more happy and someday — maybe once they're past their teenage years — they'll thank you.

Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

June 13 before the races.

I would like to say a great big thank you to all involved for the great job they did, and the performance that I am sure everyone enjoyed.

—Del Zundel

We keep selling our votes to the highest bidders

Dear Editor,

We Americans respond to advertising. That's why there is so much of it.

The merchants of America are no fools, and see advertising as an investment that pays off. Politicians are no fools either.

Even the Roberts Supreme Court concurs and has issued the edict that money (spent on advertising for a candidate) is Constitutionally protected "Free" speech.

With advertising, merchants have been able to sell "Pet Rocks" and the political party has been able to sell us candidates who are as dumb as a box of rocks.

With advertising, merchants have been able to sell lots of little stuffed "Beanie Babies" and the political party has been able to sell us candidates who are plumb full of "stuff."

Wouldn't it be more efficient if we just let the big-time capitalists tell us who they want to be President or Senator, and then we could use that "saved" time to discuss deflated footballs?

A while back, this writer referred to Thomas Piketty's book "Capital in the 21st Century" to bolster the argument that unfettered capitalism is the main cause, or at least contributes to, our current gross income inequality.

Now comes Robert Rosenkranz of the Wall Street Journal with a purely political diatribe to say that "Progressives" seized this opportunity to promote policies they have long wanted, namely "very high taxes on the wealthy."

Wrong!

Progressives, like the rest of the population, would be deliriously happy if the wealthy would just pay their taxes like everyone else instead of

paying their lobbyists and hiding their untaxed and ill-gotten gains in the Caymen Islands.

Piketty now says his book is primarily a work of history. It is, in fact, a meticulous analysis of all available historical economic data and widely regarded as an authoritative reference.

Piketty's conclusion (at least as regards the pre-war economies) is that the 'Return on Investment' is always greater than the 'Growth of the Economy.'

In other words: the rich capitalists get richer and the poor workers get poorer. It seems that a rising tide lifts yachts higher and faster than row boats.

Perhaps due to unwarranted modesty he now insists that his conclusion that 'R' is always greater than 'G' is valid only for the prewar economies that he studied. However, our present crop of capitalists themselves seem to think otherwise!

They are investing millions of dollars in the coming election. His formula reached accurate conclusions in the past. Not that much has changed for this go-around.

Common sense suggests that we are subject to more of the same. The Federal Election Commission admits that they do not stand a chance of enforcing any anti-corruption laws.

Individual campaign contributions, so far, are running: \$73M, \$28M, \$11M, \$9.5M, \$5.8M, \$5.2M, \$3.8M et al.

The so-called F.I.R.E. Group gave \$356M and the Koch Group gave \$400+M. The Sunlight Foundation study (funded by Bloomberg) revealed that the .01% (the very richest) accounted for more than 25 percent of the 2014 campaign contributions. Therefore, the very richest will be calling all the shots because they own the Congress. Before you start calling "Foul," remember that the Golden Rule has changed — "He who has the gold, makes the rules."

If you don't like it -Too Bad! there is nothing you can do about it.

Whatever happened to "We The People?"

—Jerry Baird

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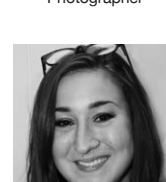
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help with the bucking shoot project. In recognition of that donation, a sign was placed near the bucking shoots. The original contract was for five years, at which time the donors would be given the opportunity to donate again.

Darnell explained that through time and circumstance, the group decided to wait before approaching businesses and community members for more money. Now a decade has passed and several of the signs need to be replaced. Because there have been requests from other businesses to advertise on the bucking shoots, she said, Friends of the Fair members felt the timing was appropriate to approach the donors again.

"So we decided the time had come to say, 'Here's your opportunity. Do you want to re-up for the \$2,000 for another five years or maybe longer? We guarantee the sign will be up there for five years and we buy the sign,'" she said.

This time the money left after purchasing the sign will go for general improvement — such areas as upgrading the playground equipment and improvements to the restroom facilities, Darnell said. She added that when the event center is usable again, it will need to be furnished with kitchen equipment, and money will be needed to do so.

Board member Bob Bonnar argued for meeting both funding requests.

"I think the Gymkhana is pure recreation for all ages; I like that project," he said.

He also responded to arguments that the recreation district should not be purchasing advertising signage by pointing out that a banner would allow people to see how their taxes were spent.

"So I don't think of our sign being advertising so much as a demonstration of what we do with the tax money that we get — \$400 a year for \$120,000 of taxes that we collect every year — I don't think is outrageous so people can see a little bit of what that money is going for. I think there is merit in both of them (funding requests), to be honest with you," Bonnar said.

At least one board member asked why the fairground's own funds were not used to help with the upkeep of the facility.

"Quite frankly, I was there a few of weeks ago during the rodeo, running concessions, and it was a disaster. I don't see why this rec board should have to fund for them to stay up to date, code and clean. I disagree. I would rather see it go towards the Gymkhana," said board member Joe Corely.

Board member John Riesland replied that he previously had the same discussion with not only the Friends of the Fair but also the Weston County Fair board, because he has had concerns about why the county commissioners have not been able to fund upgrades. He said it is easier, as a recreation district, to see that money spent on the Gymkhanas goes toward recreation.

"Some of that stuff is hidden in a lot of ways on how they get funded. If it wasn't for people like the Friends of the Fair or the Junior Livestock Committee, a lot of stuff that goes on there wouldn't get funded. I think both causes are good," Riesland said. "We could earmark our money to a certain degree, but I wouldn't want to tie their hands."

Chairwoman Tina Chick suggested that Friends of the Fair might come back with a request when money for a specific project was needed.

"I trust the Friends of the Fair. I trust that \$300 of this will buy a sign that says, 'Activities at the facility funded in part by the Eastern Weston County Recreation District' and the other \$1,700 will be used to help fund that," she said.

"I can guarantee I am going to be glad we spent the money. We saw fit to support that 10 years ago, and I guess I see fit to support it again," Bonnar replied.

Corley agreed but said he found it hard to swallow putting money into a facility that can't seem to run itself. At the same time, he said he didn't want to take away from the youth or groups that use it.

Riesland said he agreed to a certain degree. He added, however, that he also felt the rec board was there to help others.

"I've been involved there, Joe, but I am with Bob — \$400 a year for a little bit of recreation over there I think is a good cause. It is more than just a sign," he said.

Board member Dean Johnson said he agreed with helping the facility and didn't mind if there was no advertising, but Bonnar asked board members if they knew what the Eastern Weston County Recreation District did before they were on the board.

"I look at it as informing the public of where their money is going. I disagree with pulling out the sign. I think the public should see where we spend the money," Bonnar said.

The board unanimously approved funding both requests.

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appearance over social media in the hopes that somebody could reveal the fate of the photos.

"Annette put it on Facebook and put a reward out if they brought them back," Leonard's wife, Linda, stated, indicating that Koester has offered a reward of \$100 per photo album for their return.

Unfortunately, while her posts have elicited a number of sympathetic responses, there have been no clues leading to recovery of the photos.

"She had an inquiry from Casper last night, but they just wanted pictures of the albums so they knew what to look for," Linda said Tuesday morning.

"The response has been very positive," Leonard said.

Owens said that a number of factors are involved in the disappearance that are hindering his department's investigation. One of the biggest hurdles lies in establishing when the alleged theft may have occurred.

"He doesn't know when they were taken," Owens said.

For his part, Cash can't say with any certainty when the albums were taken from his home, but believes it happened a relatively short time before he discovered they were missing.

"Just a few days before that, I was putting some others in one of the books, and I think it was still laying on my desk," he said.

Cash's willingness to share his collection with other historians, and the pride he takes in showing the old photos to anybody who expresses an interest, likely played a role in their disappearance.

"Whoever must have taken them had to know where they were kept, because that is the only thing missing from his home," Owens indicated, noting that the suspected crime is not being called a burglary because there is no indication that access to the home or collection was forced or unauthorized.

"He was told to check with someone who has access to his home. The indication is that someone who was in his home, maybe even with him in there, must have taken them," he explained, adding that Cash also has two dogs who likely would have sounded an alarm at the approach of somebody unfamiliar.

Unfortunately, that doesn't narrow the field of suspects by

much because Cash has eagerly welcomed visitors into his home to view the stash he has been collecting for more than five decades.

"We really don't have a lot to go on at this point. About the only thing we got was a description of the photo albums, so we just start watching for the photos to turn up. We suggested he keep an eye out for them too," said Owens, who indicated that he has instructed the officer who took the initial report to follow up with Cash and investigate the issue further.

Lending to the mystery is the fact that while it doesn't appear anything is missing besides the five photo albums, there were other albums and photos that were left in the home.

"They missed my two big ones (albums). I've still got them. I don't know how they missed them because they were just above one that was taken, and they missed my postcard collection. We figure I had it with me because I was doing a project. That's probably why I've still got it," Cash said, revealing that he would have been even more devastated if the post card collection was gone.

"That would have been a heartbroken one. I took it to Antique Road Show in Rapid, and he said it was valued at several thousand dollars. He was just drooling over it," Cash claimed, estimating the value of the photos that were taken to be between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

His wife was also puzzled by the fact that some photo albums can't be found, but others were apparently undisturbed.

"They got the little Cambria book, but they didn't get the big one. It was such a targeted thing," Linda mused, stating that a pickle jar full of change, located in the same area as the missing albums, was still sitting in its proper place. She said there was medication nearby that wasn't taken either, and no electronics are missing.

"They did not get into the file cabinets as far as we can tell. His research is safe. It's just the pictures that prove the research that are missing. Whoever did this knows how to hurt him. Someone is upset with him, and that's the best way to hurt him is to take his history. He was so proud of his picture books. Everybody knows that," Linda sighed.

She has theorized that the

photo albums were stolen sometime in the morning, when she is at work and Leonard is generally at the library doing research.

She also believes that they had to have been taken sometime in the three or four days before Leonard noticed that they were missing because she remembers him having them when he retired from the museum board (on which he had held a seat for 39 years) on the previous Thursday.

"There's a two-hour window in there that the house is empty," she said, claiming that the couple had also received a number of hang-up phone calls a week or two before noticing the photos were missing.

Linda also said that she and her husband have canvassed the neighborhood, but nobody was able to report that they saw anyone entering their home in the time frame in which she believes the theft to have occurred.

That leaves them with little more than the hope that somebody may identify one or more of the missing photos and report the lead.

"They're all from the Weston County and Newcastle area. It's about 50 years worth of research," Linda said.

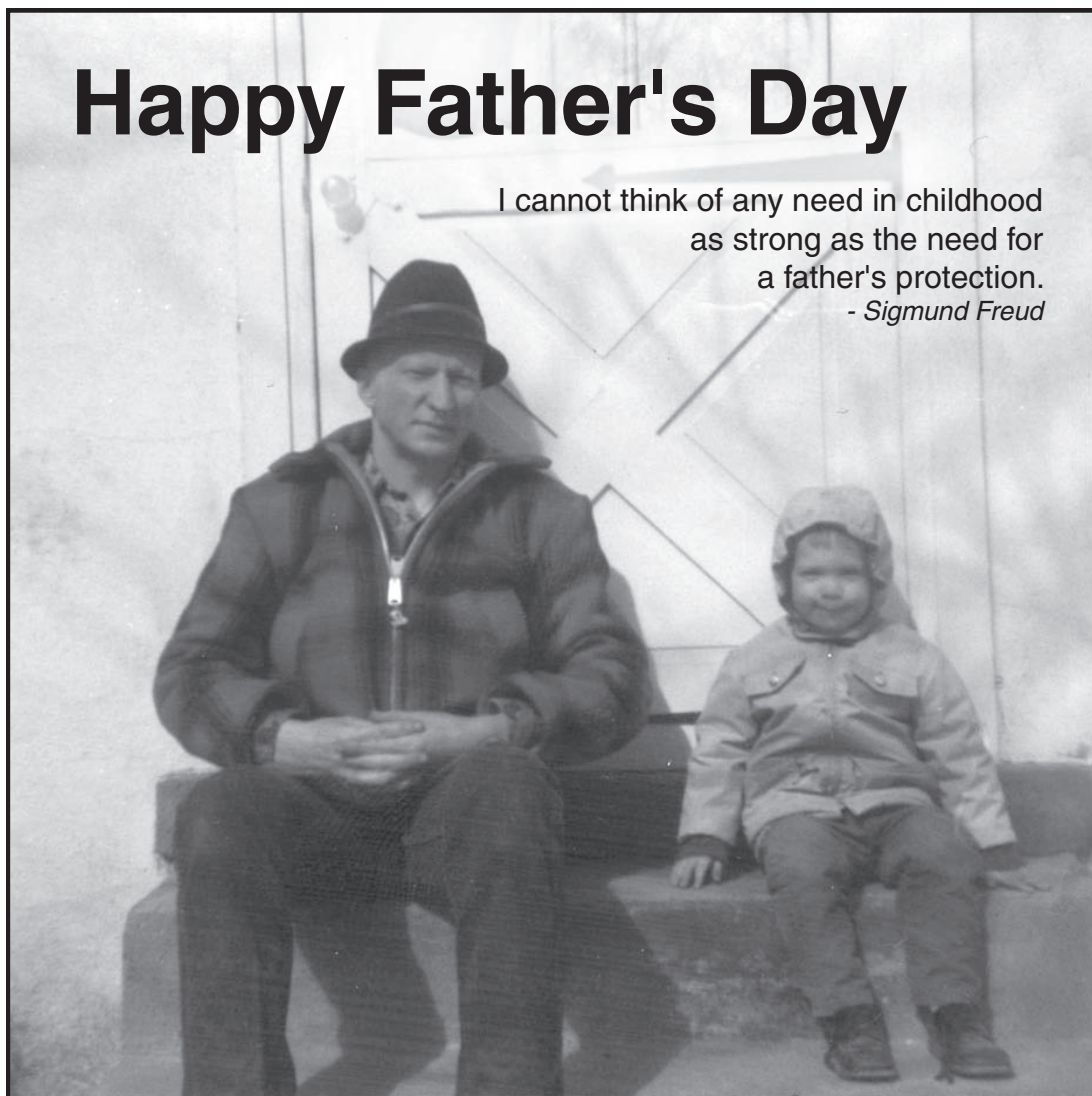
"There were a lot of Old Mill ones in there, and the refinery buildings they've been tearing down," Leonard reported, saying that a number of the photos were taken of Newcastle's downtown area and that the missing pieces also included fires that ravaged the city at various points in its history, as well as photos taken when old buildings were demolished intentionally.

Unfortunately, Cash's willingness to share items in his collection, and allow them to be copied, will make it even more difficult for law enforcement to locate or identify photos from his collection.

"We're not going to be able to identify the photos. There are a lot of old town photos around," Owens said.

For now, the couple can do little but wait and hope that the photos, many of which were originals, turn up again.

"Some of them are one of a kind. If they don't want to give them back to us, please don't destroy them. We have said that if anybody returns them, there will be no questions asked," Linda said.



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Obituaries

Carl Leroy Wake
Aug. 5, 1930 - June 6, 2015
Carl Leroy Wake, a longtime Worland resident, passed away at his home in Worland on June 6, 2015, surrounded by his devoted family.



Carl Wake
was born on August 5, 1930 in Hastings, Neb., the son of Laura Louise (Palmer) and Clyde Leroy Wake. He was raised in Newcastle, where he attended school, and excelled in athletics. He graduated from Newcastle High School in 1949, and then attended college for a year before going to work in construction and the oilfield.

He married his high school sweetheart, the love of his life, Janice R. Purcelli, on September 29, 1950 in Newcastle. He worked as the first mail carrier in Newcastle, walking over 13 miles a day on a route without pavement or sidewalks.

Carl joined the Wyoming Army National Guard when he was 17. He loved the service and moved to Worland in 1964 to become the office administrator at the local National Guard detachment. He served in the National Guard for 41 years, and after formal retirement continued as a recruiter and also an instructor at Camp Guernsey.

He was active in the Worland United Methodist Church where he served in many capacities. He truly loved volunteering and working at Circle J Church Camp near Ten Sleep. He also was a member of the Worland

Elks Lodge. Carl was the epitome of a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He dearly loved his grandchildren and his great grandchildren.

He enjoyed being a handyman at home and spent countless hours at his Hyattville residence where he was very good at improvising and problem solving. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He took numerous trips to Alaska to fish with his sons and friends. Other past times included; traveling to high school, college, and professional football, basketball, and baseball events.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Carl is survived by his wife of 64 years and by his children; Kathy (David) Hecht, Marv (Santee) Wake, Steve Wake, all of Worland; his mother Laura Meade of Sheridan, his sister Susan Huntley of Scottsdale, Ariz. He is also survived by his grandchildren; Katie Jones, Christie Bozicevich, Nathan Scheetz, Brooke Wake, Chelsea Wake, Codi Jorgensen, Brittany Tidemann, and Kinley Maxwell; and by seventeen great-grandchildren.

The funeral service for Carl was held Friday, June 12th at 11:00 AM at the United Methodist Church in Worland. A reception followed the service, and the graveside committal service, with military honors, took place at 2:00 PM at Riverview Cemetery in Worland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Circle J Church Camp - 1301 Big Horn Ave. Worland, Wyo. 82401. Veile Mortuary is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Gayle Williams (Gordon)
Nov. 30, 1948 - May 19, 2015
Gayle R Williams (Gordon) 66, of Osage (formally of Sheridan) passed away May 19, 2015 after a courageous battle with breast cancer. She was born to Elsie (Phillips) and Tom Gordon on November 30, 1948 in Sheridan, Wyo.



Gayle R. Williams

She started school in Sheridan, and the family moved a few times before ending up in Newcastle where she graduated in 1967.

She married Alvin Williams on December 7, 1967 in Deadwood. A daughter, Crystal was born in 1970, they later divorced.

She enjoyed life to the fullest, along with numerous adventures and telling about them, most of which were funny. She also enjoyed spending time with her only grandson Dylan.

Gayle is survived by her daughter Crystal Reed, grandson Dylan Reed both of Colstrip, Mont., sisters Lynda Ballieu of Newcastle, and Sue Loeb of Osage plus numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents, stepfather Ed Sept, brother Tom Gordon, sister Nancy Black, nephews Jimmy Adams, Richard Ballieu, and great-nephew Brennan Kelly.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Cecil Tate
Feb. 3, 1932 - Dec. 22, 2014



Cecil Tate

Cecil Tate passed on to Heaven with his children at his side Dec. 22, 2014. He put up a

valiant fight with COPD and lung cancer.

He was born Feb. 3, 1932 in Chugwater, Wyo. to Merrill and Norine (McDougal) Tate.

He graduated in 1950 from Newcastle High School. He served in the Wyoming National Guard and U.S. Navy.

He married Marie Mitbo in 1956. He worked as a mechanic for Johnston Fuel Liners, Schlumberger and


Welx. Cecil and Marie owned and operated The Home Video Shoppe in Casper for 16 years.

He loved the outdoors, was an avid reader, liked to build model airplanes and could fix almost anything.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Marie; son, Danny; grandson, Sean; and brothers, Duane and Ronnie.

He is survived by his children, DeLayne (Dave) Stewart, Carol (Matt) Emmons and Michael (Tana); six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; sisters, Minta (Earl) Gray and Sharon (Eugene) Sweet; and sister-in-law, Virginia Tate.

Memorial services will be held Friday, June 19th at 11 AM at the Oregon Trail Veterans Cemetery.




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- **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
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Weekly Scripture Reading					
Zechariah 8:1-23	Zechariah 9:1-17	Zechariah 10:1-12	Isaiah 51:1-23	Isaiah 52:1-12	Isaiah 54:1-17 55:1-13

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Recapture

A PIECE OF HISTORY

100 years ago – June 17, 1915

Our community was startled on Wednesday morning last by the news of the sudden death by a stroke of lightning of Elias W. Whitecomb, (Grandpa Whitecomb), of Moorcroft, one of the earliest settlers of the state, having located here in 1859.

W. J. Wilkins and Homer Charlton arrived from York, Neb., Sunday evening and are visiting at the Alverson ranch. Mr. Wilkins is Mrs. Alverson's father and Mr. Charlton is her cousin. This is Mr. Wilkins' first visit to Wyoming since 1866, when he was Custer U. S. Regulars, and will visit old familiar places such as Inyan Kara, Castle Creek, Devils Tower, etc. He expresses himself as somewhat surprised at the wonderful changes in Wyoming since that early date.

A Fourth of July Celebration will be held at Humphrey Hall in the Howard area Saturday July 3. Horse races, foot races and a ball game will be the chief parts. There will be a "bake and take" dinner, and after the ball game there will be free ice cream and cake. A dance in the hall in the evening. All cordially invited.

Excitement reigned at Hampshire Saturday, the cause of it all was a Chinaman made his appearance dressed up in his China dress, and only stayed long enough for a few of the natives to catch a fleeting glimpse of him.

After the severe electric storm Monday, the Coy children started home from school but finding Dug Out creek up, returned to the school house. Miss Barr then took them with her to the Dixon ranch. Mrs. Coy becoming anxious, set out on foot to find her children, arrived at Dixon's at eleven o'clock, awakened them and returned home in the night.

Last Thursday when Mrs. John Schneider was returning home from the meeting of the club, the king-bolt of the buggy broke, which let the front of the buggy down so suddenly that it threw Mrs. Schneider and her daughter, Mrs. Gene

Watt to the ground. Had the team been going fast at the time the accident might have proved quite serious.

C. P. VanLeuven, the "little" Calumet baking powder representative, was in town yesterday. Van says if you use Calumet right it will make nice "big" biscuits just like himself.

75 years ago – June 20, 1940

Five clips, totaling nearly 150,000 pounds of wool, were sold here over the week-end for the first marketed in Weston county this year, bringing over \$45,000.

A supervised playground will get under way here Friday morning at nine o'clock. The sports program for the summer will be prepared by supervisors and conducted according to age. The younger children will enjoy a varied program of games and contests.

Getting the first major forest fire of the year in Weston county under control, nearly one hundred CCC workers were starting mopping up operations Wednesday after the blaze had burned over an estimated 1,900 acres of timberland north of here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest VanBuren and son Gary and Mrs. VanBuren's father and brother, Orrel and Clarence Westman, returned to Newcastle Sunday evening from Buffalo where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary McKinney. Mrs. McKinney was a sister of Mrs. VanBuren.

Two softball games during the past week which changed the city league standings considerably, indicate that the race for the pennant during the summer's play will be one of the closest ever played here. Dogies are winners over the Lodge team in slugfest, 13 to 12.

Mrs. Albert Millhouse entertained last Thursday afternoon at her home with 15 members and one guest of the Sew and So Club as her guests. The ladies brought their own sewing and thus passed the time of the afternoon, sewing and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rawhouser and daughter Helen, of the Prairie, were shop-

ping in Newcastle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burke and daughter of Clifton left Saturday for Laramie. Helen will attend school there this summer. Mr. and Mrs. Burke will visit their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawton, before going on to Portland, Ore., to visit their daughter, Lucille and her husband.

Osage and the Oil Field was well represented at the softball game on Friday night when Osage beat the Toomey Mills team 13 to 6.

50 years ago – June 17, 1965

Weston County 4-H members, 166 strong, will camp at Mallo June 20-23. They will be accompanied by 28 chaperones. Theme of the camp is the Jubilee Wagon Train.

Three members of the Wyoming State Historical Society were in Newcastle from Thursday to Saturday last week marking trails, securing guides and speakers for the Cheyenne-Deadwood Trail Trek to be held July 17 and 18.

Frank Fawcett, Beaver Creek rancher, was beaten and robbed Friday evening in Kansas City, Mo. While on a trip to St. Louis. Fawcett was accompanying Robert Harper and Glen Crawford to St. Louis, where Harper was to return his mother to Newcastle.

The Flying Farmers of Wyoming will hold a fly-in at Newcastle the weekend of June 26. The group will consist of some 100 people and between 30 and 40 planes. Church services will be held Sunday morning at the airport at 8 to be followed by a pancake breakfast at 9 hosted by the Newcastle Jaycees.

Over 1,000 people attended the free flapjack feed Saturday, sponsored by the retail merchants committee of the Newcastle Chamber of Commerce.

The Osage Independent Baseball team has been organized again this year. Needed equipment has been purchased by Tex Thompson of "Curley's" Bar. The Osage team will be in the Northeast District League with Gillette, Upton, and Newcastle.

An open house honoring Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Hansen on their 40th Wedding Anniversary was held on Sunday at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell D. Davis on Beaver Creek.

Frank Sytsma of the Morrisey area got his calves branded Sunday with John Hutt, Edgar Whitney, Glen Hansen, Clyde and Clyde Lee Bayne and Donald Fillingner and Michael Kropatch helping.

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WHAT'S UP | Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Thurs Jun 18	5:00 p.m.	WC Health Services	Board Room
	5:30 p.m.	Networking Business Mixer	T&A Brewery
	6:00 p.m.	Sumner Performance & Lecture	Crazy Horse Memorial
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
	7:30 p.m.	Masons	Newcastle Lodge #13
Fri Jun 19	8:00 a.m.	Stampede Rodeo & Gift from Mother Earth	Crazy Horse Memorial
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
Sat Jun 20	-	Stampede Rodeo & Gift from Mother Earth	Crazy Horse Memorial
	8:00 a.m.	American Legion Poker Run	West End Lounge
Sun Jun 21	9:00 a.m.	West Blvd. Summer Festival	Wilson Park, Rapid City
	8:00 a.m.	Stampede Rodeo & Gift from Mother Earth	Crazy Horse Memorial
	-	Father's Day	Spearfish Canyon Lodge
	Dawn	Peace Officers Fishing Derby	LAK
	8:00 a.m.	Dogie Volleyball Run & Dye	NHS Track
Mon Jun 22	9:00 a.m.	West Blvd. Summer Festival	Wilson Park, Rapid City
	1:00 p.m.	Open House	Hanson Research Station
	9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible School	Seventh Day Adventist Church
	1:00 p.m.	Low Vision Support Group	WC Senior Center
	9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible School	Seventh Day Adventist Church
Tues Jun 23	5:15 p.m.	Friends of Fair Gymkhana	WC Fairgrounds
	6:00 p.m.	WC Health Services Board Mtg.	WCHS Board Room
	6:45 p.m.	ALANON Meeting (746-9791)	Mondell Heights
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Services, Downstairs
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
Wed Jun 24	7:30 p.m.	Eastern Star	Newcastle Eastern Star #30
	9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible School	Seventh Day Adventist Church
	7:00 p.m.	WCSD #1 Board Meeting	Administration Building
	9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible School	Seventh Day Adventist Church
	11:45 a.m.	WC Health Services Foundation Mtg.	WCHS Board Room
Thurs Jun 25	6:00 p.m.	Sumner Performance & Lecture	Crazy Horse Memorial
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
	9:00 a.m.	Vacation Bible School	Seventh Day Adventist Church
	-	Night Blast	Crazy Horse Memorial
	11:30 a.m.	WC Library Board Meeting	Library
Fri Jun 26	7:00 p.m.	Western Ramblers Dance	WC Senior Services
	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
	9:00 a.m.	Homer Hastings Town & Trail 5K Run	Main Street Newcastle
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 19
Leonard Singer
Adam Cobb
Denice Piscioti

June 21
Nancy Zerbst
June 22
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Wright

June 26
Mary Folkes
Melissa Bock

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For the Ages

News Letter Journal

Local heroes



An official retirement ceremony was held for United States Air Force Technical Sergeant Stan Dixon on Saturday, June 13 at Weston County Senior Services for family and friends to enjoy. The ceremony was conducted by former resident Randi Carpenter. Pictured from left: Carpenter, Dixon and Stan's wife Tina Dixon pinning his retirement pin on. (Denice Piscioti/NLJ)

Wheels of progress?

Last week, I decided that in my stage of life, I'd like to be able to call long-distance from the comfort of my couch instead of getting in my car and driving down to the highway to get reception on my cell phone. Now, most of you can understand the restrictions of limited income, but I got tired of the whole thing, after all, how many more years do I have? Do I want to squander any more time sitting on the corner of U.S. Highway 85 and Salt Creek Road? So I called our telephone company, and the sweet, friendly voice assured me, "No problem!"

But I would have to sign a form. Hmm. A form, huh?

"I can mail you one," she said, adding the question, "Do you have email?"

Yep. I have email. So I tell her where to send it, and she says, "Just sign it and send it back, and we can have you in service this afternoon."

Oh cool, way cool, I think. Well, that's about as far as I thought. She assures me that I can print it and sign it and get it back to her.

Quick as a bunny (there sure are a lot of those this year), here it comes — an email with an attachment. Okay, so I get the attachment open and, sure enough, there's a place for me to sign. So I print it and sign it. I finally figure out that I have to drag my printer program up, but I am able to scan it to my computer. So I drop it into the "My Documents" folder. There are something like 921 documents in this file, but as soon as I figure out that they are alphabetical, I can find it.

From there I put it on my so-called "Desktop," that imaginary desktop on the screen in front of me, as a shortcut. Sometimes it lets me put it into a shortcut and sometimes not — it just depends on how the computer is feeling, I figure.

So now I've got it where it can't get away, and all I have to do is figure out how to attach it to an outgoing mail to the telephone company. Gee, and only about three hours has passed! This is really speedy.

Well, I open my email and locate the email she sent to me and tell it that I want to reply to it. So up comes a screen with a place to answer back and, by sheer good luck, I manage to pull that little shortcut thingy over to it and get it to attach itself to the reply. It says "SEND," so I do! Then I wait. Nothing happens.

In the morning, I call the nice lady at the phone company, and she says it's all fine and I now have long distance! Just to be sure, I call cousin Marlys in Minneapolis, and sure enough, there she was.

Now when all is said and done, I hear a lot about how much faster this all is, how easy, but I tell you I was sweating blood almost from the strain of trying to figure the whole sequence out. I am thinking of putting together our high school yearbook in 1951. We had a mimeograph machine and manual typewriters. The yearbook got put together and I still have my copy of it, with the bright red cover. I used to love that "zing" when I slammed that carriage back for the next line!

A computer just doesn't have any zings on it. Writing letters by hand has become a lost art, and even books are trying to flee from the scene. Let me tell you, if the "grid" ever goes down and all the computers in the country don't work, we are going to be in a world of hurt. That would be a veritable nightmare!

Nobody can write anymore; if they can't use a couple of fingers to make a text, they are in big trouble. Let me point out that most of them cannot spell either. Worse yet is the autocorrect. It makes me crazy to see "track" for "tract" of land. Or "hear" for "here." The autocorrect then is busy making "but" turn into "buy" and similar things like that. Somebody up there in Computer Land is having a blast with stuff like this, and they are uncontrollable, so I guess it's a lost cause! You can't fix what you can't even find on the computer!



Donna Gochanour
Remember When

The life of a lab technician

Donna Gochanour
NLJ Senior Correspondent

Mary Lou Buffington was a high school girl in the 1950s. In those days, most girls ended up being schoolteachers or nurses or secretaries. She was a straight-A student and was taking classes to become a secretary, but she had one problem — she flunked every typing test they ever gave her.

"I had a very good counselor, an excellent teacher at the time," she recalled, "and she said to me, 'You know, Mary Lou, you will never be a secretary.' So she asked me, 'What do you like to do? Do you like chemistry and stuff like that?'"

Mary Lou told her that she liked that very well. So they sat down, and the teacher helped her find a scholarship. Mary Lou got a job waiting tables as she went through the University of Colorado at Boulder. She became a lab technician, a job that she loved.

Mary Lou graduated in 1959 and came to Newcastle to work at the old hospital on the hill, where she worked until the new hospital opened. Then she worked another three or four years. She said that most people probably didn't even know she was there because she

spent her time in the lab, analyzing blood and urine samples as they came in.

She said that she "also gave about a million EKGs." At least it felt like it at times.

In those early days there was no blood bank, but they had a donor list. If somebody needed blood, she called a person of the right type on the list to come in and donate. She then prepared it for transfusion. After three or four years, they finally got a much-needed blood bank, she said.

At this time, the hospital had about 30 beds and they were all full most of the time. There were often beds in the hallways. Dr. Thorpe, Dr. Franz and Dr. Stephenson were all kept busy. The oil boom was on, and a lot of babies were born. There were also a lot of accidents that occurred as the county's population grew and prospered.

Buffington gave high praise to Dr. Franz. She said that he was an outstanding surgeon.

"There wasn't a better one in the state of Wyoming," she said.

Mary Lou married Dick Reutner and had three children, all of whom went to school in Newcastle. Eventually they separated, and a few years later, she and Bob Buffington were married.



Mary Lou Buffington arrived in Newcastle in 1959 to work at as a lab technician Weston County Memorial Hospital, the old hospital on the hill. (Donna Gochanour/NLJ)

Senior Happenings

Weston County Senior Services

- June 18: Trip to The Lodge
- June 18: Mexican Train 1 p.m.
- June 18: Ceramics 1 p.m.
- June 19: Bridge Ladies 1 p.m.
- June 20: Open Rec
- June 21: Happy Father's Day
- June 22: Visually Impaired Support Group 1 p.m.

- June 23: Mexican Train 1 p.m.
- June 24: Manor visits for lunch
- June 25: Ceramics 1 p.m.
- June 26: Blood Pressure Check 9:30 a.m.
- June 27: Rec Room Open
- June 30: Mexican Train 1 p.m.

Weston County Manor

- June 18: Al And The Gang Birthday Party 2 p.m.
- June 19: Greedy 10:30 a.m.
- June 20: Movie 2 p.m.
- June 21: Proverbs 11 a.m.
- June 21: Father's Day Coffee 3 p.m.
- June 22: Wii 10:30 a.m.
- June 22: Crazy Cart 3 p.m.
- June 23: Ceramics 10:30 a.m.
- June 24: Catholic Study 10:00 am.
- June 24 Crossword 10:30 a.m.

June 25: Manor Squares

- 10:30 a.m.
- June 25: Manicures 2 p.m.
- June 26: Bingo 2 p.m.
- June 26: Movie 6 p.m.
- June 27: Hangman 11 a.m.
- June 27: Happy Hour 3:00 p.m.
- June 28: Trivia 11 a.m.
- June 29: Patio Happy Hour 3 p.m.
- June 30: Ceramics 10:30 p.m.
- June 30: Keepsake Krafters 2 p.m.
- June 30: Stories 4 p.m.

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Lead on



Weston County Friends of the Fair are sponsoring Gymkhanas at the Weston County Fairgrounds this summer. The first one was held on Tuesday, June 9 with five events—barrels, poles, flag race, egg and spoon race and a baton race— for youth under the age of 18. The next Gymkhana will be on Tuesday, June 23. Briley Caster is led during the egg and spoon race by Taylor Romine. (Denise Piscioti/NLJ)

Rec

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“It requires a couple of months to go through the process,” Spencer continued, saying he wanted to correct statements made in an NLJ story of June 11 that implied the process might move more quickly. “If you applied in September, logically you’d have funds available for the next construction season. It wouldn’t be a few days later or a month later.”

In response to a question from Hunt, Spencer confirmed that park land, such as that on which the tennis courts would be built, could be used as in-kind matching funds as well, though the land’s market value would have to be established, probably by formal appraisal.

“The only thing you have to be careful about with in-kind (matching) is you have to have enough cash to finish the project,” Spencer elaborated. “We’ve had communities that have done all in-kind and forgot to calculate the fact that they’ve got a million-dollar project, and they have to have enough money to actually do the project. Overmatch is good, too, because we’re always looking for additional leverage in the process.”

The business council can only fund fixed assets, Spencer said, which would preclude items such as furniture. He added that the council’s mandate to encourage business development must be kept in mind.

“Just remember, we’re the Wyoming Business Council, so your enhancements also need to relate to business development in the community. ... One thing that you want to do with this is make a connection between the rec improvements and existing businesses and any new businesses that might be attracted. I think the main thing here is you’re trying to create a climate that makes a good quality of life (for local workers).”

Partnerships and cooperation

Getting letters of support for the project from major local employers would work in favor of grant approval, Spencer said.

Spencer emphasized that the council tended toward flexibility and that the phasing of projects over a period of several years was possible. Most types of funding were acceptable, he said, though some state agencies have been known to object.

“Basically, the business council will allow any kind of funding to be used as match,” he explained, “whether it’s state funds, federal funds, local funds, private funds. We’re pretty flexible. Usually if there’s a problem in the match, it’s on (the other source’s) side. There are a few state agencies that don’t want us mixing our money with their money. ... WYDOT, generally we’ve been able to work closely

with them.”

Spencer further suggested that formalizing arrangements between interested local entities through a memorandum of understanding that outlined roles and responsibilities would be important in avoiding future disputes or misunderstandings. He also suggested that Weston County officials be brought in on the project, though both Bonnar and Newcastle Mayor Greg James stated that the county currently has other issues it’s prioritizing, even if future cooperation is a possibility.

City Councilwoman Kara Sweet downplayed Spencer’s concerns about possible conflict between the entities involved, while emphasizing the need for the rec director position.

“Our problem has always been that the community doesn’t know what options are available,” she said. “It has never been that the city rec is going to fight with the school rec board. ... We want to have someone you can call who can give the list, not only what is under the realm of the city but private people, too. It’s not like this director necessarily (will) manage all the recreation in the city, but (he or she) knows about it.”

Bonnar, who was keen to see a grant application get underway in order to make the nearest deadline of Sept. 1, said that the project provided an opportunity to consolidate resources and eliminate the duplicate efforts of various community entities when it comes to recreation and that, from his perspective, now is the time to act.

“There’s a positive vibe here and a spirit of cooperation that I’d like to move forward on,” he told those in attendance.

Timing and deadlines

Responding to a question from Greg James, Spencer further clarified how the grant application would work. The city would be the actual applicant, he said, by essentially applying for an infrastructure grant, and approval would likely take four or five months. Hartley, who has been tapped to write the grant application, would likely be the main point of contact, and Spencer said he would work with Hartley in developing the narrative portion of the application.

“I officially have to have a copy of the draft 15 days before the deadline,” Spencer explained, “and then I write my comments for the next level (of review) based on that.”

Spencer said that from what he had heard so far, the project seems to be the type that the business council typically funds through its enhancement grants.

James asked Hartley to begin investigating the application process with a view as to whether or not it’s reasonable to

have the application submitted by Sept. 1.

When asked about how to best proceed with the half of the project that is outside the purview of the business council — the rec director position — Spencer explained that the state organization’s database of grant providers and programs has been given to the Wyoming Nonprofit Network, which can be consulted directly. Spencer also mentioned the Daniels Fund as having funded similar projects in other communities, though those in attendance seemed less certain of that possibility given that fund has previously generously supported the Weston County Children’s Center. Most local sources of funding have already been tapped, several suggested.

Rec director, rec facility

In order to discuss the proposed rec director position specifically, a meeting between city and school/rec board officials is scheduled for July 13. School Superintendent Brad LaCroix said he had a job description ready that could be used as a basis for discussion.

The question of the availability of public recreation, a perennial issue locally, has been rekindled through the efforts of Mrs. Wyoming 2014, Priscilla Pruitt, and her husband Sean. The Pruitts have made a push to bring a rec facility to Newcastle as part of Priscilla’s pageant platform.

Attendees at Wednesday’s meeting eschewed the creation of such a facility, however. While they said they recognized the value of local recreational opportunities, they reasoned the area already has plenty of existing facilities that simply need to be better linked and utilized.

Bonnar, who admitted to having supported a stand-alone public recreation facility in decades past, cautioned against one now.

“We think we’re close to being able to connect all the resources that we do have. I’ll speak for myself here,” he said. “I’m scared to death that we end up with another facility that we then are forced into a long-term commitment of affording the operation and maintenance and upkeep of.”

James agreed. “We already have beautiful facilities here. Let’s make sure that we’re using those fully before we go building something else,” he said.

In May, the Newcastle City Council, partly in response to testimony from Bonnar, rescinded a previous decision to draft a resolution in support of a feasibility study to ascertain the need for a recreation/community center in Newcastle.



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NHS alumni celebrate



Class of '65

The class of 1965 poses for their yearbook photo on the sunny lawn of the old Newcastle High School. Many of the grads are planning to reconnect at the 2015 All-School Reunion in Newcastle next month. (Photo from inside cover of 1965 Yearbook)

Denice Piscioti
 NLJ Reporter

The Newcastle High School All-School Reunion is quickly approaching. Class representatives have been working hard to get everything lined up for the festivities beginning Friday, July 3, and continuing through the weekend.

After spending the past year making a lot of phone calls tracking classmates down, the class of 1965 is excited to get reacquainted with old friends and celebrate its 50th class reunion. The class has over 30 individuals — the largest number of NHS graduates from one class — signed up to attend the festivities.

Veronica Danielson said the class representatives decided that the best way to reach everyone was by telephone. The group also contacted classmates who didn't graduate with the class but had attended school in Newcastle with them at some point. They ultimately reached 125 people to invite them to the reunion.

"There were four in my class working on contacting everybody. We just spent a tremendous amount of time on the telephone," Danielson said. "We called everybody we could, and if we couldn't get a hold of that person, then we tried to find somebody who knew them or that was related to them or however we could do it."

The group also mailed out postcards to confirm addresses. The group also searched for classmates on the internet or in a phone book. They called people with the same last name until they tracked down who they were looking for. Because of their efforts, several are coming to the reunion that have

not attended one since the first All-School Reunion in 1980.

"We actually found a classmate that moved in fourth grade and one that moved in sixth grade, and they are both coming to the reunion!" Danielson said. "It was awesome! We are really excited to see both of them."

The group working together to find classmates from the class of 1965 were not close friends in high school, but since combining resources for the reunion, they have become close friends. Both Danielson and classmate Jan Capps have had fun getting everything ready for the reunion.

"It's been a really fun experience. It has been awesome and exciting to find people like Pat and Susie that moved away," Capps admitted. "It has been a real adventure to say the least."

One thing she feels is defining about the class of 1965 is how close they are — it's the essence of the group, she said. Many of them had made a special effort since graduation not to lose touch with one another.

The year that Capps turned 60, they began taking an annual trip together. Eight years ago, the first trip was to Cancun, Mexico, and since then they have visited Nevada a couple of times and Orlando, Florida, to visit another classmate.

On a sad note, she said, the classmates that have already passed away will be missed, especially Kirt Koski, who lived in Casper near Capps. He was the glue that helped keep the class together.

Both Danielson and Capps are looking forward to getting together and reminiscing with old classmates.

"We had fun, we really did.

It's great to get together to talk about those times. Newcastle was a great place to grow up. We got to live the movie the 'American Graffiti,'" Capps said.

Driving on Main Street from the Hi-16 to the Howdy Drive In was the thing to do she recalled. The cars drove past each other and honked. When gas money was needed, the space under car seats was searched or the money was borrowed from friends, even when gas cost just 28 cents a gallon.

They even had their own version of the Chinese fire drill in those days. Capps said they pulled up to the stop light, and instead of changing seats, they changed cars. To make it even more interesting, sometimes they changed drivers.

The Sioux Café was a major stopping point for french fries and a coke. Capps recalled that the café was where she heard the Beatles hit "I Want to Hold Your Hand" for the first time.

"We had hay rides in the fall and would walk up Cambria Canyon in the summer. I remember the girls would walk up there and the boys would hide in the rocks and scare us! A lot of us took professional dance lessons, and we did foxtrot and samba and the jitterbug — we learned all that stuff!" she continued.

KASL had a radio show on a regular basis in high school that allowed people to call up and request songs, which from time to time got the teenagers in trouble.

Vietnam was an impactful event that changed many lives, as the class of 1965 graduated and went off to college, according to Capps. In fact, the class is hoping Vietnam or other military veterans will

ride in the class car during the parade on Main Street on Saturday morning, July 4.

To check up on one of her classmates, Danielson called an NHS graduate who had been reported as deceased in the past couple of reunion books. However, he recently contacted his class representative to correct the mistake, so she thought it would be fun to contact him.

"I did have a really good conversation the other day with one of our deceased classmates," Danielson said with a smile. "That was great! He is a brother to a classmate of mine, so just for grins I called him to check up on the classmate. I told him you sound really good for a dead guy! We had the nicest visit."

Danielson not only helped with getting her class together but also assisted with the All-School Reunion books. The point behind books is to help keep everyone in touch, even if a graduate is not able to attend the reunion, Danielson said. Reunion books can be ordered and will be mailed. The book begins with the year 1901 until the current year and is updated each year.

Danielson noted that the committee is trying to make the reunion book as complete as possible and is inserting a sheet with names and phone numbers on it to make it as current as possible. To update your information or to attend reunion, contact Danielson at veronica@rtconnect.net or call 307-949-0915.

"Most of us who have those books carry them around everywhere and go to them for everything. If you have a question about somebody, it can be found in the book," Danielson noted.

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product price, so we can still keep the cost down."

Schmidt contends that his invention is both an innovative and necessary one, with most of his potential competitors producing microscopes that are neither as technologically nimble nor as optically sound as he intends his to be.

"I did quite a bit of research on what microscopes are being deployed," he said. "One of the biggest endeavors is to reduce malaria. There's a lot of companies and developers trying to make a cheap microscope that can be used in Africa and other areas that have malaria issues, where they just don't have the money to buy equipment. Most of the other ones that are experimental; if they're low cost, they don't have the image quality. They might get there.

They have some interesting ways to build these, but I just haven't seen anything that works right now."

Schmidt, whose microscope is designed to run off the Ara phone's power supply, said he intends to create a lineup of similarly useful devices and that the powerful nature of the processors in today's cell-phones, which are now nearly as advanced as those of the desktops of a few years ago, make them an ideal platform for a variety of functional instruments.

"The first product that we envisioned was a microscope because of the need for microscopes in developing areas," Schmidt elaborated, "but we also have the vision to make EKG machines for monitoring patients with heart issues, sci-

entific instruments, multimeter modules, so the phone isn't just dedicated. A multimeter isn't a big deal. You can go buy one for \$10, but ... if you do a lot of work with a multimeter, you have it right there in your hand as well."

In an effort to raise financial capital for the project, Schmidt maintains a crowdfunding page at Indiegogo.com where, as of Saturday, he had raised just \$4,195 of his \$50,000 goal. He said the money will be refunded to donors should he fail to raise enough to move forward with the Peri-scope 1.

"I've put a lot of money into this on my own, but ... I don't want to deceive donors by saying I'm going to do this project, then fall short and end up using the money for some-

thing else."

Schmidt acknowledged that he's well behind where he wants to be with the project at this point, but said he has been gaining some positive attention as of late across social media, in particular Twitter.

"I think the problem is a lot of people don't understand what Project Ara is. Almost everybody I've talked to has never heard of it. Even though it's been in development for several years, it's just being publicized now," he said.

Extensive information about Project Ara is now available across the internet, and the official site can be found at projectara.com. Schmidt's crowdfunding page is located at www.indiegogo.com/projects/super-compact-portable-imaging-microscope#/story.



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NBA Finals

What a year for basketball it has been! Whether it's high school, college or professional teams going head to head in their culminating events, there have been some highly entertaining and action-packed games to watch this year.

Normally, I don't watch a lot of professional ball. I guess it is



Sonja Karp
Karpe Dogie

because I remember the days when the pros tended to be light on defense and the games consisted

of big men jogging up and down the court firing up shots from wherever they deemed appropriate. They were really pretty boring. The same can't be said about the NBA Finals this year.

For those of you who may not follow basketball, the teams battling for the NBA title are the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Golden State Warriors. The Cavs leading player is LeBron James, who is the self-proclaimed greatest player in the world, and Steph Curry, who — at least in my opinion — is better than LeBron leads the Warriors.

The series started off with a bang as games one and two were tight contests that both went into overtime. The Warriors took the first game 108-100, and the Cavs answered back in game two, winning by only two points, 95-93. With the series tied at one win apiece, game three would obviously give one team the advantage and Cleveland was the team to take the lead by defeating Golden State 96-91.

Going into game four down one game to two, Golden State made some changes and went with a smaller lineup, choosing to rely on speed and great shooting to see whether Cleveland could respond. So far, the strategy appears to be working because the Warriors have defeated the Cavs in the past two games, 103-82 and 104-91.

There will be a game six, for sure, and though I am definitely pulling for the Warriors, I would really like to see Cleveland stretch the finals to the seventh and final game.

While I don't necessarily agree with LeBron James' boast that he is the greatest player in the world, he has put up some pretty amazing numbers in the series so far. In games two and five, he had triple doubles and has scored an impressive 183 points so far in the finals.

Rest assured, though, that Steph Curry is no slouch either. He has not put up quite as big numbers as James, but his 131 points so far are still impressive. Curry also has other team members who can score, so he is able to share the love a little more than James.

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High school teammates Trayton Farnsworth, Mason Piscioti, Bradon Rushton and Colton Sweet made the trip to Casper to cheer on their friend, Dillon Ehlers as he made it all the way to a starting position for the North team. (Submitted photo)

Ehlers shines at Shrine Bowl

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Weston County sent two players to the 41st annual Shrine Bowl in Casper on Saturday. Dillon Ehlers was selected from Newcastle, and Jett Materi was the Upton selection. For the uninitiated, the contest is made up of a team from the South against one from the North. Players are newly graduated seniors selected from all classes across the state.

Materi represented the Bobcats well, getting into the game's record books by rushing for 3 yards on one carry.

Ehlers is the latest in a long line of Dogies to wear the brown and gold for the North team of all-stars. Since the Shrine Bowl's inception in 1974, Newcastle has had 42 Dogies play in the contest and has had at least one player named to the team in 27 of the 41 years.

Coaches, players and fans from Newcastle attended Saturday's game to cheer on their Dogie, and they didn't have to wait long to do so because Ehlers was selected as one of the game's starters.

"Dillon played really well! He had some tackles, and he played on about every special team. I talked to him before the game and told him not to be outthit, not to be outthustled and just to represent the Dogies well and that he did," Dogies coach Matt Conzelman said.

The North won this year's contest quite decisively with a

40-14 point margin. This year's win continues the North's recent dominance over the South, having won six of the last eight matchups.

The Shrine Bowl is an all-around great experience for the players. Not only are they given a chance to play in a game with the best athletes Wyoming has to offer, but it is also a fundraiser for the Shriners Hospital, a great cause.

During the week before the game, the players have the opportunity to visit the hospital in Salt Lake City where they meet the children who are there receiving treatments. The players hang out with the kids, sign autographs and really just get a chance to bring the kids a fun few hours.

"You know, each time I have a player come back from the Shrine Bowl, the first thing they

talk about is their visit to the hospital. Then they talk about the game," Conzelman said.

He noted that the visit really puts the game of football into perspective for the players.

"They get the opportunity to go out and play the game when these kids that they are visiting may never get that chance," Conzelman said. "The kids really look up to the players, so it's a really cool experience."

Dogies take stock at BHSU camp

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Dogie players who will wear the orange and black this fall also got a chance to suit up for some football action this summer when the team headed to Black Hills State University in Spearfish for the Yellow Jacket team camp June 7-9.

"The team camp went really well," Conzelman said. "We took 19 Dogies over there, and I was very pleased with what I saw our guys do."

Because Newcastle graduated 12 seniors this year — all key members of the team — the coaches were not sure what to expect. The camp gave the coaches a great opportunity to experiment, moving players around to different positions to see what the best fit will be for the team and to see where the players will be successful.

"A lot of the young kids really stepped up and did a

great job," Conzelman said. "I didn't know what to expect over there with this new crew, but I was pleased to see that we played a lot better than I had anticipated."

The camp consisted of individual skill development, offensive and defensive line development and individual and team competitions.

Bryce Womack brought home accolades in a competition called the Line Wars, which consists of various one-on-one competitions in which the linemen attempt to prove who is the best.

Womack showed his prowess by defeating a Natrona player to claim the title.

Several other players made it into the second round of their competitions, a feat that also pleased Conzelman.

Five at the Hive was another team competition in which the Dogies participated. These live scrimmages begin at the 5-yard

line, and the teams are given one play to score. If a team crosses the goal line, it gets another chance on offense. A team that scores three times in a row then moves to defense.

"We did really well in this competition too, and if we could have punched just a couple more in, we would have won that as well," Conzelman said.

As it turned out, the Dogies had to settle for second place.

The Dogies will have one more opportunity to play before summer is over and the season begins. The annual Border Wars Camp hosted by Newcastle is scheduled for Monday, July 20.

There will be various competitions at this one-day camp and fans are encouraged to come and cheer on their Wyoming teams as the Border Wars commence against South Dakota teams to close out the day.

Dogies named to Shrine Bowl

- 1975: Frank Napolitano
- 1976: Mike Hockett, Mike Stockton, Mark Gottsch
- 1977: Dick Bratton, Russell Hockett, Greg Gregory, Claude Gottsch
- 1978: Dave Gregory, Paul Scheck
- 1979: Mike Baldwin, Tracy Ragland, Scott Reutner
- 1982: Tom Sylte, Mike Gregory
- 1983: Mike Boint
- 1984: Mike Marchant
- 1985: Chris Henry
- 1986: Lance Miller
- 1987: Jack Seeds
- 1988: Henry Gottsch
- 1989: Tom Kaul
- 1990: Jason Logan
- 1991: Brett Reed, Beau Gregory
- 1992: Cody Hostetter, Justin Carr
- 1993: Bart Gregory, Blake Seeds
- 1994: Kyle Carr, Travis Unterseher
- 1995: Tye Morris
- 1996: Matt Gregory, Nick Piscioti
- 1997: Derek Gregory
- 1998: Jeremy Beehler
- 1999: Mitch Weigel
- 2000: J.T. Harper, Billie Gordon
- 2001: Wade Gordon, Merritt Crabtree
- 2002: Dillon Ehlers

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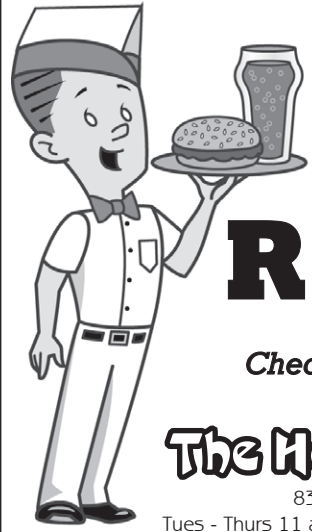
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Arbor Day



The new arboretum in Newcastle will be called the Bill Kohlbrand Arboretum, in honor of the longtime state forester who unexpectedly passed away earlier this year. The official naming was part of the local Arbor Day celebration. City Engineer Bob Hartley said that the local Tree Board chose the name and that the state will get signs displaying the arboretum's name. At the celebration, Wyoming State Forestry presented a plaque to the city for its Tree City U.S.A designation. According to Hartley, the plaque also commemorated the city's membership in the Tree City U.S.A program for 20 years. New signs signifying the honor will be obtained for each end of town, and a flag will also be presented to the city. Bill Kohlbrand's daughter, Kristin, and granddaughter, Aryana, look on as his co-workers from Wyoming State Forestry, Dick Terry and Jeremy Dedie, display the commemorative 20th anniversary flag; Bill's family poses in front of the tree planted in his honor. Pictured from left are Mike and Jenny Pederson, with their daughter Kaia, Aryana, Bill's wife, Sandy, with Sydney, and Kristin, with Tayshaun. (Submitted Photos)

Being conscious of waste material

Denice Piscioti
NLJ Reporter

Even though Newcastle does not have designated recycling bins — other than those for cardboard — there are other ways community residents can recycle unwanted items.

"In doing our part as a community, we should look into all outlets for recycling. As human beings, we should feel entitled to do our part and not just depend on everyone else," said Lacey Gurien, district manager for the Weston County Natural Resource District.

Hazardous waste collection days
To help county residents dispose of hazardous waste, Gurien said, a collection day is scheduled in both Newcastle and Upton for the end of August. A 2015 date will be announced in the near future.

Items that can be brought to the collection sites include several different automotive items, paints, fertilizers, pesticides, rodent poisons, fungicides, bleach, disinfectants, drain cleaner, glues, nail polish remover, household batteries, florescent light tubes, aerosols, lighter fluid, computers, monitors, printers, fax machines and televisions.

Gurien said, however, that saving items all year long for disposal on a hazardous waste day is costly.

The aim of hazardous waste collection days is to encourage people in the community to become more conscious of what they are putting in the trash can, as well as how they are disposing of hazardous waste.

Records from the past three years show that hazardous waste day costs for the county have increased dramatically. Computer equipment disposal alone cost nearly \$20,000 in 2014, Gurien said.

Don't wait for collection days

Gurien reminds residents that some agencies take some of the listed items — all year long. For example, the natural resource district accepts household batteries and Weston County Weed and Pest takes pesticides. Two cardboard recycling stations are located at Roundup Feed and Ranch Supply and Family Dollar in Newcastle. Also, the Newcastle branch of the Weston County Library has a drop-off box for laser inkjet cartridges.

Gurien said that some items can be mailed to companies for disposal. For example, florescent light bulbs can be disposed of by mailing to one of several locations listed at search.earth911.com.

Pacific Steel and Recycling in Gillette was specifically suggested by Gurien as a disposal resource, and she noted that the company has a website with information on what items it accepts and a map showing the location. The business does pay for computer equipment, excluding monitors.

Rapid City has similar facilities, which can be found through the internet or phone listings.

"These are things people have all year around. People always have aluminum cans,

and people always want to sell their copper. I called yesterday to check the price of aluminum cans — it's going for 32 cents a pound, which is good because I am pretty sure last year it was 16," she said. "If you call and check prices, it is worth it because then you can go and buy more soda. It works out great."

Being proactive about waste, she suggested, is not only beneficial to the land but also helps keep landfill and garbage collection costs down.

Repurposing

Gurien noted that there are many resources for finding another purpose for unwanted items. Pinterest, for one, is a good repurposing resource.

Another suggestion is to utilize shredded paper as bedding for animal cages.

"If an animal is going to continue to use the bathroom in their cage, just recycle the paper and do it that way. It just makes more sense. And that is compostable," Gurien said. "Even composting stuff — everyone cuts up an onion and then has skin they don't want and throw in the trash. If they would just be aware of what they are throwing away, they could really cut down on their daily trash, in general."

Search.earth911.com

People can begin their search for ways to dispose of hazardous waste at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency website. The website answers just about every question a person can possibly have about hazardous waste. The EPA also can help determine whether something is a hazardous waste. The website includes information on EPA-listed wastes, characteristic wastes, universal wastes, mixed wastes and the waste identification process.

To help you determine where to dispose of your hazardous waste, head on over to search.earth911.com. There, you can enter the type of waste and your location in the search fields and up will pop a list of available disposal locations in your area.

Federal support of local program helps landowners

Denice Piscioti
NLJ Reporter

As a federal agency, the Natural Resources Conservation Service works under the U.S. Department of Agriculture and partners with the Weston County Natural Resource District, which is a county agency governed by a board of directors. Both have the goal of assisting landowners in caring for the land in preparation for longevity, but there is often confusion among residents

over the role and reach of each agency.

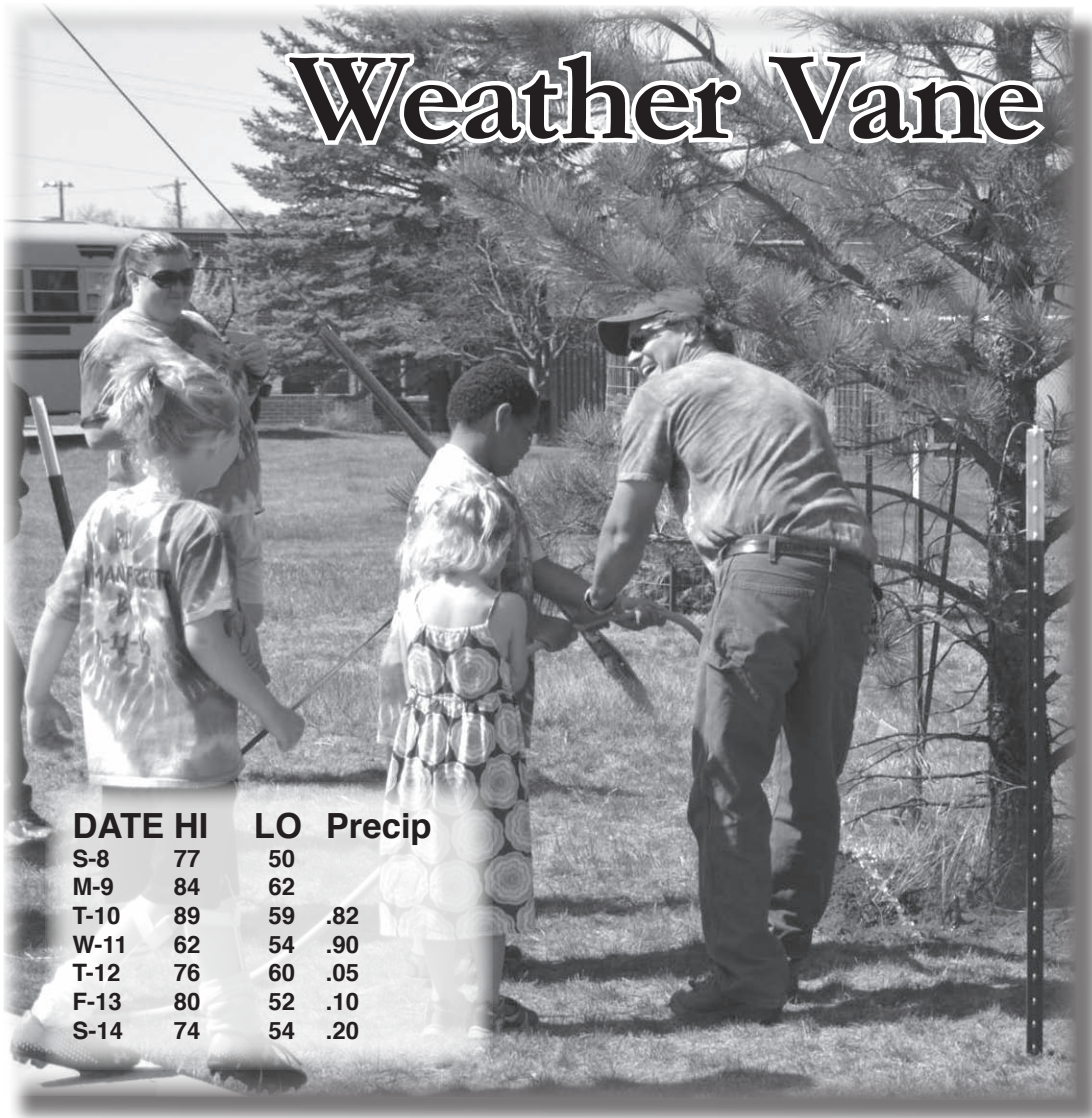
"The reason we are together is conservation districts formed back in the dirty '30s. At the time, it was called the Soil Conservation Service, formed with the conservation districts, and we have been a partner ever since — for the past 80 years. They have been a county entity, and we have always been a federal entity," explained Paul Eitel, NRCS district conservationist.

Every county in every state has an office for both districts, and in many instances, they work together to accomplish the same goal.

The WCNRD is a county entity, with a fiscal year that ends June 30. The NRCS is a federal entity, with a fiscal year that ends September 30. Sometimes, the difference in dates makes it possible for consumers to apply for programs in both agencies, said Lacey Gurien, WCNRD district manager.

The separate funding also enables both agencies to work on the same project. For instance, both have funds to help clean up and plant trees in the area affected by the Oil Creek fire of 2012.

"We planted 1,000 choke-cherry and 1,000 plum in the Oil Creek drainage and also 200 cottonwoods — just repairing what we can. We work with state forestry doing that. We can get a lot done with multiple agencies," Gurien said.



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W-11	62	54	.90
T-12	76	60	.05
F-13	80	52	.10
S-14	74	54	.20

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees will have a board retreat on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 5:00 pm at the Pizza Barn. No action will be taken at this meeting.

(Publish June 18, 2015)

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Weston County Hospital District Board Meeting has been changed to June 23, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Weston County Hospital board room. The public presentation of the FY2016 budget will take place at 5:30 p.m. prior to the board meeting.

(Publish June 18, 2015)

Deadline for Legals is noon on Friday

Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the below Mortgage Foreclosure Sale is hereby POSTPONED to July 7, 2015 at the courthouse steps, Weston County, at 10:00 a.m. The Foreclosure Sale Postponement relates to the earlier Notice of Foreclosure Sale prepared by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association addressing a default in the payment of principal and interest that has occurred under the terms of a promissory note and mortgage dated May 26, 2009 executed and delivered by Aaron D. Lines, as Mortgagor, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS"), as nominee for Lender, MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A., as Mortgagee, recorded on June 1, 2009 as Rec. No. 712297, Book 315, Page 0286, in the public records in the office of the county clerk of Weston County, Wyoming; as assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, recorded on July 11, 2013 as Rec. No. 744908, Book 346, Page 0369 in the public records of the office of the county clerk of Weston County, Wyoming. The premises that are described in the Mortgage are as follows:

LOT 8, BLOCK 5, PINE ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING.

with an address of 431 Walker Avenue, Newcastle, WY 82701.

Accordingly, the Foreclosure Sale set for June 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. is hereby postponed as above stated. DATED this 1st day of June, 2015.

BY: Greg B. Asay
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(307) 632-2888
Attorney for JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

(Publish June 11 and 18, 2015)

Utility Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) has given SourceGas Distribution LLC (SourceGas or the Company) authority to adjust the distribution charges for Small General Service (SGS) and Medium General Service (MGS) customers. This approval is subject to notice, protest, investigation, opportunity for hearing, change, refund and such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate.

On April 15, 2015, SourceGas filed its application for authority to adjust the Distribution Use Per Customer Adjustment (DUPCA) rates seeking to implement an increase of \$0.0029 per therm for SGS customers and a decrease of \$0.0014 per therm for MGS customers, both effective June 1, 2015.

The DUPCA applies to customers in the SGS and MGS customer classes in the Company's Wyoming service territory and is applicable for the period June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2016. SourceGas stated its application reflects the Company's calculated revenue excess or deficiency that results from a change in the weather normalized use per customer from those levels underlying the determination of base volumetric rates during the twelve month period ending December 31, 2014. SourceGas stated the DUPCA is intended to calculate the revenue excess or deficiency from the weather normalized use per customer and then to calculate the charge or credit necessary to allow SourceGas to collect the level of revenues from those customers approved by the Commission in 2010. The proposed rates will result in a projected refund of \$170,951.11 to SGS customers and a projected refund of \$7,071.81 to MGS customers during the Company's DUPCA collection period of June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2016. The proposed revisions would result in a projected increase in the Company's June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2016, SGS revenues of approximately \$206,856; and a decrease in the Company's June 1, 2015, through May 31, 2016, MGS revenues of approximately \$30,148.

The proposed DUPCA rate for SGS customers is a credit of \$0.0025 per therm and a credit of \$0.0003 per therm for MGS customers.

SourceGas' application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and at the Company's Wyoming business offices.

Anyone desiring to file an intervention petition, request for a public hearing, statement, public comment or protest in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before July 9, 2015. The petition shall set forth the grounds for the proposed intervention or request for hearing and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you want to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 30022-245-GA-15 in your communications. Dated: June 9, 2015.

(Publish June 18 and 25, 2015)



Meeting Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016

A public hearing on the proposed budget for Sweetwater Improvement & Service District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 which is being considered by the Board of Directors, will be held at the meeting room of the Weston County Library in Newcastle, Wyoming on June 25, at 6 p.m. at which time any and all persons interested may appear and be heard respecting such budget.

(Publish June 18 and 25, 2015)

Fun and Games

4TH OF JULY

ACROSS

- Cursor control
- Director's cry
- Yellow rides
- "A Doll's House" playwright
- Put into service
- Alluring maiden
- Thorny stems
- Ewe's mate
- "Bravo! Bravo!", e.g.
- *First state added after 13 colonies
- *July 4th Main Street tradition
- Famous T-Rex
- _____ list
- U.K. broadcaster
- Suggestive look
- Nada
- Building extensions at right angle to main building
- Two of a kind
- "No way, _____"
- "_____ but don't touch"
- For cruising in style
- Silly talk or writing, British
- *Britain in the Revolutionary War
- *State representative
- Web _____
- Type of flask
- Hodgepodge
- Akira Kurosawa's 1985 drama
- Fly like an eagle
- Club alternative
- **The Star-Spangled Banner
- *Type of holiday
- Architectural projection
- School group
- Intoxicating
- Disreputable woman
- "_____ My People Go"
- Perfume obtained from flowers
- Fail to mention
- Compass reading
- Unifying idea

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- CCCP
- Looks like
- Imbue with soul
- Curtis, to friends
- *July birthday celebrant
- Pace of music
- Kind of cola
- "_____ Lang Syne"
- Highlands hillside
- Dog command
- Highly addictive narcotic
- Clingy one
- Wood-shaping tool
- John Deere product
- *Liberty _____
- Type A, e.g.
- Intimate
- Unfledged hawk
- Auctioneer's quantities
- Vienna Boys' group
- Popular foliage plant
- Place at an angle
- Indian lentil staple
- **_____ in the course of human events...
- Cherokee or Hopi, e.g.
- In a foolhardy manner
- Wade's opponent
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- *Washington had wooden ones?
- Famous boxing promoter
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- Greek muse's strings
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- *Number of amendments in The Bill of Rights

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McFarland Jason E, EXCEED 65 MPH ON PRRY/SCNDRY (6+ MPH OVER) HWY Total Fines Paid \$90.00

Sepke Miles A, EXTRADITION: ISSUE WARRANT FOR ARREST

Schuessler Ethan J, SEAT BELT: DRIVER, Total Fines Paid \$25.00

Wise John A, SPEED TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS, Total Fines Paid \$70.00

Wise John A, CARELESS DRIVING 1ST OFF, Total Fines Paid \$220.00

Leingang Kayla T, EXPIRED/IMPROPER REGISTRATION, Total Fines Paid \$110.00

Mitchell Joseph M, SEAT BELT: DRIVER \$25.00

Mitchell Joseph M, EXPIRED/IMPROPER REGISTRATION, Total Fines Paid \$120.00

Callison SR Stephen L, FAIL TO PROVIDE PROFF OF LIABILITY INSUR, Total Fines Paid \$410.00

Hershey Randy C, SEAT BELT: DRIVER, Total Fines Paid \$25.00

34 Total Fines Paid \$3400.00

**MUNICIPAL COURT
JUDGE R DOUGLAS DUMBRILL**

Justin D Burke, SUPERINTENDENT'S SPEED ZONE, Total Fines Paid \$210.00

Derek D Gregory, EXHIBITION DRIVE (1ST OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$100.00

Stephen Lee Callison, STOP SIGN MUNICIPLA CONTEMPT OF COURT, Total Fines Paid \$290.00

Benjamin F Cass, EXHIBITION DRIVING (1ST OFFENSE), Total Fines Paid \$120.00

18 Total Fines Paid \$ 2660.00

Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the below Mortgage Foreclosure Sale is hereby POSTPONED to July 21, 2015 at the courthouse steps, Weston County, at 10:00 a.m.

The Foreclosure Sale Postponement relates to the earlier Notice of Foreclosure Sale prepared by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association addressing a default in the payment of principal and interest that has occurred under the terms of a promissory note and mortgage dated January 25, 2002 executed and delivered by David L. Bell and Donna A. Bell, as Mortgagors, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. ("MERS"), as Mortgagee solely as nominee for Washington Mutual Bank, FA, recorded on January 30, 2002 as Rec. No. 649765, Book 255, Page 42 in the public records in the office of the county clerk of Weston County, Wyoming; as assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, recorded on January 26, 2015 as Rec. No. 757414, Book 357, Page 0115 in the public records in the office of the county clerk of Weston County, Wyoming. The premises that are described in the Mortgage are as follows:

Tract 28, Greenvalley Acres, Weston County, Wyoming, according to the recorded plat thereof, further described as follows:

A tract of land in Section 3, Township 44 North, Range 61 West of the Sixth Principal Meridian, Weston County, Wyoming and further described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of Section 3, run S 89°36' W for a distance of 615.1 feet to the northeast corner of Tract 28 and the point of beginning; thence S 00°39' W for a distance of 564.6 feet; thence 89°36' W for a distance of 611.9 feet; thence N 01°32' W for a distance of 565 feet; thence N 89°36' E for a distance of 633.7 feet to the point of beginning.

with an address of 11 Diana Lane, Newcastle, WY 82701.

Accordingly, the Foreclosure Sale set for June 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. is hereby postponed as above stated.

DATED this 1st day of June, 2015.

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

(Publish June 18 and July 2, 2015)

Blotter

May 31, 2015

Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, One arrest DUI. Injured animal reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, One arrest. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Motorist assist. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Civil standby requested. Civil standby requested.

June 1

Abandoned vehicle reported. Report of a dog at large. Four VIN inspections requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Found property reported. Noise complaint.

June 2

Medical assist. Illegal dumping reported. Assist other agency. Injured deer reported. Five VIN inspections requested. Civil standby requested. Traffic complaint. Minor accident reported. Medical assist. 911 hang up. Assist other agency. Traffic complaint. Assist other agency. Traffic hazard reported. Traffic hazard reported. Weather Warning issued. Report of a dog at large.

June 3

Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Report of a dog at large. Fire reported. Three VIN inspections requested. Residential alarm reported. Traffic escort requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Welfare check requested. Barking dog complaint. Assist other agency. 911 hang up. Suspicious activity reported. Warrant arrest. Traffic complaint.

June 4

Domestic problem reported. Commercial alarm reported. Commercial alarm reported. Vandalism reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Motorist assist. Extra patrol requested. Motorist assist. Motorist assist. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Motorist assist. Minor accident reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Missing dog reported.

June 5

Motorist assist. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. Missing dog reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Missing dog reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Extra patrol requested. Hit and run accident reported. 911 hang up. Barking dog complaint. Report of a dog at large. Traffic complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up.

June 6

Noise complaint. Missing dog reported. Harassment reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Missing dog reported. Injured deer reported. Report of a dog at large. Traffic complaint. Report of a dog at large. Impounded. Medical assist. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, No action taken. Traffic complaint. Traffic complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

June 7

Fight reported. Fight reported. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning

issued. Hit and run accident reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. VIN inspection requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Assist other agency. Parking complaint, Parking ticket issued. Smoke reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Report of a dog at large.

June 8

Traffic stop, Citation issued. Medical assist. Report of a dog at large. Missing dog reported. Four VIN inspections requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. Traffic complaint. Missing dog reported. Civil problem reported. Parking complaint. Missing cat reported. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Civil standby requested.

June 9

Residential alarm reported. Report of a dog at large. Assist other agency. Theft reported. Four VIN inspections requested. Vandalism reported. Parking complaint. 911 hang up. 911 hang up. Parking complaint. Suspicious person reported. Domestic disturbance reported. One arrest. Welfare check requested. 2 Arrests. Found dog reported. 911 hang up. Noise complaint.

June 10

Suspicious activity reported. Civil standby requested. Report of a dog at large. Suspicious activity reported. Two VIN inspections requested. Vicious dog reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Noise complaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic hazard reported.

June 11

Weed complaint. Trespass Order requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. VIN inspection requested. Motorist assist. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic hazard reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Weather Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Fire alarm reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Message delivery requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued.

June 12

Five VIN inspections requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Report of a dog at large. Extra patrol requested. Medical assist. Civil problem reported. Weed complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Assist other agency. Missing sign reported. 911 hang up.

June 13

Minor accident reported. 911 hang up. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Drunk driver reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. 911 hang up. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Lost property reported. Missing cat reported. Medical assist.

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Utility Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) has authorized SourceGas Distribution LLC (SGD) to pass on to its Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] customers in the Gillette Division a decrease of \$0.0460 per therm, effective June 1, 2015, or a decrease of \$0.0431 when adjusted for the increase of \$0.0029 per Therm in the Distribution Use Per Customer Adjustment (DUPCA) in Docket No. 30022-245-GA-15. This approval is subject to notice, protest, investigation, opportunity for hearing, change, refund and such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate.

The average Pass-On Rate [Regulated Rate] residential customer in the Gillette Division using approximately 17 therms per month for the period June 1, 2015, through August 31, 2015, may expect a monthly gas bill decrease with the inclusion of the DUPCA adjustment, before taxes, of approximately \$0.73, or about 2.9%. Actual bills will vary with usage.

Sections 249 and 250 of the Commission's Rules allow a utility to pass on to its customers known or prospective wholesale commodity cost increases or decreases, subject to public notice, opportunity for hearing and refund.

SGD's application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne and in the Company's office in Gillette, Wyoming.

Anyone who wants to file an intervention petition, request for a hearing, or a statement, protest, or public comment in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before July 8, 2015. Please mention Docket No. 30022-247-GP-15 when you call or write. Intervention petitions and requests for a hearing must state the position and interest of the person so filing.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: June 8, 2015.

(Publish June 18 and 25, 2015)

Public Notice

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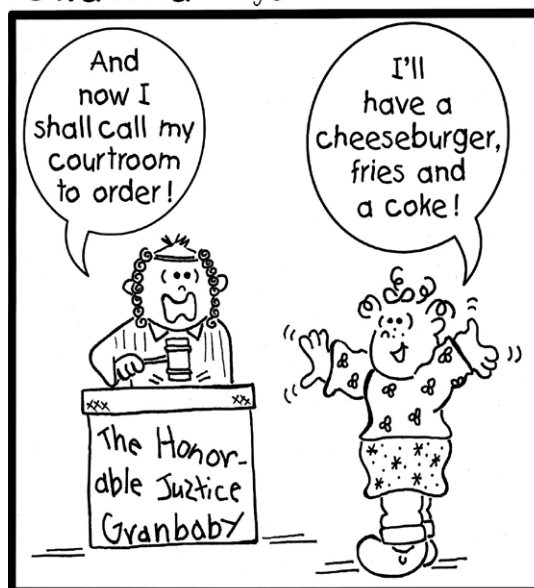
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Table with 2 columns: Date and Time. Tuesday May 26, 2015 9:00 a.m., Tuesday June 9, 2015 9:00 a.m., Tuesday June 23, 2015 9:00 a.m.

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Sincerely,
Alice Schuette

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Camp offers glimpse ahead

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Two weeks ago the Little Dogies basketball players were hard at it in the Dome, and on Saturday, the big Dogies got their turn to play a little round ball on their home court.

This was the seventh year that Dogie head coach Allen Von Eye has hosted a team camp for the boys. Normally, the camp is a two-day event in which participating teams play six games. Because of lower numbers this year, however, the camp was consolidated into a single day with teams playing three games each.

The varsity squads attending were Hot Springs, Custer, Lusk and Newcastle. Each team, plus Wright, also brought a junior varsity team.

In previous years, teams from Worland, Belle Fourche, Spearfish, Glenrock, Lead, Hill City, Buffalo, Arvada-Clearmont and others have come to Newcastle for the camp.

"We are blessed with phenomenal facilities, and we are able to logistically host a great team camp with access to three beautiful gyms, so it just makes sense for us to put it on" Von Eye said.

He also noted that the camp provides a great opportunity for his kids to play competitive basketball during the offseason at no cost.

Newcastle's good location and proximity to other towns throughout the Black Hills makes it feasible for the participating teams to get good quality competition without having to travel very far, he said.

The camp is also an inexpensive option for the other teams because Von Eye only charges \$30 a game for other teams. Other camps charge \$350 or more.

The Dogies generally raise some funds from the camp, but according to Von Eye, the team only made about \$50 this year, after paying the workers, because not as many teams as



Cam Quigley and Dawson Norton were able to see some varsity playing time this past season and head coach Allen Von Eye looks for them to compete at the varsity level again next year. (NLJ file photo)

past years participated.

Hosting a team camp also gives some of the local officials the opportunity to get experience and hone their skills in the off-season, according to Von Eye.

The Dogie varsity squad of Taylor Allen, Cooper Karp, Dawson Norton, Alec Martinez, Triston Roberson, Cam Quigley, Cade Ostenson and Sawyer Roberson won all three of its contests. They first defeated Custer by five points, then Hot Springs by eight and finally Lusk by 19 points.

"The varsity played extremely good defense in the first three quarters of their games against Custer and Hot Springs, really making them work for every basket and leading most of the way," Von Eye said. "Both teams closed the gap some late, but the

Dogies were able to hold them off. We got off to a big lead against a young Lusk team, leading 24-6 at half, and were able to cruise to an easy win."

The JV team, which consists of all freshmen and one sophomore, defeated Hot Springs and Lusk but lost to a varsity-heavy Wright. Playing for this squad were Lyle Whitney, Ostenson, Sawyer Roberson, Jake Lacey, Dylan Talley, Brady Wilkes and Isiah Covey.

After losing several seniors to graduation, Dogie coaches use the various summer opportunities to help them put together players who may have never stepped on the court at the same time and to give the team a chance to start building chemistry. Coaches and players both get a glimpse of the potential the team has going into the coming season.

Mills rises to the top

Douglas Napier for NLJ

Hoosier Tire's Black Hills Mini Sprint Tour stopped at the Newcastle Speedway in Newcastle, and the show belonged to Brandon Mills in the No. 22 car for the second race in a row.

After winning last week in Sturgis, with a last lap pass, Mills continued his winning ways in Wyoming in front of a packed house.

Mills didn't need a late-race pass to win this week because the No. 22 car led all 20 of the feature event's laps, driving the high and low grooves as he worked his way through lapped traffic.

Rookie Riley Fremont made a late race attempt to reel in the leader in his No. 808, but time was not on his side. Fremont finished second in the race but was disqualified at the scales for being 10 pounds light. This handed the runner-up spot to John Garrigan Jr., riding in 95j, was last year's BHMST point co-champion and is doing triple-duty driving this weekend with his 95j Thunder Stock car at the Black Hills Speedway. He collected his first win in this division Friday night.

Finishing out the top five was the pole sitter, Jason Robbins in No. 50 in third, BHMST point leader Don Taylor in No. 31 in fourth and time trial's quick-time setter, as well as the winner of the Speedmart's Hard Charger Award for the evening, Reggie Schrank in No. 521 in fifth.

The next race for Hoosier Tire's Black Hills Mini Sprint Tour is June 27 in Sturgis at the Jackpine Gypsies short track. Races start at 7 p.m.

Hoosier Tire's BHMST Point Championship

1	466	Don Taylor	31
2	455	Tom Peterson	307
3	450	Brandon Mills	22
4	449	Blayne Brink	21
5	445	John Garrigan Jr.	95J
6	443	Jim Paisley	88
7	439	Larry Reub	59
8	435	Nate Hand	2
9	430	Riley Fremont *	808
10	427	Jason Robbins	50
11	427	Reggie Schrank	521
12	413	Martin Hansen *	16
13	405	Colten Baumanm *	24
14	396	Ron Fulk	9
15	374	Ronald Sadness *	36s
16	304	Doug McIntosh	23
17	304	Robert Bandy	27
18	273	Karen Deshaw	26
19	269	Ryan Fulk	11f
20	225	Ed Wagoner	51
21	223	Jeff Wignall	19
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23	216	Tyler Mills	14
24	207	Donnie Bandy	28
25	195	Samantha Swett	X's

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Reggie Schrank (521) 11.888, Brandon Mills (22) 12.029, John Garrigan jr. (95j) 12.106, Blayne Brink (21) 12.259, Don Taylor (31) 12.338, Nate Hand (2) 12.482, Jason Robbins (50) 12.618, Riley Fremont (808) 12.661, Jim Paisley (88) 12.763, Martin Hansen (16) 13.438, Colten Baumanm (24) 13.572, Josh Bates (36s) 15.533

Heat 1: Brandon Mills (22), Ed Wagoner (51), John Garrigan jr. (95j), Reggie Schrank (521), Josh Bates (36s)

Heat 2: Larry Reub (59), Tom Peterson (307), Martin Hansen (16), Jeff Wignall (19)

Heat 3: Blayne Brink (21), Jason Robbins (50), Nate Hand (2), DNF Ryan Fulk (9)

Heat 4: Don Taylor (31), Riley Fremont (808), Colten Baumanm (24), DNF Jim Paisley (88)

A Main: Mills, Garrigan, Robbins, Taylor, Schrank, Wagoner, Peterson, Wignall, Hand, Hansen, Paisley, DNF Brink, Baumanm, Reub, Fulk, DNS Bates, DQ Fremont

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Curry is just a blast to watch play as well. He has mad handles and can put up a shot from downtown in situations that look like there is no way it will fall but is then right on the money. And just when you think he can't get any better, he does something to prove you wrong.

There really is only one

aspect of these games that has disappointed me. The gentlemen who are covering the games are obviously biased toward the Cavs, and it shows — especially in the color commentary. Now, I know that I have a definite affinity for the Warriors, but even those who are Cavs fans can't deny that the commentators are obvi-

ously for Cleveland.

But I digress. Game six is a pivotal game. It's win or go home for the Cavs, and with a win, the Warriors would bring home their first NBA championship since 1975. So I'm sure it will be an exciting one from start to finish, and I know that I will be glued to my TV to see how it plays out.

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