

# News Letter Journal

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## Four seasons fest



The Weston Manor was host to plenty of attendees during the Four Seasons Festival last Saturday. Guests enjoyed a raffle, door prizes and hand-crafted goodies, and all proceeds benefit the Residents Activity Fund. (Pam Penfield/NLJ)

## Campbell did not leave a note

Deputy testifies to what was found at the scene of his death

Alexis Barker  
NLJ Reporter

Weston County Sheriff's Sergeant Pat Watsabaugh had already finished his shift when he overheard dispatch sending two other deputies to a property south of Newcastle in response to a report of a male who had suffered an apparent gunshot wound to the head on June 24, 2015—the day 60-year old Richard Campbell died.

At a Coroner's Inquest held last month to determine the cause and manner

of Campbell's death, Watsabaugh testified that, although he was off work, he responded to the scene, a property with multiple residences that share a common entrance and an overgrown driveway 11 miles south of town on Old Highway 85. The property, which included both a circular structure and a single-wide trailer, is owned by Caroline Scouff. Campbell lived in the trailer, and the circular building is Scouff's home.

As he drove down the driveway, Watsabaugh came upon the circular structure

that Scouff lives in, and observed fellow Deputy Dan Fields leaving the residence. Fields informed the other officers at the scene that the call had been made in reference to the other home on the property, and the officers made their way to the single wide trailer occupied by Campbell.

Watsabaugh had also observed Scouff leaving the scene in a blue four-door pickup, and he instructed one of the other deputies to hold that vehicle at the entrance to the driveway while the scene was inves-

igated. Shortly after, he and Fields arrived at the trailer in which Campbell lived, and Watsabaugh was the first to enter Campbell's home.

He told the three individuals who made up the coroner's jury that he walked up a short series of stairs, and found an unlocked door that took no force to open. At that point, officers entered the residence and as a safety measure "cleared" the structure to make sure there was no existing threat or other

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## Pay me now or pay me later

Alexis Barker  
NLJ Reporter

"This vote affects everyone in Weston County. It hits all of us. This is the most important vote in Weston County next to the hospital tax. They both affect everyone," City Engineer Bob Hartley told the News Letter Journal in reference to a ballot measure that will result in a three mil property tax levy to fund a landfill in Weston County if voters approve it.

The Weston County Solid Waste District board was created just over a year ago by the Weston County Commissioners with the task of finding a solution to the growing cost of solid waste disposal across the

state. Their purpose was to research various options and determine the course that will best serve residents within Weston County.

According to Hartley, voters in Weston County are faced with the choice of paying an additional \$30 a month for solid waste disposal in the future, or approving the tax measure, which will cost property owners only \$30 a year for a property valued at \$100,000. He asserted that it is a very simple choice. If the mil levy passes, it will provide the funds for WCSWD to operate a local landfill, and if it doesn't pass, residents will have to pay more to have their solid waste transported to facilities outside the county.

"The City of Newcastle is not closing our landfill by choice. We have no choice. The Department of Environmental Quality has us in this position. We have to do it, and the city has no means to generate enough money to build a state of the art landfill," declared Hartley, noting that a "state of the art landfill" will cost upwards of \$3.5 million.

"The only way to come up with that money is a mil levy, and the city can not do that. If this mil levy passes, that will allow the district (WCSWD) to generate enough money to pay off debt to build the landfill and to build it state of the art, so it will run for a long

— See **Trash**, Page 9

## Predator Board takes some shots Free money

Alexis Barker  
NLJ Reporter

On September 20, representatives of the Weston County Predator Board approached the Weston County Commissioners to discuss the removal of one of the board's members, Nicky Groenwold, due to her not meeting the appropriate qualifications for the position, but the discussion came to a head on October 10 at the Predator Board meeting in Upton when Terry Groenwold— himself a former member of the board— confronted the members present and voiced a number of issues he has with the board and the manner in which they operate.

Groenwold indicated that he believed his wife had been "attacked" by other members of the board, and called it a cowardly act. He also asserted that crimes had been committed

by the board and called for action to be taken. He indicated that the Weston County Commissioners, County Attorney William Curley, the State Auditor, and the State Attorney General's Office should all be informed of the actions of the board.

Groenwold told the group that he felt it was inappropriate for board member Mike Davis and former board member Alan Todd—who is also a former county commissioner—to appear at the county commission meeting in September and state that they had evidence that Nicky Groenwold owned and sold cattle. ("Predator Board," News Letter Journal, October 6, 2016, page one)

The duo asserted that the proof disqualified her from being able to sit on the Predator Board as a "sportsmen's representative," but

Groenwold argued that his wife had informed county commissioners that she owned cattle when she offered to fill a vacant position on the Predator Board earlier this year.

"I do not need Sherlock Holmes to tell me I own cattle. She stated in her letter to the commissioners that she did," declared Groenwold.

Nicky Groenwold emailed a copy of the letter sent to the county commissioners seeking the appointment on January 26, 2016 to the News Letter Journal, and she did, in fact, disclose that she was a livestock producer. At the time, she also suggested that state law allows a waiver from the prohibition against producers sitting on the Predator Board as sportsmen's representatives.

"I am engaged in the business of raising cattle but wondered if that proscription might

be set aside as, with reference to the board members themselves, W.S. 11-6-202 (iii) states that "if no qualified applicant seeks election to the board of directors, then the director position may be filled by an otherwise qualified elector, provided no more than four directors may represent any one species of livestock." I am aware that this subsection of the statutes applies to the elected board members, but I have not located, within the statutes, any similar waiver of the qualifications for the sportsmen appointees. Since the positions have not been filled, I assume that perhaps such a waiver could be considered. At any rate, I am a sportsman and a business person and feel fully qualified in either of those roles to serve on the board. I would appreciate

— See **Board**, Page 3

## Supporters tout benefits of lodging tax

Andrew McKay  
NLJ Reporter

Despite what online ads and spam claim, the mantra "nothing is ever free" remains the rule rather than the exception, but this is essentially how the lodging tax works for Weston County businesses and community according to supporters who say, unlike other taxes, the lodging tax is paid for by the county's visitors rather than its citizens.

"This is not a tax that Weston County residents are paying. It is money meant to bring tourists in, and the beautiful thing is, they're the ones who pay for it," said

Norma Shelton, who has been on the Weston County Travel Commission since 2003.

"Visitors to our hotels pay a tax for their room, what it amounts to is a little less than four dollars a night here in Weston County. It's a great deal. We receive the benefits, but don't have to pay the expenses. I think this works for everyone," explained Upton Chamber of Commerce President Debbie Douglas.

The two are persistently vocal of these advantages for good reason—the lodging tax is not decided on by county officials, but the voters themselves. While tapping into the wealth of money traveling through the county may seem a no-brainer, however, many voters are instinctively cautious of the word 'tax.'

— See **Lodging**, Page 3

## Mayor resigns to take Clerk's job

Bob Bonnar  
NLJ Associate Publisher

In an email sent to city officials on October 4, Newcastle Mayor Greg James announced that he was resigning his position as mayor to accept the position of City Clerk/Treasurer vacated late in the summer by Charita Brunner. He began work in his new position on Monday.

"Thank you for your offer of position as Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Newcastle. I

gratefully accept the position, effective start date Monday, October 17, 2016," he wrote to the members of the Newcastle City Council.

In the email, James also resigned immediately from the mayor's position, and withdrew his name as a candidate for the Newcastle City Council. James had already decided to step down as the city's mayor at the end of the term that would have concluded at the end of this year, but had filed for election to a city council position and appeared on the primary election

ballot.

He told city officials he would be contacting County Clerk Jill Sellers to inform her that he was withdrawing from the city council race, but she indicated to the News Letter Journal that his name would still be appearing on the general election ballot.

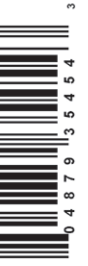
Sellers told the News Letter Journal that the city's personnel changes occurred after the ballots for the general election had already been printed, and that James' decision to withdraw

from the race came too late.

She said, however, that it has been posted at the courthouse and on the polling booths that votes for James in the city council election will not be counted, and that such notices will be posted at the polls on election day as well.

This will be the second time James has served as City Clerk/Treasurer. He resigned from the mayor's seat to take the position in 1998 as well, and served in that capacity through 2004.

<b>WEATHER FORECAST</b>	<b>Thursday</b> Sunny Hi 57, Lo 37	<b>Friday</b> Sunny Hi 63, Lo 40	<b>Saturday</b> Sunny Hi 65, Lo 40	<b>Sunday</b> Sunny Hi 64, Lo 42	<b>Monday</b> Partly Cloudy Hi 67, Lo 45	<b>Tuesday</b> Partly Cloudy Hi 63, Lo 40	<b>Wednesday</b> Sunny Hi 57, Lo 38	<b>INSIDE</b> • Falling for the Ranch, Page 8 • Reading Counts, Page 10 • County Payroll, Page 11 • Dogies Roll, Page 13



# Opinion

## News Letter Journal

### Our view

## Don't decide until you hear both sides

Our page one story on the in-fighting taking place on Weston County's Predator Board sounds all too familiar.

While the issues and arguments differ, at the end of the day the episode is virtually identical to the situation that arose when several members of the Weston County Fair Board lobbied the Weston County Commissioners a few years ago to have another board member removed from their ranks. After that incident, the commissioners spent several months developing a "board removal procedure," but the anger and accusations that dominated the Predator Board's meeting in Upton last week proves that policy and procedure are poor substitutes for communication and leadership.

We honestly haven't read the county's shiny new procedure for removal of board members because we thought the creation of it served no real purpose. The ugly incident that occurred involving the Fair Board a few years ago could have been avoided if the commissioners had followed one of this country's guiding principles—the right of the accused to face his or her accuser—and we believe the same can be said about the current county board dust-up.

In both of these instances, the commissioners—either individually or as a group—were willing to listen to complaints about a board member they appointed without ensuring that the board member in question was present to hear those accusations. As a result, minds were made up and decisions committed to without both sides of the story being told.

What inevitably follows is resentment and distrust, and in both instances wedges have been driven into relationships that have existed between families in this county for generations. It is even more unfortunate that the people involved in these disputes are citizens who were willing to give something back to their community by serving on these boards, and their reward for doing so ended up being fractured friendships and tarnished reputations.

We acknowledge that such things are often the price people pay when they choose to go into public service, but in both of these cases we believe the damage could have been decreased significantly if the commissioners would have simply insisted that they were unwilling to consider the complaints being made against a board member they appointed unless that board member could be present to respond to what was being said.

Doing so would ensure the motives of both sides are clearly understood, complaints aren't exaggerated and that the positions of both sides in the dispute aren't misrepresented.

It is also considered common courtesy, and as such, it should be extended to citizens who volunteer to serve their community by sitting on these boards.

## The art of cowboying

It was a warm day for the branding and there was not a cloud in the sky (see "Branding before the snow flies, page 8).

Just like in the spring, the cattle are rounded up into a corral. The cows are funneled into metal chutes in groups of five or six. The wide part of the chute is swung closed, and the cows are forced into a straight line to keep them in place. The cowboys check the cows' tags and administer vaccinations to boost their immune system and deworm them.

It was a family outing with all but the youngest children pitching in. In fact, one of the ropers was 9 year-old Connor Stohlhammer, Ivan Brovont's nephew.

Fellow rancher families, ranch hands, greenhorns, and even volunteers with no stake in the ranching business showed up to lend a hand. There were newborns and retirees, young families and bachelors, but every foot was in a cowboy boot.

No sooner had a calf fought its way to its feet than a handful of wranglers were on top of it, wrestling the struggling beast back to the ground. It was an awe-inspiring act of spontaneous coordination learned through years of experience and discipline.

It is easy to see where western novelists drew inspiration for their noble characters. It's a legacy that lives on today, carried on by those who still sacrifice the convenience and comfort of city life to provide quality meat to the markets.

Lariat in hand, the cowboys on horseback throw their lasso underneath the calves' back legs with expert precision. Sometimes the rope would come up empty, but when it did hit its mark the cowboy would wrap his rope around the saddle horn so the horse could drag the calf out. He then turned his horse through the gate towards the open pasture, and the calf followed behind in silent resignation.

Two lines of wranglers waited near the mouth of the corral. They watched the horsemen work, waiting for a calf to be brought out so they could do their part.

As the calf was towed passed, a wrangler from each line hurried to the calf and assumed a station. One grabbed the rope beneath the knot as the other flipped the calf on its left side. The horse was brought to a halt when the calf no longer blocked the alley and the two wranglers immediately set to work.

The cowboy on the rope grabbed the top leg and pushed the bottom leg with his leg as the other held the calf around the neck. The rope was cast off as soon as the calf was secured, and the rider and horse went to rope another calf. In this way the ground was quickly covered with calves lying on their left side, pinned

by two wranglers. The calves mostly remained calm when they were being held down, only kicking out in short, sporadic intervals, but both kept their grip firm since free calves are hard to bring back down again and could escape and quickly lose themselves in the herd. The ranchers would then have the chore of finding and separating the unprocessed calf from the herd.

A woman walked up with a vaccine in hand. Kneeling down, she pressed the needle into the calf to inject the medicine. The surprising pain made the calf kick out against the wranglers, but they held strong. The calf usually settled down again as soon as the needle was removed. Her work done, the woman would draw a pink line on its side to show it had received the vaccine, and hurried off to find her next patient.

The calf received two more shots and another two lines were painted along its side, not in any particular order, to show it was fully vaccinated. Weaving amongst the vaccinators were the wranglers holding branding rods. These had to be taken

after each use back to the grill to become red hot. Brovont's brand is made up of three letters, so the calves are given three brands along with their three shots. White smoke rose from burnt fur as the brand was pressed into the calf's side. It kicked out and let out a cry of protest, but hardly more than for the shot. After the third and final brand, the calf is spun on the ground in the direction of the rest of the herd and released. The calf scampered to its feet, but then slowly walked off, no worse for the wear.

After releasing the calf so it could return to join the others, the two wranglers shook the dust off themselves as they made their way back to the line to begin the cycle again. The entire act went off like clockwork, and the least experienced were given quick tutorials as the cattle were being worked.

It was hard, honest work. Well-deserved breaks were sprinkled throughout the day in between waves of calves. The wranglers gathered around a folding table packed with home-baked snacks and drinks. It is the cowboy's equivalent of water-cooler talk, but with much better scenery.

The end of the branding is a time for relaxing and feasting. The families had prepared food beforehand and now the wranglers munched on sloppy-Joes atop bales of hay and folding chairs. Young children ran around playing games as their parents lounged and relaxed.

It was a beautiful end to a hard day's work.



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## Letters to the Editor

### Legislature will have to consider tax reform

Dear Editor,

It appears that taxes will be a major issue in the next session. I was on the revenue committee over 30 years ago and the issues seem to repeat. I did a lot of research on property taxes at the time, and would like to offer some thoughts for consideration. I have been following the committee meetings, and it is obvious that most people are very reluctant to impose any taxes. It is irresponsible to vote to spend without being willing to vote to raise the tax.

One issue being considered is sales tax exemptions. We had a bill in 1981 to eliminate all exemptions, and it went down with very little discussion. The tax on food must be considered. I feel that this exemption was a big mistake. Food tax is somewhat regressive, but it is the major tax that most people pay directly.

The big problem is that for many of our small towns, it is the main source of revenue. As I remember, the legislature was going to replace the loss but it never seemed to happen. In Newcastle, we have two grocery stores, three hardware stores, a dollar store and a Shopko, plus some miscellaneous small stores. The grocery stores probably out sell all the others. There is no other tax source to replace the sale of food.

The property tax will show a large decline because of the situation with minerals, but there is not much of a solution available for the state. The mineral ad valorem and severance taxes will still be significant, although reduced. The ad valorem tax on minerals method of collection should be modified so that it is paid currently. This may have to be done gradually for the coal industry. The tax on wind generation should be retained. The wind companies are saying they may not build if it is not eliminated, but that is a common threat. They are not going to stop a billion dollar project because of a small tax issue. The federal government incentive is probably much more than the tax. The wind

is a function of our environment, just as oil and gas are, and there is no reason we should not be able to tax it. Power generation from the wind is displacing our coal production. I do not hear any movement to reduce oil and gas taxes because of the slow-down. I think a study could be made of the taxes paid in other states. We know that South Dakota, for example, has much higher property taxes than Wyoming. Texas has a business tax which I presume is based on profits, which Wyoming does not do. These are comparisons that could be made. People tend to forget that the mineral industry pays tax on their product, but also on the equipment used to produce the product.

I have been hearing about the possibility of the state wanting to provide funding for industries. This is a big mistake because if the project is good, private industry will build it. It is a mistake from the tax standpoint for the state to spend anything to promote an industry which does not produce mineral products. This is because any jobs which come into the state have to be supported by the mineral industry. Some years ago, I determined from state publications that one job in the mineral industry generated 40 times the revenue of the average of all non-mineral related jobs. Another reason is that because we have no form of income tax on business except for the tax on mineral production, which is a gross income tax without any deductions. We are missing the boat by not having a business income tax. A large part of our retail business is domiciled out of state. These companies transfer money daily to the home office and they pay their own state tax on these funds so we are contributing these funds. If we had a business income tax, we could be collecting that tax here and the foreign companies could deduct it in their state.

I would venture a guess that entities owned outside the state probably make a greater combined profit than in-state owned businesses. Wyoming citizens are generating this profit for out of state businesses. The mineral industry would have no problem with a business income tax because they would be exempt from income taxes because the

ad valorem and production taxes they presently pay would be greater than any income tax.

Value added industries are another buzzword, but they create the same problem. All of the profit will likely go to an out of state company. We make efforts and tax exemptions to secure industry for Wyoming, but when that industry does come, they generally bring labor, which further impacts the local facilities requiring services paid for by mineral taxes. The computer installations in Cheyenne are great publicity, but the people they bring in impact the community and that impact will not be paid for by the computer owner. I would guess that they may have been exempt from some property and sales taxes. Again much of the money the employees spend will be in non-local stores.

I realize my viewpoint may be idealistic, but when you have an entity which has one very dominant source of revenue, it cannot help but be the source of revenue for everything else. The people of Wyoming have been very fortunate from a tax standpoint. I own a small campground in Hill City, South Dakota and pay more taxes on a seven acre facility than I would pay for a considerable amount of oilfield equipment. I read a recent comment which ranked South Dakota ahead of Wyoming from a business standpoint because they have a more balanced tax system, even if they are in a much poorer financial condition.

—Don Thorson

### NFL must respect the flag and those who died for it

Dear Editor,

I am a Vietnam Veteran and recently took a tour to Washington D.C. We toured Arlington National Cemetery and the War Memorials. I broke down and cried at the Vietnam Wall. We lost over 58,000 brave, young men.

These overpaid football players who love all the 'milk and honey' in this great country, but will not stand for the National Anthem, are a disgrace. Protest some other way, but do not ever show disrespect for the American Flag.

—Homer Hastings

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The misunderstanding may be particularly critical as this November election looms, and this year's voters are set to decide whether to approve the four percent tax for the next four years or not.

"This is a continuation of the lodging tax. It has been in place since 1992. At that time it was a two percent tax, though it was increased in 2004 to four percent. That is where it still is today," Shelton said.

Weston County is hardly unique in capitalizing on the natural resource of Wyoming tourism.

"Almost every town and city in the state has a lodging tax- if not every," Shelton explained.

As the survival of the lodging tax is at stake, Shelton is hopeful voters see the many unique services it offers the county at no cost to them.

"Its biggest benefit is all the advertising to bring tourism into Weston County. There aren't advertising dollars elsewhere for what we do," Shelton confessed, indicating the lodging tax gives the commission a budget of \$55,000 a year, most of which goes to advertising the area.

"For the majority of [the budget], 60 percent is strictly spent on advertising and billboards. We have in place four billboards. The travel Commission takes care of all maintenance for those billboards," Shelton disclosed. The billboards that have been placed promise a quiet place for weary travelers to stay— one that is off the beaten path.

"It's a good way to get them off the interstate," Douglas explained.

Last year, the commis-

sion also assembled a map of nearby attractions that is available at the visitor's center and throughout the area.

"We put together a map this past year that places Newcastle at the hub, with several day trips," Shelton said. "We focus on anything that brings tourists into the county."

She is particularly proud of the Travel Commission's efforts to have a scenic byway designated in the county— bringing attention to the world class views afforded to those who detour along a 78-mile stretch of highways that wind their way through Weston County.

"We worked really hard several years ago for a scenic byway in Weston County, and we got that designation. That gives us a national presence," Shelton exclaimed. Signs along the highways and interstate encourage drivers to detour through and experience the area's beautiful sights, but the commission's ambition hasn't stopped there.

"Our hope is that someday we can work with Crook County to extend that scenic byway up to Devils Tower," continued Shelton.

Offering suggestions to travelers unfamiliar with the region, the map will hopefully keep visitors in the area for more than just a night. The Travel Commission also uses the funds to hook those passing through Weston County by promoting community events such as Upton's Fall Festival.

"This is the 15th year of the Upton Fall Festival, held in conjunction with the Rose Classic Show and Shine car show. It's been a big hit, with 136 cars and 26 vendors this year," Douglas

reported happily.

Though hosting events brings connoisseurs into the community, the Chamber of Commerce and travel board like to make it even more special.

"How great it is to bring people into our community for an event! We put flowers on the streets and signs welcoming visitors. It dresses up the town and makes it more exciting," Douglas said.

The travel commission also utilizes funds from the tax to send flyers (or rack cards) to the surrounding area's hotels, restaurants, and visitor kiosks. Those rack cards supply information on accommodations, cuisine, and attractions to encourage nearby tourists to stop and pump some much needed money into the economy.

The same is done in the Wyoming and South Dakota state travel guides, both of which also give Weston County an online presence for eager visitors. Sightseeing draws many to the pristine landscape in Black Hills, but a good number come for experiences that are in short supply elsewhere in the country.

"Hunting has been a big draw, and the trails bring in outdoors people," said Shelton, who indicated hunting and the Sturgis Rally are especially successful in bringing people in. This is a fact the commission exploits by advertising in the local hunting guide and a few rally magazines, but their ability to do so will disappear if the tax goes away.

"If the lodging tax isn't approved, there is no one else to pick up this advertising," Shelton warned.

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the opportunity to assist, in any capacity, with the ADMB (Animal Damage Management Board)," she wrote in her letter seeking appointment.

The commissioners seemed to accept Groenwold's suggestion and appointed her to the position. After Davis and Todd attended their September 20 meeting and expressed concerns over her eligibility, however, they accepted a verbal resignation she had offered at their October 4 meeting.

Coverage of that September meeting by both of the newspapers in Weston Count prompted Terry Groenwold's request to be placed on the Predator Board's agenda on October 10. After expressing concerns over the way the board had treated his wife, he quickly shifted gears and began questioning other actions taken by the board.

"I will start with the legacy board members. I believe this board has been masters of the grey area," asserted Groenwold, who noted that a number of members of the board took their seats after relatives had held positions on the board. As such, he asserted that the board had essentially been run by the same Weston County families for several years.

According to Groenwold, 70 percent of the board's resources have been used in the Raven Creek area outside of Upton, and he believes many of those resources have been used specifically to benefit members of the board. He suggested that 10 to 15 percent of the 70 percent of resources used in the Raven Creek area have specifically targeted the land of legacy board members.

"It is my opinion that some of these board members, over time, have turned a public service into a personal service, and the same people have controlled the board since I was on the board," professed Groenwold.

Those same "legacy board members" were

also confronted over the way they reacted when Nicky Groenwold raised concerns over a contract trapper that had been hired. Her husband was incensed that she was referred to as a "rabble-rouser" when Davis and Todd made their presentation to the commissioners on September 20. He said she was justified in approaching the Predator Board with what he considered to be a genuine concern.

Terry Groenwold put those concerns in front of the board again at their October 10 meeting, when he accused Davis of spearheading the board's decision to hire the private contractor, who Groenwold said is a close friend of Davis. He believes that a conflict of interest should be declared in that hiring because of the personal relationship between Davis and the contractor, and also asserted that the trapper has not supplied all of his own equipment when he has worked for the Predator Board, as was required in the contract.

Terry Groenwold also took issue with the board's use of a two signature voucher system, which requires only two members to sign vouchers before the treasurer is authorized to pay them. He urged the group to consider requiring the signature of a majority of the board's members before future vouchers are paid.

He also suggested that board members should be restricted in the board's bylaws to serving only one three-year term in an effort to break the control of the "legacy board members," but it was explained that the board has not adopted a set of bylaws because they simply follow state statutes that lay out rules for boards such as theirs.

Groenwold was also directed by the board to take the information he had presented regarding potential conflicts of interest and other activities he considers "criminal" to County Attorney William Curley and the Wyoming Attorney General.

**First State Bank**  
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## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WYOMING CONSTITUTION TO BE VOTED ON AT THE GENERAL ELECTION NOV. 8, 2016

*Underlined words would be added to existing law. Words stricken through will be removed.*

Currently, the Wyoming Constitution allows the legislature to authorize the investment of public employee retirement systems funds and permanent state funds in equities, such as stock or shares in private or public companies. Permanent funds of the state include funds designated as permanent funds by the Constitution. The Wyoming Constitution does not allow the state to invest any other funds in equities. The adoption of this amendment would allow the legislature, by two-thirds vote of the members of both houses, to authorize the investment of additional specified state funds in equities.

**Article 16, Section 6. Loan of credit; donations prohibited; works of internal improvement.**

(a) Neither the state nor any county, city, township, town, school district, or any other political subdivision, shall:

(i) Loan or give its credit or make donations to or in aid of any individual, association or corporation, except for necessary support of the poor; nor or

(ii) Subscribe to or become the owner of the capital stock of any association or corporation, except that:

(A) Funds of public employee retirement systems and the permanent funds of the state of Wyoming may be invested in such stock under conditions the legislature prescribes;

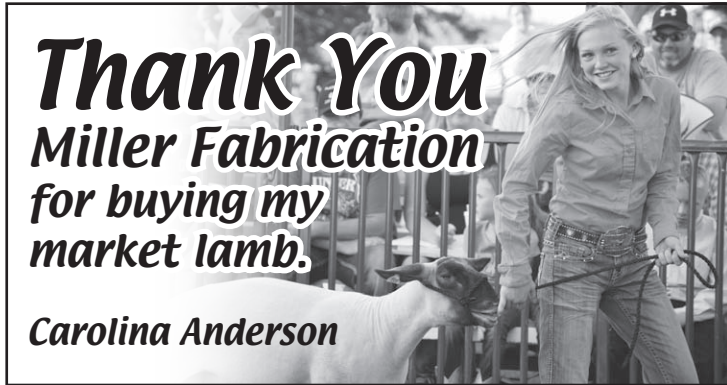
(B) The legislature may provide by law for the investment of funds not designated as permanent funds of the state in the capital stock of any association or corporation and may designate which of these funds may be invested. The legislature may prescribe different investment conditions for each fund. Any legislation establishing or increasing the percentage of any fund that may be invested under this subparagraph shall be passed only by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all the members of each of the two (2) houses voting separately.

(b) The state shall not engage in any work of internal improvement unless authorized by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the people.



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# The Irish are coming to town!



Two fabulous Irish singers will take the stage in Crouch Auditorium on October 26, at 7:00 p.m. when David Shannon and Simon Morgan present their vocal stylings as part of the Weston Country Concert Association's current series. These Irish international

singers perform under the name FIR, which is an Irish word meaning "Men," and in this case "male singers." The two are accomplished performers who have traveled the world performing with some of the top orchestras from America, Asia, Europe, and Australia—as

well as their home country of Ireland. The music is a classical crossover with a modern Irish feel. These two powerful voices seamlessly blend and create a quality that literally soars. David Shannon grew up in Ireland and has been singing professionally for more than 20

years. He has become Ireland's foremost musical theatre leading man, playing major roles in Les Miserables, Miss Saigon, Sweeney Todd and Phantom of the Opera.

Simon Morgan is one of Ireland's top singers and a frequent guest with the country's main orchestras. His album, "I'll Be Seeing You," hit number one in the Irish iTunes vocal album charts following a much heralded performance on Ireland's top TV show, The Late Late Show. He has also performed many leading Operatic roles in La Boheme, Tosca, Candide, Cosi Fan Tutte and more recently in Casta Diva – The Maria Callas Story.

Those who attend next week's show will be treated to a number of favorites, including You Raise Me Up, Nessun Dorma, Granada, Music of the Night from Phantom of the Opera, Bring Him Home from Les Miserables, The Prayer, You'll Never Walk Alone and Danny Boy.

## Obituaries

### George Richard (Dick) Locke Apr. 21, 1934-Oct. 15, 2016

George Richard Locke (Dick) was born on April 21, 1934 in Chadron, Neb. to Helen and George T. Locke, number 4 of 5 siblings.

Several years later the family moved to the countryside of Upton, Wyo. where the children rode horses to school. The family lost their beloved father when Dick was at the tender age of 13 and the family moved to town.

He met the love of his life, Neomia Sinkey while in high school.

He enlisted in the Army right out of high school and was set to go to basic training and married his sweetheart May 29, 1955. George was sent to Alaska while Neomia finished high school. Neomia

joined Dick in Alaska where they welcomed the first of four daughters.

They moved back to Upton in 1958 where they made their home.

Dick was a top truck driver and could set tanks on a dime. He always said he had backed up at least a million miles in his lifetime.

He was retired at age 42 by a heart attack and his favorite pastime was mechanizing in his garage to all hours of the night.

The joys of his life became his grandchildren and he loved to take them to coffee and sometimes on the mail route he helped Neomia carry. He lost his beloved Neomia in 2014. He passed peacefully in his sleep at Pioneer Manor on October 15, 2016.

He is preceded in death by his wife Neomia and grandson Jacob Ray.

He is survived by his children Paula (Dwight) Donner, Joni Rikke (Rick Drexler), Jennifer Locke and April (Joseph) Sadler all of Upton, and his sister Arlene Young of Gillette.

He is also survived by his favorite people—his grandchildren: Michael Keller, Morgan Donner, Weston Donner, Meagan Donner, Stephanie Rikke, Jonathan Rikke, Jade Rikke, Shayla Jenkins, Jordan Dowdy, Kim Washburn, Danny Benshoof, Aaron Sadler, Brynna Sadler, Caelyn Sadler, Monica Sadler and spouses. 34 great-grand-

children plus nieces and nephews. Services will be Friday, October 21 at 3 p.m. at Lighthouse Assembly of God in Upton.


### Beth Ann Crawford Feb. 14, 1947 - Oct. 18, 2016

Funeral services for Beth Ann Crawford, who passed away on Tuesday, will be held on Saturday, October 22, at the Weston County Senior Services Center at 2 p.m. Burial will take place at Greenwood Cemetery after the service, and fellowship and refreshments will follow at the Senior Center.


A full obituary will be printed in next week's News Letter Journal.



**Beth Crawford**



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- **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Michael Jarrell, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Adult Bible Study 8:45 am; Traditional Church Services 10 am; 10:15 am Children's Church.
- **GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 746-8091.
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- **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Chuck Gadway 303-229-3103, 78 Old Hwy 85, Pastoral Assistant Matt Dooley 949-0831 and Joe Story 605-891-9954. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:00 am.
- **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 am.
- **VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
- **UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Worship 9 am; Fellowship 10 am; Adult Study 10:30 am; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm. August 7, 14, and 21 church is at 9am. August 28--no church in Upton, worship is at 11am at Rev Johnson's home in Custer. September 4th and all sundays following, 9am Sunday School, 10am Worship, 11am Fellowship, and 11:30 Bible Study.

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EVERYTHING  
BEAUTIFUL  
IN ITS TIME.**

Ecclesiastes 3:11



**Daily Devotional Reading**

Oct 20 Amos 7.1-17	Oct 21 Amos 8.1-14	Oct 22 Amos 9.1-15	Oct 23 Micah 1.1-16	Oct 24 Micah 2.1-13	Oct 25 Micah 3.1-12	Oct 26 Micah 4.1-13
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# Recapture

## A PIECE OF HISTORY

### October 17, 1890

The first snow of the season covered the earth with a thin blanket Sunday morning.

Messer's Sasse & Watkins are pushing the work on the school house. One half of the foundation is completed.

The YT & AHP Cattle Companies sent out six car loads yesterday & will ship fifty car loads more in a few days.

The passenger was six hours' late yesterday on account of another big home seekers excursion. As usual there was another big rush from the East.

Half a dozen soldiers & an army wagon from Ft. Robinson near Crawford, were in Newcastle this week. The party were out on a hunting

expedition & had an Indian Scout with them.

Meyer Frank received this week a burglar-proof safe from Diebold Safe & Lock Company. It is provided with a time lock, has a double door that swings wide open, is nicely trimmed, and is as handsome as it is necessary to the fast growing business of our popular banker.

### October 19, 1916

W.T. McCoy of the Prairie was found dead in the loft of his barn this morning. Full particulars will appear in next week's issue.

Quite a destructive prairie fire of unknown origin started early Tuesday morning on Lodge Pole Creek. Fanned by a heavy wind, the fire spread rapidly & soon covered about

15 miles, destroying many sections of grazing and pasture. S.R. Dixon, we understand, was the heaviest loser, the fire burning out all of his buck pasture. Mr. Dixon was in town Tuesday, & on learning of the fire went out with a number of men to assist in subdividing it. A large crew of willing workers fought the fire all day & with additional assistance in the evening the fire was stopped that night. The snow storm yesterday morning prevented any fresh outbreak of the fire.

The building recently vacated by A.S. Brown on Main Street will be occupied on November 1st by Pete Cristo, the Newcastle-Cambria baker.

H.C. Johnson went out to his Howard ranch Tuesday morning to vaccinate his cattle against black-leg. Mr. Johnson already has lost a few young heifers from the disease.

A gentleman passed through our city the first of the week with a freak bull, which had six legs. He made his trip from New York to the Pacific Coast and is now on his way back to

New York. The animal travels on four legs, but has an additional two legs projecting from his brisket.

### October 23, 1941

Eight Weston County youths will be inducted into the Army this month, it was announced this week by J.E. Oliver, Chief Clerk of the local draft board.

Plans were completed this week for the 4-H Club achievement day for Weston County, which will be held at the Newcastle High School on November 15th.

P.C. Duncan, optometrist will be at the Antler's Hotel Sunday, October 26 for eye exams.

Otis Maine injured his right hand while sawing wood Friday. He was taken to Newcastle where the tips of his fingers were removed.

The sophomore class is giving a "baby" party Friday evening in honor of the freshmen. All high school students are invited but they must dress in "kiddish" clothes. Anyone not dressed in party clothes will not be permitted to dance.

### Should have seen it in color



The "castle on the hill" The school became a landmark to the crews & passengers of many trains that ran through Newcastle. Newcomers would often wonder if Newcastle got its name from the "castle on the hill." (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

## WHAT'S UP

### October 2016

#### Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar

	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>Thurs 20</b>	6:00 p.m.	WC Health Services	Board Room
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
	7:00 p.m.	Preacher in the Patch (thru Sun)	WC Fairgrounds
	7:30 p.m.	Masons	Masonic Lodge #13
<b>Fri 21</b>	6:30 a.m.	Community Wellness Screening	WC Senior Center, Michael's Room
	4:00 p.m.	Elk Mountain School Fall Festival	Elk Mountain School
	6:30 p.m.	Shine, Show, Shag & Dine	Pizza Barn
	7:00 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
<b>Sat 22</b>	6:30 a.m.	Community Wellness Screening	WC Senior Center, Michael's Room
	8:00 a.m.	Book Fest and Feast	WC Senior Center
	1:00 p.m.	Community Rec Fall Colors Hike	Flying V Trail
	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Baptist Church Basement
<b>Sun 23</b>	2:00 p.m.	WC Historical Society Presentation	WC Senior Center, Michael's Room
	7:15 p.m.	Women Only Life Recovery Meeting	Cambria Baptist Church Basement
<b>Mon 24</b>	3:30 p.m.	Theatre Workshop for Youth	Fountain Inn
	1:00 p.m.	Low Vision Support Group	WC Senior Center
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
<b>Tues 25</b>	12:00 p.m.	Alzheimers/Dementia Support Group	WC Senior Center
	6:30 p.m.	Eastern Star	Eastern Star #30
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Mondell Heights, Breakfast Room
<b>Wed 26</b>	7:00 p.m.	WC Concert Association - Fir	Crouch Auditorium
	7:00 p.m.	WCSD #1 Board Meeting	Administration Building
	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Baptist Church Basement
<b>Thurs 27</b>	11:45 a.m.	WC Health Services Foundation Mtg.	Hospital Board Room
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
<b>Fri 28</b>	11:30 a.m.	WC Library Board Meeting	Library
	5:00 p.m.	Raise the Roof Fundraiser	WC Senior Center
	7:00 p.m.	Western Ramblers Dance	WC Senior Center
	7:00 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
<b>Sat 29</b>	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Baptist Church Basement
<b>Sun 30</b>	7:15 p.m.	Women Only Life Recovery Meeting	Cambria Baptist Church Basement
<b>Mon 31</b>	4:30 p.m.	Monster Mash Street Bash	Main Street
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room

### Calendar Sponsored by Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce

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

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

- October 20**  
Seth Rhoades
- October 21**  
John & Nan Wise
- October 22**  
Cody Hutchinson  
Shirley Dietz  
Annayv Kachelhoffer  
Dustin Freed
- October 23**  
Kendra Morrison  
Connie Scott  
Peyton Newman  
Renee' Nack
- October 25**  
Terry Mills
- October 26**  
Marissa Sweet
- October 27**  
Jim McLeland  
Art Peabody  
Jase Wyeno  
Gary & Kris Howell  
Colter & Cathy Overman
- October 28**  
Steven Elliott
- October 30**  
Kim Scharf

### Theatre Workshop for Youth

Monday, November 7 - Friday, November 11, 2016  
3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
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# For the Ages

News Letter Journal

## Quilters gather to help pay medical bills



Clockwise from left: Pat Morgan cuts pieces of fabric to size at Helping Hand's biannual Quilt Day. Her sister Mary DeMarcus, who travelled from Lead for the event, stands behind. "Quilt Day was the first thing I did when I moved to Newcastle," Morgan said. Morgan is donating her quilt to FOCUS while DeMarcus is making a quilt for her grand daughter's upcoming birthday. Diligently working at her sewing machine, Karen Carter resolutely stated, "You just have to keep trucking away." Measuring twice, Barrett Rich prepares another border for one of her squares. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

Saturday," said Barrett Rich, who was working on a quilt for her niece's baby-in-coming. It was Rich's first-time participating at Quilting Day.

use it as an excuse to get out of the house and spend quality time with good friends.

"It's a lot of social too, just an opportunity for us girls to get together," Lebsack smiled.

Some come to learn and others to continue working on projects, but all

### Stitching up support

Andrew McKay  
NLJ Reporter

The Newcastle Helping Hands organization held their biannual Quilt Day fundraiser this past Saturday at the Weston County Senior Services Center.

The organization, which was founded in 2012, concentrates on the citizens of Weston County who are experiencing severe medical conditions which require travel for continuing treatments and appointments.

"For residents who get sick and have to go out of town to get to a hospital, Helping Hands provides up to \$400 a year for support to pay for bills, transportation—really anything," said Helping Hands board member Shelley Reed.

Quilt day is a fundraiser that helps

to replenish those funds. While they do not charge a fee to attend, they do welcome donations.

"They bring their own materials, and the projects range from bed-sized throws to baby blankets," said volunteer Barb Lebsack, who helped put the event together.

Even though Helping Hands does not supply fabric or equipment, they prepare a quilt pattern to follow ahead of time so everyone can get right to work.

"Shelley and I put in a lot of time to put a pattern together. This time the pattern is made of nine different squares of fabric, with another fabric as a border on the outside," Lebsack explained. "But everyone is making a project of their own choosing."

The freedom to use their choice of cloth and type of quilt are big factors

in Quilt Day's continued success. The fundraiser routinely brings in 15 to 25 women from all walks of life.

"We are ladies in the community who come together and quilt. There are some who are just beginners, and some who have been doing this for years," Lebsack said, who boasts nearly 50 years of experience herself.

The reasons for going to Quilt Day ranged as much as their experience. For Nancy Bayne, it helps her get acclimated back into the pastime.

"It's a way to get jump-started for the winter. Quilting is for the winter when you want to be inside. This is a good, indoors project," Bayne explained.

The ladies thoroughly enjoyed themselves as they cut, trim, and sew the day away.

"It's a good way to spend a

### History program this week

The Weston County Historical Society is hosting a special program at the Senior Center this week to provide a glimpse into an aspect of World War II that many people may be unfamiliar with.

John and Kathy Gaston are presenting "A WWII Pilots Story, A Dream come True" in the Michael's Room at the

Weston County Senior Services Center on October 23 at 2 p.m.

The society has invited the public to attend the program.

For more information about this program or other activities involving the Weston County Historical Society, contact Maxine Kaul at 746-4605.

### Walk-in flu vaccine clinic for veterans

A press release issued by Teresa Forbes, the public affairs officer for the VA Black Hills Health Care System, announced on Tuesday that a Walk-in flu vaccine clinic will be offered to veterans in the Newcastle area next month.

Veterans enrolled in VA Health Care may walk in and obtain their flu vaccine on Monday, November 7, 2016 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Newcastle VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic.

To receive a flu vaccine,

Veterans will need to bring their VA Identification Card. Veterans may also be vaccinated during a regularly scheduled appointment.

For more information about the flu vaccine contact Forbes at (605) 720-7451 or go to [www.blackhills.va.gov](http://www.blackhills.va.gov).

### Senior Happenings

#### WC Senior Services

<b>October 20</b>		
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	
Ceramics	1:00 p.m.	
	Trip to The Lodge	
<b>October 21</b>		
Cinnamon Rolls	9:00 a.m.	
Belton Hearing Clinic	9:00 a.m.	
Bridge Ladies	1:00 p.m.	
<b>October 22</b>		
Blood Draw	6:30 a.m.	
<b>October 24</b>		
Senior Fitness	9:00 a.m.	
Visually Impaired Support Group	1 p.m.	
<b>October 25</b>		
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	
Dementia Support Group	3:30 p.m.	
<b>October 26</b>		
Senior Fitness	9:00 a.m.	
Manor Here for Lunch		
Creative Handcrafts	After Lunch	
<b>October 27</b>		
Mexican Train	1:00 p.m.	
Ceramics	1:00 p.m.	
Bridge Ladies	1:00 p.m.	
<b>October 28</b>		
Cinnamon Rolls	9:00 a.m.	
Blood Pressure Check	9:30 a.m.	
Bridge Ladies	1:00 p.m.	
Fundraiser for the Roof	5:00 p.m.	
Dance	7:00 p.m.	
<b>October 31</b>		
Senior Fitness	9:00 a.m.	
<b>Manor</b>		
<b>October 20</b>		
Sensory Group	9:15 a.m.	
Staycation	10:30 a.m.	
AI and the Gang	2:00 p.m.	
Social Hour	6:15 p.m.	

#### October 21

Greedy	10:30 a.m.
Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Movie	6:00 p.m.

#### October 22

Chit Chat	11:00 a.m.
Happy Hour	3:00 p.m.
Bingo	6:00 p.m.

#### October 23

Laughter Group	11:00 a.m.
Church	2:00 p.m.

#### October 24

Wii	10:30 a.m.
Tony's Tunes	3:00 p.m.
Bingo	6:00 p.m.

#### October 25

Ceramics	10:30 a.m.
Keepsake Krafters	2:00 p.m.
Stories	4:00 p.m.
Cards	6:15 p.m.

#### October 26

Catholic Study	10:00 a.m.
FLU SHOT	10:30 a.m.
Out to Lunch	11:30 a.m.

#### October 27

Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Our Savior Service	4:00 p.m.
Yahtzee	6:15 p.m.

#### October 27

Sensory Group	9:15 a.m.
Ghost Ball	10:30 a.m.
Manicures	2:00 p.m.
Board Game	6:15 p.m.

#### October 28

Greedy	10:30 a.m.
Bingo	2:00 p.m.
Movie	6:00 p.m.

#### October 29


Password	11:00 a.m.
Movie	2:00 p.m.
Bingo	6:00 p.m.

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## Called to serve

Andrew McKay  
NLJ Reporter

Smiling, white-haired pastor Norm Brotzman is a regular fixture in Newcastle. In fact, few can remember a time before the Brotzmans settled in Newcastle 40 years ago.

His story has been tied inseparably with his relationship with God since he was a kid.

When he was a child growing up near Henry, Wyoming, Brotzman and his brother found an old, sod-roofed building. It had been abandoned for quite some time by all except the cows, who used it for shelter during bad weather. The two brothers ventured inside. Everything had been trampled by years of herds milling about the room, but amidst the rubble they discovered a board with words carved in it.

They pulled the board outside to have a better look at what it said. It read: 'Choose your ruts well: you'll be in them for a while.'

The building had once been home to a trading post, and so had been a hub for local ranchers. The trails had been cut by the numerous wagons on their way to and from the ranches. Their wheels had carved deep ruts into the earth. So deep, in fact, that teamsters could rarely turn around until after they reached the end of the trail. It was important to make sure you started in the right ruts, because you would indeed be in them for a while.

"It's my spiritual application for life," Brotzman explained.

Brotzman first heard his calling to become a pastor while in Laramie working as a manager at Safeway. He saw it as a job with a promising future.

"It was my goal to have a career with the company. I wanted to work my way up the ladder," Brotzman said.

Though both he and his wife, Betty, regularly attended church and were very involved in church life, becoming a pastor wasn't a career decision that Norm made for himself.

"It's a call, a spiritual calling. It's not something I chose. I would never have chosen this life," Brotzman confessed.

But the young man felt the will of God 'impress upon his mind' that He had a different plan for him—a plan for him to go into ministry. Brotzman's life was transformed from that moment on, not just in his career choice, but in his personal life too. He didn't tell Betty about what had happened at first, but it was a perceptible change.

"I didn't tell her, but she knew something had happened," Brotzman said.



Never shying away from serving his community Pastor Norm Brotzman. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

The young couple moved to Casper so Norm could pursue his studies to become a pastor. Wanting to get into ministry sooner rather than later, Brotzman finished the four year program in just a little over two. Despite his accelerated study and increased workload, his dedication to Safeway persisted and he continued to work for his longtime employer.

Brotzman took up the pastor position in a church in Glenrock after completing his ordination. Even while living half an hour from Casper, Brotzman continued to work for Safeway. It is easy to see that he has this same dedication for everything he does. He and his family stayed at the family church for four and a half years before receiving a call from the Assembly of God Church here in Newcastle.

"One of the board of trustees called me and asked, 'Would you like to be pastor of the church?' Betty and I prayed about it. We heard our hearts say, 'It's time to move on,'" Brotzman explained.

The church that they now call home was a worn-down building when the Brotzmans first arrived in Newcastle. There were whole patches of roof missing above the church, so the first services were held down in the Fellowship Hall in the basement.

"I stood in all the garbage and prayed, 'Lord, where do we go from here?' I heard a small voice that spoke to my heart. It told me He was going to provide for this church pastors and evangelists and missionaries," Brotzman related.

The Assembly of God took this message to heart. They use the house next door to the church as a home for traveling missionaries and many others passing through.

The church also runs the Buddy Barrel, which is a fundraiser to help missionaries with expenses.

"The money is used for all the literature the missionaries use. We want to make sure they're fully equipped to go out into the field and spread the word of God," he said.

Though he is a vocal advocate of missionary work and has traveled across the globe with his family for ministry, his focus

has remained always on Newcastle.

"I'm a community-minded person," Brotzman admitted. "I don't spend eight hours a day here in the church. I like to go to the businesses around the community to visit, and see how people are doing. I want people to know who I am and know they are welcome."

"Assembly of God: Where You are never a Stranger," the sign reads above the entrance to the church, and this is the message Brotzman hopes he broadcasts to everyone he meets. This purpose is what inspired the pastor to begin his ministry at the Manor, which he first started shortly after arriving in Newcastle.

"I've been doing the bible study at the Manor for the last 39 years. We have large print bibles for the residents so they can read along," Brotzman said.

It's a difficult ministry because of how quickly residents can come and go.

"People are with us for a season, and then they pass," lamented Brotzman.

The pastor leads the residents through a three-year-long study of the bible where they read it from cover to cover. In addition, they read a chapter a day from the Book of Proverbs, which contains 31 chapters. The pastor reads from the good book and has the residents say 'and' or 'but' aloud every time they appear.

"They've all enjoyed the 'ands' and the 'buts.' They follow along, but sometimes they start to doze until one goes, 'but!' Then everyone else in the room one by one says, 'but' it keeps them involved," Brotzman said.

Brotzman goes to the Manor four days a week, and he knows it has made a significant impact.

"Some of these people have never known Christ. There was one man who came up to me and said, 'I feel so dirty on the inside.' I asked, 'Would you like to be clean and become a new man?' He said yes, so I led him in a prayer to accept Christ," Brotzman said.

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A calf calls out in dismay while Barry Martin holds it in constraint. The calf was one of many at the local branding. Ivan Brovont's herd had humble beginnings boasting only seven cows, but has since ballooned to a sizable number. Originally from the east, Brovont is happy to be lucky enough to already have his own herd. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

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**Local rancher flips the script**

Andrew McKay  
 NLJ Reporter

Wyoming is an icon of the Old West, and is home to some of the nation's most pristine open-country ranches. Cowboys work cattle here in much the same way as their forefathers—even if they don't do it at the same time of year.

A common sight in the spring, brandings are rarely held in the fall. Most ranchers prefer the relative safety of calving in the spring, so their calves have several months to fatten up for the harsh winter months. One local producer, however, has been forced to turn the normal ranching calendar upside down, and what is normally a rite of spring in Wyoming has become a festival of the fall on his spread.

"We calf at a different time of the year than most other ranchers. We needed to be calving during the fall because of my job," explained Ivan Brovont, the owner of the livestock branded last month.

"It takes a little more winter feed, but we have some good winter pastures, so we get along pretty easily," he reasoned.

Brovont is still a young man

with the vigor and versatility of youth. He has strong hands to match his strong gaze, but a bright cowboy smile that warms the heart. Tall and thin, with a mustached lip, he looks like a life-long rancher, but it wasn't until nine years ago that he made his way to Wyoming.

"I was 19 years old and footloose. I wanted to go West and be a cowboy," Brovont said.

"Well," he continued after a moment, "actually I'm not sure I knew what I wanted to do."

Brovont came to Wyoming from northern Indiana to test his mettle in the life of a ranch hand. The challenge was daunting. He had never ridden a horse, let alone worked cattle, but he was determined to pursue this hard life.

The thin, crisp air and vast, open prairies captured his heart, and he knew he'd found his home. Finding a job as a ranch hand, Brovont quickly learned the art of the trade, and seemed to take it in like a natural.

"I've been told I'm pretty good at reading cows, but sometimes they surprise you and you get run up a fence," Brovont admitted.

Even though he didn't grow up ranching, he found he thoroughly enjoyed the life of a ranch hand and his love for it has only grown through the years.

"I started out in the fall

of 2012 with seven head," Brovont said. His entrance into running his own herd began with the opportunity to lease private land. The herd has since grown rapidly, and is large enough to warrant a full-fledged branding. Even with a big herd, Brovont can still single out his cows—and even their calves—remembering who he had bought them from.

"Good cowmen know their herd. You just get to know your cows better and better when you're working them. It's a pretty common thing for most ranchers," Brovont said.

Ranchers also come together and support each other during busy times like

brandings. The mutually beneficial relationship helps keep the ranchers afloat, since they would otherwise have to hire out the help to make it happen.

"It seems like most ranching families know each other," Brovont stated. "Brandings are the biggest, but we help each other with tag checking and weaning and getting them turned out for winter pastures. It makes things enjoyable, helping others out and them helping you."

The relative newcomer said tapping into the knowledge of others in the industry is beneficial as well.

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Phillip Holmes and his horse head out of the corral with calf in tow. Cattle wranglers wait just outside the gates to receive the calf and prepare it for branding and vaccination. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

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Connor Stolhammer sits atop his horse while scouting out which calf to rope next. The nine-year-old is a natural roper and equestrian. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

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“It’s a lifestyle. There’s always someone who knows more than you,” Brovont said.

Like wranglers teaching greenhorns how to work a branding, ranchers keep the tradition of passing on knowledge to the next generation. It is a family enterprise that fluctuates continuously throughout the year.

“This is a good family life,”

Brovont said. “It’s an opportunity to work with your family. It’s never the same because some times of the year are busy and others are kind of lazy. Things start to slow down this time of year. We’re still doing chores when the sun comes up, but there’s less to do than in the summer.”

Brovont also breaks horses, which supplements the rev-

enues from his herd and keeps the volatility of the cattle markets from hurting him as much if prices fall.

“It’s always a gamble, but it keeps things exciting,” Brovont reasoned as he looked out at the herd.

As Brovont gazed out, inspecting his herd, he looked every bit the cowboy he dreamt he would be.

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time,” commented Hartley, explaining that the city doesn’t have the ability or authority to pass such a tax on its own.

He noted that if the mill levy passes, it will provide an avenue through which the county can stabilize landfill costs near the level city residents are paying now. The alternative, if the mill levy does not pass, will be to ship solid waste to other facilities with rates projected to climb up to three times what they are currently. Based on those figures, Hartley estimates residents could pay \$30 a month to dispose of solid waste if the tax is not passed.

“So if you look at the mill levy, three mills on \$100,000, my understanding is that is going to cost the tax payer about \$30 a year. That is a normal home owner,” Hartley reasoned. “If we have to start shipping our garbage, it is going to cost that same homeowner \$30 a month. That is just the bottom line. It’s not what any of us want to do, but that is what it’s going to cost.”

If the mill levy fails, Hartley believes that monthly costs will increase significantly, and that the county and city residents will also be at the mercy of the facility chosen to take the county’s solid waste, although he indicated that the city is currently trying to get a long-term rate established with such a facility so costs are stable and local governments can plan for the future.

At this time, the Newcastle City Landfill’s permit is expired, and Hartley is waiting to hear back from the DEQ on whether or not they are going to grant a five year extension to the city. He told the NLJ that he has been told previously that such an extension will be granted, and that the five year reprieve will allow city officials to determine the best course of action to protect residents so waste disposal will “not cost them an arm and a leg.”

“What we have done is sent them a letter telling them we are going to cease operation of the landfill and transfer the garbage, and in that letter we asked them to give us an extension for five years,” reported Hartley. He explained that the five years will give incoming City Engineer Mike Moore a chance to calculate which option is best for residents.

“If this bond issue fails, it will give us time to decide the most economical way to go with our garbage, that is the most secure for the people. If it passes, it is going to take them five years to get a landfill permitted and running. That will give the people of Weston County, if they extend the permit, five years,” professed Hartley.

In the meantime, the City of Newcastle is moving forward with the cease and transfer action— which Hartley said will happen either way. The State of Wyoming has indicated

that if the city ceases operation there will be funds available to help close the landfill, which will cost over \$1 million, and that they would also help fund the construction of a transfer station. He expressed concern over the state’s ability to provide funding to a large number of local governments across Wyoming that are in the same position, however.

“That being said, they could be looking at close to \$250,000,000 to get that done across the state, and we all know where the funds are for the state. It’s not going to happen tomorrow. It is going to take a long time. Mike will be working on this for a long while after I am gone,” Hartley predicted.

Whether the mill levy passes or not, the outgoing City Engineer said Newcastle’s landfill will eventually close, and something will have to be done with the solid waste generated in the county. He suggested that if the bond issue does not pass, garbage may have to be transported sooner than otherwise expected to allow the current landfill to remain open for things like construction debris.

“This should have been done five years ago and we are just now at this point in an economic time that isn’t the best. We have been working towards this for eight to ten years. I just hope that people understand that it is either \$30 a month or \$30 a year,” Hartley concluded.

#### Correction

Our page one story, “Inquest this week into mysterious shooting,” in the September 29, 2016 issue of the News Letter Journal erroneously reported that the shooting of Richard Campbell was originally classified as an “unintended” death. It was actually classified as an “unattended” death. A correction we ran last week to address this issue failed to do so, and we regret both errors.

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# Education cuts

## Readers chop off counselor's braids

Andrew McKay  
 NLJ Reporter

The key to building a bright future is in educating our children. As inventor and founding father Benjamin Franklin once said, "An investment in knowledge pays the best interest."

The key to lifelong learning is reading for the sheer joy of it. Pleasure rarely comes from required reading, and to this end, Newcastle Elementary principals have helped encourage students to read by doing silly dares if the students could reach a goal in the school's Reading Counts program by the end of semester.

"In the past, they've had to move their office outside, kiss a pig, and get slimed. Last year, the principals said they would let the students stick them to the wall once they got 10,000 points," NES librarian Hieb disclosed.

While these challenges did spark interest in reading, school counselor Eileen Vickers noticed that many of those points came in the last half of the semester, and she decided this year to try to motivate students to hit the books earlier.

"Each year the principals agree to do something if the kids reach a certain number of points. I thought I'd help get them started," said Vickers. "It's good to form a habit of reading early in the year, so I challenged them to get 5,000 points in the first 30 days of school."

If they reached the goal, she said she would cut off her hair. Needless to say, it was game on at that point.

While most women wouldn't even consider such a thing, Vickers not only suggested it, but also put it well within her students' grasp. The amount of time she gave the kids to reach their goal was roughly half that given by the principals, but the number of points was also halved.

"So it was making them work hard, but it wasn't way, way out there," Vickers said. The ultimate aim was for the students to get kick

started with Reading Counts.

"Reading Counts is a school-wide program we do through Scholastic. It's more geared towards what the kid wants to read," Hieb explained.

Letting the children pick their reading material engages them more than dictating what they read. How many points a book is worth is determined by its difficulty level.

"The kids have to get on a computer and pass a 10 point quiz. If they pass, then they get the points," Hieb said.

The assessment can be retaken and is personally tailored to the student's skill level. The points accumulate throughout the year, and students can earn perks for excelling in the program. They can win bookmarks, books, root beer float parties for their whole class, and even an end-of-school trip.

"The students have to get a certain number of points to go to WaTiki. Usually we take around 300 kids," Hieb explained. First graders have to earn 20 points to go to the Rapid City water park, and each grade level goes up by another 20 points until it gets up to the fifth grade's 100 points.

Schools are restricted in how much they can teach simply by virtue of how many hours are in a school day, so they find any way they can to get them to continue reading and learning outside the classroom.

"Oh, absolutely! Yes!" Hieb boomed enthusiastically when asked if the program helps kids read outside of school. "They can do it in their classrooms, but mostly it's done outside the classroom. Some come in before school, some after. Some even come in during recess."

Elementary schools play a vital role in preparing the newest generation of learners by incubating a love for knowledge. The librarian believes making the experience as open and fun as possible serves this end.

"I like to get kids excited about reading. It's not the old, traditional library in here. I'm not the kind of librarian who says 'Shh!'" Hieb said.

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## Campbell

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people within the home.

"Looking to the right, I did notice an adult male lying on his back who did not visibly respond to me announcing that I was with the Sheriff's Department. I announced to Fields that I've got one in the bedrooms," Watsabaugh revealed.

He then made his way down the hallway and into the room, and that is where he observed Campbell on the floor with copious amounts of blood coming from the area of his head. The man did not respond to the officers, and after determining there was no threat within the room, Newcastle Ambulance Service members were ushered in.

"I physically removed a short barrel rifle from the body of Campbell. The rifle was laying on his chest, over his chest. His hands were in an upright position. The rifle was a Rossi Model 92 .357 Magnum," professed Watsabaugh, who said that he had responded to a number of suicide calls over the course of his career, and had previously encountered an instance when this high of a caliber of gun was used in a suicide.

Watsabaugh testified that upon reading and reviewing the interview reports from that evening, it was indicated that Scoutt had been inside the residence and tried to move the weapon but claimed she could not do so. He was also advised that Scoutt had admitted to owning the rifle, and had said that she had previously loaned it to Campbell.

After removing the rifle from Campbell's chest, Watsabaugh made sure it was in a safe condition, and opened the action slowly with the lever to physically access the chamber.

"I found one single empty brass casing still held by the ejector. The weapon was sent down to the Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation Crime Lab and looked at by technicians. For the sake of accuracy, I cannot say what analysis was done, but we did request fingerprints and handler's DNA. We did get a written reply back stating that a partial fingerprint was located, but at this time they were unable to assess if it was complete. There was a certain percentage of the print that was not visible enough to make a definite match," Watsabaugh reported, admitting that he did

not recall the location of the print being listed on the report.

A bullet was not retrieved from the residence, but there was a hole in the ceiling where Campbell's body was found. Watsabaugh stated at the inquest that the fact no projectiles were located within the structure was not unusual given the caliber of the cartridge.

Watsabaugh told jurors that Campbell was found lying on the floor with his hands in a position located up above his shoulders and his arms next to his head. There were no objects in either of his hands, and the rifle was laying across his body, with the muzzle of the gun located between his left shoulder and left ear.

Watsabaugh said he moved the gun, which he said was extremely light, and it required very little effort. Scoutt had claimed she tried to move the gun herself, and was unable to do so, but Watsabaugh testified that it weighed considerably less than ten pounds.

The ambulance crew then proceeded to the body, and started to do their procedure, primarily looking for activity in the heart. At the time, the exit wound had still not been seen by officers or EMTs due to the position of the body and location of the wound.

"There was a lot of blood around the head. He was stiff. There was no pulse. I pronounced him dead at 1854 (6:54 p.m.) and left the scene after that," declared Roger Hesse, a former Weston County Coroner and the owner and operator of Newcastle Ambulance Service.

After pronouncing the time of death for Campbell, the ambulance crew left the scene, although law enforcement officers stayed there to finish conducting their initial investigation, which involved taking pictures of the body and the scene.

No blood splatter was detected within the room, and Watsabaugh suggested that was somewhat unusual. He said copious amounts of blood had pooled beneath Campbell's head, but no splatter or concentration of blood was located on the walls or ceiling. What was determined to be the possible entry point of a bullet was located on the ceiling, but the only item which could be considered evidence was a box of .357 ammunition, holding 46 out of 50 shells and the casing located within the gun.

"I looked around the

scene— at the articles in the room, the walls, the ceiling. The only evidence we found that would reasonably be involved in the incident was a box of ammunition. We did not find a note or any kind of communication that would be considered a suicide note or any further direction," shared Watsabaugh. He also noted that a search of both the residence and the pockets of the victim's clothing turned up no wallet or medication, and said none had been found to this date to his knowledge.

Through conceptualization, however, Watsabaugh was able to recreate what may have happened to allow Campbell to be found in the position he was in if he did, in fact, commit suicide. The deputy explained at the inquest that Campbell would have had to sit on the bed, with his head in a straight line to the ceiling, and the rifle butt on the floor with the muzzle pointing up. He would have had to place the muzzle in his mouth while sitting on the corner of the bed, look down at the floor, and with full extension of his arm discharge the rifle with the barrel still in his mouth.

Watsabaugh testified that he was able to duplicate those actions over the course of his investigation, and said that while it was beyond his level of training and education to make an assumption about what happened to Campbell's body after the shot was fired, he believes it is reasonable for Campbell to have fallen to the ground on his back with his hands up above his head in the position he was found. He indicated at the inquest that he was able to recreate the scenario and determine that it was possible for the body to fall and rest in such a manner after the shot was fired.

Watsabaugh had instructed Fields and Pond to conduct an interview with Scoutt after assessing the crime scene, and left to meet Weston County Deputy Coroner Laura Sundstrom, who responded and took charge of Campbell's body.

(Next week the News Letter Journal will continue our four part series on testimony given at the Coroner's Inquest into Richard Campbell's death by presenting testimony that reveals more about Campbell himself and his relationship with Caroline Scoutt.)

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Chairman Bill Lambert peruses a document at Tuesday's meeting of the Weston County Commissioners. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

## Changes in county payroll

Alexis Barker  
NLJ Reporter

New federal regulations from the Department of Labor are forcing a number of employers to change the way they do business, and local government's aren't immune.

County Clerk Jill Sellers has been updating the Weston County Commissioners at recent meetings about the steps she has taken to review employee qualification and the way payroll is handled within the county because the D.O.L.'s Fair Pay Overtime Initiative goes into effect on December 1 of this year.

Its primary impact lies in the fact that the measure significantly increases the amount of pay that must be received by an employee to qualify them as exempt, which allows them to be paid a salary instead of hourly.

"December 1 there are changes in legislation for how employees are categorized and handled. If they're not in their appropriate lanes, it can turn into a real financial obligation for the county," Sellers told the Weston County Commissioners on October 4. She reported that the review has been an "eye-opener," and assured

commissioners that members of her staff are prepared to do their homework and see what steps the county needs to take moving forward.

According to a copy of the initiative, the old minimum salary exemption was \$455 a week, or \$23,660 annually. The new minimum salary exemption will be \$913 a week, or \$47,476 annually.

"We have to make sure we go through all personnel files and make sure all are classified correctly," explained Sellers. She reported that there are pretty daunting financial consequences for those who don't have everything in place, and said those consequences can "come down the pike" if the county is not prepared.

After reviewing the county's payroll records, Sellers asserted the need in the future to streamline all payroll, sick time, vacation time, and compensated time so individuals in the Clerk's Office can monitor all payroll activity. She explained that, at this time, sick time is logged through a computer, but all other categories are simply managed and monitored by department heads.

County Attorney William Curley asked Sellers if she believed that all aspects of

county remuneration should go through the clerk's office, and she indicated it should all be centralized, especially due to the need that has already been expressed to address human resources issues within county government.

"Long term, I envision an online time keeping system... There are systems out there, and I will research the systems and the costs. My concern is, if we don't make the investment it will cost us in a claim of some kind that we can't defend because we don't have systems in place that are standardized across the board. We will pay for the lack of preparation with the federal changes," asserted Sellers.

The commission instructed Sellers to look into their options and report back with recommendations in the future. Sellers informed them that she would do so, but that it would probably be after the election in November.

Newly appointed City Clerk/Treasurer Greg James explained the new regulations to the Newcastle City Council on October 17, and assured them that these changes will not affect the city because salaried department heads will remain exempt under the new rules.

### Commission Clips

Notes from the October 4 meeting of the Weston County Commissioners.

- A decision was made to respect the request of County Attorney Secretary Pam Brackett regarding budgetary issues. She explained that she had made purchases and followed the proper date requirements to get certain expenses taken out of the last fiscal year's budget, but that did not happen. According to Brackett, a total of \$2,272.80 was taken out of this year's budget, which cuts them short for the year. The decision was made to take those purchase expenses out of the prosecuting case line-item and restore the original balance.
- A motion was made and approved to pay a comp time

voucher dated September 19 and totaling \$3,264.85 out of the next payroll cycle for a Weston County employee.

- According to Blakeman, Pinnacle Bank's staff is completely moved out of what will soon be the Weston County Courthouse Annex building. He reported that plans for the remodel of the old bank look good, and noted that utilities will be put under Weston County.

- The commissioners appointed Paul Patterson to the Weston County Library Board after his application was received to fill the vacant position.

- County Clerk reported that with the special election for the

Weston County Solid Waste District is doubling the election work for her staff, even though we're only in the early and absentee voting period. She indicated that she will be advertising for election judges because the regular election judges already work long hours, and she fears that adding the special election to that work load would significantly delay their work on election night. Sellers also pointed out that they are receiving a lot of questions regarding the special election for the WCSWD, and they are informing residents to contact members of the WCSWD board for answers to those questions.



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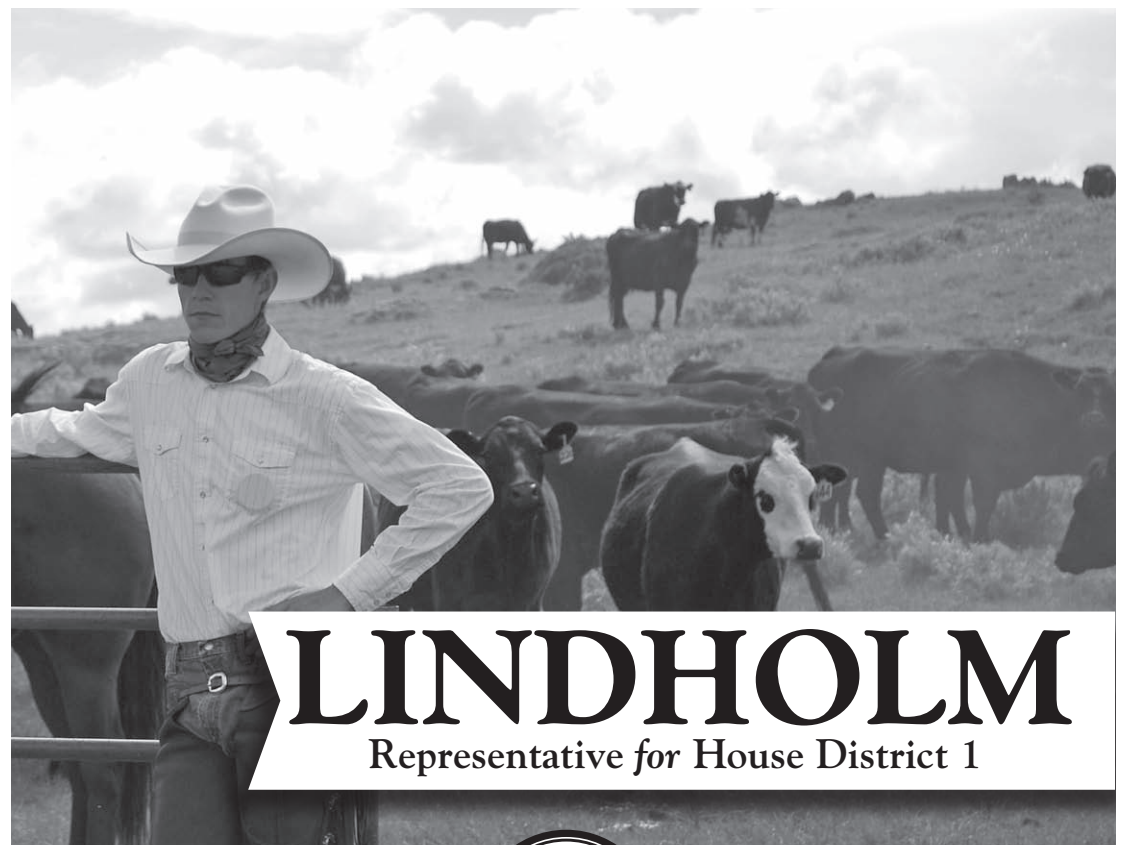
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**Top:** School librarian Connie Hieb displays the first pigtail cut from school counselor Eileen Vicker's head after her students met and exceeded a challenge she had issued at the beginning of the school year. Fifth grader Cole Wehri was the top scorer in his age group and so earned the distinct honor of shearing off the first braid. **Bottom:** Hieb assists second grader Adalyn Mielke as she tries to cut off the second braid. The entire school turned out to witness the event and gave loud support throughout. The hair will be donated to Pink Heart Funds, which will turn it into a wig and give it to a child battling cancer. (Andrew McKay/NLJ)

## Cuts from page 10

The school is currently hosting a Scholastic book fair with affordable children's books. The books are displayed in boxes throughout the library, so students can peruse the selection at their convenience. The fair not only allows families to bolster their library at home, but its proceeds go back to the students and the library.

"The book fair makes the money for the WaTiki trip. We get to keep lots of the books too," Hieb explained with a smile.

But the reward of a water park isn't until all the way in spring. The prize of Mrs. Vickers' face when she gets her hair cut off was much more immediate and stimulating in the minds of the elementary students.

Would they have enough points to make her do it?

The point total was at 4,900 on the eve of the deadline, just 100 points short of the goal. By the next morning, it had shot up to 5,200.

Vickers' daring promise culminated last Friday afternoon in an impromptu school assembly so all the students could witness the fruits of their labor. Vickers, with her hair braided into two tight pigtails, stood in front of her students and congratulated them on their feat, but the counselor offered up one more surprise.

Her barbers would be none other than the students themselves!

Second grader Adalyn Mielke and fifth grader Cole Wehri were called to the front of the assembly. They were the top scorers in their respective age groups, Vickers declared, so it would be them who had the privilege of relieving their counselor of her pigtailed locks.

The students approached with giddy steps and wide smiles, as Vickers sat down in a chair in front of the large audience. Hieb came up beside her and held the right braid taut.

Wehri was given a pair of scissors and he went to town. It was long, laborious work, but it certainly wasn't through lack of effort on his part. It would seem school scissors just weren't made with this in mind. The students obviously did not anticipate the chore would last so long, but they took heart as the last strands were eventually sheered.

The fifth grader grinned mischievously as he handed the scissors to his partner-in-crime. Mielke took up her station on the counselor's left side as the librarian held the second braid. The audience, now having tasted the first bite of victory, grew more animated and a few yelled encouragement to the young second grader.

Vickers smiled nervously as the scissors half-cut, half-

gnawed their way through her tightly wrapped hair. The rest of the children, unable to contain their excitement any longer, started chanting, "Cut it! Cut it! Cut it!"

Finally, a great cheer came up from the audience as the braid of hair went limp in the teacher's hand. The deed was done! Vickers stood up, raising a braid in each hand above her head in triumph, and the crowd went wild.

After all the anticipation and thrill, it would be a shame to just throw away her hair, so Vickers sealed both braids into a plastic baggie to be shipped off to help children fight cancer.

"We're sending my hair away to Pink Heart Funds. They make wigs for children with cancer, and they give it to them for free. I also did this nine years ago for the middle school on the condition that 75 percent (of students) had to make honor roll," Vickers said.

It is the people in our lives who make a real impact on us; the ones who believe in us, push us, and give us reason to celebrate. Will these students remember all the books they read in third grade? Probably not. Will they remember their school counselor cutting her hair? Maybe not even that.

Vickers does hope that the love and exhilaration of reading, and learning, will last for the rest of their lives.



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# Sports

## News Letter Journal

### Schedule

**High School Cross Country**  
10/22 VJ 3A State Championships A TBA

**High School Volleyball**  
10/21 9 3A Freshman Tournament A TBA  
10/21 VJ Douglas Bearcats A 4 PM  
10/22 9 9th Grade Conference @ Douglas

**High School Football**  
10/21 V \*Burns High School H 6 PM

**High School Girls Swimming**  
10/21 V9 3A East Regional at Newcastle

### Scores

#### Middle School Cross Country Regionals @ Douglas 10/14/16

Girls: 1st  
Boys: 1st

**Middle School Football 9/13/16 vs Sundance**  
Newcastle Calves: 28  
Sundance Bulldogs: 12

**Middle School Volleyball 10-6-16 @ Moorcroft**  
B loss 0-2  
7A loss 0-2  
8A loss 0-2

**3A Championships**  
B team - 3rd place  
Loss to Douglas 1 0-2  
Win over Wheatland 2-1  
Win over Douglas 2 2-1  
7A - 4th place  
Loss to Buffalo 1-2  
Loss to Glenrock 0-2  
8A - 5th place  
Loss to Buffalo 0-2  
Win over Wheatland 2-0

**10-11-16 vs. Sundance**  
B team Win 2-0  
7A loss 0-2  
8A loss 0-2

**NE Districts**  
7A vs. Upton Loss 0-2  
8A vs. Moorcroft Win 2-0  
8A vs. Sundance Loss 0-2  
8A vs. Upton Loss 0-2

### Perspective



Sonja Karp  
Karpe Dogie

Having been around sports all my life, I consider myself pretty well-versed in the intricacies of several different genres, and often find myself making judgment calls regarding various aspects of the game.

However, the concept of "perspective" and what that means in sports was vibrantly illustrated to me this past weekend as I officiated and line judged in the last home volleyball match of the season.

I admit to being a sideline official of many sports, and am usually not shy in sharing my opinion of a call with those around me in the stands—and even with the officials working the game from time to time. (This is one of the reasons I refuse to officiate basketball. I'm not sure I could handle listening to people like me criticize my work.)

With this in mind, as I reffed the freshman volleyball match, the visiting coach argued a call from the line judge with me, stating in no uncertain terms that it was "obvious the ball was out-of-bounds," though the line judge had called it in.

Because I had great faith in the line judge, having worked with him several times this season, my immediate response to her claim was that he had a much better view of the line

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Rachel Henkle embodies Beastmode in as she swims the Butterfly portion of the IM during her leg of the 400 Free Relay at the Newcastle Qualifier last Thursday. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

## Conference swimming here this week

Sonja Karp  
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Lady Dogies hoped to take advantage of the last chance qualifier they hosted for themselves, Douglas and Buffalo last Thursday, and at least one of head coach Doug Scribner's ladies achieved her goal of securing another event for the State Meet.

Sarah Henkle has been working all season to add diving to her state slate, and she was only four and a half points away from achieving that goal as she entered into Thursday's competition. Her determination was evident, as she completed 11 dives with a score surpassing the required 245 points by almost 20 to earn herself a second individual event to accompany the 50 yard freestyle for which she had previously qualified.

While Scribner noted Sarah's qualification as the highlight of the meet, he was also very pleased with how his other athletes performed.

"We swam well, and our time drops were good," he began. "They weren't crazy, which is a good thing because it tells me

that we are right where we need to be as we head into conference this weekend. Rachel Ehlers is also within eight points of qualifying in diving, and the cool thing about that is conference is at home, so it should be a good chance for her to qualify. With one more week of work, and identifying the dives she needs to improve on, she should be in good shape."

Among those dropping time in swimming events was Mikenna Waggener, who took a second and a half off of her 500 Free from last week. She has taken off four seconds in the last two weeks, which is right where Scribner wants her to be, but as her time continues to improve in this race, she is faced with a dilemma regarding which second event she should add to her individual races at state.

As the second-ranked backstroker in 3A, it's a no-brainer that Waggener will compete for honors there, but she must decide between the 200 and 500 Free as her other event. If she chooses the 200 Free, it will follow right behind the 200

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## Dogies roll up 50 points in Thermop

Sonja Karp  
NLJ Sports Reporter

When looking at the outcome of any sports contest, the stats usually tell the story of how the game played out. The Dogies proved, however, that reality can stray far from that story last Friday in their 50-14 rout of the Thermopolis Bobcats.

The Bobcats beat the Dogies in nearly every stat column, so on paper one might think Thermopolis ended up on top. But big plays, special teams and great defense gave Newcastle a 50-0 lead at the half, which kick-started the mercy rule and resulted in a running clock for the second half of the contest.

"Big plays really ruled the day for us," nodded head coach Matt Conzelman. "We would move the sticks and then there would be a big play and we would score."

Quarterback Cam Quigley and his team hit the field ready to play and firing on all cylinders, and took advantage of opportunities presented them early and often.

"When we are going against any defense, whatever they give us, we take. If they gave us the pass we'd take it, and if they gave us the run we'd take that," Conzelman explained. "In the first quarter

they took away the run so we aired it out, and in the second quarter they crunched down on the pass so that opened up the run for us."

Quigley lit a fire in the first quarter by connecting on a 20-yard pass to Zach Schuessler that ended in the Dogies first touchdown of the night. A blocked point after attempt by Colin Heaton kept the initial score to only six, but that would be the only time the Dogies were denied in the first half.

A little over two minutes later, Quigley segued a punt return into a 61-yard touchdown run. The point after attempt began with a bad snap that Preston Rushton turned into a two-point conversion to put the Dogies up 14-0 with six and a half minutes remaining in the first period.

"The way we started the game was just very exciting, and it was a total team effort," beamed Conzelman. "Though special teams started a little slow, allowing the block on our first PAT attempt, things started rolling pretty good after that."

The third score of the quarter was a rerun of the first, with a Quigley to Schuessler pass for 30 yards that was followed by a good PAT by

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Junior Varsity Coach Cody Nelson gathers with the Lady Dogies prior to the start of their race to focus on the course and visualize how they will attack it. (Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

## Runners up!

### Second place finishes have harriers excited for State Meet

Sonja Karp  
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Dogie and Lady Dogie cross country teams are really hitting their stride, and at just the right time of the season, as both teams brought home runner up titles at the 3A East Absaraka Conference meet last Friday in Douglas.

"This the highest place the girls have achieved at Conference since I've been coaching," grinned

head coach Kathy Beehler. "And the guys missed out on taking first place by only six points behind Worland. The way we are running right now is right where we need to be in order to be in the hunt to bring hardware home from State."

The men truly put together a race that embodied what the squad has been working toward all season long. Only 34 seconds and seven places separated the first and final Dogies who could score for the team as they crossed the finish line. Dylon Tidyman once again led his squad as he finished eighth. Brandon Benson was next in 11th, followed by PJ Martin in 12th, Marshall Rhoades in 14th and Austin Drury in 15th. Jacob Esposito was the sixth man to finish

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# Swim

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Senior swimmers Mikenna Waggener, Rachel Henkle and Rachel Ehlers were honored for their dedication and commitment to the team in the last home meet of the season on Thursday, pictured here with their parents. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

Medley Relay, where she swims the first leg. If she chooses the 500 Free, she would have the 200 Free Relay between that race and the backstroke to rest.

"Mikenna is testing things out to see if there is enough rest time between the 500 and the backstroke so her time in the latter won't suffer," Scribner began. "Her time at the qualifier after she swam the 500 would still put her in second behind Rachel Henkle in the state, and her first split in the backstroke was actually faster than Rachel on Thursday. However, my concern is that, though she will be just as fast as she's been all season, she won't see the time drop she is hoping for in the backstroke if she chooses to race the 500."

As expected, Rachel Henkle will also be competing in the backstroke at the State Meet, but is still undecided on whether her second event will be the 50 or the 100 Free.

Makenzie Wagoner was

another Lady Dogie that had a good meet on Thursday. Her focus is on the 100 Breaststroke and Scribner was pleased with her progress.

"She dropped another second from last week. We're trying to get her in the 1:20s so she will only have six seconds to drop in order to qualify. We worked on some technical things and she improved on those, so now it's just a matter of endurance," he nodded.

According to Scribner, Wagoner took the first 50 out as fast as she was hoping to, so she just needs to get the endurance to finish the way she needs in order to get the time.

Another positive occurred when the 200 Medley Relay team saw a three second drop in their time. Scribner noted the squad has been working on getting everyone coordinated so that they all can have their fastest time together in one race.

"We really focused on that this week, and we will stick with

both the personnel and order we raced at the qualifier as we head into conference and state," he explained. "They did a good job doing what they needed to do, and everyone had their best split time yet, which accounts for the three second drop."

After all the hard work the Lady Dogies put in over the course of the meet, they ended the day on a light note, having a little bit of fun in the 400 Free relay, where everyone swam an IM.

"They did that at Douglas as a way to relax, and then on Thursday the girls talked Douglas into doing the same thing," Scribner laughed. "It was cool, because then they raced each other and it was fun to watch, and they had a lot of fun doing it."

Post season competition begins this Friday and Saturday as the 3A East Conference meet kicks off at the Kozisek Aquatic Center. It begins with eight rounds of diving at 3:00 p.m. on

Friday, which will be followed by the preliminary swimming events, with the top 12 in each advancing to Saturday's races.

On Saturday morning, the consolation and final heats will take place beginning at 10:00 a.m. The schedule for Saturday will be like a normal meet, with three rounds of diving in the middle.

"I'm feeling good about where we're at right now," Scribner nodded. "Each girl's taper has been a little bit different, and I think that it's working really well for them. I'm glad we got faster this week, but not too much faster. It shows me we're on track for racing our best times at State."

While he thinks his swimmers are progressing in the right way physically, he is also pleased with how they are preparing mentally.

"This last week, everyone had much more positive attitudes in practice. We're race focused now, and working on technique and putting everything together. They were excited to see time improvements again, so they are bringing in good excitement for Conference," Scribner reported.

## Swimming

Newcastle Qualifier 10/13/16

1. Buffalo 288		
2. Douglas 287		
3. Newcastle 164		
<b>200 Medley Relay:</b>		2:04.18
1 Mikenna Waggener, Rachel Henkle, Markie Whitney, Sarah Henkle		
<b>50 Free</b>		
1 Rachel Henkle	26.50	4A Q
9 Makenzie Wagoner		31.81
10 Rachel Ehlers		31.93
12 Markie Whitney		32.75
<b>1 Meter Diving</b>		
4 Sarah Henkle	264.70	3A Q
5 Rachel Ehlers		232.05
<b>500 Free</b>		
1 Mikenna Waggener	5:58.31	4A Q
<b>100 Back</b>		
1 Rachel Henkle	1:05.18	4A Q
2 Mikenna Waggener		1:06.42 4A Q
<b>100 Breast</b>		
5 Sarah Henkle		1:27.11
7 Makenzie Wagoner		1:30.99
<b>400 Free Relay</b>		5:13.03
2 Rachel Ehlers, Mikenna Waggener, Sarah Henkle, Rachel Henkle		

## 2Nd Annual Holiday Bazaar At Goose Landing!

Date: **Saturday, December 3, 2016**  
Time: **9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**  
Location: **2741 North Hwy 116, Upton, WY**

Spaces: Two options available  
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# Run

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while Jacob Rhoades was the seventh. Only the first five runners are counted for the team score, unless there is a tie, in which case the sixth and seventh runners' finishes would be considered.

"The guys just ran really well, and you could see they were determined to win the meet," Beehler exclaimed. "In the last 150-200 meters, Marshall passed four people, PJ passed five, Jacob passed three or four, and they were all on a mission. Mr. Hayman and I were talking about how usually when you get that grouped up together, you win, and we definitely got close!"

Beehler went on to note that had there been just a couple more exchanges of places for the Dogies, her squad would have had the championship. However, she added that a state title is definitely in their sights now that they have gotten so close to tasting post-season victory.

"We are pretty sure we can take Worland at State and we looked at the other side, and though Star Valley is tough, we have as good a shot at the title as anyone there!" Beehler exclaimed.

The confidence Beehler has in her men's squad extends to the women's team as well. The ladies also placed second, though the first place Thermopolis team dominated the meet, winning by 34 points. The determination and competitive spirit of the Lady Dogies was evident, however, in the battle for second place.

It was a one point differential that separated Newcastle from third place Douglas when it was all said and done, and it was grit that gave the Lady Dogies the edge.

Catherine Orban once again led her team with a fifth place finish, and was followed by Emily Rushton in seventh,

Hailey McGuire in 15th and Grace Peterson in 20th. The fifth and sixth runners were Kellar Bock in 23rd and Shelby Stith in 40th.

"You know, the girls really proved that every runner matters when it comes to the team score," Beehler began. "We only beat Douglas by one point, so if one girl had been passed it would have been a third place finish for us. Pushers matter, front-runners matter, they all matter for the team score."

Both the men and women are hoping to ride the momentum from the Conference Meet into the State Meet this Saturday in Sheridan.

"We're going to Sheridan looking to be right in the top of the hunt, and we know the big key is going to be keeping each other in sight throughout the race," Beehler nodded. "When it's a big meet like this one it can be a challenge to do that, but if our guys can all stay together and stay within 30 seconds of each other again, we can be in contention for a title."

As for the Lady Dogies, Beehler also believes they will be in the hunt for hardware despite the dominant performance from Thermopolis at the Conference Meet.

"My first year here, we were beat so bad on paper, but we went down and won the State Meet. So, you just don't know. Maybe



Senior Grace Peterson eyes the finish line in Douglas. (Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

we go and have a great day, and they don't so much. One runner can really make the difference, and that is why we run the race," Beehler reasoned.

The 3A girls race will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday at the VA Center in Sheridan, and the 3A boys will compete at 12:45.

## Cross Country

Absaraka Conference Meet @ Douglas 10/14/16

<b>Women: 2nd Place 70 Points</b>		<b>Men: 2nd Place 60 Points</b>		<b>Men JV: 2nd Place</b>	
5 Catherine Orban	21:56.11	8 Dylan Tidyman	18:04	5 Colin Dudzinski	22:31
7 Emily Rushton	22:14.10	11 Brandon Benson	18:22	11 Reid Holmes	23:06
15 Hailey McGuire	23:56	12 PJ Martin	18:28	12 Gunnar Wainscott	23:07
20 Grace Peterson	25:03.52	14 Marshall Rhoades	18:37	T16 Peyton Purviance	23:34
23 Kellar Bock	25:24.18	15 Austin Drury	18:38	T16 Eythan Riley	23:34
40 Shelby Stith	50:57.11	24 Jacob Esposito	19:23	19 Brady Wilkes	23:43
		28 Jacob Rhoades	19:45		



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# Football

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Heaton to put the Dogies in the lead 21-0 to end the first frame.

The second quarter commenced with yet another Quigley pass connection for a TD, this time to Rushton. That was followed by another Quigley to Rushton pass for the two-point conversion.

As Thermopolis adjusted to the passing game, Newcastle shifted gears and went on the run. Rushton went on to pick up three more touchdowns, and Heaton was perfect with three PATs before the half to give the Dogies the commanding 50-point lead as the teams went into the locker rooms.

"When we scored right before the half again, it came at the end of a drive where we were shooting for giving Colin a shot at a long field goal. We were at the 50 with short time left and we decided to run a sweep and just see what would happen," Conzelman described. "We ran about 10

yards and got out of bounds, so we decided to run it again the other way, which got us more yards. So we just kept driving and we ended up with Cam out on the two-yard line, and we decided to just punch it in."

Being up by at least 45 points at the half meant the second half of the ball game would be played under the mercy rule with a running clock, and Conzelman was pleased his first string was able to give the Dogies this advantage.

"We only had 20 kids suited, so I really wanted to get to a running clock. We haven't played great in the third quarter and if we had closed out the half at 43 points ahead, our varsity would have had to come out and play again in the third quarter. As it was, they started the third and ran the first series of defense and Cam got an interception, and then our young kids closed

out the game for us," stated Conzelman.

The second half didn't take long as the young Dogies played out the contest against the Bobcat's starting lineup. Though they did give up a touchdown in the third quarter, as well as one in the fourth, the squad cruised to an easy victory as time ticked away.

With a two-game winning streak underway, the Dogies are looking to extend it to three this Friday as they welcome the Burns Broncos to Schoonmaker Field for the final regular season game of the year.

In addition to being the last game, it is also Senior Night and Pink Night, but more importantly, it is an important matchup in the playoff hunt as the winner of the contest will qualify for the post-season.

"On paper, everything tells us we should win it, but you still have to play the game," Conzelman cautioned. "We

just have to keep getting better every day this week and keep executing the way we have. We're playing pretty good football right now so we just need to make sure we continue that."

## Football

Dogies @ Thermopolis 10/14/16: 50-14 195 yards rushing, 60 yards passing

Triston Robertson: 6 tackles  
Cam Quigley: 1 TD, 6 carries for 69 yards, 3-6 pass completion for 60 yards and 3 TDs, 3 receptions for 23 yards, 3 punt returns for 94 yards, 4 punts for 156 yards, 2 interceptions, 5 tackles  
Preston Rushton: 4 TDs, 2 2-pt. conversions, 14 carries for 101 yards, 1 reception for 10 yards, 3 tackles  
Zach Schuessler: 2 TDs, 2 receptions for 50 yards, 2 tackles  
Colin Heaton: 4-5 PAT, 2 tackles  
Jake Deveraux: 1 carries for 27 yards, 4 tackles  
Bryce Womack: 6 tackles  
Bryson Johnson: 5 tackles  
James Lewis: 2 tackles  
Sawyer Robertson: 7 tackles  
Dayton Williams: 2 tackles  
Isaac Prell: 3 carry for 9 yards, 4 tackles  
Aaron Fullerton: 1 carry for 2 yards, 2 tackles  
Kyle Hestam: 6 carries for -13 yards, 3 tackles  
Austin Kenney: 4 tackles  
Sean Hopper: 1 kickoff return for 0 yards, 1 interception

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# DOGIE FOOTBALL



First row from left to right: Cam Quigley, Kaden Curran, Peyton Parks, Jake Deveraux, Kyle Haslam, Conagher Testerman, Aaron Fullerton, Isaac Prell, and Isiah Covey. Second row: Chase Loeb, Kyle Whitney, Sean Hopper, Sawyer Roberson, Colin Heaton, Dayton Williams, James Lewis, and Kyle Allard. Third row: Daytona Bennett, Austin Kenney, Wyatt Corley, Bryson Johnson, Bradyn Frye, Preston Ruston, Triston Roberson, Bryce Womack and Sharla Lax. Back row: Derek Lewis, Scott Beehler, Matt Conzelman, Brett Reed, Beau Gregory, and Nicole Ackerman. Not pictured: Kolby Piscioti and Zach Schuessler. (Photo courtesy of HottShotts)



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy (BHE), for authority to amend its rules and regulations for compliance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016.

BHE is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(D), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On September 27, 2016, BHE filed its Application requesting authority to revise its rules and regulations for conformance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016, pursuant to Commission Rule, Chapter 3, Section 25. According to the Company, three general changes are proposed to its tariffs, [i] language was amended where it was not in compliance with the Commission's new rules, [ii] citations to the Commission's rules were changed to match the new rule numbers; and, [iii] the tariffs were modified to correct minor errors in the tariffs. The Company also incorporated its meter testing plan into its tariff.

This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at BHE's Wyoming business office and at the Commission's office in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours.

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before November 10, 2016. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 30022-278-GT-16 (Record No. 14517) in your communications. Dated: October 10, 2016.

(Publish October 20 and 27, 2016)

**Legal Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp), for authority to amend its rules and regulations for compliance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016.

PRECorp is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On October 3, 2016, PRECorp filed its Application requesting authority to revise its rules and regulations for conformance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016, pursuant to Commission Rule, Chapter 3, Section 25; including amendments to its tariffs governing application of rates, application for membership and electric service agreement, security deposits, discontinuance of service, billing and collections, meter reading, reconnections, budget billing, meter testing and meter location.

This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at any PRECorp Wyoming business office, at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours. The Application can also be viewed at www.precorp.coop.

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before November 14, 2016. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 10014-176-CT-16 (Record No. 14562) in your communications. Dated: October 13, 2016.

(Publish October 20 and 27, 2016)

**Legal Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of the Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp), for approval of its rules and regulations regarding deposits.

PRECorp is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On October 3, 2016, PRECorp filed its Application for approval of its rules and regulations regarding deposits, pursuant to Chapter 3, Sections 7 and 25 of the Commission's Rules.

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

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before November 14, 2016. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

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**Legal Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Black Hills Power, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy (BHE), for authority to amend its rules and regulations for compliance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016.

BHE is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On October 5, 2016, BHE filed its Application requesting authority to revise its rules and regulations for conformance with the Commission's revised rules, effective March 21, 2016, pursuant to Commission Rule, Chapter 3, Section 25; including amendments to its tariffs governing Customer Service Charges, Customer Deposits and Refunds, Billing, Discontinuance of Service, and Restoration of Service.

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

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before November 14, 2016. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

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**Election Notice**

**OSAGE WATER DISTRICT ELECTION PROCLAMATION**

On November 8, 2016, the Osage Water District will hold their election. The polling place will be located the Kitty Moats Complex, Metz Ave, Auditorium, Osage, Wyoming. The polling hours will be 10:00 am to 5:00 pm for the purpose of electing two (2) board members for four year terms. For absentee ballots call Nathan Locke 465-2282.

**VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO (2)**

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(Publish October 20, 27 and November 3, 2016)

**Foreclosure Notice**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note and mortgage dated November 2, 2009 executed and delivered by Kenneth L. Dickey, as Mortgagor, in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., recorded November 3, 2009 as Rec. No. 715597, Book 318, Page 776, 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:

Northerly portion of Lot 1, Block 22, Original Town of Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming, further described as follows: Commencing at the NW corner of Lot 1, Block 22, Original Town of Newcastle, which is marked by a 2" pipe with an aluminum cap inside of it and the point of beginning; thence S29°42'E along the West boundary of Lot 1 for a distance of 94.0 feet to an aluminum capped rebar; thence N62°58'E for a distance of 65.8 feet to an aluminum capped rebar; thence N12°04'W for a distance of 101.8 feet to an aluminum capped rebar; thence S60°17'W along the South side of West Winthrop Street for a distance of 96.6 feet to the point of beginning;

with an address of 208 West Winthrop Street, Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

The amount due and owing on the date of the first publication is \$141,312.27 which includes the unpaid principal and accrued but unpaid interest. Interest continues to accrue on the unpaid balance at the rate of \$20.70 per day.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to W.S. § 34-3-101 et seq., (1977 Republished Edition) that the above described property will be at public venue sold by the Sheriff of Weston County, to the highest bidder at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 15th day of November, 2016, on the courthouse steps of Weston County. DATED this 28th day of September, 2016.

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

(Publish October 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2016)

**Foreclosure Notice**

**NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated 08/09/2010 executed and delivered by Forrest B. Sullivan, ("Mortgagor") to Guild Mortgage Company and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Guild Mortgage Company, and which Mortgage was recorded on 08/11/2010, as Reception No. 721361, Book 323 Page 0582 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and The property covered by said Mortgage is described as follows:

LOT 4, BLOCK 20, ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

With an address of : 120 W. Wentworth Street Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes Section 34-4-109(2003) that the foreclosure sale scheduled for 10:00 in the forenoon on 10/04/2016 at the the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main , Newcastle, Weston County, State of Wyoming, has been postponed to 10:00 in the forenoon on 11/01/2016 at the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main , Newcastle, Weston County, State of Wyoming.

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**Deadline for Legals is noon on Friday**

**Election Notice**

**OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT FOR SWEETWATER IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICT HELD IN WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

Instructions to Voter  
 1. To vote you must blacken the circle [o] completely next to the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote.  
 2. If you spoil your ballot, ask for a new ballot.  
 3. Use only a black or blue ink pen.  
 4. To write in a name, you must blacken the circle [o] to the left of the line provided, and write the complete name on the space provided for that purpose.

**Board of Directors  
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Robert Strickland

**Official Special District Ballot Sweetwater Improvement and Service District November 8, 2016**

(Publish October 20, 2016)

**Blotter**

**October 9, 2016**  
 Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Dead deer reported. Civil standby requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Barking dog complaint. Threats reported. Dead deer reported. Medical assist. Barking dog complaint. Parking complaint.  
**October 10**  
 Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. VIN inspection requested. 911 hang up.  
**October 11**  
 Suspicious activity. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Report of a dog at large. Lost property reported. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Report of shots fired.  
**October 12**  
 Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Harassing phone calls reported. VIN inspection requested.

Noise complaint. Civil standby requested.  
**October 13**  
 Commercial alarm reported. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued. VIN inspection requested. Minor accident reported. Lost property reported. Phone fraud reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Arrest Warrant executed. Unlawful dumping reported. Suspicious activity reported. Theft reported.  
**October 14**  
 Open door discovered. Civil standby requested. Civil problem reported. VIN inspection requested. Civil problem reported. Traffic hazard reported. Motorist assist. Traffic complaint.  
**October 15**  
 Report of a dog at large. Noise complaint. Report of a dog at large. Medical assist. Dead deer reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Arrest Warrant executed. Minor accident reported. Drunk driver reported, One arrest.



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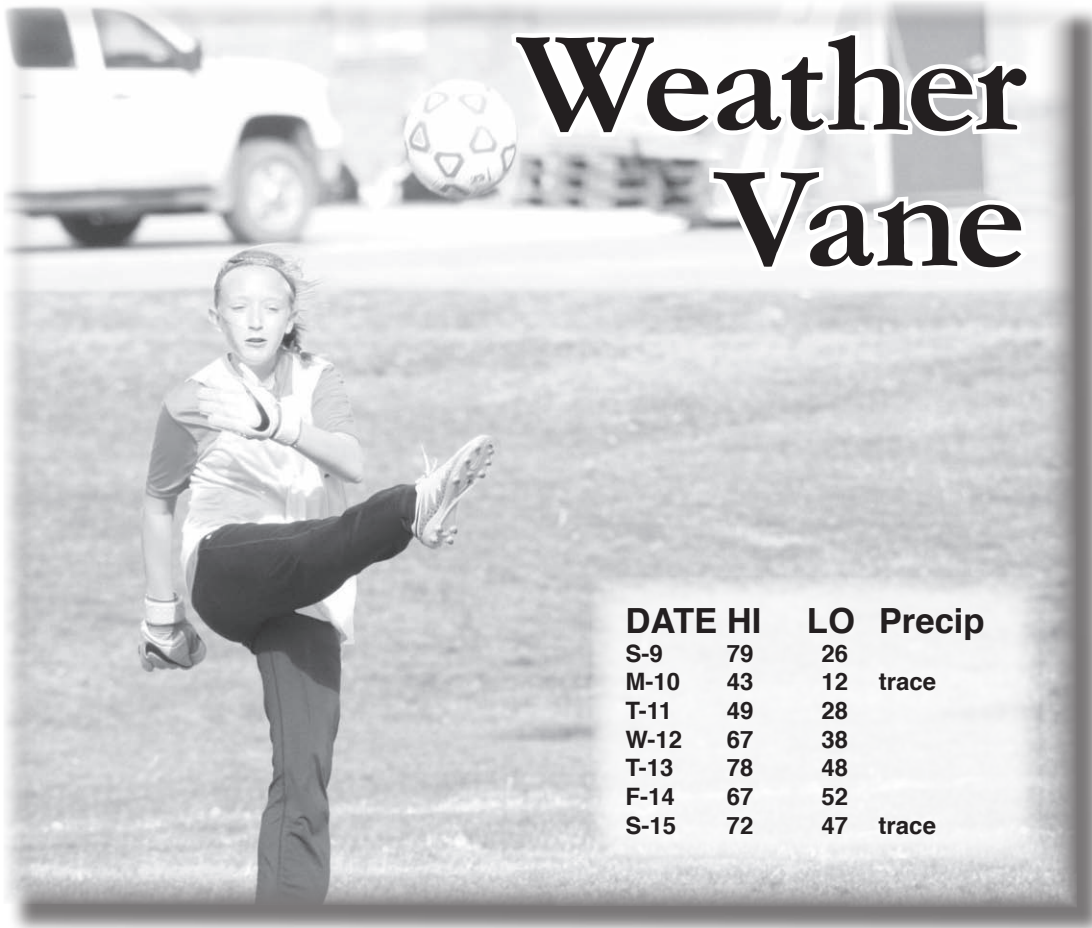
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T-13	78	48		
F-14	67	52		
S-15	72	47	trace	

## Foreclosure Notice

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note and mortgage dated October 6, 2014 executed and delivered by Jered L. Peterson and Jessica A. Peterson, as Mortgagors, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. ("MERS"), as Mortgagee solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, AMCAP Mortgage Ltd. DBA Major Mortgage Co., recorded on October 6, 2014 as Rec. No. 755075, Book 355, Page 28, in the public records in the office of the county clerk of Weston County, Wyoming; as assigned to Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, recorded July 13, 2016 as Rec. No. 761571, Book 367, Page 784, 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:

A tract of land 70 feet by 100 feet in the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 48 North, Range 65 West of the 6th P.M., Weston County, Wyoming, described as follows:

Commencing at the East quarter (1/4) section corner of Section 35, Township 48 North, Range 65 West; Thence running westward along the east and west center line of said Section 35 for a distance of approximately 825 feet; Thence South 35 feet to a point which is the northwest corner of a tract previously transferred to Harvey Schiller which point is marked by an iron stake; run S 89°26' E along the Northerly boundary of said Schiller tract for a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning; Thence S 00°34' W for a distance of 70 feet; thence S 89°26' E for a distance of 100 feet to a point on the Easterly boundary of said tract; Thence N 00°34' E along the Easterly boundary for a distance of 70 feet to the Northeast corner of the Schiller tract; Thence N 89°26' W along the Northerly boundary of said tract for a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning;

with an address of 721 Cedar Street, Upton, WY 82730.

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, through its servicer, LoanCare, has served a written Notice of Intent to Foreclose the Mortgage by Advertisement and Sale pursuant to the terms of the Mortgage to the record owner or party in possession in accordance with the statute ten (10) days prior to the first publication of the sale.

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BY: Greg B. Asay  
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Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, through its servicer, LoanCare

(Publish September 29, October 6, 13, and 20, 2016)

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## Foreclosure Notice

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# Still improving

**Sonja Karp**  
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Lady Dogies dropped two more East Quadrant matchups last Friday and Saturday against Wheatland and Torrington, but though their record doesn't show it, head coach Ashley Reed is pleased with what she has seen from her squad over the past week as they near post-season play.

"Judging by how we played on Friday, I really think that we are getting where we need to be for the end of the season tournament. I'm pretty stoked looking at the stats the girls put up this weekend, as there's a big improvement there even from last week," she exclaimed.

As the ladies began competition against the Lady Bulldogs in Wheatland on Friday, they did so with a bit of a change to the lineup. With the return of Cierra Ondriezek and Emma Evick to the court, Reed used the match to experiment with her rotation.

Jade Roady and Lauren Steveson traded places in the front row, with Roady playing middle hitter/blocker and Steveson moving to outside hitter. Evick and Lauren Lacey rotated in the setter position as well. Though she was running two setters, Reed continued to utilize the 5-1 offense by having Evick man the station in the back row, while Lacey took on the responsibility in the front row.

"We really played amazing on Friday. I think moving Jade and Lauren Steveson worked really well for us, as I saw our hitting percentages go way up," Reed analyzed. "And having Lauren Lacey set in the front row gives us a much needed blocking presence that we don't necessarily have with Emma."

The squad got off to a good start against the Lady Bulldogs, pushing the first set to extra points before dropping it 25-27.

"Though we ultimately lost that set, how we played was fantastic," Reed exclaimed. "We were down 20-23, and we came back to tie it up and then it went point for point. They played crazy, digging everything up, and there were long rallies that were really exciting with both sides playing great volleyball!"

Though there was a let-down in the second set, the third was a win for the Dogies, which pushed the game into a fourth. The last time these two teams competed, the Lady Bulldogs swept the Dogies in three sets, so Newcastle definitely showed improvement the second time around.

Unfortunately, in the fourth frame the Lady Dogies seemed to run out of gas a little bit with little errors getting in the way, so the squad ended up dropping the match 1-3.

On Saturday in the last home match of the season, the Torrington Lady Blazers came into the Dome on Senior Night, and it seemed as



**Halle McCoy digs the ball in the game against Torrington on Saturday.** (Andy McKay/NLJ)

though it took Newcastle a while to get going, especially considering how well they had played the night before.

"We struggled in the first two sets. I don't know if emotions from Senior Night got in the way and we just weren't focused or what happened," Reed mused. "We were not playing like ourselves, and could not get into a rhythm. It was the same set up as we ran the night before, so I don't know what exactly it was that got in our way."

After a disappointing start to the contest, the Lady Dogies finally got things going in the third set, but couldn't seem to maintain any momentum and dropped the match in three.

Newcastle will finish off the regular season this Friday as they travel to Douglas for a rematch against the number three ranked Lady Cats. The Lady Dogies are looking to improve their play from their last matchup against the powerhouse squad as they prepare for the 3A East Regional Tournament the following week.

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Jade Roady: 14-15 serves, 4 aces, 12 kills, 3 stuff blocks, 2 block assists, 35 digs
Emma Evick: 2-2 serves, 1 kill, 12 set assists, 5 digs
Tania Bau: 3-3 serves, 10 kills, 4 stuff blocks, 2 block assist, 9 digs
Taylor Spain: 17-18 serves, 2 aces, 51 digs
Cierra Ondriezek: 2 kills, 1 dig
Aby Bock: 16-17 serves, 7 kills, 2 block assists, 1 dig
Emily Pearson: 8-11 serves, 7 kills, 22 digs
Lauren Steveson: 1 kill, 4 digs
Lauren Lacey: 9-11 serves, 2 aces, 3 kills, 15 set assists, 2 block assists, 1 dig
Halle McCoy: 6 digs
Shaelee Douglas: 7-8 serves, 3 digs
Newcastle v. Torrington 10/15/16
19-25, 14-25, 21-25
Jade Roady: 6-6 serves, 1 ace, 5 kills, 1 block assist, 11 digs
Emma Evick: 2-2 serves, 11 set assists, 1 dig
Tania Bau: 8-10 serves, 1 ace, 2 kills, 11 digs
Taylor Spain: 7-8 serves, 2 kills, 26 digs
Cierra Ondriezek: 3 kills
Aby Bock: 10-10 serves, 1 ace, 5 kills, 2 digs
Lauren Steveson: 1 dig
Lauren Lacey: 6-7 serves, 1 kill, 4 set assists, 4 digs
Halle McCoy: 5 digs
Shaelee Douglas: 3-3 serves, 2 digs

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than we did and that I would not entertain her argument.

My response started me thinking about perspective and throughout the course of the JV and varsity matches, I got several other opportunities to consider the concept. There were an unusually high number of balls that hit the line during both contests, on both sides of the net.

Whenever any part of the ball touches any part of the line,

it is considered in-bounds, but it is also these line-judging calls that are highly criticized by those watching the contests.

During the Olympics, it was great that they had technology to review those calls to see if the ball was indeed touching the line, however high school volleyball does not have access to that technology. As one Lady Dogie put it, my eyes became the camera that would make the call.

Obviously, in each of those situations, I was susceptible to human error, however, I always do my very best to make the right call. I'll also admit that sometimes it can be very difficult to see, especially when it is a hard-driven spike that happens in a split second.

Experience has taught me, however, that if I focus on the line, I can be very confident in making the decision regarding where the ball hits the floor.

After the contest was over, it was brought to my attention that there were several calls made by the line judging staff (my daughter and me) that were ques-

tioned by some in attendance. While I foster no hard feelings about that, it did reinforce the thoughts that began in the freshmen contest...Perspective is huge when it comes to sports.

Bailey and I had the only positions in that gym to make those out-of-bounds calls. The officials were not in a position to see it clearly, and neither were the coaches nor the fans. Unless you are standing on that line, and focused on that line, you do not have the proper perspective to make the call.

While this probably shouldn't have been a great "ah-ha" moment for me, it truly was just that. We cannot be sure that the official is wrong unless we occupy the same perspective from which he or she sees what occurs. And truly, this applies to many other aspects of life as well.

I think it's time for me to become a kinder and gentler fan when I attend sporting events from here on out. I can't promise I'll be perfect, but I will definitely try to keep perspective in mind as I go forward.

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Sincerely,  
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