



How much can be saved?

Group discusses options for historic Old Mill relics

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

Members of the Weston County Historical Society and Weston County Historic Preservation Board met at the Weston County Library Meeting Room Wednesday to discuss the future of Newcastle's Old Mill Inn after the company that recently purchased the property on which the historic building rests indicated to city officials that it plans to tear at least part of the structure down.

Dr. Mike Jording, president of the Weston County Historical Society, served as the moderator for the meeting, which allowed residents to voice their concerns over the loss of one of the few buildings in Newcastle that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Maverick Inc., which operates

a string of convenience stores in the region, purchased the property from Luke Hoch, who owned the Old Mill Restaurant. Representatives of the company appeared before the Newcastle Planning and Zoning Commission last month to request a change in the zoning on the property to pave the way for construction of a new convenience store there. Both Hoch and Don Lillquist of Maverick Convenience Stores were present at the Nov. 7 meeting of the Newcastle City Council when the zoning change was approved, and Hoch spoke about concerns he had regarding the condition of the buildings.

Lucille Dumbrill represented the Weston County Historical Preservation Board at the city council meeting, and she told

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Send-off with a smile

Pat Havener was presented with a bevy of retirement gifts from Wyoming Refining Company's Allen Carlson and James Runyan, among other co-workers. Havener retired after 30-plus years with the Newcastle company. (Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

SD felon escapes authorities

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

A South Dakota felon who was discovered "hiding out" in the Upton area Wednesday night escaped from police custody after being transported to the Weston County Detention Center in Newcastle, but a pair of detention officers found him only a couple of blocks away about two hours later, and he remains in the custody of the Weston County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Bryan Colvard reported that Lucas Michael Odle, 19, of Butte County, S.D., was taken into custody by

the Upton Police Department at approximately 9 p.m. on Nov. 9 when an officer served a felony arrest warrant on him.

"It's actually a bench warrant for failure to appear on sentencing. I can't tell what the actual charge is, but it is some kind of felony drug charge. He's not from Wyoming, and he was just down here hiding out," Colvard told the News Letter Journal.

After the warrant was served and Odle was taken into custody, he was transported to the Detention Center by Officer David Larson of the Upton Police Department, but

he didn't quite make it all of the way into the jail.

"Upon arrival at the Weston County Detention facility in Newcastle, Mr. Odle was able to free himself from the officer's custody before reaching the detention facility," stated a release issued by Colvard the following day.

The sheriff told the News Letter Journal that one of the detention officers from the facility joined Larson in pursuing Odle on foot down North Sumner Avenue.

"However, after a few minutes, officers lost sight of Odle in a small creek bed

one and a half blocks away from the detention facility," Colvard wrote.

He said that sheriff's deputies and officers from the Newcastle Police Department quickly formed a tight perimeter around the area where Odle was believed to be, and with the assistance of the Upton police officer, began searching the creek bed and unoccupied buildings in the area where he was believed to be hiding. Word was also disbursed to members of the public in the area.

Colvard reported that two

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Agencies lining up for a piece of the pie

By Kim Dean of NLJ

A plate of grandma's fudge fetching \$50? It can and does happen, and it tastes even better when the baking is done for a good cause.

Local residents are being encouraged to help the Weston County United Fund reach its 2011 goal of \$23,000 by baking a treasured family recipe or two and taking them to Weston County Senior Services Center on Monday, Nov. 21, for the annual United Fund Pie Auction. The doors will be open to receive items beginning at 7:15 a.m., and the auction will begin airing a few hours later on KASL radio at 9:15 a.m. All proceeds from the sale will benefit local United

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Report could cost local schools a half million dollars

By Denice Piscioti of NLJ

Earlier this year the Wyoming Legislature's Joint Appropriations Committee and Joint Education Committee asked Dr. Lori Taylor from Texas A & M University to review the state's Regional Cost Adjustment model to help them determine if Wyoming is adequately funding education, and if the committees choose

to use her recommendations, Weston County School District #1 stands to lose \$494,185 in funding next year.

Superintendent Brad LaCroix presented Taylor's recommendations to the Board of Trustees at their meeting on Nov. 9, and asked them to voice their displeasure to local legislators. He suggested that other stakeholders in local schools, like parents, students and business people, should contact

officials as well.

"The public is asked to make comments to their legislators by December 5," LaCroix told the News Letter Journal, indicating that the time-frame was set up to allow the consultants employed by the state to respond to the concerns expressed.

Taylor's recommendation would save the State of Wyoming \$6,208,283, with districts in several counties

— including Campbell and Goshen — receiving more than \$1 million less than they did this year, and Teton County absorbing a cut of more than \$3.5 million.

Three counties — Natrona, Sweetwater and Laramie — and the City of Cheyenne in particular, would benefit from the recommendation. The first two counties would receive more than \$1 million in additional money,

with the Cheyenne schools receiving in excess of \$2.5 million more.

LaCroix said the loss of almost a half million dollars for WCSD #1 would probably have a significant impact on students, as it could threaten the district's ability to fund the range of offerings that currently exist.

He indicated that the district has

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Presenting history

Fourth-grader Jacob Rhoades presents his Wyoming History project to the Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees Nov. 9, with Newcastle Elementary School Principal Tobey Cass and Transportation Director Mark Peterson watching as the presentations were given. (Denice Piscioti/NLJ)

Property tax unfazed by plan

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

A proposed luxury development north of Newcastle will be considered for Final Plat approval by the Weston County Planning Commission on Thursday evening, and that group will forward a recommendation on to the Weston County Commissioners, who will then make a final determination about whether or not to approve the major subdivision application.

A number of local residents have expressed concern regarding the impact the development will have on their own property taxes because of indications that lots will reportedly be sold for more than \$100,000 an acre and the homes built on them may be valued in the millions of dollars, but County Assessor Tina Conklin said those fears are largely unfounded.

"It will not affect anybody outside of that subdivision. What land sells for there won't affect the neighbors because I have nothing to compare it to," Conklin told the News Letter Journal.

She said the assessed value of properties in Weston County is based on comparisons with similar properties in similar areas, and in the case of homes built at the Wyoming Club, there simply won't be anything outside of that particular subdivision to compare them to.

"That is so unique that it won't affect anybody at this time because it's not a typical Weston County subdivision," Conklin noted, indicating that the perks and other amenities offered to those who buy property in the development make it impossible to draw comparisons with other homes outside its boundaries. She said another subdivision managed by the same company, and located immediately west of the Wyoming Club property, has been treated the same way to this point because it bears little resemblance to other subdivisions in the county.

"Even the Crown is an entity unto itself because it has such strict covenants. It is also a non-typical subdivision," Conklin said, noting that the additional benefits homeowners receive for owning such properties precludes her office from comparing it to land owned outside of either development.

Organizers of the Wyoming Club, have been working on the subdivision — which could include as many as 400 home sites when completed and boast an 18-hole golf course and other resort amenities — for a number of years. They received preliminary approval for their water and sewer system from the Wyoming Department of

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Opinion

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Our View

In with the new

Have you heard the one about how prosperous Newcastle would be if our city fathers hadn't taken so many steps to discourage new businesses from locating here?

We certainly have, and while we've had trouble finding any actual proof that elected officials ever engaged in such behavior over the past 120 years, we were pleased to see that current city officials were not about to create roadblocks to the proposed construction of a new convenience store by Maverick Inc. on the corner of the intersection that boasts this community's only traffic signal.

We sympathize with those individuals who are concerned about the significant loss of history that demolition of the Old Mill will represent, and we join them in hoping that the community will make an effort to preserve some of that heritage in some form. The idea of forcing a company that is eager to invest in our community to shoulder the burden of renovating a structure that has been in existence for more than a century is not something we can lend our support to however.

We think it would be very appropriate for local historians and others interested in preserving the legacy of the Old Mill to pursue grants and other funding that would result in the community having some ability to salvage at least a portion of the material used to construct the original mill. We also encourage efforts to gather the most significant equipment that has been stored inside it since the mill closed 45 years ago. It would be fantastic if resources could be secured that would allow us to expand the offerings at the local museum to include another attraction (perhaps another outbuilding constructed of rock from the Old Mill, with equipment and photos displayed within) but it would be ill-advised for us to make any efforts to preserve any part of the building with the intent of turning it into another museum.

We have a hard enough time supporting one of them as it is. Few would argue the value the Anna Miller Museum brings to the community, and we'd hate to see the historic cavalry barn and other structures at that location suffer as a result of competition from a new annex on the other side of town. Allow the new owners to tear the old buildings down before they become eyesores, and preserve what we can. That corner once generated a significant amount of revenue for Newcastle, and it's time for us to move on in the hope that it can do so again.

Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

Letters to the Editor

We shouldn't be so quick to judge an entire religion

Dear Editor,

On Thursday my wife and I attended the Veteran's Day program at the high school auditorium. We were there to watch our 14 year old daughter sing, but it's also always been a nice program to attend to see the local veteran's honored. This year, however, I witnessed something that infuriated me, and really made me lament where we are as a country to be so willfully misinformed.

The guest speaker for the program was a retired Air Force Colonel from Lead, SD, who had served in Vietnam, Panama, and Desert Storm. Certainly a distinguished guest, and of course I appreciated his service to our country, but his speech, to me, was very upsetting.

He started out by wondering aloud what it was the middle school and high school kids in attendance were expecting to hear from him. He then proceeded to talk about these same kind of speeches that he would hear when he was their age. He said that when he was young the threat was the Soviet Union and the Cuban missile crisis. He spoke of how the speeches that he heard from vets, and the events that were unfolding at the time, inspired him to join the military. He was starting to sound like a recruiter at this point, as if he may try to convey to them how they may be inspired by the events of today, and by his speech.

What he said next not only made me very angry, but also made me wonder if I was the only one there who saw the major flaw in his speech. He said, "the threat we face today is an idealism called Islam, and the radical part of this is the most dangerous." He later said, "in our fight against Islam." This kind of language would not surprise me coming from Glenn Beck, but coming from a retired Air Force Colonel it was very disappointing to hear.

He ended his speech by inferring to the kids to think about how they could be inspired. Presumably by his speech, the one where he proclaimed that we're apparently at war with an entire religion. He minimizes an entire religion followed by one billion people into idealism. Would we ever call Christianity an idealism? What comes to mind for most Americans when they hear that word, especially in relation to the word Islam? Radical extremism. In a blanket statement, he managed to express to his entire audience, of mostly kids, that we are at war with, not just terrorists or radical extremists, but Islam itself. You could debate whether or not that's what he meant. To me, it sounded like he did.

And why not think this way? Who there, in that auditorium, was going to question or correct him? For one thing, even if you disagree with him like I did, you would be seen as unpatriotic to question this distinguished soldier. Then again, who there would even disagree with him? Haven't we been conditioned over the last few years to believe, or if not believe, at least suspect, this is true? Certain politicians and radio talk show hosts and media outlets know that if they repeat it enough, the apathetic public will believe it. So we don't even question the idea that an entire religion with one billion followers may be out to get us. This is ludicrous, and if anybody did any research or analytical thinking



of their own, they would see it. Even President Bush went to great lengths in numerous speeches to try to tell the American public that Islamic religion is a peaceful religion, and that only a fraction of this religion are radical extremists (as in Christianity I might add). It's true, he said that. Look it up.

It's things like this that make me worry about a world that we live in where we swallow whatever information we want to believe, while never wondering about the validity of it. If it fits our deeply ingrained belief system, then that's good enough for us. I know in today's world we want instant gratification, but not on important subjects such as our national security, or the education of our children, we should do the hard work of trying to find the truth, researching every credible source, even if it challenges our most deeply held convictions. This is one of the most American things we can do, and we should be teaching our children to be the same way.

If there's one thing I can do, it's to teach my own kids. I'll never tell them what to believe, but I can teach them to think for themselves, always question what they're told, and always make sure you understand the truth. Looking past what we want to believe, even if it challenges everything we hold dear, to find the truth. Even if it goes against the grain or questions the powers that be, and you find yourself being attacked for it. I believe it's one of the most patriotic things we can do.

You never fault a person for their convictions, but you can hope that they can search beyond them sometimes to see if their beliefs are well founded.

—Doug Dollison

Local builders need to be more responsive to customers

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to a letter from contractor Robert Leighton in the November 3, 2011 issue of the News Letter Journal, "Local contractors build quality and save money."

In regards to local contractors not getting on the bid list for the new Weston County Event Center, could it be that some of them were called, and did not return those calls.

I have called four local contractors in the area to give me a bid on a bathroom remodel, and out of those four only two have responded.

Is business that good that contractors don't need more of it? Perhaps they should let us know one way or another. It's not hard to understand why people go out of town to shop.

—Gary Jones

Legion leaders question Boys' State antics

Dear Editor,

We are writing this letter both in response to the letter of Ms. Gettinger and as a primary sponsor of Boy's State representatives from Newcastle for many years.

We too were angered and embarrassed by the apparent "behavior" on the part of Wyoming Army National Guard soldiers on our Boy's State web site. As veteran's ourselves, we do not condone or even understand this behavior on the part of the Army

The keys to leading good meetings

We've been discussing the basics needed for having a good meeting. We listed a bill of rights meeting participants should be able to expect, the root causes of "bad" meetings, and the characteristics of good meetings.

So, what do meeting leaders do to have good meetings? We can divide their activities into three groups:

Planning and Preparing

- Determine the meeting type, purpose, and products.
- Select participants.
- Identify probable issues that need to be addressed.
- Develop the proposed agenda.
- Select the processes that will be used in executing the agenda, and define the engagement strategies.
- Hold discussions as needed prior to the meeting.
- Select the meeting location, and handle other logistics.
- Prepare and distribute the meeting notice.

Starting Meetings

- Setup the meeting location, including any parking boards (flip charts for extra issues).
- Greet people when they arrive.
- Provide a two-minute warning prior to the start of the meeting.
- Start the meeting by stating the purpose and products.
- Ask participants to identify key issues to be discussed.
- Review the proposed agenda; modify as needed to address the key issues; establish time limits for each item.
- Remind the participants of the ground rules and parking boards.
- Make introductions if needed.



Bill Taylor
Growing Wyo

Running, Closing, and Following-Up

- Review prior action items to ensure follow-up

For each agenda item:

- Focus the participants by providing an explanation of how the item furthers the meeting's purpose.
- Instruct by providing clear and concise directions on how that agenda item will be executed
- Record the appropriate information gathered during the meeting.
- Step the participants through the agenda item, using the appropriate information gathering process.
- Track time to ensure that the participants are using time appropriately.
- Control and resolve any dysfunctional behavior quickly and effectively.
- Listen for off-topic discussions and redirect to a parking board to keep the meeting focused.
- Address disagreements or conflicts that emerge.
- Seek all opinions, and invite people to speak.
- Summarize the results.

Close the meeting

- Review the items covered in the meeting.
- Confirm the decisions made.
- Address outstanding issues.
- Ensure that all actions have names and dates assigned.

Perform meeting follow-ups

- Ensure that meeting notes are documented and distributed.
- Follow-up to hold people accountable to assigned actions.

Good meetings don't just happen – they take work and planning.

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"A Christmas Story" opens on Friday

The holiday season in Newcastle and Weston County will be kicked off a little early this year when the Ponderosa Community Theatre introduces residents and visitors to the stage adaptation of Jean Shepherd's classic comedy, "A Christmas Story."

The stage at Crouch Auditorium will be transformed into Hohman, Ind., circa 1938, for three performances, beginning Friday night, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m. The production will be repeated at the same time the following evening, and the final show will be held following the annual Lighted Parade on Nov. 25.

Colin Heaton plays Ralphie, the central character in Philip Grecian's stage adaptation of the 1983 holiday favorite, and Tim Lorenz will guide the audience through the action in the coming of age spiel, as the grown-up Ralph who narrates the tale.

Bob and Stephanie Bonnar

portray young Ralphie's parents, and Payton Larson rounds out the family as little brother Randy.

The story is a family friendly rendition of small-town life and the everyday perils of growing up, all revolving around one family's misadventures during the holiday season, and a little boy's "master plan" to find a Red Ryder BB gun under the tree.

The stage production includes all of the favorite parts of the movie that has become a holiday staple in so many homes around the USA. The audience will be exposed to the playground antics of Ralphie and his best friends, Flick (Aaron Fullerton) and Schwartz (Daniel Caress), which include Flick's dangerous flirtation with a frozen flagpole and the gang's ongoing battle with school bully Scut Farkas (Sierra Hammond) and her toadie (Lizzy Larson), while also being treated to life inside Ralphie's home, including the

hunt for the family Christmas tree, the arrival of the infamous "leg lamp," and The Old Man's battles with an unruly furnace and a boisterous batch of hounds that live next door.

Kassidee Jeppeson (Ester Jane), Cindy Larson (Miss Shields), Julie Achenbach (Helen), Jerry Hammond (Santa) and Christa Marble (Santa's Helper) round out the main cast, and they are supported by a number of local children who join in the fun at Ralphie's school and partake of the holiday traditions offered in Indiana in the 1930s.

The play is directed by Brenna Heaton and Connie James, and tickets will be available in the lobby on all three show nights. Ponderosa Community Theatre is also raffling off the widely recognized leg lamp that will be used in the show, and the winning ticket will be drawn after the final performance on Friday, Nov. 25.

Escape

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detention officers, Chris Dutcher and Lt. Dean Emmert, located Odle hiding in an alley off North Sumner Avenue. At approximately 11:30 p.m., Odle was taken into custody without incident.

"He was seen as he crouched behind a parked car. The car was in the alley near Modern Cleaners and Something Healthy," Colvard reported.

Odle will still have to face sentencing on his drug conviction in South Dakota, and may face further repercussions because of his failure to appear, but as of Monday he was still in custody in Weston County.

Colvard indicated that he believes Odle may

also be charged for the attempted escape here, and took the opportunity provided by the arrest to issue a caution to those who commit felonies and try to elude the consequences in Weston County.

"We've had some pretty major ones try to hide out here, and it just doesn't work," he said.

Colvard also complimented the officers who were responsible for Odle's apprehension last week, and said he believes they employed the right strategy in securing his capture.

"We knew immediately when he left, and were able to get a tight perimeter. Then it was just a question of searching everything within the perimeter," he observed.

Auction

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Fund agencies.

Past pie auctions have offered items like egg rolls and meat trays, which fetch hundreds of dollars. The winning bidder gets to enjoy the delicacy, and local non-profit agencies receive a monetary boost. That aspect of the auction became particularly important to those entities in the past couple of years.

The United Fund lost a major supporter with the sale of the Jacobs Ranch Mine in 2009, and the organization's funding decreased from \$98,576.91 in '09 to \$23,820.33 in 2010. That means community support is greatly needed to help reach this year's goal, and it's especially important to the 11 local non-profit agencies slated to receive funding this year. Those agencies are Boy Scouts and Explorers, FOCUS, Weston County Humane Society, HLC (formerly Hospice), Weston County Library Foundation, Ministerial Association, Weston County Search and Rescue, Weston County Childrens Center/Region III-Newcastle and Upton, Weston County Peace Officers, WCHS Hospice, and Girl Scouts.

"Donations have been coming in slowly, and we are afraid that the depressed economy will further impact our agency, but all of the agencies [who receive funding] are striving to meet the needs of the community as well as possible," Weston County United Fund President Kim Bock said.

The annual pie auction goes a long way towards helping them do that, and United Fund board member Chris Beardsley said a decision was made to lower the buy-it-now prices of baked items this year in an effort to increase early interest in the fundraiser.

"To promote increased traffic and encourage more people to shop with us, there will be prices on different items of \$5 and up," she informed, encouraging

customers to check out and purchase home-baked items including breads, cinnamon rolls, muffins, cheesecakes, bars, truffles, cookies and more.

"Toc Moudree is making egg rolls, and is planning to deliver them warm and we will try to get them on the airway right away. Elizabeth Goodart is making quiche," she said, indicating that she and her four sisters get in gear and hit their kitchens for the cause every year.

"Joyce and I are doing samplers again. Neela's making homemade dog treats. Marge is making cupcakes and fudge, and I think Sandy is making cakes," she revealed.

Beardsley said "they have a good crew" that helps with the event, but volunteers are always appreciated to answer phones, be on the air, keep track of items sold, wait on customers, help deliver goods, and bake items.

Bakers who make or bake an item should also label it for the auction so the proceeds from its sale go to the agency you hope to support.

"Label it with whatever organization, or if you don't wish to designate one, label it general. Include your name, and what the item is and bring it to the senior center Michael's Room starting at 7 a.m.," Beardsley noted, adding that some have had interesting stories and recipes attached, which makes the item unique and helps perk it at the auction.

Weston County Humane Society director Neela Beardsley said this event, and the funding it provides, is vitally important for dogs at the shelter.

"For the humane society, it means dog food," she stated, mentioning that the shelter is beyond capacity at this time.

"We're so overfull up there. If anybody is headed to Colorado, I have three dogs that need to go to Freedom Service," she added.

The director also recalled some past auction items.

"John Holloway made a wine basket with homemade wine that sold for over \$300. Jim Varner and I have a bidding war every year over Mrs. Bohn's pickles. It doesn't necessarily have to be a baked item. Eva Marie Bock used to do baskets with all kinds of stuff. Mrs. Lease brought pickles. Anything that's different goes really well," she said.

Taco John's will again be helping the local United Fund with every Nachos Navidad sold between Thanksgiving and New Year by contributing a portion of the sale to the fund. They will be selling \$1 paper ornaments slated for the cause as well.

While the auction is widely regarded as the most significant fundraiser held by the Weston County United Fund each year, a number of local businesses do support the cause, and Bock said she recently got some good news that may result in the replacement of some of the funding lost when Jacobs Ranch was sold.

"We receive payroll deductions from employees at Black Hills Power, Wyodak Resources and Black Hills Exploration and Production, and just last week I was contacted by Peabody Coal. They are going to allow their employees to contribute through payroll deductions," she reported.

The United Fund sent out donation flyers last month announcing their annual campaign efforts, and donors may contribute monetarily now for their annual campaign or at any time throughout the year to their account at First State Bank. They can be mailed to WCUF PO Box 910, Newcastle. Donors may designate the local agency they wish to receive their dollars and all donations stay in Weston County. Further information can be obtained by calling Kim Bock at 746-4560 or Chris Beardsley at 746-3630.

Wyoming Club

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Environmental Quality earlier this fall, which put them in position to seek final permit approval from the county.

If the commissioners approve the Final Plat, the Wyoming Club will then seek final approval from DEQ, which will allow the company to start selling lots and building homes on the property. Conklin said that even if the homes in the development could be compared to those outside of it, it would still be some time before the value of those properties could have an impact on the assessed values of other homes.

"If a new home goes up in an area, people think that because a new house was built it affects their value, but that home has to sell first. It's the sale of homes that affects value, not the construction," she explained.

She said that another factor prevents com-

parisons for the purpose of assessing the value of property outside the development.

"Most of the neighbors in that area are ranchers, and it doesn't affect ag land, which is based on productive value, not market value," she assured.

While the lofty value of the homes being proposed for the Wyoming Club isn't likely to have a measurable effect on the values of the properties outside its boundaries, Conklin did say that the addition of high value homes and lots would present a benefit to the county because of the impact it would have on overall revenue collections here.

"The valuation of the county will increase, which in turn helps the schools and all of the entities that get their money from taxes," she reasoned.

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Shoe man flexible about what he'll fix

Local repairman can tackle anything that bends or zips

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

For a quarter of a century, Leonard Lang has been in the shoe repair business, an occupation that he learned from his father, and a little more than four years ago he moved to Newcastle and opened Black Hills Boot Repair at 600 W. Main Street.

"My father was a shoe repairman, so I went to work with him for a year or two and learned the trade from him. I like it for a trade. It fits me pretty well," he smiled.

Lang began his life in Huron, S.D., but after a few years his family moved to Hutchinson, Minn., where he graduated from high school.

He continued his education in Lincoln, Neb., at Union College, becoming an elementary school teacher, but after several years of teaching, Lang decided to learn the cobbling trade from his father.

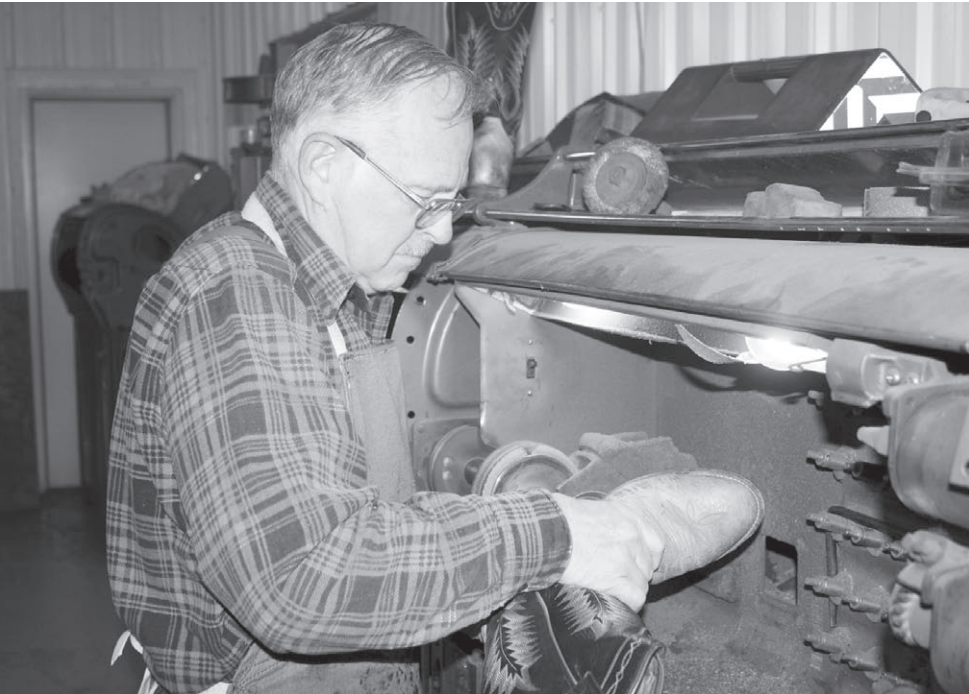
In 1988, Lang branched out on his own when he bought a shoe shop in Marshall, Minn., from a man who wanted to retire.

But his enjoyment of the Black Hills brought Lang to Newcastle.

"My only real form of recreation is hiking. All I do in my spare time is hike and climb mountains. I used to go all year, longing to come out to the Black Hills to vacation and hike," Lang stated.

When he learned that the shoe repair shop in Gillette had burned down, Lang saw an opportunity to relocate to this area so he could be near the Black Hills and the hiking trails he loves.

"I never would have come here unless I knew I could tap into the Gillette business," Lang explained, noting that Bear's Naturally Clean Dry Cleaners at 305 W. Lakeway in Gillette allows customers to drop off repair work for Lang.



Denice Pisciotti/NLJ

Leonard Lang has been fixing boots and shoes in Newcastle for nearly half a decade, but it's his ability to tap into a much larger Gillette market that allows him to operate a business of this nature in Weston County.

Lang explained that most people understand what a carpenter, electrician or a plumber does, but the name shoe repairman does not describe all that he can do.

Trying to explain the vast variety of items he restores is not an easy task.

"What we do is we repair everything in the economy that's flexible, with the exception of tires. Really, in a way people can call us the flexible fixary — it's a made-up term. Unfortunately there is no word in the English language to describe what we do. If it's flexible, we fix it — coveralls, clothes, anything that has a zipper," Lang described.

Besides fixing throw rugs, umbrellas, baseball gloves, tents, tarps, luggage, sleeping bags, backpacks, golf bags, and various other flexible items, Lang also has the ability to stretch shoes.

"I generally stretch out leather for shoes that are too tight. It is a regular part of the business. We've saved a lot of people

money over the years," Lang professed.

For the items he is unable to repair in the shop, Lang has a seamstress available to assist him. He has also trained a young lady to help him polish and clean the shoes after they are repaired.

Every day new items come in that he has never repaired before, but he said the strangest and most interesting item he has repaired was a prosthesis.

It was a hand, like the one seen in the television show, "The Adam's Family."

Besides being a repairman, Lang enjoys inventing.

His latest invention is what he calls a "man-handler." It's intended for law enforcement, and he is currently trying to market it. He also invented a Velcro closure for overshoes, and was able to sell some of them.

"Inventing is easy, selling is hard," he admitted.

Newcastle Ambulance Service & Staff would like to thank the Ministerial Association for the movie tickets.

Couragous is a wonderful movie.

We wish to everyone a happy holiday season and may God bless each and every one this holiday season.

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| Weekly Scripture Reading | | | | | | |
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| 1 Chron. | 1 Chron. | 2 Chron. | 2 Chron. | Psalms | Psalms | Psalms |
| 16.8-43 | 17.1-27 | 34.1-33 | 35.1-19 | 65 | 66 | 92 |

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100 YEARS AGO – NOV. 17, 1911
Saturday morning it was 23 below, and 24 below on Sunday morning at Buckhorn. As the telephone system is not working just at present in the Howard area, and we are kept so closely indoors by the inclement weather, we do not know what is happening in the neighborhood but we presume it is not very much. We think we are perfectly safe in saying we think our neighbors are doing the same thing that we are, and that is no more than we absolutely have to do.

Albert Kaiser of Clifton is making such a stay in Omaha that his mother fears he is looking for a wife, or has found one.

The MW boys will give a dance at the ranch, Nov. 30, Thanksgiving. Music by the Robinson orchestra. All are cordially invited.

The MW ranch and Carr Brothers are through with the "round-up" and will ship about 45 cars of cattle to Marsland, Neb., near where they will pasture the stock for the winter.

Miss Ora Hackney delivered a lecture in regard to her trip to Europe as a special guest of the Rocky Mountain News some time ago. The lecture was given in the Cambria school house and greatly appreciated by the school children.

Don't grumble if your paper is not always flush up to the high standard of your ideal. Charitably remember that no editor is capable of getting up quite as good a paper as you could yourself.

The warm weather of the past few days has made excellent snow-balling and the little folks have certainly been taking advantage of it. It has been a longshot bet that a man could not walk one block without getting a soak on the bean with a ball of the beautiful white stuff.

75 YEARS AGO – WEEK ENDING NOV. 18, 1936
Violent fighting between invading pro-Japanese forces and Chinese defenders has started in Suiyuan Province, according to dispatches today.

The Dewey mail did not reach Lauzon Saturday or Sunday on account of bad roads.

Florence Peltz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Peltz, was married to Howard Williams of Stroal, S.D., last Saturday.

The improvement program of the Methodist Church which has been under way for the past several weeks, according to Rev. Ralph Snyder, has practically reached one goal of achievement, namely, the completion of the basement of the church up to the point where it can be used for various purposes, including worship services.

Dave Sedgwick and his orchestra will play at a benefit dance Saturday night to purchase

sweaters for Dogie Football Lettermen.

The death of Thomas Shoemaker, well-known Weston County business man, came as a shock to his friends in this community, when it was learned here early yesterday morning of his sudden passing in a Denver hotel, victim of a heart attack.

A tudor sedan, new 1937 model Ford V-8 is on display this week in the showroom of the Slenker Motor Company.

Newcastle Dogies and the Sundance Bulldogs completed their 1936 football schedule here Saturday afternoon when they battled to a 0-0 tie on a muddy field.

Miss Gneva Lea Butcher, Osage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Butcher, became the wife of Charles Delong Satterlee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winifield Scott Satterlee of Missouri Valley Saturday afternoon

50 YEARS AGO – NOV. 16, 1961
Band and vocal students from eight cities will converge in Newcastle this weekend for the Northeast District band and vocal clinic. About 100 choir members and some 78 band members from Sheridan, Midwest, Sundance, Moorcroft, Upton, Buffalo, Tongue River, Gillette and Newcastle will participate.

Requiem mass for Batista J. Farella was said Wednesday morning at the Corpus



Christi Catholic Church. Mr. Farella was born Oct. 17, 1881, at Paganica providence of Aguita, Italy. He came to America in 1901.

A fire at the Sioux Oil Co. was reported about 6:30 and Sioux employees and members of the Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department fought the blaze until about 7 p.m. Flames from the fire leaped into the air some 40 feet.

The Newcastle Dogie Basketball team will be clad in new black nylon fleece warm-up suits when they appear on the courts starting Nov. 15. The 10 orange suits have been used in the school since 1953 and are worn and faded. The old suits will be inherited by the Dogie B-Squad.

Dance at the Round House on Thanksgiving night to music by Weston County Wranglers.

From the Vault of the Anna Miller Museum:

Newcastle's Warren Avenue — which is Main Street today — looking north, circa 1892. The William Kilpatrick house is on the hill. Frank Mondell later owned this house.



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| DATE | TIME | EVENT | LOCATION |
| Nov. 17 | 8:30 a.m. | TOPS (weight loss) | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 12:30 p.m. | Good Citizens Awards | NES |
| | 6 p.m. | W.C. Planning & Zoning | W.C. Courthouse |
| | 7 p.m. | W.C. Health Services | Board Room |
| Nov. 18 | 10 a.m. | Christmas Open House | Treasured Florals & Gifts |
| | 10 a.m. | Chamber Coffee | Mondell Heights |
| | 11:30 a.m. | W.C. Library Board | Newcastle Library |
| | 7 p.m. | Ponderosa Theater-A Christmas Story | Crouch Auditorium |
| Nov. 19 | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 7 p.m. | Dance Music by Western Ramblers | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Bingo | VFW Hall |
| | 9 a.m. | Christmas in Wyoming Bazaar | First United Methodist Church |
| Nov. 20 | 9 a.m. | 5th Annual Holiday Trade Fair | W.C. Event Center |
| | 10 a.m. | Christmas Open House | Treasured Florals & Gifts |
| | 7 p.m. | Ponderosa Theater-A Christmas Story | Crouch Auditorium |
| | 2 p.m. | Turkey Bingo | Corpus Christi Church |
| Nov. 21 | 2 p.m. | W.C. Sportsman Club | Trap Range |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 9:30 a.m. | W.C. United Fund Pie Auction | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 6 p.m. | Fall Guys Registration | NHS Commons |
| Nov. 22 | 7 p.m. | City Council | Council Chambers |
| | 7 p.m. | ALANON (746-9791) | Mondell Heights |
| | 4:45 p.m. | TOPS (weight loss) | Methodist Church-Upstairs |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting (746-9791) | W.C.H.S. Dining Room |
| Nov. 23 | Noon | Newcastle Lions Club | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 8:30 a.m. | TOPS (weight loss) | W.C. Senior Center |
| | 6 p.m. | Lighted Parade | Main Street |
| Nov. 24 | 7 p.m. | Ponderosa Theater-A Christmas Story | Crouch Auditorium |
| | 7 p.m. | AA Meeting | W.C. Senior Center |
| Nov. 25 | 7:30 p.m. | Bingo | VFW Hall |

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www.weston1.k12.wy.us

Also tune to AM 1240 KASL and read the News Letter Journal for updates and information.



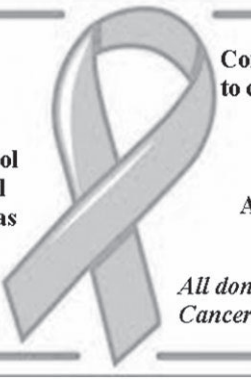


Early Deadline

for the Thanksgiving issue of the News Letter Journal.

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Thank You!



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Board Elections

Friday, November 18th

Weston County Senior Center

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Custer's trail has haunting, yet beautiful, scenery

I debated long and hard with myself about the topic for this week’s article — not that I’m ever much at a loss for words, the difficulty is in finding a more-or-less universally interesting subject. Having promised a continuation of my recent travelogue, that was one possibility — but who wants to hear about some crazy lady traveling all around the west alone, taking pictures?

My next idea had to do with politics, but it’s generally a good plan to avoid that topic when attempting to reach and interest (and hopefully not offend) an extremely varied audience. (Besides, the last few months have had quite enough politicizing and sermonizing just in the “Letters to the Editor” section of the News Letter.)



Nicky Groenewold
Living Local

Nicky Groenewold
The grave of Gen. George Armstrong Custer at Little Big Horn, right.



Sometimes people suggest issues and, when feasible, I try to follow up on those recommendations. It seems, in dealing with more volatile matters there are, naturally, greater differences of opinion — and much more intense responses. Generally, there are more suggestions having to do with ranch life and outdoor happenings than anything else.

News is news. If a person factually reports news, without too much personal interpretation, how can an audience find fault with that? I hate news. I mean, DOING the news. There are so many people better at it than I. (Remember Dragnet? Joe Friday always cautioned, “Just the facts, ma’am. Just the facts.”) So, here follows a hodge-podge of thoughts and events from fall on (and off) the ranch.

In the last leg of my sojourn through Montana — after a slight detour by air from Billings to Phoenix, then driving to Flagstaff, for a “girls’ weekend/retreat” at a so-called cabin, which turned out to be a mansion — I planned that final jag to include dawn at the Little Big Horn, thus exposing myself to another exercise in discerning “facts,” as there is still so much disagreement over that fateful day in 1876.

The previous evening, the flight into Billings was bumpy and bleak, descending through thick clouds and landing in a soft rain. From that weather pattern, a clear sunrise seemed too much to hope for, but overnight the clouds dissipated and the morning proved another glorious gift of autumn with a mist rising over the river, burning off by full daylight.

Do you know that there are now esti-

mates that Custer’s doomed troops may have faced a force of Indians no larger than 1,000–1,500 warriors? Of course no one will ever know for sure what happened or how it happened. There are so many hundreds of studies that have been completed, from the white man’s viewpoint with imperfect knowledge and hindsight, from the red man’s eyewitness accounts, and from every scholar and armchair quarterback who’s ever been to the Little Big Horn battleground.

The site of Custer’s demise, and more poignantly, the battlefield where so many young men fell, never fails to fill me with a sense of ineffable sadness, and is one of the few places it seems possible, even probable, to feel the presence of history, of departed souls. Not that I believe the place is haunted, more aptly it could be called “haunting.”

Cemeteries are, for the most part, peaceful, calm places which call up only the thought of rest and solitude. Sites like the Little Big Horn, Wounded Knee, Fort Fetterman, and many others, are places, rather, of unrest and torment — or so they always seem to me.

It takes absolutely no stretch of the imagination to visualize the enormous Indian encampment in the valley. Custer (for reasons which will never be known) dividing his forces and proceeding to engage the “enemy.” Walking the paths that lead along the ridge and down toward the river, seeing the stone markers dotting the hillside, one seems to be only a moment away from the smoke and dust and din of battle — not 135 years past the

pandemonium.

Reading is one of my favorite pastimes, a close second to taking pictures, although nowhere near the top favorite activity: spending time with my kids and grand-kids. With the trip to Little Big Horn, I was able to combine two of those favorites and re-read “Boots and Saddles,” one of Libby Custer’s memoirs. The last pages of the book contain excerpts from George Custer’s letters to his wife, his almost indomitable optimism clear on every page.

Two hundred and sixty-eight soldiers and scouts died that day, along with an undetermined number of Indians. The romantic notion portrayed in many Western movies that, “Today is a good day to die,” is nonsense to a group of vibrant young men with everything to live for. (As with most of the true facts of the battle, the number of Indian casualties will never be accurately known. Not one white combatant survived and Indian accounts of the mêlée remain widely diverse.)

After a quiet morning of exploration and contemplation, I left the Little Big Horn behind me and completed my adventure with a visit to our friends, and former Newcastle Game Warden Dustin and Tina Shorma, at their new home near Dayton. What an absolutely gorgeous area Dustin is responsible for in the foothills of the Big Horns along the Tongue River! Having been gone for a week, I was ready to head for home but, thankfully, the Shormas convinced me to end my journey with a detour up the Tongue River for another fantastic view of fall foliage and wonderful Wyoming scenery.

Enzi Page application deadline nearing

U.S. Senator Mike Enzi is encouraging Wyoming juniors in high school to apply to be a Senate Page for the spring session in Washington, D.C. The deadline for spring applications is Nov. 30.

“The page program allows students to have a front-row seat during debates in the U.S. Senate,” Enzi said. “The program will provide experiences that participants will carry with them forever.”

Page duties consist primarily of delivering correspondence and legislative material at the Capitol. Other duties include

preparing the Senate chamber for sessions and carrying bills and amendments to the appropriate people on the Senate floor.

Pages attend classes at the Senate Page School until 9:45 a.m. and then work until 4 p.m. or until the Senate adjourns for the day. The Senate Page School provides the necessary requisites for a junior year course of study as well as the opportunity for a Field Studies Program which provides additional educational and cultural opportunities.

Fall Page eligibility is limited to juniors in high school who will be 16 or 17 years

old on or before the date of appointment. Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0. Pages live in Webster Hall, located near the Capitol, and receive a stipend to cover the cost of the residence and breakfast and dinner each day.

The spring session runs from Jan. 30–June 8, 2012. Applications and additional information can be found by going to www.senate.enzi.gov. Further questions can be directed to Dianne Kirkbride in Senator Enzi’s Cheyenne office at 307-772-2477 or Dianne_Kirkbride@enzi.senate.gov.

Report

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made it a priority to include non-core classes — such as fine arts, physical education, health, and career/vocational — to round out the curriculum, and offer students a complete education, but they may not have the freedom to continue that practice if the budget takes such a hit.

“People and programs could be in jeopardy,” he said.

The Wyoming State Legislature considered several measures a year ago that were designed to encourage districts to direct more of their efforts towards ensuring that students

succeed in disciplines like math, science and language arts, but LaCroix said officials in this district feel that some of the other pursuits are just as important. If the funding provided to local schools is cut by the amount proposed by Taylor, he believes it will make it considerably more difficult to meet both objectives.

“Our number one focus has always been with student achievement, but we feel it is very important to educate the whole child, to have programs not directly tied with the core classes,” explained LaCroix.

He noted that Wyoming is among the few states that currently include a regional cost index in their school finance formulas, and said the RCI used in the Wyoming school funding model is intended to make available more resources to school districts with higher labor costs.


Taylor’s report, “Updating the Wyoming Hedonic Wage Index,” which was submitted to the JAC and the JEC, explains that the RCI is an amalgam of two alternative regional cost indices.

The first is a three-year

moving average of the Wyoming Cost of Living Index. The second is the 2005 Wyoming Hedonic Wage Index.

She said the WCLI indicates that there is substantial variation in the cost of living from one part of Wyoming to the next, and the index indicates that labor costs differ by as much as 55 percent from one part of Wyoming to the next. The range of the WCLI is roughly twice as much as the range of labor costs indicated by the 2005 WHWI.


Taylor’s report is available on the internet for review.




Hi, I’m Austin Harley, senior at Newcastle High School and I have with me Jan Mason, PA-C. Jan, how does alcohol affect kids?

Thanks, Austin. Alcohol can have significant effects on the brain development of teens. In fact, the human brain is not fully developed until a person is in their mid 20’s. It negatively affects impulse control, judgment & the ability to foresee consequences.


Thank you, Jan.



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Newcastle rodeo fan draws a fine ride

By Denice Pisciotti of NLJ

Local cowgirl Cindy Gruwell tapped into her talent and turned it into a gratifying payday at a rodeo in Las Vegas, Nev., last month, but a local fan may have fared even better when she made a trip to Sin City to cheer on those participating in the sport.

Watching professional bull riding has been a hobby enjoyed by Sheryl Lesmeister and her family, and she and her husband, Steve, had hoped to attend the Professional Bull Riding finals in Las Vegas some day. The dream became a reality for Sheryl last month when she won an all-expense-paid trip in the Invasion of the Bulls Sweepstakes by Ford, but her winning streak did not end there. Lesmeister also won the grand prize: a 2011 Ford F-150 custom PBR edition truck worth \$75,000.

“Every weekend I watch the PBR events on TV, and I can’t believe I won the trip! The last four years I have entered the Invasion of the Bulls Sweepstakes sponsored by Ford. You can only register it once for a whole season,” Lesmeister explained.

Three winners were drawn for the trip to Las Vegas out of more than 227,000 entries, and Lesmeister’s name was the last to be drawn in October. Those three then had the chance to win the grand prize, the Ford F-150.

“I almost missed out on the trip because I was gone. My oldest son was visiting, and he called to let me know someone was trying to reach me about a trip,” Lesmeister stated.

With just a few short days to get ready to fly to Vegas for the PBR finals at the Thomas and Mack Center, Lesmeister had to pack and get affidavits signed. Unfortunately, her husband was unable to go with her due to a busy time at work, but Jesse Lesmeister, her youngest son, was able to make the trip with her.

Off to Las Vegas they flew from Rapid City, S.D., and once on the ground both Lesmeister and her son were greeted by a limo driver, who was at their disposal the entire trip. They stayed at the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino, and their days were consumed by following the fun-filled itinerary planned for them, all while being filmed for publicity’s sake as part of the 2012 Invasion of the Bulls Sweepstakes.

“They filmed all of us because they didn’t know who would win the truck,” Lesmeister explained. “I found out being a TV star is not glamorous. There were lots of retakes, shooting the same thing over and



Submitted photo
Sheryl Lesmeister and her son, Jesse Lesmeister, at the PBR Invasion of the Bulls in Las Vegas, Nev., where Lesmeister won a 2011 custom Ford F-150.

over until you get what they need. I have a whole new understanding for what they go through every day of their lives.”

The life of a celebrity wasn’t all bad though. Before heading off for the day’s activities, the finalists were taken into a special suite each day and showered with gifts. Lesmeister also recalls being asked several times if they needed anything during the trip, and said they were treated like VIPs wherever they went. Upon their arrival, each winner was also given a gift card.

“When we first got to Vegas they gave me a \$400 gift card, but I never spent a dime while down there. They took care of anything I had to pay for. It really was an all-expense-paid trip!” Lesmeister exclaimed.

The first night of the finals, Wednesday, all the finalists were brought up on the shark cage, which is what the stage is called, to be introduced to the crowd, and they weren’t brought up again until the final day. That Sunday, in between the final round and the championships, the contestants chose a rider with a key, each trying to see if their key was the one that started the truck. Neither of the first two contestants had any luck starting the vehicle.

“When it didn’t start, I said, ‘Oh my God, it’s me!’ From that point on, it was a blur. I just did everything they told me to do. I was standing there and they said

‘Sheryl, you need to go up there and start the pickup,’” recalled Lesmeister.

Brendon Clark was the rider Lesmeister would have picked if she had not been the last one, but no one else picked him anyway, and he ended up having the winning key. One of his actual vests is sewn in the passenger seat of the truck, and another rider’s vest adorns the driver’s seat. An Invasion of the Bulls PBR belt buckle is embedded in the middle console of the vehicle. On the hood is a large Ford PBR emblem, and the tail gate is painted with a beautiful bull-riding scene.

At the award ceremony after the championship, there was a presentation for Lesmeister as the grand prize winner. Flint Rasmussen, a rodeo clown from Billings, Mont., introduced her at the ceremony.

“Flint Rasmussen introduced me as Sheryl Lesmeister from the suburbs of Montana, Wyoming,” Lesmeister laughed.

She enjoyed meeting the riders and obtaining their autographs in a meet and greet. Each day there were before parties and after parties at different casinos.

Within 30 days of winning the truck, Lesmeister will take ownership, but said she must have insurance on the vehicle before it is delivered.

“My son keeps saying ‘You should give me the truck.’ I told him it is too fancy for a guy,” smiled Lesmeister.

Despite problems, event center still being used

By Kim Dean of NLJ

The Weston County Fair Board met last week, and fairgrounds assistant manager Sue Kettley reported that upcoming engagements planned for the newly constructed Weston County Event Center are going to be held as planned, even though deficiencies have been discovered in the building.

“We’re going on with rentals at the new building as scheduled. Come out and give us a try. On Nov. 19, the Friends of Fair have 30 vendors coming in for a craft fair, and it was beautiful in there for a wedding that was just held,” Kettley reported.

Surveys were completed in the building earlier this month, and the board reviewed the findings from them. The results of the studies conducted by

engineers indicated the floor had dropped 1 3/4 inches in one spot, and while the board discussed that issue, they also conversed about the amount of money available to address plans that were made when the building was constructed, as the kitchen still needs to be finished.

“We are going to put a sink in there, and they voted to hire a plumber to do that,” Kettley told the News Letter Journal.

Kettley said the board also addressed things that must be done to upgrade parts of the fairgrounds aside from the new building, and indicated that electrical upgrades are being undertaken in the sheep and beef barn. She said a new portable sound system has also been approved for purchase.

She also told the board that

updates to the fairbook are ongoing, and Kettley is challenging 4-H kids to design the front and back cover for the 2012 edition. The theme, “Times Change, Tradition Remains,” is related to the celebration of the Wyoming State Fair’s 100th anniversary. The deadline for entries is Feb. 1, 2012, and prizes will be given for both cover designs.

Kettley also revealed there will be a booth for next year’s county fair that will allow people to display any item related to past Wyoming county or state fairs, preferably those that took place more than 10 to 15 years ago. Awards, actual entries, fairbooks, and photographs from around Wyoming may be entered, and Kettley said the search will be on for the oldest exhibitor. She encour-

aged those who are interested in participating to start searching attics, cedar chests and other souvenir collections for entries. More awards or divisions may be added for the historic booth as fair time nears.

The next fair board meeting is Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds office, and individuals who may be interested in joining the board may want to attend that meeting, as an opening will be available as of Jan. 1, 2012. According to Kettley, fair board member Troy Claycomb has tendered his resignation, effective at the end of the year, and the Weston County Commissioners will be seeking candidates to appoint as his replacement.

More happenings and info can be found at westoncounty-fairgrounds.com.

Resource districts team up on beetle battle

By Kim Dean of NLJ

The Nov. 9 meeting of the Weston County Natural Resource District included discussions on water sampling, seedling tree sales, mountain pine beetles, a recent composting workshop, and the upcoming annual convention of the Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts, according to WCNRD manager Jennifer Hinkhouse.

WCNRD is working with the Crook County Resource District on the mountain pine beetle issue, and CCRD will make the trek to the next board meeting on Dec. 14 at 5 p.m. at the USDA meeting room in Newcastle to further address the issue. Hinkhouse said Weston County Weed and Pest will also be at the meeting, and she believes a strength in numbers approach seems to be working best, with more people collaborating on the measures that are proven to help with the infestation.

While the pine beetle battle is drawing

Weston County Natural Resource District Meeting
Dec. 14, 5 p.m.
Discussion: Pine Beetle

the attention of multiple agencies interested in preserving natural resources in this area, there are a number of other issues and programs that have been tackled by WCNRD in recent weeks.

She said well water sampling is offered to district residents every fall, but this year the district plans to offer it in the spring. She encourages people to pick up the sampling bottles from either her office or the Upton city office, so they can take them home and test their well water.

“We are gearing up for our seedling tree sales. We went through our list of options, some are new items, and some are traditional items. This year, bare root trees will be sold in groups of 25. Those order forms should be coming out the end of the

month,” Hinkhouse said.

She also reported that approximately 22 people attended the Oct. 27 composting workshop offered by the agency.

“Dr. Kelli Belden runs the soil lab at [University of Wyoming] and she taught the course. She’s always a big hit. Right before she retires, she’s coming back to teach organic gardening in the spring,” shared Hinkhouse, who said quite a few people ordered rain and compost barrels from the district after the presentation.

While individuals have been taking advantage of the opportunities presented by her agency to receive education locally, local conservationists will be furthering their own knowledge at the Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts gathering this week. Hinkhouse said the annual convention, which will be held in Lander, is a statewide gathering of conservation districts and provides an opportunity to share ideas, discuss current topics, and vote on resolutions and policies.

Hinkhouse can be reached at 746-3264.



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Most people think that Ag, Wood Shop, Ag Mechanics, and Metal Fab are just classes at Newcastle High School that take up time and money, but they are much more than that. All of these classes teach life-long skills that students will treasure for years to come.

Ag helps teach kids how to take care of their farm animals and how to take care of the land the proper way. The school board has considered removing this class, along with Wood Shop, Metal Fab, and Ag Mechanics, but I strongly believe they should keep all of them.

What most people do not realize is that, without these classes, the dropout rate at the high school would probably increase. These classes give students a break from their studies, and when students finally get to go to Ag or Wood Shop, they kind of breathe a sigh of relief because they finally get to take a break from math, English and science. If a decision is made to take away these fun classes, students will become stressed over school work, and more of them could start to dropout.

There are a lot of students at NHS that want to be farmers or ranchers. The Ag class helps prepare those students to understand what they will be doing outside of school. If the course is taken away from them, how



Constance Miller
Constant Logic

— See Miller, Page 10

He didn't miss a beat

As a senior at Newcastle High School who will graduate in 2012, I have taken wood shop all four years of high school, and I have to admit that walking through those wood shop doors for the first time

three years ago was scary for me as a freshman.

It amazed me that the shop was so big, but then I saw the teacher and he was even bigger!

“Oh my gosh! What have I gotten myself into?” I thought.

Mr. Larry Roetzel was pure muscle, a tall, bald statue of a man standing before me, and I really did not know what to think. After attending the class



Jennie Francis
Hands On

— See Francis, Page 10

Continuing a tradition of craftsmanship

By Jennie Francis for NLJ

Following a legend can be scary, especially if the person is as well known and loved as Larry Roetzel is.

Bryce Hoffman knows what that feels like after taking over the wood shop classes when Roetzel retired at the end of the last school year, especially since Hoffman himself had Roetzel as a teacher. He knows how much that particular class can impact a student's life, and admits that having wood shop in high school influenced him to follow the career path he is on now.

That wasn't his only motivation, however. Hoffman said he has always wanted to be a teacher because of the great effect his father, Myron Hoffman, has had on his life. That inspiration blossomed in wood shop, where he loved the compassion and creativity that the class provided to each student, and he suggested that he would like to pass the same feeling of fulfillment along to his students that Roetzel gave to him.

Last year, Hoffman was a special education para-professional, and was able to work with students in Roetzel's class a few times. The new teacher said that Roetzel showed faith in Hoffman following in his footsteps, which helped the students trust him after he took over this year.

The legends about wood shop and the beautiful pieces of art created by students each year meant that the expectations the students have for themselves are still lofty, which made it easy for Hoffman to keep up the level of excellence produced in the class.

“The students had such high expectations already that it's not hard for the designs of their projects to be just as they were with Mr. Roetzel,” Hoffman smiled.

While the actual teaching part of the job has been relatively easy because of the trust the students have in him as a result of Roetzel's tutelage and inclusion last year, Hoffman admits that the one thing he was not prepared for was the significant amount of paperwork that has to be done. He said he enjoys having interns to help with those tasks, however, because it means he can concentrate primarily on his students, which makes things considerably less stressful.

Hoffman also said that the students themselves have helped relieve the pressure that could have been produced as he took over the classroom because of their maturity, and the ability to problem-solve. He expresses pride in the behavior of those students, but there can be little doubt that the teacher has something to do with it.

Although this year marks the first time that Hoffman has been placed in charge of his own classroom, he brings a fairly well-rounded resume to the position. Before coming to Newcastle, Hoffman was a student teacher in Upton with another veteran teacher, Mick Tonkel. He said he is happy he had the chance to experience that environment, where he was able to first learn to control a smaller classroom because it helped him prepare for the big classes he has now.

The wood shop Hoffman was left with has all the tools he will need to be able to help his students make successful projects, and some of the tools were there when Roetzel started in 1980. They have lasted through the years because they were so well cared for, and Hoffman insisted that he would like to keep the tools in good working order.

That doesn't mean Hoffman believes



Denise Piscioti/NLJ

Wood shop teacher Bryce Hoffman assists student Maddee Foster as they goes over her project plans Tuesday.

the shop is complete though, and he admits that he hopes to someday get the funds to get a laser engraving machine for the students to use. Hoffman has already taken steps to modernize his classes by encouraging students to do more work on the computers available to them. He has also implemented a

change which allows the third- and fourth-year students to take performance tests instead of written ones.

Following a legend is difficult task, but Hoffman said he wants to do a great job, and hopes to keep the projects looking remarkable each and every year under his tutelage.

Upton Ag program grows under new leadership

By Denise Piscioti of NLJ

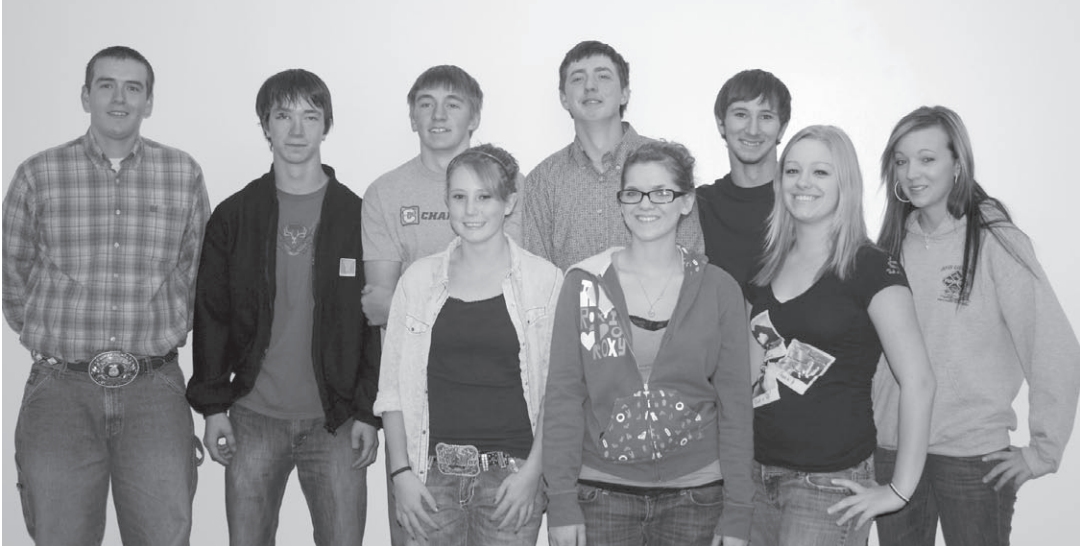
Shane Buchholz enjoys teaching agriculture in Upton, despite the fact that it's only a part-time position. He teaches two agriculture classes at the high school, and he spends the rest of his day as a para-professional. Buchholz also has the privilege of being the advisor for the Upton chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

“I like it a lot! I have good quality students that work hard for me. That's all you can ask for in an Ag program is good quality, hard-working students,” Buchholz stated.

He is enjoying the resources around Upton that enable him to participate in outdoor activities like hunting and fishing, and living there was made easier for him due to the fact he already had a trailer to live in when he moved there. Because his father works at a mine, he conveniently had a trailer in Upton, and Buchholz explained that he feels lucky to have the living arrangements that afford him to be able to work as a part-time teacher and a part-time para-professional.

“I'm an outdoor guy. I love to hunt and fish — just being outside in general. A tough day outside beats a good day inside I've always said,” he laughed.

Growing up on a small farm in Goshen County, and helping



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Back row, left to right: Shane Buchholz, Corbin Thompson, second vice president, Judd Brost, vice president, Kenneth Kimsey, president, Tyler Paul, member at large. Front row: Jessica Grubbs, Sentinel, Marti Harness, reporter, Brynna Sadler, secretary, Amanda Kimsey, treasurer.

any way he could, Buchholz learned about farming. It was his whole lifestyle, and he continued his education in Laramie, graduating in May of 2010 with a double major in Agriculture Education, Rangeland Ecology/Water Shed Management.

“My experience in Ag is diverse, more than other Ag teachers, because I lived and breathed on a tractor,” acknowledged Buchholz.

This is actually his second year of teaching. Last year he taught in Basin, in the agricul-

ture and shop departments.

When Buchholz was not going to school or teaching he worked for the Forest Service in wildlife research, fighting fires and in range management.

“I might rejoin the ranks of the Forest Service in the summer time if I'm not at a full-time status with the school district,” Buchholz said.

Unfortunately, he feels agriculture is fading away, but he would like to see it continue to grow. He has the opportunity with his students

to help that happen, and feels fortunate to have every one of his agricultural students in the FFA program.

“The Upton FFA chapter is solid at 14 members. One hundred percent of my Ag students have membership in the FFA,” boasted the advisor.

The Weston County Fair and Ag Day with the fourth-graders from Weston County are two activities the FFA students have had the opportunity to participate in. Their leader realizes they are still green, but at the same time he is trying to

gain new experience for their learning process. He gained some as a student teacher with Mr. [Justin] Bailey in Moorcroft in the agriculture department at that high school, and he hopes to draw on another Weston County veteran for more.

“We'll try some judging with the FFA. Mr. [Ed] Merrill has a lot of experience. He is a great resource to a new guy,” said Buchholz.

Since he loves the outdoors, Buchholz will utilize the wide open spaces in the county as a classroom when possible. His Ag III and IV class have been learning range monitoring outside, while the Ag I and II class have been participating in GPS activities.

“We are trying to keep it hands-on as much as possible. If we can do it without a book or PowerPoint, we are going to try to take that opportunity,” he described, noting that is harder in the winter with the snow to battle, which means that when the weather allows, they take the opportunity now.

Buchholz is appreciative of the chance to teach agriculture in Upton because he said he loves Wyoming, and would like to continue teaching here.

“At this point in my career, I'm looking at gaining experience, but some day I hope for a full-time program,” Buchholz stated.

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NEWCASTLE HIGH SCHOOL

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| "A" Honor Roll | | |
| Gideon D Baldwin | Jade A Haggerty | Mykel J Owens |
| Bethany C Bateman | Catherine E Halliday | Palak F Patel |
| Jordan T Brooks | Lynnell L Hanson | Kaylee A Pitchford |
| Jared W Brown | Austin J Harley | Joseph B Rhoades |
| Trace Q Buckert | Andrew J Hayman | Bailey B Roberson |
| Kiana M Cade | Alex L Henkle | Bradon W Rushton |
| James J Cook | Anna M Henkle | Christina A Rushton |
| Jared M Court | Haley M Himrich | Cody L Sackett |
| Merritt S Crabtree | Kalyn L Houser | Leesha M Shepherd |
| Erik K Crawford | Abigail J Hutchinson | Paige A Smith |
| Madison S Crawford | Elias Q Hutchinson | Colton T Sweet |
| Payton N Crawford | Shenae K LaCroix | Mitch D Weigel |
| Layne I Crisman | Brandon M Leddy | Justin J Wermers |
| Tristin A Dollison | Sarah F Mark | Scottlyn C Wiggins |
| Dillon R Ehlers | Dakota D McCormack | Brandon S Williams |
| Conrad J Farnsworth | Amanda R McKenzie | Hannah N Williams |
| Jeremy J Feist | Nathan McMahon | Kurtis D Wood |
| Madison D Foster | Kyle C Mills | Tangela R Wrage |
| Elyse C Gray | Kristina F Mireles | Lane W Zerbst |
| | Courtney N Munger | |

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| "B" Honor Roll | | |
| Hallee N Adams | Alexander L Hokanson | Layne K Pearson |
| Alexys D Barker | Jordan G Holmes | Emma L Pereda |
| Cade W Barker | Brittany M Huelle | Sean S Petersen |
| Shane P Bell | Phillip M Jagelski | Jered R Peterson |
| Brody W Benson | Franklin V Jensen | Nathaniel L Pillen |
| Michael R Bissey | Bailey J Karp | Mason J Pisciotti |
| Nickolas D Bock | Emily P Knight | Josie D Podio |
| Garrett W Borgialli | Brieanna M Kringlie | Dominic A Rainbolt |
| Gary A Carter | Madison R Lacey | Cassandra A Resner |
| David R Christiansen | Jesse J Lax | Alex Rettinghouse |
| Sebastian M Cote | Garrett J Liggett | Laci O Sommers |
| Rodney G Darrow | Lawson J Liggett | Taylor B Tavegia |
| Savannah S Davis | Sean M Lynch | Robert R Thomas |
| Sidney L Douglas | Madison J Manders | Kellie L Umphlett |
| Heather R Earnest | Madison L Manders | Fermin J Villanueva |
| Justin J Francis | Ashten L Marchant | Shandra M Walch |
| Ryan A Fulk | Jayne V Martinez | Johnny T Walker |
| Kurt A Goebel | Bethany A McVay | Brookelyn M Weigel |
| Kolton R Hall | Patricia Miller | Austen S Wells |
| Kaylee J Hanks | Caleb Q Munger | Tanner J Wermers |
| Mashayla K Harder | Alondra D Munoz | Shelby L Wilt |
| Kaylee N Harley | Melanie R Oakley | Kieran T Winter |
| Seth A Hiser | Alissa P Oedekoven | Nikolas G Winter |
| Kianna L Hobbs | | Leah M Wolf |

NEWCASTLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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| Principal's Honor Roll | | |
| 6th Grade | 7th Grade | |
| Trayton Dawson | Laura Chord | Shaylee Curren |
| Ryan Harder | Megan Kenney | Alyssa Dawson |
| Sarah Henkle | Alexis Krogman | Abigail Deveraux |
| Abigail Nelson | | Abby Gray |
| Dennon Parks | 8th Grade | Cooper Karp |
| Cameron Quigley | Calbi Ausmann | Sierra LaCroix |
| Courtney Rainbolt | Kendra Back | Megan Logan |
| Erika Schultz | Katara Cade | Cassandra Munoz |
| | Hannah Cass | Ricky Yeager |

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| "A" Honor Roll | | |
| 6th Grade | Jacob Coy | Tristan Turner |
| Nathaniel Behnke | Rachel Ehlers | Wyatt Voelker |
| Abygail Bock | Madison Frazee | Kinlee Whitney |
| Taylor Ford | Rachel Henkle | 8th Grade |
| Blayne Hejduk | Uziel Holguin | Nolan Behnke |
| Bailey Lacey | Morgan Holt | Nathina Crabtree |
| Alexis Merchen | Elizabeth Jarboe | Ashlyn Dollison |
| Ethan Shelton | Kaprina Jones | Ashten Farnsworth |
| Madisyn Stalder | James Lewis | Gavin Holmes |
| Bryson Tidyman | Rosemarie McMahon | Jenna Holmes |
| ShayeAnne Walker | Austin Millin | Maccayla Jordahl |
| Lyle Whitney | Gabriel Pulley | Derek Lewis |
| Danielle Wood | Marshall Rhoades | Tyler Lewis |
| 7th Grade | Jade Roady | Gatlin Miller |
| Dakota Aiken | Preston Rushton | Vincent Oedekoven |
| Tania Bau | Holden Schultz | Jenna Piper |
| Jerad Bell | Sterling Shepherd | Kelsey Wood |

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| "B" Honor Roll | | |
| 6th Grade | Emma Evick | 8th Grade |
| Aaliyah Banks | Staci Farmer | Taylor Allen |
| Kellar Bock | Danika Guse | Sebastian Amerson- |
| Wyatt Corley | Colin Heaton | Christensen |
| Bailey Domina | Levi Holt | Christopher Carter |
| Devon Gerlosky | Flint Hossfeld | Styllon Dickinson |
| Joseph Guse | Sharla Lax | Heather Grummons |
| Zachary LaPierre | NaKala Liggett | Robert Harbarger |
| Casey Lorenzen | Andrew Longland | Jacob Hobbs |
| Teigen Marchant | Elijah Mitchell | Dilon Jeppesen |
| Isabella Mitchell | Trenton Parsons | Alexandria Jingleski |
| Rehanna Payne | Grace Peterson | Robin King |
| Katherine Schraeder | Wyatt Pillen | Alec Martinez |
| Emalee Sweet | Lovell Prell | Christa Marble |
| Cathleen Thomas | Triston Roberson | Wade Merchen |
| Shelby Vandersnick | Hunter Robertson- | Dusty Miller |
| 7th Grade | Long | Andrew Nelson |
| Jacob Bissey | Kaitlyn Schalesky | Dawson Norton |
| Daytona Bennett | Zach Schuessler | Faith Seekings |
| Daniel Cares | Alyssa Umphlett | Kaullen Sundstrom |
| Gracey Carlin | Mikenna Waggener | Matthew Tidd |
| Clayton Colvard | Savannah Williams | Shawnee Wrage |
| Jacob Esposito | Bryce Womack | |



Richard Lang of Wildlife Encounters visited Newcastle Elementary School on Nov. 8 to share his knowledge of reptiles with the students. Visiting first through the kindergarten through second-graders, then the third- through fifth-graders, he stressed to the students the importance of staying quiet so as not to upset the creatures he was about to show them. There were several times you could hear a pin drop in the gymnasium during the presentation. Lang described the snakes, lizards and frogs he brought to show the children, letting many of the students and teachers hold and touch the reptiles.



Top: Richard Lang offers Christina Hadlock, Tiana Walker and Shelby Davis an opportunity to touch a red tegu by the name of Ruby Tuesday. Left, Eric Wilt checks out a tortoise. Above, Brandy Holmes, assistant principal at NES, and principal Tobey Cass are draped in an albino python.

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for awhile, though, I found out that the tough exterior hid a sweet teddy bear on the inside.

For the three years I had him as a teacher, we became close, so close, in fact, that he became like a father figure to me. I looked up to him and listened to what he had to say, because inside I knew he had the knowledge to teach me everything I would need to know to get through my tough teenage years. Even now, when I see him visiting in town, I have to stop and talk to him about life and what has changed.

Wood shop has always been my favorite class, not only because of the creativity and skills I have learned, but also as a result of the friendliness of the teacher. Growing up is

hard for everyone, and some teachers are there to help you through the hard times. Mr. Roetzel was there for me since my first day of high school, and even when we did not know each other very well, he still had some kind of advice to help me through thick and thin. I'm a senior now, and without having him here to talk to, I have realized how much I depended on him and his advice for the past three years.

Fortunately, Mr. Bryce Hoffman has taken over the position as the wood shop teacher this year, and he is doing a great job. He has the same friendly attitude that Mr. Roetzel had with the students, but I knew that already because I was lucky enough to have him in one of my wood

shop classes last year, when he taught with Mr. Roetzel. Seeing them work together, it was clear that they taught in the same manner and I hoped that Mr. Hoffman would become Mr. Roetzel's replacement. Since Mr. Roetzel had so much faith in Hoffman being a great teacher, I, as a student, trusted that he would take the place of Roetzel perfectly.

Before Mr. Hoffman got the job the school board was thinking about dropping the course because Mr. Roetzel was retiring. As a student who loves wood shop, I feared not being able to take it my senior year, but after they decided to keep the course and hire Mr. Hoffman, I was ecstatic and excited to start my senior year with my new

wood shop teacher.

Last year, at the 2011 art show, I won the plaque for best of third-year projects, and I feel that I would not have received that award without the support and advice of Mr. Roetzel. He told me every day that if I do my best I could be one of the plaque winners, so I pushed myself to prove to him that I could do it.

This year, I see Mr. Hoffman supporting students in the same way, and I am happy he is the wood shop teacher. I know he will be just as great as Mr. Roetzel. In fact, the day Mr. Hoffman retires, I believe he will be just as much of a legend as Mr. Roetzel proved to be — both to his students and to the community of Newcastle.

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are they supposed to get an idea about what they want to do after high school or college?

Wood Shop is another great class that relieves the level of stress students have. As is the case with Ag, there are some students that want to do carpentry or something along the same line, and if the class is taken away from them, how are they suppose to get a feel of what they want to do?

Metal Fab and Ag Mechanics are like art class, except the students are working with metal instead of paper and pencil. In Ag Mechanics students learn how to

wire electricity, and learn about plumbing, in addition to discovering how to weld, making it another class that can help students decide on the career they want to follow after school.

In Metal Fab the students can work on a machine that is called a plasmaCAM, a machine that can cut out different designs that the students then paint. It helps give students a sense of joy by realizing what they can achieve and what they can create from a simple sheet of metal.

For some students, these classes are a way to express themselves and show the world what they are made of, and without

them those teenagers do not have a way to express themselves. If the courses are taken away, it is equivalent to telling them they cannot express themselves anymore.

These courses provide students with a great deal of joy, and if they are no longer available, the school will undoubtedly have more behavior problems than they do now.

Another thing to keep in mind is that this is Wyoming. There are many jobs in our state that are ag related, and if you get rid of these classes the outlook for this state is not good. So, for the sake of Wyoming, and our school, these classes should stay.



WHAT KEPT this rugged businessman up at night?

You might be surprised. His company installs complex electrical systems, but it was the switch from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming (BCBSWY) to another health insurance plan that weighed him down. The "cheaper" plan left him and his employees with unpaid claims and excessive out-of-pocket costs. Reunited with BCBSWY, Scott Schneider says, "Going back took a weight off my shoulders."

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Schedules

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| Newcastle Dogies | | | | | |
| Boys Basketball | | | | | |
| 11/22 | V9 | Meet the Dogies | H | 6 pm | |
| 12/02 | VJ | East/West Challenge @ Cody | A | TBA | |
| 12/03 | VJ | East/West Challenge @ Cody | A | TBA | |
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| 12/03 | VJ | East/West Challenge @ Buffalo | A | TBA | |
| Wrestling | | | | | |
| 11/18 | VJ | Weight Certification @ Gillette | A | TBA | |
| 12/01 | VJ | Hot Springs Bison | H | 6 pm | |
| 12/02 | VJ | Custer Invitational | A | TBA | |
| 12/03 | VJ | Custer Invitational | A | TBA | |
| Boys Swimming | | | | | |
| 11/28 | V | Practice Begins | H | TBA | |
| Upton Bobcats | | | | | |
| Boys Basketball | | | | | |
| 12/3-4 | Upton Invite | | Noon | | Upton |
| 12/5 | 9th Grade Wright | | 5:30 am | | Upton |
| Girls Basketball | | | | | |
| 12/3-4 | Upton Invite | | Noon | | Upton |
| 12/5 | 9th Grade Wright | | 4 am | | Upton |
| Wrestling | | | | | |
| 12/2-3 | Custer Invite | | TBA | Custer, South Dakota | |

The Score

NMS Girls Basketball
7th grade 'A'
Calves 17 Moorcroft 19 20T
Calves 9 Sundance 4
Calves 6 Custer 35
Buffalo Tourney
Calves 6 Tongue River 15
Calves 7 Buffalo 41

8th grade
Calves 40 Moorcroft 3
Calves 30 Sundance 0
Calves 34 Custer 10
Calves 31 Wright 19
Calves 21 Wheatland 14
Calves 33 Glenrock 30

NMS Wrestling
Douglas Tourney
Dennon Parks 2nd
Dillon Jeppeson 3rd
Bryce Wornack 3rd

Raise the bar, not the jar

We have made mediocrity our bench-mark of excellence when deviant and illegal behavior is not an unpleasant surprise to us. Even though we may not condone these actions right now, nothing about them seems to go against our moral standards or beliefs, but it should.



Elias Hutchinson
Walking the Line

Although there have been various displays of illegal activity by numerous individuals in this area, recent events spotlighting the Dogie football team resurfaced this epidemic of apathy regarding this foolish behavior. During the course of the recently completed season, I was informed by many of my teammates about fellow football players that not only broke training rules, but also participated in unlawful behavior. The firsthand account of the incident involved tobacco and "Moon Shine" — which are both illegal for minors — and were in direct violation of team rules. One player eventually had charges brought against him, and served a suspension as a result, meaning the whole team was affected greatly by his decision. Being a resident of this community for 14 years, I safely can say that word spreads like wild-fire through this town, but in this situation, I am not sure who was really surprised by this news. The adolescent population in this town is almost expected to mess up, and there is a mentality of little hope and an odd sense of satisfaction with the everyday norm of failure. As a Dogie football player, our standard of excellence has been

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Sports

News Letter Journal

There's no place like Dome

By Austin Harley for NLJ

For the residents of Newcastle, the Dogie Dome has never been just another gym. It is impossible for people, near and far, to not fall in love with the excitement and grandeur of the Dome. Constructing the great dome was no easy task. When the gym was built in 1951, the only way to bring the large pieces to the area was by train, and the original rounded beams that were brought here in the 1950s still adorn and support the gym today. "They brought the big laminated beams in halves. They came in on the railroad, unloaded them there, and carted them over to the school," said Brett Weaver, a teacher at Newcastle High School who has both played and coached in the Dome. "It's beautiful in there — the big redwood laminated beams and the redwood ceiling. There aren't a lot of gyms similar to the Dome around the country." Another increasingly rare design that remains a part of the Dome is the shape. In actuality, it is not a dome, but a quonset — a semicylindrical building. "It's just a really unique place," Weaver commented. In this day and age, it is surprising that a building as old as the Dome has not been replaced. It was built when the old high school was, and despite the many other additions to the campus — and the demolitions that had to accompany them — the gym still stands. "You look at the campus and think to yourself, 'Wow, this is the only structure that's left,' everything else has been torn down," observed Tracy

Ragland, the high school principal, who also played in the Dome and attended classes in the high school that was torn down 10 years ago to make way for the one that stands there today. The gym's longevity is not the only factor that makes it special. Most people in the community recognize the feeling of closeness that is an integral part of games played in the arena. Most feel it is not a bad thing. "I played [volleyball] in the gym at Casper College. It was a nice gym, but it was like we were playing in the middle of a huge hallway. The crowd's cheering seemed really quiet. At the Dogie Dome, though, you can really hear your crowd — I think it is really crowd-oriented," remarked volleyball coach Maja Jechorek. Jechorek also played volleyball at Appalachia State University, a NCAA Division I school, and, according to her, Newcastle's Dogie Dome matches up to the quality of that gym. Todd Quigley, the high school athletic director, agreed. "The seating, for lack of a better word, is very intimate. It is very tight to the floor, so you get a real close perspective of the game. There really is an old-school feel," Quigley concurred. The noise is also a major benefit that arose from the Dogie Dome's unique construction. The quonset shape is crucial in reverberating sounds throughout the gym, making for a one-of-a-kind experience, whether it is for a basketball or a volleyball game. "When the band gets to playing and the place is full — when it gets to rockin'



NLJ File Photos

Above, the enthusiasm of the crowds at the Dogie Dome keep the players motivated. Below, volleyball is one of the many sports enjoyed by Newcastle High School students, faculty and community members at the Dome, which has been in existence since 1951.

— it is really fun. It's a good place to be, and it's definitely a home-court advantage when those factors combine," Weaver grinned. The amplified sounds not only immerse fans in the game, but also encourage Dogie players to hammer opposing teams. "The enclosed space seems to heighten the noise, which makes it a fun atmosphere. When we are doing well because of our crowd, it is challenging for [the other teams], but they like to play here," Quigley explained. As the years have gone by, the experience of playing sports in the Dome has only become better. Corrugated plastic once covered up the upper portion of the west wall in the gym, but those have been replaced. The state and conference banners now hang in the same location, but that particular feature of the gym

— See Dome, Page 18



Meet the Dogies Night scheduled for next week

By Bob Bonnar of NLJ

Meet the Dogies
Nov. 22
6 p.m.
Dogie Dome

The Newcastle Dogie boys' and girls' basketball teams began practice on Monday in preparation for their season openers at respective tournaments in Cody and Buffalo on Dec. 2, but fans will get a chance to see both teams in action next week. The programs will be holding their annual Meet the Dogies Night on Nov. 22 beginning at 6 p.m., and Dogie faithful will get a preview of the squads that will be hitting the floor in the Dogie Dome for the next

four months. The event will tip off with the Lady Dogies taking the floor first, and after a 10-minute warm-up, they'll scrimmage for about 15 minutes. The boys' team will be introduced immediately following that, and they'll play a 20-minute scrimmage after a 10-minute

warm-up of their own. It will take approximately an hour for the two teams to conclude their respective scrimmages, but the evening's festivities will continue, with a team challenge and three-point shooting contest wrapping up the event from 7 to 7:30 p.m. "We will also be doing a 'bring a can, get in the game' promotion. Fans need to bring a canned good or non-perishable food item for the food drive, and we will also be hosting a bake sale," Dogie boys coach Allen Von Eye told the News Letter

Journal. His team will open the season at the East/West Challenge in Buffalo on Dec. 2 and 3, and Coach Tyler Bartlett's Lady Dogie team will play in their own East/West Challenge in Cody on the same days. The girls' squad will be home against Buffalo the following week, when they open their conference season on Dec. 9, but both squads will be in action in the Dogie Dome before Christmas break when they host Belle Fourche and Lead in the State Line Shootout on Dec. 16 and 17.

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Celebrating Veterans



Photos by Denice Piscioti/NLJ



Veterans Day, Nov. 11, was celebrated at various events throughout Weston County last week, with gatherings of young and old. Clockwise from top left: Nicole Earnest, one of many fifth-graders, participates in a presentation Nov. 10 at the Weston County Manor; Jan Ellis leads Linee Hanson, Kelsey Zerbst, Carissa Deming, Elias Hutchinson, Brittany Huelle, Catherine Halliday, Conrad Farnsworth, Abigail Hutchinson and MaShayla Harder in song at the Crouch Auditorium Nov. 10; Ty Bock plays percussion at the Crouch; Bryson Johnson and veteran Myron Kiesling at the Manor; veterans Frank Humes, Kiesling and Carl Hansen at the VFW; Dorothy Walker Brown and Kaylee Johnson at the VFW; veterans and their families are recognized at the Crouch; and MyKenna Howen presents Francis Bruch with beads at the Manor.



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City Council Minutes

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES
Monday, November 7, 2011

Mayor Greg James called the Regular Meeting of Monday, November 7, 2011 to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were: Roger Hespe, Archie Callander, Linda Hunt, Greg James, James Bunch and Iva Carter. Absent: Todd Quigley. Also attending: Engineer Hartley, Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner, Attorney Peck and several guests.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mayor James added Item #4 under Citizen's Business in Writing, catering permit for Cap 'N Bottle. Jim Bunch moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve the agenda for Monday, November 7, 2011 as amended. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Linda Hunt moved Roger Hespe seconded to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 17, 2011. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: Councilman Bunch mentioned the Bird Cage Theatrical had a fantastic play. There was a Certificate of Recognition already given to this group for last spring's performance.

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION: None

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – IN WRITING:

1. Mayor James read a proclamation urging Newcastle citizens to partake in the Buddy Poppy distribution on behalf of the disabled veterans.

2. Mayor James read a catering permit request from Perkins Tavern to cater the Harley Davidson Show at the Weston County Events Center from 3:00 pm on November 11, 2011 through 3:00 pm on November 12, 2011. Linda Hunt moved and Roger Hespe seconded to approve the request as read. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Mayor James read a proclamation for The Great American Smoke Out Proclamation, At Risk Group proclaiming November 17, 2011 as the Great American Smoke Out Day in the City of Newcastle. 4. Mayor James read a catering permit for the Cap and Bottle to cater the Pinnacle Bank Festival of Trees from 8:00 am on December 3, 2011 through 8:00 am on December 4, 2011. Jim Bunch moved and Roger Hespe seconded to approve the permit as read. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS – VERBAL: 1. Jim Bunch addressed the People 1st Group which is seeking permission to set out receptacles to collect recyclables during any events held within the City. The Council listened to the groups' proposal and gave consensus for them to proceed, working with Engineer Hartley. 2. Alan Ward, of the Black Hills Volks March Association, appeared before Council to request permission to use the

Serenity Trail for a Volks March in September 2012. He asked about any permit fees the City might require from his group. Council consensus was to charge no fees. 3. Nowlin Smith appeared to discuss small trailer courts within the City. He also requested restrictions on current trailer courts. Engineer Hartley addressed Mr. Smith's concerns.

At 7:30 pm Mayor James called for a public hearing regarding a zoning change for the Old Mill property. Engineer Hartley commented that the Newcastle Planning Commission recommended a zone change in the area of Newcastle where the Old Mill Restaurant is from I-2, Heavy Industrial, to C-1, General Commercial, specifically the Old Mill Restaurant property. The Planning Commission sent a "do-pass" recommendation. He introduced Don Lilliquist, Maverik Convenience Stores, who addressed the Council regarding the zone change request. Mayor James asked for any other public comment. Bruce Perkins and Scotty Murray both spoke to concerns about the Old Mill property. Attorney Peck read proposed ORDINANCE #7, SERIES 2011, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DISTRICT ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Jim Bunch moved and Linda Hunt seconded to approve Ordinance #7, SERIES 2011 on first reading. **MOTION CARRIED.** Mayor James concluded the public hearing at 7:45 pm.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS - VERBAL – continued.

Mr. Nowlin Smith continued his comments on his request for changes on Wood Street regarding trailer courts. He also addressed a burned house near his property on Wood Street. Engineer Hartley addressed this property regarding notices made to the owners of the property. He advised turning the situation over to the City Attorney. Mr. Smith requested action regarding weeds on vacant lots. The council informed him of the procedure through the Police Department and the Community Services Officer.

4. Lucille Dumbrell appeared on behalf of the Weston County Historical Preservation Board in regards to the sale of the Old Mill Inn. She commented that the Old Mill property is on the National Registry of Historic Buildings. She also stated that the State Historic Preservation Office can give immediate grant funding for an architect to look at the Old Mill building and give Maverik Inc any recommendations in regards to preserving any of the building. 5. Luke Hoch, owner of the Old Mill commented on his concerns about trying to keep the building intact.

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS: 1. Mayor James thanked Jim Bunch for conducting the October 17, 2011 meeting; 2. Mayor James read the Local Government Liability Pool official ballot for board members. He read the names and recommended voting for Brad Basse and Ronald Cook; 3. He reviewed a proposed bill to the upcoming legislature regarding increasing the liability limits from \$250,000 per claim to \$500,000 per claim and from \$500,000 per occurrence to \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000 per occurrence. If this legislation was passed it

would certainly increase the costs to the City to raise these liability limits. He recommended Council members consider this as talking points when speaking to legislative members.

DEPARTMENT HEAD Reports:
City Engineer Robert Hartley: 1. He reviewed all of the water and sewer projects. All of Highland and all of Cascade are paved. 2. He commented on the initial agreements received from FEMA regarding the flood costs that were incurred in this summer's flood. 3. He reviewed the Planning Commission items that will be addressed at this week's meeting. 4. He discussed requests received regarding lights on Sheridan Street. 5. City crews will be putting up Christmas decorations soon. 6. They also have completed the frame on the chemical building at the old landfill.

Police Chief Randy Dixon 1. was absent but Clerk/Treasurer read a report regarding the dog and cat vaccination clinic held on Saturday, November 5, 2011. There were 4 cats and 21 dogs given rabies shots and City tags were paid for at the clinic.

City Clerk Treasurer Charita Brunner: 1.reviewed the State Revenue report from October 2011; 2. commented on restoration of old minute books; 3. commented on the nomination and award of Linda Hunt as a Wyoming Woman of Distinction; 4. requested a motion to approve Pinnacle Bank as an official depository of public funds for the City of Newcastle. Iva Carter moved and Archie Callander seconded to approve as requested. **MOTION CARRIED.** 5. She reviewed a draft copy of a Corrective Action Plan that she developed to address budget violations that may occur during a fiscal year. This action plan was recommended by the City's auditor in the 2010 Fiscal Year Audit. She has sent a draft copy to the auditor for review and will present the final version to the Council at the November 21st meeting for final approval; 6. She reviewed a possible Board Addressing Guidelines sheet that could be given out to members of the public at regular council meetings. These guidelines would tell members of the public how to properly address the City Council during a regular meeting. She asked if the Council would like to consider adopting this procedure. The council tabled any action on the guidelines.

City Attorney Jim Peck 1. read Ordinance #6, SERIES 2011 AN ORDINANCE GRANTING RT COMMUNICATIONS INC., AND ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO OPERATE A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING, AND ESTABLISHING THE TERMS OF SAID FRANCHISE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Roger Hespe moved and Linda Hunt seconded to pass Ordinance #6, SERIES 2011 on first reading. **MOTION CARRIED.** 2. Attorney Peck commented on the trial in City Court from November 1st. It was the first trial in City court in 15 or so years. 3. He commented that the abatement time for weeds is 72 hours in reference to Mr. Nowlin Smith's questions.

There was no other NEW BUSINESS or OLD BUSINESS:

Jim Bunch moved and Archie Callander seconded to pay the claims against the City dated November 7, 2011. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Roger Hespe moved and Linda Hunt seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CLAIMS: A & B Welding, tig rod/can,

\$133.29; Aire Master of WY, office deodorizer, \$10.00; Alpha Comm, rpr phone disp to tower, \$112.50; American Engineering, landfill permit renewal, \$3930.22; American Waterworks, dues, \$165.00; Anderson Plumbing, sewer on McArthur, \$9661.01; Angela Holliday, bailiff fees, hall cleaning, \$420.50; AT&T Mobility, cell phone, \$1076.76; Bierschbach, bucket w/ compactor, \$13220.00; BHP&L, electricity, \$9650.01; BCBS of WY, retiree insurance, \$294.12; BCBS of WY, employee health ins, \$28,854.25; Bryand Streeter, airport wages, \$1072.08; Cambria Supply, supplies, \$524.07; CDW, ink cartridges, \$307.62; Cedar Hills Clinic, employment physical, \$123.00; Centurylink, service, \$949.94; City of Newcastle, WA/SW/GA, landfill dep applied, \$351.72; CAN Surety, position bond fee, \$100.00; Cretex, concrete products, \$3612.76; Croell Redi-Mix, concrete, 2547.50; Culligan, salt, \$11.50; Deckers, grocery, \$79.98; DRM, Pay Req #12, WA/SW Imp 2010, \$118,893.62; Energy Labs, water samples, \$60.00; Fisher Sand and Gravel, WY base J, \$772.20; Gemplers, boots, jacket, gloves, \$193.20; Berna Grendahl, bailiff fees, \$60.00; Hillyard, supplies, \$33.28; James Peck, November retainer, \$2800.00; John's Electric, rprs, \$523.76; Knecht's, supplies, \$797.77; Loretta Burleson, cemetery plots, \$60.00; MasterCard, dues, supplies, travel, \$3016.91; Matthew Bender, WY Court Rules, \$35.47; Midwest Tire, tires, \$231.05;Neve's, name plates, \$23.66; Newcastle Ambulance, monthly ambulance fee, \$8,333.33; Newcastle hardware, supplies, \$962.29; Newcastle Motors, head, \$830.21; News Letter Journal, paper, supplies, publishing, \$1912.29; Northwest Pipe, supplies, \$2343.46; Outlaw Motors, wheel brg, \$75.00; Postmaster, postage permit, \$1000.00; Powder River Energy, electricity, \$769.37; Quality PC, USB adapter, \$46.80; Rapid Delivery, delivery chgs, \$23.01; RT Comm, tele, \$3136.55; S&S Builders, Pay req #3, Cascade & Highland, \$408,239.04; Sacrison Paving, asphalt, 56,312.00; Slattery Enterprises, units, \$470.00; Sourcegas, natural gas, \$329.08; TEAM Lab, weed killer/Root Force, \$1050.01; Timberline, Pay Req #12 (final), \$31,119.82; TOP Office, copy chg, \$85.03; Two-Way Radio, rpr, \$125.00; USA Bluebook, water meter supplies, \$417.93; Waterworks Industries, supplies, \$1405.96; WCS Telecom, l/d tele, \$144.82; Weston Co Road and Bridge, Oct. fuel, \$12,445.77; Weston Co. Treasurer, tax handling, airport expense, LEC share, 2568.12; Weston Co Public Health, employee flu shots, \$90.00; Weston Co. Humane, food fee, \$6.00; WY Automotive, supplies, \$656.93; WY Machinery, SOS samples, \$1214.05; **WATER REFUNDS:** Beau Gregory, \$85.86; Cap 'N Bottle, \$100.00; Culver Investments, \$1.13; Hladky Construction, WA & SW dep refund, \$200.00; Hope Stubbs, \$62.54; Jonathan Mazen, \$79.89; Nancy Zerbst, \$25.00; Tara Sleeman, \$887.12; Brandi Wolfe, \$39.50; Yale Preston, \$74.66; **JURY FEES:** Amy Benson, \$30.00; Lois Boulden, \$30.00; John Dilts, \$30.00; Bill Fullerton, \$30.00; Staci Hammond, \$30.00; Shirley Harder, \$30.00; Robert Martens, \$30.00; Teresa Newman, \$30.00; Steve Nicholls, \$30.00; Susan Parise, \$30.00; Randy Rhoades, \$30.00; Allen Schultz, \$30.00; Dwight Souder, \$30.00; Cody Stewart, \$30.00; Tricia Taylor, \$30.00; Mary Wood, \$30.00; J. Workman, \$30.00;

Greg James, Mayor
ATTEST:
City Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner

(Publish November 17, 2011)

Public Notice

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

IN THE MATTER OF
THE CHANGE OF NAME OF:
ROXANNE MAE BROWN
ROXANNE MAE DUARTE
CIVIL ACTION NO. CV-1307

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME
(In Accordance with
Wyoming SS1-25-101, et.seq.)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

You are hereby notified that Roxanne Mae Brown a/k/a Roxanne Mae Duarte has on the 23rd day of September, 2011, filed a Petition, with the District Court of Weston County, Wyoming, requesting that her name be changed from Roxanne Mae Brown (a/k/a Roxanne Mae Duarte) to "Roxanne Mae Duarte". Any objections to the Petition for Change of Name must be filed in writing to said Court, with a copy to the Petitioner's Attorney, on or before November 26, 2011.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal of office of the Clerk of the District Court, Weston County, Wyoming, the 13th day of October, 2011.

Seal
BY THE COURT:
Sandra Walford
Clerk of the District Court
BY: Gidget Macke
Clerk/Deputy

(Publish: November 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011)

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR A DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION
OF REAL PROPERTY

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE
ESTATE OF AXEL ROBERTS OSTLUND:

You are hereby notified that on November 8, 2011 an Affidavit and Application for a Decree of Distribution of Real Property was filed in the District Court, Sixth Judicial District, Weston County, Wyoming. In the Affidavit and Application, Mary Sue Van Newkirk, Robert L. Ostlund and Pollie Ann Madden claim the real property owned by the Deceased described as follows:

An undivided 1/4 interest in the oil and gas content in the S1/2 of Section 28, Township 43 North, Range 63 West, 6th P.M., Weston County, Wyoming

Any action to set aside the Affidavit and Application must be filed in the above Court within two weeks from the date of the first publication of this notice, by December 1, 2011.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2011.

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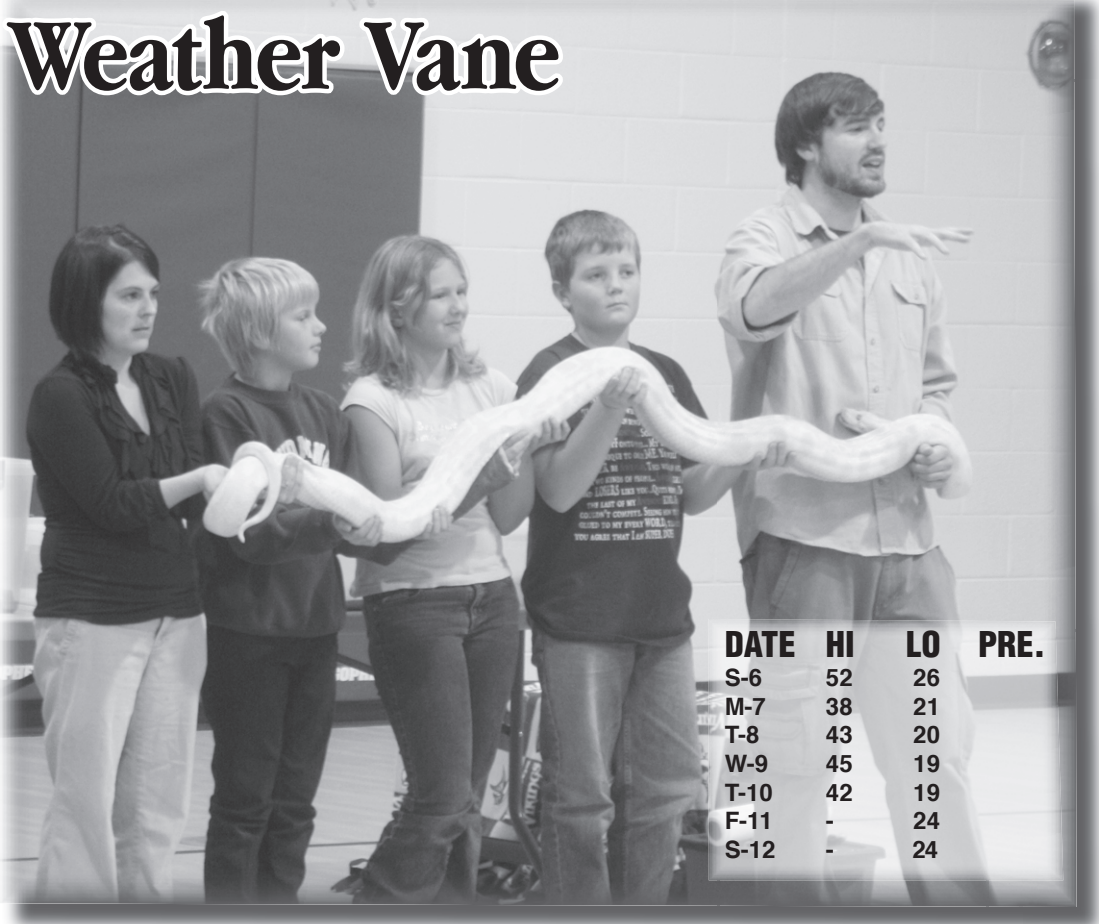
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION OF REAL PROPERTY

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN C. OSTLUND:

You are hereby notified that on November 8, 2011 an Affidavit and Application for a Decree of Distribution of Real Property was filed in the District Court, Sixth Judicial District, Weston County, Wyoming. In the Affidavit and Application, Mary V. Ostlund, Trustee of the John C. Ostlund Revocable Trust, dated May 24, 1991, claims the real property owned by the Deceased described as follows:

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Dated this 17th day of November, 2011.

Aaron L. Tomisich
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Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

The U.S. Forest Service Intends to Develop a Programmatic Agreement for a Proposed Black Hills Power 230 Kv Electrical Transmission Line.

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Forest Service (Agency) intends to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) with the Wyoming and South Dakota State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs) in order to fulfill the Agency's legal obligations under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for the proposed Black Hills Power 230 Kv electrical transmission line. A PA is desirable because of the multi-State scope of the project (36 CFR §800.14(b)(1)(i)) and because the effects of the project cannot be fully determined prior to approval of the undertaking (36 CFR §800.14(b)(1)(ii)).

A new transmission line is proposed to facilitate reliable energy transmission from the Teckla substation roughly 45 miles south of Gillette, Wyoming, to the Lange substation near Rapid City, South Dakota. The proposed project would strengthen the integrated Black Hills and Wyoming transmission network, improve transmission system reliability by creating additional operating flexibility, and help meet future demand growth for electricity and economic development in the region. A Notice of Intent to this effect was published in the Federal Register on August 26, 2011.

The area of potential effect for this project includes lands managed by the Black Hills National Forest, the Thunder Basin National Grasslands, and the Bureau of Land Management (Newcastle Field Office). The State of Wyoming also manages lands in the project area and numerous parcels are owned by private entities. All three federal land-managing units have agreed that the Black Hills National Forest will act as lead agency for purposes of compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR §800.2(a)(2)).

The Forest would like to solicit public input regarding the development and content of the Black Hills Power 230 KV Transmission Line PA. Please direct your questions and/or comments to:

Michael Hilton, Ph.D.
Heritage Resources Program Manager
and Tribal Liaison
Black Hills National Forest
1019 N. 5th Street
Custer, SD, 57730.
(605) 673-9265

Please make it clear that you are commenting on the Black Hills Power 230 Kv power line. All comments must be received by December 16, 2011.

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Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated June 18, 2007, executed and delivered by Jonh P. Ternes and Laurie A. Boyles ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Draper and Kramer Mortgage Corp. its successors and assigns, and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagor(s), to said Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on June 26, 2007, at Reception No. 695083 in Book 297 at Page 0687 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP
Assignment dated: September 1, 2010
Assignment recorded: September 8, 2010
Assignment recording information: at
Reception No. 721997 in Book 323 at Page 1013

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

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$210,298.34 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$182,192.07 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$27,933.65, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

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

NOW, THEREFORE Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on December 6, 2011 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOTS 5 AND 6, BLOCK 5, THIRD ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF UPTON, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING

with an address of 628 Pine Street, Upton, WY 82730.

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

Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP By: Castle Stawiariski, LLC
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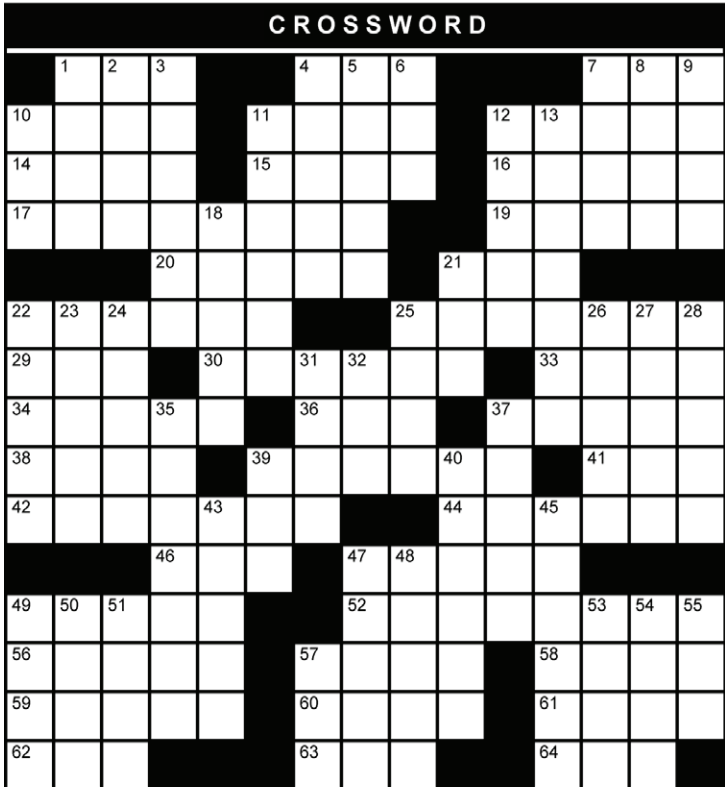
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- The White House domain
 - American Medical Association
 - Once around
 - "Take a ____!"
 - What the wind did
 - Metal shaving
 - Having wings
 - Goes with interest
 - Hunter, e.g.
 - *Site of Mayflower passengers' colony
 - *Like Friday after Thanksgiving
 - Brown, Dartmouth and Yale, e.g.
 - Cribbage piece
 - Parts of a play
 - "Girl with a Pearl _____," novel
 - NHL's rival, 1972-1979
 - Truly?
 - America's choice
 - "_____ Is Enough"
 - As opposed to yeses
 - "Bust _____"
 - "_____ Enchanted," teen novel
 - Carpenter's corner joints
 - Local network
 - Follows deuces
 - Mozart's works, e.g.
 - Pledge
 - Stone-cold _____
 - More dire
 - *Lincoln declared the final one of Nov. to be Thanksgiving
 - Like "The Biggest Loser" contestants
 - Found in pods
 - Strong desire
 - Fabricca Italiana Automobili Torino, pl.
 - Robert Wagner or Stefanie Powers, 1979-1984
 - Oaf
 - *He designated Thanksgiving as the 4th Thursday of November
 - He followed "Give'em Hell Harry"
 - King Kong
- #### DOWN
- Used for breathing, but not by people
 - No problem
 - Cockroaches and rats, e.g.
 - With winglike extensions
 - Methamphetamines
 - "Shock and ____"
 - Dalai _____
 - Smart _____
 - Fringe benefit
 - Accidental happening
 - Colorful mark
 - Cavalry weapon
 - *Early resident of #17
 - Across
 - Open, as in military operation
 - Ante up
 - *_____ potato
 - Texas is know for making this hot
 - It can be bald or golden
 - "Do it, or ____!"
 - Plural for #33 Across
 - Less bright then supernovae
 - Scotland is know for these
 - Black tropical cuckoo
 - Land parcel
 - *Cause for celebration
 - Turkish monetary unit
 - Feline sound

Fun and Games

- Like full-bodied coffee
- Central part, pl.
- The Little Mermaid's nemesis
- Turf, as in "surf and turf"
- Chicago's ORD
- Throw off

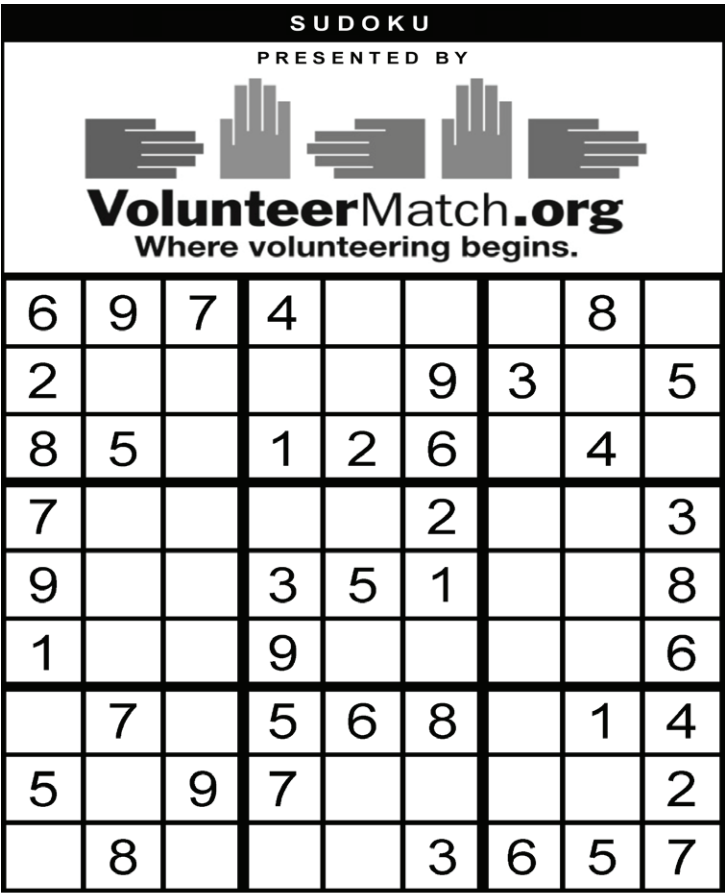
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- Malaria symptom
- Up to the present time
- 21st letter of Greek alphabet



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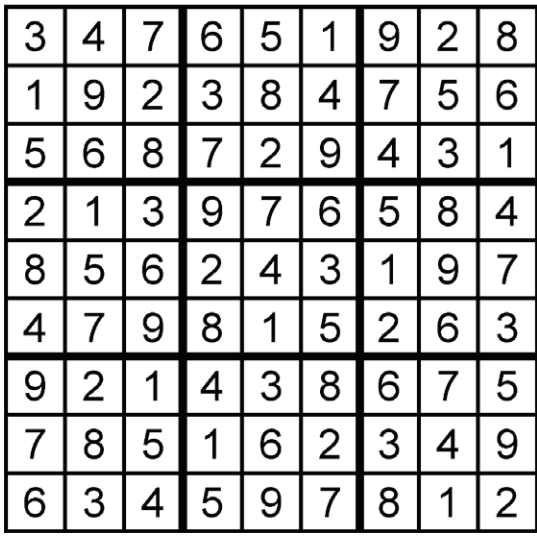
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The Blotter

October 24, 2011
Officer assisted other agency. Welfare check provided. Report of a deer versus vehicle accident. Report of an alarm sounding. Report of possible identity theft. Report of found bicycle. Two requests for VIN inspections. Two reports of dogs at large.

October 25
Welfare check provided. Report of lost cell phone. Motorist assistance provided. Request for a VIN inspection. Request for a VIN inspection. Two reports of dogs at large.

October 26
Welfare check provided. Three requests for VIN inspections. Report of a bad check. Traffic stop resulting in a citation. Report of vandalism. Request for a message delivery.

October 27
Parking complaint received. Welfare check provided. Report of suspicious activity. Report of a larceny. Report of a larceny. Report of a larceny. Request for ministerial assistance. Report of a vehicle passing a school bus while unloading children. Traffic stop resulting in an ERO. Traffic stop resulting in an ERO. Report of a suspicious vehicle. Report of suspicious noise. Two reports of dogs at large. Report of a missing dog.

October 28
Welfare check provided. Report of a larceny. Report of a larceny. Report of a larceny. Request for a VIN inspection. Report of an abandoned vehicle. Report of lost keys. Report of a vehicle vs. deer accident. Parking ticket issued. Report of a domestic problem. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Report of a fight. Parking complaint reported. Four requests for VIN inspections. Report of a missing dog.

October 29
Welfare check provided. Report of a dog at large. Report of a lost phone. Report of an alarm activated. Civil complaint received. Report of vandalism. Report of vandalism. Report of motorist assistance. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded.

October 30
Parking complaint reported. Report of a possible domestic. REDDI report received. Report of a fight. Welfare check provided. Report of an alarm activated. Parking complaint received. Report of an alarm activated. Traffic stop resulting in two citations. Request for a VIN inspection. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded.

October 31
Welfare check provided. Three requests for VIN inspections. Request for a civil standby. Report of a hazard. Request for a VIN inspection. Report of harassment. Report of a reckless driver. Report of a hazard. Traffic stop resulting in an ERO. Motorist assistance provided. Report of a vicious dog. Report of two dogs at large.

Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default in the payment under the terms of a secured and perfected Note has occurred. The Note is secured by a Mortgage dated June 29, 2007 and recorded on July 6, 2007 at document number 695453 Book 298 Page 0059 from Paula M Martinez to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., dba America's Wholesale Lender for the amount of \$75,525.00. The Mortgage having been assigned to and is now in possession of THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-12 recorded on August 15, 2011 at document number 729180 book 330 page 0699.

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

WHEREAS Written Notice of Intent to Foreclose by Sale and Advertisement has been served upon the record owner and party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to commencement of the publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgagee at the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$85,074.50 which sum consists of the unpaid balance of \$74,033.08, plus interest accrued to the date of this first publication of this notice in the amount of \$12,208.10, plus outstanding charges, plus attorney fees, costs expected and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice.

WHEREAS this 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.

NOW, THEREFORE THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-12 as Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by having the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 AM on December 13, 2011 at the front door of the Weston County Court house located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY 82701. For application on the above described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to wit:

THE WESTERLY 45 FEET OF LOT 5, BLOCK 2, ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING.

With an address of 21 West Woodstock, Newcastle, WY 82701

Together with all improvements thereon situated and all fixtures and appurtenances, thereto.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-12

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Toll Free No. 866-620-8605

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November 1
Report of vandalism. Welfare check provided. Officers assisted other agency. Report of a minor two vehicle accident. Report of a possible larceny. Two requests for VIN inspections. Report of a parking complaint. Report of a traffic hazard. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Report of a dog at large. Report of a found dog.

November 2
Report of a trespasser. Welfare check provided. Report of an assault. Report of an assault. Traffic complaint received. Report of a minor two vehicle accident. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Four requests for VIN inspections. Traffic stop resulting in an ERO. Officer assisted other agency. Public assistance provided. Report of a barking dog. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded.

November 3
Welfare check provided. Animal complaint received. Report of an injured deer. Extra patrol requested. Report of an assault. Traffic stop resulting in a citation. Officer assisted other agency. Report of a burglary. Traffic complaint received. Report of a barking dog. Report of a missing dog. Report of a missing dog. Request for a VIN inspection.

November 4
Report of a water leak. Welfare check provided. Three requests for VIN inspections. Report of a larceny. Welfare check provided. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Report of an assault. Report of smoke received. Subject arrested on a warrant. Public assistance provided. Welfare check provided. Report of a missing dog.

November 5
Welfare check provided. Two requests for VIN inspections. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Traffic stop resulting in a citation. Report of a minor two vehicle accident. Report of a suspicious vehicle.

November 6
Dog at large complaint. Welfare check provided. Complaint of a reckless driver. Parking complaint received. Report of a dead deer. Report of a dog at large. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded.

November 7
Report of harassment. Report of suspicious noise. Welfare check provided. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Two requests for VIN inspections. Report of a hit and run accident. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Public assistance provided. Traffic stop resulting in an arrest for DUI. Report of a hazard. Report of a sewer problem.

Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated April 8, 2005, executed and delivered by Darby D. Whisler and Laura M. Whisler ("Mortgagor(s)") to Pinnacle Bank - Wyoming, and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagor(s), to said Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on April 14, 2005, at Reception No. 675440 in Book 278 at Page 0820 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: Wyoming Community Development Authority
Assignment dated: April 8, 2005
Assignment recorded: April 14, 2005
Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 675441 in Book 278 at Page 0836

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

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$44,687.40 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$43,212.09 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$1,475.31, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

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

NOW, THEREFORE Wyoming Community Development Authority, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on December 6, 2011 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT T, FIRST ADDITION TO TOWN OF UPTON, WYOMING.

with an address of 505 Willow Street, Upton, WY 82730.

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

Wyoming Community Development Authority
By: Castle Stawiarski, LLC
330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
Casper, WY 82609-0000
(307) 333 5379

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lem. Report of a hazard. Civil complaint received. Report of a dog at large. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded.

November 8
Welfare check provided. Report of found property. Report of a minor two vehicle accident. Three requests for VIN inspections. Report of possible child abuse. Report of possible child abuse. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Civil complaint received. Public assistance provided. Request for extra patrol. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded. Report of a dog at large.

November 9
Welfare check provided. Report of vehicle passing a school bus unloading children. Subject arrested on a warrant. Report of suspicious activity. Report of child neglect. Request for a VIN inspection. Public assistance provided. Report of lost property. Traffic stop resulting in a citation. Report of disorderly noise. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Report of suspicious noise. Request for extra patrol. Officers assisted with escape from detention. Report of animal cruelty. Report of dog at large. Dog impounded. Report of a found dog. Report of animal noise.

November 10
Report of suspicious activity. Report of a suspicious person. Welfare check provided. Parking complaint received. Two requests for VIN inspections. Report of a minor two vehicle accident. REDDI report received. Report of a hit and run accident. Report of a dog at large. Dog impounded. Report of a missing dog.

November 11
Welfare check provided. Two requests for VIN inspections. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Request for extra patrol. Request for extra



Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated March 14, 2006, executed and delivered by Darrell Kokesh and Kathleen Kokesh ("Mortgagor(s)") to First Interstate Bank, and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagor(s), to said Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on March 21, 2006, at Reception No. 683032 in Book 285 at Page 0607 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$66,751.64 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$64,813.90 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$1,937.74, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

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

NOW, THEREFORE First Interstate Bank, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on December 13, 2011 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT 6, LESS THE WEST 20 FEET, BLOCK 4, FAGAN'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF UPTON, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING AND IS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NE CORNER OF BLOCK 4, FAGAN'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF UPTON AND IS THE POINT OF BEGINNING: THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF BLOCK 4 FOR THE DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET TO THE NW CORNER OF THE TRACT: THENCE SOUTHERLY AT A RIGHT ANGLE, PARALLEL AND 20 FEET EAST OF THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 6 FOR A DISTANCE OF 140.00 FEET TO THE SW CORNER OF THE TRACT; THENCE EASTERLY AT A RIGHT ANGLE ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF LOT 6 FOR A DISTANCE OF 80.00 FEET TO THE SE CORNER OF THE TRACT; THENCE NORTHERLY AT A RIGHT ANGLE ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 6, BLOCK 4 OF A DISTANCE OF 140.00 FEET TO THE NE CORNER OF THE TRACT AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SERIAL NUMBERS 05-05-838-09006A AND 05-05-838-09006B HUD TAG NEB121167&121168

with an address of 1220 Wyoming Avenue, Upton, WY 82730.

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

First Interstate Bank
By: Castle Stawiarski, LLC
330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
Casper, WY 82609-0000
(307) 333 5379

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patrol. REDDI report received. Suspicious activity reported. Report of a reckless driver. Report of a dog at large. Dog returned to owner.

November 12
Report of an injured deer. Parking complaint received. Traffic stop resulting in an ERO. Report of an alarm activated. Report of possible child neglect. Report of possible shot fired. Report of a missing dog.

November 13
Welfare check provided. Report of a dog at large. Subject arrested on a warrant. Traffic stop resulting in a warning. Report of a lost key. Report of an alarm activated.

Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated May 24, 2007, executed and delivered by Steve Adamson and Darleen Adamson ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Suntrust Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns, and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagor(s), to said Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on May 25, 2007, at Reception No. 694298 in Book 296 at Page 0885 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: SunTrust Mortgage Inc.
Assignment dated: September 28, 2011
Assignment recorded: October 11, 2011
Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 730505 in Book 332 at Page 73

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

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

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$64,671.24 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$63,379.53 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$1,291.71, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

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

NOW, THEREFORE SunTrust Mortgage Inc., as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on December 6, 2011 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, WY, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

A PART OF LOT SIX(6), BLOCK THIRTEEN(13), ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT SIX(6), RUNNING THENCE SOUTHERLY THIRTY-SIX(36) FEET; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION FIFTY (50) FEET; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION THIRTY-SIX(36) FEET; THENCE AT RIGHT ANGLES IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION FIFTY(50) FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

ALSO A TRACT OF LAND THIRTY(30) BY FIFTY(50) FEET DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH EASTERLY CORNER OF LOT SIX(6), BLOCK THIRTEEN(13), ORIGINAL TOWN OF NEWCASTLE, WYOMING; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LOT LINE OF BLOCK THIRTEEN(13); FIFTY(50) FEET TO INTERSECT THE EASTERLY LINE OF SENECA STREET; THIS ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT SIX(6); THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY STREET LINE OF SENECA STREET THIRTY(30) FEET; THENCE EASTERLY AND PARALLEL WITH THE NORTHERLY BLOCK LINE OF BLOCK THIRTEEN(13), FIFTY(50) FEET TO INTERSECT THE EASTERLY LOT LINE OF LOT SIX(6) IF EXTENDED NORTHERLY AT A POINT THIRTY(30) FEET NORTHERLY FROM THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF LOT SIX(6); THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY EXTENDED LOT LINE OF LOT SIX(6), THIRTY(30) FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THE TRACT BEING THIRTY(30) FEET FRONTAGE ON SENECA STREET BY FIFTY(50) FEET DEEP AND BEING THAT PORTION OF WAKEFIELD STREET VACATED AND ABANDONED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, BY ORDINANCE NO. 10, SERIES 1932, DATED OCTOBER 3, 1932

with an address of 101 S Seneca Avenue, Newcastle, WY 82701.

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

SunTrust Mortgage Inc.
By: Castle Stawiarski, LLC
330 S. Walsh Drive, Ste. 202
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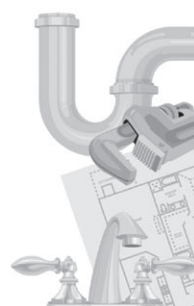
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Becky Vodopich

Free Shopping For Kids Volunteers & Items Needed

The First United Methodist Church will be hosting **"Free Shopping for Kids"** on December 3, 9 and 10. We would welcome any youth volunteers to help on these days. Please contact us at 746-4119 by Nov. 28th if you can help us. *****

ALSO-We would welcome any gifts for Moms, Dads and Grandparents. We could also use some gift wrap, ribbons and tape if you would like to donate. Thank You! 746-4119.

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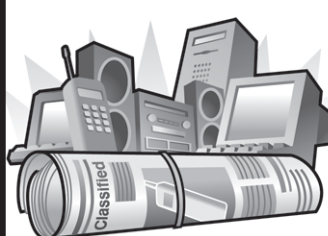
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So many teens in Newcastle say this about once a day. If only these students and young teens knew how exciting it is to go and cheer on the Dogie sports teams during the season.

Most of the time during school, teens are talking about what they are going to do during the upcoming weekend. They complain that “there is nothing to do, I will probably just go to Mini Mart and sit there ‘til someone else shows up.”

My peers need to wake up to the fact that there is so much to do on Friday nights and Saturday afternoons throughout the whole school year. During the fall there were volleyball games going on throughout the whole week and football games on Friday nights. Now that the winter season has come around, sporting events will move inside to the warm Dogie Dome, with wrestling on tap during the week and basketball games slated for most of the Friday and Saturdays through February. The Kozisek Aquatic Center will be shifting gears as well, as girls’ swimming gives way to the boys’ team for the winter.

Once the flowers start to bloom, sports will move back outdoors, with boys’ and girls’ soccer every week, and a couple of track meets thrown in for good measure.

In other words, there is no reason for teens to say there is nothing to do in Newcastle, because there is always a sports event going on.

People sometimes offer the excuse that the sports teams are bad or don’t play well, but I would suggest that the sports teams might play better if there is some amazing cheering going on. I know that when the soccer girls are out playing on the field they would love to hear maybe just one cheer during their game, if not more. It helps so much to know that your fans care.

“It makes the volleyball team feel like they have a seventh man on the court with them,” senior Madi Lacey said, explaining that the volleyball players love having the “Corral of Chaos” going wild during their games.

“I love being able to look out at the stands and see all of the people from the community coming to support the football team,” senior Sean Williams agreed.

Such displays of support make the teams feel loved and cared about, especially when it is their fellow students cheering them on — and even when some of the teams in Newcastle may not do so hot, it shouldn’t mean that other students will pass on the chance to come and support them.

It’s also important to note that when students go to sporting events, their parents should know that they are in a safe place and in a safe environment. If students are at a volleyball or basketball game, their parents should know that they are not out drinking or doing drugs. It serves to reason, then, that those parents would encourage their kids to attend.

Students at these events are under adult supervision at all times, which means that they aren’t going to be getting into a bunch of trouble or doing anything stupid. Parents should try to get their children to go to sports events and cheer on their sports teams, and this should not be limited to high school. Middle school parents could help get their students to support those sports programs as well, and form a habit that will last throughout their teen years.

I’m sick of hearing that there is nothing for kids to do here, and I’ve got a great idea. Instead of going to Mini Mart on Friday, let’s go cheer on one of our teams in a big game. Those squads love seeing the stands full of classmates, parents, and community members, all cheering them on to a victory over a rival.

Middle school wrestling is under way

Newcastle Middle School wrestling head coach Michael Patterson took 30 wrestlers to Gillette on Oct. 29, and half of them were first-year wrestlers for Newcastle Middle School. A total of 28 won at least one match, however, and about 20 of them won half their matches or more, according to Coach Ryan Kerns.

“The team is looking especially promising this year,” he reported.

On Nov. 5, 28 kids competed in Sheridan against schools from as far away as Montana, and performed very well, according to their coach.

“Almost everyone wrestled four times that day. All of the eighth-graders won most of their matches, and most of the seventh-graders won the majority of their matches. Surprisingly, almost all of the sixth-graders won most of their matches as well,” Kerns boasted.

“At that tournament, we saw our kids’ hearts double in size. They were twice as tough as they were the day before, as if the increased competition was what they had been craving, and by the end of the day, you could see the fear in the other team’s eyes when they had to face a Newcastle kid,” he continued.

Dome

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is one that Dome veterans recall vividly.

“The Dogie Dome had panels that were corrugated fiberglass, and there were green panels and white panels. When the sun was setting in the west, it shone through the white panels,” Weaver remembered.

“There were all kinds of light spots all over the place. In the afternoons, it was really a tough place to be. I remember being blinded while I was on the court,” recalled Ragland.

There also used to be a stage towards the front of the Dome, which was removed during the remodel. Its removal improved acoustics within the gym and created a more athletic appeal. Several years ago, the old wooden bleachers were replaced with the current seating, further enhancing the gymnasium’s allure, and school officials have been considering options for future improvement as well.

“We have looked at redoing the floor — adding more color, especially some more white. We are still a ways away from that, though,” Quigley commented.

The athletic director also said that the school is considering a new scoreboard sometime in the future, one that can display player statistics during the games. For now, though, the Dome will remain just the way it is. Many Friday and Saturday nights have been enjoyed there and countless more will be for years to come.

“The Dome is going to be around for a long time,” beamed Quigley.

Hutchinson

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established by our coaches and our families, with the goal of not only becoming better football players, but men of integrity. Because of that recent event, the philosophy has been ridiculed.

As football players, we strive to have a higher standard for our performance and character than expected of us by our community, but there is no remorse in failure. Nor is there shame because of a mindset that says deviant behavior is acceptable.

Where do we draw the line and who is going to stand for what is right? I think the burden is placed upon each individual in this community to hold him or herself accountable for his or her own actions, and to expect no different from each other.

As a young person in this community, I want to be challenged out of mediocrity. People need to step up and make a stand for what is acceptable and right. Most people may not condone this type of activity, but their decision to stay silent about it means that bad things continue to happen.

The majority of the senior football players and I were disgusted that our ongoing pursuit of decent character was being called into question over this display of poor judgment, and we made it clear to our team that we do not accept this kind of blatant disregard for authority.

What I would like to see, from the community, in response to negative choices of this kind, is for people to acknowledge the immorality of the issue and support the coaching staff dealing with it, instead of giggling at the consumption of alcohol.

Those coaches are attempting to change the hopeless and negative mentality that permeates kids my age, and the ultimate goal of Coach Matt Conzelman and his staff is to positively influence the lives of the young men in this community. The community should support them in that effort.

We need to make respect, honesty, and integrity a priority in our lives. My personal challenge is, “What kind of a person am I when no one is looking?” and, “How can I positively influence the boys following behind me?”

As a community, we need to step up to the plate and change the mentality that says it is okay to do wrong and not be accountable for our actions. We need to set the standard for integrity by living it out in our lives every day.

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