

News Letter Journal

Weston County

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Newcastle, Wyoming

Year 130 Week 48

RENEW looks at downtown

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

A number of different factors have prompted RENEW to begin searching for alternative sites in Newcastle, but the move should not cause any change in local services or for local participants other than the location change, according to a company official.

"On the contrary, we feel a downtown location will enhance our ability to provide employment opportunities for our participants, as well as anyone from the general public who needs assistance with job placement and integration into the

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City Auditors want more \$

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

The accounting firm that the city chose to handle its annual audit and the preparation of financial statements has asked to charge the city approximately 20 percent more than they estimated last spring after beginning work on the project in October.

On March 21, the Newcastle City Council accepted a professional estimate from Ketel Thorstenson, LLP for audit services for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and agreed to engage the company's services for three years. It was indicated at the time that the expressed engagement would result in the audit services costing the city \$18,000, which included preparation of financial statements.

At the November 21 Newcastle City Council meeting, however, City Clerk/Treasurer Greg James informed the council that earlier in the day he had received a call from Shelley Goodrich, an auditor with Ketel Thorstenson, and reported that during that call Goodrich asked for an increase in the cost the council had signed off on earlier in the year.

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Forest Supervisor Dennis Jaeger, from the Laramie office of Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, and District Ranger Shane Walker from that Forest's Douglas District, wait patiently for the start of a coordination meeting to discuss control of prairie dog populations with a roomful of ranchers and local government officials last week. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

Waiting on the plague

Prairie dogs boom during the drought

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

It was a banner year for prairie dogs on the Thunder Basin National Grassland, and that's not good news for local ranchers.

"I am not going to argue, it looks like crap out there this year. There are areas that need some work. We had drought," Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Supervisor Dennis Jaeger admitted when individuals from multiple counties and varying agencies filled the Weston County Event Center for a coordination meeting to discuss prairie dog control on November 22.

The meeting was hosted by the Weston County Commissioners, who asked for the meeting after 4W Ranch operator Bob Harshbarger

requested last month that County Attorney William Curley seek an injunction against the Douglas District Ranger and the U.S. Forest Service as a result of ongoing disputes over control of the pest in central Weston County.

Jaeger used the meeting to explain the current approach and address potential problems moving forward. Currently, according to Jaeger, the Forest Service is focusing its efforts on boundary management, and he reported that 1,600 acres were treated for prairie

dogs with poison. He also said that the agency recently spoke with Harshbarger about the possibility of switching from boundary control to density of colony control, and told the group that the Forest Service is willing to look at those options.

The Forest Supervisor further explained that the Forest Service is working on the prairie dog control strategy that was put together in 2015, and acknowledged that a 2000 amendment to the Forest Plan

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Festival funds needed more than ever

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

The annual Pinnacle Bank Festival of Trees was introduced 14 years ago with the purpose of bringing awareness to local non-profits, and help ease the burden of fundraising that some of those organizations face. With budget cuts taking place across the state this year as a result of a bust in the energy industry, these funds could be more important than ever and three local organizations will reap the benefit

of the program this year. According to Pinnacle Bank Loan Officer Amy Hoffman, requests are submitted and gathered for who should receive those funds, and then employees of the bank sit down as a group and look at each of the organizations that expressed interest. From there, three entities are chosen to receive funds from the annual auction.

"This year's beneficiaries are Weston County Children's Center, The Museum District Friend's Foundation and

American Legion Post 3," Hoffman told the News Letter Journal, noting that all organizations are given serious consideration and the decision is often difficult.

Anna Miller Museum Director Bobbie Jo Tysdal expressed how much receiving these funds is going to help the museum district, especially in a time of budget cuts.

"We are hoping to pay down the lease option on the Red Onion Museum in Upton," announced Tysdal, who said the district is also in the

process of getting bids for log repair work on outbuildings at the Newcastle location.

"Both log cabins need expert attention, especially the Jenny Cabin which is of historical significance to not only Weston County, but to the Black Hills," professed Tysdal. She said that this year's budget cuts mean both of the district's facilities are managing to pay their monthly bills, but anything extra—including maintenance or repair—is harder to maintain financially.

For the Weston County

Children's Center, this year is about more than just a special project, which is typically why Director Jane Rhoades would write one of these requests. Budget cuts to her agency mean that the money raised at the Festival will not be used to help fund a project or purchase new equipment.

"This year's request will help us to continue the quality of service we provide," declared Rhoades, who indicated that the staff at WCCC is very excited because the Festival is such a fun event. Employees of WCCC will be there to help set up for the auction, serve hors d'oeuvres

throughout the event, and help with the clean up.

The 14th Annual Pinnacle Bank Festival of Trees will take place December 2 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Weston County Senior Center, and beginning at 7:30 p.m., 45 wreaths and three trees will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Smokey Mark Stenson will serve as the auctioneer.

"There will be \$10 wine glasses with endless wine, and for those who just want to come and enjoy it is free. There will be free hors d'oeuvres, and beer by donation. The Hill City Slickers will be here as entertainment," Hoffman reported.

Pie auction raises nearly \$10,000



Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

On November 21, the United Fund Pie Auction took place at the Weston County Senior Center, and this year's event was able to raise a total of \$9,440.15 that will all stay within Weston County, according to organizers.

The United Fund is a group of non-profit organizations in Weston County that serve Weston County specifically. As such, the money raised through the United Fund is required to stay local. Money is collected throughout each year to be provided to members of the United Fund at the end of the calendar year in the form of a check to each organization. The money is collected over the course of the year through personal, employee and business donations, as well as fundraisers like the pie auction.

City cops make a heroin bust

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

A drug interdiction effort between the Weston County Sheriff's Office and Wyoming Highway Patrol last month netted a couple of felony arrests for those agencies, and Newcastle Police Chief Jim Owens told the Newcastle City Council last week that his department had made a notable felony drug arrest as well.

It occurred on November 9, when officers with the Newcastle Police Department arrested 23-year old Steven Turbiville of Spearfish on two misdemeanor drug and one felony drug charge.

Owens reported that Turbiville was pulled over for a traffic violation on Washington Blvd. near Weston County Health

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Opinion

News Letter Journal

Our view

Conflict should make us stronger

A lot of people are angry. Some of that is caused by fear of the unknown and of what will become of our families and friends as we head into a new political era.

It's natural to fear what we don't know and to be angry at what we cannot understand.

And we're sorry to say that we in the media shoulder much of the blame.

If you peruse the national headlines you're not likely to find much of anything along the lines of news.

Most of what our national media covers these days is nothing more than speculation.

Those things once relegated to a few pages marked "opinion" have found their way onto the front pages of our newspapers and to the tops of our mobile news feeds.

These shadowy forecasts shape our thoughts and ideas, but it is wrong to put too much faith in them.

We in the media strive to get our readers' attention, and that is most effectively done by pointing to the conflict of a story.

So the anger is based upon what might happen, but has not yet happened.

That becomes problematic when we turn that anger toward people who do not think or dress like us, or believe in the same ideas as us.

We should keep a wary eye toward actions that might cause injury to ourselves, but no matter how thrilling they are to read, these doomsday forecasts are not real.

It has been eight years since the Democrats took control of the Executive Branch of our federal government.

That change caused widespread fear among those people who thought their civil liberties would be taken from them. But here we are, almost a decade later and the most notable change is that which jingles in the pockets of those who have profited by stoking those fears.

As we head into this new era of Republican control of the White House we would all do well to remember that most of us have been on the losing side of an election.

And that is just one of many things that we all have in common. And that it is the struggle of ideas that makes our country strong.

Need to talk to a public servant?

County Commission Members' contacts:

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Invest in our own future

Everyone from small town Wyoming knows the thrill of taking a family trip to a distant city. It's a time of shopping frenzy and savoring cuisine that can't be found close to home. While we're on our shopping sprees, whether it's buying piecemeal or in bulk, making long-planned purchases or spontaneous grabs, buying necessities or fancy frivolities, they all have one thing in common: it's an investment in another community.

I'm guilty of it as well. I tend to shop at name-brand stores for my clothes and hop online to find deals.

With the advent of Amazon and eBay, it's even easier to spend your money from the convenience of your own home, not even having to make yourself presentable enough to make an appearance at Walmart—and that's a low bar to begin with.

Amazon employs nearly 270 thousand workers. To put that in perspective, the post office employs less than twice that number at 490 thousand. Imagine, for a moment, if the money spent to employ all those people were instead invested in local communities. Let's take it a step further and ask, what would it look like if the money spent online or in distant communities were made here in Newcastle?

That was a big step. I mean, who in Newcastle could possibly have the latest fashion? The hottest technology? The quirkiest gadgets? Small towns are notorious for lack of selection because of a small market, but have you ever gotten to the point that you don't even check? I know I have.

We are all creatures of habit. Don't believe me? Where do you get your groceries? How about your gas? Your auto repairs? Your coffee? In all likelihood, you tend to go to the same place, even if it doesn't own your exclusive business.

Whether you're cognizant of it or not, your past tends to push you towards the same path you've taken before, even if it was a bad experience. It's because it's familiar, and the familiar is always more certain than the unknown. You may know it will probably be a bad experience again, but at least you know what to expect.

How do we break this cycle? How do we move forward? The answer is to be a smart investor. Rather than just spending

money to get what we need, we should look to make sure we are making a solid investment. This applies to more than just shopping.

For investments aren't exclusively made with money. For instance, every time you decide to watch a movie, you sacrifice every other potential option available to you. Economists call it opportunity cost. It essentially explains that any given choice comes at the cost of anything else you could have done.

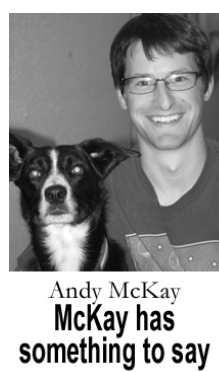
Economists use this concept to deduce value, but it can just as easily be applied to our everyday life. Money spent on paying bills can't be used on a luxury cruise in the Bahamas. Time spent feeding the cattle can't be spent watching TV.

But how does this apply to shopping local? First, it comes down to where the money you spend goes. Money spent elsewhere is, statistically, never going to be seen again. A dollar spent there is a dollar that won't be used by anyone in your community. The circulation of money is vital for sustained growth, which in turn is vital for a healthy community.

This article isn't meant to make you feel guilty for buying something out of town or on the web, but to highlight the things we don't think about. Why would we care about what happens to our money after we spend it? It's out of our hands... literally!

But the truth is opportunity cost is real, regardless of how we spend our money. The only thing we can do is make conscious decisions on how we spend it. Should all of our discretionary budget be spent locally? It would be nice, but it's very unrealistic. But now, with this knowledge, we can ensure that we look at our wallet, and our time, not just as what immediate benefit they can give us, but as investments that can blossom or wither.

And that is ultimately what shopping local boils down to. It's deciding whether convenience is more important than your neighbor, and whether price tags are more important than your community. No one can tell you how to spend your money—except the government, of course— but I hope this helps to better inform you of where your money goes and why.



Andy McKay
McKay has something to say

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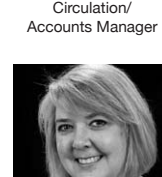
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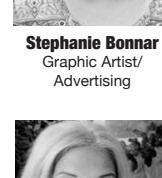
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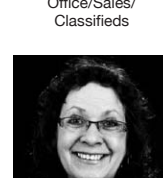
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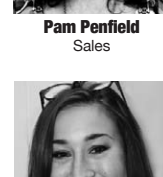
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Letters to the Editor

Take some time to study the 'theory' of evolution

Dear Editor,
How can you cite what goes on in a high school science class since you are 'home schooled'? If you would look in a science book you would see the phrase "theory of evolution". Theory: statement or a principle that has been supported by data over a period of time.

Now for fusion: the sun is mostly hydrogen (70%) which is involved in a plasma state where it is so hot that the molecules can not maintain their structure. Simply four hydrogen atoms get together to create one helium atom. In the process some matter is changed to energy. This can take place with out human involvement. In fact humans can not create fusion due to the lack of a container that can handle the millions of degrees of heat.

The brain developed slowly over a long period of time. When our ancestors found out that they could make sharp tools from silicone dioxide rocks they were able to hunt and get protein in their diets which was needed for brain development. As far as brain capacity concerned - how do you know the capacity?

The sun is middle aged at 4.6 billions yrs. and has used up about one half of its store of hydrogen during fusion making helium. The sun has enough hydrogen to continue fusion for another 5 billion years. During this time the "lost" matter comes off as radiant energy. With this loss of matter there is a loss of gravitation which allows the sun to expand and become a red giant. This will take about 130 million years.

You said 'supposedly a 70 million year old was found.....'. Science does not rely on 'supposedly' There has to be data to support a theory.

The Law of Conservation of Matter and Energy is what Atomic energy is all about. Einstein's Theory of Relativity was presented long before it was discovered in Atomic Fusion & Fission. Energy equals Mass time the square of the speed of light or E = M X (C squared) which means that it doesn't take much matter to create a lot of energy but this only happens during fission & fusion.

If you want to preach creation thats fine but if

you want to talk about evolution at least take some time to study up on the subject

—Bob Henry

Family pleas for return of matriarch's keepsake

Dear Editor,
I am making a Christmas wish for our Mother. On November 6, someone took our mother's doll from her room. She had the doll since 1937, when she graduated from nurses training. The blonde-haired doll is dressed like a nurse, and the name tag on the doll says Gen.

Whoever took her doll, please return it to this heart broken 102 year old lady, who never hurt or took anything that didn't belong to her.

Return the doll to the Weston County Manor, no questions asked.
—Marcella Carson
Jack and Betty Roan

Corruption is the cancer that will bring us down

Dear Editor,
After the menu of candidates we had for this election, most would agree that we can do better. We must do better!

As Yogi Berra might have said: "We should start at the beginning."

Our structure of governance and economics nearly dictates what the character and qualifications of our candidates should be. Our current crop may have missed the mark. Our bad!

Unfortunately, they may be representative of the electorate.

None could argue about the intellect, character or demeanor of those who conceived, argued, rewrote, then finally passed our Constitution. Writing it was no small task, and it took a good deal of time. Their final product was great, and with some amendments from time to time it has served us well.

Unfortunately, the self serving nature of many in Congress keeps them chipping away at the principle of "We The People" and replacing it with: "I, Me and My." They have managed to turn our Congress

Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

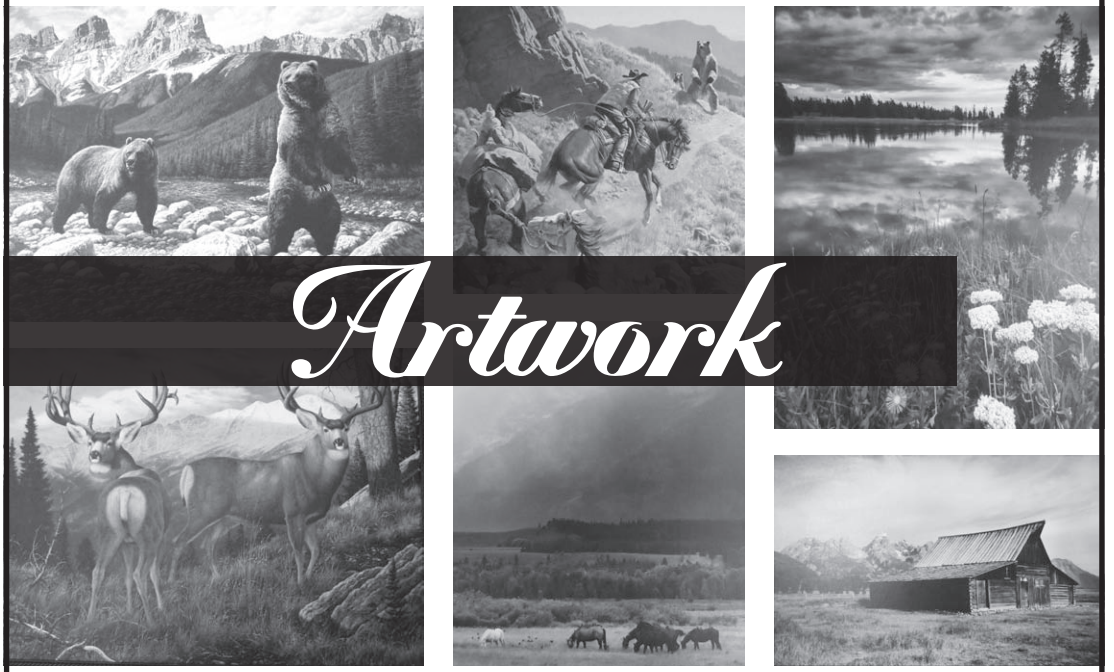


Water logged



Some time on the night of November 21, the water supply for the one of the upstairs bathrooms broke at the Weston County Courthouse. The leak was discovered shortly after 5:00 a.m. by maintenance man Steve Price when he arrived at work and found water coming out the door of the courthouse. The damage to the building was mainly in the Weston County Assessor's Office and the Weston County Attorney's Office, and personnel have had to work out of new locations as a result of the damage. At this time, the Assessor's Office has been relocated to the Commissioner's Room at the courthouse and the County Attorney is in the basement of the building in the former Homeland Security Office. According to County Clerk Jill Sellers, arrangements are being made to move both operations into the newly acquired Weston County Courthouse Annex on the corner of Main Street and Seneca Avenue.. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

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Police seek info on vandals

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

Two crimes were committed last week that both involved vandalism with large amounts of damage, and the Newcastle Police Department is asking for your help.

The first incident occurred sometime between the evening of November 22 and the morning of the November 23, and Officer Peg Miles responded to a call at First State Bank on the morning of November 23 in response to the vandalism.

Miles stated in her report that she spoke with Randy Lang, a loan officer at the bank, who reported that the lights on top of the cement posts that line the sidewalk in a grassy area alongside the bank's parking lot had all been broken. She noted that the damage is estimated to be several hundred dollars, but said the department is still waiting for a more exact estimate.

It was indicated that field technicians will be in Newcastle on November 28 to view First State Bank's security cameras, which may have caught the individual or individuals that caused the damage.

On November 26, the second incident took place at an address on W. Wentworth Street. This call was also regarding vandalism, but in this instance it was perpetrated on a vehicle owned by Jeff Jordahl. Officer Levi Tacy responded to the address and immediately noticed the damage.

"The vandalism occurred to a 1978 Chevy pickup, color black over orange... I asked him what had happened, and he stated sometime during the night his truck got shot multiple times with a BB gun and his tire got slashed," Tacy's report revealed.

Tacy stated that he witnessed a slash mark on the rear driver's tire, and also described many BB holes that shattered windows. He indicated that multiple BBs that were found at the scene.

"With all of the examinations to be complete, I estimate the damage done to the vehicle is equal to or greater than \$1,000, in which case I will turn this over to the detective as it is a felony," Tacy reported.

At this time, the Newcastle Police Department is asking any individuals that may have seen anything related to either crime to contact Police Chief Jim Owens directly at 746-3808.

Heroin

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Services while passing through town that day. He indicated that during the course of the stop "one thing led to another," and police determined they had enough probable cause to search the vehicle, which is when the drugs were found.

"He is being charged with possession of a controlled substance. He had marijuana in plant form- 46 grams, Methamphetamine- .8 grams, and 4.72 grams of heroin," commented Owens, who noted that anything over three grams of heroin is a felony offense

while the amounts of the other two drugs dictated that those were misdemeanor charges.

"I don't see a lot of it in Weston County...I can only think of hearing about heroin once or twice in the last few

years," Owens later told the News Letter Journal.

If found guilty of felony possession of heroin, Turberville faces a max penalty of five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both.

Felony drug amounts under Wyoming law

- Drugs in plant form: for example, marijuana, 3 ounces
- Drugs in liquid form: for example THC oil, 3 grams
- Drugs in powder form: for example heroin, 3 grams
- Drugs in pill or capsule form: for example Oxycotin, 3 grams
- Cocaine or Crack: 5/10ths of a gram
- LSD: 3/10ths of a gram

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Obituary

Joan Fawcett Lassle
Mar. 3, 1942-Nov. 23, 2016
Joan Fawcett Lassle 74, went to her heavenly home on Wednesday November 23, 2016 at the Hospice of the Hills in Rapid City, S.D. Her firm belief in God supported her in her struggles and ultimately gave her peace. Her fear of flying is gone - she soars!
Joan Grace Fawcett was born March 3, 1942 in Newcastle to Alice (Statler) and Crawford Fawcett. She attended Newcastle schools and graduated from Newcastle High School in



Joan Lassle

1962.
She married James Souder on September 27, 1965 in Deadwood S.D. She later married Helmuth Lassle.
She was a member of the Country Church.
Joan worked as a waitress, short order cook, at the saw mill, and in the kitchen at the hospital, but her favorite job was working at Pahaska Teepee outside the east gate of Yellowstone Park.
She loved the great outdoors, fishing, multiple crafts, including making jewelry, gardening, cooking and spending a lot of time with her children.
She was devoted to and loved being part of a large and extended family. She enjoyed the family reunions and did so

much to make them fun. She loved to shop (Wal-Mart) where she could find bargains to put in the door prize bags (100+) that she did for every person attending.
Joan loved all animals and they loved her.
She is survived by: her son, Dwight Souder of Newcastle; her daughter Barbie (Dave) Steber of Newcastle; siblings, Lois Hurley of Ponce de Leon, Fla.; Lewis (Mary Jo) Fawcett of Basin, Wyo.; her twin sister Jean Day of Newcastle; Robert (Karen Jo) Fawcett of Newcastle; Jerry (Karol) Fawcett of Newcastle; Dorothy (Ron) Pitts of Newell, S.D.; sister-in-law, Carol Fawcett of Casper, Wyo.; brother-

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Attention All Weston County Residents!

Weston County Peace Officers Operation Santa is in full swing. If you are in need, please fill out a form at the following places:

- Newcastle Police Department
- Newcastle BREAD Office
- DFS Office
- Joe's Food Center



For more information, please call Amber Mason, (208) 316-7749 or 746-4486.

Senior Happenings

WC Senior Services

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| December 1 | Trip to Tin Lizzie | |
| | Mexican Train | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Ceramics | 1:00 p.m. |
| | VFW Auxiliary | 1:30 p.m. |
| December 2 | Rolls | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Bridge Ladies | 1:00 p.m. |
| | Pinnacle Bank Festival of Trees | 6:00 p.m. |
| December 5 | Senior Fitness | 9:00 a.m. |
| | United Blood Drive | 11:30 a.m. |
| December 6 | Mexican Train | 1:00 p.m. |
| December 7 | Senior Day @ Shopko | |
| | Senior Fitness | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Toenail Clinic | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Lions | 12:00 p.m. |

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| Mondell Here for Lunch | | 2:00 p.m. |
| Marathon Bridge Group | 1:00 p.m. | |
| Creative Handcrafts | After Lunch | |
| December 8 | | |
| Mexican Train | 1:00 p.m. | |
| Ceramics | 1:00 p.m. | |
| Manor | | |
| December 1 | | |
| Bowling | 10:30 a.m. | |
| Al and the Gang | 2:00 p.m. | |
| December 2 | | |
| Greedy | 10:30 a.m. | |
| Bingo | 2:00 p.m. | |
| Movie | 6:00 p.m. | |
| December 3 | | |
| Hangman | 11:00 a.m. | |
| Movie | 2:00 p.m. | |
| Bingo | 6:15 p.m. | |
| December 4 | | |
| Trivia | 11:00 a.m. | |

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| Church | | 2:00 p.m. |
| December 5 | | |
| Store | | 10:30 a.m. |
| Photos | | 1:00 p.m. |
| Tony's Tunes | | 3:00 p.m. |
| Bingo | | 6:15 p.m. |
| December 6 | | |
| Ceramics | | 10:30 a.m. |
| Keepsake Krafters | | 2:00 p.m. |
| Stories | | 4:00 p.m. |
| Cards | | 6:15 p.m. |
| December 7 | | |
| Catholic Study | | 10:00 a.m. |
| Kickball | | 10:30 a.m. |
| Out to Lunch | | 11:30 a.m. |
| Bingo | | 2:00 p.m. |
| Yahtzee | | 6:15 p.m. |
| December 8 | | |
| Food Fancy | | 10:30 a.m. |
| Manicures | | 2:00 p.m. |
| Scrabble | | 6:15 p.m. |

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- **CAMBRIA COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH:** Pastor Todd Olson, 19 Stampede St. 746-2321. Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship 10:30 am; Youth (6-12 grades) and Adult Bible Study Sunday Evening 6-7 pm; Wednesday Night Youth and Adult Bible Study 6 pm; Life Recovery Bible Study Sunday Night 7 pm.
- **CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL:** Rev. Sally Boyd, S. Summit & Winthrop Streets, 746-9684. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday, Morning Prayer 10 am; 2nd & 4th Saturday 4 pm, Holy Eucharist. haydishall@hotmail.com
- **CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH:** Pastor Tsena Dinsna, 224 West Road, West of Dow Park, 746-2415. Sunday Worship 9 am.
- **CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS:** Bishop Greg James, 120 Ash, 746-4131. Sunday Sacrament Mtg 9 am; Sunday School 10:20 am; Relief Society & Priesthood Mtg 11:15 am.
- **CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Tim Martinson, 19 W. Winthrop, 746-4219. Saturday Mass 5 pm; Sunday Mass 5 pm; Weekday Mass 8 am.
- **COUNTRY CHURCH:** Four Corners, Pastor Bill Haley, 746-9712, Worship 10 am.
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- **CHURCH ON THE HILL:** Wayne Wilson, 301 Delaware, 746-5542. Sunday School 9:30 am; Prayer Service 10:15 am; Worship 10:45 am; Youth Group Wednesday 6:30 pm; Christian Academy preschool & K-12 746-9663.
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- **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Michael Jarrell, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Adult Bible Study 8:45 am; Traditional Church Services 10 am; 10:15 am Children's Church.
- **GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 746-8091.
- **KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES:** 5018 US Hwy 16, 746-2319 or 746-4517. Tuesday 7 p.m. Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School and Service Meeting, Sunday Public Talk 10 am; Watchtower 11 am.
- **NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sun. Worship 10 am; Wed. Night Prayer.
- **OSAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH:** 348 Sheridan St. in Osage, 465-2341. Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am and 6 pm.
- **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Chuck Gadway 303-229-3103, 78 Old Hwy 85 and Pastoral Assistant Matt Dooley 949-0831. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:00 am.
- **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 am.
- **VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
- **UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Worship 9 am; Fellowship 10 am; Adult Study 10:30 am; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm. August 7, 14, and 21 church is at 9am. August 28--no church in Upton, worship is at 11am at Rev Johnson's home in Custer. September 4th and all sundays following, 9am Sunday School, 10am Worship, 11am Fellowship, and 11:30 Bible Study.

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| Dec 1 | Dec 2 | Dec 3 | Dec 4 | Dec 5 | Dec 6 | Dec 7 |
| Daniel | Nehemiah | Esther | Job | Isaiah | Isaiah | Isaiah |
| 9.1-27 | 8.1-18 | 9.20-10.3 | 42.1-17 | 7.1-25 | 8.21-9.7 | 44.1-28 |

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A PIECE OF HISTORY

December 4, 1891
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The Metropolitan Restaurant gives twenty-one first class meals for \$5.

John Owens' saloon & dance hall has been closed several days this week on accounts of sickness.

Young-Man-Afraid-Of-His-Horses & his band of Indians camped near Newcastle one day this week & about a dozen of the bucks came into town. While at Gillette last week they gave an open air exhibition in which the war dance was a prominent part.

It is hoped that one or both of the churches will prepare for a grand Christmas tree & entertainment.

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December 7, 1916
The committees for the community Christmas Tree are very anxious to have all the children & grown-ups of the county here for the Christmas festivities. Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus will arrive between seven & seven-thirty Saturday evening, December 23rd, loaded down with treats & gifts for the children & good cheer for the grown-ups.

Mr. & Mrs. A.D. Flores of Hampshire autoed to the city for supplies the first of the week.

The Dodge Bros. of Oil Creek have secured the contract for the grading of the lots of A.M. Nichols on Wentworth & Senora Streets. The extra dirt is being take to the lumber yard to fill in that ground, there-

by saving a great deal of time & extra expense.

Sam Flax of Denver was here on business a few days the first of the week. Mr. Flax is a cousin of Simon Greenbaum, & will be one of the firms of the new company to be organized January 2nd, 1917, & known as the Newcastle Commercial Co., as a whole sale & mail order liquor business in the Riorden Hotel.

The masquerade dance given at the Armory Thanksgiving evening by the Edison Orchestra was a decided success & was well attended. Mrs. Sam Havenga received the lady's prize as best dressed lady, receiving a three-pound box of chocolates. The gentleman's prize, a pocket knife was awarded to Mack Barbour who represented a Spanish Cavalier. The judges who awarded the

prizes were A.J. Johnson, W.E. bond, & Zack Portwood. The next dance given by the Edison Orchestra will be given December 16th, at the Armory.

Mrs. Walter Buxton, of Beaver Creek, was visiting & shopping in town Thursday.

Mr. & Mrs. Boyd Ash were Newcastle shoppers the first of the week.

December 4, 1941

The first Trapshooting event here in many years will be sponsored by the FFA at a turkey shoot Sunday at Schoonmaker Recreation Field.

Nearly 150 persons attended the free oyster supper at the Prairie Store Friday evening, sponsored by the Prairie Farm Bureau, to celebrate the completion of a bumper harvest of wheat & other grains.

Three persons narrowly escape serious injury in two automobile accidents here this week. An automobile driven by Edgar Mathews of Sturgis, who was accompanied by John Sempile, left the road & crashed into a tree near the water tank on HWY 85, Sunday night. A large Sedan, driven by John Davis of Newcastle, left the road & rolled down a steep embankment near the Flying V Ranch on Monday. Davis who

was alone in the car escaped serious injury.

"Sound Your Horn," a three-act comedy farce, written by Howard Reed, will be presented by the Junior class at the high school auditorium Wednesday, December 10th, at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. O.C. Kerney & daughter Francis, Mrs. R. Hurtt & daughter Ann, Mrs. Joe Slenker & son Bobby, & Miss. Gertrude Burns spent Saturday in Rapid City.

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Smith & sons Nels & Mrs. Smith's father, C.C. Jensen of Greenwich, Conn., left recently for Greenwich, where they will spend the holidays at the Jensen home, Mr. Jensen has been visiting at the Smith home near Horton for several weeks.

The Post Office at Moskee, Wyoming, the one-time busy Crook County Lumbering Camp, whose name means "anything goes" or "it doesn't make much difference," has been discontinued, Postmaster John Krambeck at Moskee announced that mail will be delivered to the camp three times a week by Star Route Carrier operating out of Lead, S.D.

Customer Appreciation Day & Chamber Coffee

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Wish to express our appreciation to Kellie Taylor, Robert and Natasha Miller & families for hosting the "Frightmare" haunted house with proceeds benefitting RENEW. We would also like to thank the businesses, families, and this wonderful community for all of your donations and support.

As a result of recent changes and regulations with the Wyoming Department of Health, RENEW is currently seeking an alternative day services site for our participants in the community. We will be selling our building and hope to relocate to a new building in the downtown area.

We are grateful to be a part of the Newcastle community, and will continue to operate and provide ongoing quality services to individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities.

For more information on how you can help RENEW, contact our local office at 746-4733 or visit us at 35 Fairgrounds Road in Newcastle.

RENEW

Should have seen it in color



The Nichols Block on Main Street early 1900s. (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

Obituary

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in-law, Doyle Hailey, of Billings, Mont.; aunt, Grace Davis of Newcastle, uncle, Dale Statler, of Centralia, Wash.; numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and Molly, her faithful companion.

She was preceded in death by: her

Mother, Alice Fawcett and Father Crawford Fawcett; her brother Thomas Fawcett and her sisters, Doris Hailey and Judy Hampton; brother-in-law, Oliver Hurley; nephews, Lee Fawcett, Brian Fawcett, & Travis Pitts and great niece, Samantha Vogel.

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been

established to the Weston County Senior Center.

An online guestbook can be found at www.blackhillsfuneralhome.com

Services will be held at the Weston County Senior Center at 2 p.m. on Saturday December 3.

WHAT'S UP

December 2016

Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar

| | TIME | EVENT | LOCATION |
|-----------------|------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Thurs 01 | 1:30 p.m. | VFW Auxiliary | WC Senior Center |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Salt Creek Water District | District Office |
| | 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting | WC Senior Center, Family Room |
| | 7:00 p.m. | WC Museum District | Anna Miller Museum |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Masons | Masonic Lodge #13 |
| Fri 02 | 9:00 a.m. | Red Nose Winter Fest | Downtown |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Wedding Closet Open House | Wedding Closet |
| | 10:00 a.m. | BHE Open House | BHE Office |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Pinnacle Bank Festival of Trees | WC Senior Center |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Bingo | VFW Hall |
| Sat 03 | 9:00 p.m. | Chris Cady Live Music | T & A Brewing Company |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Children's Shopping Day | FUMC |
| Sun 04 | 5:00 p.m. | Red Nose Winter Fest Lighted Parade | Main Street |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Santa at Isabella's | Isabella's |
| | 7:00 p.m. | NA Meeting | Cambria Church Basement |
| Mon 05 | 6:00 p.m. | Ministerial Association Christmas Prog. | WC Senior Center |
| | 7:15 p.m. | Women Only Life Recovery Meeting | Cambria Church Basement |
| Tues 06 | - | Taking Christmas Donations (thru 10th) | Family Dollar/Shopko |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Blood Drive | WC Senior Center |
| | 6:30 p.m. | 3-5 Elementary Concert | Crouch Auditorium |
| | 7:00 p.m. | City Council | City Council Chambers |
| | 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting | WC Senior Center, Family Room |
| Wed 07 | 9:00 a.m. | WC County Commissioners | Courthouse Annex (Old Pinnacle Bank) |
| | 6:30 p.m. | K-2 Elementary Concert | Crouch Auditorium |
| | 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting | Mondell Heights, Breakfast Room |
| Thurs 08 | 12:00 p.m. | Newcastle Lions Club | WC Senior Center |
| | 5:30 p.m. | WC Friends of the Fair | Fair Office |
| | 6:00 p.m. | FOCUS Board Meeting | FOCUS Office |
| | 7:00 p.m. | NA Meeting | Cambria Church Basement |
| Fri 09 | 5:30 p.m. | City Planning Commission | City Hall |
| | 7:00 p.m. | AA Meeting | WC Senior Center, Family Room |
| Sat 10 | 10:00 a.m. | Customer Appreciation/Chamber Coffee | WC True Value |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Christmas Tea | Corpus Christi Catholic Church |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Bingo | VFW Hall |

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For a complete listing of events, for more information on these events, or to list your own event, visit the Chamber website at newcastlewyo.com

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- December 1**
Brett & Ashley Reed
Troy Cade
Caity Overman
- December 2**
Kody Nagle
- December 3**
Melissa Cade
- December 7**
Molly McColley
Carl Jungck
- December 8**
Duane Ottema
Bill Spence
David Kachelhoffer
Shawna Praeuner
- December 9**
Paul Piana
Bailey Mumm

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Left: Reid Holmes reads off a segment of his group's essay, answering questions about the relevance of federalism in the modern world, during the sophomore's Congressional Hearing simulation. Right: Peyton Purviance and Amanda Orban consider a question posed to them by judges during the hearing's difficult Q and A session. The questions were designed to evaluate the student's understanding of the material, and professionals from the community volunteered as judges for the presentations. (Andy McKay/NLJ)

Civics begins with civil discourse

Congressional hearing exercise piques student interest

Andy McKay
NLJ Reporter

According to their teacher, tenth-graders at Newcastle High School have gained a deeper understanding of the Constitution and how it relates to modern life thanks to a pair of programs he attended last summer, and they proved it when the sophomore class held its inaugural simulated Congressional Hearing last Tuesday. Students were just as eager to show off their new knowledge of the curriculum and debate current issues as their instructor hoped they would be.

Intended to test student's understanding of the Constitution and its foundations, the hearings featured groups of students who collectively compiled essays on three different issues.

The groups presented essays on three different subjects: judicial review, federalism, and protection of rights. Judges, split into three panels, each heard one of the essays, and the presentations were followed up with a question and answer session, where the judges asked personalized questions regarding modern day relevancy of their topic.

Each panel of judges was comprised of members from around the community including lawyers, teachers, and school board members. The hearings offered the students a rare chance to test their mettle against real world questions.

"It's part of the 'We the People' curriculum, which is based entirely on the Constitution," social studies teacher Allen Von Eye said.

The program is designed to afford students the ability to apply their lessons to the real world.

"It gets kids engaged. We all know government can be so dry, so it can be hard for the

kids to relate, or even want to relate, to the material. This [curriculum] helps the students draw connections necessary to have a core, deep understanding of the material," Von Eye said.

In this novel addition of congressional hearings, the teacher found a means of getting his students to apply what they learned in the classroom without sacrificing accountability and hard work.

"First and foremost, I'm a strong believer in rigor in the classroom. I wanted to challenge my kids with something that would push them out of their comfort zones," said Von Eye.

While presenting to adults outside the classroom is a novelty, the presentations are based on a very familiar adversary—the essay. But rather than being a onetime affair, the essays on which their defenses are built are meant to be revised as they accumulate more knowledge and gain a greater depth of understanding.

"We're still going to work on this essay over time and make lots and lots of alterations to that basic, bare bones essay—make sure we go more in depth. Then we add that extra step of justifying and proving your knowledge during the question and answer period," Von Eye explained.

Answering questions fielded by the judges was meant to be the culmination of the experience.

"The questions challenged the students so much. Let's not just understand the Constitution at face value, but let's understand more importantly the basis behind it. You know, why did the Founders create a system like this? What was the reasoning behind it? What did they want to get out of this? The questions were geared at this deeper understanding of not just what it is, but why it is and where it came from," Von Eye explained.

After first hearing about the program at a national convention, Von Eye was excited to figure out how he could get involved. His own experience put him in a place he had never been, and the growth from that has been life changing.

He wants to bring that same revelatory moment to his students.

"I was given the opportunity to go to Jackson for the James Madison Legacy Project's summer institute and I jumped on it. It was one of the best decisions I've made as a professional throughout my entire career," Von Eye confessed.

The educator found himself surrounded by intelligent and well-versed experts who sought to foster a life-long pursuit of learning about the document that holds our country together.

"We were surrounded by some of the foremost constitutional scholars in the country. We weren't just learning from the segments during the day, but also into the evening when we would have our little get-togethers. You're sitting there and listening and soaking in this information," Von Eye explained.

He continued that the experts pushed him and fellow attendees to expand their knowledge of the Constitution by delving into primary sources. They then had to defend their findings in the same format as this past Tuesday, except with Constitutional experts as judges.

"I know exactly what my students were going through because I had to do the exact same thing," Von Eye admitted.

Just as he experienced in Jackson, so too have his students seen marked improvement in their knowledge and retention of the US government.

"The kids right now have a better understanding of the Constitution than students throughout an entire year of curriculum last year did," Von Eye professed.

His experience in Jackson was so affirming that Von Eye jumped at the chance to increase his participation in the program, and the teacher's second trip was to the heart of the Civil Rights movement in Birmingham, Alabama.

"Civil Rights have obviously played a huge role, from the inception of our Constitution to what we see today," Von Eye stated.

The Birmingham session heard testimonies

from a participant in the Children's Crusade in Birmingham, one of the Freedom Riders who was active in the bus boycotts, and the state's attorney who prosecuted the individuals who bombed the 14th St. Baptist Church. The experience was an eye opener for Von Eye, who has been so far removed from these historic events, both relationally and culturally.

"They wanted us to have three real world experiences to help tie the curriculum in as a teacher. In Wyoming, we are so incredibly socially isolated as far as the issues that are playing a predominate part in the rest of the country," Von Eye said.

The teacher hopes to bring this home to his kids, not through lectures but by introducing healthy debate. He did this by introducing a ten minute discussion period at the beginning of each class for his students to vocalize what they've learned and what it means in the grand scheme of things.

"It helps them learn civil discourse, that there's a right and a wrong way to disagree and be able to discuss these issues," Von Eye explained.

The session gives students an opportunity to freely discuss their opinions and beliefs without fear of receiving poor marks. It also instills a means of rebutting another's idea without attacking their identity.

"The approach is so much more engaging. I have kids who generally won't say a word in classes, but they come in here and they have so much that they just want to get out," Von Eye related.

Overall, Von Eye has found the new curriculum to be a resounding success by teaching his students not just lessons in government, but real life skills as well.


"I think that being able to vocalize your thoughts on a very difficult issue and come up with a response on the spot is a very important skill for our students across curriculum. It's a skill they can utilize anywhere they go," Von Eye said.

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“They are asking for an increase in audit fees from what had been quoted, from \$18,000 to \$20,000 and then an additional \$2,000 for accounting assistance, for a total of \$22,000. That is a \$4,000 increase above the \$18,000,” announced James, who shared that the company’s rationale for the increase was the preparation work that was required when Ketel Thorstenson took over the new account. James told the council Goodrich indicated that there were items that needed to be cleaned up, and suggested the lack of a Clerk/Treasurer that was familiar with the information created hardships.

James resigned from the mayor’s position earlier this fall when longtime Clerk/Treasurer Charita Brunner resigned to take a position with Ketel Thorstenson.

“Everything they have asked for has been provided to them. Some things I couldn’t instantly put my hands on. That is why I’m a little taken aback by them asking for this,” asserted James, who said that no specific list of the preparations that justified the price increase was provided.

Councilman Roger Hesper questioned whether or not a contract was signed at the time of the acceptance of the \$18,000 estimate and whether or not the document was binding.

James clarified that it was a letter of engagement that was submitted for that amount. James also explained that what was accepted by the council on March 21 was a professional estimate, and not a complete bid. He indicated that the decision on whether or not to pay



Officers Robert Muschick, Peg Miles, Joshua Pike, Levi Tacy, Brandon Vaughn and Rich Hillhouse, along with dispatchers Tanya Mills, Melissa Stubbs, Sherie Hilgencamp and Genell Rothleuther, received recognition from the Newcastle City Council on November 21 for providing lifesaving techniques to community members. Officer Travis Garhart was also recognized. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

the additional money was up to the council, and that he would provide no recommendation.

City Attorney Jim Peck acknowledged that the document is binding for the \$18,000 in court, but cautioned that Ketel Thorstenson may argue that the quote was given based on the belief that certain information would be provided to them in a specific time frame. As the council’s legal council, he said he supported the recommendation of Councilman Steven Ladwig to have a representative from Ketel Thorstenson come to a future council meeting and justify the increase.

Council President Todd Quigley instructed the council that they had three options—

either vote to support the increase, vote to not support the increase, or vote to table the issue—and the council seemed hesitant to commit to a decision without speaking to a representative of the accounting firm.

“I think we need a lot more information. Without that, I would need to say ‘no,’” professed Sweet when agreeing with Hesper’s motion to table the issue.

The council agreed, and James was instructed to get ahold of Ketel Thorstenson to have them attend the December 5 Newcastle City Council Meeting to justify their request. The audit is scheduled to be completed by the end of December.

City Beats

Notes from the November 21 Newcastle City Council Meeting

- After visiting with Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce Director Susan Love, Pam Brackett attended the Newcastle City Council meeting to request the ability to place either snowmen or Christmas trees along Main Street in the same fashion as the scarecrows were displayed along Main Street as part of a Chamber Halloween promotion. After it was determined that such displays would not hinder snow removal, Brackett was given permission to proceed with distributing invitations to groups and individuals to decorate Main Street for the holidays.
- Councilwoman Kara Sweet shared that she and Councilman Elect Michael Alexander had met recently with the Wyoming Arts Alliance. The Wyoming Arts Alliance met in 17 towns across the state with the purpose of learning the strengths and weaknesses of communities across the state. Sweet expressed hope that the visit could mark the beginning of an effort for the community to access art grants that could ultimately be

- used for the beautification of Newcastle.
- A motion to except the RT Communications franchise agreement was approved on first reading.
- The council approved a motion to cast their votes on the Local Liability Pool’s ballot for Brad Basse of Hot Springs for the at-large position and Tom Wringley of Sheridan County for the County Commissioners position.
- City Clerk/Treasurer Greg James requested that council continue an increase in wages of both of the City Office employees by \$1.50 an hour until the end of the year, and then drop that amount down 50 cents beginning in January. He explained that there is a lack of provision for raises due to educational certification in the Clerk’s office and that no financial strain would come from this increase.
- City Engineer Mike Moore shared with the council that city projects, including the Water Main Improvement and the drilling of Well Number 5, are moving along smoothly.

RENEW from page 1.....

workforce,” RENEW President and CEO Chris Ahlstrom told the News Letter Journal.

According to Ahlstrom, prior to the announcement of the future move, significant changes took place in the environment in which RENEW operates. Specifically in Newcastle, RENEW no longer provides auto detail or recycling services to the community, which makes the current RENEW facility much too large for its needs. As of right now, the building on Fairgrounds Road has not been listed for sale, but Ahlstrom said a number of inquiries have been made into the timing in which it will hit the market.

The CEO said that RENEW would prefer finding an affordable location in the downtown area of Newcastle, with downtown rentals being a preferred option.

“We would welcome any support from the community in finding this new site,” announced Ahlstrom, who indicated that initial inquiries have not provided much availability downtown.

The building they are seeking, would preferably, be a suitable facility to both provide the day services RENEW currently affords to its participants, but also provide an administrative area. Ahlstrom maintained that if a downtown site is not available that will suit their needs, a home close to the downtown area may also work for the group.

He said that changes to the way RENEW, and other providers throughout the state, operate were sparked by requests for change made by the State’s Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD).

“These changes were prompted by the federal government to give guidance as to rules of services that can be covered through Medicaid funding. The new Home and Community Based Settings rules were implemented in order to integrate our participants into their community. The DDD feels that our current location is too remote, and the lack of sidewalks hinders proper access to Newcastle and is a barrier to this community integration,” explained Ahlstrom.

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

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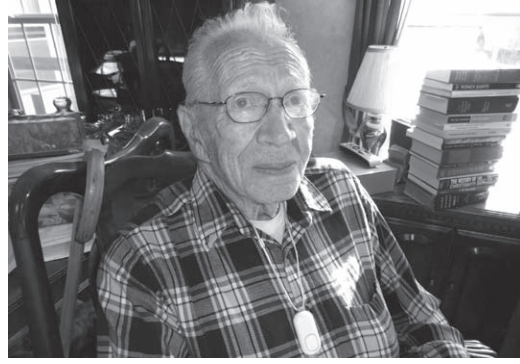


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gave the agency the ability to update the strategy. He noted, however, that such an exercise is extremely time consuming.

"This is a bigger issue than just the Thunder Basin National Grassland," commented Jaeger, who indicated that 58,000 comments were received during the public comment period on the strategy, and professed that it will take a lot of time to sort through all of that input.

Jaeger did agree that the Forest Service needs to work with the counties in which the TBNG is located and discuss alternative ways to deal with the designated pest, or "I will be here next year telling you the same thing." He maintained that there is enough flexibility in the plan to allow for such coordination, but suggested that the challenge is getting the actual work done on the ground due to the large area that has to be covered.

Regardless of which factors had the most impact on the current state of the range occupied by prairie dogs in the TBNG, there was no disagreement over the fact that efforts to regrow forage in these areas continues to suffer as a result of prairie dogs.

"There are some areas that are bare ground, some that look like crap. They are pretty rough," Jaeger admitted.

State Senator Ogden Driskill, R-Devils Tower, was present at the meeting, and predicted that it will take decades to restore what has been lost, and the Weston County Commissioners backed up that claim.

The severity of the prairie dog issue in the Thunder Basin National Grasslands is rated by categories, with a "one" being assigned to the heaviest populations. The commissioners announced to the group that the prairie dog is considered a "designated pest," and that two years ago Category 1 areas

were estimated at 15,900 acres. Now they total nearly 18,000 acres.

Jaeger professed that the expansion of prairie dog colonies— which he said was largely due to the drought experienced in the area— was like nothing he had seen before, and "not just on Forest Service land," but he suggested that a mechanism of natural population control would ultimately impact the problem far more than anything done by the entities represented in the room at the Weston County Fairgrounds last week.

"The last couple years the population has been cycling. We are about the 2000 level, when the last plague came through," announced Jaeger.

Commissioner Tracy Hunt questioned whether dusting for fleas, which carry the plague, is making prairie dog control more or less expensive.

"What they do with the fleas and the dusting doesn't have any affect on the acres we control. We are going to get the plague on the grasslands again. That is going to control the population more than anyone with lethal or non-lethal control methods. When it is going to happen, I don't know. We are at the level when we had the last plague right now, so we're probably going to get it sooner than later, and probably larger than what we saw the last time," Jaeger predicted, explaining that the actual acres that get dusted for the plague, in his opinion, would have no impact on whether or not prairie dogs in the Thunder Basin National Grassland are going to get the plague.

He told the group efforts to control the population until the plague strikes need to be within the realm of what the Forest Service can and can't do, which is based largely on time efficiency, staffing limitations

and budget restraints.

"Where is the biggest bang for the buck?" Jaeger stated.

Commissioner Tony Barton expressed interest in a Draft Charter that Yeager had reported his agency would be working on with a variety of different groups in January or February, but questioned how they were going to solve the problem when money seems to be a concern. He asserted that he would like to see other funding sources explored, and suggested a potential shift in grazing fees to help with prairie dog control. He also suggested lifting shooting bans across the grasslands, but Jaeger indicated that the grazing association would have to approve some of those measures.

"What I would like to explore, and what I would like to hear, is what would you like to see— and how can Weston and Campbell counties and the Weed and Pest Districts and grazing associations— how do we move forward," maintained Jaeger, who expressed hope that the proposed working group can come up with some better recommendations, possibly by looking at the strategy and exploring funding options that may not have been investigated previously.

Local government officials seemed to embrace the idea of working out some of the issues through the efforts of such a group, but cautioned that the federal agency would have to be willing to accept proposals from local entities.

"That working group needs to be put together if you are serious about working with these other groups. The Forest Service, per se, is going to have to be willing to listen and adapt to what we feel is important to our local people and our communities," reasoned Weston County Commission Chair Bill Lambert.

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Dog dispute keeps ferret talk off the table

Fears of a potential reintroduction of the black-footed ferret in the Thunder Basin National Grassland drive many of the concerns expressed by landowners and local government officials at last week's prairie dog control coordination meeting in Weston County, but wildlife and forest service officials say their agencies currently have no plans to bring that endangered species to Weston County.

"The black-footed ferret is on everyone's mind in this room," Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Supervisor Dennis Jaeger said to the group that assembled at the Weston County Event Center last week. "The black-footed ferret is probably one of the most endangered mammals in the world...I manage habitat, the decision on where, when and if the black-footed ferret is released is not mine."

Campbell County Commissioner Matt Avery argued that residents of the Thunder Basin National Grassland area survived this long without the black-footed ferret, and suggested that if someone wants to put them somewhere else, that is fine with him. Tyler Abbott of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services reported, however, that opinions on reintroduction of the endangered species varies considerably.

"Some places have a high value on the black-footed ferret and some don't...I can appreciate why you don't like to see them there, but there are folks that would like to see them out there. It is not one person making that decision," he declared.

Abbott explained that his agency is working with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department on reintroduction, but indicated the decision on where to reintroduce the ferret is left with WGF Director Scott Talbot, who he said has a general sense of the different people in the area and their different value sets.

"It is fair to say as a state wildlife agency...we have a vested interest in restoring the black-footed ferret population because of the federal listing issue," admitted Justin Binfet, a wildlife biologist with WGF based in Douglas.

Avery asserted that he is worried that if the animal does get reintroduced in the TBNG, the landowners will have no say or control, even on their own property, and Weston County Commissioner Marty Ertman maintained that the term "reintroduction" should be changed to "introduce" because she has seen no scientific proof that the black-footed ferret ever occupied the Thunder Basin National Grassland.

Regardless, it seems as if the current battle of prairie dog control is a substantial obstacle to introduction of the black-footed ferret— which dine on the dogs and live in their burrows.

"Right now our position is pretty clear in the Thunder Basin... We are not interested in trying to reestablish the black-footed ferret in the Thunder Basin until there is a consensus made with prairie dog management control between the landowner community and the Forest Service," Binfet professed.

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Mark Christensen, Donny Munger and Lane Zerbst discuss their plan of attack. The firefighting exercise last Thursday evening was a standard simulation to prepare the brigade for the types of fires they will be dealing with during the winter. (Andy McKay/NLJ)

FACING THE FLAMES

Fire Department tested by simulation

Andy McKay
NLJ Reporter

While the threat of wild-fires was essentially buried for another year under the first snows of the season, emergency responders know that winter doesn't really give them a break. It only changes the type of fire that crews must be ready to tackle, and the Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department prepared last week for the type of structure fires that are more likely to be ignited when wood stoves and fireplaces start getting lit as temperatures grow colder.

Last Thursday evening, a standard firefighting simulation was scheduled at the Newcastle Fire Hall that was designed to evaluate and prepare the local brigade for a fire at a natural resource complex, but as luck would have it, the exercise was delayed when the emergency dispatcher called in a reported fire.

Distant sirens sprang to life as the fire fighters cursed their bad luck. With it being the first chilly night of the year, they hoped wistfully that it was just smoke from a wood burning stove because a real emergency would mean all of of the preparations for the scheduled simulation had been for naught.

The minutes slowly ticked by as they waited for confirmation of whether it was a false alarm or not, and when the call suddenly came, it was just a wood stove after all.

The fire trucks reset to their original positions, and after a 20 minute delay, a scenario that would feature fires fed by easily combustible carbon fuels and prove to require a rescue and onsite medical attention officially began.

Nick Brooks of Black Thunder Coal Mine was in charge of planning and organizing the simulation, and he has a storied history of realistic scenarios to test even the most experienced of firefighters. Brooks had gathered the firemen at the Fire Hall prior to the false alarm to give them a brief rundown of the operation, though it was hardly more than instructing them to use a non-emergency radio frequency.

The rest would be a surprise.

With little ceremony, Brooks announced the meeting was over, and the volunteers quickly leapt to their feet and raced to 'bunker up,' or put on their standard gear, which they did quicker than you would think. They clamored into three firetrucks and drove off into the night.

Staying on scene was local Explorer Post #22, an organization of high school students who are given basic training as firefighters and provide assistance at fires, which took part in the simulation as well. Local ambulances, however, were absent due to a timing conflict.

Brooks wanted to make the simulation as real as possible, and had the three trucks dispersed around the community to provide a realistic response time. One was nearby at the

firefighters (i.e. the Explorers) already on the scene. The new arrivals were told the natural gas fire was under control, and instead directed them to a trough of diesel fuel that had caught fire. Bright orange tongues of flame danced as it gave off a dense black exhaust.

Grabbing a fire extinguisher, one of the firemen cautiously approached the large fire pit as the other intercepted a distraught worker who had escaped a nearby office. The



Top: Bryan Taylor stands back while a chainsaw tears into a building where firemen are trapped. Bottom: Paul Eitel and Donny Munger douse the flames. (Andy McKay/NLJ)

high school and the other two were in the Shopko parking lot.


The Explorers stayed on scene, as their part was to play the fire crew that responded first and was working to put out a fire coming from a natural gas ground valve. Fire issued from its two openings, but it didn't seem very serious.

The first actual firetruck responded and reported to the

first fireman set about suffocating the diesel flames as the other listened to the worker, who insisted someone was still trapped in the office building.

The building to which he pointed was actually a large railroad shipping container, but natural resources have seen cutbacks in recent years so

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Simulation

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the fireman knew better than to ask questions. It only had one door, and billowed trails of smoke escaped through its cracks, betraying the thick smog within. By this time the other fireman, after much coaxing, had finally dispersed the diesel fire.

With the diesel fire extinguished, the two firemen went to prepare for an excursion into the dark abyss awaiting them. To make a headlong rescue attempt into the thick smoke would be suicide, so a successful mission required prudence and preparedness. Instead, some armed themselves with breathing apparatuses and axes as others turned off the building's electric and gas utilities.

Luckily, a second truck was pulling onto the scene to offer their support for the rescue mission, but no sooner had it turned into the parking lot than the thundering sound of a catastrophic bang erupted through the night. At the ground valve, the once two small flames were now raging infernos. The change was instant and harrowing—it was as if the caverns of hell had unleashed their fury upon us lowly mortals—and the entire grounds were bathed in its fierce light.

The second truck was quickly dispatched to contain the new threat as the first responders remained to rescue the trapped victim in the container. The first task for the second truck was to see to the Explorers who now laid prone around the ground valve, apparently injured from the explosion. It was difficult to tell if anyone survived the violent eruption as they all lay still and unresponsive.

The most serious concern was a fallen "fire fighter" who was on fire, and was approached first as the natural gas fire flared overhead. The victim was a dummy whose head had been smashed in and was morbidly lying on the ground with a fire kindling in its chest. The "emergency responder" was pronounced dead on the scene, and rescue workers quickly shifted their attention to those they could save.

Two firemen teamed up to first carry the unconscious victims away from danger, and then to the third fire engine to receive medical attention. This last truck had quickly followed the second and now worked diligently to set up a safe location where the victims could be housed.



A fireman rescues a burning dummy during the simulation. (Andy McKay/NLJ)

Meanwhile, the first engine had not been idle and had mounted a rescue mission into the dark, smoke-filled office. The smoke was so thick visibility was limited to a foot or less, even when pierced by the bright lights carried by the rescuers. Despite the lack of visibility, a pair of rescuers quickly returned with a young girl in hand, but no sooner had they escaped the smoky peril than she flung herself against her rescuers, determined to return to find her father, who was still confined within the death trap.

One fireman remained to restrain the frantic girl, and she beat a furious attack against her recent savior, accusing him of not doing his job to save her father in loud shrieks. He

responded with comforting words and only held her back when she tried to rise while the rest of the crew reassembled to mount another assault on the smoky fortress.

Two fresh firemen entered the building through the doorway and disappeared into the shroud of darkness beyond. The team found the man further in the building and turned back, but they hadn't gone far before the ceiling above the entryway collapsed, blocking their only exit. They were trapped, and sounded a forlorn May Day.

The firemen outside realized something terrible had just happened, and responded quickly. They located the trapped team and led them to a thin section of the container's wall—it was only plywood—by tapping on its outside.

An axe head suddenly broke through the plywood from the inside, and the outside crew, now with a definitive confirmation of where the trapped team was, brought out a chainsaw to cut through the wall. They made short work of it, and the two firemen and their charge were soon pulled from danger.

Throughout the entire process the fire was still raging over at the ground valve, and it showed no sign of burning itself out since it was connected to a steady supply of fuel.

The commanding officer determined that its valves needed to be shut, and the fact that the valves were right where the flamethrower spouted its fire was just an inconvenient detail.

After some difficulty with a missing gasket, the second engine had connected to a nearby fire hydrant to suppress the cruel flames, and two hoses were procured and manned by two firemen apiece. The challenge of fighting the fire was its constant supply of highly combustible fuel, and the plan was to open the nozzle up as much as possible. This would not only help drown the fire, but also form a large heat shield around the firemen.

With a plan in place, they set to implement it. The men looked like knights fighting a fierce dragon as they approached the giant inferno. Its flames glanced off the water barrier as if it were a magical shield. As they inched closer and closer, the fire diminished until it finally died. One of the firemen closed the valve, and they fell back to regroup and charge the second one. It was similarly suppressed, and the long simulation finally ended.

Local fire crews had worked diligently and efficiently, never becoming overwhelmed by a situation regardless of how overwhelming or suddenly it came about.

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Too many stars?

Last July, I watched with great anticipation—mixed with a little bit of trepidation—as the



Sonja Karp
Karpe Dogie

Golden State Warriors signed Oklahoma City Thunder superstar Kevin Durant to their roster.

And I wasn't alone.

This move was one of the most publicized, and criticized, transitions that the NBA has seen in awhile. Motivation for recruiting KD was obvious for the Warriors – more star power should improve their chances to regain the championship title that eluded them last season. Motivation for KD was also kind of apparent – a better chance for a championship ring if he plays on a team with guys like Steph Curry, Klay Thompson and Draymond Green, to name just a few.

However, as this season got underway, the question of whether or not there was too much star power on the Warriors roster began to be asked. How many stars are too many?

Steph and Klay have been the Splash Brothers, lighting up the boards as the team's two leading scorers. Last season, Curry led with 30.1 points per game and Thompson was second with 22.1. Meanwhile, Durant led the Thunder while averaging 28.2 points per game.

The question on many people's minds was—will these three superstars be able to share the spotlight, or will having too many on one team actually hurt the Warriors in the end?

Early in the season Golden State seemed to struggle, and Thompson in particular had a rough time finding his rhythm within this new dynamic.

After the squad lost their first pre-season contest, people began to speculate whether the Warriors were going to be able to live up to the expectations.

The second regular season

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Winter athletes get to work

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Both the Dogie Dome and the nearby Newcastle High School practice gym were filled on Monday with the sound of squeaking shoes and basketballs being dribbled. The wrestling room just down the hall was filled with grapplers working hard to get in shape, and as an icy blast blew in from the north that afternoon, another group of guys was making waves in the pool.

The winter sports' season has gotten off to its official start.

The Dogie men's swimming program that was resurrected a year ago returns two sophomore stars and a few more experienced athletes this season as they look to expand on the foundation that was built last season, and stability at the helm should bode well for that process, as head coach Doug Scribner and diving coach Hannah Cummings both return to the deck.

There is also a great deal of talent returning to the mat for the Dogie wrestlers, as head coach Lee McCoy began preparation for another season of combined effort from the grapplers at both Newcastle and Upton High Schools.

Both basketball squads bid adieu to several seniors last season, but are returning players with talent and varsity experience. The Dogies' coaching staff remains the same, with Allen Von Eye as the head coach, and he is once again assisted by Matt Conzelman and Scott Beehler. The Lady Dogies bring back head coach Tyler Bartlett and junior varsity coach Chad Ostenson, but there is a new addition to the ladies' coaching staff with Bryce Hoffman taking over the freshman position. Former freshmen coach Cami Clarke has committed to the middle school program.

The season for all four sports will kick off on the second weekend in December, but the fans in Newcastle will have the opportunity to get a sneak peek at the



Clockwise from top: Rachel Ehlers and Kaprina Jones giggle as Coach Chad Ostenson puts them through their paces; Wyatt Corley and Bailey Domina work on their stance; Cameron Quigley demonstrates how to take a charge from teammate Cade Ostenson. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

Dogie and Lady Dogie basketball teams in the 10th annual Meet the Dogies pre-season scrimmage. That event will take place this Saturday beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the ladies leading the way, followed by the men. The three-point contest and team shooting competitions will close out the evening.

"This is a great opportunity for our community to be able to see this year's

team take the floor for the first time in a controlled scrimmage," Von Eye began. "This year, both the boys' and girls' teams will be made up of a mixture of Varsity and JV kids. This will be a great opportunity for our very young team to garner some "game" like experience before our tournament in Buffalo next

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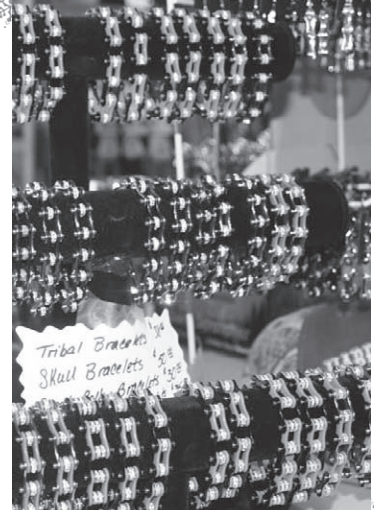
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The NAPA torch has been passed



Kim Reiniger provides assistance to a frequent NAPA customer, Tom Farnsworth, while former owner John Burrell looks on. (Andy McKay/NLJ)

Andy McKay
 NLJ Reporter

Longtime NAPA owners John and Cindy Burrell have passed the keys to their establishment on to the next generation of auto parts salesmen in Newcastle, Josh and Kim Reiniger. The move came as the Burrells hoped to make a smooth transition into retirement, but was several years in the making as they wanted to ensure the new owners would provide the same level of support and service residents have come to expect from their local NAPA store.

Though the NAPA store has been a community icon in its present location for decades, it originally began as a Big A Auto Parts. The Burrells opened the first shop in 1985 a little west of NAPA's current location, near the Short Stop, though they later purchased their current building and moved the shop there.

The decision to take up the NAPA brand came after the local Big A distribution center was liquidated.

"After Big A was bought out, we needed to find another supplier. Larry Emmert owned NAPA then, but he was looking to retire. So we bought him out and moved his inventory over to our shop," John reported.

The rest is history. The Burrell's long tenure with NAPA was born from John's extensive experience as a mechanic and a manager.

Cindy began her career here in Newcastle as a bookkeeper at First State Bank before dedicating herself to raising her children. The work experience came

in handy as she was the force behind the never ending stream of bookwork that comes with owning a business.

Though every day has been an adventure, the Burrells are very ready to have some leisurely time to themselves.

"I'm looking forward to not having to get up at 5:30 every morning," Cindy confessed.

The Burrells have some property north of Spearfish which they plan to move to in the upcoming weeks. The decision largely stems from its close proximity to one of their daughters and her family.

"We're anxious to get over there to be with our grandkids," John explained.

While they are moving away from Newcastle, the Burrells continue to be gracious for the community's support all these years.

"We want to extend a very big thank you to all of our past customers in both Weston County and the surrounding area. They've been a very loyal customer base, and without them we would not have had the success we had for 31 and a half years," John said.

The Reinigers are well aware they have big shoes to fill and are anxious for their chance to provide the community with great service.

"John and Cindy have a really great business here. We hope to continue the great customer service that everyone has come to expect," Kim stated.

The longtime owner is confident in his successor's ability to perform.

"I know they'll do everyone a very good

job," John said. He added, "Their business is growing, which is a good thing."

The Reinigers seem to be a mirror image of the Burrells when they first started. Like John, Josh has years of hands-on experience as a mechanic and has experience in owning a business. And just like Cindy, Kim too worked at First State Bank. She was an assistant auditor, though she also utilized her expertise at home.

"I worked in the basement and no one knew I worked there. I have a degree in accounting, and I guess that since I did all of our books before, I'll just keep doing them," Kim said with a smile.

Josh was a heavy equipment technician, but wanted to stay closer to home, especially after becoming a family man when the couple's daughter, Hailey, was born.

"I was looking for something related to what I have experience in, and lets me stay near home. This does both, and I thought this seemed like a good, family friendly environment too," Josh explained.

Bringing in his past experience as a diesel mechanic, Josh has decided to augment NAPA's current inventory.

"We're planning on bringing in heavy truck parts. It's just a whole other line of parts that is different from everything else. You don't type in a year and model, you have to actually know what part your customer is looking for. It's completely opposite of the auto stuff," Josh attested.

Rather than leap out for retirement as quickly as possible, the Burrells decided to stay for an extra month to mentor the new owners and help acclimate them to the business. While auto parts and running a business is nothing new to Josh, a period of having a knowledgeable support to lean on has surely been an indispensable asset.

"We've had our own business for awhile now," Josh affirmed. "I've done plenty of mechanic work contracting out with other companies."

His work took him far and wide, over state lines and long miles from home.

"[Josh] traveled a lot: Denver, Utah, Montana, eastern North Dakota, even Wisconsin. He covered a lot of territory," Kim confirmed.

As an experienced specialist, Josh was called in for repair projects when a company's mechanics couldn't crack the problem.

"Most of my customers hire me to fix something their mechanic can't. You don't pay eight hours of drive time because there's no mechanic between here and there," Josh shared pragmatically.

Despite the extra per diem rates, Josh was kept busy. The constant, and often unexpected, travel began to take its toll as the new father often spent hours far away from home. He needed to find some way to keep his daughter close, but bringing her with wasn't a viable option.

"Babies just aren't very common on the job site," Josh joked. "I spent pretty much all summer working and wasn't seeing very much of my family."

Athletes from page 11

weekend. We ask that people bring a non-perishable food good to put in the drop box for the price of admission, so that we can help our local food drive while supporting our boys' and girls' basketball teams."

"We're excited to get things started this week," Bartlett exclaimed. "We bring back four seniors who all played important roles on last year's team, and were a big part of the success we enjoyed. We also are excited to bring back Taylor Spain, who has not played the last two years due to injury, but is coming back to play her senior year. We also bring back three other players who have seen varsity time, but otherwise we are rather young

and inexperienced. This means we'll more than likely suit up 13 or 14 kids for Meet the Dogies, just to see how different players respond to that environment. We won't know who all will actually make up our varsity roster until later in the year."

The Dogie wrestlers will be the first to start competition when they travel to Custer to dual the Wildcats on December 8, and they will compete at the Rapid City Invite the following two days. The Dogie boys basketball team will kick things off at the East/West Challenge in Buffalo on December 9 and 10, while their female counterparts will make the trip to Cody for



The Dogie Swimmers were excited to get back in the pool and build on last year's success. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

their own East/West Challenge on the same days. The swimmers will have to wait an extra week to taste competition, but they're the only squad that gets to open the 16-17 season at

home. They'll host a triangular on December 16 and welcome a couple of additional squads to the Kozisek Aquatic Center the following day for an invitational.

Karp from page 11

game pitted Golden State against Kevin Durant's old team – the Oklahoma City Thunder – and it was evident tensions were high between KD and his former teammates. It was also apparent that the Warriors were making sure Durant was able to shine very bright in the dominant 122-96 victory. The team play that evening sparked a ray of hope that the members of this star-studded squad were coming around.

However, rumors began to fly that Thompson was either thinking of leaving Golden State or that the franchise was looking to trade him for someone with more size. That he was not performing up to his normal standards early on didn't

help quell the speculation.

Despite head coach Steve Kerr's adamant denial that Thompson's tenure with the team was tenuous, the rumors continued to fly.

As the season has progressed, Thompson, Curry and Durant – along with the rest of a very talented bench – seemed to begin to find their groove, and as of last Saturday, they've jumped out to a 15-2 record to start the season.

Durant and Curry have been the leading scorer in six games each and Thompson has led the squad in two contests. He has also scored 20 or more points in eight games, and has never scored less than 10.

As the team took the court Monday night against Atlanta, they were on an 11 game winning streak, and had scored no less than 104 points per game.

So far it seems as though the answer to the question of whether or not the Warriors are a big enough franchise to sustain the star power on their roster looks to be a yes.

As a big fan of Golden State – and of the Splash Brothers – I am hoping they continue to show how good they can be, and that Klay remains with his team. As excited as I have been about Kevin Durant joining the squad, I would rather see him go than the guys who have made the Warriors the juggernaut they've become.

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3 pre-winter lawn care pointers

Winter weather can be harsh, especially on lawns. Homeowners who spend much of spring and summer tending to their lawns may fear the impact that winter will have on their once-lush landscapes, making the fall a great time to fortify lawns against any harsh conditions to come.

Homeowners must take grass type into consideration before taking steps to prepare their lawns for the winter. Some grasses are best fertilized in late-summer, while others should be fertilized in autumn. Cool-season grasses, including fescue and bluegrass, are best fertilized sometime between the months of September and November. Warm-season grasses, such as Bermuda or zoysia, should be fertilized between July and September. Once homeowners have gained a greater understanding of their lawns, they can begin exploring the various ways to prepare their lawns for whatever winter has in store.

1. Explore winterizing fertilizers.
Homeowners who want to make their grasses more winter hardy can consult landscaping professionals to determine if winterizing fertilizers will work for their lawns. These specially formulated fertilizers, many of which are made exclusively for cool-season grasses, contain higher levels of potassium and lower levels of nitrogen than early-season fertilizers. Potassium helps strengthen and harden plants, and cool-season grasses may need extra potassium as winter settles in. Homeowners who are not sure if they should apply winterizing fertilizer can conduct soil tests to determine the potassium levels in their soil. If the test indicates the soil has sufficient potassium, then applying a winterizing fertilizer is likely unnecessary. In addition, homeowners who have fed their lawn a balance of nutrients throughout spring and summer likely will not need to apply winterizing fertilizer.

2. Get rid of fallen leaves.
While fallen leaves may be integral components of idyllic autumn landscapes, leaves left on the lawn throughout the winter may lead to disease in the grass. Leaves trap moisture and block sunlight and air from reaching grass, and that can encourage the development of disease. In addition, leaves can harbor insects that also may contribute to disease. While it might seem like common sense to delay leaf removal until the end of autumn when all the leaves have fallen, that, too, can prove harmful to lawns. Leaves left laying on lawns for long periods of time can contribute to the same types of damage as leaves left on the lawn throughout winter, so do your best to remove leaves as they fall.

3. Take steps to fight snow mold.
Homeowners who live in regions where snow falls into spring or where spring tends to be cold and damp may want to take steps to prevent snow mold. Gray snow mold typically looks fuzzy and gray, and lawns infested with snow mold may develop unsightly gray or brown spots indicative of dead grass. Pink snow mold may be even worse than gray snow mold because pink mold attacks the roots as well as the leaves. To prevent snow mold, continue mowing into the fall, even as lawns grow dormant, clearing the lawn of grass clippings and leaves after each mow. Thick lawns may provide a breeding ground for snow mold, so homeowners whose lawns have a history of developing snow mold may benefit from mowing their lawns into the fall.

Winter is rarely easy on lawns, but homeowners can take several steps to prepare their lawns for potentially harsh winter weather.

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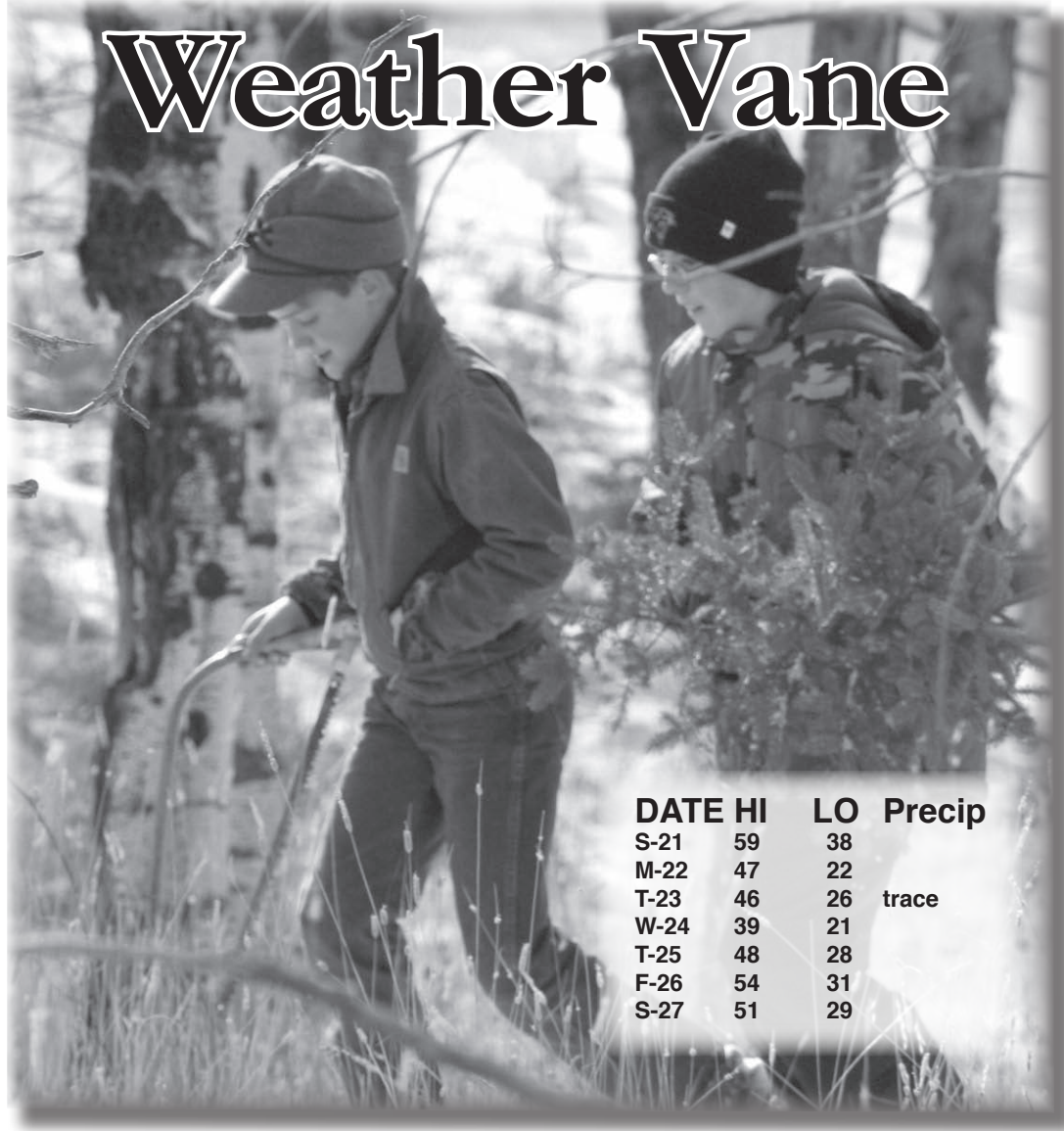
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Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") dated 11/07/2011 executed and delivered by Gerald J. Gesinger, ("Mortgagor") to Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Guild Mortgage Company, a California Corporation, and which Mortgage was recorded on 11/09/2011, as Reception No. 731214 Book 332 Page 0835 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: Guild Mortgage Company
 Assignment dated: 08/18/2016
 Assignment recorded: 08/31/2016
 Assignment recording information: Reception No. 761847 Book 368 Page 645
 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 \$120,717.36 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$112,426.11 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$3,662.38 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 Guild Mortgage Company, 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 AM o'clock in the forenoon on 12/06/2016 at the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main, Newcastle, Wyoming, Weston County for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT SEVEN (7) IN BLOCK TWO (2), BLACK HILLS VIEW ADDITION TO THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING

With an address of: 109 Frontier Ave. Newcastle, WY 82701.

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Foreclosure Notice

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE #2

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note ("Note") and real estate mortgage ("Mortgage"). The Mortgage dated August 6, 2002, was executed and delivered by Dale L. Heberling and Muriel L. Heberling, Husband and Wife ("Mortgagor(s)") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS") acting solely as nominee for Wallick and Volk Inc., its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date, and said Mortgage was recorded on August 12, 2002, at Reception No. 653958 in Book 258 at Page 931 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: MidFirst Bank, A Federally Chartered Savings Association
 Assignment dated: August 3, 2016
 Assignment recorded: August 24, 2016
 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 761793 in Book 368 at Page 557

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 \$38,912.87 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$36,273.37 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$1,968.94, plus other costs in the amount of \$670.56, 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 search the status of title before submitting a bid;

NOW, THEREFORE MidFirst Bank, A Federally Chartered Savings Association, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on December 6, 2016 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 25 North Sumner, Newcastle, Wyoming, Weston County, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

LOT TWO (2), BLOCK TWO (2), EAST ADDITION TO NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING;

with an address of 4 West Park Street, Newcastle, Wyoming 82701.

Together with all improvements thereon situated and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto. Dated this 3rd day of October, 2016.

MidFirst Bank,
 A Federally Chartered Savings Association
 By: Tamara Schroeder Crolla, #6-3976
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 123 West 1st Street, Suite 433
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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PROPOSED JOINT PURPA IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF CERTAIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES AND PETITION FOR WAIVER

Basin Electric Power Cooperative ("Basin Electric") and its Member-owners joining in this petition are Agralite Electric Cooperative, Big Flat Electric Co-op., Inc., Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc., Bon Homme Yankton Electric Association, Inc., Burke-Divide Electric Cooperative, Inc., Butte Electric Cooperative, Inc., Cam Wal Electric Cooperative, Inc., Capital Electric Cooperative, Inc., Central Electric Cooperative, Inc., Central Montana Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., Central Power Electric Cooperative, Inc., Charles Mix Electric Association, Inc., Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative, Inc., City of Elk Point, Clay-Union Electric Corporation, Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc., Crow Wing Cooperative Power and Light Company, Dakota Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc., East River Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., FEM Electric Association, Inc., Fergus Electric Cooperative, Inc., Goldenwest Electric Coop, Inc., Grand Electric Cooperative, Inc., H-D Electric Cooperative, Inc., Hill County Electric Cooperative, Inc., KEM Electric Cooperative, Inc., Kingsbury Electric Cooperative, Inc., L & O Power Cooperative, Lacreek Electric Association, Inc., Lake Region Electric Association, Inc., Lower Yellowstone Rural Electric Cooperative, Lyon Rural Electric Cooperative, Lyon-Lincoln Electric Cooperative, Inc., Marias River Electric Cooperative, Inc., McCone Electric Co-op., Inc., McKenzie Electric Cooperative, Inc., McLean Electric Cooperative, Inc., Mid- Yellowstone Electric Cooperative, Minnesota Valley Cooperative Light & Power Association, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc., Moreau-Grand Electric Cooperative, Inc., Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative, North Central Electric Cooperative, Inc., Northern Electric Cooperative, Inc., Northern Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc., NorVal Electric Cooperative, Inc., Oahe Electric Cooperative, Inc., Osceola Electric Cooperative, Inc., Park Electric Cooperative, Inc., Powder River Energy Corporation, Redwood Electric Cooperative, Renville-Sibley Co-op Power Association, Rosebud Electric Cooperative, Inc., Roughrider Electric Cooperative, Inc., Rushmore Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., Sheridan Electric Co-op., Inc., Sioux Valley-Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc., Slope Electric Cooperative, Inc., South Central Electric Association, Southeast Electric Cooperative, Inc., Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc., Sun River Electric Cooperative, Inc., Tongue River Electric Cooperative, Inc., Traverse Electric Cooperative, Inc., Union County Electric Cooperative, Inc., Upper Missouri G & T Electric Cooperative, Inc., Verendrye Electric Cooperative, West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc., West River Electric Association, Inc., Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Yellowstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. hereby give notice of their proposed Joint PURPA Implementation Plan ("Implementation Plan") to implement jointly their obligations under Section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA") and under Part 292 of the Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). Section 210 was enacted to encourage production of electric energy by qualifying cogeneration and small power production facilities ("QFs"). Basin Electric and the Participating Members further give notice that on or after January 1, 2017, they will file with FERC a joint petition for waiver of certain obligations under Section 292.303 of the FERC's Regulations.

Part 292 of FERC's Regulations sets forth the requirements regarding arrangements between electric utilities and QFs. Part 292 requires electric utilities to purchase and sell energy and capacity from and to QFs. Under the proposed Implementation Plan (and subject to

terms and conditions imposed pursuant thereto), Basin Electric and the Participating Members would agree to (1) permit any QF to interconnect with the transmission or distribution system of any Participating Member to the extent such QF is entitled to interconnection under Part 292; (2) permit any QF with a capacity of 150 kW or more to sell energy and capacity to Basin Electric at rates that comply with Part 292 to the extent that (a) a Participating Member would otherwise be required to purchase from such QF and (b) the QF delivers power to the Participating Member's system at a point where the Participating Member provides retail service with energy purchased from Basin Electric; and (3) permit any QF, regardless of capacity, to purchase supplementary, backup, maintenance and interruptible power on either a firm or nonfirm basis from a Participating Member at rates that comply with Part 292. The proposed Implementation Plan may be modified based on public comments, FERC's response to the petition for waiver described below, or otherwise as appropriate.

The proposed Implementation Plan is available for review by interested parties at the offices of Basin Electric. Copies will be sent to interested parties upon request. Written comments on the proposed Implementation Plan must be submitted on or before December 11, 2016, to Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Attention: Dave Raatz, Vice President Cooperative Planning, 1717 E. Interstate Ave., Bismarck, ND 58503 or by emailing purpa@bepec.com. Copies of written comments will be made available to interested parties. In addition, any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed Implementation Plan by submitting a written request to the above address no later than December 11, 2016. If timely and properly requested, one or more hearings on the Implementation Plan will take place prior to the FERC filing referenced below. Details regarding the date, time and location of any such hearing(s) will be sent to each person requesting a hearing. A representative of Basin Electric and the Participating Members will be present at the hearing(s).

In connection with the proposed Implementation Plan, and pursuant to Section 292.402 of FERC's Regulations, on or after January 1, 2017, Basin Electric, on behalf of itself and the Participating Members, intends to apply for a waiver of certain obligations under Section 292.303 of FERC's Regulations which, if granted, would result in all purchases from QFs being made by Basin Electric and all sales to QFs interconnected with the Participating Members being made by the Participating Members. More information on the waiver request is provided in the Implementation Plan. Persons wishing to comment on the waiver request should follow the procedures for written and oral comments on the Joint PURPA Implementation Plan.

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Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing for a budget amendment for Fiscal Year 2017 will be held on December 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., at the meeting of the Weston County Board of Commissioners. Revenues of \$1424.60 and \$90.52 were received by the County, and must be documented and accounted for in the FY 2017 budget. Any and all persons interested may appear and be heard regarding this budget amendment. The entire budget is available for public inspection in the Office of the County Clerk, One West Main, Newcastle, WY from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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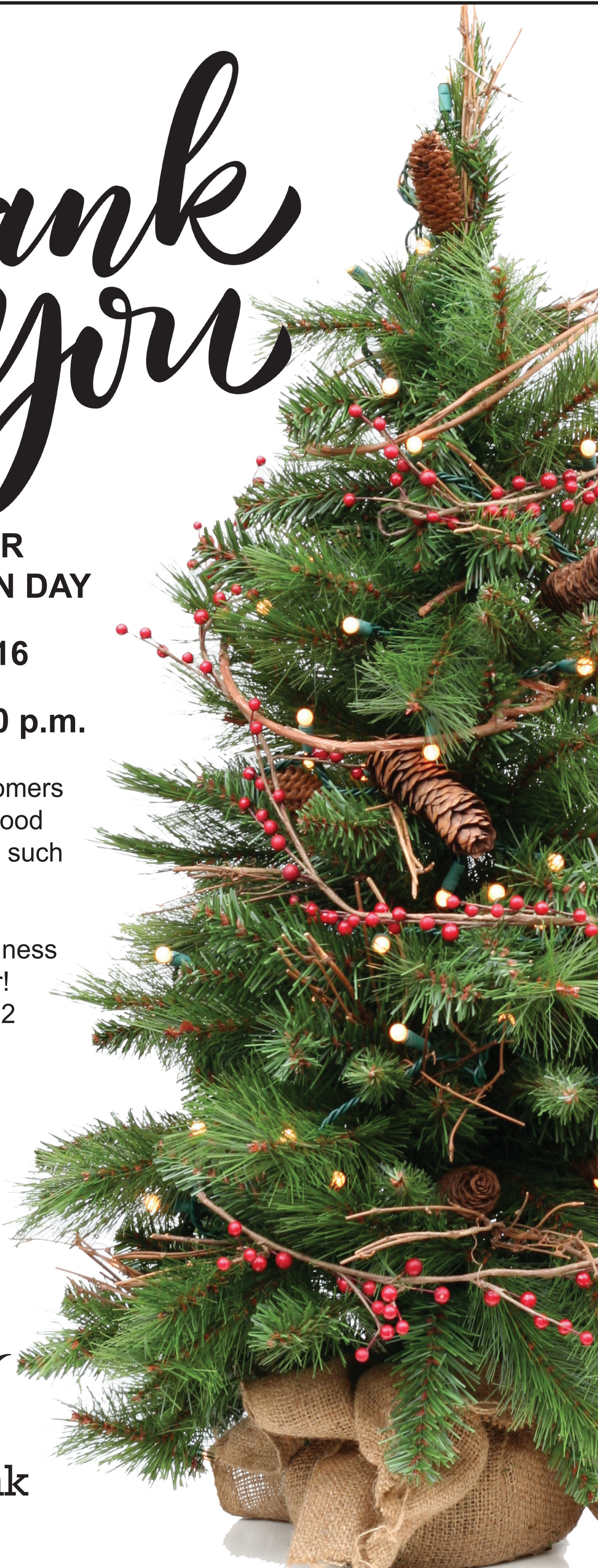
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