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Funds for a healthy forest

Plenty of money available for tree thinning

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

The war against the mountain pine beetle is over across much of this region, and that has allowed the

Wyoming State Forestry Division to shift its focus towards overall forest health.

"It's the next step, and what we want to promote. We need a healthy forest," Assistant District Forester Jeremy Dedic told the News Letter Journal.

He explained that during the mountain pine beetle epidemic, the battle was being fought over certain hot spots and they were simply treating the symptoms of the issues.

The long-term success of the forest—on both government and private land—requires that officials take the next step to improve the health of the forest across the area to ensure the epidemic doesn't make a comeback.

"We reduced the bug population to where it is not an issue like it was before, but the conditions are still there for the epidemic to start back up. The forest is too thick," reported Dedic, who insisted forest thinning projects are essential to improving the

overall health of the forest.

He indicated that thinning not only helps defend against future beetle epidemics, but also helps trees survive drought and aids in the prevention of wildfires. Additionally, thinning gives trees a greater ability to grow and be more vigorous—or healthier.

Dedic acknowledged that a number of programs to help fund thinning projects are available through Wyoming State Forestry and also through the local Conservation District, but said

that recent changes in the marketplace have made it possible for commercial operations to profit from such work again.

"The commercial aspect is something we couldn't have sold a year ago...What has changed over the last year is the market for the stuff that we consider pre-sawlog," revealed Dedic.

Sawlogs will make their way to a sawmill, but other trees can be turned

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The ultimate price



Danny Bau bows his head during a prayer to honor the fallen on Memorial Day at the Greenwood Cemetery. Members of the VFW, American Legion and Women's Auxiliary along with members of the public gathered to pay their respects to the men and women that made the ultimate sacrifice defending our nation. See more Memorial Day photos on page 9. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

Back To The Basics

Hospital sets goals in strategic plan

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

It is understandable that hospital officials have been focused largely on the ongoing renovation and expansion of Weston County Health Services in recent years, but with that project nearing completion, decision-makers are shifting their attention to other changes that can be made to improve the operation once the construction is finished.

After months spent gathering information from multiple sources and through consultations with department heads throughout Weston

County Health Services, a strategic plan has been developed and approved by the board. The focus of this strategic plan is "getting back to the basics" according to CEO Maureen Cadwell.

"We are getting back to the basics...the basics for us. We want to get back to our mission statement, and then to our vision," revealed Cadwell.

She explained that this involves providing accessible and compassionate care at a high level. The hospital also wants to provide a caring environment and improve the overall health of the community, which encompasses the entirety of Weston County.

"When we put together the strategic plan, we focused on certain things. Part of this was revisiting our mission, visions and values," commented

Cadwell, who suggested that the goals developed by hospital officials in the creation of the strategic plan indicate a desire to get back to the things listed in the mission and vision statements—or back to the basics. Cadwell explained that the goals fall under six identified pillars that include quality and safety, service, financial, people, growth and community.

WCHS plans to pay particular attention to four different areas for potential growth this year—home health and in-home services, mammograms, pharmacist services and wound care services.

Cadwell acknowledged a long-held desire for the facility to offer mammography services, and said she hopes

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Newcastle Hardware closing its doors

Bob Bonnar
NLJ Associate Publisher

The pink and neon green signs created a festive checker-board display in the front of the stone building on Main Street—as they were in fact designed to do—but the message on the largest of the signs was anything but festive.

"Store closing," it simply said. Most residents learned that the store would be going out of business when the colorful signs were placed in the windows of Newcastle Hardware over the weekend, but others were informed when they received a letter inviting them personally to a "huge store closing sale."

"We are closing our doors forever. All of our merchandise, store fixtures, furniture and equipment must be sold," the letter signed by owners Chris and Janet Mueller states.

The letter indicates that it is their intent to liquidate all of the merchandise in the store—including hand tools, power tools, cleaning supplies, lawn and garden, paints, electrical, plumbing and fasteners—and it invites the store's most loyal customers to attend a special early event that will be held from June 1 to June 7.

"Only those who receive an invitation are invited. However, feel free to bring a friend or relative who did not receive an invitation as your guest. You will have the first opportunity to shop and save on our entire inventory before many items are sold out," the letter indicated.

Newcastle Hardware was closed over the weekend, and a sign on the door indicated the business will open again at 8 a.m. on Thursday.

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Busting at the seams

Census Bureau reports Newcastle grew through economic downturn

Bob Bonnar
NLJ Associate Publisher

Wyoming endured its first population decrease of the decade in 2016, but Newcastle and Weston County didn't suffer the same fate according to a report released by the Wyoming Department of Administration and Information.

Population estimates released by the U.S. Census Bureau indicated that Newcastle's population actually grew by 10—from 3,525 to 3,535—from 2015 to 2016, which spurred an even slighter increase in county population for the same period (7,230 to 7,236).

While small, the population increase actually made Newcastle the state's tenth-fastest growing city

of 2,000 or more for last year, with a growth rate of .3 percent, which also runs counter to the trend seen in most Wyoming cities in the wake of an energy bust.

"Because of the downturn in the energy industry, Wyoming's total population in 2016 was 1,054 less than the previous year (or -0.2%), the first decline since 1990," a press release from the State of Wyoming's Chief Economist, Wenlin Liu, stated. "The contraction rate in the 99 cities and towns, in combination, was 0.3 percent during the same period."

A total of 13 Wyoming cities showed population growth based on the census bureau's estimates, led by Cheyenne's estimated one percent growth, which was represented by the addition of 615 residents. Kemmerer was the only other city to enjoy growth of one percent, while nine cities and towns across the state experienced population loss of at least one percent, led by Casper's decrease of 979 residents (1.6 percent).

"After a loss of nearly 1,000 residents, Casper's total population dropped below the 60,000 mark again in 2016," Liu stated. The report also indicated that Gillette's population decreased by an estimated 329 people (1 percent) and that Campbell County lost a total of 530 people over the course of the year.

Estimates from the census bureau indicate that Crook County's population increased by 50 over the course of the past year, with the most significant growth taking place in the unincorporated portions of the county. The report estimates that Sundance gained 12 people over the course of the year, to go with nine more in Pine Haven, five more in Moorcroft and two additional residents in Hulett.

The populations indicated in the report were estimates for July 1, 2016, and Weston and Crook were two of only nine counties statewide that was reported to have a higher population at that time than they did a year earlier.

Rhoades set to retire from Children's Center

Bri Brasher
for the NLJ

After nearly 40 years with the Weston County Children's Center and 28 years as Executive Director, Jane Rhoades retires to life as a full-time grandma at the end of this month.

"We are going to be spending more time with the grandkids taking them a couple of times a week," Rhoades told the News Letter Journal.

Jane is a mother of five, and three of her ten grandchildren currently attend the Children's Center. While she will miss seeing the little ones at the center each day, Jane is excited to spend more time with her family outside of work

"They'll have the best of both worlds, with time at the center in preschool and then time with Papa and Grandma Jane," she smiled, noting that she also looks forward to a bit of traveling and enjoying time with more distant family.

Rhoades took the helm of the Children's Center when the facility was moved into its current location in 1988 after moving there from the basement of the First United Methodist Church, where it had been located until then. While she will say she is self-taught through experience, Jane's network of friends at the center see her as their fearless and loving leader.

"The Children's Center is her baby. Jane is passionate about children and

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WEATHER FORECAST	Thursday Clear Hi 85, Lo 57	Friday Partly Cloudy Hi 76, Lo 53	Saturday Clear Hi 74, Lo 49	Sunday Partly Cloudy Hi 72, Lo 52	Monday Partly Cloudy Hi 71, Lo 51	Tuesday Mostly Cloudy Hi 69, Lo 48	Wednesday Partly Cloudy Hi 72, Lo 50	INSIDE • On Film, Page 6 • School's Out, Page 8 • Motorcycle Rodeo, Page 11 • Green Thumbs, Page 16



Opinion

News Letter Journal

Our View

The page they died for

When you really stop to think about the heroes we honor on Memorial Day each year, you can't help but think that one day is hardly enough to pay proper tribute to the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of this country and all it stands for.

By the same token, the page or so of photos that we shared with you this week from the ceremony at Greenwood Cemetery honoring our fallen servicemen hardly seems adequate, but we hope you will take the time to really look at them and appreciate what Memorial Day should mean to you.

Start by thinking about the freedoms you enjoy and the principles you hold dear, and imagine what your life would be like without them.

At this newspaper, when we think about principles and freedoms, our thoughts invariably turn to the Opinion Page you are reading right now, and we say a prayer of thanks each and every Memorial Day for the men and women who have fought to preserve both the freedom of speech and freedom of the press that are so clearly exercised on page two of the News Letter Journal each and every week.

In recent weeks, we have received and published letters and columns that suggest we should stifle some of the opinions that are expressed here, but Memorial Day reminds us that those opinions were important enough for American heroes to fight and die for.

That makes the decision to run the vast majority of the letters we receive an easy one, and we will continue to share the opinions of *all* of our readers because that is the best way we can think of to honor the sacrifice of our fallen soldiers throughout the year.

Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

Letters to the Editor

Trump is more qualified than Hillary or Obama

Dear Editor,

Jerry Baird needs to do some more thorough research (re: How did we choose him to be leader of the free world? *News Letter Journal*, May 25, 2017, page 2).

The people who elected Trump are the whole middle of the US. Only the progressives on the east and west coasts voted for him.

Do you really think we would be better off with Hillary in there? She could continue the same programs that Obama was doing, including the spying just released on the American people. Do you think she would try to unite the Arab people against Iran? She would continue Obama's program. Remember, Hillary promoted the sale of much of our uranium mining projects to Russia, and received a large donation to her foundation in exchange.

You are very critical of Trump's appointees. It is usual that intelligent and capable people tend to become rich because they prosper in their endeavors. Very few of the career bureaucrats become wealthy other than from their government pensions. Surely you must agree that there is a lot of waste in the government, and how else to fix that than to reduce spending.

Have you ever heard of the fraud with food stamps? Some people sell the stamps and then use the money to buy liquor and drugs. The defense department is the biggest waste of all until we happen to need it, and we have needed it several times in the past. All of the armed forces and supplies we have bought were just a waste until the time comes that we need them, or of course we could just surrender and let Russia and China divide up the country. The defense industry has also provided millions of jobs for people and the scientists have made a

few worthwhile discoveries, so it was probably not totally wasted.

Your comment on taxes is also off base. The top 10 percent of the taxpayers pay 88 percent of the income tax, and the group from 40 percent to 60 percent pay about 4 percent. The lower income group pays none, and generally gets money back. It is a mystery where the money comes from if the rich are not paying taxes. How would business get started if there were no rich people to build factories and pay wages? Who would make donations of millions of dollars to the various charities? I know I have paid taxes in excess of 40 percent. How much do you pay?

Do you really think Putin is happy with Trump in the presidency? He would have a much better chance for his program with Hillary in. Hillary had absolutely no qualifications to be president. She married Bill Clinton, who was a failure. She was a poor lawyer at the Rose law firm. She lost the first election to another unqualified person, and she did nothing as Secretary of State. Trump had his bad times also, but who else in the country would take on the established bureaucracy? Every other candidate was part of the establishment and would just go along with it.

We are spending about \$2 trillion on interest and social programs, and that is half of what it takes to run the country. Obama put us so far in debt with his programs we may not ever recover.

The people who voted for Hillary have been in such a state of shock because she lost that they are frantic. Does anyone remember the Republican reactions to Clinton or Obama victories? Were there any riots in the streets? The world may be changing after several years of trying progressive programs which do not work. California recently studied a single payer medical system and found that just the medical program would cost nearly twice the present budget.

—Don Thorson



Being biased against others is a waste of time

If some of you remember my freshman year article, you will remember that I came off as completely judgmental and a little bit—okay, a lot a bit—homophobic. It was extremely condemnatory, and I quote: "Gay marriage is a disgrace to the holy term of matrimony. People should not have the mindset of being gay or even support gays."

Yeah, major embarrassment.

Over the years though, I have seen the light, and am glad to say that I am no longer so critical of the lives of others. In fact, ever since I opened my eyes, I have realized that there are people all around me who are gay, bisexual and transgender.

You know what? None of them are horrible people. However, old me clearly stated her freshman year: "Being gay or getting married as a gay is a clear sin and should not be accepted under any circumstance."

Yeah, pretty bad, I know. I reread my article recently, and I would just like to apologize for everything that I said in it. No longer am I so judgmental. Instead, I have seen the light and encourage everyone else to do the same. Even though many may disagree, gays deserve rights.

Those in the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) community deserve rights because they are just as human as heterosexuals, and they have been unlawfully discriminated against for many years. Also, there are much bigger problems in the world that need to be worried about instead of something as petty as discriminating against those who are simply expressing who they truly are.

First of all, it is important to know that people who are gay or transgender are just as human as heterosexuals. They need food, water, clothing, shelter, love—all the basic necessities. These people are in fact people, which I know is difficult for some people to come to terms with. But like it or not, those

in the LGBTQ+ community breathe the same air as "normal" people. Those in the LGBTQ+ community are also endowed with the same inalienable rights as, say, a white man. The Constitution itself declares that all men are created equal, automatically qualifying all those men who prefer men, and also including men who used to be women.

Unfortunately, there are no amendments that specifically say women are created equal as well, but after all the time that has passed, our society has developed into a world that has overcome the sexism that once was America. This not only includes straight women, but also women who used to be men and women who prefer women. As can clearly be seen, people are people, no matter who they are.

Another reason as to why the members of the LGBTQ+ community should be treated as equals is because they have faced discrimination for many, many years. For such a long time, those who belong to the LGBTQ+ community have been hiding in the closet when they should be free to express themselves.

Many in the LGBTQ+ community feel forced into marrying the opposite sex, when in reality they do not wish to be with that person. There are so many families that fall apart because someone was pressured into making a decision that he or she should not have had to.

When people do come out as gay, lesbian, or trans, these people are constantly being harassed because of who they are or the people they love. Also, people who came out in the past were horribly abused, and in some cases left for dead. This treatment should not be tolerated, yet some people find it warranted. There are some who are so small-minded that they would gladly harass or even kill those in the LGBTQ+ community. Granted I used to be one of those people, but I have since been enlightened and

changed. It is quite obvious that the LGBTQ+ community deserves all the rights that heterosexual and non-trans people are given.

Last, but certainly not least, it is crucial to realize that spending valuable time criticizing the lives of others is simply a waste of time. People seem to be completely engrossed with judging the lives of others, when their own lives are at fault in many ways as well. There have been so many protests, so much chaos and disharmony among people who should get over the disagreement. I say this because those of the LGBTQ+ community are not a significant problem. It may seem as though they are, but there are so many other problems—legitimate problems—that need to be solved—starving children, communism, diseases. Why do these topics get overlooked while people argue about the morality of a guy kissing another guy? It is clear that people should simply stop the argument about gay marriage and call a draw. Where is the harm in letting innocent people be who they truly are?

For those of you who read my freshman paper, I hope you are clearly relieved that my small mind has been opened up to the unique differences between humans on this planet. Not everyone has to be the same, for what kind of world would that be? Differences are what make us beautiful, and as long as we are true to ourselves without harming others, it should not matter who we are or who we become.

Those in the LGBTQ+ community deserve just as many rights as any other person on this planet and should not be discriminated against. This is because they are humans, and they have already endured enough mistreatment to last a lifetime. Also, such an insignificant event as being biased against other people—who are doing no harm—is completely ridiculous.



Alexis Krogman
An Apology

The silent infiltrator is behind our poor thinking

Pope Benedict XVI stated that relativism is the greatest problem of our time.

What is relativism? And if it is the biggest issue, why haven't I heard of it before?

Relativism is the idea that there is no universal or absolute truth, but truth differs from person to person, culture to culture. Relativism has become the basis of the misguided morality of our country.

Relativism is the root of poor thinking, which leads to widespread acceptance of behavior that is contrary to the natural law.

A "relativist" believes that truth is relative to how each person thinks. These people simply believe what they want to believe instead of having morals which they live by. Relativists decide to call apples oranges, and by golly if it is an orange for them it should be for everyone else too.

These relativists will accuse a "realist" of being "wrong, intolerant, rigid or close-minded."

Okay, so what is the big deal? Well, relativism is widely accepted because it is so rarely scrutinized. Thus, it has quietly worked its way into our society and sadly is assumed to be true.

The illogical basis of this poor thinking is a relativist asserting there is no absolute truth. Well, in declaring that—he has just asserted a universal truth.

One of the best examples I can use to show this flaw is so-called same-sex marriage. Same-sex "marriage" is a perfect example because people have made marriage into what they think it should be, not what it really is.

Natural marriage predates any

institution, any church or government. Marriage is one man and one woman, raising a child and loving each other by the fully giving of oneself to another.

However, people have now pushed the government to make a law validating this same-sex union, simply because they think we should make special rules for gays. One's sexuality does not determine if special laws should be put in place for them. The error with this type of union is people are jettisoning the objective truth and replacing it with their relativism. Hence, this is not a marriage.

Abortion too is based on relativism. The reason it is an issue is because people want something convenient for them. There is objective, scientific



Grace Sandrini
How It Really Is

proof that at the moment of conception, there is a new, living organism. Therefore, aborting the fetus at any time is objectively the killing of a human being.

Then the relativists step in and say it is the mother's body, so it is her choice. No, the pre-born child has its own, unique human DNA sequence. So no, it is not "her body."

Again, relativism is so prominent with it stating it is up to the woman to decide, simply based on how she feels.

Relativism is the idea that there is no absolute truth, but truth differs from person to person, culture to culture. This has become the base of the misguided morality of our country.

It is a simple concept and quite clearly is the base of many modern day issues. All that is needed to change this is to be informed and think about if any issue is based on emotion or logic.

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After 40 years of working at the Weston County Children's Center, Jane Rhoades will be saying farewell and moving on to retired life. (Bri Brasher/NLJ)

always puts them first," shared Francie Gregory. Rhoades has worked to fund and build a preschool in Upton while also continuously

and working to provide a high level of quality and service despite budget cuts throughout the years. Jane also works with an association of directors for child development centers around the state to share ideas for maintenance, growth, and development.

"She grew into this position and made the center something truly remarkable," Gregory observed.

Rhoades, however, gives credit for her success, and that of the center, to the people she has worked with there over the past four decades.

"I could not possibly do what I do without the staff. They are simply amazing and truly great friends," she explained, indicating that other partnerships in the community were also important to the center's ability to deliver a necessary service to residents.

"I have also always felt deep in my heart that the success of our program stems from the partnership and teamwork we have with our school districts, as well as the tremendous city and county support that's kept us going," Rhoades reasoned.

The outgoing director is excited to see the Children's Center continue to thrive and grow after she leaves, but noted that she won't go very far and very much looks forward to volunteering and reading to the kids in her retirement.

WCHS from page 1

that will happen in the near future. With four pharmacists, WCHS also plans to expand their pharmacy services and may reach out to surrounding communities to promote growth in that department. When it comes to in-home care, WCHS hopes to examine what they need to do to keep people in their homes longer because that is where individuals are better off and healthiest, and that philosophy will drive growth in wound care services as well.

"We want to work on our wound care services. We have a wound care nurse. We have physical therapy that works on wounds. We do a lot of outpatient wound care, and we are looking at how we can holistically look at the patient and help them with that wound care, to help them stay at home longer," reported Cadwell.

Each of the goals in the other five pillars is aimed at getting back to the basics as well, and that is especially true of the goals set in the financial arena. Cadwell asserts the hospital will be focused on increasing both the facility's net income and its operating income.

"Because of the building projects, it has kind of thrown our projections off a bit because of all the things that have happened over the course of the last year," maintained Cadwell.

WCHS leaders also identified a desire to improve patient and public education over the next few years, and Cadwell said the facility will continue to focus on communication and sharing information moving forward.

"We identified specifically patient education. When our staff is communicating with a patient, are they getting the education that they need? Are they understanding the information, and are we providing it in an understandable form?"

Cadwell offered.

She acknowledged the importance of education for the community as well, and although the facility already provides education in the form of a quarterly newsletter and other resources, Cadwell admitted that there is more that can be done in this area.

"Maybe we can expand upon that and work with other community entities, such as Public Health and the Prevention Task Force," commented Cadwell.

"We are hoping to get back to the basics with what we are doing here with the building project being completed over the course of the next year," professed Cadwell.

Goals Identified within the six pillars of the Weston County Health Services Strategic Plan

- Quality/Safety:** Top 10 Improvement Projects, Patient Education
- Service:** Survey Action Plans
- Financial:** Improvement of Net Income and Operating Income
- People:** Employee Engagement Survey Action Plans
- Growth:** Home Health and In-Home Services, Mammograms, Pharmacist Services, Wound Care Services
- Community:** Education for Community on Health Related Items

Hospital Happenings

Note from the May 15 Weston County Health Services board meeting

- The board voted for all officers to remain the same for the next year. Jimmy Long will continue to serve as President, with Georgette Materi as the Vice President and Barry Peterson as treasurer.
- The preliminary budget was approved by the board.
- A construction pay application for \$210,267.24 was approved. CEO Maureen Cadwell shared that this payment represents 88 percent of the contract work being complete.
- Quality Director JoAnn Farnsworth shared that WCHS was ranked number one in the

region for re-admissions. This means that WCHS experienced the least amount of re-admissions in a 30-day period sampled.

Cadwell reported to the board that a survey was completed recently on both the hospital and manor. The follow-up survey on the manor was conducted in the hope of eliminating or decreasing fines against WCHS that were levied by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for tags received during an initial survey. She noted that these are the first fines being imposed within the state, and told the board the Wyoming Department of Health was very surprised by them.

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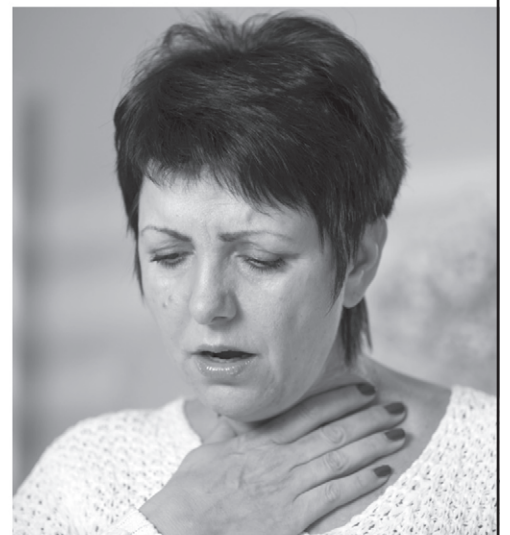


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Obituaries

Edward S. Halsey
May 4, 1922-Jan. 28, 2017

Edward S. Halsey died January 28, 2017, at his home in Newcastle, Wyoming. He was born May 4, 1922, in Rock Springs, Wyoming, to Edward Dewey Halsey and Mary Angelovic Halsey. He married Ella Mary Bishop of Cheyenne on April 22, 1944. Edward was predeceased by his wife and a



son, John. He is survived by three children, David, of Wheatland Wyoming, Mary, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Steve, of Reston, Virginia, as well as six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He served in the US Army during WWII and was an active member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Newcastle. He practiced law in Lusk for four years and in Newcastle for over 40 years.

E. Nadine "Deanie" (McCoy) Jursnick
Nov. 8, 1934-Apr. 24, 2017

E. Nadine "Deanie" (McCoy) Jursnick passed away on April 24, 2017 in

Portland, OR. She was born in Newcastle on November 8, 1934 to Lewis "Shorty" and Ellen (Wantz) McCoy. Deanie is survived by her sisters, Iris Genoff, Newcastle, Wyo. and Dori (Ron) Press, Portland, OR.; brother, Bob (Kathy) McCoy, Ardmore, OK. and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Jim Jursnick; brothers Mark, Donnie, Rex and Gene McCoy. Cremation has taken place and family graveside service will be held at a later date.

Veterans assistance in Weston County

A state of Wyoming veterans service officer from the Wyoming Veterans Commission will conduct community outreach services in Wyoming cities throughout June. Brian Yeager is available to meet with veterans and their families to discuss state and federal veterans' benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs claims, or VA healthcare. Yeager can also help veterans and their families apply for benefits, file claims or request healthcare. His office is staffed in Gillette, at 551 Running W. Drive, Suite 100, and he will also be available in Newcastle on June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, at the Department of Workforce Services, 22922 Hwy. 85, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. During periods of inclement weather, please check with the staff at the outreach locations to ensure the veterans service officer will be available. Please contact him at 307-687-5396 for more information, or to schedule an appointment. Yeager, a former U.S. Marine, is available to meet with veterans and their families from Campbell, Crook and Weston counties in addition to the scheduled outreach.

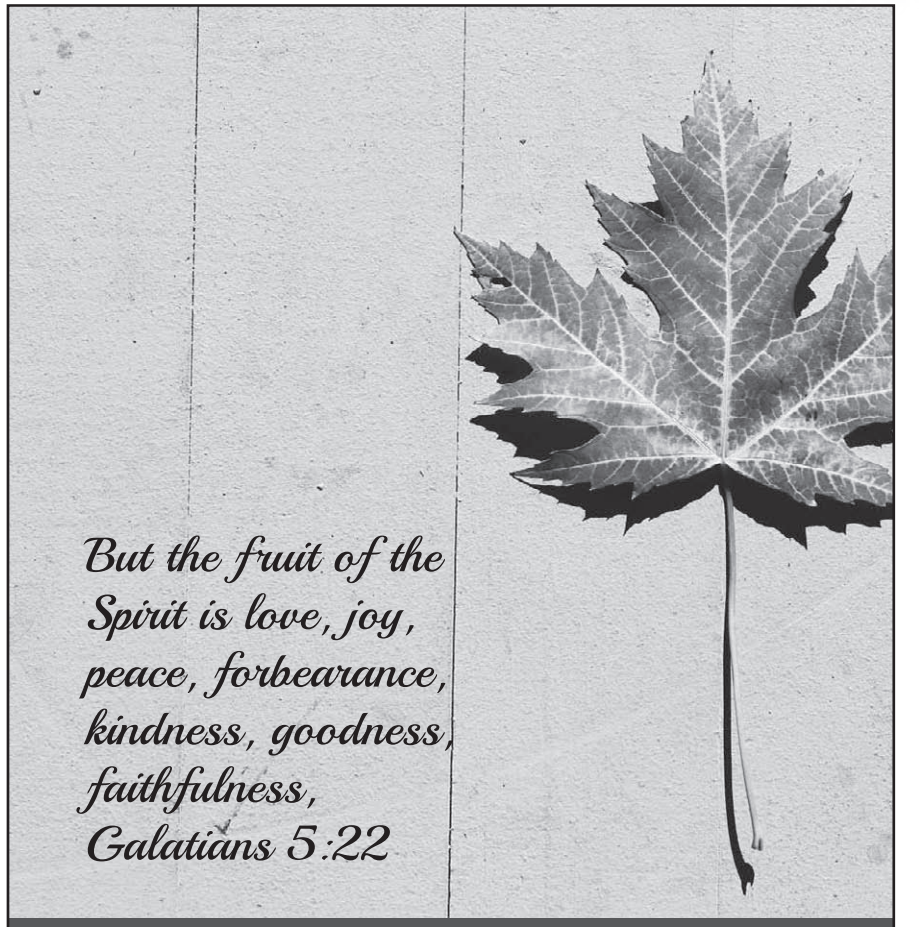
A job well done



Newcastle Middle School held the end of the year award ceremony last Friday. Slade Roberson receives an award from Middle School principal Mr. Gunderson. (Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

Faith & Values

- **ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH:** Rev. Norm Brotzman, 216 S. Seneca, 746-2249. Call to Worship 9:30 am; Children's Church during Call to Worship; Faith Rally Sunday 6 pm.
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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.
- **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH:** Pastor Gary Anderson, 903 S. Summit, 746-2188. Sunday School 9:15 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Evening Service 6 pm; AWANA Clubs 6:30 pm.
- **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.
- **OUR SAVIOR CHURCH:** Pastors Doug and Frezil Westerlund, Weston County Fairgrounds, Service Sundays 9:30 am. 307-941-2524
- **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; 11:30 a.m. Casual Worship Service, Youth Group Sunday evenings 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **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.



But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, Galatians 5:22

Daily Devotional Reading						
Jun 1 Romans 8:1-17	Jun 2 Romans 8:18-39	Jun 3 Romans 12:1-21	Jun 4 Acts 2:1-28	Jun 5 Acts 2:29-47	Jun 6 Acts 4:32-5:11	Jun 7 Acts 5:12-26

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June 3, 1892

C.W. Collins, of Kilpatrick Bros. & Collings, arrived in the city Sunday morning. He was met here by the other members of the firm. He left for the east on the evening of the following day accompanied by R.J. Kilpatrick.

Dr. Crouter, dentist, will be here next week and will leave for Edgemont a week from Monday.

Geo. Dodd has accepted a position with the Water Works Company.

Charles Bond & Frank Allebach have gone to the Lime Stone to hunt for gold.

Football is now the street pastime among the young scions of society.

Miss Mollie Stumbaugh the blind singer & elocutionist gave an entertainment in the dining hall at Cambria May 30th & 31st.

June 7, 1917

Mr. & Mrs. H. Berger were in from their home on Oil Creek Monday.

Judge Parmalee, of Sheridan, is a business and social visitor in this city today.

Anton Hansen, of the Horton country, was transacting business in Newcastle yesterday.

John Taylor, road supervisor, of the Boyd District, was in town yesterday to confer with the commissioners.

Chairman Elliott, of the Board of County Commissioners, went to the fish hatchery at Spearfish, S.D., last week in behalf of applications from this section for fish.

Fiori Rizzi, was down from Cambria

Friday to meet his brother Peter Rizzi, and family, and also his cousin Foster Rizzi, who arrived from Superior, Wyo., and will again take up their residence at Cambria.

Ira Wilcox, who came out from Pennsylvania last week, has sold his bunch of horses to Frank Shell. He sold 160 acres of land north of Cambria to "Shorty" Smith. His Oil Creek ranch he leased to Clyde Donielson, who purchased the machinery and implements that were on the place.

June 4, 1942

Herbert B. Fowler, Secretary to Governor Nels H. Smith, contacted T.C. Howell by telephone last Friday, asking if Newcastle could house one thousand soldiers for the coming summer.

Newcastle people were awakened

Monday night when a terrific electrical storm swept through the vicinity with a heavy down pour of rain unusual to this area. Precipitation resulting from the storm was 1.21 inches.

The number of books in Weston County for the Victory Book Campaign reached a total of 577 this week after Upton sent in about 100 books. Mrs. Kathryn Le Faivre, Chairman of the drive announced that books would still be accepted at the county library.

Mrs. J.T. Clark visited at Sanator, S.D. on Sunday.

Coach & Mrs. M.E. Mann & son Gordon of Cheyenne arrived last week to spend the summer in Newcastle.

Mr. & Mrs. Claude Adkins spent the weekend visiting relatives in Newcastle & the latter's father at Camp Mallo.

Should have seen it in color



Fourth of July picnic at Mallo circa 1930's. (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

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WHAT'S UP

June 2017

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	Salt Creek Water 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.	Cinnamon Roll Friday	WC Senior Center
	1:00 p.m.	Free Swim Day	Kozisek Aquatic Center
	7:00 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
Sat 03	8:00 a.m.	Cambria Bowhunters 3D Shoot	Outdoor Archery Range (thru Sun)
	10:00 a.m.	2nd Annual Natl. Trails Day Hike	Serenity Trail
	3:00 p.m.	Kids Fishing Event	Black Elk Pond
	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Church Basement
Sun 04	7:15 p.m.	Women Only Life Recovery Meeting	Cambria Church Basement
Mon 05	11:30 a.m.	United Blood Services Drive	WC Senior Center
	6:00 p.m.	Friends of Fair Meeting	WC Fairgrounds
	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting	City Council Chambers
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
Tues 06	9:00 a.m.	County Commissioners Meeting	Courthouse Annex
	5:00 p.m.	Swine, Sheep and Goat Weigh-In	WC Fairgrounds
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	Mondell Heights, Breakfast Room
Wed 07	12:00 p.m.	Lions Club Meeting	WC Senior Center
	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Church Basement
Thurs 08	12:00 p.m.	Upton Chamber Meeting	Cedar Pines Golf Course
	5:30 p.m.	City Planning Commission Meeting	City Hall
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room
Fri 09	9:00 a.m.	Cinnamon Roll Friday	WC Senior Center
	3 p.m.	Mud Volleyball	WC Fairgrounds
	7:00 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
	-	RPM Days	WC Fairgrounds
Sat 10	-	RPM Days	WC Fairgrounds
	12:00 p.m.	Youth Group Cook Out	Christ the King Lutheran Church
Sun 11	7:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	Cambria Church Basement
	-	RPM Days	WC Fairgrounds
Mon 05	7:15 p.m.	Women Only Life Recovery Meeting	Cambria Church Basement
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room

Calendar Sponsored by Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce

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

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June 4
 Kati Virchow
 Sharon Ackerman

June 6
 Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Merdink
 Mark Proctor
 Ken & Peggy Franklin
 Jesse & Amanda
 Lesmeister
 Logan Hejduk

June 7
 Jordan McKamey

June 8
 Cody Callaway
 Birney Cox
 Mr. & Mrs. Joe Sandrini

June 9
 Curtis Wyeno
 Kendrick Blumenthal
 Ruthie Spence

June 10
 Kale Sallee
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 Candi Stanton

June 11
 Terry & Deb Mills
 Aaron & Irene Tunnell
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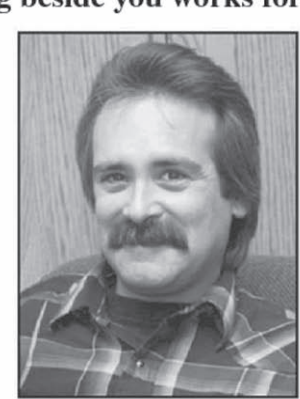
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The dark art

Interest develops in student photography club

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

A desire to learn more about photography and the science behind it has Newcastle High School student Alaina Boettcher searching for dark room equipment for a photography group that has been launched at the school.

During her last year of high school, 2016 Newcastle High School graduate Sierra LaCroix started the student photography group, and Alaina has continued with the group after joining LaCroix last year. With the help of Newcastle High School science teacher Zach Beam, the group's sponsor, she now hopes to create a dark room that students can utilize moving forward.

"We are looking for all the equipment for a photography room. We are starting from bare minimum," Alaina told the News Letter Journal, explaining that she hopes to collect everything to set up a dark room at the school. As such, the group is in need of everything from enlargers to

basins.

Beam admits that he is new to photography, and because of that he is interested in utilizing local photography "experts" to help teach the craft to his interested students.

"If there is anyone in the community willing to be a mentor for us, we would be happy to have anyone—a local expert. I have never done this before," acknowledged Beam, who said his own interest in photography was kindled by the students' willingness to approach him as they were seeking a sponsor for their group.

"It would be awesome to get to where the kids understand the physics behind the lenses and the chemicals behind the development of the film," exclaimed Beam, who suggested that students will begin by developing black and white images before they move on to color film.

Alaina has already begun her quest for knowledge and a better understanding of the science behind the photography craft by reaching out to professors at Black Hills State University. She also completed a science project on different types of camera lenses, which ultimately led to the desire to go deeper into the field and develop her own film.

"Alaina was able to set up a tour of their developing lab (Black Hills State),

and they are in full support of us and what we are trying to do. They are willing to come and do workshops," professed Beam.

That sort of help will be important if the club grows the way Beam and Boettcher hope it will.

"It is something we want to do. It's the logical next step, and it's one of those things we don't offer here. Students can rely on each other to compare and learn and have that outlet. Eventually we will have more money for more equipment and students will be able to check that out," proclaimed Beam. "We want to be able to provide workshops and eventually have the upperclassmen teaching the lowerclassmen. That is the end game."

Anyone interested in aiding the photography club by mentoring or providing equipment is encouraged to contact Zach Beam at beamz@wcsd1.org or call him at 746-2713.

Newcastle High School graduate Sierra LaCroix left behind a legacy for her fellow shutterbugs when she started a photography group at the high school. The group is keen on learning everything there is to know about photography, including how to develop their own film. (Submitted Photo)



A closer look



Annika Coberly was able to check out a strain of Strep during a recent tour of Weston County Health Services with her Intro to Health Careers Class at the Upton High School. A group of five girls toured and visited every department within the facility to help them better understand the different fields within a hospital setting. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

Time to let ISS ride in retirement

Imagine a young man with crazy hair, dark eyes and an energized personality. This young man is in trouble, day-in and day-out. He is frequently sent to ISS (In School Suspension), which is Newcastle High School's form of punishment. Time after time he spends a day—sometimes multiple days—in ISS, and it has not even phased him.

For those who are unaware, ISS is when students are given the homework that they will miss on the day they are suspended and then go to a quiet room with a teacher supervising them to complete that work.

ISS may sound like an effective form of punishment, but it is not. It is an ineffective form of punishment.

To Newcastle High School students, ISS is a joke at best. Although I have not been in ISS, I have talked to many students that have.

"ISS is a joke. All it does is give me time to get caught up in school. I don't even care if I get ISS," said Gabe McCoy, a student that has been in ISS more than anyone else I have met.

Gabe, like all the other students I have talked to, think ISS is a joke. I have been told by every student that I talked to that all ISS does is let them get some homework done. I have even been told by a few students that they were able to play games and listen to music instead of doing work.

Students are not the only ones who think that ISS is ineffective. Teachers and staff at Newcastle High School have already tried to improve ISS. When I was a freshman, ISS began at the start of the school day (8:10 a.m.) and ended at the end of the school day

(3:30 p.m.). Students missed a day of their regular schedule and sat in a quiet room to do the work they were missing that day.

However, my junior year, ISS was changed. Instead of starting at 8:30 a.m., ISS started at 10:00 a.m. and went to 5:30 p.m.—instead of 3:30 p.m. This change made students more fearful of ISS, and actually made less students get ISS. Unfortunately, the glory was short-lived because this new system ended, for reasons unknown to me, almost as soon as it started. After that attempt to fix this ineffective form of punishment failed, ISS has remained the same.



Marshall Rhoades
Marshall Law

I personally know that ISS should be changed to better punish students, but I alone do not know how to fix it. I am just an 18-year-old child that may not know how to fix ISS,

but I know for a fact it needs changed. To find a new and more effective form of punishment, I am asking the school district to come together. With the help of the teachers and staff I truly believe that a newer and more effective system can be created. Two heads are better than one, and together, as a school district, greatness can be achieved. ISS is broken, but it can still be fixed.

Now imagine that same crazy haired young man I explained earlier, but instead of being in trouble day-in and day-out, he learned his lesson the first time. This image could become a reality if Newcastle High School finds a new, effective form of punishment. ISS has done its fair share of work, and it is time for it to retire and let something new fill its place.

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Store Closing from page 1.....

That is when those individuals who received an invitation will be allowed to enter the store and take advantage of special discounts offered to them. The letter also indicates that prizes will be awarded throughout the course of the store closing event.

"We want people to feel good about this, and want to thank our loyal customers. We know it is going to be hard on some people," Chris Mueller told the News Letter Journal on Tuesday.

According to his records, the store first opened in 1930 as a mercantile exchange, and has been a Coast-to-Coast, Hardware Hank and Do It Best store over the course of its history. He and his wife, Janet, have made a number of improvements to the building since they purchased the busi-

ness in 2007, and Mueller said that he intends to complete the ongoing remodeling project after the store closing sale is finally complete.

"We chose this store out of three that we were looking at," Mueller said of the couple's decision to purchase the business a decade ago. The community and the building still appeal to the couple and they intend to stay in Newcastle for the foreseeable future, along with the store's mascot, Peppers, a cocker spaniel that has patrolled the aisles of the business for most of the time that it has been owned by Mueller's.

Chris indicated that the store closing sale will continue after the special invitation event that is being held June 1-7, and suggested that it could go on through most of July. At

that point, it is uncertain what will happen with the building itself, but Mueller said he plans to pursue his recently discovered passion for the energy efficiency business.

It may be because of that new outlet that Chris is upbeat about the decision he and Janet were forced to make over the hardware store, but he said the downturn in the local economy two years ago simply proved to be too much for the small business to bear.

"The store closing is directly due to economic conditions. We just couldn't survive the downfall of the economy in the western states," Mueller said.

The letter distributed to local customers said that further public announcements regarding the store closing sale will be made in this newspaper next week.

Forest from page 1.....

into wood posts. Dedic explained that at this time, post logs are actually paying enough to get the stump to the processing area. Dedic credits part of the recent change to a new producer in Buelah that has made hauling the logs worthwhile.

Currently there is a large thinning project taking place north of Newcastle near Pine Top and Breakneck Roads, and Dedic said the ability for a commercial entity to profit from many of the trees being cut could ultimately make the end goal of improved forest health attainable.

"The cool thing is, because most of it is commercial, it is funding most of what they are doing itself. A majority of the work is self-funded through the industry," professed Dedic.

He explained that thinning cost is roughly \$350 an acre, but when this project is complete and the commercial product has been removed, the clean up will cost significantly less. In some cases, that clean up can amount to less than \$100 per acre.

The project north of Newcastle includes 250-300 acres that have been completed, with roughly another 150 to go, and only involves one landowner, but Dedic assured the News Letter Journal that other landowners are stepping up on their own to accomplish the same objective.

"There is good forestry going on, and it's private too," the forester professed.

He said that there are a number of benefits associated with the private sector stepping in to take over thinning responsibilities, and indicated that resources can be spread over a much greater area through such partnerships.

"Ultimately we want to go with private enterprise taking this (tree thinning) over, and landowners are stepping up and doing this. It might not be a lot of money, but it's covering the cost of the project, and where it doesn't is when the programs kick in," proclaimed Dedic, who encourages landowners to simply look at their forest to determine if it is healthy. If the trees look like they are competing with each other or it looks too thick, give him a call.

"We are here to help," Dedic urged. "With their forest being healthy, the neighbor's forest will be healthy, which helps the land we manage be healthy also."

He can be reached at 746-4261 and encourages any landowners interested in having their forests evaluated to call him at the Wyoming State Forestry Division office to look into their options.

"We are here to assist the private landowners so they know what they have, and to give them an idea of which is the best avenue for them," Dedic reasoned. "We can help them make that decision and see what is the best fit. We are lucky right now that we have a multitude of programs and options."

New recruits

The Wyoming State Forestry Division has recently partnered with the Small Business Development Center and the Wyoming Business Council to promote the logging industry and help businesses that are engaged in the venture be profitable. "It starts out with a couple guys and a chainsaw to thin the forest, and they can help get them to where they can actually be a 'real business' and be successful," Assistant District Forester Jeremy Dedic said, noting that the state agencies are motivated to provide the assistance to businesses because their success will result in less of a need for government to sub-

sidize forest management. Representatives of the SBDC and the WBC attended a recent gathering at the state forestry office to meet with local businesses and others interested in working with the industry. The SBDC worked directly with businesses to provide guidance, and it was pointed out that they have helped individuals get onto bidding lists for state and federal projects, which can be a daunting task. The WBC worked with the group as a whole to look into the possibilities represented by other industries associated with logging, and discussed their feasibility in this area. Dedic is also encouraging

high school-aged kids to consider taking on forestry projects for their annual science fair. He indicated that science teachers at Newcastle High School have been willing to help students on such projects, and one of those teachers has even flown over a thinning project with a drone. They intend to do a follow up and remote-sensor the area to study forest health.

"We are trying to encourage a student or students to look at this as part of research. That is the way forestry is actually going, and however we can encourage them to do that is great," professed Dedic.

EWC Honor Rolls announced

Eastern Wyoming College has announced the honor rolls for the Spring 2017 semester. There were 93 students receiving recognition for achieving high scholastic grades, and three of them are from Weston County.

Newcastle's Becky Checketts and Upton's Ashley Knowlton were both listed on the President's Honor Roll, and Newcastle's Kami Lopez was named to the Dean's Honor Roll.

The President's Honor Roll

recognizes students that are full time (12 or more credit hours) and achieve a 4.0 grade point average. To qualify for the Dean's Honor Roll, students must also be full time and achieve a grade point average of 3.5, but less than 4.0.

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Clockwise from top left: During the Weston County Children's Center annual carnival for the students before summer Aggie Herringer snuck away from the group to take a hula hoop break; the 2nd grade class at Newcastle Elementary School puts on a fairytale fashion show and this year John Sandrini, better known as Hook, tried to take on Peter Pan during the show; children had the opportunity to pet baby goats and a lamb during the carnival and Jenni Sanford could not take the smile off her face; Bird Cage Theater Director Shane Sellers worked with children in the 2nd grade at Newcastle Elementary School to put together a play sharing their version of Cinderella. Merlo Harbarger played Cinderella, a girl who didn't want a prince and really wanted to become a veterinarian. Holli Swentesky and Jeni McCormack both played the role of fairy god mother and can be seen watching Cinderella from the wings; Bryson, Dillon and Jon Tidyman analyze wood work project during the annual Art Show that look place last week at Newcastle High School. Art from every grade was displayed for two days for the public to enjoy; Bristol Boylan, Abby Turner, Colter Fisher, James McGill and Clancey Newlin, all members of the Elmo Room at the Weston County Children's Center, performed for the crowd during the annual spring concert. (Photos by Alexis Barker and Pam Penfield/NLJ)

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Clockwise from top left: During the Memorial Day ceremony at the Greenwood Cemetery Mike Farnsworth and Willis Laurence took charge of the American Flag on the blustery Monday morning. Frank Humes looks on and stays warm under his blanket. Deb Jorrey played for the group after the 21 gun salute. Tonya Defoe, Donna Dutcher and Barb Hansen place flowers near the cross in memory of those who lost their lives for this country. (Submitted photos)

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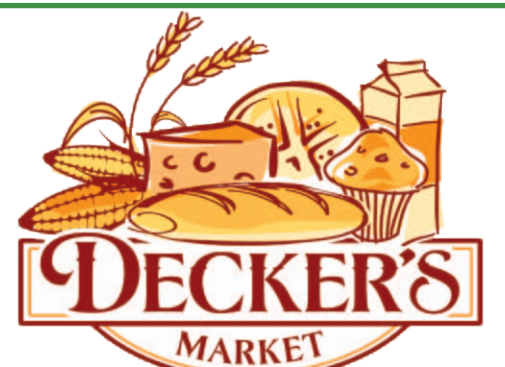
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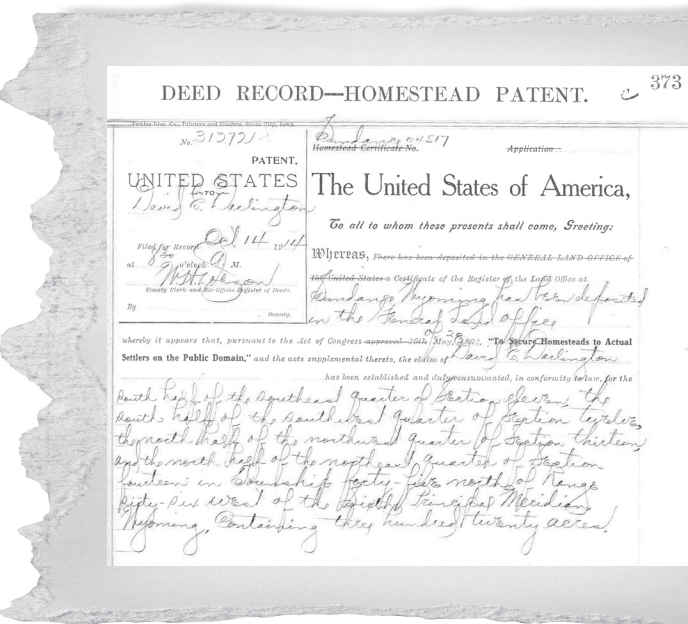
Making his mark



Friends and family of Shane and Marissa Sweet spent their Saturday helping brand over 400 calves on the family ranch outside of town. Above: The Sweet's four-year-old son, Clay, kicked off the day by branding his own calf with dad's help with the assistance of wrestlers Jeff and Austin Seeley. Working on the ranch has been a family affair for nearly 100 years, as the Sweets inherited the ranch from Shane's grandfather, Verne Barton. At right: Emalee Sweet wrestles a calf with some help from Brandon Morris and Wayne Christensen. (Submitted photos)



Darlington Ranch joins Centennial Ranch list



By Jim Darlington
For the NLJ

I humbly stand on the shoulder of giants. In 2016, the Darlington Ranch was recognized at the Wyoming State Fair as being among several other Centennial Ranches in the state, and by coincidence, the Peterson

Ranch which was also recognized that day is just across the fence from Great Granddad's homestead.

Our story began sometime before 1914, when my Great-Grandfather David Darlington filed for a homestead in Weston County. Legend has it that he and another party horse-raced to the Land Office in Sundance to file on the property. Dave

apparently lost the race, but won the application because he had the correct description of the parcel, and the other feller didn't.

Sometime after he received the Homestead Patent on October 14, 1914 on this 320 acres he sold the parcel to his sister and brother-in law Bill and Ina Braley (who our Lazy Y 2 brand came from) and took up a second homestead near Rock Creek next to my Granddad Oley and other relatives.

Oley and wife, Gail (Cummings), raised five children— Mae (Christensen), Wayne, George, Glen and Bette (Neal) on their little piece of the rock. Due to a lot of hard work and well earned respect, the Darlington name is on 2 USGS Quad maps, a Triangulation Point, and a large Draw in the area.

After serving in the US Navy in WWII, my father Wayne married Betty Bergstrom and the two of them began ranching on her family's place near Clareton. They raised three kids— Dorthy, Doris and moi. Lisa and I took over the reins about 1995 and we've been there ever since, raising kids Sara and Erin (who live on the place) and cattle, occasionally putting up a little hay, and enjoying one of the best places in the world to be.

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Motorcycle Rodeo is back

Bill and Charleen Haynes competed in last year's American Legion Rodeo set to take place July 1 at the Weston County Fairgrounds. (Alexis Barker/NLJ)

By Nick Runyan for the NLJ

Post Commander Don Dafoe told the News Letter Journal that the American Legion is excited about this year's motorcycle rodeo, and he urged residents to attend the one-day event—as either a spectator or participant!

The American Legion Motorcycle Rodeo will be taking place at the Weston County Fairgrounds on July 1. Registration starts at 11:00 a.m., and the rodeo will begin at noon. The event is a fundraiser for the organization, and the registration fee for each event is \$10, but individuals are able to make other contributions throughout the day to support the Legion.

“We put out a bucket at the entrance to each event for donations, and we hope that there will be a few people willing to donate,” Dafoe said.

The motorcycle rodeo provides plenty of entertainment for riders and spectators alike, and Dafoe promised the races will be both exciting and interesting. Each of the races will be timed, and organizers promise plenty of laughs over the course of the day.

A popular event at last year's rodeo was the Slow

Race, which requires the driver to maneuver their motorcycle to the finish line as slowly as possible. The last one to cross the finish line wins, but there is a twist, as drivers are not allowed to put their feet on the ground while the bike is moving or they will be disqualified.

A similar event that will also be offered is the Barrel Push. Dafoe said that race requires four drivers that use their front tires to push barrels down an eight foot lane to the finish line. As is the case in the Slow Race, a rider's feet are not allowed to touch the ground.

The Obstacle Course is probably one of the more complex challenges presented to riders at the rodeo. The course, which is tackled by a driver and passenger, begins with four safety cones that have tennis balls on top of them. The passenger has to try to take off each tennis ball as the motorcycle passes, and then they have to ride across a teeter totter, go around a barrel and come back across the teeter totter before the passenger is required to put all the tennis balls back on top of the cones before the driver takes them to the finish.

The Old Man's Home, or 'Honey, I'm Home,' challenge features four “windows”

with a couple behind each window. Once the announcer says, “Honey, I'm home!” the man must jump up, throw on a humorous pair of britches, jump through the window, get on to their bike and race to the finish.

“The bikers always have lots of fun in these challenges, and the spectators have just as much, if not more fun, watching the silly antics,” Dafoe grinned.

The Wiener Bite is probably the most amusing competition of the rodeo, and Dafoe offered some enlightenment on the rules governing yet another event that requires both a driver and a passenger on each bike. In order to win, the passenger is required stand up on the pegs of the motorcycle as the motorist drives up to a hot dog suspended by a string. The passenger must reach out with their mouth and bite a piece off the wiener as the motorcycle passes, and Dafoe indicated that in the case of a tie, the winner will be chosen by how much was bitten off. The longest piece wins.

Jousting is another popular contest, but Dafoe was quick to offer assurances that particular event isn't as violent as the name may suggest.

“Don't let the name fool you,” he grinned. “This event

isn't two people trying to knock each other off their motorcycles.”

Dafoe explained that the challenge requires the rider on the back of the bike to hold onto a 10-foot piece of PVC pipe. They can only hold the first three feet of the pipe, and have to attempt to snag four 3-inch rings off the ground to win. This is another event where the riders' feet aren't allowed to touch the ground.

The Potato Hunt is another contest that requires two people. The driver makes his or her way over to a barrel (most commonly a water barrel) that organizers have filled with a layer of chips on the bottom. The rider must hop off and search for a potato hidden amongst the chips at the bottom of the barrel while the driver goes on to a finish line. The driver then loops back around, and hopefully by this time the passenger has found the potato. They then hop back on the bike and the duo hurries to the finish line.

“We even have a little potato hunt for the kids. Although, the children will not be on motorcycles,” Dafoe smiled, noting that he is excited about this year's event and believes the Legion will offer a day of fun for attendees of all ages.

Future Dogie basketball camp

By Sonja Karp NLJ Sports Reporter

School is out for summer, but that doesn't mean the NHS campus will be empty. In fact, for the sports programs, the fun is just beginning.

Open gyms, the summer workout programs, and team camps are gearing up. But those camps aren't just for high school athletes, as once again the Dogies and Lady Dogies are prepping to host the Future Dogies Basketball Camp for little Dogies from first through fourth grades.

There will be three sessions, with the

little tykes hitting the court first on June 5-6 from 9 -10:15 a.m. This session is for boys and girls who are entering the first through third grades and will cost \$20.

The second session is for boys and girls entering the fourth through eighth grades. On the June 5-6, from 10:30-12:30, the athletes will learn skills that they will put to the test on June 7, which is a day for competition. The girls will go from 9:00-12:00, then the boys will be up from 1:00-4:00. The cost for the three days is \$40.

After a full morning of teaching the up-and-coming Dogies, the high school athletes will have the opportunity for a

camp of their own. For boys and girls entering 9th-12th grades, Josh Mueller of Ambush Basketball will be in the Dome to work with athletes from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on June 5-6. The cost for this session is \$60.

Coaches are looking forward to working with the elementary and middle school athletes, and registrations will be accepted right up to the start of the camp on June 5.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONALD HOWARD FRITZ, DECEASED. PROBATE NO. PR-8098

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mary Jan Fritz ("Applicant") has filed a Verified Application For Summary Distribution Of Real Property Interests ("Application") in the above-named Court for a decree of summary distribution setting over to her as the sole beneficiary named in the Last Will And Testament of Donald Howard Fritz ("Decedent") all of Decedent's right, title and interest in certain real property interests situate in Weston County, Wyoming, as more fully set forth and described in said Application.

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

If no objection to the Application is filed with the Court within thirty (30) days of the first date of publication of this Notice, the Court shall enter a decree establishing the right and title of Applicant in and to the real property interests described in the Application.

Dated this 18th day of May, 2017.

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

A tract of land 70 feet by 100 feet in the NE ¼ SE ¼ of Section 35, Township 48 North, Range 65 West of the 6th P.M., Weston County, Wyoming, described as follows:

Commencing at the East quarter (1/4) section corner of Section 35, Township 48 North, Range 65 West;

Thence running westward along the east and west center line of said Section 35 for a distance of approximately 825 feet;

Thence South 35 feet to a point which is the northwest corner of a tract previously transferred to Harvey Schiller which point is marked by an iron stake; run S 89°26' E along the Northerly boundary of said Schiller tract for a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning;

Thence S 00°34' W for a distance of 70 feet; thence S 89°26' E for a distance of 100 feet to a point on the Easterly boundary of said tract;

Thence N 00°34' E along the Easterly boundary for a distance of 70 feet to the Northeast corner of the Schiller tract;

Thence N 89°26' W along the Northerly boundary of said tract for a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning;

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

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

The amount due and owing on the date of the first publication is \$151,496.76 which includes the unpaid principal and accrued but unpaid interest. Interest continues to accrue on the unpaid balance at the rate of \$17.30 per day.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to W.S. § 34-3-101 et seq., (1977 Republished Edition) that the above described property will be at public venue sold by the Sheriff of Weston County, to the highest bidder at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 20th day of June, 2017, on the courthouse steps of Weston County. DATED this 10th day of May, 2017.

BY: Bruce S. Asay
Associated Legal Group, LLC
1812 Pebrican Avenue
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(307) 632-2888
Attorney for Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, through its servicer, LoanCare

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- Cockatoo's cousin
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- *Dick Van Dyke's winning role, 1961
- River in Spain
- Musical finale
- It would
- One of algae
- Sacred beetle, to King Tut
- Rejections
- Be lazy or idle
- Valuable musical antique
- Make a portrait of
- Christmastides
- Track shape
- Cool & distant
- _____, precisely
- Unload on eBay
- **"Evita" and "Cats" composer
- Luau instrument, pl.
- Sylvester Stallone, casually
- #49 Down, pl.
- ____ Zeppelin
- *Musical based on Charles Dickens' novel
- *This 5-year-old has a gift of telekinesis
- "My wife can vouch for me," e.g.
- Part of Parisian address
- Judge Judy's proceedings
- Frost-covered
- Table scrap
- Haunted house quality
- Sweet-talk
- Genetic initials
- Clear the board

DOWN

- Female gamete
- Not final or absolute
- Move like parasailor
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- Tapeworm
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- Schiller's "_____ to Joy"
- Fast food option
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- *He traded boxing gloves for ballet shoes
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The Dirt Daubers work to beautify the community in many ways through the means of flowers and foliage. Seen above is some of their work at the Welcome to Newcastle sign located on the east end of town. (Submitted photos)

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- Charles William Eliot

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Garden Club Celebrates 65 Years

By Bri Brasher for the NLJ

The Dirt Daubers Garden Club will ring in 65 years with a celebratory luncheon to be held June 13, but the organization isn't about to start resting on its laurels.

Dirt Daubers began in February of 1952, and the club was federated in 1954 by the National Council of Garden Clubs. Due to overwhelming interest, Dirt Daubers split into two clubs and began sharing members with the Flowering Fingers in 1960.

“Our lives would be a lot less colorful without the gardening clubs,” Dirt Daubers member Dorothy Fuller told the News Letter Journal.

Janet Elliott, a member of about ten years, explained that the club continues to provide flowers and scenery for the town on a regular basis. The sister clubs alternate work on various projects around town, including an annual flower show, flower boxes in the downtown area, and plantings at various locations around town. The Dirt Daubers beautify Railroad Park, Weston County Manor, Jenny Stockade, Greenwood Cemetery, the Anna Miller Museum, Green Mountain School, the library and courthouse, Washington Park, and the Highway Patrol Building. Elliott shared that the club values its partnership with the Wyoming Travel Commission in covering costs for the flowers and explained that the commission's help keeps

them up and planting.

Dirt Daubers are also very proud to have constructed the Blue Star Memorial Highway marker on US Hwy. 85. The club maintains the decorating of the sign with flowers and foliage.

The Dirt Daubers club's flower is a petunia, and the organization's theme is, “Growing together by learning and doing.”

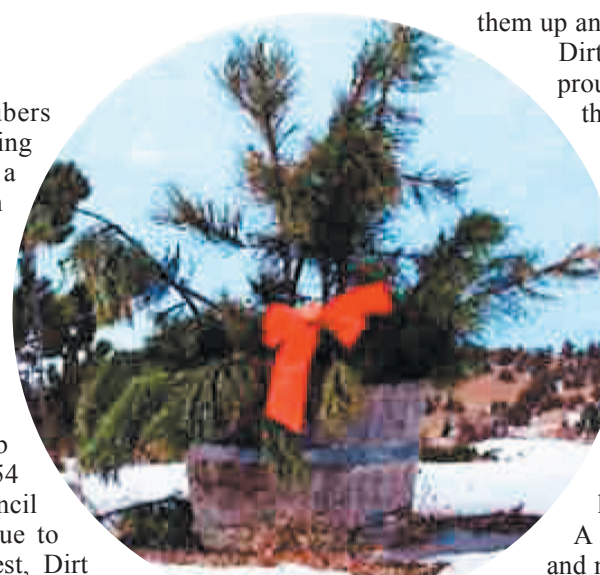
A member of four years and newer to the area, Fuller shared that she loves working with members of the club to freshen up the town with summer flowers and winter greens.

Not only do Dirt Daubers members love getting their hands dirty, but they also delight in sharing one another's company. Club president Bernie Terry emphasized the sense of companionship within the Dirt Daubers family.

“I just have fun!” exclaimed Terry. “I enjoy the ladies and hearing about family happenings, sharing thoughts and ideas, and the overall comraderie the Dirt Daubers provide.”

The garden clubs are now busy replacing the old planter in Dow Park donated by May Dow and Flowering Fingers with an updated version funded by Dirt Daubers, Flowering Fingers, and the Wyoming Travel Commission. Keep an eye out for this year's flowers, courtesy of the Dirt Daubers and Flowering Fingers, who say they are eager to begin planting in the next few weeks.

Happy 65 years, Dirt Daubers!



Newcastle Marginal

OPEN HOUSE

Please come and join us

Thursday, June 8, 2017
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Weston County Senior Center
627 Pine Street
Newcastle, Wyoming

The Wyoming Department of Transportation plans to improve US Hwy 16 from the west side of Newcastle, moving easterly through the US 16 Truck Route, and continue east to the beginning of the Newcastle East project, approximately one mile east of the intersection of US16 and US 85. The project will include reconstructing the Port of Entry and the 4-way stop intersections, upgrading pedestrian and ADA standards, mill and overlay surface and some areas of concrete pavement.

Maps and displays of the designs for the project area will be available for public review between 5-7 p.m. Everyone is invited to stop by at their convenience.. You will have the opportunity to ask questions

For additional information about the open house or the Newcastle Marginal project, contact Joni Kachelhoffer, Newcastle WYDOT Resident Engineer at 307 746-3551.

All interested parties are invited to attend the open house. Individuals with a handicap or disability that would prevent their attendance or participation may contact Ronda Holwell, WYDOT Public Relations, at 307 752-3022 prior to the meeting so that accommodations to participate can be arranged.

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Clockwise from top: During the winter months to replace growing foliage the Dirt Daubers decorate the planters with winter greens; During the 2012 Weston County Fair the Dirt Daubers designed their flower pieces around the theme “Hawaiian Vacation.” The Dirt Daubers are responsible for planting the vegetation seen growing in the various planters throughout town. Joann Fassbender, Bernie Terry and Sharon Roness took a time to pause for a picture with their work of art. (Submitted photos)