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Charges against Scoutt dismissed

Alexis Barker NLJ Reporter

Weston County Attorney William Curley filed a document in the Sixth Judicial District Court on July 20 dismissing charges against Caroline Scout,

66. Scoutt was first arrested on Dec. 13, 2017, and charged with obtaining property from another person by false pretense. The first count against Scoutt stated that the value of the property was approximately \$504,400; the value

of the property attached to the second

charge totaled \$25,000. Scoutt faced up to 10 years imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both, if convicted.

was bound over to the Sixth Judicial District Court on March 2, according to court records. Scoutt's arraignment was notice that they will not further proscontinued several times, before being scheduled for July 24 at 10 a.m.

A notice of nolle prosequi, meaning The felony case involving Scoutt no longer prosecuted, filed by Curley stated that "Weston County and prosecuting attorney William Curley" give

ecute the above case. District Judge Thomas W. Rumpke filed an order denying the motion to dismiss and granting the state leave to dismiss

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No raises County budget approved "

Alexis Barker NLJ Reporter

Despite a push from some Weston County employees and elected officials for raises, the county budget approved on July 17 does not include raises. The budget was approved on a 3-1 vote, with Commissioners Bill Lambert, Tracy Hunt and Ed Wagoner voting to adopt the budget and Commissioner Marty Ertman voting against.

During the public hearing on July 16, several people, including Susie Overman, county treasurer; Pam Brackett, secretary for the county attorney; and Jason Jenkins, a deputy, spoke in favor of raises for county employees.

Overman explained during the hearing that she had previously addressed employee raises with the commissioners during budget meetings and she was curious what had been decided on the topic.

"I suggested maybe a 50-cent-an-hour raise, and I have been hearing rumors that you are thinking about a bonus of, like, \$250 for the whole year," Overman said. "I personwork as the public officials, if not more. We depend on them, and I just feel like they are worth more than \$250." She noted that a \$250 bonus would equate to roughly a 13-cent-per-hour raise for the year. Overman said that, in her opinion, county employees deserve a raise. According to County Clerk Jill Sellers, a 50-cent raise for all county employees would cost the

The employees do as much work as the public officials, if not more. We depend on them, and I just feel like they are worth more than \$250."

> - Susie Overman, W.C. Treasurer

county an additional \$55,000.

Overman added that the elected officials were all receiving raises this year. County treasurer, clerk, assessor, district court clerk, sheriff and county attorney will all receive \$10,000 raises while the county commissioners and coroners were given 20 percent raises. As previously reported, the total cost for elected officials raises, including benefits, will total \$105,800.

Jenkins said that he would like clarification about the comally think that is a slap in the missioners' discussion, any proface. The employees do as much posals for employee compensation, and whether raises made it into the fiscal 2019 budget. Brackett said she also wanted clarification about raises and/ or bonuses. She acknowledged that the county was absorbing any increases in health insurance premiums and retirement contributions, instead of passing them on to the employees.

Great day for a splash



Sellers later told the News

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Morgan Dittmer takes the opportunity to cool off on the water slide during Upton Fun Days. Among the many activities were a parade, bouncy houses and water slides for children, a corn hole tournament in the park for adults, a fly-in at the Upton Airport, and buffalo burgers at Old Town. (Photo by Alexis Barker/NLJ)

Special attorney to help navigate 'new waters'

Alexis Barker NLJ Reporter

During the Weston County commissioners meeting on July 17, County Clerk Jill Sellers sought to clear up any

about her request for a special attorney to guide her through the upcoming election season.

While thanking the commissioners for their support, she also noted that and provide guidance should the

misperceptions the public might have the candidacy of Gillette attorney Alex election be contested - not to keep County Attorney William Curley Berger for Weston County attorney is being watched across the state.

> According to Sellers, the special attorney was hired to give her advice

Berger's name off the ballot, as some believe, she said.

The costs for the attorney are projected to be minimal, Sellers said, and a necessary expense because current

cannot continue to advise her on the issue without the appearance of a conflict of interest.

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Small-town commitment improving local connectivity



Bri Brasher NLJ Reporter

> In its mission statement, RT Communications boasts that it is a company whose employees embody its mission to "provide enhanced technology and communications solutions, ensuring

Anton Stoltz, an employee for North Central Service, works on placing the duct to prepare for RT Communication's fiber optic cable. North Central Service is the main contractor hired by RT Communications more than 10,000 households for the Newcastle fiber to home project. (Photo by Bri Brasher)

a quality customer experience." In a world of large corporate

headquarters and scarce smalltown community presence, RT Communications proudly stands out by still providing a face-to-face presence in communities across the region. The company is even working to provide the latest in fiber-optic communication to Newcastle and surrounding rural areas.

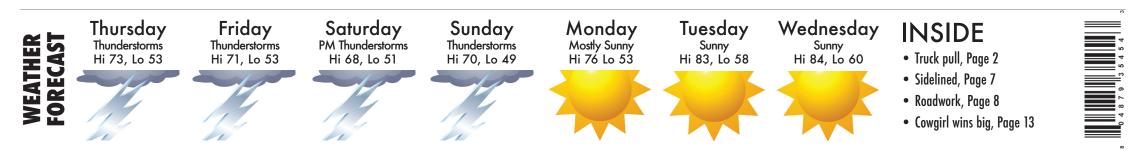
Based in Worland, the company serves 16 communities in Wyoming, as well as small portions of Montana and South Dakota, with a total of and businesses, according to RT Communication's website. The website also states that the

customer base is served by 56 employees, and Linda Weeks, sales and marketing supervisor for RT Communications, said each of Wyoming's 16 locations has at least one employee working in a central office within the community.

"The important part is that we believe in being a partner with our customers," said Weeks. "A very important differentiation between RT and other companies is that we determined it's the right thing to stay in each of our communities to provide that service, which makes us different."

Weeks further explained that

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Fresh goods



Jan and Abby Elliot, above, sample goods from Travis and Marcie Crawford's tent during the Farmer's Market Thursday at Railroad Park in Newcastle. The Crawfords offered samples of homemade pepper jelly cream cheese, served on crackers, and homemade sauerkraut served with pork and mashed potatoes. The Farmer's Market will be held each Thursday evening at the park through Sept. 27, and is hosted by Frontier Home, Ranch, and Hardware. According to Andy McKay, who organized the weekly event, there were 11 vendors at the event. Next week, McKay said, they will be offering "market bucks," that are similar to gift certificates, allowing customers at the market to make purchases if they don't have cash on them."Many people don't carry around cash any more because of the convenience of credit cards," McKay said in explanation, "but many of our vendors don't have the equipment to run cards. So we will have a booth set up for customers to purchase Market Bucks. All vendors will accept Market Bucks, which can also be saved and used at future markets as well." For more information, or to find out about hosting a booth at the Farmer's Market, contact McKay at 307-630-6169.



Joni Runyan, at left, buys some fresh goods from Jonathan and Lacey Sloan of Dos Acres Farms Thursday, at the first Farmer's Market at **Railroad Park in Newcastle.** The Sloans sold out all but two jars of sauerkraut in the first half hour of the market opening.

> (Photos courtesy of Amy Menerey)

Ready for truck action

Abby Gray NLJ Correspondent

For the 14th year in a row, Melissa and Troy Cade, owners of Outlaw Motors, are hosting their annual Truck Pull, free for all spectators. This year, the event will take place on Saturday, July 28, at 6 p.m. at the Weston County Fairgrounds.

"We wanted to do something for customer

on the event, he is always surprised and happy to see the size of the crowd. According to him, the stands are always pretty full, and attendees enjoy all that the event has to offer – the pulls, the food and the prizes.

Troy also acknowledged the fun his family has competing in the truck pulls. This year, he anticipates that he, Melissa and their daughter Katara will compete in the truck pulls, but both

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appreciation, and something free to the community, and it seemed like a lot of fun, too," Troy said of his motivation to start the tradition.

The Cades said they appreciate everyone in town who supports their business, so they wanted to use this event as a way to give back to community members.

"At first, we used to buy all the hot dogs and drinks, and then we got Decker's Market to take over that part of it, so we didn't have to worry about cooking hot dogs and the money that takes," Troy said. "Then, the fair board decided if we did it during the fair, to help out the fair, that we wouldn't have to buy insurance, since it was a fair thing, and they would cover the liability part of it for us."

The help of those two sponsorships, Troy said, leaves room for him to offer door prizes, T-shirts and cash prizes to give away, as well as a chance for one of the competitors to win a \$1,000 credit toward tires from Outlaw Motors. Melissa noted that they also try to help other local businesses by purchasing the door prizes from local businesses.

"I attended one of the UW (University of Wyoming) basketball games and saw those big packs they wear to launch T-shirts, so I came home and I said (to Troy), 'Build me one of those," Melissa said. "He did build me a T-shirt launcher that sits in the back of a pickup, and that was a cool addition. A lot of people get a kick out of that."

Troy said that every year in which he has put

he and Melissa note that they will not be trying to beat each other during the event.

The event, however, would not be possible without the various volunteers who offer their time and energy, the Cades said.

"The sled is a NEAT Association (Northeast Antique Tractor) pulling sled," Troy said. "And there's numerous other volunteers and people who give their time with backhoes and track preparation, announcers, scorekeepers and everyone else who does it. It's all voluntary."

They do their best to give back to those who help host the event, Troy said, with half of the money generated from entry fees going back to the NEAT Association. The other half goes to the prize money for the winners in each class: gas, diesel and heavy weight.

"At the beginning, I always wanted to make it free to everybody," Troy said. "People would always ask why I don't charge for it, but you know I just wanted to do a thing for the community for customer appreciation, for the people who help us out and do business here, so I've always wanted to keep it free for everybody for everything, and so far we've been able to do that for 14 years."

Participating in the event costs \$20, and registration for the event starts at 5 p.m. on the night of the event. Each class winner will receive a trophy along with the cash prize. The Cades say they are eager for their event this year, and hope it will continue to be free fun for years to come.

CORRECTIONS

In our page one story of the July 19 edition of the News Letter Journal, "Getting Bit," we incorrectly labeled Ashley Tupper as a doctor. Tupper is actually a Family Nurse Practitioner. We regret the error.



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DDIMON News Letter Journal

Our View County attorney election is unlikely to solve our prosecution problem

The front page story in this week's NLJ about the decision by County Attorney William Curley to drop the fraud case against a local woman who became the focal point of a Coroner's Inquest held in Newcastle in late 2016 is troubling for a number of reasons.

First and foremost, Curley's decision is the latest in what is becoming a long line of high-profile felony prosecutions that have been dropped or plea bargained down in the past few years, and we share the concern that has been expressed by county residents who feel that serious criminals are escaping justice in Weston County.

But the dropped prosecution is even more concerning right now because it is adding to confusion that residents have in regards to the upcoming election for county attorney, and steps that have been taken by the county commissioners and county clerk in regards to that election.

On July 3, the commissioners voted unanimously to approve funding for a special attorney to provide legal advice and representation to the county clerk in her capacity as the county's top election officer. Alex Berger, a non-resident, has been placed on the ballot to run against Curley for county attorney at the order of a judge, and it is likely that there will be further legal challenges regardless of the outcome of next month's election.

As county government is structured at present, Curley is responsible for providing advice and representation to county officials- including the county clerk- on all legal matters. It was necessary to approve the special attorney position because it allows the county to navigate those

future legal challenges on the advice of somebody besides the county attorney, who has a clear conflict of interest on this issue.

In simplest terms, those commissioners who voted to approve funding for a special attorney ensured that Curley is not providing legal counsel to county officials in a case in which he has a personal stake. A vote against the funding would have been telling county officials to use Curley as their legal resource in making any decisions regarding the upcoming county attorney election.

When viewed in those terms, it is pretty easy to understand why the commissioners felt it was a good idea to hire another lawyer to represent the county in this matter, and that is why we are confused over a report in the Weston County Gazette that one commissioner chose not to vote at all on the motion.

We would like to ask that commissioner to explain the reason for not voting. County commissioners (like city councilmen and school board members) really only have one duty or power as individuals, and that is to cast a vote. We are troubled that a commissioner would shirk that duty on something that is so important to Weston County.

We would also like to suggest that the county attorney election is unlikely to produce a result that will solve the county's problem with the prosecution of serious crimes, but we believe the city council and county commission elections can.

We think it is time for those local governments to come together after the election to review both law enforcement and prosecution in Weston County, and determine how to provide an appropriate level of service in both of those areas to the people who live here. We also believe there is a solution available.

That solution begins with the elimination of the Newcastle Police Department and its over \$1 million annual budget. We believe the City of Newcastle should offer half of their present police budget to Weston County to help provide the resources necessary to ensure the Sheriff's Office can take on additional policing responsibilities in Newcastle. The Sheriff would also take over dispatch duties in the county, and that makes sense because most federal and state funds for communications systems come through the Department of Homeland Security, which is managed locally on the county level.

However, in the contract between the city and county, the city must stipulate that some of those funds will be used to create a county prosecuting attorney position. If there is no county prosecutor-independent of the county attorneythere will be no city money provided to help the Sheriff's Office take over policing in Newcastle. Regardless of the outcome of the election, this would solve the county's prosecution problem.

And for those of you who haven't been following along and doing the math, the City of Newcastle will also have about a half-million dollars left over to fix streets every year.

We have asked candidates to express their opinions on this proposal, and hope they will share them honestly in our Primary Election Preview on August 16. If any of them have a better solution, we want to hear it.

Letters to the Editor Get informed to get it

right at the polls

Dear Editor,

As this election season approaches, it is important for all of us, as voters, to educate ourselves about the people running, and who are they. If they are incumbents, measure them by their performance. Do they like their job, are they courteous, are they there for us or themselves, are they team players, do they listen, are they professional, will they make decisions, do

on a routine basis what goes on? What has that person seen that might help us determine if the elected official is doing a good job? Sometimes we have to just go on our gut instinct, but we should try every avenue available to make an informed decision.

The group of people on the ballot that are not incumbents are harder to evaluate. We have to decide who they are. Are they courteous, are they professional, can we put our trust in them, have they done anything else similar, do they have personal agendas, will they hit the ground running? As before this list can

election will set the tone for Weston County and the state for the next four years.

If you get the chance, go meet the candidates. Shake their hand, look them in the eye and try to figure out who they are.

Let's make sure we put a group of elected officials together we can be proud of.

—Bill Lambert

Cowgirl not offended

by new Poke slogan

The world needs more cowboys, or at least more people with Cowboy ethics. —Jean Harshbarger

My inspiration

Dear Editor,

Out in my little house on the prairie (By the way one of the finest in the nation), Right there on the lid to the throne, is chiseled a most wonderful inspiration.

I'm not certain whether it's the look in his eyes, (At least the one that is open), or if his whole demeanor is the thing, that leaves me all positive

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they know their job, can you trust them?

This list can go on and on. What is important is, are you satisfied with their job performance?

Measuring some elected officials is easier than others. Those we deal with on a routine basis are easier to evaluate than others. The hard ones are the elected officials we do not deal with on a routine basis such as city councilmen, commissioners, legislators, school boards, mayors, statewide elected officials, judges, etc. As we try to evaluate this last group, we must ask ourselves if we have done our job as voters to find out how these people represent us.

Have we gone to meetings, legislative sessions, etc. to see first hand how they represent us? If not, have we asked someone that has been involved

go on and on. Tough decisions that should not be taken lightly.

Sometimes our per-Reader's ception is not right. How we think we are being represented might not be how it really is. The rumor mill is alive and well in Weston County this election season. We owe it to those we have elected and those that are new to the political arena to allow them

to respond. We should call them and allow them to respond. Do not judge on rumors.

Weston County has some extremely important decisions to make this fall. We, as the voters, need to make sure we are taking the right road forward. The outcome of this

Dear Editor,

The recent controversy about the Cowboy slogan is ridiculous. It is a cinch that the world does need more cowboys. I am a proud graduate of the University of Wyoming, College of Agriculture and have never felt mistreated by the use of the word "Cowboy."

Of course, when I graduated things were very different — there were still dinosaurs, lakes and palm trees here. Anyone who feels demeaned by this must have thin skin. What annoys me is paying a

Colorado outfit half a million dollars to come up with this.

Cowboy up or go sit in the pickup (or leave).

and hopin'.

With one pistol out and his hand on the other, Pistol Pete looks like he's loaded for bear. You can tell whatever foe has him stirred up, would be well advised to beware.

Now some brain damaged folks are attacking my hero, He's racist and sexist we are told. But we know such propaganda is a big lie, we fans of the Brown and Gold.

If they don't believe in exceptionalism, truth, justice, and the American way, not a single thing is keeping them here, they could depart for Venezuela today.

Those seeking to create an unwanted division will not get a free ride on easy street, and they someday may come to understand, not to mess with the likes of Pistol Pete.

—Jim Darlington

In case you were too busy to notice the campaigns

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Views

There is so much to write about concerning politics this time of year in Wyoming – where on earth do I start?

Perhaps the biggest thing that will affect the most people is the fact that four of the five top statewide elected officials are being elected this year.

The five people in these slots (Governor, Secretary of State, State Supt. of Public Instruction, State Auditor and State Treasurer) make up the five board positions on a great many of the decisionmaking bodies in the state. The State Land and Investment Board (SLIB) is perhaps the most notable. Decisions made by members of that group of the five state elected officials affect just about every county, city and town during a four-year cycle.

Thus, it is important for voters to check out the candidates to get an idea of how they feel about their future voting trends while serving on this board.

A big distinction is that some candidates have strict constitutional views, which may cause them to vote 'nay' on projects that are important to cities and towns. Up to now the SLIB board has been pretty liberal (although they will deny using such a horrible word) in their decisions in choosing to help out cities and towns with their needs.

Although the governor's race is getting lots of press and airtime, there are two other races that deserve a good look by voters.

Both the State Auditor and State Treasurer races have hard-working candidates crisscrossing the state and doing everything they can to get your attention.

I am just writing about the Republican primary races because these two are contested. We will talk about the Democrats and the governor candidates in a future column after the primary.

State Auditor Cynthia Cloud of Cody is retiring, which opens the door for two aggressive Republican candidates who offer up different approaches to the office.

Kristi Racines of Cheyenne is a CPA who currently works for the Wyoming Supreme Court. She brings the assumed tools necessary to a job that contains the title "auditor" in it.

She has been pounding the pavement hard all over the state and often takes her young children

> with her. She has made a good impression, but needs to spread her message outside of her hometown of Cheyenne.

> Her opponent is three-term State Legislator Nathan Winters of Thermopolis, who is an ordained Baptist minister. Nathan is also working hard and often brings his wife and three kids along, to make it a family affair.

> He admits to being extremely conservative and is probably somewhat to the right of Racines. He often talks principles as part of his stump speech.

State Treasurer Mark Gordon of Kaycee is in the race for governor, leaving his office open to two state senators who offer contrasting styles and different backgrounds.

Leland Christensen of Alta (west of Jackson Hole) is a former law enforcement officer and auctioneer. It is hard to find anyone who does not like Leland. He is looking forward to serving on the state boards and admits that he will be relying on the Treasurer's staff to do the heavy lifting in the office if elected.

Curt Meier of Torrington offers a sober countenance, which works against him in a statewide contest. He is well qualified for this job or any other state job. But he often comes across as dour. I have known Curt for a long time, and he is as easy-going as Leland. It's just hard to get him to crack a smile.

My advice to voters is to pay attention to these folks and then make your decision. We are blessed to have good people running.

Watching the campaigns always causes me to bring up two things I do not like about Wyoming campaigns:

First, we should have our primary any time but August. It is a great time for parades and county fairs, but not nearly as good a time as May or June. Too many people are enjoying themselves in July and August to be paying attention. No wonder our primary election vote totals are so small.

Second is the importance that debates can play. Often a very capable candidate gets tongue-tied and comes across poorly. In reality, no state official would make a decision based on a moment's notice in the glare of the TV cameras.

So again, I would advise voters to give all the candidates a little bit of leeway when watching them trying to come up with the right answer during a moment of intense pressure.

That is not how important decisions are made in the real world.

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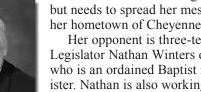


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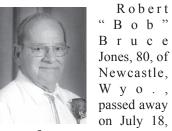
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All are welcome, and we look forward to hearing your stories about Casey.



Obituaries...

ROBERT 'BOB' BRUCE JONES Sept. 17, 1937–July 18, 2018



on July 18, Robert 2018, Jones his hometown

Newcastle. He was born on Sept. 17, 1937, in Deadwood, S.D., to Cable and Vera Jones. As a young child, he moved to Newcastle with his family. During high school he began working for his father.

On Dec. 5, 1959, Bob married the love of his life, Donna Hedrick Jones. They had four beloved children together. Bob worked for MJT Trucking before finishing his career at Dixon Bros. Trucking for 44 years, when he retired in 2012.

Bob was happiest when hunting with his family, bowling in several leagues and camping with the Black Hills Hillbillies camping club.

He is preceded in death by his parents, and his siblings, David Jones, Joanne Huckins, and Judy Mitch.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Donna; four children and their spouses, Danny (Joy) Jones, Dallas "Tex" (Debbie) Jones, Jody (Kevin) Mello, and Duane (Lynn) Jones; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and his sister, Loretta "Lori" Suess.

July 20, from 5-7 p.m. at Worden Funeral Directors in Newcastle. Services were July 21 at 10 a.m. at the Weston County Senior Citizens Center. Burial was at the local cemetery following the services. Bob's children are asking that any memorial donations be made to Weston County Senior Citizen Center Activities Fund in honor of their mother, Donna, that will be donated to the local senior center activities.

LOIS ANN THOMPSON Jan. 19, 1945–July 12, 2018

> Lois Ann Thompson 73, passed 12, July 2 0 1 8 , Casa in Grande, Ariz. She was born Lois

19, Thompson Jan. 1945, in Deadwood, S.D., to Donald

and Hilda Richey. Lois Ann was a loving wife, mother, sister, Nana and friend to many. These were things that brought her the greatest joy. She was an avid chef, florist, small business owner, traveler and collector of many things. Lois Ann used these skills to help her family and friends in a multitude of ways.

She is survived by her husband, Loren Thompson, and her children, Leslee Thompson (Sam Miller), of Arizona, Lane (Shannon) Thompson of Wyoming, and Laurel (Chris) Waggoner of Florida. She is

Viewing was held Friday, also survived by her beloved grandchildren, Blade (Nicole) Thompson, Ashley Thompson, Morgan Waggoner, and Skylar Waggoner; her brother, Ray Richey in South Dakota; two sisters in Wyoming; and her sister-in-law, Lavonne (Harry) Roberts in Wyoming.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and her sisterin-law, Karla Richey.

A Celebration of Live will be at a later date.

GARY O. WEIDNER Dec. 7, 1943–July 20, 2018

Gary O. Weidner passed away after a long battle with cancer on 20, July 2018, at the age of 74, Weidner in Gillette, Wyo.

Gary was born in Lexington, Neb., on Dec. 7, 1943. He grew up on a farm outside of Sumner, Neb. He attended barber school in Denver, Colo., and worked in barber shops in Sumner and Lexington before opening his own barber shop in Fairbury, Neb. Although Gary left this profession to enter the army, he continued to cut hair for family and many friends throughout his life.

Gary

Gary joined the U.S. Army in 1968 with the 101st father. Airborne Division, in which he served two tours of duty in Vietnam. Returning to Fairbury he went to work for the Rock Island Railroad until

its closure, at which time he moved to Edgemont, S.D., and went to work for the Burlington Northern Railroad until he transferred to Sheridan, Wyo., in 1982. He continued to live and work in Sheridan until he retired in 2004. In 2006, he moved to Newcastle, Wyo., with his wife Peggy.

Gary will be remembered for his love of children, animals, his passion for fine cars, Harley Davidson motorcycles, and for the kindness that he showed to everyone he met.

Gary was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church, a supporter of the POW/MIA, and the Disabled American Vets.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Orville and Nelly (Shears) Weidner; and wife, Marilyn Weidner.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Weidner; sisters, Peggy Choplin, Kay Payton, Maris Bentley, and LuAnn Tucson; sons, Tom Newman, Chuck, Mark and Jack Browning, and Timothy John Weidner; daughters, Jamie Weidner, Tanya Evans, and Stephanie Holwell; 15 grandchildren; and 12 greatgrandchildren.

At Gary's request there will be no services, and in lieu of condolences, monetary donations can be made to local animal shelters in his name.

Final resting place will be in Eddyville, Neb., next to his

Family and friends may sign his online guestbook and leave written condolences for the family at blackhillsfuneralhome.com.



• 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 6:00 pm.

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• UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Bible Study and Sunday School 9:00 am; Worship 10:00 am; Fellowship 11:00 am; Last Sunday of August no church in Upton; Worship at 11:00 am at Rev. Johnson's home in Custer

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July 28, 1893

The County commissioners are holding a special session today to attend to several very urgent matters.

H. Fuller who owned a sawmill near Sundance was killed by falling on a rapidly revolving saw on Monday.

R. A. Weston has temporarily moved his family to the old EVA Ranch on Sweetwater to try the effect of higher altitude upon.

Judge Alden received a telegram Wednesday, announcing the death of his son-in-law, Frank Nefsy, by lightning. He was on the range near Moorcroft when he was struck by lightning, himself & horse being killed instantly. Judge Alden started as soon as possible for Sundance.

The picnic given by the Catholic Society in M.J. Coyle's grove on Thursday, was a complete success.

There is a \$10.00 reward to any person who will deliver to Miss Grace hill a gold watch, which was lost on the evening of July 4th, between Geo. Sheldon's and city hall. It has her name engraved on the inside of the case & initials on the outside.

The residence of Albert Williamson of Cambria was visited by a huge pole cat Sunday night.

July 25, 1918

Yesterday the Nebraska Telephone Company installed a long-distance switchboard and connected it with the local switchboard of the Northern Wyoming Telephone Company and the new line between Newcastle and Custer will be ready for service within the next week.

Newcastle from his ranch near Howard last Tuesday.

Dr. N.E. Wells is having a number of improvements made in the interior of his residence.

J.L. Finn is hauling building material for his homestead shack which he is erecting on his claim on dug-out.

A young man, who is employed at the LAK ranch the first of the week fell from a hay stacker & broke one of his arms above the elbow.

Joe Lissolo yesterday purchased a new & improved Big Six mowing machine from the Coles Commercial Company & will take the machine out to his ranch on Plum Creek today.

Pete Christensen was down from Cambria yesterday making arrangements for the Old Settler's Picnic to be held August 10th at Kolsen Hall on Soldier Creek. He was accompanied by Pete Hedlund & John Jenkins.

Word has been received from Roy Means who is stationed at Jacksonville, Florida, that he was to leave that camp Monday for somewhere and he did not know where Mr. Means enlisted as butcher & left Florida on May 24th.

July 22, 1943

The shipping of Weston County's 450,000-pound wool clip is now complete. The last carload leaving Weston county was shipped from the Black Hills Cold Storage Plant, Thursday, July 15th.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Newcastle Izaac Walton League was held Thursday evening, July 15, at the picnic grounds north of the LAK lake. Forty-five members and guests enjoyed the picnic supper & refreshments served by H.A. Gudger & Rosco Michaels.

Mr. & Mrs. Henry Tavegia are parents of twins, a boy and girl, born at the Newcastle Hospital on July 20th. The boy weighed six pounds, eight and

WHAT'S UP July 2018

Z.T. Monroe was in a half ounces. The girl weighed a Denver hospital after an illness six pounds, four and a half ounces.

> Mrs. Mae Dow, Chairman of the waste fat and silk & nylon hosiery salvage for this country reports that in the month of June Weston County shipped out 968 pounds of waste & fats & 115 pounds of silk & nylon hosiery.

> Mrs. Fritz & Mrs. Kirkpatrick were calling on Florence and Mamie Coates of Beaver Creek Saturday afternoon.

Miss Vi Kozisek made a business trip to Sheridan Saturday evening, returning Sunday.

Tommy Liamos has returned from Laramie where he has been attending summer school at the University.

Mrs. Esther Cleveland, Mrs. Inez Russel, & Miss Elizabeth Russell spent Tuesday in Rapid City. Mrs. Cleveland attended business matters.

July 29, 1943

Prominent local banker dies in Denver Friday. Funeral services were conducted here Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist Church for M.C. Roberts, 73, who passed away last Friday at

of several months.

County Clerk Mary C. Titus reports the issuance of only one marriage license in the past two weeks. That one was issued on July 26th to James L. Myles & Nellie A. Thoeming both of Newcastle.

On Friday, July 23, a bill of Sale was signed whereby Mr. & Mrs. Sam Hale purchased Newcastle's ready-to-wear store from Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Olinger.

Jackson Maxine of Newcastle spent Saturday night with her Aunt, Mrs. Miles Moates of Osage.

The Willie Thomson, Fred Sweet, & Frank Fawcett families enjoyed a picnic dinner at the Sweet grove Sunday.

A prairie fire was discovered Saturday afternoon on the George Clark place, now leased by J.E. Long. Long's were in town and when they returned home, neighbors from quite a distance had succeeded in putting out the fire, after it had burned several acres of good grass.

Mrs. Jim Bohan & her father Alan Van Every were Clifton callers Sunday. Jim Bohan left on the bus for Nevada.



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Haying on the Harper Ranch Beaver Creek Weston County Wyoming circa 1900s. (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

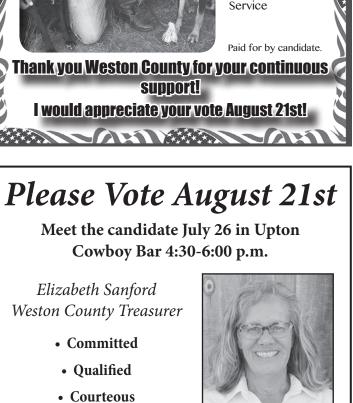
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	11:45 a.m.	WC Health Services Foundation Mtg.	WCHS Board Room		
	5:00 p.m.	Farmers Market	Rail Road Park		
	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room		
Fri 27	9:00 a.m.	Cinnamon Rolls	WC Senior Center		
	11:30 a.m.	WC Library Board Meeting	Newcastle Library		
	5:00 p.m.	Shine Show & Dine	Pizza Barn		
	7:00 p.m.	Public Fashion Revue	Newcastle Lodge		
	7:00 p.m.	Dance - Music by Western Ramblers	WC Senior Center		
	7:00 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall		
Sat 28	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Bowling Pin Shoot WC Fair Parade See Full Fair Schedule on Page 9	WC Sportmans Club Newcastle Main Street		
Mon 30	7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	WC Senior Center, Family Room		
Tues 31	1:00 p.m.	Community Rec. Open Gym August 2018	NHS Practice Gym		
Wed 01	12:00 p.m.	Newcastle Lions Club Meeting	WC Senior Center		
	1:00 p.m.	Creative Handicraft Group	WC Senior Center		
	5:30 p.m.	Sizzling Summer Showcase	WC Fairgrounds		
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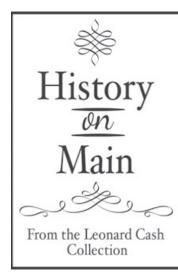
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FOR THE AGE S The head of Main Street and the history of Dow Motors continued



By Bri Brasher with Leonard Cash NLJ Reporter

The space at the head of Newcastle's Main Street is now landscaped and decorated with park benches and seasonal flowers or greenery, but it was once home to a very successful automotive business operated by C.W. Dow. The timeline of Dow Motors continues from last week's issue of the News Letter Journal into this installment of the History on Main series with Leonard Cash.

away, Dow took ownership of Dow Motor Co. back from Riley Motor Co. in 1921. Then, on Nov. 22, 1922, Dow continued to make advancements to the business, as the local papers reported that the company planned to install nine lights at the top of the garage. The article said that the lights brought big improve-Avenue and good advertising for the garage.

Business must have been good over the course of the next year because the next mention of Dow Motors came said that the garage was experiencing "considerable diffi-

Hilon continuing to run the sale end of the business.

Another article on the company was published on May 4, 1926: "The Dow Motor Co. has a force of men at work removing the filling tanks in front of the garage and is replacing it by a modern upto-date gas pump which fills automatically by compressed air. This is the first gas pump of this kind in the city." The article also said that two more fireproof store rooms were added to the company property, as well as a fireproof store building located on the Dow residence property, and that the masonry work was done by J.L. Sundstrom.

"They lived right up there on the hill behind the business. That little white house up there — that was a big house back then!" Cash exclaimed.

Then on March 18, 1926, it was reported in the local news that "the Dow Motor Co. is this week installing a ladies rest room. This feature will greatly add to the already well equipped garage."

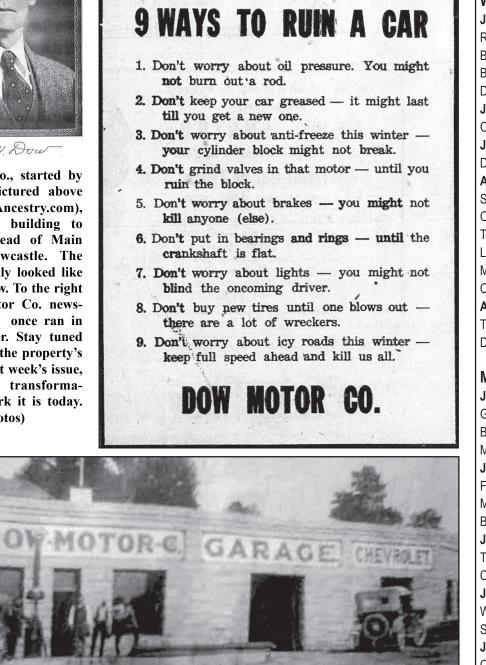
Not long after, the company After only a short stint redecorated the business and made additional improvements to the office and store while completing the ladies rest room. An update on the upgrades hit the stands in April 2016 when the shops and storage rooms at Dow Motors were whitewashed and the redecorating and rest room were almost complete.

Again, J.L. Sundstrom was ments to the looks of Warren hired do to the masonry work on the ladies room, which included cutting away the stone of the building to make an outer door. According to the article, "the ladies rest room just being completed at the in May 1923 when the papers Dow Motor Co. Garage is very cozy and attractive in appearwaiting on repair work, also a splendid view of the town is obtained from the door leading to Warren Avenue." Further improvements continued into the spring of 1927 when Dow told a local paper that the company intended to put a 15-foot slab of concrete along the street in front of the garage, because the gravel and cinders currently in place did little to help with the amount of mud carried by cars stopping for service. Dow said the concrete could be kept clean to improve the look of the street. August of 1927 saw yet another advancement at the local garage. An article titled "Dow Motor Co. Installs Automatic Air Device" reported the following: "Keeping your automobile tires inflated with the proper pressure is an easy matter now since the Dow Motor Co. has



Charles W. Dow

Dow Motor Co., started by C.W. Dow (pictured above courtesy of Ancestry.com), was the first building to inhabit the head of Main Street in Newcastle. The building initially looked like the photo below. To the right is a Dow Motor Co. newspaper ad that once ran in the local paper. Stay tuned for the rest of the property's timeline in next week's issue, including its transformation to the park it is today. (Submitted Photos)



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installed an apparatus which makes it a simple matter for you to put just the right amount of air in your tire. The device is a simple little affair with a around to the figures which represent the amount of pressure you desire in your tires connect the air tube to your valve stem and when the tire is inflated to the proper pressure the alarm bell will ring." The device was reportedly a hit with the motorists in this part of the state. To end the year 1927, Dow Motors was said to have had the nicest Christmas decorations in Newcastle. On March 1, 1928, it was announced in the paper that Charles W. Dow celebrated his 15th birthday yesterday, but by an actual count, he was 60 years old. Cash explained that Dow was born in a leap year on Feb. 29 — so he technically only had a birthday once every four years.

South Dakota. With Dow out of the partnership, DeVol then shared ownership with Martin Churchfield, Dow's partner of many years. In fact, Churchfield married Dow's daughter. Pearl. around the year 1913, and the couple made their home in the Newcastle and Cambria area, according to Cash. Records then skip ahead to Sept. 10, 1931, when Dow ---a state senator from Weston County at this time — became the owner of the Security Title and Investment Co. previously owned by Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Calkins. The article stated that Dow planned to be active in the company, while the abstracting department was expected to continue under the management of Lee Bettis. The company's office quarters were located in the basement of Newcastle's courthouse.

Unfortunately, Dow was

Journal on Nov. 7, 1929, when unable to work with his new It was rumored that Dow business venture for long. disposed of his 50 percent An article titled "Unexpected stock in Dow Motor Co. to Death Senator C.W. Dow Howard DeVol, formerly of Shocks Community" made the four year term, president of the ance and an ideal room for clock like face on it. By means Newcastle and Cambria. At papers on Dec. 8, 1932. The First State Bank of Newcastle culty in getting Ford cars to traveling tourists to rest while of a crank you turn the hand the time DeVol lived in Lead, News Letter Journal article and president of the Newcastle opened with the following excerpt: "Overcast skies reflected the sorrow which spread like a cloak over the community Monday afternoon as Newcastle paid final tribute to one of its pioneer and most highly respected citizens, State Senator Charles W. Dow. His unexpected death Saturday night came as a distinct shock not only to the people of Weston County but to the state throughout which he was so well and widely known." C. W. Dow reportedly died of a serious but not critical illness that took a turn for the worst. The article announcing his passing also talked of Dow's vast influence in the area. "For nearly half a century a resident of Weston County, Charles Walter Dow, through his business, civic, political and fraternal activities was one of the communities out-

Senior Happenings

WC Senior Service	es
July 27	
Rolls	9 a.m.
Blood Pressure Check	9:30 a.m.
Bridge Ladies	1 p.m.
Dance 7	7 - 10 p.m.
July 30	
Osteo Exercise	9 a.m.
July 31	
Dominoes	1 p.m.
August 1	
Senior Day @ SHOPK	0
Osteo Exercise	9 a.m.
Toe Nail Clinic	9 - 11 a.m.
Lions Club @ Noon	
Mondell Heights Here F	or Lunch
Creative Handcrafts Afe	er Lunch
August 2	
Trip to Tin Lizzie	
Dominoes	1 p.m.

Manor	
July 27	
Greedy	10:30 a.m.
Bingo	2 p.m.
Novie	6 p.m.
July 28	
Fair Parade	10 a.m
Novie	2 p.m
Bingo	6 p.m
July 29	
Frivia	11 a.m
Church	2 p.m
July 30	
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Seed Spittin'	3 p.m
July 31	
Ceramics	10:30 a.m
Keepsake Krafters	2 p.m.

standing citizens.

At the time of his death he was state senator, having been elected two years ago for a

meet the demand."

Cash's records then skip to Jan. 31, 1924, when Dow Motors installed a new Bowser gasoline pump in the front of the business. The new pump was said to be one of the latest models that featured a glass container through which all the gasoline must pass. It was reported that "a car can be filled up in short order while the customer can see just how much gasoline he is getting."

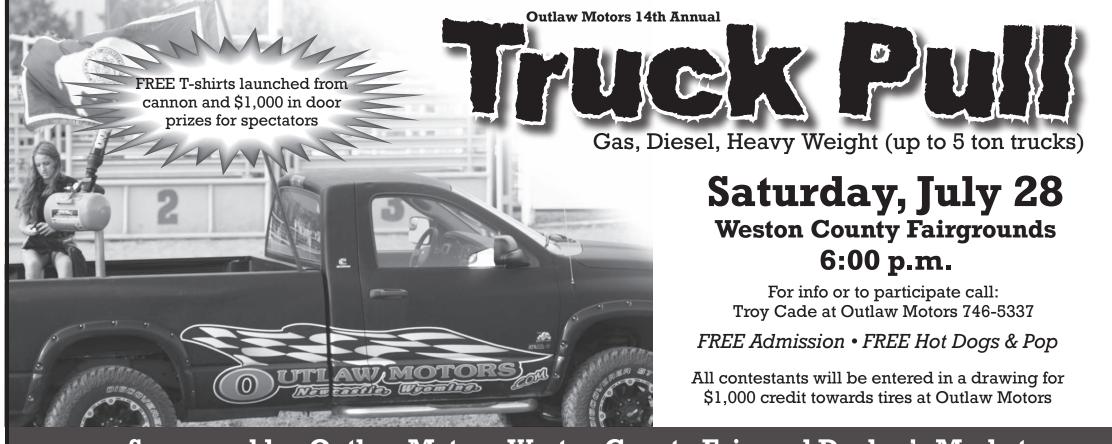
The next month, another article was published in Newcastle, stating that Dow Motor Co. sold three Ford cars within the past week, including a truck to the Washburn-Bettis Co. to be used for delivery purposes. Dow Motor Co. continued to advance into January of 1925 when the company arranged for C.E. Hilon to take over the parts end of the Dodge Bros. Motor Car business, with

According to Cash's records, the next influential report on Dow Motors was published in the News Letter

Lion's Club."

The article added that during his time in Newcastle, Dow was also postmaster during World War I, mayor of Newcastle in 1922 and 1923, and city councilman for several terms. Additionally, Dow worked as a carpenter and contractor, took an interest in the ranching industry and started a successful automobile business - Dow Motor Co. Dow, born in 1868, was survived by his wife, Orpha May (Nelson) Dow - whom he married in Newcastle on Oct. 11, 1891 — and their two daughters, Pearl and Lela.

"Ol' Charlie was on the first train that came into Newcastle," said Cash, a fact that was reiterated in the Dec. 8, 1932, article. The article said that Dow arrived on the newly laid rails of the Burlington route in November of 1889.



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A year without the Fair •Local boy sidelined in Denver by cancer fight

KateLynn Slaamot NLJ Correspondent

While fair week is approaching, and many people are preparing their projects, one family that has been involved in the fair for many years has been busy with other, more pressing needs.

J.R. Graham, who is 13 years old, has been in Denver with his family for a few months, receiving treatment for his recently diagnosed cancer from the children's hospital there.

Jessica Graham, J.R.'s mother, said that it has been hard to see her son's struggle with cancer. It has also been an "overwhelming learning experience," according to Jessica, who said the family has learned a great deal of medical vocabulary from the experience in an effort to understand what is going on.

"It's hard to not always know what's going on," said Asia, J.R.'s sister. She told the News Letter Journal that while her family is in Denver much of the time, she has remained in Newcastle. This can take its toll, she said, but she has learned to appreciate her family even more.

However, the experience has not been all bad, according to the family. J.R. attended a Colorado Rockies baseball game, and he even met and got a picture taken with Nolan Arenado, No. 28, the third baseman for the Rockies. Through an organization called HopeKids, which help kids going through similar situations as J.R.'s by giving them fun opportunities, J.R. and his family also attended a lacrosse game.



J.R. Graham gives a big smile with Nolan Arenado, third baseman for the Rockies. (Submitted photo)

help children and their families. Brent's Place provides apartments that are safe to stay at for children whose immune systems are compromised. The association also hosts birthday parties for those staying at the apartments and their families, and they also have a movie night on Tuesdays. Another organization, Jason's Friends in Casper, helps with travel expenses for people from Wyoming, because there is no children's hospital in Wyoming.

"We've met a lot of really neat people," Jessica said. Among them are other families Other organizations also in Brent's Place and the family

has formed relationships with the hospital staff, she said.

"I am so impressed with the nurses and the staff here," said Jessica. She said that when they had a scare a few weeks ago because J.R. had a couple of infections and was very sick, specialists from nine different teams were working together around the clock to give J.R. the care he required. The staff and J.R. also have a relationship that enables them to joke around with each other and just have fun, Jessica said.

According to Jessica, the family has received immense support from Newcastle and Weston County residents, for which she expressed gratitude. "We get cards and letters every day," Jessica said, noting that some mail is from people they don't even know. J.R. said he has discovered just how much he is loved by those around him.

George, J.R.'s father, works at Wyoming Refining Co., and Jessica said that his crew recently displayed a kind act of solidarity.

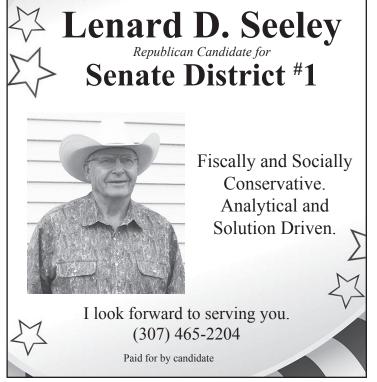
"There's a whole bunch of bald guys at the refinery," Jessica said, with a laugh. Once J.R. lost his hair, George and his entire crew shaved their heads, right along with J.R.

Although J.R. can't make it to the fair this year, he was a participant for the four previous years. He's entered Legos, leather work, crafts and more. He's also shown many animals, such as sheep, pigs and turkeys. He's won grand champion with his turkey, best of breed with his rabbit and other awards.

"I like being involved in fun stuff," J.R. said, adding that while fair is hard work, it is very enjoyable and he hopes to be back and at it again next year.

Asia is going to participate in fair for her eighth year. Showing rabbits and chickens, as well as photography, are a few of the things she'll be doing this year. She also said that she appreciates fair because it encourages children to be responsible and allows them to practice skills in leadership.

"We feel the love from Newcastle," Jessica said. All in all, she said she appreciated all the support from Weston County throughout this journey.







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Some of the construction at the four-way intersection in Newcastle was done to give cars a lane to travel rather than a long detour around town. All cones will be pulled back off the road beginning July 27, to prepare for the traffic through down during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

Roadwork will shut down during rally

Abby Gray NLJ Correspondent

The Newcastle Marginal Project being completed by Simon Contractors, Traffic Safety Services and S&S Builders will come to a temporary halt on July 27 and start back up again on Aug. 13. The interlude will keep the roads free of construction when traffic to the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in South Dakota is at its peak.

"We have a construction shutdown from July 27 through Aug. 12," said John Leahy, an engineer with the Wyoming Department of Transportation. "All traffic control will be taken off of the road, and we won't be doing any work that impacts traffic, but they might be doing some sidewalk stuff down by the port of entry.'

the intersection is completed, according to Leahy. All that milling asphalt on Aug. 13, is left at the port of entry, he Leahy said. Paving will begin incentive if it took them longer noted, is the widening of the either on Friday, Aug. 17, or westbound lane of the bypass. the following Monday, Aug. Then, as part of this project, all of U.S. Highway 16 from Dixon Bros. Inc. to the West End Bar will get overlaid, he said. Other than the intersection work, construction has been taking place on the shoulders of the highways to make improvements to the sidewalks. "All the work that is going on in between right now, we're upgrading the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) access ramps at the intersections, through the project," Leahy said. "Between now and Aug. 20, the plan is that they'll just continue moving and upgrading those sidewalk sections.' Per the construction contract, no work is to be done on high-traffic areas the weeks before and during the Sturgis



Road closed signs have made many appearances in Newcastle throughout the summer. Wyoming Department of Transportation engineer John Leahy, however, said residents need only worry about construction for about two more months, as it will be wrapping up mid-September. (Photos by Abby Gray)

All the concrete work at rally. Once the rally concludes, construction will restart with 20. Leahy said paving will take about six weeks, with a completion date estimated to be Sept. 15. "The intersections absolutely needed to be done, because they were falling apart, and it's been probably 20 years since we've been in there," Leahy said. With this current project, the life of the current pavement will be extended through what Leahy called pavement preservation, providing for less construction work being done in the future. He also noted that the process will reduce the life cycle cost of the roadway. "We put an accelerated construction schedule on (the four-way stop), in which we offered an incentive to the contractor if they finished it

and had it opened back up to traffic before the 50 working days we gave them, and a disthan that period," Leahy said. "It worked very well. S&S Builders and Simon, they were

able to actually finish the inter-

section in 40 calendar days, so

about two weeks faster than

been going on for most of

the summer, Leahy noted that

he has gotten an overload of

positive feedback, and he is

happy with the patience the

then we're out of your hair,"

struction will only consist of an overlay from the U.S. highways

16 and 85 intersection north on

Highway 85 to the Flying V.

Leahy said he is hopeful that

portion of road work will not

"Two more months and

Next summer, he noted, con-

community has exhibited.

Though construction has

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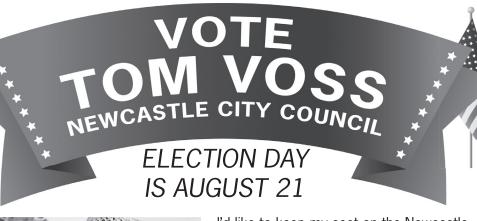
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- B) To create a new industrial park especially for manufacturing
- C) To be pro-active in building a wider economic base
- D) To find new uses for present resources

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Attorney from Page 1

Berger's application for candidacy for county County, Berger filed for a writ of mandamus with Gidget Macke, clerk

of the Sixth District Court. District Judge John G. Fenn granted the writ on June 21, allowing Berger's name to appear on the primary election ballot.

Berger, a Gillette and Campbell County resident, claims there are no residency requirements for county attorney in Wyoming law and that he, therefore, has the right to appear on the Weston County ballot.

In granting the writ, Fenn stated that he "fundamentally adopts the argument that those issues may

be resolved through contesting of the election and Wyoming has guidelines on how to proceed."

Sellers said that there is no precedent in the state for the situation.

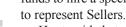
"Those are new waters across the state. I don't have something to lean on, and every clerk is watching Weston County to see how this turns out," Sellers said. "The concerns are (that) this

After Sellers initially refused to accept affects who gets to file and run on their ballots."

Leahy said.

On July 3, Commissioner Tracy Hunt, noting attorney because he is not a resident of Weston the conflict of interest with Curley, requested that his fellow commissioners approve a request for funds to hire a special attorney

take much time.



Hunt said that throughout the election season, Sellers or the county could be sued, no matter who wins the election and that the fault is not Sellers'.

"There is strong logic and reasoning to suggest Alex (Berger) is not qualified to run for county attorney," Hunt said. "People take a little information and spin it into their benefit. There is very widespread public misconception of the issue and to a large extent you (Sellers) are the victim. I feel for you."

Bill Commissioner

Lambert added that it is vital that the community understands that the special attorney was not hired to keep someone on or off the ballot but to strictly give the clerk unbiased legal advice.

Sellers said that her office is obligated to follow the law, no matter the outcome.

"The special counsel was imperative, and I appreciate it," Sellers said.



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customers receive local tech- exchanges from U.S. West Buck explained that each year, nical support to ensure quality internet and phone service. She said that a local employee improving the infrastructure will come to the customer's home to fix any service issue Dooley said. that needs to be addressed. Weeks also noted that keeping ments RT Communications has employees living and working in small communities benefits the various economies because employees are then buying is the third town that is now and shopping locally. RT Communications also seeks to give back to the communities in which they serve, she said.

"It's important to make a difference in the community obviously every business has to make money, that's important — but we believe we also have to then give back to the community because they are supporting us. That's it in a nutshell," Weeks said.

RT Communications supports the communities it serves by sponsoring events and donating to nonprofit organizations and volunteer groups, as well as supporting schools, youth groups, veterans, health and safety organizations, and others, according to Weeks. It's important to the company, she said, that its customers know that RT is not just selling a product but that it is also part of the community and appreciates the people's support — the relationship can and should be mutually beneficial for company and community alike.

"We believe in relationships and building relationships because that will keep them wanting to stay with RT because you know there are other options out there," Weeks said.

Becky Dooley, vice president and general Manager of RT Communications, credits RT's success, influence, and improvements to the company's board and its employees, especially as the company moves forward with its fiber-optic project to bring "fiber to the home."

"Well, first and foremost, I'd have to say that our board — when they purchased these

from Page 1..... almost 25 years ago — they really were committed to and service in Wyoming,"

> One of the larger improvecommitted to is bringing fiber to the homes in the communities it serves. Dooley said Newcastle receiving fiber-optic technology, behind only Worland and Thermopolis. According to Dooley, RT Communications decided that fiber-optic upgrades were a good future investment back in 2008. Now, parts of Newcastle, Salt Creek and other rural areas are either already using or in the process of getting fiber-optic technology. Dooley explained that fiber builds are bid, and North Central Services is the primary contractor on Newcastle's project, along with several subcontractors.

> "Fiber is from our standpoint future proof because of the capacity of broadband that it adds to the infrastructure," said Dooley. "We have to give credit to those board members that have elected to continue to make those investments in the state of Wyoming and the customers they serve."

Working on the project locally is RT Communications engineer Levi Buck, among others. Buck said the fiberto-home project in Newcastle entails updating the old copper wire lines to fiber optics, which is a glass tube that sends a light signal, making for faster speeds and a more reliable connection.

"Everybody is wanting to be connected for smartphones, TVs — everything is going over the internet — so fiber optic is becoming the path for that content, and we're providing the path," Buck said.

He also seconded Dooley's statement that fiber is relatively future proof, and the company is willing to spend the necessary funds for the project knowing that the technology is not going to be obsolete in five years.

he and his team identify an area of town that can be done with the budget set aside for fiber optics.

This past year, Buck said, the company set aside \$2 million for the fiber-to-home project, and it then evaluates a portion of town that can be done for that money. With the 2018 budget, RT will reach 300-400 homes and businesses. Last year, RT Communications' budget was a little over \$2 million and also reached nearly 400 homes and businesses. Based on these numbers, the company will have spent about \$5,000 per home or business in Newcastle over the last two years.

Buck said construction on the fiber builds typically runs from May to October. The company tackles construction one year, and then it focuses on switching over service to the new fiber-optic technology and tying up other loose ends until the next building season. Buck explained that larger projects, such as Newcastle, usually require about a dozen contractors and four inspecting engineers.

"We hope that the contractors coming to town - you know those crews stay here for six months at a time in hotels and campgrounds - we hope it's a boost to the town of Newcastle," Buck said.

Buck also said that switching to the fiber-optic technology is a seamless process for existing RT services. Current customers will be contacted for the switch. He said that anyone interested in current or new services with RT should call to set up services. RT Communications will make sure all interested parties get hooked up with the help of the local crew, he said.

"They (the Newcastle employees) are very committed to the community and the service they provide there. I would really like to give them a shout-out because we've assembled a really great team in Newcastle," Dooley said.

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There are changes to the schedule of events in the back of this year's Weston County Fair Book.

Please see "Weston County Fairgrounds" Facebook page for an updated schedule, or stop by the office and pick one up.

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Budget from Page 1..... Letter Journal that the county absorbed a health care premium

increase of 2 percent and a retirement contribution increase of 1 percent, which will cost the county an additional \$25,512. Health insurance for county employees will cost a total of \$599,000 during fiscal 2019, and retirement costs will reach \$420,512.50, according to Sellers, who noted that retirement is paid entirely by the county.

After the hearing, Lambert explained that the commissioners do their best to ensure that county employees "don't go backwards" and that he fights to make sure employee compensation doesn't go that way. County employees last received raises last year, according to Sellers.

"I think everyone appreciates our employees, and it is a matter of trying to balance that and make sure we are on a good playing field for anything," Lambert said.

He noted that the commissioners realize that some county positions are compensated less than they would be for comparable jobs, but that it is hard to give those positions raises without upsetting all other county employees.

Hunt said that he appreciated the advocacy from department heads for employee raises, and at the risk of sounding confrontational, questioned why county employees deserved the raises. He noted that the elected officials have more on their plates than the employees do and that the elected officials are only eligible for raises every four years, while employees can receive a raise with every annual budget.

Overman, however, said she thought that county employees are just as important as the elected officials, if not more important, and that they have more on their plates than the elected officials in several situations. She added that the employees fill in the gaps left by the elected officials and help them in their jobs and projects and with problems in the office.

During the vote on the budget Tuesday, Ertman said that she favored putting employee raises in the fiscal 2019 budget and that adjustments could be made "in order to make this happen."

Ertman added that during the public hearing she had suggested taking the money for raises from the county administrator's budget, noting this would be a nearly revenue neutral solution, by eliminating the county administrator position. Commissioner Hunt maintained that the county administrator and raises are two different topics completely.

Hunt argued that during the discussion the night before, he had not heard a persuasive enough argument to ask the clerk to adjust the budget once again. Wagoner added that he would prefer to see how the elected officials' raises affect the budget before adding an employee raise expense to the budget at the same time.

Sellers told the News Letter Journal that while bonuses were discussed, they were not approved at this time but would be considered at a later date.

Scoutt from Page 1

pending charges on July 23. The document states that "the court will not sign an order dismissing ... as the December the above-referenced action, but will grant the State leave to file a notice of dismissal."

It noted that under Wyo R. Crim. P. 48(a), "the attorney for the state may, by leave of court, file a dismissal of an indictment information or citation, and the prosecution shall thereupon present proceedings on a

20, 2016, verdict of the coroner's inquest into the death of Richard Campbell demonstrates, murder Weston in

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Gun rights are under attack by the left, and while some politicians back down, Foster Friess has proven he will stand up.

After the Parkland shooting, when the NRA was under attack by the left, Foster came out strongly in defense of gun rights and donated \$2.5 million to groups that promote school safety and mental health - not gun control.

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criminal charge."

The document states that "it is the County Attorney, not the Court, who has chosen not to prosecute an alleged fraud involving over \$500,000."

The document concludes that the county attorney's request for an order from the court dismissing the information in the above-referenced case is denied, but that the court grants the leave to dismiss the information. As a result of the court's order, Curley filed a Notice of Dismissal of Information on July 23 stating that, "the state by and through Weston County and Prosecuting Attorney William Curley" dismisses the information in the Scoutt case.

Curley told the News Letter Journal that his reason for not County to make that deterfurther prosecuting the case lies in the fact that the state has encountered "difficulties assembling and presenting a proper case," specifically involving proof issues. He noted that there has also been a "slide in the defendant's health" which makes her unable to get to court, and Curley said he has not seen

County has also gone unpunished."

- Mark Pinsky, Author

the need to ambulance her to court.

"At some point you have to consider the circumstances and decide if it is a wise use of resources," Curley said.

Florida author Mark Pinsky, who is currently writing a true crime story involving Scoutt, said that "from this distance it's difficult to say whether this sorry, disgraceful outcome is the result of incompetence, lassitude or corruption."

"I leave it to the good people - and voters - of Weston mination. Fraud unpunished on this scale would be bad enough, given the conclusions of state investigators," Pinsky said. "But as the December 20, 2016, verdict of the coroner's inquest into the death of Richard Campbell demonstrates, murder in Weston County has also gone unpunished."

Construction Update

U.S. Highway 85 and US Highway 16 intersection is open.

Paving is currently scheduled to begin on August 20th.

ADA work continues between the 4 way stop and the railroad bridge.



Construction will shut down from July 27th to August 12th for the Sturgis Motorcyle Rally.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation. Safe Travels!

Thank you for your patience

Oakley starts police training

Melanie Oakley, a 2015 graduate of Newcastle High School, is one of 10 officerrecruits who will begin training to join the Rapid City Police Department.

She was officially sworn in as an officer on July 17. Oakley attended Western Dakota Tech and graduated with an Associates Degree in Law Enforcement in May.

After in-house training at the RCPD, she will attend the 13-week state police academy in Pierre S.D. Oakley will then be required to complete the RCPD's Police Officer Field Training Program, after which she will receive a permanent shift assignment for the remainder of her 18-month probationary period.



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Boylan earns degree from Gillette College

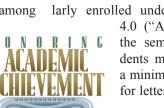
Gillette College held its 28th commencement ceremony May 11, 2018. Gillette College students earned 300 degrees and certificates this year, and Newcastle's Mary Boylan was among larly enrolled undergraduates who earned a them. She earned an Associate Degree in Nursing.

"The achievement of a college diploma or certificate is a major milestone," said Dr. Paul Young, president of the Northern Wyoming Community College District. "Our Gillette College students continue to excel while preparing for the next

steps in their lives. Congratulations to the class of 2018."

Students named to UW **President's Honor Roll**

The University of Wyoming lists four students from Weston County on the 2018 spring semester President's Honor Roll. They are



Newcastle's Calbi Ausmann, Abigail L. Gettinger and Scottlyn Cie Wiggins, and Upton's Mikala D. Crain.

The President's Honor Roll consists of regu-

4.0 ("A") grade-point average for the semester. To be eligible, students must have been enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours taken for letter grades.

UW lists Provost's Honor Roll

The University of Wyoming lists five students from Weston County on the 2018 spring semester Provost's Honor Roll. They are Newcastle's Suzanne Ackerman, Jodi Barker, Debra J. Hoover and Megan Theresa Leiss and Upton's Erin Lynn Crawford.

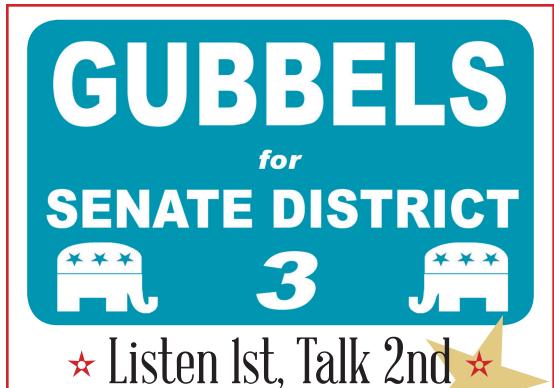
The Provost's Honor Roll consists of undergraduates who have completed at least six but fewer than 12 hours with a minimum 3.5 gradepoint average for the semester.

LaCroix begins doctoral program

In a few short weeks, 53 physical therapy students, members of the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Class of 2020, will start the clinical studies portion of their journey to become doctors of physical therapy at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS), according to a release from the school.



The students, including one Shenae LaCroix celebrated the official beginning of her docfrom Newcastle, received their toral program with her parents, Brad and Susie, sister Sierra and grandfather Bill Jones. (Submitted photo)



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- \star Wyoming is energy, and Wyoming is an energy state.
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- ★ I will oppose any new taxes or tax increases. I strongly support economic development and infrastructure needs to keep our economy thriving and strong. Broadband is an example of needed infrastructure in Wyoming.
- 🖈 Wildlife is a major part of Wyoming's natural resources and must be conserved. The greatest form of conservation of wildlife is hunting and fishing. With respect to the rights of private property owners, the hunting and fishing industry needs to be recognized as a legitimate and prosperous industry in Wyoming.
- ☆ I promise to be visible and maintain a strong social presence in our district. Town halls will be held in all towns in Senate District #3 at least twice per year. My cell phone, email address and toll-free number will be posted for all to utilize.
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white coats at the Entrance Into Professional Service Ceremony on Thursday, July 12, at the Alerus Center.

The students, 33 women and 20 men, range in age from 21 to 42 years, with the average age of 23. Many are from North Dakota, and most completed their pre-PT coursework at UND, but Newcastle's Shenae LaCroix is one of a handful of students from Wyoming who are in the program.

The ceremony's keynote speaker was Dr. Philip Johnson, owner of Orthopedic & Sports Medicine Specialists of Fargo, N.D. Dr. Johnson received his bachelor of science in physical therapy and doctor of medicine degrees from the University of North Dakota. He went on to complete a residency in orthopedic surgery at Kalamazoo Center for Medical Studies in Michigan and a fellowship in sports medicine at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario. Dr. Johnson is a member of multiple national and state medical societies and is currently the

team physician for Team USA 300 clinical sites across the Hockey.

"The ceremony emphasized to the students the professionalism required in the clinic and within the physical therapy profession," said David Relling, PT, PhD, associate professor and chair of the SMHS Department of Physical Therapy.

After completing their first year of the professional component of the physical therapy curriculum, the students have to pass an intense, comprehensive examination of their knowledge before they begin their clinical studies. The first three years of the curriculum are considered pre-physical therapy (pre-professional). The professional component of the DPT degree requires three academic years and two summer sessions following completion of the 90-credit pre-physical therapy entrance requirement.

Clinical experiences are a crucial component of the UND physical therapy curriculum and take place at more than

nation, the majority of which lie outside the Greater Grand Forks area, according to the release which said these experiences meld academic information with hands-on clinical experience. Students participate in direct delivery of physical therapy services in a variety of settings under the direction and supervision of one or more clinical instructors.

"Students are making the transition from being a student to being a health care professional," Relling said. "With that transition comes a great deal of responsibility and accountability to these new professionals and to their patients. For many students, this will be the first life experience they will have had that requires such a high level of professionalism and responsibility. We have trained them well, they have worked hard, and we anticipate they will do a great job working within a comprehensive, interprofessional health-care team."

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Foster Friess has led the charge to open Wyoming's books so citizens can find out where all their tax money is going.

Back in 2014, he was a major funder of a nonprofit organization called OpenTheBooks.Com, which has been prying into the various budgets, committees, commissions, agencies, and other government entities in Wyoming to find out where money is going.

Wyoming is one of just three states that has NOT provided all the information about where money is being spent. Foster Friess says this will change if he is elected governor.

Politicians and state leaders are all talking about getting the state budget under control. Foster went further. As an experienced businessman, Foster Friess first asked, "Where is the money going that we already have?"

OpenTheBooks.com and the Equality State Taxpayers' Association tried to crack open the state books and they found some strange things like:

Wyoming taxes were used to spend \$35,000 to hire a magician for a STEM state conference.

Wyoming tax money was used to pay \$15,000 for a video documentary on something called the "Dutch Hop Dance."

That is \$50,000 of your tax dollars in just these

It is all about transparency. Government belongs to the citizens of Wyoming. They have a right to know where all their money is being spent. Foster Friess believes in a totally transparent state government.

Foster Friess is also concerned about the state capitol project, which started out with a \$93 million budget and is now over \$360 million. He says: "We all want a beautiful capitol, but we have to be better project money managers in the future. With my experience I promise we will manage this money down to the penny. And you, as a citizen, will know about every check that is written."

He also is concerned about the use of so many outof-state companies to complete the state capitol project. Wyoming tax dollars should stay here and support local businesses and jobs in Wyomingnot Colorado.

(Note, Foster Friess started his own company with \$800 of accumulated leave pay with no government grants which grew to \$15 billion under management. He knows money and he knows budgets.)

Foster has also learned \$717 million in NO BID contracts have been made in state government in the last biennium. He thinks this is unacceptable and he thinks Wyoming taxpayers will think so, too.

So besides no-bid contracts, runaway budgets and less than necessary expenditures, Foster Friess wonders if maybe Wyoming's budget is not in as bad a shape as some politicians are saying - it is just that nobody is watching where the money is getting spent.

PROOF PIRATES



Gateway Fellowship Church held Vacation Bible School July 16-20 at Weston County Senior Services. The theme was "Proof Pirates," and the youth learned lessons through fun skits. Above, Connor Stolhammer and Jonathan Anderson perform a skit for the group. At right, group leader Andy McKay, impersonating a pirate, encourages participation. Below, Pastor Jon Anderson waves his pirate flag.





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Below, Isaac Ralls, Adylie Bates, Kixx Bates, and Isaiah Patterson perform along with one of the group leaders, Hope McKay.

two cases that could go to our classrooms, teachers, or roads.

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Bike club preps for race **Abby Gray** NLJ Correspondent

Oil up your bike chains, adjust your handlebars and start training for the Bent Sprockets' 23-mile bike race taking place on Sept. 9. The 23-mile ride will be for riders ages 16 and older. There will also be an 11-mile race the same day for children ages 13, 14 and 15.

"It will go north on (U.S.) Highway 85, turn on Salt Creek Road, then head south, then take a left on Beaver Creek cutoff, which leads to Beaver Creek, to Highway 16, west into town, back to the Fountain (Inn), taking Ranch Market Road by Wok-n-Woll," club member Anthony Sandoval said.

The kids participating in the shorter race will be taking the scenic overlook north on U.S. Highway 85 and will be supervised by members of the Bent Sprockets. Signage and traffic control will be in place for both the 23- and 11-mile races.

Open registration for the race will start on Aug. 1, with entry fees being \$20 for the entire month. Once August has concluded, entry fees will increase to \$30 for the days leading up to the event and at



Above, 'Crazy Legs' Neil Whitney, No. 5, pitches in game 1 against Sheridan. Upper right, Slade Roberson dives back to first in the win against Buffalo. (Photos courtesy of Avery Chick)



Feam claims second place **Bob Bonnar**

NLJ Editor

The Newcastle Babe Ruth Junior Longhorn team emulated their older counterparts earlier this month when they claimed second place at the Wyoming State Tournament held in Buffalo July 11-14. The Newcastle team started the tournament with a 27-4 victory over Sheridan on July 11, and followed it up the next day with a 9-1 win over Riverton that put them in the semi-final contest. The Longhorns got the best of the host team when they beat Buffalo 7-3 in the July 13 contest to advance to the title game, but Buffalo was able to rally through the loser's bracket of the tourney to earn their way back to the championship. Because they were undefeated going in, Newcastle had a little wiggle as Buffalo had to beat the Longhorns twice to claim the title. Unfortunately, home field advantage helped the hosts do just that, as they cruised to a win in the first championship game and then held on in a wild affair in the nightcap to beat Newcastle 12-11 with a late inning rally.

Sisters proud to bear the colors

Abby Gray NLJ Correspondent

attire, grace the top of their represent a whole lot more to carry flags," said Emalee hands on their hearts," horse while proudly holding than meets the eye. In fact, Sweet, a longtime color guard While carrying a 4-H flag, the American Flag, as well as a the colors they present have for and member of 4-H and the four-leaf clover emblem is A warm day in Newcastle flag either representing 4-H or symbols that exude pride, FFA. "It's so humbling to present the colors, and I get goose bumps every time when I ride past the people with their

the gate.

"Entry fees are going as part of the pot for a cash prize," Sandoval said. "We hope that a substantial cash prize will bring everybody out of the woodwork. We're really wanting to draw people from Denver, Spearfish, Rapid City. This is 23 miles. This is an actual, legit bike race. It's covering pavement, county road; it's kind of a catch-all for all bike styles."

The prizes for first and second place will be cash, with third place being a prize package. After the race, Sandoval said, the Fountain Inn will host a free spaghetti feed to all who participated in the race. The Fountain Inn will also offer discounted rooms at their hotel for those traveling to participate in the race.

Members of the club —

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with a parade marching downtown, as color guards, clad in FFA jackets or their 4-H

FFA, and sometimes both.

In 4-H and FFA, the colors the members wear and carry

passion and love for their country and organizations. "It really is an honor to get proudly shown for all to see. Color guards are showcasing

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Cowgirl wins big

Abby Gray NLJ Correspondent

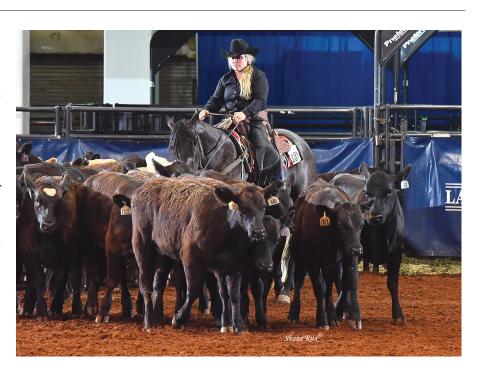
Christy Achterhof was a little fish in a big pond when she and her horse, Kings Silk, graced Guthrie, Oklahoma, for the NRSHA Novice Amateur Ranch All-Around on June 13. However, the duo quickly became the biggest fishes in the pond when they won the competition in a competitive field of more than 2,000.

"I'm thankful and blessed," Achterhof said. "I feel like it was such a blessing from God when I won. I was shocked, followed by thankfulness. It's just a blessing to go to such a beautiful place and compete against such awesome riders."

Achterhof competed on her 4-yearold horse, which she trained primarily by herself after acquiring Kings Silk, who was just 3 months old at the time, from breeder Shawn Acord, of

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Christy Achterhof rides Kings Silk to display their skills during the NRSHA novice amateur ranch allaround. The duo, though young, came out at the top of the pack. (Photo by Shane Rux Photography)







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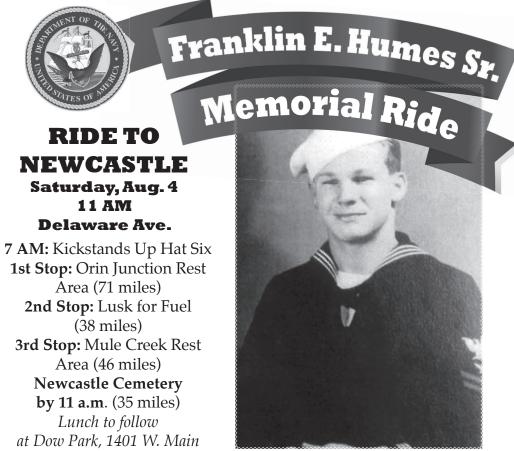
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14-year-old Jerome Gravos mows a lawn as part of his summer work. With the help of his parents, who supervise and pitch in along with their son, they launched their own year-round odd job business to provide Jerome with spending money and a way for his currently disabled father Rory to teach his son the value of hard work and patience. The family hopes to grow their business in the future to also include at-risk children or those needing to do community service work. (Photo by Jen Kocher)

On-the-job training

Jen Kocher NLJ Correspondent

It's a breezy, unseasonably cool Monday morning and despite the crisp upsweep of wind across the lawn, 14-yearold Jerome Gravos is still yawning. Getting up before 11 a.m. is a stretch for this otherwise hardworking teen, who is tasked today with mowing and edging a lawn for one of his one of his handful of customers.

He yanks the cord on the mower and makes an uphill swath of the hilly yard, while his dad follows behind with a few pointers.

This is Jerome's first stab at running his own business. The middle-schooler's parents, Nickie and Rory Gravos, accompany him to his jobs and help him tabulate bids for services. After blanketing the town with flyers earlier this summer offering yard service, painting and other odd jobs, he's happily stayed pretty busy, with the help of his parents, who not only supervise but also kick in with

what it means to do a good job and have a good work ethic," Rory says. "I won't always be here for him, and I want to teach him as much as I can."

"I want him to understand



Jerome smiles. All the attention is a bit much for this otherwise shy teen who is getting ready to start eighth grade in his second year living in Newcastle. Being the new kid isn't always easy, but he says he's enjoying his new life. Along with being close to his grandparents, the family also relocated after Rory went on disability as the result of an accident. According to Jerome, he's made some good friends and plays on a handful of sports teams, including football, basketball and soccer. He also loves his new teachers, whom

to afford the nice clothes he loves, as well as the fishing and hunting equipment. He says he also doesn't like relying on his parents for money and is enjoying his first brush with financial freedom.

"I like nice stuff," he says, with a shrug, and like other seasoned hardworking Americans, he's grown accustomed to working paycheck to paycheck.

Working can be fun, too, he adds, especially when it comes to mowing lawns. Weeding, he admits, is not so much fun, but weed wacking isn't so bad nor is painting. Plus, his sister doesn't mind the weeding, so Jerome says he tends to farm those jobs out to her.

All in all, Jerome and his family say they are enjoying getting this new business off the ground and plan to continue throughout the winter with snow removal and other services.

Next summer, they'd like to hire a few more kids to help out. Not Jerome's friends, necessarily, but rather kids who might be struggling a bit – runaways

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their share of work. This came in handy with a haul-and-clean job last week in which he and his parents carried off a large heap of unwanted junk from the backyard of a customer.

Rory, who is disabled, says he enjoys accompanying his son on the job. As a Marine and after a lengthy career in the oil patch in North Dakota, he says he appreciates the opportunity to get his hands dirty and do a little work. He also appreciates the on-the-job time with his son as a means of helping him develop the traits of a good worker while also teaching him valuable skills.

Patience has been the hardest part of the learning process, Jerome admits, but he's come a long way since the start of the summer.

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the pledge they take as part of the organization, which plays into the 4-H's presented on the flag: hands, head, heart and health, according to the University of Idaho's information page on the meaning behind the 4-H emblem.

Head stands for decision making and planning, heart stands for strong personal values, hands stand for volunteering and skills and health stands for a healthy lifestyle. The green on the flag represents life, growth and youth, while the white on the flag represents purity and high ideals, according to the informational page.

As for the FFA flag, the color guards are mindful of all that FFA stands for while they carry that organization's colors. According to FFA advisor Taylor Rienets, every aspect of the FFA flag resembles a part of the FFA core characteristics, what the members pride themselves on and what they believe in.

"On the flag you see the cross-section of corn, which means unity; the rising sun, which the president is usually stationed behind, is the promise of a new day. There is a plow, which means labor and tillage of the soil, and an eagle, which means freedom and exploring our new horizons, and then an owl, which means knowledge and wisdom, which an advisor usually stands behind," Rienets said.

Even the outfits that FFA members wear represent a strong sense of pride and unity within the organization. FFA has a tradition of wearing

he describes as "cool and fun."

Jerome originally launched the business as a means of procuring concert tickets to see RaeLynn on the Fourth of July after his family explained they couldn't afford them on their fixed income. After earning the money for the concert, business was good enough that he asked to continue. Jerome's older sister, 16-year-old Star, also helps on occasion, including two weeks ago when he returned to North Dakota to visit family.

Working in general doesn't necessarily come easy for the teen, who up until recently was dependent on his parents' and grandparents' help, and he's honest about his reasons for being out here.

He's working, he says, because he wants to be able

and kids in foster care who might have a history of trouble.

Nickie and Rory, who know a handful of such kids in North Dakota, have big hearts when it comes to runaways. Rory cites the 60,000 kids last year in this country who have run away.

As a family, the Gravoses believe they have a lot to teach these kids, especially Jerome, whom his parents describe as a good kid with a kind heart.

"Jerome gets along with just about everybody," Nickie says. "He would be a good role model for other kids his age who might be struggling."

With less than a month to go before school starts, Jerome is amping up business while he can. For more information or to schedule a job, call Nickie at 307-941-2568.

blue corduroy jackets, which dates back to 1933, said Rienets. She added that the iconic jackets are significant to the program and all involved.

"We are known for our blue corduroy jacket," Rienets said. "We have the colors national blue, for the blue on the American flag, and corn gold, to represent the corn fields across the country. The colors resembles unity and a kind of pride."

Sara Sweet, another longtime color guard and FFA member, also said that it makes her happy to present the colors that are so deeply rooted in her lifestyle.

"I felt honored to be a part of the color guard," Sara said. "I have carried a flag in the parade for many years now, but this one was my favorite, because it was the Fourth of July. I love representing our country and my town."

Both Sara and Emalee have been presenting the flags for as long as they can remember, both during parades around town and at rodeos. The sisters both acknowledged how lucky they are to be asked to present the colors during parades and rodeos on a regular basis.

Whether they are presenting the colors on their corduroy jackets, or hoisting them from a flag pole while perched on a horse, Emalee and Sara echo the pride and honor each feels at the opportunity to bear the colors they so admire.

"I always feel honored and blessed when I get to present the flags. I love the life I live, and that I get the chance to present the colors," Sara said.





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Eileen, waving, and Wayne Vickers enjoy each other's company during the community bike ride held on July 21 by the Bent Sprockets Bike Club. The club consists of Tony Sandoval, Jessica Bettorf, Jeremy Dedic, Ed Beason and Tom Voss. At left, Sandoval, who also represents his business, Lunatic's, shows off his bicycle skills, ahead of the community bike ride. Inset, Joseph Dedic partakes in the 11 mile ride. It is only one of the several events the club will be hosting this year.

(Photos by Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

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including Sandoval, Jessica Bettorf, Denise Bradshaw, Ed Beason, Jeremy Dedic and Tom Voss- will help host the event and keep it as safe as possible, with safety already accounted for in the race trail.

"We're not crossing any roads, any highways; we're not going to worry about safety in that aspect," Sandoval said. "The only part we're worried about is going up Highway 85. I already rode it myself, and I wasn't concerned with any of the traffic. People are very polite. Our community is already used to motorcycles; putting the bicycles up there isn't too different. They're a little slower, but people are aware."

Dedic said that although 23 miles may seem like a lot to people who don't ride bikes often, that distance is a moderate amount for experienced riders, who will be able to tackle the route without much struggle.

"We really just want to see how this first one works out," Sandoval said. "We're unsure about the situation regarding how many people are going to show up, the experience level of those who do show up. This is the first time this is happening, so we're not expecting the pull from Denver right out of the gate, but if we do get them, we do!"

Though the members are not getting their hopes too high, they are expecting riders form Newcastle, Upton, Moorcroft, Gillette, Rapid City and Spearfish to participate in the 14-member club's first annual race.

Voss is hopeful that the races will be successful in their first year, and continue to grow as time passes.

"The whole idea is to promote Newcastle," Voss said. "Things for the people who live here

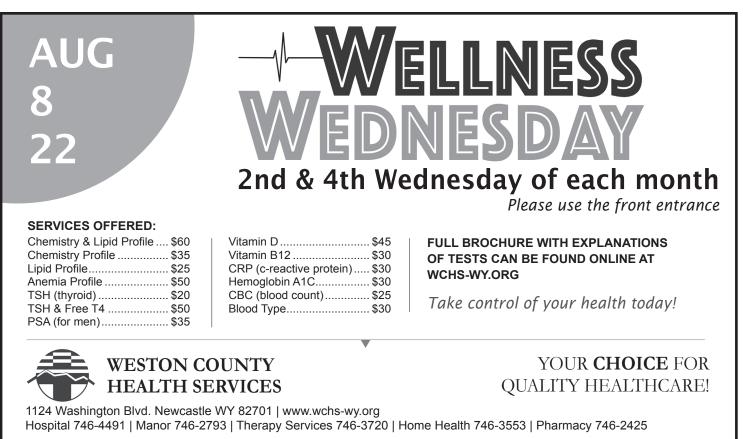


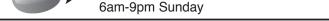
to do, and things to draw people in. We have two ideas that are going to come to fruition in the next two years, that I think are going to become national races. One of them is what we call the fast five, and we will use the Flying V trail. The other one is the Bent Sprockets 50/50, the 23-mile race, that I think is going to get a lot of attention. We are also going to be putting together a Bent Sprockets triathlon."

Though races are the main focus right now, club members are not stopping there. On July 21, Sandoval coordinated a family bike ride on Salt Creek Road, with the intention of continuing to do similar events around town whenever possible.

"Go big or go home, and we're already home, so we might as well go big," Sandoval said, with a laugh.

As the event draws near, the Bent Sprockets will be posting announcements and updates about the race on their Facebook page "Bent Sprockets."







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Newcastle City Council Minutes

NEWCASTLE CITY COUNCIL **CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS** MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018

Mayor Debra Piana called this regular meeting of the Newcastle City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Piana; Council members Roger Hespe, Don Steveson, Michael Alexander, Steve Ladwig, Tom Voss and Todd Quigley. Also present were Department Heads City Police Chief Jim Owens, City Engineer Mike Moore, City Attorney Jim Peck and City Clerk/ Treasurer Greg James.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Todd Quigley moved, seconded Tom Voss to approve the agenda as amended for Monday July 16, 2018, adding a public hearing for a liquor license transfer of ownership and an Executive Session reference land acquisition. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Tom Voss moved, seconded Michael Alexander to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of Monday, July 2, 2018 as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

NOMINATIONS FOR RECOGNITION: None CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION: None CITIZEN'S BUSINESS-IN WRITING: None CITIZEN'S BUSINESS-VERBAL:

1. Mr. Bruce Perkins, Perkins Tavern was present to request relaxation of the Open Container ordinance for August 1, 2018 through August 15, 2018 from 9:00a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the side walk in front of 112 and 114 Main Street. Roger Hespe moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to approve this request. MOTION CARRIED. Mr. Perkins also requested the center portion of Main Street be blocked off for motorcycle parking, from Sumner to Railway from August 1 through August 15, 2018. Consensus of the Council was to approve this request.

2. Mr. Bruce Perkins was present representing the Weston County Travel Commission to request support from the City for refurbishing the "Welcome to Newcastle", support to be financial, or other support as the City may be able to. This was referred to committee for review and recommendation.

3. Tasha Townsend and Marth Bickford were present to discuss the "Madness on Main Street" event. Their request for relaxation of open container had been previously approved, but they wished to modify the times, recommending the new times be from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 1, 2018. Tom Voss moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to approve the modification. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Tasha Townsend noted that for the Fall Festival in Dow Park, the food vendors were going to be asked to park along the curb on the east side of the park, East Road/Hill Way. The Council okayed this by consensus. This will avoid issues with the sprinkler system.

PUBLIC HEARING: as advertised at 7:30 p.m. to consider the transfer of ownership of Retail Liquor License #7 from Fresh Start Convenience Stores, Inc., dba: Fresh Start, 6 West Main, Newcastle, Wyoming to BW Gas & Convenience Retail, LLC dba: Yesway #1182, 6 West Main, Newcastle Wyoming. Mayor Piana opened the hearing and called for public comment. The record reflects there were no comments from the public. Roger Hespe moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to approve the transfer of ownership of Retail Liquor License #7 from Fresh Start Convenience Stores, Inc., dba: Fresh Start to BW Gas & Convenience Retail, LLC dba: ASAP Towing, PD towing charge, \$70.00; BCN Yesway \$1182. MOTION CARRIED. MAYOR/COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Mayor Piana read a thank you card from the Weston County Humane Society, thanking the Council for their extra financial support for the boiler replacement.

2. Councilman Tom Voss reported on the progress of the local bicycle club in organizing bicycle races for youth through adults. The adult race is a 23 mile race starting at the Fountain Motor Inn. The races are scheduled for Saturday September 8, 2018, and the youth races in conjunction with the Back to School Safety Bash. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

1. City Police Chief Jim Owens reported on calls for service year to date and for the month of July so far. Chief Owens reported the new CSO is working out well and is making door-to-door contacts with individuals about their ordinance violations. This is accomplishing a great deal through this approach. Chief Owens also stated he had received a letter of resignation from Office Robert Muschick, Officer Muschick's last day being July 30, 2018.

2. City Attorney Jim Peck recommended the Council consider changing the zoning on the tracts of land behind the armory the City owns from R-2 to C-1. Council agreed to a public hearing reference this matter on August 20, 2108 at 7:15 p.m.

3. City Clerk/Treasurer Greg James reported final budget numbers will be available at the next meeting. Delay because of how the beginning and end dates fell this year.

4. City Engineer Mike Moore recommended awarding the contract for the Bike Path to S&S Builders in the amount of \$223,787.25. Roger Hespe moved, seconded Todd Quigley to approve this recommendation. This covers presented bid schedules A and B and Alternate #2. MOTION CARRIED. Councilman Quiglev noted that the majority of the funds are from a State grant. Mr. Moore indicated Stampede Street would be closed to all but local traffic for most of August and September to manage the overlay project and repairs needed. He said East Main Street should be open this week as repairs have been completed. Mr. Moore said he was working with Lacey Sloan to coordinate neighborhood cleanups, hopefully in September. Mr. Moore recommended increasing Russ Whetham's wage from \$8.50 per hour to \$11.50 per hour based on the experience he brings to the job. Michael Alexander moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to approve this request. MOTION CARRIED.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: None NEW BUSINESS: None

Todd Quigley moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to suspend the rules at 7:48 p.m. and go into Executive Session reference land acquisition. MOTION CARRIED. Roger Hespe moved, seconded Michael Alexander to return to regular session at 8:05 p.m. MOTION CARRIED. There was no action coming out of the Executive Session. Tom Voss moved, seconded Steve Ladwig to pay the claims against the City dated July 16, 2018. MOTION CARRIED. Tom Voss moved, seconded Michael Alexander to adjourn this regular meeting of the Newcastle City Council at 8:05 p.m. Meeting stands adjourned.

Claims: Old fiscal year bills; 21 Electric, fix Main Street lights, \$1595.00; Al Cornella Refrigeration, repair ice machine, shop, \$182.00; landfill, \$248.41; Heartland Kubota, LLC, parts, \$328.48; Justin King, reimburse CDL, \$40.00; Knecht's Home Center, building materials, \$194.98; Matthew Bender & Co., Inc., 2018 WY statutes supplement, \$298.62; Tonia Mills, training mileage, \$203.28; Modern Marketing, PD drug test materials, \$886.17; Mountain View Plumbing & Contracting, install expansion tank, \$207.00; Newcastle Police Dept., reimburse petty cash, postage, \$63.99; Newcastle Volunteer Fire Dept., Cody Fire School & convention expenses, \$5649.09; News Letter Journal, legals/minutes, ordinance, office supplies, ads, \$2285.64; Norco, welding cylinder rent, \$24.45; Northwest Pipe Fittings, Inc., fittings/valves, \$1834.42; One Call of Wyoming, June 2018 locates, \$95.25; Powder River Energy Corp., electric service, \$955.81; Rapid Delivery, Inc., parts delivery, \$136.00; RT Communications, 1/2 county share phones, \$328.54; RT Communications, E-911 trunk lines, \$151.28; Shopko Stores Operating Co., LLC, housekeeping supplies, \$65.22; Transource, parts, \$1933.22; Tru-Green/Chemlawn, fertilize lawn, fire hall, \$108.75; Valli Information Systems, website maintenance, \$150.00; Vanway Trophy, retirement plaque, \$116.00; Foreclosure Notice NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE Default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a promissory note (the "Note") and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") dated December 16, 2015, executed and delivered by Keith LaCross ("Mortgagor") to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Pinnacle Bank - Wyoming, its successors and assigns, as security for the Note of the same date. The Mortgage was recorded on December 16, 2015, as Reception No. 760504 in Book 363 at Page 789 in the records of the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds of Weston County, Wyoming. The Mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

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cartridges, \$511.74; Century Link, E-911 ser-

vice, \$963.26; Children's Home Society, PD

Culligan Water Conditioning, bottled water,

interview, \$150.00; Croell, Inc., grout, \$261.00;

\$52.00; Deckers Food Center, \$173.48; Eastern

Equipment Maintenance Products, Inc., landfill

parts, \$1630.90; Farnsworth Services Co., Inc.,

portable sanitation, \$250.00; Fremont County

Drill Team, convention registration, \$1110.00;

Frontier Home Ranch & Hardware, supplies/

materials, \$1498.71; Hansen Equipment, parts,

Wyoming Equipment Co., Inc., parts, 2415.91;

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Assignee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Assignment dated: April 18, 2017

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No. 763031 in Book 372 at Page 451

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

Voelker's Autobody/Glass, parts/body work, \$1640.04; Weston County Natural Resource District, cherry trees, \$80.00; Weston County Road & Bridge, FD fuel purchase, \$261.51; Weston County Treasurer, June 2018 airport/ youth expenses, \$3287.49; Weston County Humane Society, food fee, \$9.00; Weston County True Value, supplies/building materials, \$31.22; White's Energy Motors, key fob, \$290.69; Wyoming Machinery Company, parts, \$371.81; Wyoming Rents, LLC, car trailer rental, \$400.00. New fiscal year bills; 21 Electric, electrical repair at parks, \$557.20; Active Data Systems, Inc., document imaging software, \$3415.00; Alpha Communications, July 2018 tower rent, \$95.00; American Business Software, 6 month website maintenance, \$364.00; Axon Enterprises, Inc., taser assurance plan, \$740.00; Black Mountain Software, Inc., annual software maintenance, \$16,723.00; Blue Star Police Supply, LLC, new police gear, \$603.71; Contractor's Supply, Inc., geo grid, \$384.56; R. Douglas Dumbrill, July 2018 municipal judge, \$1076.30; Mitchell Services, culverts, \$4102.53; Norco, Inc., welding gear, \$162.07; Office Shop Leasing, copier lease, \$71.45; James M. Peck, July 2018 attorney fee, \$2800.00; Postmaster, stamps, \$342.60; Projex, domain email hosting, \$1100.00; Genell Rothleutner, PD cleaning, \$200.00; Kristine Russell, reimburse CDL, \$40.00; Transource, seat, \$699.68; US Identification Manual, 2019 update service, \$82.50; Becky Vodopich, office cleaning, \$360.50; WEBT, employee life insurance, \$98.00; Weston County Peace Officers Assoc., membership, \$240.00; Wyoming Association of Municipalities, 2019 membership, \$4497.08.

Debra Piana, Mayor ATTEST: City Clerk/Treasurer, Greg James

(Publish July 26, 2018)

Election Notice

PROCLAMATION & NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR CANYON IMPROVEMENT & SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WESTON **COUNTY, WYOMING NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

Notice is here by given that Canyon Improvement & Service District is seeking applications for Three (3) Directors to serve on the Board of Directors for a Four (4) year term.

Any qualified elector or landowner within the boundaries of Canyon Improvement & Service District may apply for the position of Director by filing an application with the District's secretary, Jarrod Hossfeld. To receive an application please call 746-4741. All applications must be filed by September 15, 2018.

All qualified electors and landowners within the District boundaries are entitled to vote, either in person at 372 Salt Creek Rd. between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on November 13, 2018 or by mail in ballot. Mail in ballots must be received no later than November 13, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

(Publish July 26, 2018)

Bid Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

July 8, 2018

Assist other agency. Traffic hazard reported. Hit and run accident reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Hazard reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic hazard reported. Injured deer reported. Report of a dog at large. Bicycle accident reported. Assist other agency. Traffic hazard reported. 911 hang up. Civil standby requested. Domestic problem reported. Injured animal reported. Traffic complaint. Commercial alarm reported.

July 9

Dead animal reported. Two VIN inspections requested. Lost property reported. Assist other agency. 911 misdial. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Motorist assist. Report of dog at large, Impounded.

July 10

Open door discovered. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic hazard reported. Traffic

hazard citation issued. Traffic stop. Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic complaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 misdial. 911 misdial. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Welfare check requested.

July 11

Medical assist. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic complaint. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop,

Citation issued. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Welfare check requested.

July 12

Fire alarm reported. Medical assist. Possible drugs found. 911 hang up. Minor accident reported. VIN inspection requested. Minor accident reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Civil problem reported. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued.

July 13

Medical assist. Civil problem reported. Trespass Order requested. VIN inspection requested. Traffic stop, Verbal Warning issued. Report of a dog at large. Suspicious activity reported.

July 14

Snake reported. Lost parent reported. Civil problem reported. Animal problem reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Medical assist. Ministerial assistance requested. Welfare check requested. Commercial alarm reported. July 15

Open door located. Traffic hazard reported. Missing dog reported. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. 911 hang up. Assist other agency. Dog problem reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Suspicious activity reported, 911 hand up. Juvenile problem reported. Commercial alarm reported. Assist other agency.

Blotter July 16

Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Arrest Warrant issued. Medical assist. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. VIN inspection requested. Arrest Warrant issued.

July 17

Suspicous activity reported. Juvenile problem reported. Traffic stop, No action. Two vehicle accident reported. Arrest Warrant issued. Arrest Warrant issued. Vandalism reported. Traffic stop, no action. Motorcycle accident reported. Weather warning issued. Traffic hazard reported. Power outage reported. Traffic hazard reported. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, verbal warning issued.

July 18

Fight reported. Natural death reported. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. 911 hang up. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Assist other

agency. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Missing dog reported. Assist other agency. 911 misdial. Assist other agency. Suspicious activity reported. Extra patrol requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic complaint. July 19

Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Warrant arrest. Assist other agency. Vandalism reported. Traffic complaint. Lost property reported. Missing dog reported. July 20

Assist other agency. Extra patrol requested. Missing dog reported. Traffic complaint. Arrest Warrant issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Extra patrol requested.

July 21

Lost property reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Funeral escort requested. 911 misdial. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. VIN inspection requested. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic hazard reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Weather Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic hazard reported. Welfare check requested. Drunk driver reported. Suspicious activity reported.

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees will have a special board meeting on Tuesday, July 31, starting at 5:00 p.m. to hold student hearings in executive session under Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(xi).

(Publish July 26, 2018)

The Mortgage contains a power of sale that, by reason of the 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.

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 this notice of sale is \$173,732.94, plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of this notice of sale.

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.

The current Mortgagee, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as provided by law by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff of Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash on August 21, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Weston County Courthouse, 1 West Main Street, Newcastle, Wyoming, for application on the above-described amounts secured by the Mortgage. The mortgaged property is described as follows:

Lots 1 and 2, in Block 1 of the Fryer Addition to Newcastle, Wyoming, and the Southerly 10 feet of the vacated alley adjacent to the lots, described as commencing at the Northwest Corner of Lot 1; thence run Northerly 10 feet along a continuation of the Westerly lot line of Lot 1; thence run 100 feet in an Easterly direction parallel to the Northerly lot lines of Lots 1 and 2; thence run 10 feet in a Southerly direction and parallel to the Easterly lot line of Lot 2, a continuation of the East lot line of Lot 2 to the Northerly lot line of Lots 1 and 2 and the Northeast Corner of Lot 2; thence run 100 feet in a Westerly direction along the North line of Lots 1 and 2 to the place of beginning, together with all improvements thereon.

Parcel No.: 45612915600100

which has the address of 417 South Summit Avenue, Newcastle, WY 82701 (the undersigned disclaims any liability for any error in the address)

Together with all improvements thereon and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto. Date: July 12, 2018

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association By: Brigham J. Lundberg Lundberg & Associates, PC 3269 S. Main St., Suite 100 Salt Lake City, UT 84115 L&A No. 18.72061.1

(Publish July 19 and 26, August 2 and 9, 2018)

Weston County is seeking bids for a dust mitigation project for County Road #5, Grieves Road, located approximately 17 miles southwest of Newcastle, WY on State Highway 450. The successful bidder will supply magnesium chloride solution and J-Base gravel delivered and laid on the road in coordination with Weston County. Bid packets are available at the Weston County Clerk's Office located at 1 W. Main St, Newcastle, WY or on the Weston County official website www.westongov.com. Bids are due to the County Clerk's office before 4:00 p.m. on July 27th. Please contact Weston County Road and Bridge Superintendent at 307-746-5555 with questions.

(Publish July 12, 19 and 26, 2018)

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Weston County Predator Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on August 10, 2018 at the Mason's Lodge in Newcastle at 6:30 p.m.

(Publish July 26, 2018)

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Public Notice

ATTENTION HOME-BASED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

A home-based educational program shall meet the requirements of a basic academic educational program pursuant to Wyoming law.

It shall be the responsibility of every person administering a home-based educational program to submit a curriculum to the local Board of Trustees each year showing that the program complies with the requirements of Wyoming law. Failure to submit a curriculum showing compliance is evidence that the home-based educational program does not meet the requirements of Wyoming law. This should be done prior to the start of the school year. For copies of forms to report the basic academic program, contact the Superintendent's office at 116 Casper Avenue, Newcastle, Wyoming, 82701 or 307-746-4451.

(Publish July 26, 2018)



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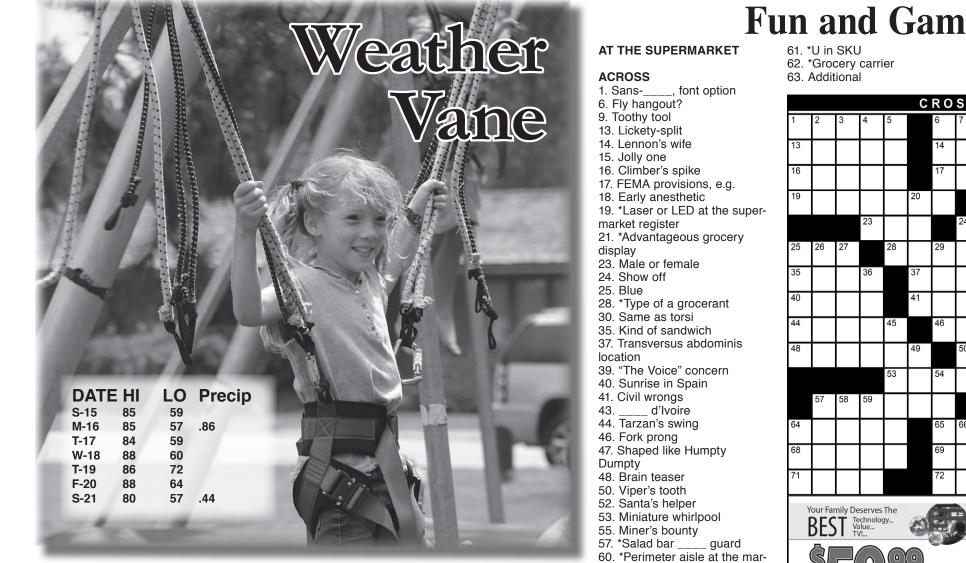
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Hearing Notice Legal Notice

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City of Newcastle will hold a public hearing on August 20, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. in the meeting room located on the 2nd floor of the Newcastle City Administration Building, 10 W. Warwick Street, Newcastle, Wyoming to hear public comment regarding changing the zoning from Single and Two Family Residential District (R-2) to General Commercial District (C-1) on Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 1, Washington Park Resubdivision, Newcastle, Weston County, Wyoming. The City of Newcastle is the owner of the lots, and intends to offer the lots for sale by public bid. The purpose of rezoning the lots is to permit use of the lots for commercial development purposes. Additional information regarding the proposed change of zoning can be obtained by contacting Newcastle City Engineer Michael Moore, P.E.

(Publish July 26, 2018)

Election Notice

OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT FOR SWEETWATER IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE **DISTRICT HELD IN** WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING **NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER 1. To vote you must blacken the circle (O) completely next to the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote. 2. If you spoil your ballot, ask for a new ballot. 3. Use only a black or blue pen. 4. To write in a name, you must blacken the circle (O) blacken the circle to the left of the line provided, and write the complete name on the space provided for that purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp or the Cooperative), requesting a one-year waiver of Commission Rule Chapter 3, Sections 9(h) and (j)(x), disallowing electricity disconnections [1] when certain cold temperatures are projected; and [2] on Fridays.

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

On July 11, 2018, PRECorp filed its Application requesting a partial waiver of Commission Rule Chapter 3, Sections 9(h) and (j)(x), disallowing electricity disconnections [1] when certain cold temperatures are projected; and [2] on Fridays. PRECorp seeks the waiver only for its commercial and industrial members who execute Agreements for Assurance of Performance special contracts. PRECorp requests that the waiver be limited to one-year, with re-evaluation by the Commission at the expiration of that year, if PRECorp seeks it. If PRECorp does not seek and obtain another waiver, the Cooperative understands the waived rules, to the extent they are in place at the expiration of this waiver, will again apply.

This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at any PRECorn Wyoming busi ness office and at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours. The Application can also be viewed at www.precorp.coop. Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must so file with the Commission in writing on or before August 10, 2018. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 10014-192-CA-18 (Record No. 15038) in your communications. Dated: July 16, 2018.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS SECRETARY/TREASURER FOUR YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ONE (1) **O Shirley Parks**

OFFICIAL SPECIAL DISTRICT BALLOT SWEETWATER IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICT

NOVEMBER 6, 2018

ELECTION JUDGE

(Publish July 19 and 26, 2018)

Deadline for Legals is noon on Friday

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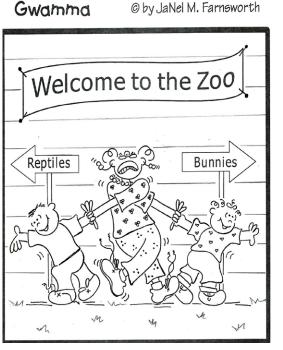
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Yard Sale July 27 & 28, 9 am - ?

July 27, 5 pm - 7 pm 673 Sheridan St. in Osage. Lots of items. July 28, 8 am - 1 pm 5151 Hwy. 16 E. 1.7 miles E. of Newcastle. Old things, Griswold 9" skillet (cast iron), pictures, dishes, glass-Womens clothes, baby ware, knickknacks, clothes and items, TV lawn decorations, Prestand, household odds cious Moment decor, and ends. chimes, old mirror, Christmas decorations, Old Hoosier

July 27, 1 pm - 5 pm July 28, 8 am - 5 pm 104 Musser Road. Local artists 1930's oil paintings, antiques, lots of unique items, pine loft bed, clothing, toys and many other

Yard Sale

July 27, 4 pm - 7 pm July 28, 8 am - 5 pm July 28, 9 am - 4 pm 23405 N. Hwy. 85, KINGS YARD SALE watch for baloons. Sum @ JCT 450 & 16. mer Clean Out Sale! 2 trucks, 3 cars, Semi & Bedding, clothes, shoes, Grader chains, Flatbed Christmas decorations, tarps & canvas bows, knick knacks, wood upright fuel tanks on items for crafting, some stands, antique tools, antique items. pick-up toolboxes, 3"

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The City of Newcastle is accepting applications for a full-time position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer in the City office. Duties include but are not limited to: utility billing, accounts payable, receptionist, payroll related responsibilities, manage cemetery records, front counter work, and other related duties as may be assigned. Some experience in governmental or general accounting is desirable. STRONG computer skills are a MUST. Be able to work as a team and manage multiple priorities. Pay \$15.00 per hour or DOE. The City offers an excellent benefit package. Application may be picked up at the City Office, 10 West Warwick, Newcastle, Wyoming 82701 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. (307) 746-3535. Position will remain open until filled. The City of Newcastle is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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BUS DRIVER

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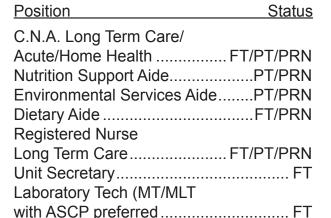
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From left: President of American Quarter Horse Association Dr. Jim Heird, Christy Achterhof, Lavonna "Shorty" Koger of Shorty Caboy Hattery and Vice President Butch Wise gather for a photo after Achterhof won the NRSHA novice amateur ranch all-around. (Photo submitted by *Christy Achterhof*)

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Weston, Wyoming. Before getting Kings Silk, Achterhof had retired her 22-year-old show horse, which she had also trained on her own.

"This filly really caught my eye, and I knew she was a champion right away," Achterhof said of Kings Silk. "She just had that something special, and we both knew. (Acord) said, 'I knew you were going to pick her, because she's my favorite, too.""

Kings Silk is what Achterhof calls a junior horse, meaning the horse is less than 5 years old, and she was the only rider in her division who was riding a junior horse. Achterhof also said that her victory is due neither solely to her experience nor to the type of horse that Kings Silk is.

"It's definitely a team effort," Achterhof said. "Most of the people in my division who hadn't won a whole bunch of awards showing were riding horses which had (won.) So to me, that was a huge accomplishment. Being able to bring a junior horse, and competing against finished bridle horses, and end up winning." Achterhof said she has been involved in horses for most of her life, and she trained her first horse by herself when she was just 12. However, when she went to the NRSHA, she was not anticipating doing as well as she did. "I was so excited," Achterhof said. "I was a little bit shocked, because I didn't go to win, I went to go do my best. I've done almost all the training by myself on this horse." Though Achterhof said she spends hours upon hours riding and training Kings Silk, she also noted that she would not have been nearly as successful without help from others. She said several different trainers

offered advice and words of Achterhof said. encouragement and Acord helped get the horse started.

"It was overwhelming, when I got there – just the level of competitors and competition that was there was humbling and exciting. Just having made it, with this mare, was my goal, just to qualify her. To go and then win was just such an added blessing."

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Achterhof also acknowledged what a rare horse Kings Silk is. She noted that many of the competitors brought horses that are trained solely for show; they do not work a day on the ranch. Kings Silk, however, is capable of performing a full day of work on the ranch and winning a world competition, Achterhof said.

"She is a true example of what a young, working ranch horse is," Achterhof said. "That, to me, meant a lot – that she's not just a show horse. She's also a working horse. I thought that was neat to be able to take a horse that you can go do a day's job on, and also take to the show pen and show that her training is refined enough that you can be successful there as well."

Achterhof also joked about feeling a little out of place and overwhelmed in her pool of competition. Representing Newcastle was quite the feat, in her opinion, especially because Wyoming competitors were few. "There weren't a whole lot of Wyoming cowboys there," Achterhof said, laughing. Though Achterhof gives a lot of credit to her horse, and is proud of her own time and dedication in training Kings Silk, she also said that she would not have been nearly successful without some help. Over the years of competition, she said, she has gotten advice from her father, friends and other hands.

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When Achterhof got to the competition, she said, she was surprised to see how many people accompanied the other competitors to help them. Achterhof said she went to Oklahoma with herself and her horse, while the competition had professional trainers and huge support teams.

Kings Silk was also the first horse that Achterhof had trained that she has competed on for the ranch versatility. She said she has only been doing this type of training for about two years, making her win on the big stage even more impressive.

"I told (my daughter) she had to wait to ride her for competitions before I made it to a world show. I didn't expect it to be this soon,"

"There have been lots of trainers who have helped me out along the way," Achterhof said.

Achterhof was awarded a champion buckle by Awards Recognition Concept (ARC) and a jacket sponsored by Plan 4 Progress by Carter Ranch House.



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