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Board has a vacancy

By Denice Piscioti
NLJ Reporter

Wednesday evening, during the regular meeting of the Weston County School District #1 Board of Trustees, Trustee Christine Winter read a letter addressed to the board members and Superintendent Brad LaCroix during the public comments, announcing her early resignation during her second term as a board member, scheduled to end in November.

Winter continued to say that she

is aware all the schools in WCSD #1 at one time or another have failed to meet the goals, but the difference in effectiveness for her was the accountability of the different offices. Complimenting Newcastle Elementary School and Newcastle Middle School, she said those administrators were accountable and discussed both successful and unsuccessful results, what they meant, how they could improve and what interventions would be implemented.

"The high school administrator did none of these things, and in my opinion was never held accountable. As a result I could not vote in favor of a policy that has no accountability at the high school and could not vote against such a vital policy and the outstanding efforts of grades [kindergarten] through eight. I could go on and on about the double standard for accountability with students and adults in this system, but it would not be productive. Suffice to say, if I can't bring myself to vote yes or no

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Shane Crawford, Wyoming Refining Company's environmental site manager, and Rick Dunford, Newcastle Country Club board president, listen to Keith Culver, Wyoming Game and Fish Department commissioner, describe the details of a fishing pond project. Construction on the project is expected to begin later this fall.

Grab your fishing pole!

By Denice Piscioti
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The vision that has been in the making for a couple of years to construct a fishing pond for the community will be a reality soon, according to Keith Culver, Wyoming Game and Fish Department commissioner for Crook, Weston and Niobrara counties. A few more steps need to be taken, though, before construction can begin on the pond that will be located at the Newcastle Country Club.

"The main pond is 1.3 acres and at least 25 percent of that will be 15 foot deep. It will be stocked primarily with warm-water fish species, including large mouth bass, crappie, and channel cat fish. The Game and Fish are committed to keeping this

pretty well stocked," reported Culver. "It's going to be open to all fisherman. Obviously having a fishing pond in town where kids can get on their bicycle and ride down is critical. A lot of towns in Wyoming had that, to this point Newcastle did not. I really like that aspect of that."

When the idea was coming to life it wasn't difficult to find the right place for the pond. There is a natural oxbow that was left when the remnants of a creek was channelized, removing the water. However, under the surface, Culver explained, are several creek channels that still carry water, leaving the surface wet in places. He said they are fortunate to have this available for them to use because they are right for wetland development.

"The primary consideration for the

pond itself is for fish habitat," acknowledged the WGFD commissioner.

There are smaller bodies of water planned as part of the wetland mitigation that will hopefully be big enough to support a fathead minnow population for mosquito control. Every possible precaution will be done to lessen the threat of mosquitoes.

"We will come across from cart house number three to the tees on number five, and then we will bring that up on kind of a horse shoe. It's kind of a horseshoe-looking damn itself," he detailed.

Rick Dunford, NCC's chairman of the board, said Culver has been a driving force behind the project. Their main part of the project, he noted, is

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End in sight

By Bob Bonnar
NLJ Associate Publisher

With Labor Day in the rearview mirror, and tourist season officially coming to a close, crews working on a pair of highway construction projects between Newcastle and Custer, S.D., should experience a significant decrease in the number of vehicles weaving their way through flaggers and construction cones.

According to representatives of the Wyoming and South Dakota Departments of Transportation, the majority of the work on both projects is also behind them, and it is anticipated that construction will be complete on both sides of the state line before winter sets in.

"We're rolling right along," WYDOT Resident Engineer Joni Kachelhoffer

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Suicide declining, but threat persists

By Bob Bonnar
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By the end of 2013, Weston County was in the midst of a suicide epidemic that saw an average of one completed suicide attempt per month through the course of the year. While the situation appears to have improved considerably since the early months

of this year, the fact that there were two separate incidents in Newcastle last week that involved the threat of somebody taking their own life (see The Blotter, Page 12) makes it clear that the specter of suicide still looms over the community.

"I'm not aware that we've had a confirmed suicide since early this year, but there have been incidents that should keep us aware that the problem

hasn't gone away. The risk is still there," Kristi Lipp told the News Letter Journal this week.

Lipp is the community prevention professional for the Weston County office of the Prevention Management Organization of Wyoming, the entity charged with tackling the challenge of addressing the fact that Wyoming has the highest rate of suicide per capita in the United States.

Although the number of suicides in Weston County appears to be less in 2014 than it was the prior year, Lipp said the number of reported cases statewide is still substantial, and that means the threat still looms large here as well.

"It is still all around us," Lipp warned, noting that the threats of suicide reported in the Newcastle Police Department's rolling log on Aug. 24 and

30 clearly demonstrate that the problem still exists.

Her organization conducted a number of trainings designed to help people recognize when somebody is threatened by suicide and to give them tools to use to react to the threat, but Lipp believes that truly getting a handle on the problem will require that many more residents become familiar with the issue.

"We still need to increase the number of people that are trained. That is the bottom line," Lipp professed, admitting that it is difficult to encourage people to confront the uncomfortable issue of suicide.

"The most important thing for people to realize is that suicide is a scary topic. It's not something easy," she lamented.

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Manager recognized for giving to community

By Denice Piscioti
NLJ Reporter

Weston County gained national recognition when lifelong resident Annette Koester was honored with the Family Dollar 2014 Annual Chairman's Circle Award last Tuesday in Orlando, Fla., during the annual leadership conference. Bryn Winburn, public and media relations manager for the company, informed the News Letter Journal that Koester was chosen by her coworkers for the honor.

"Team members are nominated by their peers for this prestigious award. With more than 55,000 team members and more than 8,000 stores across the country, you can imagine the number of submissions we receive each year! Only one team member per category wins this coveted award," Winburn



Submitted photo

In her moment in the spotlight in Orlando, Fla., Newcastle's Family Dollar store manager, Annette Koester, the winner of the company's 2014 Annual Chairman's Circle Award, poses for a photo with Family Dollar CEO Howard Levine, her husband, Jerry Koester, and Barry Sullivan, executive vice president of store operations for the company.

wrote in an email. "Annette was honored with this year's Chairman's Circle Award, the highest honor given at Family Dollar, for making her store a compelling place to shop. The impact she has on her team members, her store and her community is truly remarkable, and we are so proud of her accomplishments."

Koester's involvement in the Operation Santa program contributed to her recognition, she stated. Although the program has no affiliation with Family Dollar, she collected items and donations for Operation Santa, and kept track of how well the store has done throughout the years.

"That was one of the first things they asked was why I did that, and I said, first of all it's the right thing to do, the kids need us. I said, 'Operation Santa was there before us, and it will be there after us, but we have grown

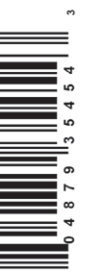
it and makes Tracie [Haynes'] life so much easier because there is a local place for people to drop things off.' The other reason is, to keep the store here we need to build business — and what a better way to build business than to help the local community by doing something like this," Koester acknowledged.

The store was in good standings with the regional vice president, Darrell Mowen, who visited one day while Amie Rainbolt, assistant manager, was on duty. Everything was in exceptional order even though Koester was away, impressing Mowen so much that he wrote a letter to area stores telling them they need to follow suit.

"I had it all set up. All she had to do was keep it up, which she did,

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WEATHER FORECAST	Thursday Partly Cloudy Hi 66 Lo 44	Friday Sunny Hi 69 Lo 48	Saturday Sunny Hi 75 Lo 52	Sunday Sunny Hi 81, Lo 56	Monday Mostly Sunny Hi 83 Lo 55	Tuesday Partly Cloudy Hi 74, Lo 49	Wednesday Partly Cloudy Hi 66 Lo 45	INSIDE • Rebel, Page 6 • Sports, Page 9 • Family, Page 11 • Classifieds, Page 15



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Our View

Stay the course

For those who like to recreate or do business in the Black Hills, it has been a tough summer. We know that having not one — but two — major highway construction projects taking place in the short distance between here and Custer hasn't been easy on anybody, so it is gratifying to know that the end is near.

It certainly hasn't been gratifying to rumble over the bumps and potholes that have become a normal part of our journey from Newcastle to the South Dakota state line, and none of us has enjoyed enduring the 20- to 30-minute waits that have been customary throughout the summer a few miles further to the east in Hell Canyon.

But it is starting to look like we will definitely be experiencing the joy of driving on smooth, paved roads before winter hits, and we want to encourage our readers to continue to exercise the kind of patience, caution and understanding that has made it possible for us to get through the summer without any reports of significantly dangerous or threatening incidents in the construction zones on Highway 16. That is truly remarkable given the fact that, in Wyoming at least, we have taken a step back this year in the ongoing effort to make our highways safer and decrease the number of fatalities suffered on them.

Last year (2013) marked the first time since the 1940s that Wyoming had less than 100 traffic fatalities in a calendar year, but a pair of accidents this past weekend has already pushed us above 100 in 2014, and we still have one-third of the year to go. We will not make any assumptions about how or why that particular statistic took a turn for the worse this year, but we do want to encourage you to be even more patient, cautious and understanding in your travels as we get ready to enter the final quarter of 2014.

While there are a number of factors that can affect the overall safety of our highways, the construction zones to the east are an obvious concern because driving conditions can be hazardous, space restrictions offer additional challenges and the number of workers along the roads create a danger that isn't normally present on roads that aren't under construction. We encourage residents to continue to be courteous and careful as they make their way through the construction over the next month or two. Plan extra time for your travels to and from South Dakota, accept the reality of road construction, and live again to drive another day!

Letters to the Editor

We aren't born with a lack of compassion

Dear Editor,

Public funding of hospitals with emergency rooms is bad, very bad. Somebody might get some use out of it without paying. Especially those who are a 'little short' this month.

Public funding of EMS Ambulance Service is bad, very bad. Someone might get a free ride. Doesn't everyone want a ride in an ambulance with the lights flashing?

Testing the public water supply for purity is bad, very bad. Someone might use the water for washing his car.

What a waste of taxpayer money. If someone wants water he should negotiate with the owner of the well. If the well owner wants to sell water and the buyer is willing to pay the price asked, they can make the deal.

An example of the right (?) way to run this business was done in a county in Kentucky. They had a privately owned fire department which serviced only currently paid up customers.

I watched a news video of the fire department just standing by and watching a house (behind on his payments) burn down. Although some skinflints would applaud this callous indifference, it just doesn't seem right.

Way, way back in olden times we formed "tribes" to protect and help each other. I can't believe that we have changed that much! We are not born "selfish." We do not live in a 'naturally' dog-eat-dog society.

The question of natural altruism vs. natural selfishness came up at several universities — from as far away as New Zealand to Harvard, Yale, Emory and UC Berkeley. After a number of studies and tests, the consensus was that children from birth are naturally altruistic, helpful and pro-social.

Perhaps something changed some of us. I don't know how or why, but a few of us turned into real curmudgeons.

Take our governor and legislators for instance. Last year they rejected federal funding!

Did you ever hear of anyone rejecting federal funding?

It was for extending Medicaid coverage to nearly 18,000 really needy folks right here in Wyoming.

We need to, in a very forceful way, let our senators and representatives know that we are not a bunch of Scrooges.

We help our fellow Wyomingites over a rough patch. We do not turn our back on the old or the "down and out."

Pick up a pen or the phone and let them know!

—Jerry Baird



Deadline for Letters is noon on Friday

Sex and the consequences of the action

Abortion should be illegal in most circumstances

Dear Editor,

Feeling a baby moving in a mom's stomach can't be a life goal for a mother. Forty-five million abortions have been happening in the U.S. as of 2013. There are too many abortions today. Abortions should be illegal in all states because it is harmful to the women and it's murder.

Abortions can bring harm to women. When women have abortions, they can bleed to death. In the article titled, "Unsafe Abortion," it says that if women do not seek post-abortion care, she could bleed little by little until she bleeds to death."

If a woman does not do an abortion right it can also be harmful and lead to an infection. In the same article it says, "an abortion is very bloody and if it does not get done right, the blood can grow bacteria and can cause an infection."

All in all, abortions can lead to death, sickness, and diseases.

Murder is also the killing of an innocent human life. Abortion is murder, especially when an abortion is done 18 weeks after pregnancy occurs. In the article "Abortion involves killing an innocent life," by Wayne Wilkin, it says, "They are done before 18 weeks because the baby has not started to developed yet."

If the abortion is taking place after 18 weeks, it's like one is murdering an innocent human who has not entered the world. Some people take time to discuss their options, but if they do that they should have their answer before 18 weeks, when the baby does not have a heartbeat yet.

In Wilkin's article, it says, "If they decided before the 18 weeks, it's not murder because the baby does not have a heartbeat."

There are times when an abortion could take place. In the article, "Abortions pro-reality," by Nguyen, Kat it says, "If a woman is raped and does not intend to get pregnant, the doctor may allow the women to have an abortion." The article goes on to say, "If the doctor thinks the baby is going to cause a health problem to the woman or may kill the woman, an abortion may be allowed." Also, if the family cannot pay to take care of the child, the doctor may allow the woman to get an abortion. If there are good enough reasons, then the woman should be allowed to get an abortion.

Some people need to realize that killing a baby is not worth it, unless there are good reasons. If abortions were watched and were illegal, there would be less of them. Abortions should be illegal in all states.

—Nakala Liggett

Abstinence is the best way to avoid teen pregnancy

Dear Editor,

Teen pregnancy is still too high, even though it has been on the decline for the past three years.

Nearly one million teen girls get pregnant each year in the United States. By hearing the statistics

of teen pregnancy and the effects on the teen parent and the children, a person will understand why not to become a teen parent.

There are way too many teens getting pregnant. Nearly six out of 10 young women get pregnant before they reach the age of 20. Each year, the government spends about \$40 billion to help teen families. The United States has a higher birth rate than other countries, and although rates have been declining, the U.S. has the highest teenage birth and abortion rates. The rates are nearly doubling Canada's, four times those in France and Germany, and more than eight times of that reported in Japan.

Less than one percent of teen moms finish high school. One of the biggest problems is a lot of teens have no one to help take care of the babies, and moms do not know how to manage time between home and school.

Pregnant teens have 14 percent more miscarriages and 30 percent have abortions. Teen moms also are more likely to have babies with low birth weight and premature babies.

Being a teen mom affects the child. Sons of teen moms are more likely to end up in prison. Statistics show 13 percent end up in jail because their mother did not give them enough discipline when they were getting raised.

Daughters of teen moms are also more likely to be teenage moms. Statistics show 22 percent are more likely to have more babies when they are teen moms, because they will follow right in their mom's footsteps if one does not lead them right.

The only way to be sure a person does not become a teen parent is abstinence— which means no sex at all. This is the only guaranteed way that a girl won't end up pregnant. It is also the best way to protect oneself from getting a sexually transmitted disease.

A Nuva Ring is a form of birth control that can also be used. It is a small, comfortable vaginal ring. Once inserted, it should stay in place, but it can be expelled by having intercourse. There are also condoms, birth control pills, etc., but condoms can break and if the birth control pill is not taken like it is supposed to, it can also fail. Also, synthetic hormones have been known to cause cancer.

The moral of this is, if a teen is going to take the risk of doing something that could affect the rest of her life, than she needs to know all of the facts. Having all the information to make an informed decision, and knowing what the consequences are of one's actions, is very important and the only way to avoid getting pregnant. Besides, no one wants to be just another statistic.

—Sami Walden

Abortion is wrong because abortion is murder

Dear Editor,

Abortion can be very harmful to the mother. Women who abort babies are approximately four times more likely to die in the following year than women who carry out their pregnancy. This was stated in the article, "Abortion is Wrong," printed

in the UK Newspaper.

Abortion should be illegal in all states. Abortion is ending a life, it is murder, it is an innocent child who should not have to pay for his or her parents' mistakes, and it can be very dangerous and harmful to the mother, physically and mentally.

Abortion is murder. Everyone who thinks she wants an abortion should have to look and see what his or her baby looks like before she makes her final decision. Most people think it is nothing and is not developed yet, but in the article, "Abortion is Wrong" it states, "At just 12 weeks the baby is walking and jumping in the womb. Also, at 14 and 15 weeks, a baby is beginning to yawn and suck on his/her thumbs."

Part of the reason so many people think abortion is not a huge deal is because of a lack of knowledge. If more people knew about it, and knew exactly what they were doing, more and more women would change their minds. Many girls just panic when they find out they are pregnant and think abortion is the first choice.

To sum it up, abortion is ending a life and is wrong. It is killing an innocent life. The baby should not have to pay for the mistakes of his or her parents. The parents made the choice to be sexually active, so they should take responsibility of the baby.

The article "Abortion is taking an Innocent Life," printed in the Nashville Banner, stated that "An aborted baby never has an opportunity to voice his or her wishes about whether he or she wants to live or die."

Also, just think about it, a doctor's job is to save the lives of people, not end them. Once again, it is just not fair to the baby to have to suffer for the mistakes of his or her parents.

In "Abortion Risks," printed in Elle in November 1999, they hypothesize that women who abort their young are seven times more likely to commit suicide. Lots of women die of hemorrhage, infection, embolism, anesthesia, and undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy. Also, ladies who have had their babies aborted in the past face a 2.3 times higher risk of having cervical cancer than women who follow through with the pregnancy.

In 1989, Jennie Rubby, in an article titled, "Off Our Backs," in the March 31 Women's Interests, stated that, "Women may face terrible things like emotional numbness, drug or alcohol abuse, relationship problems, and negative thoughts about themselves." Altogether, abortion is just terribly harmful and is not okay. If one is thinking about abortion, she should ask herself, "Is it worth the risk to harm myself?"

To sum it up, abortion is murder and wrong. There are other options like adoption. Killing an innocent life and harming oneself is just not worth it. Before going through with abortion, stop and think, "Will I be able to live with myself after I end someone's life?"

—Taylor Spain

(Ed. Note: The preceding letters were written by students in Debb Proctor's Freshmen English class at Newcastle High School. Any responses to these letters should be sent to the News Letter Journal.)



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First in line

Melody Sankey purchases the first Wyo Lotto ticket to be sold at Loaf 'N Jug from Marge Wellman, when sales of the new lottery became available at noon on Sunday, Aug. 23. The Wyoming Lottery Corporation reported robust sales its first day, with \$1,000 in sales per minute for the first hour of ticket sales. Powerball drawings are held every Wednesday and Saturday at 8:59 p.m. Mega Millions drawings are held every Tuesday and Friday at 8:59 p.m. (Photo by Palak Patel/NJ)

Construction

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told the News Letter Journal on Tuesday.

The project she has been overseeing this summer encompassed nearly the full length of U.S. Highway 16 from Newcastle to the South Dakota border, a distance of 8.5 miles, and Kachelhoffer said she believes work can be completed before winter arrives for good.

"We're hoping so. If the stars all align, the hot plant is here on time, and the weather cooperates, we're shooting for the first of November. If we get hit with an early winter, we might not finish this fall, but that's what we're gearing for," she reasoned.

The Wyoming project cost \$20 million, and required moving 460,000 tons of dirt and rock, making it considerably larger than South Dakota's \$8.4 million project to rebuild an approximately 4.5 mile stretch of Highway 16 through Hell Canyon. Kachelhoffer said that, by comparison, the neighboring project required 300,000 tons of dirt and rock to be moved, and acknowledged that the South Dakota project appears nearer to completion than the one in Wyoming.

"They are ahead of schedule," Kachelhoffer stated.

Tim Wicks, the engineering supervisor at the Custer Area Office of South Dakota DOT, told the News Letter Journal this week that while the project he is overseeing is ahead of the state's projected time line, the early completion of what was originally intended to be a two-year project is not entirely unexpected.

"We had it set up to be completed on July 24, 2015, but the contractor wanted to get it done this year," Wicks said, noting that the bulk of the project could be completed in the next couple of weeks.

"They have a top lift [layer] of asphalt to put on, and it should only take them a couple of days. They also have to put up a bunch of guardrail, and do painting and stuff, but it's pretty realistic for it to be done by the end of September," he indicated.

SDDOT had originally planned to put the final layer of asphalt on the road early next year, and Wicks cautioned that if temperatures were to fall and stay below 70 degrees for an extended period of time, the final stage of construction could be delayed until 2015.

"There are some pretty strict temperature requirements," he said, noting that the contractor is facing a Sept. 15 deadline to have that final layer of asphalt applied.

Although the Wyoming project is not as far along, Kachelhoffer is reporting that travelers should begin to see paving between Newcastle and the state line about a week or two after the South Dakota project is complete.

"The contractor should finish moving dirt by this Friday or Saturday. By next Friday, we should have all of the crushed base placed. That means we should have all of the gravel on the shoulders and the approaches, and we should start paving sometime during the week of September 22," she predicted.

Unfortunately, those using the highway will still be forced to travel over rough terrain until the asphalt is laid down, and Kachelhoffer said that is due to the fact that the project called for the roadway to be completely rebuilt.

"We are doing full-depth reclamation (FDR). We go in and we chew up all of the existing pavement and some of the gravel underneath, and

add oil to it and lay it back down so it becomes our new base material. It's very rough to drive on because it is our base material, and that probably is going to be ongoing until the end of the month," she admitted.

Kachelhoffer said that the first two miles of the job — from Newcastle to the Salt Creek bridge — has had the base completed for a number of weeks, and that stretch has gotten particularly rough as more and more traffic has gone over it. Because it is, in effect, the new road base, it was not possible to dig it up and keep it smooth throughout the summer.

"We want to thank people for their patience, and ask that they continue to be patient. We're going to keep slower speed limits out there because there isn't a lot we can do with the rough surface until we pave over it," she stated.

As is the case in South Dakota, a sudden drop in temperature could interfere with plans to begin paving before the end of this month, but Kachelhoffer said the weather has largely cooperated to this point.

"Since June, the weather hasn't been too bad. They've missed a couple of days because it was too muddy to work, but it hasn't been horrible. As we head into fall and the days get shorter and the temperatures get cooler, though, it will impact our paving operations. It has to be 50 degrees to pave the first lift, and 40 degrees for the two subsequent lifts after that. As we head into October, that could be an issue," she admitted.

That said, it is a virtual certainty that the road will at least be paved before winter arrives.

"They have to get at least the first inch of paving down so we can plow snow, so the worst-case scenario is that we only get one layer down and not three," Kachelhoffer explained.

She was also able to report that work on the three bridges over the course of the route is progressing, and WYDOT is hopeful that part of the project will remain on schedule as well.

"We've completed two of them, and we are working on the one in the middle, over Stockade Beaver Creek. We're hoping by the end of the month that we will have that bridge open to traffic also. On Thursday night we poured the first half of the bridge deck, and we should be switching traffic to the other side of that bridge this Friday. We hope to pour the other half by September 15, but there is some other stuff we have to do, so they'll have to push it to be ready by the end of the month. They have to keep working along steadily, and the weather will have to cooperate," Kachelhoffer reasoned, noting that the trip to Custer should start getting smoother in the near future.

"They won't be driving on the same sections [of base material] over and over, and the gravel won't be taking as much of a beating. It shouldn't be as rough as what we have been experiencing," she observed.

To this point, both projects have gone about as well as either engineer could have expected, and both were comfortable in predicting that the end of construction is near.

"We've been very happy. Our big goal was to get a gravel surface on for the [Sturgis Motorcycle] Rally, and that happened. They got to that point okay, and now it is just kind of gravy," Wicks said.

"We're making progress, and on schedule, and it should be over soon," Kachelhoffer echoed.



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Obituaries

BETTY LOU MEEKS
March 26, 1940 Aug. 16, 2014

 Betty Lou Meeks of Miami, Okla., passed away Aug. 16, 2014, at her home, while surrounded by her family. She was 74.
 Mrs. Meeks was born March 26, 1940, in Loveland, Colo., to Dean and Mary Francis (Trujillo) Schaeffer. She had lived in Miami since 1971 moving there from the Guthrie/Oklahoma City area. Betty was active in her community; she and her husband owned and operated Quality Wood Products in Picher and Miami, and she later was an office manager at

Discovery Plastics in Miami. She was a former member of Order of Eastern Star Chapter of Miami, and was past president of Miami Lioness Club, past president of Grand Lake Manufacturers Council and was a member of the First Freewill Baptist Church in Miami. Betty was a volunteer for Ottawa County Victims Impact Panel and Juvenile Services and Northeast Oklahoma Workforce Investment Board.
 She married Herman L. Meeks in 1958. He preceded her in death Jan. 10, 1996. She was also preceded by a son, Rickey Meeks, in 1983, and her parents, as well as a brother, Joseph Schaeffer.
 Survivors include her son, Wayne Meeks and wife Kim of Miami; her brother, James Schaeffer of Sturgis, S.D.;

two sisters, Fern Baker of Newcastle and Donna Bruggeman of Newcastle; two grandchildren, Jeffery Meeks and Taylor Meeks; and several nieces and nephews.
 Funeral services were at 2 p.m. on Aug. 20 at the First Assembly of God Church in Miami, Okla. Rev. Mark Goode and Rev. Dewey Johnston officiated. Interment will be in G.A.R. Cemetery in Miami. Pallbearers were Marsha Cole, Steve Robinson, Randy Longan, Rick Walker, Chuck Cunningham and Damien Scott. Honorary pallbearers were Brett Baker, Jacob Quintela and Joseph Quintela.
 Online condolences may be made at www.paulthomasfuneralhomes.com. Services have been placed in the care of the Paul Thomas Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Miami.

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 Katie is a 2008 graduate of Erie High School. She received a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Wyoming in 2013. Katie is an engineer for Xcel Energy at the Fort St. Vrain Generating Station.
 Tyler is 2007 graduate of Upton High School. He received a bachelor's degree in Architectural Engineering from the University of Wyoming in 2011. Tyler is an engineer with Peak Engineering in Lakewood, Colo.
 Katie and Tyler are planning a Sept. 27, 2014 wedding in Lafayette, Colo.



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- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** Pastor Lynn Schleicher, 301 Delaware, 746-9663. Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship 10:45 am; Prayer Service 5 pm, Christian Academy.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Jeff Thoms, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Sunday School 8:45 am; Church Services 8 & 10 am; Nursery care available.
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- KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES:** 5018 US Hwy 16, 746-2319 or 746-4517. Tuesday 7 p.m. Congregation Bible Study, Theocratic Ministry School and Service Meeting. Sunday Public Talk 10 am; Watchtower 11 am.
- NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sunday Worship 10 am; Wednesday Night Prayer.
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- SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Gary Force, 78 Old Hwy 85, 746-3504 or 278-0254, Pastoral Assistant Jason Logan 746-2974. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:20 am.
- ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Killian Muli, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
- VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
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 An anonymous quote tells us, "If you find out how to make money at something you love doing, then you'll never have to work another day in your life." Meaning, if you love what you're doing then it's not "work"! If you don't have a job that you love maybe you can learn to love what you do. For a better chance at success, you will want to include daily prayer in your plan for fulfillment. Your relationship with God determines your attitude, your confidence, and your peace of mind. Visit His House and give thanks this Labor Day.

Weekly Scripture Reading						
Hebrews	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms	Psalms
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100 YEARS AGO – SEPT. 3, 1914

The latest war dispatches indicate that the Germans have pushed the Allied forces back to a point within 50 miles of Paris. A German aeroplane, flying at a height of 6,000 feet over Paris, dropped several bombs into the city.

About 40 teachers are in attendance at the institute this week and much interest is shown in the work.

Last Friday afternoon the Twentieth Century Club gave a farewell reception to Mrs. Horton at the library.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cristo of Cambria are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Tuesday.

Everybody come to the box supper Friday evening at the Lodge Hall in Cambria by the Pythian Sisters. Girls don't forget your boxes; boys don't forget your money.

The Iron Creek locality was visited with a good, soaking rain Monday night, which will put the ground in good condition for all plowing and seeding rye and wheat.

Roundup on the Limestone is over and a number of cattle were shipped to Omaha. Those who went with the cattle were W.E. Keys, Willie Thomson, Felix Lavergne, Fred Coates and L.R. Keys.

Jack Vout finished cutting barley on the Barnett ranch in the Buckhorn area. They have the finest crop of both barley and wheat fully ripe this year for the first time since they have been on the ranch.

F.A. Brown, Miss Alice Brown, H.B. Osborne and F.D. Humphreys were Newcastle visitors from Howard yesterday and today, on land business and other errands.

The duck season opened Tuesday morning with a salute of a hundred guns on the Culver Lake near town at daybreak. No damage done.

Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Moore,

of Kara Mountain, were in town yesterday on their way to Dewey for a few days' visit.

Labor Day Celebration at Cambria program: Ball game at 9:30 between Junior teams of Cambria and Newcastle. Relay race, Italians, Macedonians and Armenians in afternoon. Also men's tug-of-war, broad jump competition, and numerous other foot races. Free dance in the evening.

75 YEARS AGO – SEPT. 7, 1939

The annual 4-H Club demonstration team and style review contest day was held in Newcastle Friday, with seven county clubs entering demonstration teams. The winners of the demonstration contest were Charles Rankin and Jimmy Materi of Soda Creek, in the agricultural division, and Dee Livingston and Ruth Holwell of Skull Creek in the clothing division.

Walter A. Mikesell, agent-operator at Moorcroft, was the successful bidder for the cashier-operator's job at the local C.B.&Q. depot.

New Dewey Dome well, about 23 miles south of Newcastle, was drilled to a total depth of 1,018 feet where hole bottomed two feet in the red beds. The oil was encountered in the lower Sundance horizon.

Remodeling of Newcastle's oldest brick building, the Antler's Hotel, got under way this week.

The High School and Municipal band, under the direction of Miss Sorey, drew much comment from Hill City residents as they furnished music as part of the entertainment of a Labor Day celebration there.

School enrollment shows 20 percent increase. Newcastle public schools opened Tuesday morning with probably one of the largest enrollments in

history, with a total of 539 students enrolled in the grades and high school.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Pugh, a six-and-a-half-pound baby girl, on Sept. 1, at the MW Ranch.

Miss Katherine Kerney left Sunday for Grenville, N.M., where she will teach in high school for the coming term. Miss Kerney will teach mathematics, English and orchestra.

Attorney P.T. McAvoy left via train yesterday afternoon for Broken Bow, Neb., where he will join R.W. Baldwin and transact official business.

Billy Dixon and his orchestra will play at the Roundhouse for a dance Saturday night.

Red Owl Food Ad: Two eight-ounce boxes Wheaties for 21 cents; Northern Tissue at five cents a roll; 2 pounds of franks for 35 cents; three 12-ounce cans Niblets corn for 29 cents.

50 YEARS AGO – SEPT. 5, 1963

Capt. Gerald Gardner, Newcastle High School graduate, is among 11 missing men listed by the Air Force following the disappearance of two strato-tankers. A helmet bearing the name of Gardner and debris stamped with the military designation of the jets was found in the Atlantic 450 miles northeast of Miami, Fla. The debris was found some 300 miles from where the two four-engine jets were last contacted about noon. Gardner graduated with the class of 1953 and attended the 10-year reunion in June.

Miss Rhonda Sedgwick is the 1963 Miss Wyoming Rodeo. Shown here with her horse, General Leo.

A new and larger movie screen is presently being installed in the Dogie Theatre in Newcastle. The new screen is 15 feet by 33 feet. As soon as the installation is complete, the

Dogie Theatre will open and the Drive In Theatre will close.

The Newcastle Dogies clashed to a 7 to 7 tie with the Torrington Trailblazers in the first game of the season at Newcastle last Friday.

Mrs. Leonard Hays of Newcastle has been elected state regent for the Wyoming Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Terry Elliott spent the summer at the Stanley Pzinski ranch.

Mrs. Gail McMeekin and infant son arrived on the noon train from Sterling, Colo., Wednesday for an indefinite stay at the home of her husband's parents, the Russell McMeekins.

Last Sunday, Lillian Chittim and her sister's children, Kerry, Larry and Anita Hunter, accompanied the Dell Williamson family of Newcastle to Moorcroft where they visited the Hugh Davidsons. That evening the Williamsons were supper guests at the James Chittims.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allender and two children, who have been making their home in Omaha, recently visited here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Brown, and left last week for Spenard, Alaska, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Portwood, of Boyd, brought their baby home from the hospital last Sunday.

Mrs. J.V. Rotter was hostess to members of the Sew and So Club at her home last Thursday afternoon.

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The Newcastle High School Girls Basketball team, Circa 1907. If anyone knows the identification of these women, please contact the Anna Miller Museum at (307) 746-4188, or email annamiller@rtconnect.net.



Due to a scheduling conflict, the Weston County Natural Resource District will move its regular monthly board meeting from Wednesday, September 10th to **Tuesday, September 9th**. The meeting will be held at 3 p.m. at the USDA Service Center Building.

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WHAT'S UP

*Meetings & Events
Calendar*

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sept. 4	Noon	Newcastle Chamber Meeting	Fountain Inn
	4 p.m.	VFW Auxillary	WC Senior Services
	7:30 p.m.	Masons Meeting	Masonic Lodge
Sept. 5	6 p.m.	Main Event	Main Street
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	9:30 a.m.	Wind River Dancers	Crouch Auditorium
Sept. 7	7:30 p.m.	Bingo	VFW Hall
	6 p.m.	Family Problems Meeting	First Baptist Church
	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
Sept. 8	6 p.m.	WC Junior Rodeo Meeting	WCSS Michaels Room
Sept. 9	1 p.m.	Artful Gals	Senior Housing
	6:45 p.m.	ALANON (746-9791)	Mondell Heights
	3 p.m.	WC Natural Resource District Mtg	USDA Building
Sept. 10	6 p.m.	WC Fairboard Meeting	Fairgrounds Office
	2 p.m.	Flowering Fingers Garden Club	Lola Bradley's Cabin
	7 p.m.	Mallo Camp Board Meeting	Public Health Building
Sept. 11	7 p.m.	AA Meeting	Corpus Christi Church
	5:30 p.m.	City Planning Commission	City Hall

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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Match Begins: 9 a.m.
Entry Fee: \$10

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For the Ages

News Letter Journal

The life of a rebel revealed

By Donna Gochanour
NLJ Senior Correspondent

When I went to interview Lee Albert, I found I had discovered an 89-year-old rebel from the early 1940s. He met his life companion when he was in his last year of high school and she was a teacher. They slipped away to Broadus, Mont., because it had no three-day waiting period, and were married on April 10, 1943 — and kept it a secret for six months. And yes, he admits, he lied about his age.

His best friend and life companion, Quindrid, passed away on Oct. 9, 2012, after 69 years of marriage. They had hoped to make it 70 years.

Albert had been adopted and raised alone in a house in town. He grew up next to the Smith family and had a special friend in John Smith. Years later, John became the principal in Newcastle schools and it was he who went to Winner, S.D., where Albert was a principal, to recruit Albert to come to Newcastle and become the school superintendent. Albert filled this position from 1966 to 1986, when he retired.

He didn't hesitate. The pay was a lot better in Wyoming than it was in South Dakota, he says. He had been principal and later superintendent in Gregory, S.D., and Humbolt, S.D. Years before that, in 1943, he'd had two years as an aviation cadet in the Air Force and when he went to college in Hastings, Neb., what he learned in the Air Force put him ahead in his education. He was on his way as



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Lee Albert and his wife, Quindrid, spent a lifetime involved in the field of education, he as a principal and superintendent, she as a teacher.

an educator and when he married the school teacher, well, that became their way of life, in the field of education.

I asked him if things had changed much since his retirement in 1986. One special point he made was the fact that discipline these days is harder because of changes in the laws. On the other hand, Albert feels that the sports

programs the kids have now are good for the school, keep the kids busy, and give them something to "hang on to." He adds that he feels that all kids are not meant for college, which is stressed so much these days. Many of them work better with their hands and quite a few make more money in the kinds of jobs that have nothing to

do with a college education. With that in mind, he'd like to see things like shop, homemakers, auto repair and woodworking included in the school curriculum. Some kids just aren't that talented in books. Asked how many students there were back in his days as superintendent, he said he thinks the number was about 1,400, but, he added, the oil industry determined the school population, so it was a fluctuating number.

In the meantime, Quindrid kept on with her teaching career and they raised five children, all of them attending grade school in Newcastle and graduating from Newcastle High School. These five have given him 13 grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and although he hasn't figured out which are which, he says they can't leave it at that unlucky number — there has to be a number 14 to round it out. Albert said he likes where he is at, and because both he and Quindrid lived at Mondell Heights, he has an extra large room that he takes pleasure in.

When he retired in 1986, he and Quindrid spent the next 20 years traveling and exploring, enjoying life. They had acquired a second home in Casa Grande, Ariz., and had new friends and lots of fun down there. There was also their time at the summer cabin "up on the prairie" here in Wyoming.

Lee Albert says that the 69 years that he was married were the happiest of his life. Now, his eyesight and hearing are both failing, but he appears to have a lot of happy memories to fill his time.

Senior Happenings

Weston County Manor
Sept. 4: Al & the Gang 2 p.m.
Sept. 5: Dancers 9 a.m.
Sept. 6: Spelling Bee 11 a.m.
Sept. 7: Grandparents Day Social 2:30 p.m.
Sept. 8: Wii 10:30 a.m.
Sept. 9: Keepsake Kraffers 2 p.m.
Sept. 10: Kickball 10:30 a.m.
Sept. 11: Manicures 2 p.m.
Sept. 12: Bingo 2 p.m.
Sept. 13: Happy Hour 3 p.m.
Sept. 14: Trivia 10 a.m.
Sept. 15: Crazy Cart 3 p.m.
Sept. 16: Stories 4 p.m.
Sept. 17: Bingo 2 p.m.
Sept. 18: Al & the Gang 2 p.m.

Weston County Senior Services
Sept. 4: Trip to Tin Lizzie
Sept. 4: Hearing Aid Institute 9-11 a.m.
Sept. 5: Beltone Hearing Aid 9-11 a.m.
Sept. 6: Open Rec Room
Sept. 8: Bingo 4-6 p.m.
Sept. 9: Mexican Train 1:30 p.m.
Sept. 10: Fancy Workers
Sept. 11: Bridge Ladies
Sept. 12: Blood Pressure Check 9:30 a.m.
Sept. 13: Open Rec Room
Sept. 16: Trip to First Gold
Sept. 17: Toenail clinic 9-11 a.m.
Sept. 18: Trip to The Lodge



Note: This list is not complete. For complete schedules see the event calendars at each facility.



Fresh carrots

Cathy Jones introduces two young ladies to home-grown carrots. When asked if they would take them home and eat them, they gave an enthusiastic "yes!" They did look a little surprised though, at what they found in the ground. (Photo by Donna Gochanour/NLJ)

A legacy of capable women

Last week, while looking for something at a local store that I needed to finish a project, I confessed that I wasn't sure just what to use or how to go about it. The clerk remarked that he figured I'd know all about it — in reading my columns it sounded like I was a "jack of all trades," he said. Well, I was — but now that I'm 78, simple projects don't look so simple. I won't be throwing a piece of four-by-eight plywood up on a pair of sawhorses anymore! Last time I tried that the darn thing slid off and tried to make a home across the top of my foot. Now that made a pretty good "owie" right there.

I have "rehabbed" several trailer homes, three or four houses, tarred many roofs, and the really big one was finishing the interior of our house on top of the hangar at the airstrip in Alaska. Even the wiring in that one was done by me, and inspected before I added the wall coverings.

Where did this come from, how did all of this happen, a woman who grew up when a wife was expected to look pretty, keep the house clean and make sure dinner was on the table at five sharp? Part of it was being a "what if?" person, and part of it was necessity (as an Air Force wife, my husband was gone much of the time).

A whole lot of it was simply inherited. My maternal grandmother, Christine Sathern, was a much better carpenter than her husband. In those



Donna Gochanour
I Remember When

early pioneer days, you mostly either learned how or did without. She was also known to take her 410 shotgun out and shoot a duck for supper. She passed this wonderful gene on to me and to my cousin, Lynn. I gave it to my daughter Amy, and my granddaughter Wendy has it too. My tools and my toolbox are vital to me, and I have even been known to pack my tools in my suitcase for a trip back to Alaska — just in case I saw something that



Donna Gochanour photo
Christine Sathern, the author's grandmother, wasn't afraid of hard work either.

just had to be fixed. These last couple of years, though, I discovered to my amazement that when I get down on the floor, I can't get back up again! Here I was, sitting on the floor of the bathroom, peacefully putting a piece of trim on the bottom of the door and when I went to get up I was baffled. What in the world happened to my legs? They just laid there on the floor in front of me and didn't seem to remember how they were supposed to work. I finally resorted to scooting on my butt as far as the toilet and then clutching the biffy to pull myself up! "Selfies" are forbidden at times like these — that would just be too much!

I checked out this phenomena with a couple of girlfriends and it seems to be a prevalent problem. "Oh yes," they all assured me, you have to make sure you have something nearby to lever yourself up on. Makes sense to me. Now I carry a little stool around with me. It's come in very handy!

Well, now that it seems I am in the middle of old age (much to my displeasure and resistance), I'll have to use more imagination than I used to! The kids got me this charming little Life Alert button to wear in case my imagination gets too carried away and I end up in trouble that I can't get out of! They have forbidden me the use of a ladder. Then, because they have a rather cruel streak in them (no doubt from their father) they bought me a wonderful folding ladder for Christmas. Only thing is, it's so heavy I can't move it around! It sure stopped that particular mad impulse.

Names wanted!

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School Board

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on such a major issue, it is time to step down. I hope an interim appointment would be more successful," read Winter, who then exited the board room.

A motion was made to accept the resignation from Winter, and after discussion was held regarding the best course of action that motion was passed.

During discussion, the remaining trustees discussed the option of not agreeing to the resignation because there are only two more months left to the term, and, if accepted, the board is required to fill the vacancy within 30 days.

"I had the same thought, because of the time-frame we will be welcoming new board members anyway. But at the same time I think the finality of that action would be appropriate now if we vote

to accept the resignation. I think the district is better off if we accept the resignation so that we can move forward on the time line set by statute," stated Bob Bonnar, WCS D #1 vice chairman.

Chairman of the Board Bill Lambert pointed out the importance of using caution in choosing a person to fill Winter's seat, due to the election on Nov. 4, when four seats on the school board are decided by the public. The filing period for the available positions has ended, with five individuals seeking to join the board. Several board members voiced concern regarding whether or not to appoint a person that will be on the ballot in November.

A letter of intent from those interested in filling the position needs to be sent to the WCS D #1 Administration

Office for the board to decide who will fill the position until the new board members take office in December. In the best interest of the board, Lambert said, everyone who shows interest in filling the position will be considered at the Sept. 23 board meeting, but they will proceed with caution, with letters of intent accepted until the Friday before.

"I just heard we have five candidates running, and I would hate for us to give an advantage to one of those five candidates. That is not fair to them because they are signed up. I would prefer not to give that advantage. If that is the best candidate, then that is who I will vote for," stated Trustee John Riesland. "Not since I have been on the board [in 1992] has there been a mid-term appointment."

Koester

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she did a good job. Amie is awesome. She pulled this off for me and that put the store in really good standings with the RVP. So [District Manager] Jim Gieger decided this year was the year to push a few of the things that I do every year," reported Koester.

The letter was passed to Ariel Delacruz, one of six area leaders in the country. In an email he suggested Koester should be nominated for the Chairman's Circle Award, which happened, but she doesn't know by whom.

Names of the top 12 nominees are sent to an impartial organization not affiliated with Family Dollar. They then suggest the person they feel is the best candidate for the award and pass that on to Family Dollar's chief executive officer, Howard Levine, for approval. He is the son of the founder of the company, Leone Levine, who opened the first Family Dollar in Charlotte, N.C., in 1959, at the age of 21.

When the CEO called Koester to tell her she was the recipient of the top award in the company, she thought it was a prank call. She recalled giving him the run-around because she didn't believe she won the coveted prize.

With the honor came an all-expense-paid trip to Orlando to receive the award and participate in the conference with her husband, Jerry. A sign "Jerry and Annette Koester" greeted them at the airport in Florida, along with a limousine and driver to take them to the Hyatt Regency Hotel where a suite of rooms was waiting for them. Of the 1,500 people who attended the event, only a select few were invited to the two banquets that honored Koester and winners of other awards.

More than once she was asked what she would want for her store. Her response: more walk-in coolers. The CEO asked her how many freezers were in the store, to which she answered, three. He then told her he didn't know there were stores with such a low number of coolers.

After listening to what Koester was able to do with what she has, Lavine then put the store on a list for a remodel and more freezers after the first of the year.

"Every group manager down there offered if I ever wanted to go into their area, I could. You wouldn't believe, several hundred [district managers] stopped and told me I am welcome to come to them if I want. My boss said, 'Newcastle will block that, you aren't getting Annette, trust me,'" she recalled, laughing.

When asked if she ever thought she would be where she is with the company, Koester recollected driving by the store when it was being built in 2006 and telling Jerry that she hoped to be the assistant manager there.

"It was an unreal thing to even pretend to do. I never in my wildest dreams ever figured we could get there. I kept telling them, 'we don't do what we do to get honored to do it.' My name was thrown around down there with praise. Every conference that they had it was said, 'Well, if you want to see how this is done right,

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— Annette Koester
Family Dollar manager

go find Newcastle, go find Annette," commented Koester.

What she has been able to accomplish has been from learning by doing, she said. The only training she had was for two weeks in a new store in Rapid City before opening the store in Newcastle. Mistakes are something she admits she has made her share of, but Family Dollar just goes with it and lets them do what they need to do — which obviously has worked,

because it has gotten them far.

As a manager trainer, she tries hard to instill skills that will help others. She has been offered higher positions in the company, but doesn't want to be away from her daughter, Lacie, as much as it would require, so Koester has chosen to stay where she is.

However, she is quick to say the store wouldn't be where it is today without her invaluable assistant manager of three years, Rainbolt, and the other loyal employees she has had throughout the last few years.

"I cannot say enough good things about Amie. She helped us get this started, she is a major part of this award, too. Because she keeps me going a lot of times, she stays in the background and keeps me grounded. When I need to go somewhere else, she just steps into my spot. She is probably the perfect assistant. She does anything that I need her to do. I don't know where this store would be without her," reported Koester.

As much as the manager is aware of how important good employees are to the store, she is equally conscious on the value of her customers.

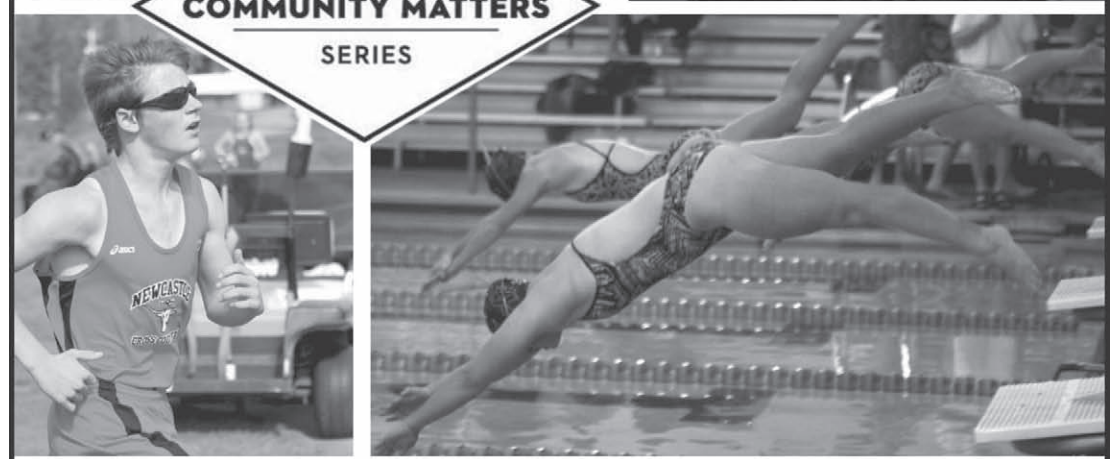
"If this community didn't back this store, there is no way we would be where we are at. This is an award the community should share in, and be proud of. It's not something I can do by myself. The store can't do it, people have to want to come into that store. Two or three people down there told me, 'the community loves you in that store.' But the community is very, very important, because without the community and our customers, we wouldn't be there," she acknowledged.

When she was in Florida, Koester was asked what motivates her to do what she does. The answer, she says, is what the community has done for her and her family. When Lacie was 2 years old the toddler needed to go to the John Hopkins Clinic, which was financially it was impossible at the time. But it was made possible by a fundraiser held by her neighbors and friends.

"The auction that the community had here raised over \$10,000 for us, and I have never forgotten that, never, and this is my way I can give back," she stated with tears in her eyes. "When we needed it, the community was here for us. Lacie drives what I do most of the time, because when we needed help for Lacie, the community backed us."



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Pond

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owning the ground for the fishing pond. A letter will also be generated to the WGFD for a required lease for public access and parking.

The process which identifies which water bodies within a project's boundaries meet the definition of "waters of the United States" — for wetland delineation — still needs to be completed before a plan can be sent to the United States Army Corps of Engineers to mitigate. Once that is approved, construction can begin, hopefully this fall.

"Right now we are at the point of getting the wetlands delineated and getting that permit. Whether we start construction this fall depends on the cooperation we get from different entities. And you have to have a team of certified wetland delineators come in and do that. Currently we are working with the Natural Resource area office out of Douglas to bring in some people to do that," articulated Culver.

However, it couldn't be a pond without water, which is where the Wyoming Refinery Company has made a massive contribution, Culver pointed out. Shane Crawford, WRC environmental site manager, told the News Letter Journal they would supply water for the pond from the Madison well, which is in the middle of their property.

Culver clarified that the water will come from the well through a pipeline the Wyoming Refining Company is installing to their property line at



their own expense. They have been working with the Wyoming Highway Department as well, for the right-of-way for a pipeline to be brought to NCC by boring under the highway. The installation of the pipe will be contracted out to a private contractor, as well as some of the deep excavation for the pond.

Along with in-kind donations from organizations such as WRC and the Wyoming Game and Fish — that will do the majority of the construction — several grants are making the fishing pond a reality, including \$130,000 through the Wyoming Natural Resource Trust, \$3,000 from Wyoming Wildlife the Foundation, \$3,000 from the Weston County

Natural Resource District and \$500 from Wyoming Trout Unlimited.

Both Culver and Dunford echoed their thanks to WRC, without which the project would not be possible. Culver reiterated that he has been impressed with all of the entities involved in making the vision of a local fishing pond a reality.

Paul Mavrakis, WGFD's fishery supervisor for northeast Wyoming, and Dave Bumann, WGFD engineer, have been on-site walking the area, helping to plan the ponds implementation. Culver indicated more individuals from the WGFD will be on hand before the project is finished.

As a WGFD commissioner, he has eight licenses a year that can be donated

to non-profit organizations. Because NCC maintains a 501(c)(7) — a non-profit status — they were able to broker a tag donated by Culver and receive \$11,500, which will be also used for the project, explained Dunford.

"The licenses I donate, I try to make sure they have some link to wildlife habit or youth education — hunting or fishing — so this [fish pond project] was just a natural," Culver explained.

The pond will also be made accessible by community members, as the City of Newcastle has designated the bike path to go near where the pond will be. Dunford said NCC is excited for both the fish pond and bike project to be complete, emphasizing how both projects are tied together. First State Bank has donated two concrete benches that will provide a sitting area near the pond, according to Newcastle City Councilmember Linda Hunt.

NCC plans to construct a parking lot near the pond, and in the future public restroom facilities near the pond are projected. Those involved also recognize the potential for the area to be used as an outdoor classroom, which was one of the ideas behind the seating area, Hunt said. Interest has been expressed for that purpose by the Natural Resource District, Culver said.

"We have visited with Rob Akers, Wyoming State Forestry. He actually wrote a letter in support of our grant," Culver noted, adding that the Forestry crews will likely be involved in constructing signs, some landscaping and

maintenance on the project. The crews will also install bat houses and tree swallow boxes for mosquito control, he noted.

Culver also noted there will be a handicap accessible ramp with wheelchair access to the pond, because they want it to be used by everyone. Talk has also included winter use of the area, for things such as ice fishing and ice skating.

"The other thing is, it may be one of those serendipitous things, if we get cold winters and it freezes we play hockey on it. There is no place to play hockey in town. [If] there are enough kids and adults around that want to go out and scruff around on the ice and have some fun, they will be able to do that," acknowledged Dunford, pointing out another possible recreational opportunity.

A name for the pond has not yet been chosen, however, Culver said a contest has been discussed — with possible prizes — involving local students submitting name possibilities.

"This is a physical enhancement and a huge community enhancement," concluded Dunford.

The motto of the WGFD is conserving wildlife and serving people. Culver said the pond is an effective way to serve local fishermen.

"Currently, I believe the closest fishing to Newcastle would be the LAK, and that is just kinda too far for a kid to get on their bicycle and ride," he added with a smile.

Suicide

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As such, PMO has made an effort to make suicide prevention trainings as simple to undertake and attend as possible.

"We're not talking about two days of intensive training. We're talking about an hour and a half to two-hour basic training that covers the signs, what to do, and the real simple things that anyone should know," Lipp explained, referring to the Question, Persuade, Refer trainings that her organization offers to community members throughout the year.

"QPR is kind of like CPR. Almost everyone knows some form of medical first aid, and that's what we're talking

about with QPR. It's first aid for someone who is hurting emotionally or mentally. It doesn't have to be scary. It's just knowing what to look for, and how to handle it if you come across a situation. It's not counseling. We leave that to the mental health care field. The QPR training is just the real basics, and anyone can take that class. We offer it to everyone, and it doesn't cost anything," she stated, indicating that she has reached out to a number of different groups or organizations to offer the training to its membership.

"We can do a training with five people, or we can do it with 50 people. The opportu-

nities are endless. We can do it at a place of work if someone wants all of their employees to do it, or we can do it for church groups, civic organizations or clubs — you name it," Lipp reported.

Because suicide is such a delicate subject, Lipp said that her organization has had the most success attracting groups or organizations to the QPR program, as opposed to offering them to the community as a whole, because people seem to be more inclined to participate alongside friends or coworkers, instead of in a big room with strangers.

"People are more comfortable doing the QPR with peer

groups, civic groups or with their colleagues. There seems to be a comfort level with doing it with people they know as opposed to doing a community wide training," Lipp reasoned.

She is again urging local organizations to make arrangements to have QPR offered to its members or employees in the weeks to come, and suggested that there are a number of different ways the training can be undertaken.

"We are looking to fill our QPR training schedule. It's primarily for adults, 18 and over, but we do have a youth QPR we can provide training in, and we have done that.

I'm also not the only trainer in Weston County. There are a variety of different folks trained in teaching it," she said, explaining that the community boasts three other individuals — Pam Penfield, Mick Bohn and Charita Brunner — who can conduct the training.

All Lipp needs to put one of these trainings on her schedule is a call from somebody expressing an interest in having one conducted for their group or organization.

"Just call me or shoot me an email, and we'll figure out a time. We can do evenings or daytime. It's pretty open since it is only two hours. We can fit it just about anywhere," Lipp said.

She also hopes to conduct another ASSIST training in this community. This is a more advanced suicide prevention course that covers a full two days, and was offered here last fall.

"We will be offering another ASSIST training in the next few months. If people are interested they should let me know, and we'll get them on the list. When we get enough people, we'll have the training," Lipp reported.

Those hoping to learn more about scheduling or participating in a training are encouraged to call Lipp at 746-5457 or email her at klipp@pmwoyo.org.



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Football				
9/4	V	Gillette Camels JV	H	6PM
9/8	JV	Upton Bobcats	A	4:30PM
9/12	V	Burns High School	A	6PM
Girls Swimming				
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9/13	V	Powell Invitational	A	10AM
Volleyball				
9/5	VJ	Gillette Invitational	A	9AM
9/6	VJ	Gillette Invitational	A	9AM
9/12	VJ	Rawlins Invitational	A	Noon
9/13	9	Buffalo 9th Grade Invite	A	9AM

The Score

Freshmen Volleyball Invite
 Upton: 5-20; 20-15 (Tyler Cobb had 8 pts)
 Buffalo: 13-20; 16-20 (Tyler Cobb 9 pts)
 Twin Spruce: 12-20; 5-20 (Tyler Cobb 5 pts)
 Sage Valley: 16-20; 20-14 (Shaye Walker 9 pts)
 Went into Silver bracket 4th:
 Lusk: 11-4; 12-10 (Tyler Cobb 6 pts)
 Buffalo: 7-11; 10-12 (Emalee Sweet 3 pts,
 Aby Beck 3 pts)

Changes mean less driving

Changes in the Wyoming High School Activities Association class organization will bring a new look to 3A sports for some of our local sports teams. The 3A class in volleyball, basketball and wrestling consists of 16 teams. Historically, this class has been divided into two conferences made up of eight teams in the East and the same number in the West.



Sonja Karp
Karpe Dogie

The 2014-2015 seasons will see the 3A class divided into a quadrant system for the first time. This year, there will be Northeast, Southeast, Northwest and Southwest conferences consisting of four teams each. So what does this change mean for the Newcastle Dogies?

Before I answer that question, I must digress. When I first crawled on a bus back in 1999, excited to coach my first basketball game, I asked then-head coach Jeff Halley what we were looking at for traveling time.

He looked at me with a half-grin/half-grimace and said, "five and a half hours." I looked at him, jaw hanging, and said, "round-trip?" That's when he laughed and said, "one way!" Coming from a small town in South Dakota, where our longest trip was an hour and a half, needless to say I was shocked!

When news of the new quadrant system came to light, I was hopeful that the long trips to Rawlins and Worland every year would be a thing of the past. Well, I got half of my wish! The new Northeast quadrant will be made

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Opener starts with a fifth

By Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Lady Dogies took the court for their 2014 season opener in Douglas this past weekend. The two-day Douglas Invitational tournament hosted Varsity and Junior Varsity teams from 16 Wyoming schools in the 3A and 2A conferences.

The opening season tournament does not count toward conference record, so teams gain the opportunity to get some court time prior to beginning their all-important conference play.

On Friday, the ladies competed in pool play against Torrington, Buffalo and Powell in a best of three game format. The pool play results were used to seed teams for the bracket play tournament on Saturday.

In the first match-up, the girls faced a tough Powell team who would go on to win the gold bracket tournament in a game against Wright on Saturday.

"It was the first time we've actually played a game since practice started," stated head coach Maja Jechorek. "We came out a little timid against a strong Powell squad."

The ladies lost to Powell in two games (19-25, 22-25) but got their feet wet and looked ready to play against Torrington in the next match, beating them two games to none (26-24, 25-19).

The final game of the day pitted the Lady Dogies against the Lady Bison of Buffalo. It was a late game, starting at nine o'clock, so both teams were a little tired. The two teams battled, but

Newcastle was able to finish on top, winning two games to one (24-26, 26-24, 15-8).

With a record of two wins and one loss in Friday's pool play, the ladies earned a spot in the gold bracket for Saturday's competition. Other teams who joined the squad were Douglas, Wheatland, Thermopolis, Powell, Lyman, Shoshoni and Wright.

The first match-up for the Lady Dogies began at 11 against a strong Wright team, who finished third in 2A at the 2013 state tournament.

"We came out timid against Wright, knowing their background of being a tough team, and we just didn't play up to our abilities," Jechorek stated.

The ladies fell short in the match two games to none (15-25, 14-25).

"Even though things weren't clicking for our girls, we were able to score 14 and 15 points while not really playing," the coach added. "If we can do that, it makes me really look forward to getting some payback against Wright on Homecoming!"

With that loss, the ladies moved into the consolation bracket, where they faced Shoshoni. The team looked quite a bit different in this game, coming out ready to play, and won the match two games to one (25-22, 10-25, 15-13) which earned them a

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Sonja Karp/NLJ

Kendra Back goes up for the kill as setter Abby Gray looks on during Dogie play at the Douglas Invite.



Dogies take on the Custer Wildcats

By Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Friday night lights were lit up as the Dogies hit the gridiron in Custer for the first time this season, taking on the Wildcats.

"The first game is always good because it tells us a lot about where we're at. We get an idea what we're doing well, and what we need to improve upon," commented head coach Matt Conzelman.

Though the game didn't go the way the Dogies had hoped, falling to Custer with a final score of 8-30, there were certainly some positive moments.

"Our strengths definitely showed during the game. At times we were moving the ball well, and our guys were where they needed to be on blocks," grinned Conzelman.

"At the same time, there were moments of miscommunication among the players, ending with blockers dou-

bling up on men, leaving someone else uncovered," he admitted.

The Dogies put together an offensive drive at the end of the first quarter that put them in a position to allow Dillon Ehlers to punch in the Dogies' only touchdown of the game at the beginning of the second quarter. Ehlers looked strong in the game, racking up 21 carries for 107 yards.

Jared Bell carried in the two-point conversion to complete the scoring drive, but Custer answered the Dogies with a score of their own on the next play of the game, when they ran back the Dogies' kickoff.

Unfortunately, the boys weren't able to overcome the Wildcats' momentum after that.

"On defense, we've been focusing on trying to eliminate big plays," Conzelman explained. "Unfortunately, we gave up two of those,



Bob Bonnar/NLJ

Dillon Ehlers handles the snap and runs for yardage against the Custer Wildcats.

and it's tough to win when you do that."

Like the offense, the defense had moments in the game when they looked very good, however there were some missed tackles.

"Even just a couple of missed tackles can be huge when they lead to giving up points," admitted Conzelman.

Offensively, in addition to Ehlers' carries, he went four of 11 for pass completions and had three receptions for 25 yards. Braden Rushton had 12 carries for 36 yards, Colton Sweet had three carries for eight yards and two receptions for 30 yards, Triston Roberson had three carries for eight yards and went three of 12 for pass completions. Cameron Quigley rounded out the offensive stats with one carry for five yards.

As a team, the Dogies had 40 carries for 159 yards and seven of 23 pass completions

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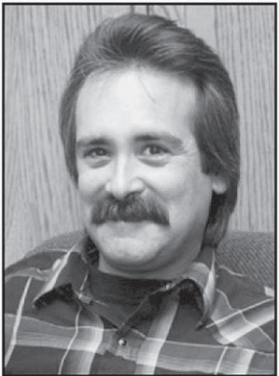
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Runners start season strong

By Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Dogies and Lady Dogies were off and running at their opening meet in Buffalo on Friday. The day was quite warm so the kids had to stay hydrated, but the team overcame the heat and showed out well for Newcastle High School with the ladies finishing in second place, and the boys taking home third overall.

Teams from nine Wyoming schools competed at the meet, with 55 runners in the high school girls’ division, and 75 athletes in the boys’ race.

“Like all first meets, some things looked a little ugly,” commented head coach Pat Hayman. “But I never saw any of our kids quitting. When it came to the hill, about half of the competitors walked it, but not one of ours walked up that hill,” he bragged.

The first race is always an eye-opener for the runners who quickly learn the difference between training and racing. Hayman pointed out that first meets are great for showing the kids what they need to do, and noted that the team needs to tighten some things up.

Calbi Ausmann proved she was as healthy as ever as she cruised to a first-place title at the meet, finishing almost half a minute ahead of the second-place runner with a time of 20:24.

“She trained hard all summer and it shows,” said Hayman.

It looks as though she is carrying over the success she enjoyed during track last spring to this year’s cross country season.

Laura Chord and Savannah Silbaugh of Upton also had a great race, finishing sixth and seventh with times of 24:10 and 24:13, respectively.

Sisters Sadie and Rehanna Payne crossed the finish line together in 26:21 to round out the top 20 finishers.

Other runners crossing the finish line for the ladies included Katie Spain in 28, Rose McMahon in 33, Keller Bock in 36, Sierra LaCroix in 37, Heather Michaelis in 43 and Hannah Williams in 49.

Trenton Parsons was the Dogies’ top runner in the men’s race, coming in fourth place with a time of 19:33. Marshall Rhoades also made the top 10, crossing the line in ninth place in 20:12.

Alex Henkle finished in the top 20 with a time of 21:03 that put him in the No. 16 spot.

Brandon Leddy came in at 22, Cooper Karp in 36, Flint Hossfeld in 50 and Zach LaPierre in 61.

“One of the areas that we need to improve is closing the gap between our runners,”

Hayman commented. “We need to have all our kids close together so we don’t get points added against us.”

The team often trains at Dow Park where they run 1,000 meter intervals. This type of training really helps the kids realize what they need to do to close that gap.

“The kids train hard, and know how to push themselves. They’re working hard and racing hard, and I’m proud of them,” beamed Hayman.

The Calves also had a good showing at the meet, with the girls’ team taking home first place, and the boys finishing in fourth.

This week, the cross country team will travel to Spearfish on Thursday for an invitational. Though they were also scheduled to compete in an invite in Sheridan on Saturday, that meet has been postponed to a later date so the Dogies will have the weekend off.

Ladies impressive in first meet

By Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

The Lady Dogies dove in to their 2014 season with back-to-back meets in Gillette on Friday and Saturday and, according to head coach Jenny Pederson, they started with a bang!

“There were great swims from everyone,” grinned Pederson. “They proved they have great teamwork, and it was really impressive watching their relays take off!”

During the relay meet on Friday, Pederson and assistant coach Michael Alexander mixed up the relays to get an idea of how the girls work together. The results were pleasing to both coaches.

The combinations they put together worked well, and they were excited to see how the girls pulled together to motivate and bring out the best in each other.

“They have quite a bit of team spirit, and if they continue to work together this team is going to make some serious waves this year,” predicted Pederson.

The ladies landed in the top 10 in all of the relay races they swam, and only 4A teams finished before them.

Day two of the meet saw the ladies continue to excel, resulting in two state qualifiers in Rachel Henkle, who qualified in every event in which she competed, and Mikenna Waggener, who qualified in all

The Stats	
200 yard Medley Relay-8th place finish with a final time of 2:15: 1. Mikenna Waggener; 2. Rachel Ehlers; 3. Rachel Henkle; 4. Shaylee Curren	Henkle; 2. Jae Whitney; 3. Nathina Crabtree; 4. Mikenna Waggener
400 yard Medley Relay-6th place finish with a final time of 5:06: 1. Mikenna Waggener; 2. Sarah Henkle; 3. Rachel Henkle; 4. Jae Whitney	100 yard Freestyle Relay-5th place finish with a final time of 56.1: 1. Shaylee Curren; 2. Rachel Ehlers; 3. Sarah Henkle; 4. Nathina Crabtree
200 yard Freestyle Relay-10th place finish with a final time of 2:11: 1. Nathina Crabtree; 2. Rachel Ehlers; 3. Sarah Henkle; 4. Jae Whitney	200 yard Backstroke Relay-4th place finish with a final time of 2:15: 1. Mikenna Waggener; 2. Nathina Crabtree; 3. Shaylee Curren; 4. Rachel Henkle
200 yard Butterfly Relay-7th place finish with a final time of 2:15: 1. Rachel	200 yard Breaststroke Relay-9th place finish with a final time of 2:56: 1. Shaylee Curren; 2. Rachel Ehlers; 3. Jae Whitney; 4. Sarah Henkle

but two of her events.

“These two are swimming times that they ended the season with last year, so there’s nowhere to go but up from here,” a proud Pederson said.

Several swimmers put up lifetime best times including Rachel Henkle, Waggener, Nathina Crabtree, Rachel Ehlers, and Sarah Henkle.

Crabtree and Shaylee Curren are only seconds away from state qualification in the 50 Freestyle as well as other events in which they compete.

Though Jae Whitney and Curren didn’t put up lifetime bests this weekend, they are swimming faster than they usually do at the

beginning of the season.

“These two young ladies are my seasoned swimmers who swim year round, and it is not abnormal for them not to be swimming their lifetime best times at this point of the year,” assured Pederson.

While there are veterans on the starting blocks for the Lady Dogies this year, Crabtree, Ehlers and Sarah Henkle are returning to the team after a three- or four-year hiatus.

“These young ladies have all swam for me previously in the club program, so it is really exciting to see them in the water again! They haven’t lost much in that time, and I’m confident we can get them to qualifying times by the end of the season,” Pederson smiled.

Given that Newcastle and Buffalo were the only 3A teams competing in a predominantly 4A meet, the swimmers saw some great competition.

“I am very pleased with the results from this weekend. Pentathalons are challenging and the girls proved their hard work in practice is paying off,” exclaimed Pederson.

The Lady Dogies are one of, if not the smallest teams in the 3A conference this year, but Pederson is confident they will make their presence known in the pool.

The ladies will hit the road on Friday to compete in Douglas for their only meet of the second week of the season.

Football

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for 67 yards.

Top defensive players included Rushton, who led the team in tackles with 12, followed by Roberson with nine, Ehlers with seven (four of which were for a loss of yards), Trayton Farnsworth with six, and Sweet with five.

Rushton and Farnsworth also grabbed one interception each, and Mason Piscioti contributed a great defensive play with one kick block.

Overall Conzelman was pleased with how the boys looked, but would like to get a few more points on the board and commit a few less penal-

The Stats
Newcastle vs. Custer Team-40 rush, 159 net yardage, 7 pass comp., 23 pass attempt, 7 rec. 67 receiving yards; Dillon Ehlers-21 rush, 107 net yardage, 4 pass comp., 11 pass attempt, 3 rec., 25 receiving yards, 6 asst. tackle, 1 unass. tackle; Colton Sweet-3 rush, 8 net yardage, 2 rec., 30 receiving yard, 5 asst. tackle; Triston Roberson-3 rush, 8 net yardage, 3 pass comp., 12 pass attempt, 8 asst. tackle, unass. tackle; Alec Walker-2 asst. tackle, 1 unass. tackle; Bradon Rushton-12 rush, 36 net yardage, 11 asst. tackle, 1 unass. tackle, 1 interception; Ricky Larson-2 rec,12 receiving yards, 2 asst. tackle; Nick Bock-1 unass. tackle; Mason Piscioti-1 unass. tackle, 1 block kick;Johnny Walker-1 asst. tackle, 1 unass. tackle; Trayton Farnsworth-5 asst. tackle, 1 unass. tackle, 1 interception; Cameron Quigley-1 rush, 5 net yardage, 3 asst. tackle; Zac Rasmussen-2 asst. tackle; Nate Pille-2 asst. tackle; James Lewis-1 asst. tackle

ties. The Dogies were called for seven penalties which resulted in giving up 75 yards to Custer.

According to Conzelman, Custer is a solid team with a couple of really explosive players, and their coach always has them ready to go.

“They were simply the better team that day,” admitted Conzelman, but the Custer game is a zero week game for the Dogies, which means that it will not count against the team for their record.

The Friday night lights will be burning a little early this week as the boys take on

a Gillette Camel JV team in the Dogies’ home opener on Thursday, Sept. 4, at 6 p.m.

“We don’t have a lot of information on what these guys will do specifically, but we do know that their overall scheme is to spread out their opponents’ defense and pass the ball around,” Conzelman commented.

“It will be a surprise, so we will prepare like we would for anyone else and definitely put our best foot forward,” he grinned.

The coach hopes everyone comes out to cheer on the Dogies on Thursday.



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Innkeepers' journey focused on family

By Palak Patel
NLJ Reporter

Small town that Newcastle is, there are basically only a few ways to enter or exit: east or west on U.S. Highway 16, or north or south on U.S. Highway 85. Located at the junction of both major highways is the biggest motel in town, the Fountain Inn.

Ever since locals Falgun and Jaimini Patel purchased the Fountain Inn in 2007, the property has gone through a series of renovations, both inside and out, to try to bring it back to its glory days. Of course, the Patels are no strangers to working motels, as they also own and operate the Auto Inn Motel on the other end of town, which they purchased when they first moved to Newcastle in 1997.

"People always want to know how we ended up here," commented Jaimini Patel. "It was the perfect business opportunity! Falgun and I knew we wanted to own our own business, and we knew we wanted to live in a small town. Anyway, Newcastle was the perfect place to raise our family."

The Patels had previously been living just outside of Toledo, Ohio, where they were managing a Best Western. Before that they were in Los Angeles and prior to that they were in Chicago, which is the first place they lived in America when they immigrated from India in the late 1980s.

"Falgun used to tell the kids that he came to this country with only seven dollars in his pocket," she joked. "Really got them to do their work."

In each new city, the Patels tried



Palak Patel/NLJ

Jaimini Patel and her husband, Falgun, own two businesses in Newcastle, the Fountain Inn and the Auto Inn Motel. The couple moved to America from India in search of a better life for their kids, which they say they have found in Weston County.

their hand at a different small business, from retail to restaurants, before finally settling on hospitality as their true calling.

"We just liked it the best. You know, we Indians, we really know how to take care of people," joked Patel.

Of course, owning and operating the Auto Inn turned out to be a one-man job.

"You only really need one person there at a time," explained Patel. "So I went and worked at the Weston County Children's Center. I had my degree in early childhood develop-

ment. I worked there until 2007 when we purchased the Fountain."

Before purchasing the Fountain Inn, though, the Patels had already renovated the Auto Inn, adding a 36-unit campground behind the motel to expand that business. In 2005, they built a Comfort Inn and Suites in Rawlins.

"We knew we wanted to keep growing and expanding our business," said Patel. "But we didn't want to go too far from home. We looked into some different places in towns close by, but the commute would have been too much. Then we saw the Fountain and it needed a face-lift, and we wanted to be the people to turn it around."

Since the Patels purchased the Fountain Inn in 2007, they have renovated and expanded the bar and lounge upstairs, redone the pool outside, installed a new fountain, remodeled the office and upgraded all 60 of the guest rooms. They are currently working on remodeling the restaurant and outdoor landscaping.

"We put a lot of money into that fountain outside, but the thing just doesn't want to work," explained Patel. "I know a lot of people really want to see that up and running, so if anybody wants to help out with that, please give me a call!"

As the owner and manager of two properties, Patel finds herself running back and forth across town every day. Being the owner doesn't exempt Patel from working desk or waitress shifts every now and then either.

"I have office hours at the Fountain,

but you know how it is," said Patel. "I mean, just today, one of my front desk clerks wasn't feeling well so I told her to go home. I'm working double duty right now. But I have to. It's my business and it's my job."

She continued, "And it's different at the Auto Inn, too. We live there, so that is a 24/7 job. Getting up at 3 a.m. to check somebody in or not being able to sit through a meal without having to get up is just a hazard of the job."

Patel knew what she was signing up for when she and her husband decided to go into this business.

"You know, owning my own business, it makes it worth it," she said. "I do like talking to people every day and meeting new people all of the time. Listening to their stories and where they are going, it's nice."

She also knew that it was going to be tough to staff two businesses in a small town like Newcastle.

"We are always hiring, but what can you do?" she shrugged. "It's worth it to live here. Small towns are like family. I like knowing everybody and I feel safe here. Everybody is very accepting and kind."

Either way, Patel doesn't mind working when she has a goal to work toward.

"I do it all for my kids," she explained. "We, Falgun and I, came to America so we could give our kids a better life. Who knows where we would be if we stayed in India? Here, at least, I know my kids have opportunities to do whatever they want and be successful and happy. That's all I want, for them to be happy."



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"Locally Owned & Operated For Over 28 Years"

If you haven't been to QUALITY HARDWARE & SUPPLY in a while, then you're missing out on a comfortable experience. They are located at 400 West Converse in Moorcroft, phone **756-3709**. QUALITY HARDWARE & SUPPLY understands how important repeat customers are. That's why you'll notice the personal service they offer everyone that stops in. Here, they specialize in offering a complete selection of hardware and more; including tires and tire repairs. Helpful advice is always available here.

Everyone at QUALITY HARDWARE & SUPPLY wants to personally thank you for your continued business over the years and they look forward to working with you in the future.

LONGHORN SALOON & GRILL

Out of ideas for a great place to dine out? We'd like to remind you about a temptingly favorite restaurant that has a knack for pleasing all kinds of eaters. When the people of Northeastern Wyoming sit back and relax in comfortable, friendly surroundings to enjoy mouth-watering, taste-tempting steak tips, steak dinners, chicken fried steak, prime rib, burgers and more, they are probably sitting in the pleasant surroundings of LONGHORN SALOON & GRILL located at 214 East Main Street in Sundance, phone **283-3644**. You'll also want to stop in at their full bar for all of your favorite drinks and ice-cold beer.

At LONGHORN SALOON & GRILL they have one goal in mind, and that is to offer you the best food and drinks, served in a fun, relaxing atmosphere. Everyone here wants to personally thank you for your business.

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Blotter

August 24, 2014
Suicide threatened. Motorist assist. Report of a dog at large. Report of a dog at large, impounded. Ministerial assistance requested. Traffic stop, no action taken. Found property reported. Domestic problem reported. Disturbance reported. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Minor in possession of alcohol reported. Traffic stop, Warrant arrest.

August 25
Civil standby requested. Traffic hazard reported. Residential alarm reported. Report of dogs at large. Two VIN inspections requested. Message delivery requested. Residential alarm reported. Theft reported. Found property reported. Bike registration requested. Bike registration requested. Barking dog complaint. Fire reported. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. 911 hang up. Warrant arrest. Injured owl reported.

August 26
Assist other agency. Traffic complaint. Two VIN inspections requested. Paper service. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Welfare check requested. Arrest Warrant issued. Arrest Warrant issued. 911 hang up. Arrest Warrant issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued.

August 27
Traffic complaint. Open door discovered. Commercial alarm reported. 911 hang up. Message delivery requested. Mountain lion report-

ed. 911 hang up. Ministerial assistance requested. Report of a dog at large, Impounded. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Equipment Repair Order issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued.



August 28
Hit and Run accident reported. Injured deer reported. Found property reported. Civil standby requested. Three VIN inspections requested. Assist other agency. Welfare check requested. Hit and run reported. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Civil standby requested.

August 29
Report of a dog at large. 911 hang up. 911 hang up. Ministerial assistance requested. Civil standby requested. Two VIN inspections requested. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Phone fraud reported. Extra patrol requested. Barking dog complaint. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Citation issued.

August 30
Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. Warrant arrest. Domestic problem reported. 911 hang up. Suicide threatened. Suspicious activity reported. Commercial alarm reported.

Public Notice

ANNOUNCEMENT

Weston County School District #1 has an opening for a School Board Member. Position runs from September 23, 2014 to November 30, 2014. Deadline is September 19, 2014 at 4:30 pm. Please send a letter of interest to:

Weston County School District # 1
c/o Board Vacancy
116 Casper Avenue
Newcastle, WY 82701

(Publish September 4 and 11, 2014)

Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Due to a scheduling conflict, the Weston County Natural Resource District will move its regular monthly board meeting from Wednesday, September 10, to Tuesday, September 9. The meeting will be held at 3 p.m. at the USDA Service Center Building.

(Publish September 4, 2014)

Bid Notice

CALL FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Newcastle, Wyoming will receive sealed bids for the purchase of the following:

• 2015 Dodge Charger, Pursuit model, Basic Police package (AYE).

Specifications and related bid requirements for interested bidders are available at the Newcastle Police Department located at 25 North Summer Street Newcastle Wyoming 82701.

Each bid must be received by the Newcastle City Clerk at the office of the City Clerk, 10 West Warwick, Newcastle, Wyoming 82701, on or before 5:00pm on the 15th day of September, 2014 to be considered. All bids will be opened on the 15th day of September, 2014 at 0730pm by the Governing Body of the City in the City Council Chambers located on the second floor of the City Office at 10 West Warwick Newcastle Wyoming. The successful bidder, if any, shall be announced by the City at such time as the Governing Body of the City may determine appropriate, but no later than (30) days from the date of the bid opening. All submitted bids must remain open and cannot be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days following bid opening. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted if it is determined that none of them would serve the public interest. If a contract is awarded, it shall be awarded to the bidder whose equipment and/or materials meet or exceed the minimum specifications of this bid and is, in the sole discretion of the Governing Body of the City, the best equipment and/or materials for use by the City at the lowest bid price. Such factors as options, warranties, maintenance and repair statistics, and product design and function, in addition to bid price, shall be considered by the City in awarding this bid.

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Bid for Police Vehicle". Each bid must state the approximate date upon which delivery will be made if the bid is accepted. In any event, delivery must be made within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date the bid is awarded. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond or by a bank issued cashier's check, money order or certified check, payable to the City, and equal to at least 5% of the total bid amount. The bid bond, cashier's check, money order, or certified check shall be forfeited as liquidated damages if the bidder, upon letting of the contract to him, fails to enter into the contract within (30) thirty days after it is presented to him for that purpose or fails to proceed with the performance of the contract, and to pay any late delivery penalty. Delivery shall be to the Newcastle Police Department, Newcastle, Wyoming.

In accordance with Wyoming Statutes Sections 16-6-101 through 16-6-107, preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, agricultural products, equipment, machinery and provisions produced, manufactured, supplied, or grown in Wyoming, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside of the state.

The City reserves the right to waive any informalities. The acceptance of any bid does not become final and contractually binding upon the City until a formal written contract is executed by the City and the requirements of Wyoming Statutes Section 15-1-113 have been met.

Dated this 25th day of August, 2014.

City of Newcastle
Newcastle Police Department
By: James Owens
Chief of Police

(Publish August 28 and September 4, 2014)

Foreclosure Notice

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given by Pinnacle Bank – Wyoming, a Wyoming banking corporation ("Pinnacle Bank"), that default has occurred under the terms of certain promissory notes payable to Pinnacle Bank as payee, and under the terms of two (2) real estate mortgages securing said promissory notes in which Pinnacle Bank is mortgagee, which mortgages cover the following-described real property together with improvements thereon and appurtenances appertaining thereto situate in Weston County, Wyoming ("Mortgaged Property"), to-wit:

Township 48 North, Range 62 West, 6th P.M.
Section 3: S½NW¼, W½SE¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, and the SW¼SW¼ less a tract conveyed in Book 252 of Photos, page 864, recorded October 10, 2001

Section 4: Lot 4, S½NW¼, SW¼, SW¼SE¼, E½SE¼

Section 5: Lot 1, E½SW¼, SE¼, SE¼NE¼, SE¼NW¼

Section 8: NE¼NE¼, S½NE¼

Section 9: W½NW¼

Section 10: NE¼NW¼, NW¼NE¼

and which mortgages are as follows: Real Estate Mortgage dated May 10, 2010 granted by Jimmy Hansen Land and Livestock Company, LLC as mortgagor to Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee, recorded on May 13, 2010 in Book 322 of Photos at page 12 in the records of the Office of the County Clerk in and for Weston County, Wyoming; and Real Estate Mortgage dated May 10, 2010 granted by Jimmy Hansen Land and Livestock Company, LLC as mortgagor to Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee, recorded on May 13, 2010 in Book 322 of Photos at page 21 in the records of the Office of the County Clerk in and for Weston County, Wyoming and modified by Modification Of Mortgage dated February 9, 2011 granted by Jimmy Hansen Land and Livestock Company, LLC as mortgagor to Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee, recorded on February 14, 2011 in Book 327 of Photos at page 363 in the records of the Office of the County Clerk in and for Weston County, Wyoming, and as further modified by Modification Of Mortgage dated January 10, 2012 granted by Jimmy Hansen Land and Livestock Company, LLC as mortgagor to Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee recorded on January 24, 2012 in Book 334 of Photos at page 256 in the records of the Office of the County Clerk in and for Weston County, Wyoming.

Each mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of default Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee declares to have become operative. No suit or proceeding at law is pending to recover the indebtedness secured by either mortgage, or any part thereof. The amounts due upon the obligations secured by the aforementioned mortgages (principal, interest, late fees and other amounts, if any) as of the date of first publication of this Notice is \$960,003.37, together with \$24,476.66 for attorneys fees and costs previously incurred by Pinnacle Bank, as mortgagee, to collect the indebtedness secured by the mortgages, to which will be added the costs and expenses of this foreclosure (including reasonable attorney's fees) and accruing interest after the date of first publication of this Notice.

Pinnacle Bank as mortgagee will have the mortgages foreclosed as by law provided by causing the Mortgaged Property above-described to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff (or Deputy Sheriff) in and for Weston County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 a.m. on October 7, 2014 at the front door of the Weston County Courthouse located at 1 West Main Street, Newcastle, Wyoming.

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

Pinnacle Bank - Wyoming
A Wyoming Banking Corporation
James M. Peck
Attorney No. 5-2021
Hansen and Peck
Attorneys At Law
18 West Main
Newcastle, Wyoming 82701
(307) 746-2761

(Publish September 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2014)

Deadline for Legals is noon on Friday



Saturday, September 6th

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Schoonmaker Field Parking Lot

*******NOTICE THE CHANGE OF LOCATION*******

This event is to promote safety of children by helping them and their parents to be more aware of potentially dangerous situations.

Come enjoy a hot dog prepared by the Newcastle Volunteer Fire Dept. and meet SPARKY the Fire Dog!



Thank you Decker's Market for donating the hot dogs and Shopko for donating the chips!

- LUNATIC'S will have a bicycle obstacle course and will help fix your brakes. BRING YOUR BIKES!
- Wyoming Department of Transportation has donated BICYCLE HELMETS! Come get one for FREE!
- LIFE FLIGHT will be there! Come and peek inside their chopper!
- Weston County Children's Center will have FACE PAINTING for kids and SNO CONES!
- Hell Canyon Ranger District will have SMOKEY BEAR there! Come learn about fire prevention!
- EDDIE EAGLE from the NRA will be there! Come learn some gun safety tips!
- Weston County Public Health will have information on immunizations and safety packets!
- Come look inside a real PATROL CAR from the Newcastle Police Department, Weston County Sheriff's Department and Wyoming Highway Patrol.
- Black Hills Dental/Rhoades Dental will be there sharing ways to keep your teeth healthy!
- Take a look inside an AMBULANCE from Newcastle Ambulance Service, PLUS take a ride inside their RESCUE SLED!
- PINKIE THE POISON PREVENTION ELEPHANT will be there with Weston County Health Services!
- Prevention Management Organization will be there with education and incentives!
- Shake PAWS with McGRUFF the CRIME DOG!
- Meadowlark Academy of Dance - FITNESS AND FUN!
- Home Land Security will be there with fun stuff for kids!
- Learn Bus Safety from WCDSD #1 Transportation Department!
- Learn about railroad safety from an Operation Lifesaver representative.
- Elliott Chiropractic Clinic will talk about BACKPACK SAFETY!
- Double A Aces and the IMPACT kids will be there!
- Girl and Boy Scouts of America will be there!
- Regional Mecial Clinic will be there with SUPER SUDS!



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WCSD #1 Warrants

WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
WARRANTS OVER \$500
AUGUST 2014

Vendor/Payee	Amount
BLACK BOARD INC	\$868.22
CITY OF NEWCASTLE	\$3,357.83
CUMMINGS ROCKY MOUNTAIN,LLC	\$1,250.00
Jason Dean	\$4,204.02
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES &	\$1,700.00
MID AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$3,945.03
NEWSLETTER JOURNAL	\$993.00
RT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	\$1,186.43
WCSD	\$178,903.91
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$264,623.31
BLACK HILLS POWER & LIGHT CORP	\$19,244.45
CAMBIUM LEARNING INC	\$1,817.26
CDW GOVERNMENT,INC	\$3,267.39
EDA/CORP SCHOOL SPECIALTY SUPPLY	\$979.71
ELDER EQUIPMENT LEASING OF WYO	\$598.57
FOOD SERVICE OF AMERICA	\$646.18
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES &	\$11,903.50
HAGGERTY'S MUSICWORKS, INC.	\$1,255.00
HILLYARD, INC.	\$1,142.34
JACKALOPE OFFICIALS ASSN	\$516.00
MICHAEL JENNINGS	\$519.20
MARCO	\$22,636.18
MCGRAW-HILL SCHOOL SYSTEMS	\$14,915.79
MEDCO SUPPLY COMPANY	\$958.15
NEWCASTLE AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$600.00
NEWCASTLE EMS	\$600.00
NORCO,INC	\$5,749.90
NORMATIVE SERVICES, INC	\$8,020.00
NORTHEAST WYOMING	\$39,897.32
POPP BINDING & LAMINATING INC	\$1,028.60
POWDER RIVER ENERGY CORP	\$4,817.49
PURCHASE POWER	\$6,000.00
QUILL CORP	\$2,440.41
READ NATURALLY	\$653.00
RIDDELL	\$1,300.56
SHREDS,LLC	\$612.75
SMILEMAKERS	\$527.52
ST JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S HOME	\$14,243.00
UNIVERSAL ATHLETIC	\$9,582.05
VISA	\$641.76
VISA	\$1,162.10
VISA	\$3,332.46
WESTON CO. HEALTH SERVICES	\$845.00
WESTON COUNTY TRUE VALUE	\$509.64
SOURCEGAS	\$1,389.58
VISA	\$2,555.40
MARCO	\$1,175.50
Checking Account Total:	\$649,115.51
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EASTERN WYOMING COLLEGE	\$500.00
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MALLO CAMP	\$675.00
VISA	\$3,146.24
WALSWORTH PUBLISHING CO	\$3,360.00
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$720.10
WOODY'S	\$2,080.51
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HAWKINS,INC	\$1,924.94
SOURCEGAS	\$764.63
BLACK HILLS POWER & LIGHT CORP	\$2,925.39
Weston County School District #1	\$12,033.79
WCSD-REC	\$1,494.47
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FOOD SERVICE OF AMERICA	\$3,107.59
WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DIST -	\$1,512.05
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DALE BUCKINGHAM ARCHITECTS LLC	\$2,021.38
Checking Account Total:	\$2,021.38
BLACK HILLS PLUMBING & HEATING,	\$10,000.00
STAN CARLSON	\$4,140.00
MID AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$4,925.00
HAWKINS,INC	\$12,360.06
JOHN'S ELECTRIC	\$6,240.00
VISA	\$2,227.52
VISA	\$4,854.94
Checking Account Total:	\$44,747.52
FOOD SERVICE OF AMERICA	\$937.38
ECOLOGY PROJECT INTERNATIONAL	\$2,400.00
Grand Total:	\$750,327.03

(Publish September 4, 2014)

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Utility Notice PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) has given SourceGas Distribution LLC (SGD) authority to use a calculation methodology with a twelve month forecast period for pass-on rate calculations, effective September 1, 2014. This approval is subject to notice, protest, investigation, opportunity for hearing, change, refund and such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate.

SGD's application is on file at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and in the Company's Casper, Wyoming, business office and may be inspected by any interested person during regular business hours.

Anyone desiring to file an intervention petition, request for a public hearing, statement, public comment or protest in this matter must file in writing with the Commission on or before September 12, 2014. The petition shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you want to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will attend, or want to make a statement, a protest or a public comment, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 30022-232-GT-14 in your communications.

Dated: August 29, 2014.

(Publish September 4 and 11, 2014)

Fun and Games

MOVIE QUOTES

- ACROSS**
1. Newton or Stern
 6. **Here's looking at ____"
 9. Face-to-face exam
 13. Bake, as in eggs
 14. Even, to a poet
 15. "Madama Butterfly," e.g.
 16. **"Show me the ____!"
 17. Sculptor Hans/Jean ____
 18. "Nobody ____!"
 19. Penalize
 21. For peeping
 23. It can be red or black
 24. Lab culture
 25. In the past
 28. Emeralds and rubies
 30. **"Elementary, my dear ____"
 35. Ringo Starr's instrument
 37. ____ Verde National Park
 39. "Dancing with the Stars" number
 40. Supposed giant Himalayan
 41. Subculture language
 43. **"You sit on a throne of ____"
 44. Peer-conscious group
 46. Apartheid opponent Desmond ____
 47. Formerly
 48. **"Yo, ____!"
 50. To represent in drawing or painting
 52. **"Are you the ____master? ...I am the gatekeeper"
 53. "About ____ Night"
 55. **"Sheep be true! ____-ram-ewe!"
 57. **"____ handle the truth!"
 61. Toy weapon
 64. Unwelcome computer message
 65. Reef dweller
 67. Match play?
 69. Spent
 70. E in BCE
 71. Plural of lepton
 72. Cobbler's concern
 73. Wine quality
 74. Piglike
- DOWN**
1. Any doctrine
 2. "____ till you drop"
 3. Hokkaido native
 4. Gladiators' battlefield
 5. **"There's no ____ in baseball"
 6. Uh-huh
 7. "____ the land of the free ..."
 8. Remove pegs
 9. Moonfish
 10. First female Attorney General
 11. Seed coat
 12. Add booze
 15. #15 Across, pl.
 20. Flower holders
 22. Swerve
 24. Battery's partner?
 25. Temples' innermost sanctuaries
 26. **"____, for lack of a better word, is good"
 27. Kind of space
 29. Patty ____
 31. Tall one is a lie
 32. To be wiped off a face?
 33. Corpulent
 34. Foul
 36. Small British car
 38. Opposed to
 42. Louisiana dish
 45. As opposed to hourly pay
 49. Grandmother in Great Britain
 51. **"I love the smell of ____"

60. Apple leftover
61. **"____ it, Sam"
62. Mail agency
63. Haves and have-____
66. Make #64 Across
68. Aye's opposite

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Bid Notice

CALL FOR BIDS

Weston County School District #7 will be accepting bids for coal and coal hauling on or before September 9, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the Business Office located in the Nelson Administration Building at 804 Willow Street, Upton, Wyoming or they can be mailed to: Weston County School District #7, P.O. Box 470, Upton, WY 82730, Attention: Eileen Schiller.

Bids will be for coal and hauling from Sheridan, Wyoming or Decker, Montana.

The Board retains the right to reject all or any part of all bids. All bids should be submitted in an envelope clearly marked "Coal/Hauling Bid".

Brenda Upton, Chairman
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Volleyball

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place in the consolation championship.

In the final game of the tournament for the Lady Dogies, they were pitted against Thermopolis. These two teams were pretty evenly matched, and in an exciting battle the Dogies pulled out the fifth-place win against the Bobcats, two games to one (20-25, 25-21, 15-13).

The ladies truly played as a team having a pretty even distribution of points among the players. Middle hitter Alyssa Dawson led the team in kills with 29. She also served up three aces and had two stuff blocks.

Setter Abby Gray earned 291 set assists, served two aces and had one stuff block.

Middle hitter Kendra Back and outside hitter Ashten Farnsworth threw down 26 kills each, and outside hitter Katara Cade was close behind with 21 of her own.

Right side player Bailey Karp led the team in blocking with five stuff blocks. She also contributed 36 set assists and served two aces.

The team put up a respectable 94 percent serve percentage for the weekend with 11 of those serves being aces. The ladies had a 27-percent kill rate while committing only 9 percent of attack errors. Back row play for the team was pretty solid as they racked up 340 digs.

“Taking fifth in the gold bracket while playing against some very good teams in the first tournament of the season is great, and I’m very satisfied



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Alyssa Dawson gets under the ball on serve receive against the Lady Bison.

with how the girls did,” smiled Jechorek.

She admits that the team has room to improve, and there are aspects of the game that need work, but overall the squad is looking pretty good.

“I really like that the girls want to improve their game, and that’s awesome,” beamed Jechorek.

According to Wyopreps, the standings for the 3A Northeast Conference put Newcastle (4-2) second behind Douglas (5-1) after the weekend.

The girls will be back in action next week when the Varsity and JV teams travel to a tournament in Gillette on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 5 and 6, where they will be challenged by competing against a couple of 4A teams.

“I’m looking forward to the upcoming tournament,” said Jechorek. “It will be tough, but the girls will gain so much experience, and can work on playing together as a team,” she added.

The Stats

Douglas Invite

Alyssa Dawson—47 good serves, 2 aces, 91 attack attempt, 29 kill, 3 set assist, 2 stuff block, 9 block assist, 46 digs; Scottlyn Wiggins—9 attack attempt, 1 set assist, 48 digs; Katara Cade—35 good serves, 1 ace, 65 attack attempt, 21 kill, 4 set assist, 1 block assist, 47 digs; Kendra Back—40 good serves, 2 ace, 88 attack attempt, 26 kill, 3 set assist, 1 stuff block, 10 block assist, 31 digs; Abby Gray—44 good serves, 2 ace, 26 attack attempt, 2 kill, 291 set assist, 1 stuff block, 3 block assist, 43 digs; Ashten Farnsworth—24 good serve, 1 ace, 87 block attempt, 26 kill, 3 set assist, 94 digs; Bailey Karp—33 good serves, 2 ace, 54 attack attempt, 10 kill, 36 set assist, 5 stuff block, 10 block assist, 31 digs.

Karp

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up of Buffalo, Douglas, Newcastle and Worland, while the Southeast quadrant will consist of Glenrock, Rawlins, Torrington and Wheatland.

What this means is that the Newcastle Dogies will still be playing the teams in their quadrant twice in a season, but will only play the teams from the Southeast once. They will only be traveling to each of those destinations every other year.

The regional tournament will still involve all eight teams, however, the brackets will look a bit different. Instead of the top seed playing the eighth seed, for example, the top seed from each quadrant will be pitted against the fourth seed from the other, and the second seed will play the third seed.

Volleyball, basketball and wrestling are the three sports that will be directly affected by this new system.

Other changes made by the WHSAA include extending the volleyball season by one week this year. This change will result in the state championships being held the same weekend as the football semi-finals, rather than during the first round of playoffs as it used to be.

The reasoning behind extending the season is to reduce missed class time by cutting the number of Tuesday and Thursday games. This year the Lady Dogies will only have three contests that land on Thursdays.

Because of the change to the volleyball season, basketball and wrestling are shortened by one week. This reduction has also cut the maximum number of games that the Varsity basketball squads can play from 20 to 18.

Once again, the reason for this change is to reduce missed class time for the student athletes. Cutting back on the season will also save districts money as there will be less travel, and schools will not have to pay as many officials and workers, as there are fewer games.

Having shorter seasons, fewer games, and fewer contests with the Southeast quadrant teams will also save families money on travel. The later start will ensure the Thanksgiving holiday is available to families, and it will give players who are in the state football championships a week to rest up before the next season gets under way.

Swimming is not affected by the quadrant system, as the conference is entirely dependent on whether or not schools have a swim team,

and not all of the 3A schools in Wyoming fit that description. Therefore, there is no change for the swimmers in their conference opponents.

Cross country in not affected by the changes either. The athletes will still be competing in the Absaroka Conference as they have traditionally done, which includes the previous 3A East conference, and some 2A schools as well.

Like cross country, track and field will see no changes.

Like swimming, the 3A soccer conference has a different look than it does for other sports. This is due to the fact that there are only 12 teams in the 3A class statewide.

The class is divided into quadrants like the other sports, but there are only three teams in each quadrant instead of four. For the Dogies, the Northeast conference consists of Buffalo, Douglas and Newcastle, while the Southeast is made up of Lander Valley, Rawlins and Torrington.

All of the changes to the fall and winter seasons have also pushed the start and end of the soccer season back one week.

Football is classified into five classes statewide, and the Dogies are in the 2A conference. As such, the 3A quadrant system does not impact football either.


This does not mean that the team will not see some changes in opponents this year, as the 2A conference has dropped from 16 to 14 schools.

In the East, Tongue River and Moorcroft have dropped down to 1A. Given that there was a loss of two teams in the East, Thermopolis has moved from the West to the East.

Now the 2A East Conference consists of Big Horn, Burns, Glenrock, Newcastle, Thermopolis, Wheatland, and Wright, while the 2A West is Big Piney, Greybull, Kemmerer, Lovell, Lyman, Mt. View and Pinedale.


Though I don’t climb on a bus to travel to sporting events that I coach anymore, I do jump in my car to go to watch my children play. The changes that the WHSAA has made to the 3A conference in volleyball and basketball means that I will not have to make that long trip to Rawlins every year like I once did. I do still have the trip to Worland, but for those of you that know, that trip over the mountain is a lot more enjoyable than the drive from Casper to Shoshoni.

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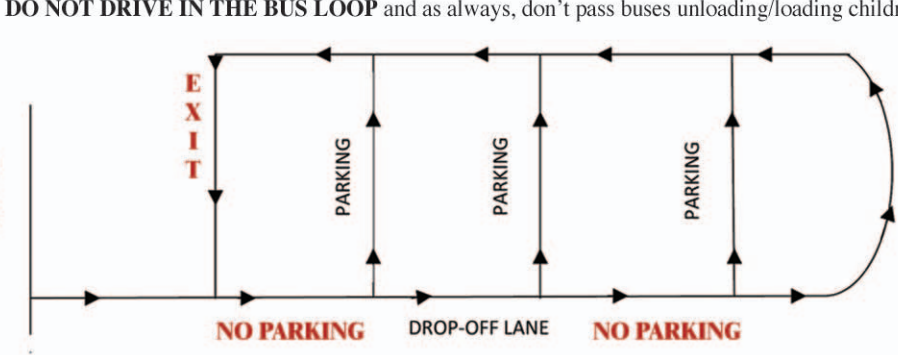
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