

CITY PERSONNEL, ENGINEERS OUTLINE SCOPE OF CONSTRUCTION



Traffic makes its way through the intersection of Absaroka and Third streets Monday afternoon. An informational meeting held last week at City Hall outlined the upcoming reconstruction project of the popular thoroughfare, scheduled to begin later this year. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Absaroka Street project

RESIDENTS PACK CITY HALL

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

About 65 residents filled the Powell City Council chambers Tuesday to learn more and express concerns about the upcoming widening and reconstruction of Absaroka Street.

Representatives of Engineering Associates and the City of Powell outlined the scope of the project and addressed issues and concerns voiced by

residents.

City Streets Superintendent Gary Butts said he was pleased with the turnout and felt the meeting helped educate the public about the work.

In addition, "I thought the residents had some good ideas

that we'll be looking at to see how that can help us as the project goes along," Butts said.

The project is funded by a 1 cent specific purpose sales and use tax approved by Park County voters two years ago. The work will widen Absaroka Street and reconstruct utilities. Benefits, according to the city,

will include more parking, better sight windows, improved infrastructure and better lighting. Total reconstruction will occur from Third to Seventh streets, while utility work will take place between First and Third streets. Decorative light poles will be installed throughout the area.

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Travis Conklin, Engineering Associates

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Local among finalists for vacant secretary of state position

BY KATIE KULL
WYOMING TRIBUNE EAGLE
Via Wyoming News Exchange

CHEYENNE — The Wyoming Republican Party on Saturday selected a former Wyoming Speaker of the House, a Cheyenne attorney and a local farmer as the three finalists for secretary of state.

Torrington's Ed Buchanan, Cheyenne's Darin Smith and Richard George — who lives between Cody and Powell — are all vying to fill the spot left vacant by former Secretary of State Ed Murray.

Murray resigned earlier this month after two women publicly accused him of sexual misconduct.

Now, Gov. Matt Mead will select the replacement to serve the remaining 10 months of Murray's term. That appointee will oversee the August primary elections and November general elections; supervise business and trademark registration; and would be first in line to replace the governor if he couldn't complete his term.

Under state law, Mead must make a decision within five days of receiving the nominees; that means he'll pick a candidate by the end of the day on Thursday, said Dave Bush, a spokesman for Mead.

"I would not assume for a moment that I would do a better job than either of the other two candidates," George told the Powell Tribune on Monday. He praised Buchanan

and Smith and said he would "gladly" support either candidate if they're chosen by the governor.

"I am simply willing to put my name out there as a concerned and willing citizen," George said.

Eight people applied for the spot. The state party passed over bids from Wyoming Auditor Cynthia Cloud of Cody, former Secretary of State Max Maxfield, former state Rep. Pete Iloway and Robert Elwell of Cheyenne and Hot Springs County Clerk Nina Webber.

Each candidate presented a three-minute speech to the Republican committee and answered eight questions about election policies, voting equipment, public lands and public investment.

The following is a brief summary of the major policy positions discussed by each finalist:

RICHARD GEORGE

The Republican national committeeman for Wyoming said he felt God was pushing him toward the vacant seat in the secretary of state's office.

"We need to have people in the secretary of state's office who care about elections and we've got to have conservatives filling these seats," he said.

George talked frequently about the "good people" that currently worked in the

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RICHARD GEORGE

PET-SPECIFIC OXYGEN MASKS A NEW TOOL FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Donation could help save lives of pets

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

There was a different feeling in the air as Powell firefighters battled a blaze in the Cactus Garden Court on a recent Saturday night. When the call first came out over the radios, it was thought someone was trapped inside.

Faces in the crowd and of those working

the fire — caught in the red, blue and white lights of emergency vehicles — showed the stress of the situation.

At first, there was no way in. The flames were out of control.

As soon as passage was safe, firefighters entered the home. By the time they could get through the front door, they knew all people associated with the residence were safe. Yet they still raced through the door

hoping to save family pets.

Firefighters soon came out with Petey. His fur was smoking, but he was alert and clinging to his rescuer.

Emergency medical technicians and firemen immediately began to treat the bulldog.

"I didn't expect to have Petey as a patient," said Kaitlynn Norman, a Powell Valley Healthcare EMT who's studying to be a nurse. "It doesn't matter if our patient is human or animal, we treat them the same."

Most firefighters have pets. Their animals are part of their families and the emotions for victims of fires are earned through the nightmares of the job. It's not the first time Powell firefighters attempted to rescue pets. Unfortunately, it won't be the last, according to Damian Dicks, the volunteer department's chief.

"It doesn't happen often, but if we can, we'll do our best to save [pets]," Dicks said.

Now, thanks to a donation of pet-specific oxygen masks by the company Invisible Fence, area pets have a better chance of survival.

'It doesn't matter if our patient is human or animal, we treat them the same.'

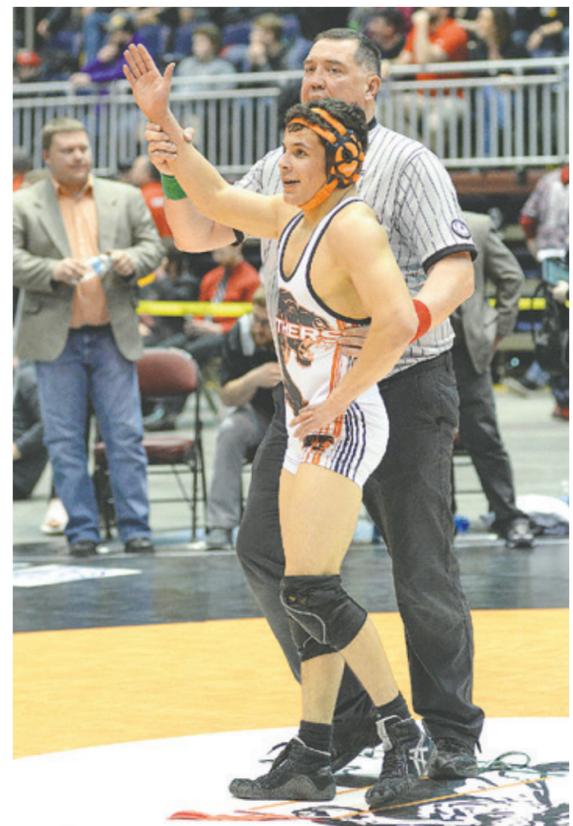
Kaitlynn Norman
PVHC EMT

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Smalls, a golden-doodle owned by Dr. Lael Beachler, models a large oxygen mask donated to the Powell Fire Department by Invisible Fence. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

TITLE WAVE



Powell High School sophomore Brody Karhu's hand is lifted by an official after winning the 152-pound state championship title at the 3A State Wrestling Championships in Casper on Saturday. Reese Karst also claimed a title for the Panthers, at 138 pounds, helping the team to a fourth-place finish. For more, see Page 9.

Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

Obesity adding to health care problems, senator says



JOHN BARRASSO

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

One way to combat the problems and high cost of health care in America is through diet and exercise, says U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo.

"A lot of it is we spend \$180 billion a year related to obesity," Barrasso, a medical doctor, said of the challenges. That includes high blood pressure, diabetes,

strokes, heart disease, aches and pains and "the bad back because you're carrying around [weight] like a big knapsack on the front of your body," he said at a Wednesday meeting of the Powell Rotary Club.

"People say, 'Well, The cost of drugs are so high,'" Barrasso continued. "They're right: they're too high. And the thing you can personally do ... is not need the medication by getting rid of the 20 pounds that will bring your blood sugar down

... to the level where you don't need to take medicine for Type 2 diabetes; get your blood pressure under control with what you're doing with diet and exercise."

More than a third of Americans (36.5 percent) are obese, according to data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. In a 2016 study, 27.7 percent of Wyomingites reported being obese.

During his remarks, Barrasso noted how life expectancy has risen

in America over the last century — from 56 in 1922 to 81 today.

"We collectively got all the medicine right," Barrasso said. But that 25-year jump in the average lifespan means "we got the math wrong" when it comes to government programs like Medicare and Social Security that provide benefits to older residents, he said.

"People say, 'Why can't you balance the budget?' It's because of Medicare, Social Security. You can

cut all other things down to essentially nothing, but with this growing, graying population, we have real challenges as a society of how to best cope with all of it," he said.

Barrasso added that, "People paid in a lot to Medicare, Social Security — we all have — but once you've reached a certain age, you're on the better side of that math equation."

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LAST WEEK'S LOTTA NUMBER BELONGED TO MARY deHAAN OF POWELL WHO MISSED \$20.



Barrasso: Powell is 'Norman Rockwell's America'

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So now, more people than ever begin receiving Social Security payments and Medicare coverage, "We're still spending much more than we have ... on this," Barrasso said.

However, he also cited different problems created by the rationed care provided in countries like England and Canada. He said he's personally operated on Canadians who came to Casper for a procedure because they couldn't afford to wait for a "free" government surgery.

"So it's a matter of how best to take care of these people," he said.

Barrasso pointed out that America's five-year survival rates for cancer are among the best in the world.

In his remarks to the Rotary Club, Barrasso called Powell "Norman Rockwell's America" and "a beautiful community."

"It is kind of what America really, really is," Barrasso said.

The senator, who's up for reelection this year, said he's back in Wyoming just about every weekend.

He said he generally arrives in Washington, D.C., on Monday evening and heads back to Wyoming late Thursday night.

On a typical day in D.C., "you're meeting with people from Wyoming most of the day and then you have committee meetings," Barrasso said. Receptions often follow in the evenings.

This is a sparsely populated state, but "you'd be surprised how many people from Wyo-

oming in the course of a week are in Washington," he said.

Barrasso — the fourth-ranking Republican in the Senate — noted he and fellow Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., chair two major committees — the Senate Commit-

tee on Environment and Public Works and the Senate Committee on the Budget, respectively. He said that's something not too many states can claim.

"We are really in a profoundly good situation," Barrasso said.



U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., speaks to Park County School District No. 1 Superintendent Jay Curtis (at left) during Wednesday's meeting of the Powell Rotary Club at Northwest College Foundation's Nelson House. Rotary Club President Sharon Earhart is shown looking on. Tribune photo by CJ Baker

Absaroka: LED streetlights will be installed

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have everything all put together and go out to bid. In October, we'll be looking to put together the contract. In November, some trees are going to be removed initially."

Utility replacement is scheduled to begin in December, with actual street construction beginning in March, he said.

"There's probably going to be some flex in how that gets done, because we're trying not to tie the hands of the contractors to the point where they end up having to increase their bids significantly," Conklin explained.

The work is scheduled to be done by January 2020.

One of the more noticeable aspects of the projects will be the removal of some trees: Conklin said there are 107 trees facing Absaroka Street and 21 will need to be removed and then replaced.

Engineering Associates worked with the Powell Tree Board to identify five types of replacement trees: Littleleaf Linden, Bur Oak, American Elm, Honeylocust and Amur Maple — species that won't clog the city's curb, gutter and drop inlets.

"When the trees are removed from your yard, you will have the option of having the tree replaced on your property side of the sidewalk, or we will have the contractor provide you with a tree that you can plant somewhere else on your property," Conklin told residents.

Utilities to be relocated include waterlines and servicelines out to the curb stops; storm drains will be extended all the way down to First Street and an aging buried drain under Fourth Street will be replaced. Streetlights similar to the ones on the north side of Clark Street will also be installed.

"The streetlights will be LED, and will have reflectors, so at night when you're trying to sleep they won't be shining through your windows," Conklin said.

As for the actual road construction, Conklin assured residents the widening would not significantly impact their yards. New curbs and gutters will be built, along with new sidewalks and drive aprons within the right-of-way as needed. New handicap access ramps will also be built.

"You'll have two 12-foot lanes, with parking on either side," Conklin explained. "We're really not changing how the pattern is. We're going to just be making things a lot nicer, with improved utilities that you won't have to pay for in your monthly bills."

Traffic will generally be diverted to Clark and Division streets during the project. Conklin said contractors will be required to provide reasonable accommodations within the construction area, though "there will be times, obviously, when they rip out curb and

gutter and sidewalk that people are going to be inconvenienced in front of their house."

"There's just no way around that," he said.

Conklin said one of the lessons learned when reconstructing downtown Thermopolis was the more they limited what contractors could do, the longer the project took. This created, among other things, upset business owners.

"The best way to get a project like this done is to get it done," Conklin said. "We are going to try to come up with a plan that will facilitate completing it in a reasonably quick manner."

After Conklin's presentation, the floor was opened up to questions and comments. While the majority of those gathered seemed on board with the project, it was not without detractors. Absaroka Street resident Mickey Waddell said she felt "blindsided," questioning why the city didn't make more of an effort to let residents know that construction was essentially a done deal. Though others in attendance confirmed they'd known about the project since the beginning, Waddell said that information didn't reach everyone.

"When did the city act on this?" she asked. "You say two years. I never was contacted about this. ... Everyone in Wyoming is worried about the feds; I'm worried about the City of Powell. I'm sorry if I missed something two years ago. I thought I was pretty much up on everything."

Across the county, 53 percent of voters approved the \$13.68 million sales tax in November 2016; in addition to other projects in Cody, Meeteetse and rural Park County, the temporary 1 cent tax calls for raising \$4.25 million for Absaroka Street.

"All of a sudden you say, 'Well, because you voted on the 1 cent sales tax, you voted for a mandate,'" Waddell said. "I didn't vote for it. And I don't think that was fair for the rest of the county to say 'OK, go ahead and take out Absaroka Street.'"

Conklin said it was made clear at the time of the vote that funds would be used to reconstruct Absaroka Street.

"There was information out there ahead of time," he explained. "I don't know all of the details of what was in the newspaper."

Conklin added that much of the work has been planned for a long time.

"A lot of the utility work that's going in here needs to be done anyway," he said. "That cast iron pipe that's out there is on the edge of going any day. It's going to be a lot more cost-effective to get it done as part of this [reconstruction project] than to have to raise utility rates to dig that up in 10 years when it blows up and you're digging it up a half a block at a time."

Despite her misgivings on

the project, Waddell said there were some positives she took away from last week's meeting.

"I do give them a positive on the sidewalk replacement; you gotta take what you can get," she said later. "I'm happy because my sidewalk is in terrible shape."

However, Waddell felt there were several issues not satisfactorily addressed — namely, "they didn't have any answers with the traffic picking up speed" on the widened street, she said.

Absaroka Street resident William Smith shared that concern.

"They're already doing 40 or 50 miles an hour," Smith said of drivers. "I'm half a block from the stop sign between Third Street and Fourth Street, and they're doing 50 mph there. Police never even sit there; I've called them before to let them know they're speeding down there."

Several attendees also brought up the issue of property values, concerned the numbers would drop. Conklin said the opposite would most likely be the case.

"... When you get done replacing all of the infrastructure and the sidewalk and the curb and gutters, and beautifying it with new streetlights, the property values will actually go up," he said. "You won't lose any usable square footage on your property."

Waddell disagreed. "They're not going to go up when they take out that many trees," she said.

The trees were also an issue for Smith, as a couple of the trees slotted for removal are on his property.

"Look down that street on a nice spring or fall day, it's the most beautiful drive in the town of Powell. All them nice big trees hanging over the street," he said. "And you're going to destroy that."

One attendee asked if an environmental impact study had been conducted regarding migratory birds that nest in the trees on Absaroka.

"We're starting construction in the fall, so the migratory birds will be out of there when we take the trees down," Conklin said. "We'll replant those trees as soon as possible. This isn't a federal project, so it's not required to have an environmental impact statement."

"Well, that's pathetic," the resident said. "That is disgusting, that's irresponsible and it's wrong."

The meeting concluded on a moment of levity, as a resident asked about a hedge on his property that's scheduled to be removed.

"Is there any chance of getting a white picket fence put there instead of that damn hedge?" he quipped.

With it being on the resident's property, "the answer would be yes, you can do it," Butts said. "The city won't pay for it."

AAUW goes around the world in 60 minutes

Northwest College students from around the world will join the American Association of University Women meeting to share about their lives and experiences from their countries. The meeting begins at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 1, at the In-

tercultural House at Northwest College.

"These young ladies always bring an interesting and informative program and take us to places unknown to us. ... Plan to join us that afternoon for a trip around the world,"

said Claudia Fisher, an AAUW member.

Thursday's program is open to the public.

AAUW members will have a short meeting at 4:15 p.m. before the program, followed by refreshments.

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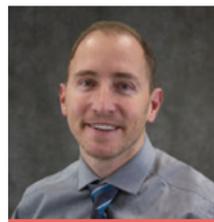
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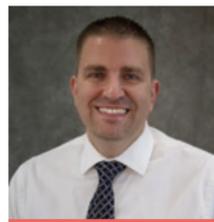
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OBITUARIES

Colette Doris Gimmeson

(Aug. 7, 1922 - Feb. 20, 2018)

Colette Doris Gimmeson was raised in rural Powell, the youngest of five children. Her parents, Eva Esther (Werts) and Bertrum Irwin Steck, were farmers and she learned the value of work from them.

Colette met and later married Merl Gimmeson on Nov. 15, 1941, at her parents' home in Garland.

They were blessed with five children — the greatest love and service Colette gave was to her family. She taught them the lessons she had learned as a child growing up in rural Wyoming. They all will greatly miss this virtuous woman whom they call Mother.

Colette lived in Powell all her life. She worked in bookkeeping, and enjoyed golfing, skiing, gardening, baking cookies and

riding motorbikes and four-wheelers.

She was active in many organizations in school and in the community. Colette was blessed with boundless energy and zest for life. Compassion walked with her daily as she served those who were in need of comforting, food and warmth. Colette was involved with the Deacons at Union Presbyterian Church for several years, where she learned to be even more involved with those in need.

She was a member of the Elks, Eagles and Eastern Star.

Colette passed away Feb. 20, 2018, of a major stroke. She was 95.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Merl E. Gimmeson; parents Bertrum Irwin Steck and Eva Esther Werts; her precious son Greg Gimmeson,

age 4; and two of her grandsons, Travis Gimmeson and Dusty Gimmeson.

Colette is survived by her family of three sons, Larry Gimmeson (Kathi), Gary Gimmeson (Linda) and Ray Gimmeson (Melene); one daughter Carol Huff (Dawson Thomas Huff); 14 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at Union Presbyterian Church in Powell, and burial followed in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Memorial donations in Colette's name can be sent to a charity of your choice.

Her life was lived to its fullest. She did the work the Lord gave her to do. Her children rise up and call her blessed. She is with our Heavenly Father now.



COLETTE GIMMESON

Phyllis Marie Miller

(Aug. 15, 1932 - Feb. 25, 2018)

Phyllis Marie Miller, 85, died Feb. 25, 2018, in Powell.

She was born Aug. 15, 1932, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Gladys Wilder and Archie Cantwell.

She married J. Allan Miller on Feb. 25, 1955, in Cleveland, Ohio. The couple lived in Cleveland; Santa Monica, California; Helena, Montana; Minot, North Dakota, and Powell.

Phyllis was a registered nurse, and was a member of PEO in both North Dakota and Wyo-

ming. She was a piano player since age 16, and was an avid painter.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. J. Allan Miller, on June 6, 2010.

She is survived by son Scott (Michelle) Miller; daughter Holly (Kim) Skarda; four grandchildren: Chase Cameron Skarda, Madison Marie Miller, Nichole Michelle Miller, and Olivia Cantwell Miller. The middle names of grandchildren Madison and Olivia came from Phyllis.

A celebration of this wild and wacky woman, our friend who helped us in good and trying times, our Mom, a confidant and sometimes superwoman, will be held at her house, 879 Lane 7, Powell, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 3. Please come to share your stories of how Phyllis touched you.

Thompson Funeral Home is assisting the family and condolences may be sent to them at www.thompsonfuneral.net or P.O. Box 807, Powell, WY 82435.



PHYLLIS MILLER

Shirley Jean Emmett

(Jan. 12, 1947 - Feb. 24, 2018)

Shirley Jean Emmett of Powell died Feb. 24, 2018, at Spirit Mountain Hospice in Cody. She was 71.

Shirley was born Jan. 12, 1947, in Lovell, to Rebbecca Winterholer and Richard Snuffer. She was a graduate of Lovell High School and attended Billings Business College. She lived in Lovell, Belle Fourche, South Dakota, and Powell. She was a member of the Lutheran church.

Shirley married Wally Emmett in 1993.

She worked at True Value in Powell and as a bank teller at

Big Horn Federal in Lovell. She enjoyed working in her yard, planting flowers, crafts, reading, and spending time with her grandkids.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband Wally.

Shirley is survived by son Bill Baxendale and his wife Jodie Baxendale of Belle Fourche, South Dakota; daughter Cindy (Baxendale) Dusenberry of Powell; sisters Melody (Basnett) and Keith Myhre of Billings; Sylvia Basnett and Linda Ostermiller, both of Billings; four grandchildren, Jacob (Kirsten) Baxendale, Demi Dusenberry, John Baxendale and

Jacie Baxendale, and one great-grandchild, Jack Baxendale.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, March 1, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lovell with burial in the Lovell Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Matt Melvin, Bill Baxendale, Jacob Baxendale, John Baxendale, Keith Myhre, and Alex Gairrett. Honorary pallbearers are Ralph Fink, Richard Fink and Scott Bunton.

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SHIRLEY EMMETT

Allen Abner Jonas

(April 7, 1932 - Feb. 11, 2018)

Allen Abner Jonas of Bluefield, Virginia, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018, at his home. He was 85.

Born April 7, 1932, in Becker County, Minnesota, he was the son of the late Abner Bastian Jonas and Josephine Hildur Harju.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 33 years, Anne Buffat Jonas, and his brother, Abner Jonas.

Survivors include his loving wife of 20 years, Dot Jonas; sister Joan Jonas Enger (John) of Powell; daughter Katherine Anne Jonas of Chattanooga, Tennessee; son David Allen Jonas of Atlanta, Georgia; sister-in-law Kathleen Ristinen

Jonas of Athens, Ohio, and Menahga, Minnesota; three stepsons Dusty Gess (Charlotte) of Bluefield, Virginia, John Gess (Brenda) of Blacksburg, Virginia, and David Gess (Rebecca) of Barboursville, Virginia.

Allen Jonas graduated from Menahga High School in 1950. He was a professor of art at Bluefield State College in Bluefield, West Virginia, for 25 years (1969-1994). He had a bachelor of arts in economics and political science from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota, and a master's in art from the University of Iowa, and a master of fine arts in painting from the University of Cincinnati.

He was an active member in the National Art Education Association, the West Virginia Art

Education Association, and the College Art Association.

Allen was an exchange professor with the Bluefield State College Center for International Understanding. He traveled to China on three occasions where he taught English. He and his wife, Dot, hosted many visiting scholars at their home in Bluefield. Allen was an active member at Westminster Presbyterian Church of

Bluefield for over 45 years, serving as both a deacon and an elder.

The family received friends from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Mercer Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Westminster Presbyterian Church.



ALLEN JONAS

Raymond Paul Fetzer

(Dec. 28, 1947 - Feb. 19, 2018)

Raymond Paul Fetzer, Jr. of Powell died Feb. 19, 2018. He was 70.

A full obituary will follow.

A celebration of life will be held on June 16, with the location to be announced at a later date.

Thompson Funeral Home is assisting the family and condolences may be sent to them at www.thompsonfuneral.net or P.O. Box 807, Powell, WY 82435.

no services are planned at this time.

Thompson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family has requested that condolences be sent to them at www.thompsonfuneral.net or to P.O. Box 807, Powell WY 82435.

Nina Jeane Beard-Pearl

(June 8, 1937 - Feb. 20, 2018)

Nina Jeane Beard-Pearl, 80, died Feb. 20, 2018, at her home in Powell.

At her request, cremation has taken place and

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It is particularly tempting to select a size that's too large when buying footwear that will be used infrequently - items such as ice skates, roller blades, or cleats - and then padding the feet with socks or tissues to snug things up.

Even with this extra stuffing, however, feet

will float in shoes that are too large. This can cause the toes to slide into the front of the shoe or skate over and over again, making corns, blisters and pain a sure bet. And that's not all. The arches of your child's feet can also suffer strain from the poor support that too large shoes provide, and the muscles in their feet will inevitably become fatigued.

A child's feet should be checked often. Look for redness, irritation or calluses, all signs of poor-fitting shoes. Also, take time to watch how your child walks. If the toes point in or out excessively, or if there's a roll at the ankles, then seeing a podiatrist is the prudent course of action.



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IN OUR OPINION

Driving safely should be your top priority

A winter storm that pounded Park County early last week apparently brought not only a flurry of snow, but also of dangerous driving.

While Wyoming Department of Transportation snowplows were working to clear U.S. Highway 14-A between Powell and Cody, the crews reported about a half-dozen instances where impatient drivers passed the plows on the right-hand side.

"People just, they're not exercising very good common sense and ... frankly, they're putting our snowplows in jeopardy," said Cody Beers, a regional spokesman for the department.

He added that, "it seems like when people see that yellow color [of a WYDOT plow] they kind of go crazy."

As Beers pointed out, passing a snowplow on the right makes no sense, as the heavy, dangerous machines are pushing the snow in that direction.

He said the culprits tend to be people rushing to or from work, though he noted they're not saving a whole lot of time by rushing past a plow.

Snowplows are generally moving at 35 to 40 miles an hour and if plows are out, that likely means the roads are dangerous enough that you shouldn't be going the full speed limit anyway.

But even assuming you got stuck behind a 35 mph plow for 10 miles, and that you could drive 70 mph otherwise, you've lost less than nine minutes of your life.

In contrast, making a risky decision to pass a snowplow in unsafe conditions could cost your entire life or the lives of others. Crashes can also put plows out of commission — making it even tougher for crews to keep the roads cleared — and even close calls can ruin a snowplow driver's day.

"Would you want somebody running through your workplace causing you all kinds of stress?" Beers asked.

There's been roughly a half-dozen crashes involving WYDOT snowplows so far this year, so the danger is real.

Beers said it was "lucky" that no collision occurred in Park County last week.

He asks drivers to show caution and courtesy while approaching plows. He suggests planning ahead and making extra time for your winter travels, which is wise advice.

But here's another idea that might also help: The next time you get stuck behind a slow-moving snowplow or construction vehicle, before you get angry, consider feeling thankful that there's someone working to improve your road.

We're fortunate to have crews from the City of Powell, the Park County government and WYDOT who stand ready to get roads cleared and reopened as quickly as possible when snow or other elements strike.

Certainly, plowing or road construction doesn't always go as fast as we'd like and that can be frustrating. But in the end, safety should trump convenience.

As Beers put it, "We just need to do a better job of taking care of each other out there."



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The other Cody Days

The banners were hung, toasting the world famous Buffalo Bill's Wild West, the Show of Shows. Photographs and poster boards of clippings recalled the feats of the frontier scout, bison hunter and larger than life showman.

There were Indian singers and dancers, a magician's act and, of course, birthday cake to celebrate the 172nd birthday of William F. Cody. At the last minute, the scheduled appearance of a Buffalo Bill look-alike was canceled due to illness.

Don't be confused. This was not Cody, Wyoming, the town he founded, and which also does a pretty good job of throwing birthday parties for its namesake.

This was Oracle, Arizona, a town of about 3,500 on the flank of the Santa Catalina Mountains north of Tucson. Oracle celebrated its third annual Cody Days with a two-day bash on Saturday and Sunday. Buffalo Bill was born Feb. 26, 1846, in Iowa.

The Arizona Cody Days event was all about Buffalo Bill the miner.

It's a chapter that I knew almost nothing about. A story in the Tucson Daily Star announced the gathering and since Oracle is only about 15 miles up the road from our wintering grounds, the allure of Buffalo Bill drew us.

I came back with two purchased books about mining in the Santa Catalinas and some of its colorful history in Arizona's territorial days and early statehood — including the legend of a lost Spanish gold mine with an Iron Door.

And Buffalo Bill was a player. He held a number of claims in the Campo Bonito mining district as early as 1902, though some of the details and dates of his mining ventures are murky. He was in and out of Arizona while he traveled with his Wild West show and maintained his life in Wyoming.

A company he headed acquired the Southern Belle Mine in 1911,

one of the most well known gold mines in the southern Catalinas. This was one of Buffalo Bill's mining holdings that turned a profit.

Cody's mining companies produced commercial gold, silver and tungsten. Thomas Edison was said to be a friend of Cody's, and Edison purchased tungsten from him for the development of his electric light bulb.

But that doesn't mean the years of work in the mining camps yielded a bonanza by any means. Before going to Oracle, I had communicated with my brother, Bob, author of the book, "William F. Cody's Wyoming Empire, the Buffalo Bill Nobody Knows." I told Bob that I didn't recall anything of

Cody's Oracle doings mentioned in his book, but we were going to attend the program to see what we could learn.

Bob offered: "My principal connection with Cody as a mining man was his self-destruction financially. He lost tens of thousands in Oracle, mostly as a victim of outright fraud. He had to mortgage just about everything he owned in Wyoming and then stay on tour with one show after another for the rest of his life. I wonder how much of that you will learn at the Buffalo Bill celebration."

To the credit of one of the principal organizers of Cody Days in Oracle, William "Flint" Carter didn't duck the question.

"He did lose money," Carter said openly of Cody's mining days in Arizona.

But that didn't dim Carter's cheerleading for Buffalo Bill and the part he played in Oracle history. He doesn't want to see Buffalo Bill's memory tarnished because he came up short financially in his mining ventures.

Carter, 71, knows firsthand the trials of hard rock mining in primitive conditions. He is a prospector, miner and jewelry artist who has combed the Santa



Flint Carter of Oracle, Arizona, stands in front of the former Mountain View Hotel, built in 1895. Buffalo Bill Cody was said to be an owner. The porch has been removed from the two-story stucco building, and it sags in disuse. The property is owned by the Southern Baptist Church there. Tribune photo by Dave Bonner

Catalinas around Oracle for more than 40 years.

After spending an afternoon at Oracle's Cody Days, my takeaway is that the Buffalo Bill celebrity myth is still the winner.

The bottom line is simply that Buffalo Bill Cody was there. Not any scorecard on financial wins and losses.

Cody Days promoters want to flesh out the Buffalo Bill period in Oracle. Carter appealed for help in further constructing the picture of Buffalo Bill's time in Arizona; there's not even consensus on when Cody first came to Oracle.

Cody's friend and fellow frontier scout, William Neal, built the Mountain View Hotel in Oracle in 1895. Carter said Cody was a co-

owner with Neal, a silent partner. Did he come to Oracle in the late 1890s at any time?

The answer is out there somewhere in Tucson in the form of turn of the century artifacts, Carter insists. It might be in someone's basement.

"If anyone knows of photographs or letters or clippings, anything that belonged to Cody, we would love to see them. Buffalo Bill was the biggest icon of the 19th century," Carter said.

He had a hotel in town. He spent time in the camps with miners. He played Santa Claus for the children of miners at Christmastime.

That's the Buffalo Bill Cody story that Oracle wants to preserve.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Affordable housing will decline under budget proposal

Dear Editor:
Cuts proposed by the White House will worsen the affordable housing crisis facing Park County and other areas and communities across the United States.

Too many people in Park County are struggling to make their rent or mortgage payment and also pay for utilities, food, and fuel. Today we ask Liz Cheney to make a greater

investment in affordable housing, not a lesser one.

Habitat for Humanity believes all people deserve decent, affordable shelter. Mountain Spirit Habitat for Humanity (MSHFH) does not believe in, nor do we promise "hand-outs"; instead we offer low-income neighbors a "hand up." Through community-building and home ownership efforts, and the recruitment of volunteer labor, we build a sense of competence, security, financial literacy, self-reliance, community AND shelter.

The budget proposed by the White House would drasti-

cally cut — and in some cases entirely eliminate — funding that nonprofit organizations like MSHFH use to finance the development of simple, safe, and affordable housing. For example, MSHFH has received or is in the process of pursuing funds from the Affordable Housing Project FHB, USDA rural housing, and CDBG to eliminate standard housing in Park County. The White House budget proposal would eliminate those funds entirely.

In the coming weeks and months, MSHFH will advocate for affordable housing. We encourage Wyoming residents

to join us and demand that our representative, Liz Cheney, call on Congress to set aside this flawed budget proposal and instead work to prioritize solutions that will support community-building efforts and end the affordable housing crisis.

The White House's proposed budget would also eliminate the AmeriCorps program through the shuttering of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Thousands of AmeriCorps members have served their communities in a variety of ways, including more than 10,000 members working

through Habitat where they have helped build homes and helped rebuild in disaster-stricken areas.

This is the first year Mountain Spirit Habitat for Humanity has applied as an AmeriCorps Habitat host site. We have a very good shot at hosting a Vista to assist us in formalizing and advancing the capacity of our operations. With a Vista's assistance, we can serve more needy families in Park County. This partnership is a win/win. The affordable community-building support an AmeriCorps Volunteer could offer MSHFH,

and the career experience MSHFH could provide a talented Vista advances the potential of both parties and your community.

Let's work together; demand our Congresswoman represent our concerns by securing not shuttering community service opportunities and by increasing and not eliminating funding efforts to stamp out poverty housing across this great nation!

Jaime Schmeiser
Mountain Spirit Habitat for Humanity Executive Director
Powell

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BIG HORN BASIN LAWMAKERS BUY MORE TIME FOR STATE NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

A group of Big Horn Basin legislators believe they've secured more time for a state-run nursing home in Basin and an assisted living facility in Thermopolis that legislative and state leaders have proposed privatizing.

Sen. Wyatt Agar, R-Worland, and Reps. Nathan Winters, R-Thermopolis, Mike Greear, R-Worland, David Northrup, R-Powell, and Jamie Flitner, R-Greybull, led the efforts, the lawmakers said in a news release.

The delegation helped pass a budget amendment in the House that would fully fund the Wyoming Retirement Center in Basin and the Wyoming Pioneer Home in Thermopolis through June 2020; prior the amendment, the budget would have provided funding through 2019 while calling on the Wyoming Department of Health to study whether the state needs to keep running the facilities. If they're not necessary, the department should come with "a plan for partial or complete transition of ownership or operation of each facility," the budget read.

The Joint Appropriations Committee also sponsored a similar bill in the Senate suggesting that the state should no longer run the facilities: Senate File 112 said the Retirement Center is primarily a state-run nursing home for Big Horn Basin residents, with a number of residents with mental illnesses who should instead be served at the Wyoming Life Resource Center in Lander. As for the Wyoming Pioneer Home, it "serves largely as a subsidized assisted living facility generally for residents from Thermopolis and the neighboring counties," the committee wrote in Senate File 112.

Basin lawmakers, however, said things were moving too quickly.

"If privatization is where we need to go in the future, that's fine, but I'm telling you right now the folks in these communities are just now realizing the situation that they're in," Rep. Greear said on the House floor Wednesday, referring to the people of Basin and Thermopolis. He added that, "The people

in these areas — and these are two small communities we're talking about — are scared; they're extremely scared and so I'm here to defend them."

"These communities are going to need time to work on these issues and they need a parachute," Winters said in presenting the amendment. He said the budget as originally drafted by the Joint Appropriations Committee amounted to "pushing them off a cliff."

Rep. Lloyd Larsen, a Lander Republican who serves on the appropriations committee, disputed that characterization.

"We have no intent to close [the facilities], but the Department of Health needs flexibility [and] if there are entities that want to come in and run these, there's really no need to put into the Department of Health's budget another year's worth of funding," Larsen said.

Rep. Bob Nicholas, a Cheyenne Republican and co-chairman of the Joint Appropriations Committee, said state leaders encouraged community members to work toward privatizing the Retirement Center and Pioneer Home five years ago "and nothing happened."

He said the language in the budget draft was the way to move the discussion forward.

"If we just fund it for two more years, I will bet we're going to be back here doing the same thing one more time — and then another time and then another time," Nicholas said.

The budget provides an annual appropriation of \$6.09 million for the Retirement Center — which has 95.5 staffers providing 24/7 care for 80 patients, Greear said — and \$2.28 million for the Pioneer Home. Quoting state data, the Northern Wyoming Daily News has reported that, outside of major maintenance projects, the Retirement Center breaks even each year while the Pioneer Home requires a \$1.3 million subsidy (roughly 57 percent of its budget).

Local lawmakers noted during Wednesday's debate that changes to the facilities could not only displace the elderly residents there, but also potentially mean lost jobs.

Rep. Flitner said she knows that the state "should not be in the business of providing these services," but also called the proposed budget "a gut punch to these communities."

"I know there comes a time when we've just got to cut things off, but we're just asking, we're just begging, for a little more time to allow these communities to group up and make some much-needed changes, obviously," she told her colleagues. "Just asking for a little help."

The amendment passed on a 49-11 vote on Wednesday. It provides funding for the two years and removes language calling for the Department of Health to make a recommendation about the facilities' future. All of the Big Horn Basin's legislators supported the measure.

Local lawmakers also helped defeat Senate File 112, which contained the similar call for the Wyoming Department of Health to look at getting rid of the facilities.

The bill failed its third reading on a 14-16 vote Thursday. Agar, Peterson and Coe were among those voting no.

In the news release, Rep. Northrup said both facilities "are major employers in the basin."

"Now we have sufficient time to consider next steps and move forward in a way that is positive for our communities and respectful of the residents of these facilities," he said in the release.

Flitner, meanwhile, said she was "grateful that our team was able to come together and do what is right for our seniors and local communities."

However, the fight may not be over: An identical amendment, brought by Sen. Agar, failed in the Senate on an 11-19 vote that same day. Agar and Sen. Ray Peterson, R-Cowley, supported the amendment, while Sen. Hank Coe, R-Cody, opposed it.

Members of the Senate and House will have to resolve those differences between the two versions of the budget before it can be finalized.



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Powell High School musicians earn All-State honors



Emily Sweet and Austin Chandler. Courtesy photo

Nine choir, two band students selected

Eleven Powell students were selected for All-State this year, joining over 450 of Wyoming's best high school musicians at the All-State Clinic last month.

Powell High School senior Emily Sweet was selected to play with the All-State Band, directed by Marcellus Brown from Boise State University. Sweet plays the tuba, and this is her second year earning All-State honors.

Trombonist Austin Chandler, a junior at PHS, played in the All-State Orchestra, directed by Dr. James Mick from Ithaca College. He received All-State honors for the second year.

Chandler also was selected for the All-State Jazz Band in Casper Feb. 4-6. The jazz band was directed by Dr. Dan Jonas from Weber State University.

For the third year, PHS choir

students Michaela Kousoulos, a senior, and Kjelden George, a junior, earned All-State honors.

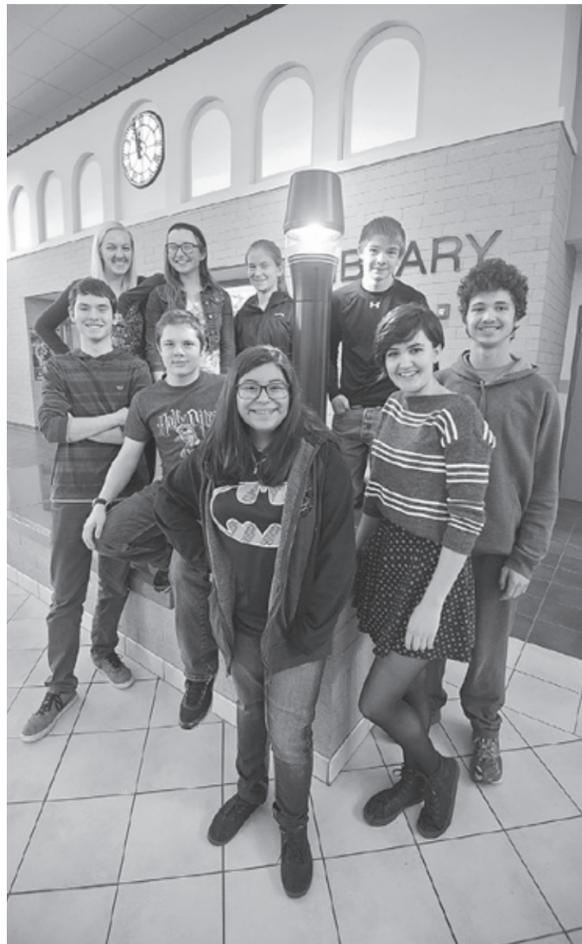
PHS seniors Emma Andreasen and Samantha Becker also were selected for the All-State Choir, each for their second year.

Jordan Moore, a senior, and Elise North, a junior, achieved All-State honors for the first time.

PHS freshmen Sabrina Alvarez, Luke Condie and Joe Kousoulos also were selected to perform with the All-State Choir for the first time. The All-State Choir was directed by Pearl Shangquan from Calvin College.

The 2018 All-State Clinic was held in Evanston last month in conjunction with the Wyoming High School Activities Association State Music Conference.

— Tessa Baker



PHS choir students (back row, from left) Samantha Becker, Emma Andreasen, Elise North and Kjelden George; and (front row, from left) Jordan Moore, Luke Condie, Sabrina Alvarez, Michaela Kousoulos and Joe Kousoulos received 2018 All-State honors. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky



Stories and songs of the Crow Nation presented Thursday at Bighorn Canyon

Johnny Tim Yellowtail — the great-great grandson of Crow leader Robert S. Yellowtail — will present a multimedia talk and demonstration on Thursday in Lovell. It's titled, "Stories of Chief Gray-bull and the different drum beats and songs of the Crow Nation."

The presentation begins at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area's Cal S. Taggart Visitor Center.

The presentation and stories shared will tell of Crow Chief Gray-bull, his family and how

he became a chief.

"It is important to me and to my culture to share who Chief Gray-bull is because a lot of people do not know," Yellowtail said in a release.

He will also share why the drum is a sacred musical instrument; what the different beats represent; and demonstrate songs used in Pow-Wows, hand-games, birthdays and other celebrations.

Yellowtail said the songs and music "will make you want to dance."

"The drum and songs mean

a lot and are sacred to me," he said. "When I sing it makes me feel good — especially when I use songs I have composed."

Yellowtail is a Native Crow and is a volunteer at the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area. He says his main objective is to provide a better understanding of his culture and to develop positive relationships.

For additional information about the program, contact Christy Fleming, Bighorn Canyon's chief of interpretation, at 307-548-5406.

A Thursday presentation in Lovell will cover the life of Crow Chief Gray-bull and feature songs from the tribe.

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DIGEST

BEWARE OF MEDICARE CARD SCAM

New Medicare cards and numbers will be sent out to Wyoming residents later this year, and scammers are already trying to capitalize.

Scammers pretending to be from Medicare are calling residents with various lines — including saying that residents must confirm someone's Medicare number before sending the new card.

"False!" the organization Wyoming 211 warned this month. "Medicare will not call."

The new cards will be mailed out between April 2018 and April 2019. They'll include new Medicare numbers that will not be tied to a person's Social Security number.

"People will continue to try and steal your new Medicare number, but they'll never be able to steal your full identity with it again," Wyoming 211's post said.

The post urges people to always read their Medicare Summary Notices to make sure no one is fraudulently billing for services in their name.

EARLY MORNING CALL



Powell firefighters search for the source of smoke in the 500 block of Avenue H after getting a call reporting the smell of smoke and a possible chimney fire at 1:39 a.m. Monday. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

CORRECTION

■ A Thursday story about a deadline placed on the Park County Wyoming Public Lands Initiative Advisory Committee misstated the size of the High Lakes Wilderness Study Area (WSA). It is 15,224 acres. Additionally, the story failed to clarify that the committee's recommendation for the McCullough Peaks WSA was only a draft recommendation. The Tribune regrets the error and lack of clarity.

NEW FACES

■ Maisie and Rico Moreno of Lovell wish to announce the birth of a baby girl, Nevaeh Deanne Moreno, who was born at Powell Valley Hospital on Monday, Feb. 19, 2018. Nevaeh was born at 11:24 p.m. with a weight of 7 pounds, 7.4 ounces.

POLICE REPORT

People arrested are presumed to be innocent and any listed charges are only allegations.

FEBRUARY 14

- 11:15 a.m. Dispatch received a report of a relative trespassing on the caller's property, claiming it was hers. The incident was placed under investigation.
- 12:36 p.m. Officers assisted with a standby on Bayshore Court while a resident retrieved personal belongings.
- 7:41 p.m. Shoplifting was reported on West Coulter Avenue and the incident was placed under investigation.
- No time listed: Harassment was reported on West Seventh Street and the incident was placed under investigation.

FEBRUARY 15

- 3:46 a.m. John Varian, 18, was arrested on West Coulter Avenue/Alan Road on suspicion of driving under the influence.
- 5:07 a.m. A resident reported a vehicle on Van Place had been running for 40 minutes, but the vehicle was gone when officers responded.
- 9:37 a.m. Dispatch received a report of a residence on North Bent Street where five dogs bark consistently, with the owners not cleaning the feces out of the yard. The residents received warnings for manure/compost, failure to obtain dog licenses, noisy/barking animals and having more than two household pets.
- 3:54 p.m. An officer responded to a report of an elderly woman sitting on the sidewalk at West Third/North Bernard streets waving at passersby. The officer found the female lying on the sidewalk, unresponsive. An ambulance transported the woman to the hospital, where she was found to be medically sound. After investigation, Judith Hoot, 72, was arrested.
- 4:52 p.m. A credit card was found on West Coulter Avenue and brought to the law enforcement center. Several attempts were made to contact the owner, but with no voice mail set up on their phone, the card was placed in found property.

FEBRUARY 16

- 10:47 a.m. A traffic stop on two vehicles that failed to stop at a red light on East Coulter Avenue resulted in the arrest of Jesse Shuman, 22, Cody, on suspicion of driving with a suspended license (second offense) and on multiple warrants. The driver of the sec-

ond vehicle received citations with a suspended license and failing to stop at a red light.

■ 2:07 p.m. Police began investigating a vehicle on North Clark Street that was reportedly stolen while the owner was incarcerated.

■ 3:51 p.m. A male at South Clark Street/East Coulter Avenue was reported to be yelling at a woman on the side of the road. The woman was gone when an officer arrived.

■ 9:37 p.m. A domestic disturbance was reported on Julie Lane. A responding officer was told the argument was only verbal.

■ No time listed: Dispatch received a report of a beige Honda Civic swerving all over the road with a blinker flashing at North Division/West Third streets. The registration given did not match the description of the vehicle, and a responding officer found the vehicle parked with no one inside.

FEBRUARY 17

- 12:15 a.m. A traffic stop was made on a moving vehicle that had a passenger clinging to it on North Cheyenne/West Fourth streets. The passenger received a citation for underage drinking and clinging to a moving vehicle and the driver received a citation for underage drinking.
- 12:50 a.m. Officers responded to a report of a male with a hooded jacket and flashlight walking around in an alley and backyard at South Clark/East South streets. The caller said the individual was walking in the alley and never went into the caller's yard; officers advised extra patrol would be provided over the weekend.
- 2:55 a.m. A 33-year-old Cody resident was arrested on East Coulter Avenue on suspicion of driving with a suspended license and no insurance, cited and released.
- 3:29 p.m. An officer responded to a call about an elderly female who had walked away from her residence and would not leave a business on North Bent Street. The officer gave the woman a ride home.
- 4:41 p.m. Dispatch received a report of someone on East Madison Street violating a protection order. An officer found there was not an actual violation, but the incident was documented and the parties involved will make arrangements.
- 11:21 p.m. Officers to a report of loud noise and possible party on North Bent Street. The officers issued citations for underage drinking and one for disorderly house.

FEBRUARY 18

- 12:49 p.m. An officer performed a welfare check on a resident on South Absaroka Street/East Coulter Avenue and advised the caller the resident was fine.
- 3:16 p.m. An officer performed a welfare check on an elderly female on North Day Street and advised the female was fine. The officer also shoveled her walks.
- 5:44 p.m. Dispatch received a report that an intoxicated female left a residence on South Jones Street. An officer followed the vehicle for several blocks on South Street but did not observe any violations.

FEBRUARY 19

- 11:17 a.m. A caller reported two dogs at a residence on North Bernard Street that had been outside for over an hour, and had been outside for quite a while the previous day. A responding officer found neither dog seemed in any distress. The owner said there was a dog house outside and the dogs were inside all night but like to play in the yard.
- 12:10 p.m. A Moto Z cellphone with a purple back was reported lost in the Powell area.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

People arrested are presumed to be innocent and any listed charges are only allegations.

FEBRUARY 13

- 2:53 p.m. A person was reported to have been sitting in a vehicle for more than a half an hour on Park Drive in the Cody area.
- 10:19 p.m. A woman reported concern with a vehicle in her driveway. The report was determined to be unfounded.

FEBRUARY 14

- 4:34 a.m. Twenty to 30 horses were reported to be loose in a caller's yard on Lane 16 in the Cody area. They were returned to their owner.
- 8:54 a.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted Park County Fair staff with a possibly abandoned vehicle at the fairgrounds in Powell.
- 11:35 a.m. The Sheriff's Office was unable to locate a silver sedan with Montana plates that was reported to be all over the road on Wyo. Highway 120 south of Cody.
- 12:48 p.m. In a report relayed by the Wyoming Highway Patrol, a semi-truck was reported to be driving recklessly while hauling beets from the dump to Lovell on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Powell area. The caller said it was swerving all over the road and tailgating them. The Sheriff's Office didn't locate the vehicle.
- 3:37 p.m. After a traffic stop on 15th Street/Beck Avenue in Cody, Sergei Seryogin Yates, 33, was arrested on a warrant.
- 5:17 p.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a request to check on the welfare of a woman's grandson on Oak Drive in the Cody area. The caller said he had missed five days of school.
- 6:17 p.m. An Cadillac Escalade reportedly hit a deer on roads 6SU/6WX in the Cody area.
- 7:06 p.m. A woman asked to speak to a deputy about someone being

on her property on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Powell area.

FEBRUARY 15

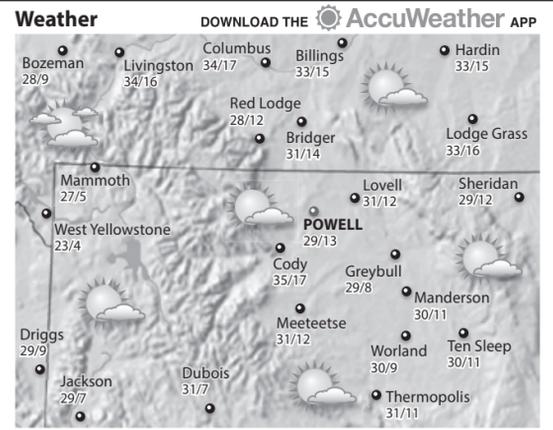
- 5:41 a.m. A one-car crash with possible injuries was reported on Wyo. Highway 120 south of Cody. The call had disconnected and dispatchers were unable to reach the person on calling back.
- 11:36 a.m. A deputy visited with elementary school students during lunch on South Douglas Street in Powell.
- 5:09 p.m. A woman's vehicle was reportedly hit on Oak Drive in the Cody area.
- 5:34 p.m. A vape pen was reported to have been found in a juvenile's backpack on Main Street in Ralston.
- 8:15 p.m. A vehicle was reportedly on fire on Schneider Road/Road 2AB in the Cody area.

FEBRUARY 16

- 12:59 p.m. A woman on Dutcher Springs Trail in the Powell area reported that, when she opened the door, a female threw paperwork at her.
- 1:45 p.m. A citizen on Wyo. Highway 291/Road 6WX in the Cody area called with questions about car seat laws.
- 1:56 p.m. A citizen was reported to be yelling at someone at the county attorney's office at the Park County Annex in Powell.
- 3:07 p.m. Michael Allen Sneath, 24, was served a warrant at the Cody Law Enforcement Center.
- 6:06 p.m. An anonymous caller reported that someone with an active warrant was on Hays Avenue in Meeteetse. The Sheriff's Office didn't find the person they were looking for.
- 8:10 p.m. Brandon Nick Doak, 40, was arrested on a warrant on Equine Drive in the Cody area.

FEBRUARY 17

- 2:46 p.m. A man on Jonathon Road in the Powell area reported that, while he walks his dog, a large golden retriever is constantly aggressive and tries to attack him.
- 4:47 p.m. A citizen at the Powell Police Department reported that a 13-year-old boy had run away from a location on Road 9H in the Powell area. The report was determined to be unfounded.
- 5:49 p.m. A stray light brown dog was reported to be chasing horses on Road 2BC in the Cody area. The caller was unable to keep the dog and brought it to the animal shelter.
- 7:04 p.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a fire call at Cactus Gardens on East Seventh Street in Powell.



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Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Sunday

TEMPERATURES

High/low.....30°/17°
Normal high/low.....41°/14°
Average temperature.....6.9°
Normal average temperature.....27.3°

PRECIPITATION

Total for the week.....Trace
Month to date.....0.51"
Normal month to date.....0.12"
Year to date.....0.61"
Snowfall for the week.....Trace"
Snowfall month to date.....10.1"
Snowfall season to date.....17.3"

Sun and Moon

Sunrise/Sunset.....6:57am/6:00pm
Moonrise/Moonset.....3:27pm/5:29am

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Mar 1	Mar 9	Mar 17	Mar 24

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Buffalo	32/18/s	Green River	35/15/pc	Laramie	40/13/pc
Casper	38/12/pc	Greybull	29/8/s	Rawlins	35/16/pc
Cheyenne	46/22/pc	Jeffrey City	32/11/pc	Rock Springs	33/15/pc
Gillette	33/12/s	Kirby	30/10/s	Shoshoni	31/13/s

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Atlanta	65/50/pc	Houston	78/66/t	Louisville	64/49/pc
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Chicago	60/43/pc	Kansas City	61/45/s	Phoenix	69/44/pc
Dallas	63/58/t	Las Vegas	52/38/sh	St. Louis	65/49/pc
Denver	51/22/s	Los Angeles	56/44/sh	Washington, DC	58/42/s

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PHS ROBOTICS TEAM 3188 WINS STATE

ONLY WYOMING TEAM TO ADVANCE TO SUPER REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Going into the Wyoming state robotics tournament, Powell High School seniors knew it was their final chance to qualify for a super regionals competition. They could qualify two ways: by winning the Inspire Award or being captain of the winning alliance in the final competition.

Powell High School's Team 3188 did both.

The team won its third straight Wyoming state championship and Inspire Award during the Feb. 17 tournament in Casper.

"Since September, we've put in so many hours ... so the thought of it being over was scary," said Rhett Pimentel, a PHS senior. "We're really happy we got our season extended."

Team 3188 — also known as Squiggle Splat Bang — is the only Wyoming team to qualify for the FTC West Super-Regional Championship in Spokane, Washington. The team now has less than two weeks to prepare for the March 8-11 tournament.

Team 3188 members include PHS seniors Nathaniel Whitham, James Sheets, Josh Malone, Hattie Pimentel and Rhett Pimentel and freshman Olivia Lobingier.

All four PHS robotics teams competed at the state tournament, bringing home several awards (see related story.)

The PHS Team 6437 (aka Mad Hatters) finished undefeated in qualifying matches and were second to Team 3188.

U.S. Sen. John Barrasso visited the state robotics tournament in Casper and saw Powell's teams.

"These guys are so advanced, it's amazing," he said at the Powell Rotary Club's Wednesday meeting, adding, "What these young people are doing now is truly remarkable and a wonderful, wonderful thing."

WYOMING CHAMPIONS

Robotics teams design, build and program their bots to compete in the FIRST Tech Challenge, an international competition. This year's challenge is called Relic Recovery, where robots must autonomously navigate obstacles, collect and place foam "glyphs" and manipulate golden "relic" figurines. The challenge is based on an Indiana Jones-style

adventure, Rhett Pimentel said. Leading up to the Casper tournament, Team 3188 focused on perfecting its bot.

"This was the first competition where we had a working relic arm," Hattie Pimentel said.

"So we went from something that didn't work at all to something that worked pretty well — we just hadn't driven it hardy at all," Rhett Pimentel added.

In Casper, Team 3188 won all five qualification matches, going into the finals as a captain and having to choose teams for its alliance.

"That's something we had to worry about at the end — who we were going to pick," said Joel Hayano, PHS robotics coach.

At the Montana championship tournament, "there were a lot of good bots so you had a lot of choice, but in Wyoming, there wasn't a lot of choice," Hayano said.

Robotics teams from Utah, Colorado and Montana also competed at the Wyoming state tournament.

Going into the final rounds, Team 3188 didn't have a lot of time to choose teams for its alliance, but they had watched other teams' robots.

"You have to scout all the teams while the competition is going on so you know what teams can do and if they complement what you do, so you get the right combination," Hayano said.

Team 3188 chose fellow PHS Team 10731 (Radioactive) and the Robominers, a team from Park City, Utah.

The Utah team could have been an alliance captain, so it was nice of them to partner with Team 3188, Sheets said.

Building good relationships with out-of-state teams may help in the future, too.

"At supers ... if you're on the alliance with them, then it kind of secures your position to move on," Whitham said.

Pitting the best bots against each other brings challenges in the final rounds.

"It's hard when you have several high-quality bots competing



Powell High School's Team 3188 won the Wyoming championship for the third straight year. Team members (from left) Josh Malone, Rhett Pimentel, Hattie Pimentel, James Sheets, Nathaniel Whitham and Olivia Lobingier pose for a photo with their awards at the tournament in Casper. Photo courtesy James Sheets

PHS TEAMS WIN MULTIPLE AWARDS

Powell High School junior Alan Merritt is one of two Wyoming students selected as a Dean's List finalist. The award is named in honor of FIRST robotics founder and inventor Dean Kamen and recognizes "the best of the best" among competitors for their technical skills, leadership and advancing the ideals of FIRST and STEM (science, technology, engineering and math).

Merritt will be recognized at the FIRST Championship in Houston in April, where the winning Dean's List recipients will be announced.

During the tournament in Casper, PHS robotics teams won the following awards:

TEAM 3188
Inspire Award, Winning Alliance, Connect Award Finalist, Rockwell Collins Finalist, Design Award Finalist, Motivate Award Finalist

TEAM 10731
Winning Alliance, Design Award Winner, Control Award Winner

TEAM 6437
Finalist Alliance, Control Award Finalist, Design Award Winner



at once, because the materials on the field get scarce," Sheets said.

Team 3188 is practicing and working to make its robot more efficient leading up to super-regionals. The robot has all the right components, but "just needs to go faster," Malone said.

In addition to the competition rounds, teams must do scouting, outreach, presentations and put together an engineering notebook. "Your team has to be strong in all of that," Hayano said.

The Inspire Award takes into account all those different elements. "It's not just the bot — it's how you present yourself and

how you act during competition," Hayano said.

At super-regionals, teams can qualify for the world tournament by succeeding in the competition or by winning awards. Team 3188 hopes to make it to the FIRST Championship in Houston, Texas, in April, where the best teams from around the world compete.

"Each year, I think we've kind of made it a step further, so this year, we want to place at worlds," Rhett Pimentel said.

THANKFUL FOR SUPPORT

Team 3188 members said they appreciate all the support they've

received from their parents, coaches, the community and the Powell Makerspace.

Over the past several months, the team has spent many hours at the Makerspace, working late into the night.

"We're there every day — that's where we've built this robot," Rhett Pimentel said. "That's a really neat partnership we have."

They've used 3D printers, the CNC router, CNC mill and other tools at the Makerspace.

At last year's world tournament, judges recognized Team 3188 for custom making so many

parts of their robot. The team said this year's robot — named Twogle — also is mostly custom-made.

As PHS seniors prepare for their final robotics competitions, they've also set an example for underclassmen. The season has been "a great learning experience" for younger students, as they've learned that you must continually work on your robot, Hayano said.

"You're never done — I think that's what they learned the most is that you never sit down and say, 'OK, our bot is done, and we're ready to go,'" he said. "You're always fixing something."

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Powell volunteer firefighter Chris Schuler carries a bulldog named Petey from the scene of a fire on Feb. 17 to be cared for by emergency medical technicians. Petey fought hard, under the care of Powell Veterinary Services, but eventually succumbed from smoke inhalation. Every victim of a fire — human or pet — receives treatment from firefighters and EMTs. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Pets: Reports suggest up to 150,000 pets die in fires each year

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As firefighters brought Petey to emergency medical technicians on the scene, it was obvious the English Bulldog had been through hell. He was scared, burned and having trouble breathing. Norman and EMT/volunteer firefighter Geoff Hovivian immediately tried to get Petey oxygen — a difficult task with the wrong tools. "You're just giving him blow by; masks [made for humans] don't make proper contact. These specialized masks will be a whole lot better," said Hovivian, an EMT and patient/family liaison for Powell Valley Healthcare. Industry reports suggest up to 150,000 pets die each year in fires — most succumbing to smoke inhalation. In many states, emergency responders

lack the equipment to resuscitate and save pets. Invisible Fence officials say they created Project Breathe to get fire departments the proper tools to save animals. Fire departments are eligible to receive a kit that includes three sizes, free of charge. "The way we see it, there's no better way to fulfill our mission," the company said in a news release about the charity. Petey didn't make it. He had rebounded while in the care of Powell Veterinary Services, but the damage was too much to overcome. Buddy, a dachshund, also perished in the fire. "It's harder with an animal, because they can't tell you how they feel," said Norman, who has been an EMT for five years. "Your heart falls out of your chest because you don't know how to help them. You try to do your best, but with no voice or



KAITLYNN NORMAN

emotion it's hard to tell if you're helping." Dealing with losses, both human and animal, are tough for emergency workers. "This fire was an emotional roller coaster. But we're all a team. If you have a bad call we talk to each other, debrief

and prepare for the next day, because you know there will be someone else you'll need to save the next day," Norman said. Chief Dicks had to break the news to the resident. While losing a pet is tragic, informing their owners of the loss is still emotionally taxing. "You don't want to be insensitive, but there's no easy way to break the news to homeowners. We wouldn't be human if we didn't have emotions," Dicks said. "If you ball it up and keep it inside it will haunt you." Dicks hopes to have the right tools in hand for the next pet rescue, thankful for the generous donation, but not really looking forward to its use. He also stresses homeowners make sure they have working smoke alarms in their homes. "They only save lives if they're working," he said.

Finalists: Gov. Mead will select replacement by Thursday night

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secretary of state's office and how he would try to equip them with tools they need to do the job. He said if the state were to adopt a vote-by-mail approach, the secretary of state's office would need to take a "heavy-handed approach" to make sure that people didn't abuse it. George added in a Monday text to the Tribune that he believes the idea of mail ballots should be "thrown out," saying other states have seen problems and that policies that would make elections cheaper but raise the risk of fraud "should not be considered." "There is something special about folks showing up to the courthouse for early voting or making [an] effort to show up to the polls on Election Day," George told the Tribune. In response to a question posed Saturday about the secretary's role on the State Loan and Investment Board, which manages land funds and administers grant and loan programs to cities, towns and counties, George said he would be efficient with state money and prudent in awarding contracts.

He said he'd be ready to ask tough questions about grants awarded to communities. "There's nothing better to change Wyoming's financial situation than a farmer with a sharp pencil," George said. **ED BUCHANAN** The Laramie County prosecutor and former Wyoming speaker of the House — who finished as the runner-up to Murray in the 2014 Republican primary race for secretary of state — focused on the issue of voter fraud during his question-and-answer session. "This is something we've seen a lot in the news lately, and I can tell you that it's happened in a lot of states," Buchanan said. The topic of voter fraud has become more prevalent in recent years as largely Republican states such as Kansas and Wisconsin have passed strict Voter ID laws requiring people to carry a government-issued photo ID to polls. But critics of those proposals say those laws target poor people as part of a growing effort to roll back progress on voting rights. Buchanan said he doesn't buy

that argument because the state would make government-issued IDs available to help people vote. "To me, it's not an inconvenience to show up to the polls, show an ID, get checked off, match your address ... so that we can have confidence that the people who are voting are eligible to vote," he said. He also said he'd crack down on people who no longer live in Wyoming casting out of state ballots. "If you lose the integrity of your elections, nothing else really matters," he said. In addition to voter fraud, Buchanan also advocated for using better technology to make customer service better for filing, educating the public about regulatory processes and finding more efficiencies to save the state time and money. **DARIN SMITH** The Cheyenne attorney and former Christian Broadcasting Network executive said he would bring Wyoming into the future by trying to attract technology businesses. "Because of weather and energy needs, Wyoming is an ideal

place for data centers and crypto-currency miners," he said. "There are literally thousands of companies that could and should have their data centers in Wyoming." He lauded the Wyoming Legislature for introducing bills that would enable cryptocurrency trading in the state. Wyoming is one of the few states in the country that doesn't currently allow people to trade virtual tokens such as Bitcoin. Those two bills were approved by committees last week and wait passage of the full House. Like Buchanan, Smith said he worried about the integrity of elections. He said imposing some kind of ID requirement would be "absolutely essential." When asked whether he would support a "vote-by-mail" proposal that has been adopted in other states, Smith said he was "100 percent, diametrically opposed." He said that allowing people to send mail-in ballots instead of voting in person would "breed corruption." (CJ Baker contributed reporting.)

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TWO STATE CHAMPS

PANTHER WRESTLING TEAM PLACES FOURTH

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Powell High School's wrestlers brought home five medals — including two state titles — while placing fourth as a team at the Class 3A State Wrestling Championships over the weekend.

Reese Karst and Brody Karhu won the state championship in their weight classes (also earning All-State honors in the process) while Bo Dearcorn took third, Brandon Thompson placed fourth and both Emma Karhu and Stephen Preator placed fifth.

Star Valley won the Friday-Saturday tournament with 267 points, Cody placed second with 164, Worland was third with 153 and Powell followed with 143.5 points.

REESE KARST, 138 POUNDS

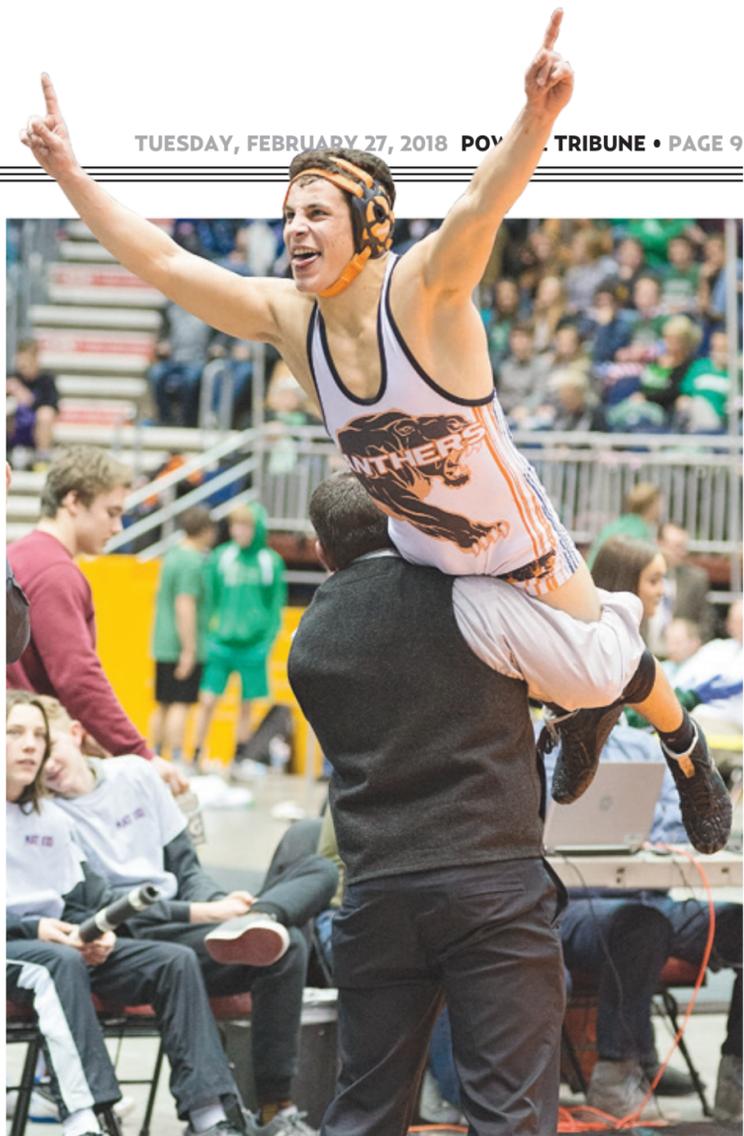
In round one, Karst pinned Hayden Johnston of Worland in 3:14, then went on to pin Seth DeWitt of Wheatland in 1:09 in the quarterfinals. In the semifinal match, Karst won by a 15-0 technical fall over Tyson Hoopes of Star Valley.

The junior capped his weekend with a 5-2 decision over Tristen Kingsley of Torrington to become a two-time state champion.

"He pretty much dominated the bracket," Powell High School head wrestling coach Nate Urbach said of Karst. "He's a kid that puts a ton of



Powell High School junior Reese Karst is held up by head coach Nate Urbach after beating Tristen Kingsley of Torrington by a 5-2 decision to win the 138-pound state championship title. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel



Powell High School sophomore Brody Karhu is lifted up by head coach Nate Urbach after pinning Wyatt Corley of Newcastle in 3:50 to win the 152-pound state championship title in Casper on Saturday at the 3A State Wrestling Championships. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

time in and goes to a bunch of different tournaments throughout the year and is a kid that really works hard to do well."

Karst, who has a goal of being a three-time state champ, said "I'm just one step closer to what I want to do."

"It feels great," he said, thanking his coaches, parents and teammates.

BRODY KARHU, 152 POUNDS

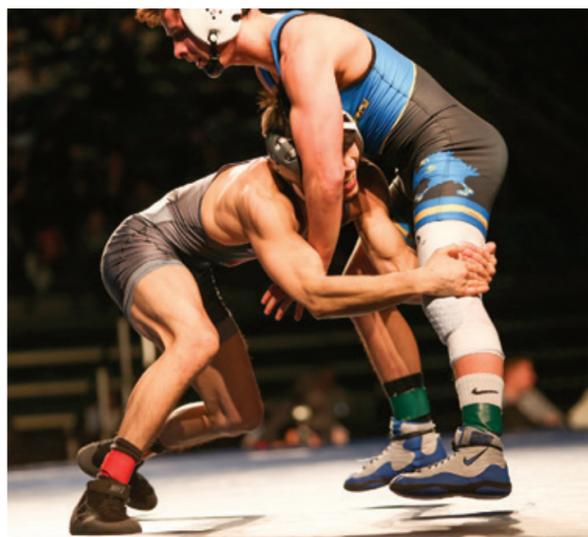
Sophomore Brody Karhu pinned all four of his opponents en route to the

title.

He began by pinning Kyler Leshner of Lander in 46 seconds, then pinned Kye Hicks of Wheatland in one minute and Christian Coffman of Douglas in 25

seconds. For the championship match, Brody Karhu — with a 36-10 record — faced off against Wyatt Corley of Newcastle, who had a 45-6 record going into the

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Northwest College wrestler Nodir Safarov shoots in on Cowley College's Marcelino Lopez in the 125-pound championship match of the 2018 NJCAA Wrestling National Championships. Safarov won the match to become NWC's lone national champion. Photo courtesy Don Kohler/IWCC

NWC weekend sports recap

The Northwest College wrestling team came home from the weekend's NJCAA National Championships in Council Bluffs, Iowa, with two All-Americans and an eighth-place team finish. Nodir Safarov won the championship title at 125 pounds, while Lisiate Anau finished as runner-up at 285 pounds. Tate Allison at 157 pounds and Jeff Oakes at 184 pounds each placed eighth.

Meanwhile, the Lady Trappers basketball team beat Gillette College 86-64 on Wednesday, Feb. 21 and Sheridan College

69-50 on Saturday. The two wins place the Lady Trappers second in Region IX, making them the hosts of the NJCAA Region IX North Play-In game on Friday.

The NWC men's basketball team ended the regular season with a pair of losses. At Gillette Wednesday, Feb. 21, the Trappers fell to the conference-leading Pronghorns 94-75. That was followed by a loss Saturday at Sheridan 97-71. The team will now travel to Riverton for the first-round play-in game against Central Wyoming College on Saturday at 4 p.m.

Lady Panthers crush Fillies to end regular season

LONE SENIOR MADDY HANKS HONORED

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Stifling second-half defense helped the Powell High School Lady Panther basketball team end the regular season with a win over Cody's Fillies.

The Powell girls (15-6 overall, 6-0 in Class 3A West's north quadrant) beat Cody 40-28 at home on Friday to follow up a 32-28 loss to Worland on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

The Lady Panthers will compete in the 3A West Regional Tournament in Pinedale this weekend.

LADY PANTHERS 40, CODY 28

PHS head coach Scott McKenzie thought his squad "played really well" against Cody (10-11 overall, 3-3 in the quadrant).

The Lady Panthers had a "great first quarter" in running out to a 13-2 lead, he said, but "we let them right back in the second quarter."

The Fillies hit three 3-pointers and scored 18 points to take a 20-19 lead at halftime.

However, the Fillies left that momentum in the locker room, as Powell bounced back to hold

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PHS junior Aubrie Stenerson eyes the basket over Cody's Erika Larsen in Friday's victory in Panther gym. Stenerson led in scoring with 13 points. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

Moments after a tough loss to the Cody Broncs Friday night, PHS junior Kaelen Groves takes a moment before joining the team in the post game handshake. The Panthers battled their way back from a 19-point deficit in the third quarter to tie the Broncs in the final seconds of the game. A shot was tipped in at the buzzer by Cody's Zech Todd for the win.

Tribune photo by Carla Wensky



Panthers lose two at the buzzer

LATE-GAME HEROICS COME UP SHORT AGAINST WORLAND, CODY

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School Panther basketball team lost their last two home games of the regular season, as last-second baskets fell through the net for both Worland and Cody.

"I was impressed with how my guys played," head coach Chase Kistler said of the two games, adding that the Panthers are playing more consistently than they have all year.

WORLAND 53, PANTHERS 50

The first basket of the Tuesday, Feb. 20, game was scored by Worland more than three minutes into the game, but that would be the Warriors' only bucket, as the Panthers led 11-2

going into the second quarter.

However, the Warriors started the second period with a 9-0 run to tie the game at 11 with 6:57 remaining; six seconds later, they took a 13-11 lead.

Neither team led by more than two points for the remainder of the quarter, until Powell took a 26-23 halftime lead.

The third quarter proved similar, as neither team led by more than three points.

Heading into the final quarter of play, it was a one-point game, with Worland up 38-37.

Worland led 50-46 in the closing minute, but Carson Heinen hit a basket to cut the Warriors' advantage to 50-48 with 28 seconds left in regulation.

Then, with 20.3 seconds left, Luke Washington stole Worland's attempt to inbound the

ball. Washington missed a shot, but Zach Meredith got the offensive rebound and was fouled with 16.3 seconds remaining.

Meredith then made both free throws to tie the game at 50.

However, Worland made a 3-point basket with one second left to win 53-50 in the Panther gym.

Meredith led with 14 points and finished with 11 boards to record a double-double. Jace Smith and Washington each scored 10. Washington also had three steals.

Heinen led the team with five assists to go along with eight boards — six defensive and two offensive.

For the game, the Panthers had only 17 turnovers.

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Piranhas add state qualifiers at Worland conference meet

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Five members of the Powell Swim Club qualified for the Wyoming Winter State Championships in new events and several swimmers improved on their previous times during the Big Horn Basin Conference Championships on Feb. 17-18.

"The meet was successful for each swimmer," said head coach Stephanie Diver. "We have been working on a lot of stroke fundamentals and correcting habits to make their strokes more efficient all season long."

Gavin Asay qualified for the state meet in the 100 breaststroke, 200 freestyle and 200 IM, Lucia Harder did so in the 50 backstroke and Kiyoko Hayano in the 100 freestyle.

Meanwhile, Gabriella Paterson and Rui Parker recently moved up to the 13-14 age group (from the 11-12 group) and each posted qualifying times.

"It's a tough hurdle in swimming when a swimmer ages up because a faster time must be earned in order to compete at winter state," explained coach Diver.

Paterson qualified in the 100 breaststroke and Parker in the 100 butterfly, 200 breaststroke and 400 IM.

Paterson "has been working tremendously hard at practice," coach Diver said. "She comes to practice with a great attitude and is always asking me what she can do to improve."

Parker had qualified for several events in the 11-12 age group, plus a couple in the 13-14 age category in previous meets, and it was "impressive to watch" his new qualifications, coach Diver said.

"It was fun for me to see all of the hard work they have put in pay off for them," Diver said of the team's performance.

She said she's looking forward to taking a handful of swimmers to the winter state meet in Laramie this weekend — and to the start of the summer season at the beginning of April.

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Gavin Asay (17 and over): 2. 100 Breaststroke 1:10.07 (9.20), 1. 100 Butterfly 1:00.72 (2.87), 4. 200 Freestyle 2:06.36 (18.21), 2. 200 IM 2:20.47 (7.81), 3. 50 Freestyle 25.98 (2.06)
Baylee Brencé (11-12): 7. 100 Backstroke 1:49.03 (6.98), 15. 100 Breaststroke 2:33.39, 15. 100 Freestyle 1:54.14, 8. 200 Freestyle 3:52.36 (2.24), 14. 50 Backstroke 52.29 (0.31), 17. 50 Breaststroke 1:03.39 (12.01), 18. 50 Freestyle 45.69 (2.02)
Charlie Brencé (11-12): 9. 100 Backstroke 2:06.20 (15.67), 13. 100 Breaststroke 2:01.63 (5.31), 17. 100 Freestyle 2:00.84, 9. 200 Freestyle 4:07.18 (17.97), 16. 50 Backstroke 56.75 (0.86), 15. 50 Breaststroke 53.97 (1.31), 19. 50 Freestyle 46.41
Emma Brencé (11-12): 6. 100 Butterfly 2:00.31, 18. 100 Freestyle 2:01.66, 12. 100 IM 1:57.08 (2.31), 17. 50 Backstroke 57.01, 16. 50 Breaststroke 1:01.02, 12. 50 Butterfly 53.38 (0.12), 20. 50 Freestyle 47.01
Kathryn Brencé (11-12): 8. 100 Backstroke 1:58.28 (6.35), 14. 100 Breaststroke 2:03.19 (18.02), 16. 100 Freestyle 2:00.29 (2.46), 13. 100 IM 1:59.03, 15. 50 Backstroke 54.52 (0.93), 18. 50 Breaststroke 1:04.26, 23. 50 Freestyle 53.08

Kaeden Carter (9-10): 23. 50 Backstroke 1:00.10 (3.74), 22. 50 Freestyle 54.22
Patricia Christensen (9-10): 17. 50 Backstroke 52.70, 14. 50 Freestyle 43.67 (0.01)
Karee Cooley (9-10): 6. 100 Breaststroke 1:47.40 (1.71), 6. 100 Freestyle 1:25.25 (2.15), 7. 100 IM 1:34.18 (6.57), 7. 200 Freestyle 3:08.88 (3.50), 8. 50 Breaststroke 49.47 (1.03), 5. 50 Butterfly 45.59 (3.71)
Kinley Cooley (11-12): 6. 100 Breaststroke 1:35.24 (7.06), 3. 50 Backstroke 38.91 (2.26), 7. 50 Breaststroke 46.11, 14. 50 Freestyle 36.66 (1.10), 4. 500 Freestyle 7:58.91 (25.76)
Kaitlin Diver (9-10): 12. 100 Backstroke 1:56.00 (4.26), 11. 100 Freestyle 1:39.32, 13. 100 IM 1:57.16, 7. 200 IM 4:17.94, 22. 50 Backstroke 57.80, 15. 50 Breaststroke 59.52 (1.33), 9. 50 Butterfly 59.04, 11. 50 Freestyle 41.07 (0.86)
Kobus Diver (11-12): 6. 100 Backstroke 1:38.76, 4. 100 Breaststroke 1:42.40 (2.11), 7. 100 Freestyle 1:24.42, 7. 100 IM 1:32.09 (7.28), 8. 200 Freestyle 3:03.42 (7.01), 9. 50 Backstroke 45.32, 8. 50 Breaststroke 48.018. 50 Freestyle 34.49 (0.36)
Aiden Greenwald (11-12): 7. 200 Freestyle 2:56.85, 7. 50 Backstroke 39.86 (0.85), 6. 50 Breaststroke 44.85
Kaylen Greenwald (9-10): 15. 50 Backstroke 51.23 (2.10), 13. 50 Breaststroke 55.53 (2.10), 19. 50 Freestyle 48.91 (1.96)
Dakota Hansen (13-14): 8. 100 Backstroke 1:29.80, 7. 100 Breaststroke 1:37.27 (0.86), 10. 100 Freestyle 1:24.90, 5. 200 Breaststroke 3:30.26, 8. 200 Freestyle 3:03.44, 9. 200 Freestyle 3:08.25 (8.24), 9. 50 Freestyle 35.45
Aaron Harder (17 & Over): 2. 100 Backstroke 1:05.69 (0.27), 2. 100 Butterfly 1:01.93, 1. 100 Freestyle 54.66 (0.94), 2. 200 Freestyle 2:04.25 (2.22), 3. 200 IM 2:22.23 (1.46), 1. 500 Freestyle 5:54.86 (4.18)
Grace Harder (13-14): 9. 100 Backstroke 1:32.79 (10.97), 5. 100 Breaststroke 1:33.92, 5. 100 Butterfly 1:33.19 (3.31), 8. 100 Freestyle 1:18.38, 5. 200 Backstroke 3:19.79, 4. 200 Breaststroke 3:20.21, 2. 200 Butterfly 3:45.25, 7. 200 Freestyle 2:54.30, 8. 200 IM 3:05.17 (2.69), 3. 400 IM 6:46.29, 8. 50 Freestyle 33.88 (0.97), 7. 500 Freestyle 7:43.99 (5.65)
Lucia Harder (11-12): 3. 100 Butterfly 1:27.86 (5.74), 5. 100 Freestyle 1:14.94, 5. 100 IM 1:25.59 (2.72), 2. 200 Freestyle 2:47.12 (4.85), 2. 200 IM 3:03.60 (11.22), 2. 50 Backstroke 37.83 (1.84), 5. 50 Breaststroke 43.59 (2.17), 2. 50 Butterfly 35.36 (1.16), 4. 50 Freestyle 31.74 (0.32), 2. 500 Freestyle 7:25.34 (0.15)
Kiyoko Hayano (11-12): 3. 100 Backstroke 1:19.73, 2. 100 Breaststroke 1:30.56, 2. 100 Butterfly 1:22.55 (1.48), 3. 100 Freestyle 1:07.22 (2.10), 2. 100 IM 1:17.59 (1.33)
Nathan Johnston (13-14): 1. 100 Breaststroke 1:09.50 (2.47), 2. 100 Butterfly 1:08.67 (0.54), 2. 100 Freestyle 58.57 (1.25), 1. 200 Breaststroke 2:36.49 (2.94), 2. 200 Freestyle 2:11.36 (4.36), 2. 50 Freestyle 26.26 (0.30)
Rui Parker (13-14): 1. 100 Backstroke 1:07.18, 3. 100 Butterfly 1:10.26 (1.79), 4. 100 Freestyle 59.36, 1. 200 Backstroke 2:23.7 (9.86), 4. 200 Breaststroke 2:58.32 (46.99), 3. 200 Freestyle 2:13.00, 1. 400 IM 5:24.79 (6.76), 4. 50 Freestyle 27.28
Gabriella Paterson (13-14): 7. 100 Backstroke 1:20.89 (3.38), 4. 100 Breaststroke 1:28.53 (3.05), 5. 100 Freestyle 1:08.56 (1.23), 6. 200 Freestyle 2:34.23 (1.79), 5. 200 IM 2:51.98 (4.70), 5. 50 Freestyle 30.83 (0.98), 6. 500 Freestyle 7:00.46 (12.29)
Francis Rogers (13-14): 9. 100 Backstroke 1:17.31, 6. 100 Breaststroke 1:23.94, 6. 100 Freestyle 1:05.36, 6. 200 Breaststroke 3:0185, 7. 200 Freestyle 2:31.93, 4. 200 IM 2:38.78, 7. 50 Freestyle 28.86
Joshua Wright (15-16): 3. 100 Backstroke 1:10.66, 3. 100 Breaststroke 1:30.81, 3. 100 Freestyle 1:05.91, 3. 200 Backstroke 2:34.72, 2. 200 Breaststroke 3:14.34, 3. 200 Freestyle 2:26.93, 3. 200 IM 2:50.95, 2. 400 IM 6:05.63 (2.23), 3. 50 Freestyle 29.28, 2. 500 Freestyle 6:41.70

*Place, event, time, (improvement)

PHS GBB: Lady Panthers head to region Thursday to take on Pinedale

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Cody to just eight points in the second half, coming away with a 40-28 win.

"Just had one bad quarter there," coach McKenzie said. "Which was good for us to respond to what they [Cody] did as we head to tournament."

A total of six Lady Panthers put points onto the board — the last time that happened was in a Feb. 10 game against Lyman.

Aubrie Stenerson led with 13 points, while Rachel Bonander had 12.

Also putting points on the board were Maddy Hanks with six, Katie McKenzie with five and Karlie McKenzie and Devon Curtis with two apiece.

Hanks led on boards with nine — seven defensive and two offensive. Bonander had seven rebounds.

Both Hanks and Karlie McKenzie had four assists.

For steals, Stenerson led the team with four; Hanks, Karlie McKenzie and Katie McKenzie each had two.

The Lady Panthers had a total of 11 steals against 13 turnovers.

For shooting percentages, Powell shot 20 percent from the 3-point arc, 54 percent from inside the arc and 80 percent at the free throw line.

"A great win for us heading into tournament," coach McKenzie said.

With it being the last home game of the regular season, the Lady Panthers recognized their lone senior, Hanks. Coach McKenzie said it was "a special night to win that game for Maddy [Hanks] for her senior night."

"She's been a great leader for us — she's a one in a million person and we thank her for everything she's done for the Lady Panther basketball program," coach McKenzie said.

WORLAND 32, LADY PANTHERS 28

On Tuesday, Feb. 20, Worland's Lady Warriors (8-11 overall) came to Panther Gym and went home with a 32-28 win.

"We couldn't score," said coach McKenzie.

Throughout the game, the Lady Panthers only made seven shots from the field — four baskets from Bonander and three from



After leaving the home court for the final time, Maddy Hanks receives a hug from assistant coach Troy Hildebrand. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

Stenerson; Bonander ended the game with 11 points and Stenerson finished with 10.

"Just a weird game for us," coach McKenzie said.

Throughout the game, the Lady Warriors made a total of five 3-point baskets, while the Lady Panthers made zero.

The Lady Panthers have been averaging 3.3 shots from behind the arc. Coach McKenzie said the lack of 3-point baskets was a difference in the game.

Fourteen of the Lady Panthers' points came from the field, while the other 14 came from free throws, as the Lady Panthers went 14 for 19 at the charity stripe.

Powell shot 74 percent from the free throw line and 27 percent from inside the arc. The Lady Panthers also had 18 turnovers, above their season average of 15.

Bonander had her third double-double in three games, finishing with 11 points and 11 rebounds — eight on defense and three on offense. For the season, Bonander has 10 double-doubles out of the 20 games played.

She also blocked six shots against the Lady Warriors.

Stenerson had four steals and both Maddy Hanks and Karlie McKenzie had three each. Katie McKenzie led in assists, with three.

Despite the loss, coach McKenzie said the game was a "great opportunity to learn from that as we head to tournament, because I thought the girl's really flipped that for the game against Cody."

The Lady Panthers are in the No. 1 position for the 3A West North Quadrant and will play No. 4 Pinedale (3-19 overall) in the 3A West South Quadrant at 5 p.m. on Thursday. In the previous encounter between the Lady Panthers and the Lady Wranglers, Powell won 39-22.

PHS' Friday game time depends on the result of Thursday evening's game.

"We hope to achieve our goal and qualify for state," coach McKenzie said of the regional tournament. "You got to win two before you lose two."

Advertisement for Powell Tribune's 'Barnyard to the Backyard' series. The ad features a tractor in a field and the headline 'We grow the barley, why not the hops?'. It includes a sub-headline 'Gluten Free Oats seeks breakthrough' and a photo of a man, likely related to the article on oat production.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be accepted until 2:00 PM on Tuesday February 27, 2018 at Northwest College, Orendorff Administration Building, Room 106, 231 West Sixth Street, Powell, Wyoming 82435 for 2018 Pre-Asbestos Abatement - Renovation and HVAC Upgrade Project, Johnson Fitness Center and Moyer Building, Northwest College, Powell, Wyoming. Bids will be opened and evaluated by the Owner at that time and read aloud.
The Base Bid consists of the removal and disposal of the following asbestos-containing materials located in the Johnson Fitness Center and adjoining Moyer Building:
9" or 12" Floor tile and associated black mastic from the concrete subfloor; and White woven HVAC vibration collars.
In addition, the base bid includes the removal of the wallboard ceiling system in two adjoining rooms from within a negative pressure full containment. Following removal, the ceiling materials may be disposed as general construction waste.
Bids will be received for one overall contract covering the abatement work. Bid bonds are not required. Performance and payment bonds are required.
Owner will provide a verbal or written Notice to Proceed to selected Contractor on February 27, 2018. The selected Contractor must be prepared on that date to submit the required Notification to the State of Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality. On that same date Contractor shall submit

required Notification to the Wyoming Work Force. The work on this project is scheduled to commence as soon as possible on or after Saturday March 3, 2018 and no later than March 12, 2018 with final completion, including clearance testing and containment tear-down, by March 30, 2018.
Pre-Bid Site Visit and walk through can be arranged by contacting Dave Plute, Facilities Director, 307-754-6025, david.plute@nwc.edu at the Physical Plant Office, 839 Road 9 1/2, Powell, Wyoming on or before February 22, 2018 at 11:00 am.
Bids shall be submitted on the form provided with the contract documents, which are available from Northern Industrial Hygiene, Inc., 201 South 30th Street, Billings Montana 59101, Phone406-245-7766, Contact: Mr. Mark Oliver, moliver@bridgeband.com. Each bidder and contractor must have a valid City of Powell, Wyoming business license.
In determining the lowest responsive proposal, the Owner will consider cost as a primary criterion. The Owner will also consider whether the bidder is a responsible bidder. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all proposals.
Dated this 15th day of February, 2018
First Publ., Tues., Feb. 20, 2018
Second Publ., Thurs., Feb. 22, 2018
Third Publ., Tues., Feb. 27, 2018

Restructure notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Public Service Commission of Wyoming's (Commission) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Joint Application (Application) of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU), MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDUR) and MDU Energy Capital, LLC (MDUEC) (collectively the Parties) for approval of a corporate reorganization, as more fully described below:
MDU is a public utility as defined in Wyo. §§

37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and (D), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.
On January 31, 2018, the Parties filed their Application with the Commission requesting approval of a corporate reorganization wherein MDU will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of a newly formed holding company. If approved, MDU and Great Plains Natural Gas Co. (Great Plains), currently operating divisions of MDUR, will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of a newly formed holding company. As part of the transaction, the newly formed stand-alone subsidiary will be called Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and will have a Division, Great Plains.
The reorganization is being undertaken for the benefit of separating and insulating the MDUR's public utility businesses in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, and Minnesota from its other business activities. After the restructuring, utility services in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, and Minnesota will be provided exclusively through Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. A new holding company, using the name MDU Resources Group, Inc., which will engage in business activities through separate subsidiaries. There will be no change in the manner in which utility service is provided to MDU's customers in Wyoming.
All costs associated with securing the necessary approvals for the reorganization will be borne by the MDUR. MDUR will not seek to recover any portion thereof in utility rates through its regulated subsidiaries.
This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at the Commission's offices, located at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming. The Application is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours or online at: <http://psc.state.wy.us/>.
Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must file with the Commission in writing on or before March 21, 2018. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the

interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.
If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing, which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket Nos. 30013-332-GA-18 and/or 20004-128-EA-18 (Record No. 14935) in your communications.
Dated: February 21, 2018.
First Publ., Tues., Feb. 27, 2018
Final Publ., Tues., March 6, 2018

City minutes

City Council Proceedings
February 20, 2018
The governing body of the City of Powell met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on February 20, 2018 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Wetzel opened the meeting and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Wetzel called the meeting to order and the following were present: Mayor John Wetzel, Council Members Lesli Spencer, Tim Sapp, Jim Hillberry, Floyd Young, Eric Paul and Scott Mangold. City Officials: City Administrator Zane Logan, City Clerk Tiffany Brando, Deputy City Attorney Scott Kath, Director of Public Works Gary Butts and Finance Director Kaela Nelson. Approval of Agenda: Councilwoman Spencer moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Approval of February 5, 2018 meeting minutes. Councilman Sapp moved to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Bills and Claims: Mayor Wetzel abstained #50 and Councilman Hillberry abstained #52. Councilman Young made a motion the bills be allowed and authorize the Treasurer to draw warrants for payment of the same, seconded by Councilman

Lady Panther JV basketball concludes season at home

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School junior varsity Lady Panther basketball team ended their season at home with losses to Worland (28-16) on Feb. 20 and Cody (43-32) on Friday.

The PHS girls ended the year with an 8-11 record.

"This group may have some areas of basketball that we will need to continue to develop, but as a coach, this was a tremendous group to work with," said JV coach Troy Hildebrand. "These girls showed up every day

with great attitudes and put their best effort into each game."

WORLAND 28, POWELL 16

Against the Lady Warriors, "we just never seemed to get into any kind of rhythm on offense," Hildebrand said. "We shot the ball very poorly throughout this game."

The Lady Panthers lost 28-16.

"The girls battled very hard on defense and did an outstanding job of keeping Worland under 30 points, but only managing 16 ourselves, this game wasn't really close after it was 16-8 Worland at the half," Hildebrand

said. Hildebrand added that "Devon Curtis was a bright spot early in the game as she scored five points in the first period."

Also putting points on the board were Brea Terry with four, Michele Wagner and Gabi Metzler each hit a 3-pointer and Sabrina Shoopman added one.

CODY 48, POWELL 32

Friday's loss to Cody "was actually a much closer game than the final score indicated," said Hildebrand. The Lady Panthers drew even with

the Fillies JV at halftime, 18-18, but "Cody had a very hot shooting third period and built a seven-point cushion before they pulled away a little more in the fourth quarter," he said.

"We were much more aggressive on offense in this game and we attacked the basket as well as we have all year," Hildebrand said. "That was a real positive in our last game."

Wagner had "another solid outing" with 12 points while Kortny Feller "was our spark plug in the second quarter, as she scored five of her points to get us back in the game there," Hildebrand said.

Brea Terry added six points and Jasmyne Lensegrav had five behind the first 3-pointer of her career.

Shoopman, meanwhile, "continued her solid play with two" and AnaMia Davila "chipped in one and played her usual tenacious defense for us" Hildebrand said.

For the season as a whole, "I was actually very pleased with their progress throughout the season and the individual growth that many of them showed," the coach said. "A lot of these girls just need a little more court experience and confidence in their games moving forward."

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Mangold, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. PUBLIC HEARING: Budget Amendment – General Fund Police Department. Attorney Kath opened the meeting at 6:03 PM. No comments closed 6:04 PM. Resolution No 1, 2018: A Resolution to Amend the 2017-2018 Budget. Councilman Mangold moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Hillberry, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Committee Update: Councilman Mangold gave a Recreation Board update and Mayor Wetzel gave update on WAM and legislature. Ordinance No 2, 2018 title Read by Attorney Kath: AN Ordinance Re-zoning Cason Addition Phase I, from Agricultural Cultivation District (A-C) to General Residential District (R-G). Attorney Kath spoke to update removing language for lots 1-6 and referencing same area of land. Councilman Hillberry moved to approve on second reading, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Employee Benefit Management Services, LLC Administrative Services Agreement: Administrator Logan spoke that has been reviewed by legal and staff. Councilman Young move to approve and authorize all necessary signatures, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. General Announcements: Administrator Logan informed Council capital improvement plan will be complete this week and the search for an Electrical Supt has been suspended until later this spring.

There being no further business to be considered at this meeting, Councilman Young moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Paul unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Mayor Wetzel adjourned the regular meeting at 6:13 p.m.

APPROVED:
/s/ John F. Wetzel
Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ Tiffany Brando
City Clerk
Publ., Tues., Feb. 27, 2018

County minutes

Park County Board of County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Chairman Grosskopf called to order a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Park County, Wyoming, on Tuesday, February 6, 2018. Present were Chairman Loren Grosskopf, Vice Chairman Jake Fulkerson, Commissioners Lee Livingston, Tim French, Joe Tilden, and Clerk Colleen Renner.

Nicholle Gerharter led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action Items and Other Business:
Approve-Minutes
The minutes from January 16, 2018 were presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Livingston moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Tilden and motion carried.

Approve-Payroll
Payroll was presented in the amount of \$527,539.84 which included one bi-weekly with insurance and the monthly payroll of \$81,037.79 to the Board for approval. Commissioner Tilden moved to approve payroll, seconded by Commissioner Fulkerson and motion carried.

Approve-Vouchers
The following vouchers were presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Livingston moved to approve the vouchers as presented seconded by Commissioner Fulkerson and motion carried:

Payee	Amount
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	1,067.02
A & I DISTRIBUTORS	621.85
ALBERTSONS - SAFEWAY	254.45
ALDRICH'S - POWELL	132.80
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC.	24.13
APPLIED CONCEPTS, INC.	1,901.50
AT&T MOBILITY	2,111.82
B & B FLEET SERVICE	360.34
BANGERT, BRENDA	17.83
BASIN EQUIPMENT REPAIR	1,260.00
BEAR CO., INC.	582.70
BENNETT, M.D., THOMAS L.	4,050.00
BIG HORN GALLERIES	104.60
BIG HORN WHOLESALE, INC.	2,095.99
BIG SKY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	352.00
BIG VALLEY BEARING & SUPPLY, INC.	95.07
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	3,025.72
BLAIR'S MARKET	26.55
BOB BARKER COMPANY	946.69
BONINE, DUNCAN	97.89
BONNER LAW OFFICE	3,300.67
BRANDON-WINTERMOTE, KIMBERLY	89.17
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION	100.00
BUSH, DEBORA	102.25
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS - #064250	13.77
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	4,906.45
CENTURYLINK	5,466.43
CENTURYLINK BUSINES SERVICES	3.03
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	392.09
CODY ACE HARDWARE	589.11
CODY ENTERPRISE	323.61
CODY WINNELSON CO.	452.72
CODY, CITY OF	21,716.85
COPENHAVER KATH KITCHEN & KOLPITCKE LLC	400.00
COULTER CAR CARE CENTER	122.00
CRUM ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	83.02
CUSTOM GARAGE DOOR LLC	75.00
DE HAAN ELECTRONICS	1,208.98
ENERGY LABORATORIES, INC.	270.00
ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES	9,098.28
FASTENAL	111.35
FREMONT MOTOR CODY, INC.	688.49
FREMONT MOTOR POWELL, INC.	639.07
GALLS, LLC	15.99
GRAINGER	473.13
GUERTIN, ANDREW	30.30
HEARTLAND PAPER COMPANY	2,031.91
HINZE, BOBBIE	28.89
HONNEN EQUIPMENT CO.	62.03
INTERSTATE BATTERIES	116.95
IVERSON SANITATION	50.00
K-B COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS	64.80
KELLY, DEBBIE	27.41
KENCO SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY	341.75
KOIS BROTHERS EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.	535.30
LEON UNIFORM COMPANY, INC.	243.00
LINTONS BIG R, INC.	201.16
LOEPER, JESSICA	6,935.00
MAJESTIC LUBE, INC.	52.95
MAXX DIESEL REPAIR	300.00
MCBROOM, MATTHEW A.	18.64
MCCARTY, REED, & EARHART, ATTYS L.C.	510.00
MCHLER, TYCEE JO	218.11
MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY	50.00
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.	554.76
MORGENWECK, BARB	48.75
MORRISON, MARION	91.35

MOTOR PARTS, INC.	23.56
MOUNTAIN WEST COMPUTER	29.60
MURDOCH OIL, INC.	18,967.20
NACE	200.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS	101.94
NATIONAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	462.23
NATRONA COUNTY LEGAL DEPARTMENT	3,835.00
NEMONT	47.85
NORCO, INC.	24.30
NORTHWEST RURAL WATER DISTRICT	82.89
OFFICE SHOP, THE	3,193.38
ONSOLVE	15,000.00
PARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	40.00
PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE, INC.	46,500.00
PENWELL, STEVE	54.95
PLANET HEADSET	193.55
POWELL ACE HARDWARE, LLC	193.86
POWELL TRIBUNE, INC.	46.85
POWELL WELDING AND INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY LLC	86.20
POWELL, CITY OF	7,172.91
PRECISION SHOOTING SOLUTIONS	3,955.00
PRODUCTION MACHINE CORP.	593.11
PROFESSIONAL DISPATCH MANAGEMENT	590.00
PUTNEY, LINDA	100.07
QUILL CORPORATION	133.68
RIMROCK TIRE CO - CODY	891.60
RIMROCK TIRE CO - POWELL	146.90
ROCKY MOUNTAIN CUSTOM PHOTOGRAPHIC	14.00
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	2,187.28
SABER PEST CONTROL	80.00
SELBSY, INC.	232.73
SHOSHONE OFFICE SUPPLY, INC.	1,679.90
STROHS INDUSTRIAL LUBRICATION	72.00
SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF MONTANA	3,944.19
TCT WEST, INC.	8,567.77
THOMAS, CATHERINE	10.00
THOMPSON REUTERS - WEST	678.37
TIRE-RAMA BLGS INTERSTATE	490.00
TITAN MACHINERY	213.06
TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO	709.99
TW ENTERPRISES, INC.	1,635.28
UPD CIVIL PROCESS DIVISION	72.50
UPS STORE, THE	150.95
VERIZON WIRELESS	215.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	71.42
VERIZON WIRELESS	26.68
VERIZON WIRELESS	50.06
VILOS, BRANDEN S.	226.72
VISIONARY COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	78.30
WAL MART COMMUNITY/GEMB	810.55
WAYNE'S BOOT SHOP	100.00
WHITLOCK MOTORS	38.90
WYDOT - FINANCIAL SERVICES	2,739.00
WYOMING BEHAVIORAL INSTITUTE	6,850.00
WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	39,876.09
WYOMING DEPT. OF WORKFORCE SERVICES	6,083.28
WYOMING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIV	52.38
WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY	285.00
WYOMING STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER	400.00
TOTAL	263,592.42

Approve and allow Chair to sign Cooperative Law Enforcement Annual Operating Plan and Financial Plan between the Park County Sheriff's Office and the USDA, Forest Service Shoshone National Forest (Scott Steward, Park County Sheriff)

This agreement is flexible depending on the needs of law enforcement within the boundaries of the National Forest. Sheriff Steward stated the county attorney approved this contract years ago and it has not changed. He also stated he is working to improve the relationship between entities. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to allow the chair to sign, reluctantly knowing the patrol activities will probably exceed the \$8,700 but that total is the amount the county will receive regarding with contract, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.

Approve and sign Hooper SUP-158 Resolution and Permit (Linda Gillett, Planning Director)

This SUP includes the agreements made between the applicants and neighbors, as approved at the last meeting. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve Hooper SUP-158 with the corrections, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-08.

Approve and sign Resolution for Appointment of Delegated Local Officials for Small Wastewater Administration (Linda Gillett, Planning Director)

The Commissioners hereby designate Linda Gillett and Kim Dillivan as Small Wastewater Administrators, the local officials who are authorized to enforce and administer the small wastewater permitting program within the county. Commissioner Livingston moved to approve this resolution, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-09.

Approve updated Park County Personnel Form: New Employees or Modification for Existing Employees (Colleen Renner, Park County Clerk)

To make comparisons easier when changing a current employee's pay, the new and old rates of pay will be presented on this form. It will also require Department Head/Elected Official signatures. Commissioner French made a motion to accept and approve the use of the new form, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried.

Approve Cody Heritage Museum's request to use grounds near the Courthouse and DeMaris House for Field of Honor event, June 9-16, 2018

The Field of Honor organizers would like to use the Courthouse and DeMaris property to display the flags. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to allow this event, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried. Ms. Gerharter will communicate with Ms. Zink and Mike Garza, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent.

Approve and sign Legacy Reserves leases

Two one-year leases for Legacy Reserves were presented for consideration. Square footage for these leases are 2,637 and 8,722 and are located in the Complex. After discussion, Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve and sign the leases, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Ms. Gerharter will give copies of completed leases to Mike Garza, Buildings & Grounds Superintendent.

Theresa Donley and John Gordnier – RE: Presentation on proposed visitor center

Mr. Gordnier thanked the commissioners for their time and noted they are not here for money, but for support in giving the Chamber of Commerce building a more modern, welcoming visitor center in Cody. Topics of discussion were the land, buildings, funding, how the property would be updated, maintenance, ownership, and setting up a trust fund for the future. The commissioners encouraged them to move forward in their processes and offered to give favorable support to the idea.

Mark Russler, Executive Director, Yellowstone Behavioral Health Center

RE: Approve and allow Chair to sign letter of support

Mr. Russler stated this is a request to accompany their application for the SFY 2019-20 Outpatient and Regional Mental Health Treatment and Quality of Life funding. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to allow the chair to sign the letter of support, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried.

Tim Waddell, Solid Waste Manager & Sandie Morris, Solid Waste Office Manager – RE: Open bids for loader	
Mr. Waddell received two bids within the designated time coordinates. Tractor & Equipment, Great Falls, MT bid \$311,385.00 minus \$123,000 for trade for a total bid of \$188,385.00. Honnen Equipment, Mills, WY bid \$325,201.84 minus \$105,000 for trade for a total bid of \$220,201.84. Mr. Waddell will come back later today with his recommendation.	
Colleen Renner, Park County Clerk – RE: Approve and allow Chair to sign Mineral Royalty Grant #13346, Building Community Through Fairgrounds Structure Draft Request #6	
When the last request was sent to the State Lands & Investments Board, it was brought to the Clerk's attention that they had not received the documentation for request #2 from Park County's grants coordinator. After researching the issue, it was determined the documentation was never submitted for reimbursement. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve and allow the chair to sign this request for payment from the state in the amount of \$195,690.56, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried.	
Tomi Baker, Administrative Assistant, Cedar Mountain Center – RE: Approve and sign letter of support	
Ms. Baker stated Cedar Mountain Center has provided both outpatient and inpatient mental health and substance abuse counseling over the past 40 years. Commissioner Livingston made a motion to support, approve and sign the letter, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried.	
Brian Edwards, Park County Engineer – RE: Approve and allow Chair to sign WYDOT form M-3A and approve and sign associated business letter as related to curb improvements for the DeMaris Building	
Mr. Edwards presented the M3-A Access Application which is requesting curb improvements on Sheridan Avenue. The plan is to re-establish two handicapped parking spaces, add a general parking space on Sheridan Avenue and consider improving/replacing the handicap crossing ramps to be completed in the 2020 construction season with hopes this will be included in the upcoming Cody Street project (N311097). Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve signing the request letter, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.	
Commissioners – RE: Recognize Jay Ward's 23 years of service to Park County	
Chairman Grosskopf presented a framed photograph and plaque to Jay Ward for his service with the Park County Landfill.	
Executive Session.	
Commissioner Livingston moved to go into executive session pursuant to Wyoming State Statute § 16-4-405(a) (ix), seconded by Commissioner Tilden and unanimously carried. Commissioner Livingston moved to come out of executive session, seconded by Commissioner Tilden and unanimously carried. There were no decisions made in this session.	
Executive Session.	
Commissioner Tilden moved to go into executive session pursuant to Wyoming State Statute § 16-4-405(a) (x), seconded by Commissioner	

Fulkerson and unanimously carried. Commissioner Fulkerson moved to come out of executive session, seconded by Commissioner French and unanimously carried. There were no decisions made in this session.	
Commissioner Tilden – RE: Draft legislative bills pertaining to Wyoming Retirement plans	
Commissioner Tilden presented his opposition to two draft bills. The first would alter the refund non-vested employees receive. The second would mandate employees, not employers, contribute a percentage of their income to the retirement plan. After further discussion, Commissioner Tilden made a motion to write a letter of opposition to the local legislators with copies to Governor Mead and the Wyoming County Commissioners Association, Commissioner French seconded. Commissioners Fulkerson and Livingston voted opposed. Commissioner Grosskopf voted in support of writing the letter of opposition, and the motion carried.	
Tim Waddell, Solid Waste Manger & Sandie Morris, Solid Waste Office Manager – RE: Award bid for loader	
Mr. Waddell returned with his recommendation. Both bids met specifications and he recommended acceptance of the low bid from Tractor & Equipment. Commissioner Livingston made a motion to accept his recommendation, Commissioner French seconded, and motion carried.	
Adjourn.	
Commissioner Tilden made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner French seconded and the motion carried.	
Loren Grosskopf, Chairman Jake Fulkerson, Vice Chairman Tim A. French, Commissioner Lee Livingston, Commissioner Joseph E. Tilden, Commissioner	
Attest: Colleen Renner, County Clerk Publ., Tues., Feb. 27, 2018	

Sign variance

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Heart Mountain Interpretive Center Sign Variance
Tuesday, March 20th, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. the Park County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing to consider the request of the Heart Mountain Wyoming Foundation for a variance to sign standards to increase the permitted sign size from 80 sq. ft. up to 240 sq. ft. The property where the sign will be located is part of Farm Unit J, T54N, R100W, 6th PM, Park County, WY, in a GR-P (General Rural Powell) zoning district. Property has an address of 1539 Road 19. This sign will be visible from Hwy 14-A.
The hearing will be held in the Commissioners Meeting Room #105 in the Original Courthouse, 1002 Sheridan Ave., Cody, WY. Anyone wishing to comment on this matter is encouraged to attend, or submit comments to the Planning & Zoning Department, Suite #109, 1002 Sheridan Ave., Cody, WY 82414. For more information call 527-8540 or 754-8540.
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City payments

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLAIMS			
1 360 Office	Finance	109.64	Copy Machine Fees
2 Absaroka Doors	Shop	234.65	Shop Door Repairs
3 Aldrich & Company	Parks	43.98	Paint & Paint Supplies
4 Alscoc	Building	115.59	Mat Cleaning
5 Bailey Enterprises	Various	7,075.90	January Fuel Purchases
6 Barton, Delmar	Parks	128.07	Mileage Reimbursement for WGGA in Casper
7 BCN Telecom	Various	127.63	January Long Distance Charges
8 Big Valley Bearing & Supply	Parks	26.03	Broom Sprocket
9 Blair's Market	Council	89.01	Employee Recognition Certificates
10 BMI	Clerk	314.10	Annual Music Licensing Fees for Commons
11 Carquest	Shop	27.14	Filters
12 CenturyLink	Electric	45.98	January Phone Line Charges for Sub Station
13 Charter Communications	Various	7.42	Monthly Cable Fees
14 Chief Supply	Police	87.31	Drug Testing Supplies
15 City of Billings	Sanitation	8,841.80	January Tipping Fees
16 C N A Surety	Other General	250.00	Annual Bond Fees for Treasurer
17 Cody Enterprise	Other General	571.50	Employment Advertising Fees
18 Colonial Research Chemical Corp	Electric	156.68	Bathroom Spray
19 Crum Electric Supply Co	Elec, Sani	505.36	Pipe Nipples & Fuses
20 Custom Delivery Service	Waste Water	91.08	Lab Delivery Fees
21 Drivpayments	Water	65.63	January Credit Card Fees for Water Dock
22 Energy Labs	Waste Water	460.00	Waste Water Testing
23 Fastenal	Shop	8.73	Hardware
24 Ferguson Enterprises Inc	Water	202.65	Fire Hydrant Stem
25 Food Services of America	Aquatics	473.63	Concession Supplies
26 Fremont Beverages	Aquatics	21.50	Gatorade
27 Garland Light & Power	Airport, W Wat	3,650.93	January Electric Bills
28 General Distributing	Aquatics	428.00	CO2
29 Gullion, Willis C	Streets	120.00	Work Boots
30 Hasler Inc	Other General	50.00	Annual ACH Fee on Postage Machine
31 Hawkins Inc	Aquatics	1,709.36	Chemicals
32 Hillberry, James	Council	14.17	Mileage Reimbursement Pipeline Meeting
33 John Deere Financial	Various	292.69	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
34 Kois Brothers Equipment	Streets	927.36	Vibrator for Sander
35 Long Building Technologies	Cap Proj	6,625.00	3rd Quarter Contract Fees
36 McIntosh Oil, Inc	Shop	195.00	Di-Electric Hyd Fluid
37 Miller Fabrication	Streets	142.59	Repair Mold Board
38 Montana Dakota Utilities	Various	8,966.43	Monthly Natural Gas Billing
39 Mountain West Computer	Various	1,025.49	Computer Tower, Ink, Phone Cord, Hard Drive & Pens
40 Napa Auto Parts	Various	356.18	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
41 National Merchant Alliance	Aquatics	212.97	January Card Processing Fees
42 Nexgen Municipal	Sanitation	856.64	Transformer For Power Pac
43 Nickles, Lloyd	Electric	164.86	Net Metering Refund for 2017
44 O'Reilly Automotive	Streets	144.58	Fuel Pump
45 One-Call of Wyoming	Other General	70.75	January Dig Tickets & Annual Membership Fee
46 Peterbuilt of Wyoming	Sanitation	209.66	Wiper Switch
47 Plaza Diane	Electric	199.55	2017 Net Metering Refund
48 Powell Ace Hardware	Various	26.73	Pipe, Pinesol, Bolts, Nuts & Batteries
49 Powell Electric	Shop	21.77	Light Pans
50 Powell Tribune	Various	1,203.88	Misc Advertising & Publishing for January
51 Powell Valley Recycling Task Force	Sanitation	5,209.52	January Recycling Fees Collected
52 Production Machine Company	Various	56.65	Rec Tube, Bolts & Labor
53 Quality Propane	Water	16.80	Propane
54 Quill	Police	30.98	Wall Clock
55 Rimrock Tire	Streets	89.90	Grader Tire Repair
56 Rocky Mountain Fire Systems Inc	Sanitation	515.00	Semi Annual Alarm Monitoring Fees & Repairs to Heat Detector
57 Safety Solutions	Electric	570.00	Gloves
58 Sanders Plumbing & Heating	Building	158.31	Toilet Repairs
59 Shopko Stores	Building, Shop	49.19	Cleaning Supplies & Tote
60 Shoshone Municipal Pipeline	Water	62,307.10	January Tap & Water Usage Fees
61 State of Wyo Department of Rev	Various	23,754.29	January Sales Tax Collected
62 Stotz Equipment	Streets	984.66	Ventrac Broom
63 Symbolarts	Police	125.00	Badge
64 Teton County Sheriff's Office	Police	220.00	Class Registration Fee C Miner
65 Valli Information System Inc	Finance	79.25	January Online & OTC Fees
66 Vanek, James	Parks	128.07	Mileage Reimbursement WGGA in Casper
67 Visa	Various	7,635.65	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
68 Vison West	Aquatics	285.00	Life Guard T Shirts
69 Warrant Transportation	Sanitation	5,574.80	Trash Hauling Fees
70 WPCI	Other General	84.76	January Drug Testing Fees
71 Wyoming Dept of Transportation	Streets	809.33	Coulter Island Removal Project Fees
72 Wyoming Municipal Power Agency	Electric	400,104.28	January Electrical Charges
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS FOR : 21-Feb-2018		556,484.14	
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* Efficiency, 1&2 bedroom apts.
* Some units with balconies
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Call for info, packet 754-4535

POWELL: 1 BDRM APT., very nice. All furnished with refrigerator and stove. Utilities included. References required. No pets, no smoking. One year lease. Agent owned. \$650/mo. 254-0346.

(17TFCT)
POWELL: HOUSE AT 137 N. Division, \$475/mo., does not include utilities. 307-272-6407.

(16-18PT)
POWELL: 2 BDRM, 1 BATH apt., 1,900 sq.ft., \$850/mo., utilities included. No smoking. Walk-in shower & jacuzzi tub. Available March 1. 272-1860.

(15-18PT)
POWELL: COMMERCIAL OFFICE space, 1,000 sq. ft., 3 offices and a restroom. \$600/mo., utilities included. Great parking off highway access. 272-1860.

(15-23PT)
POWELL: 644 N. BENT - 1 bed, 1 bath, \$400/mo., utilities included. \$200 deposit. Call 307-272-6407.

(14-17PT)
POWELL: 3 BED, 1 BATH home, appliances included. Centrally located, close to downtown & NWC, fenced yard, covered porch. No pets, no smoking, \$950/mo. Call 202-0400.

(12TFCT)
AVAILABLE END OF FEBRUARY, very nice, clean 2 bdrm 1 bath apartment for rent. \$725 a month, \$725 deposit, all utilities paid, has DW & washer/dryer, absolutely NO PETS & NO SMOKING. Located in Powell. (307) 754-8213 (agent interest).

(12TFCT)
POWELL: NEWER 2 BDRM HORSE property close to college. Pets welcome, includes W/D/DW/utilities. \$1,000 plus deposit. 254-1158.

(11TFCT)
POWELL: 3 BDRM DUPLEX, fireplace, garage, spacious. No pets or smoking. \$800/mo. 754-3013.

(03TFCT)
RV OR 5TH WHEEL SPACE available, \$296 monthly, plus utilities. 587-3738.

(98TFCT)
11X11 STORAGE UNIT in gated area \$70/month, 10x28 - \$80/mo., available Dec. 1st. (307) 587-3738.

(91TFCT)
POWELL: 1 BED TO 4 BEDS available, in-town, out-town, Pets maybe, \$400 to \$900, Wyoming Real Estate Network, Call Larry Hedderman 754-5500.

(98TFCT)
MOBILE HOME SPACES for rent! At Green Acres Mobile home Park. 3 months FREE RENT or HELP WITH MOVING EXPENSES! Largest lot in Cody! (307) 587-3738.

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Now accepting applications for clean one and two bedroom apartments.
Utilities paid.
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(16-17PT)

Real Estate

6,000 SQ.FT COMMERCIAL BUILDING on 1 acre just outside Powell city limits. Great space for a variety of businesses. Asking \$220,000. 746 Lane 8 1/2. (307) 899-4334.

(72TFCT)
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Mobile Homes

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(77TFCT)

Land for Lease

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(13-18PT)

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(05TFCT)
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(88TFCT)
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(67TFCT)
PLUMBING PLUS FOR all your plumbing and heating needs. Please call 754-3327.

(22TFCT)
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(03TFCT)
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(29TFCT)

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Half Price 2018 Family Membership Available!
Eligible to anyone who was not a season pass holder in 2017.
For just \$990, receive season golfing fees, cart fees and driving range pass for immediate family members living under one roof. Includes college age students.
At \$255 less than a single membership pass - THIS WON'T LAST LONG!
Call 307-254-0171 to secure.

Personals

WOULD YOU LIKE TO EARN your high school equivalency (formerly GED)? We can help! For more information, call the Northwest College Adult Education Program at 754-6280.

(15TFCT)
POWELL VALLEY LOAVES and Fishes local food bank, Park County Annex, 109 West 14th St. Food distributed Monday thru Friday, 9-11:30 a.m. Please call for appointment, 754-8800. All non perishable, commercially processed food accepted. Please leave donations at local churches or receptacle barrels at local grocery stores.

(09TFCT)
AMERICAN LEGION MEETING, 7 p.m., first Tuesday of every month at Post 26.

(07TFCT)
SAL - SONS OF AMERICAN Legion meeting, 7 p.m., first Monday of every month at Post 26.

(07TFCT)
YELLOWSTONE RIDERS MEET last support for friends and relatives of alcoholics, meets 2 times per week at Big Horn Enterprises, 146 S. Bent St.: Brown bag Tues. noon & Wed. 7 p.m. (north parking lot door). For information call 754-4543 or 754-5988. www.wyomingal-anon.org

(103TFCT)
CAREGIVER SUPPORT Group, 2nd Thursday of each month - 11 am, Powell Valley Hospital Courtyard Room. Contact: 307-754-1256.

(66TFCT)
PREGNANT? NOW WHAT? Free and confidential pregnancy medical clinic specializing in pregnancy diagnosis, options counseling, education and resources. Serenity Pregnancy Resource Center (307) 271-7166 in Powell.

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TOPS - TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY - Chapter 169 meets Thursday evenings at 5:30 in the cafeteria at Powell Valley Healthcare at 777 Ave H. For more information contact 1-800-932-8677.

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match. Corley led 5-4 after the first period. Brody Karhu choose the down position to start the second period and got an escape with 18 seconds remaining to tie the score at five.

In the third period, both wrestlers were up. Brody Karhu got a takedown with 1:44 remaining, then Corley got a reversal, followed by more reversals and an escape by Corley before Brody Karhu got a takedown and a pin at 3:50.

It finished a string of six straight matches with pins.

"A lot of wrestling is trying to figure out mentally where you want the kids to be before the match," Urbach said.

Some wrestlers need to get really energetic and psyched up, but to prepare Brody Karhu, Urbach said he tells him the corniest jokes he can find on his phone.

"We finally figured out he needed to be calm," Urbach said.

His win reflected his improvement from last year's state tournament, where Brody Karhu placed sixth.

"That was awesome to see him get remarkably better throughout the year," Urbach said. "Going from sixth to first is pretty awesome."

Brody Karhu said winning the state championship title feels amazing, thanking the Lord, his parents, sister Emma Karhu, his coaches and teammates for all of their support.

Like Karst, Brody Karhu said his goal is to become a three-time state champion.

BO DEARCORN, 170 POUNDS

After getting a bye, Dearcorn pinned Desmon Martinez of Rawlins in 57 seconds in the quarterfinals before being pinned in 3:55 to drop into the consolation bracket.

In the consolation semifinals, Dearcorn pinned Dylan Case of Douglas in one minute, then won the third-place match by a 7-2 decision over Trent Clark of Star Valley.

"That was absolutely excellent," Urbach said of Dearcorn's bronze performance. "I was very impressed, very proud."

Urbach described Dearcorn as a hard worker and a wrestler who's always helping wrestlers at the junior high level.

"He loves the sport; it's great," said Urbach.

BRANDON THOMPSON, 285 POUNDS

Thompson started his state tournament off with a 3-1 decision over Roy Collins of Lyman, where he won by a 3-1 decision. In the quarterfinals, the PHS senior wrestled Dallas Wik of Douglas and won by a 3-2 decision.

In the semifinals, he fell to Jacob Wamboldt of Torrington by a 4-2 decision, but rebounded with



Powell High School freshman Emma Karhu wrestles Austin Ireland of Thermopolis during the fifth-place match of the 3A State Wrestling Championships in Casper on Saturday. Karhu placed fifth at 106 pounds, becoming the first girl in 3A to medal at state. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel



Powell High School head coach Nate Urbach gives sophomore Brody Karhu some instruction during the second period of his match against Wyatt Corley of Newcastle for the state championship title at 152 pounds. Karhu won the match by a pin in 5:22. Sitting behind coach Urbach are assistant coaches Nick Fulton (orange tie) and Justin Carter. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

a 3-2 win over Gage Northrup of Pinedale in the consolation semifinals.

In the third-place match, Thompson was pinned by Hunter Cranney of Star Valley in 4:36 to take fourth.

Urbach said he figured Thompson could finish anywhere from first to seventh because the 285-pound weight class was "so tight, there was so little difference between them."

"He did pretty well," Urbach said of Thompson, who just joined the Panther wrestling team this year. "I really appreci-

ate him coming out and wrestling for us."

EMMA KARHU, 106 POUNDS

Freshman Emma Karhu was not predicted to place at the state meet, but "she had a great tournament," Urbach said.

"She had a great regional [placement] which set her up for her state run," the coach said.

Emma Karhu began by pinning Jary McFarland of Newcastle in 1:18, then lost to Austin Ireland of Thermopolis by a 3-2 decision to drop into the consolation bracket. There, she pinned

her next two opponents in 49 seconds and 2:22, respectively.

In the consolation semifinals, Emma Karhu fell to Brady Carey of Lander by a 6-2 decision, putting her into a rematch against Ireland for fifth place.

After the first three periods, the score was tied at 1-1, forcing an overtime period. However, the score remained tied at one, forcing a double overtime. With 21 seconds to go in the second bonus period, Ireland went to make a move, which resulted in both wrestlers falling and knocking their heads together.

Ireland was knocked out and taken to the hospital for precautionary measures (he was later released), while Emma Karhu, who was dizzy, was checked out for a possible concussion.

Urbach said he believes Ireland had no ill intent and was trying to create some movement, as Emma Karhu was controlling the match.

The coach described the accident as bizarre, saying he's "never seen anything like that" in 39 years of coaching or competing in wrestling.

Emma Karhu won the match by injury default.

Coach Urbach said she earned the "awesome" fifth-place finish.

"She had to beat a couple real tough kids to medal," the coach said.

Emma Karhu became the first girl to medal in Class 3A and was just the second girl to ever medal at a Wyoming High School Activities Association state wrestling tournament. (The first was Jordan Thurston of Niobrara County, who medaled in 2007 at 103 pounds.)

Karhu said being the first girl to place in Class 3A "feels pretty great." She added that it makes her feel like all her hard work throughout the season has paid off.

"She just wrestled her heart out; I thought she wrestled well above the expectations and that's always nice," Urbach said.

Throughout the state tournament, Emma Karhu said a lot of coaches came up to her and said, "Wow, you really impressed me."

Her goal for this season was to medal — a goal she's also set-

ting for next season.

STEPHEN PREATOR, 126 POUNDS

Preator "had a really good tournament," Urbach said.

The PHS senior pinned his first two opponents in 1:20 and 1:34 to advance to the semifinals, where he lost to Gavin Patterson of Star Valley by a 8-0 major decision.

In the consolation semifinals, Preator faced Kaleb Bigelow of Pinedale and made an unsafe move, which resulted in Bigelow getting hurt. Preator had to forfeit the match, which dropped him into the fifth/sixth place match.

Urbach said that, other than the unsafe move, Preator "wrestled as well as he ever has in his whole life; he looked really good."

The team will be losing three seniors — Preator, Thompson and Brian Brazelton, who wrestled at 120 pounds.

Urbach said that Brazelton will "be missed and is always a good kid and goes after it."

Brazelton was the only senior who has been a part of the team for all four years of his high school career.

As for the future of Panther wrestling, Urbach said, "we're a young team; I'm excited for next year."

"We have some kids that didn't place that probably could have," said the coach. "I'm excited for those kids to right that wrong at next year's tournament."

With the Panther wrestling team's season now concluded, Urbach extended thanks to the wrestlers' parents and the school administration for all their help.

"I couldn't do it without them," Urbach said of the parents, while school administrators "always makes it easy for me to do my job and I always appreciate that."

STATE TOURNAMENT		
Individual overall records		
106 lb.	Emma Karhu	4-2
106 lb.	Colt Nicholson	0-2
113 lb.	Riley Bennett	2-2
113 lb.	Trevor Feller	1-2
120 lb.	Michael Maddox	1-2
120 lb.	Brian Brazelton	1-2
126 lb.	Stephen Preator	3-2
132 lb.	Corey Linebaugh	0-2
138 lb.	Reese Karst	4-0
138 lb.	Matt Jones	1-2
145 lb.	Seth Horton	1-2
145 lb.	Cole Davis	1-2
152 lb.	Brody Karhu	4-0
160 lb.	Cameron Schmidt	1-2
170 lb.	Bo Dearcorn	4-1
195 lb.	Matthew Seckman	2-2
220 lb.	Duy Linh Hoang	1-2
285 lb.	Brandon Thompson	3-2

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PHS shot 36 percent from the free throw line, 61 percent from the field and went 0-7 at the 3-point line.

"Not saying we have to live by the three, but 0-7 just means that is seven empty possessions that, if we would have hit one of those, it would have probably been a tide-turner," Kistler said.

Worldland shot 38 percent from the field, 32 percent at the arc and 50 percent at the free throw line.

CODY 57, POWELL 55

The Cody Broncos came to Powell on Friday for the final game of the regular season. The Panthers' five seniors — Aaron Jacobsen, Trent Desjarlais, Meredith, Smith, and Washington — were also recognized for senior night.

"I thought we played very well against Cody," Kistler said. "It being a rival game, it's loud. The band was going, it was crazy in the gym, it was a great atmosphere and our kids handled it well."

After the first quarter, the Broncos led 16-8.

"They [Cody] came out on fire," Kistler said.

But Powell fought back in the second quarter to make it 27-21 going into the half.

The third quarter started well for Cody, as the Broncos increased the lead to 19-points.

However, in the fourth quarter, Powell rallied. That included three consecutive 3-pointers — two from Kaelan Groves and one from Smith — to make it a



The Powell High School student body cheers on the Panthers after Carson Heinen (with the ball) pulls down a rebound. Heinen was fouled, and made both free throws to tie the game at 55 points with seconds remaining. Cody went on to win in the last second. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

three-point game, 48-45, with 4:50 left to play.

With 2:18 remaining, Heinen sank two free throws to give the Panthers a one-point lead, 51-50.

From there, each team bounced back and forth.

With 6.9 seconds on the clock and the Panthers down by two, Heinen hit another pair of free throws to tie things at 55.

"We just played consistent and met them at the end and it was encouraging to see the two free throws we made to tie it,"

Kistler said. "It doesn't get any bigger than that."

Cody inbounded the ball under the Powell hoop and drove up the court against the Panthers' full-court press. The Broncos missed a last-second shot, but it was tipped in at the

buzzer to give the Broncos a 57-55 win.

"They had to make a hard shot to win the game," Kistler said. "I guess rival games are exciting like that — when they come down to the very last seconds."

Powell and Cody played previously on Jan. 26, where the Broncos won 70-45.

Kistler said the team's showing its best consistency and "everyone is kind of chipping in."

Smith led with 12 points to go along with three steals and four assists. Heinen finished with 11 points and 11 rebounds for a double-double, plus six assists. Groves scored 10 points, all in the second half, and added four assists.

The Panthers had 17 assists and 16 turnovers.

Powell shot 51 percent from the field, 27 percent from the 3-point arc and 73 percent from the free throw line.

The Broncos shot 44 percent from the field, 45 percent at the 3-point line and 75 percent at the charity stripe.

The Panthers will head to Pinedale to compete in the 3A West Regional Tournament, with the first game Thursday at 8 p.m. against Star Valley.

Kistler said the team's goal is to make it to the 3A State Tournament.

The coach said he told the team after Friday's loss to Cody that, "You just got beat by that team by 25 points a couple weeks ago and now you're taking them to the wire so, have they improved, I don't know, but have you? I can honestly say yes. So we'll just wait to see what one more week has in store for us."

Kistler said most coaches he's talked to have said the Panthers are one of this season's most improved teams.

"They just keep fighting, which is a great thing to see," Kistler said.