

County jail continuing to fill up

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

With the number of inmates continuing to rise, Park County will have to expand its jail in the near future, Sheriff Scott Steward predicts.

"We're going to reach a point in the next five to 10 years where we're going to have to do something, at this rate," Steward told county commissioners last week.

On an average day in 2017, the Park County Detention Center held 72 inmates — up from an average daily population of 68 inmates in 2016 and setting a new record high for the facility.

Sheriff's records indicate the increase in bookings was due in large part to a new law that allows officers to arrest someone on the spot if they observe a probation or parole violation.

On its busiest day last year, the jail was home to 99 people, which is near full capacity. The detention center technically has 106 beds, but the need to keep men, women and certain types of inmates separated means the jail will never be able to comfortably house that many people. Opened in 2006, the detention center is designed in such a way that it can be expanded both out and up.

"Are we in a crisis? No," Steward said, saying there's no hurry.

However, he believes there's "a huge flaw in the system" — namely, that people aren't being held accountable for their crimes, driving recidivism.

The sheriff said that, of the 83 people who were booked into the detention center in January, they'd been arrested 627 times and cited 1,094 times in their lifetimes — just within Park County. That's an average of 7.6 arrests and 13.2 citations per inmate.

One man had a record consisting of 26 arrests and 46 citations within the county, the sheriff said.

"These people know ... probation violation, OK, you're going to get a couple days in jail, and then they're going to slap you on the hand, put you back out," Steward said.

State prisons have also been filling up, creating added expenses.

Last year, state lawmakers considered a bill that would have reformed Wyoming's criminal justice system to put less of an emphasis on incarceration. As WyoFile described it, House Bill 94 would have placed "a focus on providing supervision and treatment for substance abuse before incarceration," with the thought that "non-violent criminal offenders could be kept in the community with better outcomes for both them and the state."

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SCOTT STEWARD



Richard Flores, of Worland, watches his pole at the start of the Meeteetse Ice Fishing Tournament Sunday. Flores was a one-man team after his partners canceled on him. 'My son was called into work and my brother saw the weather report and wussed out on me,' Flores said.

Tribune photos by Mark Davis

Powell team wins fifth ice fishing title in eight years

HARD WATER HEROES

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

With about an hour left in the tournament, Powell's Terry and Brenda Mari were nervous. The four-time champions didn't have a full stringer — six fish for the two-day tournament.

The team had caught a lot of fish, but mostly small cutthroat and rainbow trout. At 1:20 p.m. Terry's pole bent. The favorite of the Meeteetse Ice Fishing Derby could tell he had a nice fish. As the trophy finally appeared, all Terry could see was a giant mouth filling the hole in the ice.

"It had to be 10 pounds, maybe 15," he said.

Then the beast thrashed and threw the hook, disappearing back to the depths on the southeast side of Lower Sunshine Reservoir.

'I reached down and stuck my hand right in its mouth and pulled him out. I wasn't letting this one get away.'

Norm Wesolowski
Fisherman

It had been a tough week. Terry had surgery on his arms for skin cancer just days before. His cheeks were wind burned and eyes bloodshot. He was sure he was coming down with the flu.

The Maris take hard water fishing at Upper and Lower Sunshine reservoirs seriously. Both work road construction during good weather, are laid off in early November and then spend a good deal of time fishing the popular trout waters near the base of the Absaroka Range until their work fires back up.

The combination has been lethal for their prey and their competition. In the 10 years the tournament has been run by the Meeteetse Visitors Center, the Maris have placed six



Brenda Mari, of Powell, shows off two lunkers she pulled in to help her and husband, Terry Mari, win the 2018 Meeteetse Ice Fishing Tournament last weekend. The two-person team has won the tournament five times in the past eight years.

times — five firsts and a third place finish. A pretty good win ratio considering they've only fished the tournament eight of those years.

Now as they arrive to fish, they have company. Other teams watch their every move in hopes of figuring out their secrets. They never fish alone at a tournament — others crowd their holes. Terry composed himself after losing the giant lake trout, finally able to laugh about it over a bowl of chili at the awards banquet.

"It was a true fish story — the one that got away," Terry said.

The couple found themselves on fish in

Top 3 finishers (six fish)

Terry and Brenda Mari- Powell— 189.75 inches
Team Fauver — Basin— 184.75 inches
Team Ebright — Cody— 178.50 inches

Small Fry (two fish)

Emmarie Fauver — Basin— 54.25 inches
Dylan Martin— Powell— 49.50 inches
Bryce Martin — Powell— 48.75 inches

the last moments of the two-day tournament. Brenda pulled in a couple whoppers just before 2 p.m., filling their tournament limit and pushing their stringer into first place. In doing so, they beat 70 teams, more than 200 anglers hungry to score the big four-figure check.

A Meeteetse native, Brenda has been fishing all her life. The couple married 15 years ago and has been terrorizing fish populations since.

"The fish are getting so big we had to upgrade our equipment," she said.

Norm Wesolowski, of Cody, avoided a lost fish story. As he saw the gaping maw of a trophy fish break the water he took matters into his own hands.

"I reached down and stuck my hand right in its mouth and pulled him out. I wasn't letting this one get away," Wesolowski said.

As he pulled the monster from his green, five gallon bucket at the weigh-in, a crowd pushed toward the tables to hear the totals: 26 1/2-inches long and 13-inches girth. The fish won Wesolowski the big fish award. But he only had two fish total and ended up finishing well down the winners list.

A few hundred yards west of team Mari, Rick Vertz sat in his cloth fishing chair, a pillow in his lap and hard water pole in his hand. He was a one-man team in a tournament that allowed three people per team.

Vertz had caught a couple dozen fish on

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Bogus report of shooting evacuates hotel, forces police response

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Officers from multiple law enforcement agencies spent several hours Wednesday night responding to what turned out to be a bogus report of a shooting at the Super 8 hotel.

The Powell Police Department's dispatch center received a call from a blocked number at 9:43 p.m., in which a male reported that two people had gone into the hotel and shot someone in the back of the head.

The first officers arrived at the Super 8 at 9:45 p.m., said Powell Police Chief Roy Eckerdt.

When police entered the building, "the phone at the

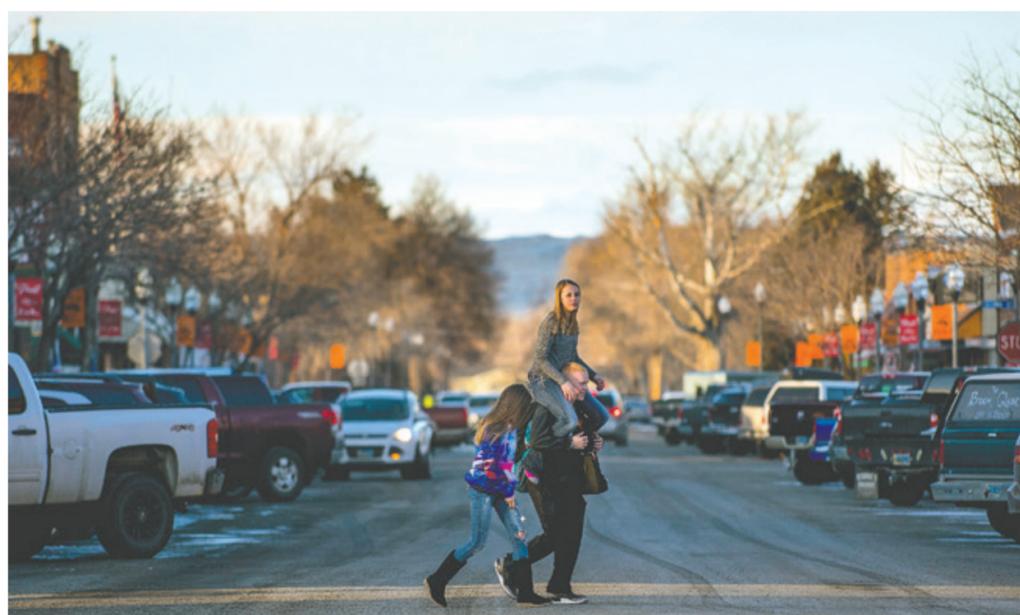
clerk's desk rang and the caller requested to speak with [the] officers," Eckerdt said in a news release. The male then said the call "was not real" and "he was just testing the response time," the chief recounted.

Powell police officers — who were assisted by their counterparts from the Park County Sheriff's Office and the Wyoming Highway Patrol — secured the perimeter of the hotel, evacuated everyone from the building and searched each room.

Nothing was found, Eckerdt said.

The last officers didn't leave the hotel until around 12:15 a.m. Thursday, the chief said.

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Vehicles line both sides of Bent Street on a recent afternoon as teens make their way across the street. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Downtown parking:

MAYOR BRINGS UP CONCERN ABOUT LACK OF AVAILABLE PARKING

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Vehicles crowding Bent Street can be a good thing — unless you're looking for a place to park.

Mayor John Wetzel brought up the issue of downtown parking during last week's Powell City Council meeting, saying he's had a couple recent conversations about how downtown has changed.

"There's more and more services — you know, law offices, accountants, psychiatrists — people that work from ... 8 to 5 downtown, and many of them are parking downtown from 8 to 5," Wetzel said. "And some of the few remaining retail-

ers are starting to see a lack of parking for their customers going by."

The mayor said he was bringing it up to the council as a conversation for input and ideas — not as a complaint.

'Some of the retailers are seeing that, at times, they're not having much parking.'

John Wetzel
Powell mayor

"Some of the retailers are seeing that, at times, they're not having much parking," Wetzel said.

Downtown seems to be busier around mealtimes since "the restaurants that we have downtown are very popular," said Powell Police Chief Roy Eckerdt.

"So, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, parking is available," Eckerdt said. "But through the lunch hour, pre-dinner and post, it's packed downtown."

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VALENTINE VIRTUOSITY

Lillian Tygart, 7, makes a heart out of construction paper during a Valentine's Day-themed project at the Powell Branch Library on Wednesday afternoon.

Tribune photos by Mark Davis



Councilman encourages city staff to shop locally

As the Powell City Council reviewed bills and claims for January, one purchase caught the attention of Councilman Scott Mangold: A \$28.98 charge to Sam's Club for copy paper.

"Once again, if we could pass on to the staff that even something like \$28, somebody will come to one of us on the council and have something to say about it," Mangold said at last week's council meeting. "Especially since we have passed a tax to

try to get more money into Park County."

Though \$28 is a small amount, Mangold said the couple companies in Powell that sell copy paper will notice it and mention something.

"I could see if it's convenience and they need it somewhere and they're around a Sam's Club away out of town or if they're getting a really huge savings on it," Mangold said. "But it's just important that we spend locally,

especially at a time when we've asked them to add an extra 1 percent tax."

City Administrator Zane Logan said he agreed, and told the council he would bring up the issue of shopping locally during a staff meeting.

The bills and claims approved during the Feb. 5 meeting also showed a charge for \$133.60 to Sam's Club and \$95.38 to Costco, both for concessions.

— Tessa Baker

Parking: 'We absolutely don't want to go marking tires'

"Which is good," Wetzel said.

There's an opportunity to talk with downtown business owners and employees about parking, said Christine Bekes, executive director of the Powell Economic Partnership/Powell Chamber of Commerce.

"I would echo what the chief says. I find it quite awesome, actually, and vibrant, because it does seem to be much more

so during mealtimes," Bekes said. "But that doesn't mean that there aren't some cars there that aren't moving."

Mayor Wetzel said one comment he heard was that city-owned parking lots in the downtown area are under-utilized, such as the lot on Second Street across from Larsen's Bicycles and the one behind the Red Zone off Absaroka Street.

He suggested folks could be

reminded to use those lots, and not park in a downtown spot for a full day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wetzel added that "it's not easy to enforce a parking situation down there."

"We absolutely don't want to go to marking tires" to track how long someone has parked, he said. "It doesn't work, it's not the answer, it's not how we want to do things."

Western painters discussed Thursday

Frederic Remington and Charles Russell never met, but were compared throughout and after their lifetimes by the press and the public. Together they created the image of 19th-century western America for the rest of the world.

On Thursday evening, join Peter Hassrick, a leading art scholar at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, for a comparative analysis of these two famous art figures of the late 19th century in America.

Hassrick will speak from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Northwest College's Fagerberg Building in Room 70. His Thursday talk, titled, "Painting the West: Remington and Russell," is being presented through Powell Valley Community Education.

Hassrick was born in Philadelphia and raised in Denver. He earned his master's degree in art history (1969) from the University of Denver and his bachelor's degree in history (1963) from the University of Colorado.

Hassrick has written extensively on Western artists, including Remington, Russell, Alexander Phimister Proctor, Ernest Blumenschein and John

Mix Stanley.

Hassrick served as the executive director of the Buffalo Bill Historical Center (now the Buffalo Bill Center of the West) for 20 years. He is currently direc-

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Bogus: '... we'll pursue it as far as we can,' says chief

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"It was definitely not only a drain on manpower and a financial investment to have the resources out there to handle the call, but it put other parts of the community at risk," Eckerdt said.

"Our dispatch center was back-to-back-to-back hammered with calls [Wednesday] night and, between ambulance calls, while she's trying to handle somebody in a true medical emergency, the dispatcher's having to field this call from this guy."

He said the bogus report put police in a tight spot.

"If we do not respond appropriately and it's real, then what?" Eckerdt said. "We have to treat every situation as [if] it's real until it can be proven

differently."

By Thursday, the department had shifted focus to identifying the person who placed the calls.

"Will it take some serious investigative work? Yes, it will, but we'll pursue it as far as we can," Eckerdt said, saying his department may eventually reach out to federal authorities for assistance.

Prank calls to law enforcement can be placed from all over the country, with callers able to disguise their identity.

On Tuesday, a series of bomb threats were called in to various locations around Wyoming, including the Natrona County and Teton County sheriff's offices. Authorities have named one man, 33-year-old Kreighton Kilgore, as a suspect in those threats. Eckerdt said those

incidents do not appear to be related to the bogus report called in to Powell PD.

The call to Powell police is more similar to a type of hoax known as "swatting," in which a caller falsely reports someone has committed a serious crime — such as a murder. That's in the hopes of getting police to make a massive display of force at a specific residence, such as at the home of a celebrity or a rival in an online game.

In December, authorities say a young man in Los Angeles called police in Wichita, Kansas, and falsely reported a "hostage situation" at a man's home. When officers responded to the address, they wound up shooting and killing the 28-year-old Wichita resident who answered the door.

Eckerdt said he hasn't seen many of these type of hoaxes in this area. He said Wednesday's call to Powell police met the definition of a terroristic threat, which is a felony crime.

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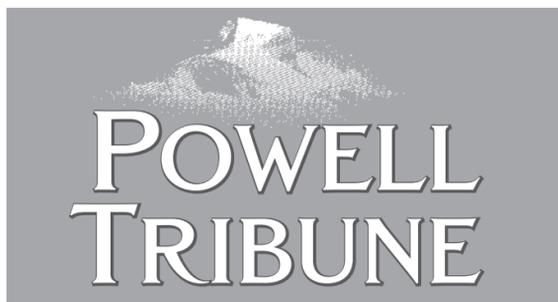
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IN OUR OPINION

Taking a stand against bullying

Ask any kid, and they'll be happy to tell you: Going to school these days can be hard, stressful work.

Between classes, schoolwork, sports and other extracurricular activities, kids can find themselves torn in all different directions. Add in the social and societal constructs of being a kid or young adult, such as finding one's circle of friends and learning to navigate within that circle, and it can be an intimidating prospect.

That's why school-age bullying has become such a problem. Every kid longs to be liked and accepted by his or her peers. When a learning environment becomes toxic, when kids find themselves the target of cruel taunts, rumors, innuendo or physical assaults, the added daily anxiety can become too much to bear.

Bullying is an issue that affects the lives of all children, whether it's the ones bullied, the ones responsible for the bullying or those watching it from the sidelines. The growth of the internet and social media over the past couple of decades has added a new, disturbing component to what is considered "standard" schoolyard bullying, as victims are now attacked online and through texts and instant messaging.

In short, bullying can now follow you anywhere. And the statistics are disturbing.

National statistics show that 28 percent of U.S. students in grades 6-12 have experienced some form of bullying, according to stopbullying.gov. Approximately 30 percent of youths surveyed admit to bullying a fellow classmate, and 70 percent of young people said they have witnessed bullying in their schools. Fifteen percent of students were the victim of cyberbullying, but further statistics show that for members of the LGTBQ community, that number jumps to 55 percent.

Alarming numbers, to be sure, but what can be done? As adults, parents, teachers and care providers, we all play a major role in the battle against bullying, as well as providing a safe environment for kids to learn and grow. Community involvement is also important; clubs and organizations can be vital in raising awareness of bullying and finding ways to prevent it.

That kind of involvement is now being seen locally, thanks in part to an anti-bullying campaign started recently by the Northwest College men's soccer team. Upon learning a player had a younger sibling who had become the target of bullying, head coach Stan Rodrigues and his wife Angela brought the issue to his team. Calling the campaign #NWCCares and #2TrapperUmatter, the soccer program — along with other NWC athletes, students and staff — is working to raise awareness of bullying on social media and in local schools throughout the month of February. It is the hope of this campaign, and others like it, that bullied students and those who witness it will make their voices heard.

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Electrified traps could kill lake trout

Dear Editor:

Lake trout are a stratified species. They generally occupy a lower level in the lake than cutthroat trout. They travel in lower channels and this makes it easier to remove them, reducing mortality to cutthroat.

With technology, it should be easier to eliminate them than using gill nets. Why not build some electrofishing traps using a strong electric charge for enough duration to eliminate them?

We could channel lake trout into our traps by hanging nets and guiding them in, like if you were trapping beaver into a body gripper. You could discharge

a fatal charge periodically, or, if you had sensors, electrocute them when they are moving through.

The area directly above our traps would have to be open so the dead fish can float to the surface and be retrieved by people willing to salvage them. It would be nice if we could cut up previous victims and use them to bait both lake trout and walleye in conjunction with gill netting or electrofishing.

I proposed this electric trap method to Yellowstone, but the water is too pure to carry a charge. At least they are able to fatally electrofish the eggs and fry.

Charles F. Kirkham Jr.
Wapiti

Politically correct or just good manners?

From time to time, I receive feedback about this thing I do for the Tribune. Most of the feedback is positive. It is delivered face to face and comes from people who like what I write, agree with what I say, or both.

Less often, I receive negative feedback, which usually arrives via email, but occasionally is delivered by the U.S. Postal Service, either as a personal letter or a letter to the editor. Such letters are usually longer — two or more typed pages — than positive comments are.

I'm not bragging about receiving more positive feedback than negative. I don't think it means I'm a terrific columnist or anything like that, and I'm positive it doesn't mean more Tribune readers agree with me than don't. I've lived in northwest Wyoming since I was 6 and I know that, in a number of ways, especially politically, I'm out of step with most Wyomingites.

Actually, I only bring it up because I ran across an old article about the last election that talked about the evils of "political correctness." It reminded me that some months ago, a critic of my column told me I take the positions I do based not on my principles, but as an effort to attach myself to elite liberal people that I want to be my friends.

In other words, the reader was telling me I was being politically correct, and it wasn't meant as a compliment.

This politically correct thing has intrigued me for some time. It's a way of telling you that you have no principles. You have no backbone, either, and you don't think for yourself. Instead, you take positions you don't actually agree with and express them in ways that please important people and make them like you.



DON AMEND
The Amend Corner

Denunciations of political correctness got a real workout in the last presidential election. Some of the crowd of Republicans that wanted to be the party's candidates even claimed that political correctness had to be stamped out or the U.S. would crash into oblivion. According to those Republicans, political correctness was responsible for all the ills in the world — from poor test scores in Chicago public schools to ISIS atrocities in Iraq. They said that we had better shape up, or we will be inundated with terrorists and our entire economy will be boxed up and shipped to China.

This warning and other accusations of political correctness invariably come from a conservative person and are directed at someone who is more liberal. I don't recall anyone I would call liberal

accuse a conservative of being politically correct.

That doesn't make sense, because from my experience I think being politically correct can go either way, and a conservative certainly can be politically correct. After all, if I was a spineless person trying to impress elite people in Wyoming, I certainly wouldn't get there by talking like Bernie Sanders. Heck no. I'd be quoting the talking heads on Fox News at every opportunity.

In the end, my feeling is that what some denounce as politically correct is simply good manners. It involves using tact when communicating with others and avoiding name-calling as well as rude, profane or obscene language. Or you could call it being tactful. If you want to communicate effectively and achieve reasonable results, you'll do better with tact than with telling people who disagree with you they are spineless.

As for this column I write, I can honestly say that I don't write it to please anyone but myself. Thanks to my bosses at that office downtown, I am able to express my opinions freely, and I plan to continue to do so.

Next time, I think I'll write about who the elite people I'm supposed to be courting are.

'Til then, remember I welcome feedback, especially from those who think I'm trying to be politically correct.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Congress has authority over wilderness areas

Dear Editor:

Having read your recent article about Wilderness Study Areas (WSA) and public land initiatives, then the letter to the editor from Rick Harrison, I have pondered over these two discourses and am responding to both.

As a Wyoming native now in my 80s, I have watched the ebb and flow of policies about the use of about 50 percent of Wyoming by the federal government. It is clear the people in Wyoming have progressively lost the ability to have input into the usage or management of this part of our state and many of us direct our frustration toward Washington, D.C., but is that the right direction to focus upon?

Wilderness Study Areas (WSA) are created by and through bureaucratic edicts, this is an end-run around Congress, as only Congress has the authority to designate any portion of federally controlled lands a "Wilderness" area. The WSAs lock up large parcels of lands without any format for review of their status or methods of action. This is not by oversight, but by planned intent. To accept non-elected groups, and often groups not based in Wyoming, to collaborate with either the United States Forest Service (USFS) or the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) about the WSA is a rather blatant attempt to circumvent the authority of Congress. Congresswoman Cheney is attempting to address this through legislation that will require a review and Congressional action to either create an additional "wilderness" area designation or return that part of federal land to be released and managed as non-wilderness areas. This is action taken by a Congresswoman elected by the people of Wyoming — one who reflects our values and political positions of the citizens of this state, not a group of "volunteers" who have never been vetted or elected to represent us in any negotiations about use of these lands. Congress members are subject to re-election and accountability; bureaucrats are in a convenient gray area — with massive authority and no accountability. They can listen and be advised, but in the end they make the decisions in a rather autocratic fashion. Advisory committees can hardly be called democratic unless they have some standard of accountability and are truly representative of the people effected (in this case, the people of Wyoming).

Next point, Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (GYE). This is a pure political term created in the 1980s and cannot be defined as a scientific description if for no other reason than it does not fit the definition of an ecosystem. It is politically creat-

ed for control of land outside the borders of Yellowstone National Park (YNP). YNP claims no responsibility for the results of bears, wolves or buffalo exiting the boundaries of the park, but they want extensive input on the management of said animals in the GYE. This is no more than a "land grab" of more of Wyoming. And as far as protecting our source of water, the watersheds under the control of the YNP, USFS and BLM can only shelter water to be released slowly thru the spring and summer if the forest areas are green and the canopy protects the slow release of water from the snowpack. This does not happen in burn areas and less in areas where trees are dying from bark beetles infestations (red top tree areas). Poor timber management and "let it burn" policies greatly reduce the watershed that produces our irrigation water.

Last point, maybe Liz Cheney did not directly converse with you, but it appears that she did send a draft of one of the possible bills to Wyoming County Commissioners Association Executive Director Peter Obermueller, Wyoming Public Lands Incentive committee (WPLI) chairman Bucky Hall and Park County Commissioner Lee Livingston. I hope she will send a completed draft to our elected representatives for their review and we will withhold any criticism until that time.

We the citizens of Wyoming are the "stakeholders" and may we be very careful about other "camels who are trying to get their noses under the tent."

Delwin W. "Skip" McCrary
Powell

Homeowners concerned about bentonite mine

Dear Editor:

As members of the Diamond View Homeowners Association, we are writing to let the public know of a proposed mine in the Diamond Basin area that will cause a variety of hazards and possibly health risks to Diamond Basin and South Fork Road residents. The projected "Plan of Operations" submitted by the Wilson Brothers of Cowley, Wyoming for a 55-acre site east of County Road 6UU has returned after a public hearing that was held in 2014. The new Environmental Assessment (EA) of this plan calls for tighter stipulations regarding the proposed mining. However, in our opinion it does not answer many of the questions raised in 2014 regarding health and safety issues that will affect not only residents of our subdivision, but many other residents bordering Road 6UU (Diamond Basin Road).

Bentonite mines are dirty operations that may involve increased amounts of "fugitive dust" that, if not covered and

kept from blowing, can cause lung and eye irritation to both humans and animals. The new EA provides little if any required mitigation of the dust and dirt that will be created. The BLM EA states, "The primary health and safety concerns related to this bentonite mine are air quality, impacts to roads, and residential areas, and hazards created by hauling bentonite from Park County to mills in Big Horn County." That's right — this mined bentonite will involve hauling loads through Cody, Ralston, Powell and Byron on its way to Lovell.

Of major concern to us is the condition of Road 6UU that is proposed for hauling bentonite out of the mine. The part of the highway that will be used is narrow with no shoulders and is difficult to maintain in its present condition especially in winter. The section of road where it meets the Southfork Highway is also twisting and on a hill with a blind-sided curve. At present there is barely enough room for two passing cars, let alone meeting a haul truck filled with bentonite ore on that turn. Even the Park County commissioners admitted in their 2014 comments this road was not designed for commercial truck use.

We could talk about a good deal of other issues, but our primary concern is that this proposed mine will significantly change the area surrounding a part of Park County that has become a major residential and recreational area. We would ask the state Department of Environmental Quality to hold public hearings regarding the potential hazardous air quality this mine would generate. We also ask the county commissioners to address this issue by requiring that a major reconstruction of Road 6UU be undertaken before any such mine may proceed. The county might even ask Wilson Brothers to help fund the road's reconstruction. Citizens have until Feb. 16 to comment on this new BLM EA. Comments may be emailed to blm_wy_cody_comments@blm.gov Please include "Wilson Brothers Plan of Operations" in the subject line. This plan is available for review at the Cody BLM office.

Thanks for listening,

Warren Murphy
For the Diamond View Homeowners Association
Cody

Valentine: A physician and priest

Dear Editor:

In the Old Testament and the New Testament, we are instructed to love our neighbor, and Christ's teachings could be summoned by one word — love. Christ's most well-known parable of the good Samaritan draws a perfect picture of the importance of doing corporal

works of mercy. The day of love or Valentine's Day is quickly approaching where our nation celebrates a day of sharing our love with one another.

Valentine's Day has its roots in the medieval ages in France and England where they believed that birds chose their mates half-way through the second month of the year. However, the day of love got its name from a saint and a martyr. Few may realize that Valentine was a doctor and a priest who lived, loved and was martyred in the third century Rome. When Christians were heavily persecuted, imprisoned and murdered, Valentine ministered to them.

Valentine was a Roman physician who converted to Christianity and became a priest. Valentine visited the prisoners, who were predominately Christians, and tended their wounds, took them food and ministered to them secretly. He healed their physical and spiritual wounds as they suffered persecution. When the Romans found out he was a priest, he, too, was imprisoned.

While in prison, Valentine converted the jailer by restoring his daughter's sight. The jailer's daughter befriended Valentine and helped him all she could. Eventually, Valentine was beaten with clubs and beheaded. Valentine died on Feb. 14, which is celebrated by the church as his feast day. The legend has it that the night before he was martyred, Valentine, knowing his death was quickly approaching, wrote a letter thanking the jailer's daughter for her kindness and friendship and signed it, "your Valentine."

Valentine's life of love and self-sacrifice is a great example for all of us. This year, as we celebrate Valentine's Day, let us bear in mind all the little ways we can share our love and make sacrifices for one another. When everyday, ordinary tasks are performed with love and gratitude, they turn to self-sacrifice and giving of ourselves for the good of others. We don't always have to go to faraway lands to do works of love and charity. Charity begins at home, so remember that when you are doing laundry, you are clothing the naked and when preparing meals, you are feeding the hungry. In John 15:12-13, Christ said, "This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." Christ cooked and fed his disciples after the resurrection (John 21:1-14). He washed his disciples' feet, healed the sick and resurrected the dead. Cooking, cleaning, caring for the sick and everyday tasks may seem minute, but in reality, they are true works of corporal mercy and love.

Hope you enjoy a Valentine day filled with love and compassion.

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After allegations, secretary of state resigns

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Wyoming Secretary of State Ed Murray resigned on Friday, citing the distraction of two allegations of sexual misconduct lodged against him in recent months.

"I've come to the realization that I am unable to focus entirely on serving the good people of Wyoming while simultaneously needing to process all the fallout from these allegations for which I have issued previous statements," Murray said in a statement issued at 4:43 p.m. Friday.

Murray said he and his family have been "devastated" by the allegations made against him, which relate to incidents alleged to have occurred in the 1980s.

It started with a December Facebook post from Colorado real estate developer Tatiana Maxwell. In her post, Maxwell — who has been active within the Democratic party — claimed that Murray had performed an unwanted sex act on her 35 years earlier. Maxwell said she was then an 18-year-old intern at a Cheyenne law firm where Murray worked.

Murray issued a statement calling Maxwell's claim "baseless" and "un-equivocally false."

Then last month, Theresa Sullivan Twiford — the daughter of Wyoming's former Democratic Gov. Mike Sullivan — told the Casper Star-Tribune that Murray had forcibly kissed her on New Year's Day 1989. Twiford was 18 years old at the time and had been babysitting for Murray's family, she said.

Murray issued a statement on Jan. 23 saying he had "absolutely no recollection of this incident whatsoever." He simultaneously announced that he would not be running for any political office in 2018; Murray had once been considered a frontrunner for governor.

His resignation followed on Friday.

"I step aside with peace and serenity in order that I may fully focus on what is most important in my life: my marriage, my family and my health," Murray said. "The truth is no one asked me to resign. The truth is that I loved public service."

Murray said he "upheld the trust and

fiduciary duties of my office to the highest of any and all standards." He said his team of staffers "accomplished more in three years than many ever thought possible," including setting up an easy, low-cost filing system for businesses.

Upon Murray's resignation, his deputy, Karen Wheeler, became the acting secretary of state. The Wyoming Republican Party will now choose three candidates and Gov. Matt Mead will pick one to serve as an interim secretary of state. Meanwhile, voters will elect a new secretary of state in November's general election and they'll take over the office in January 2019.

State Rep. James Byrd, D-Cheyenne, announced Thursday that he's running for the post and state Sen. Leland Christensen, R-Alta, threw his hat into the ring on Friday.

The secretary of state handles businesses filings and oversees the state's elections, among other duties. They also serve as acting governor when the governor is outside the state of Wyoming.



ED MURRAY

Wyoming Rising-Northwest hosting health care forum

Local health care will be the subject of a Thursday, Feb. 15 panel discussion in Cody.

The Community Healthcare Forum is set to run from 6:30-7:45 p.m. in the Cody library's Grizzly Hall, covering different models of

health care in the Big Horn Basin.

Wyoming Rising-Northwest — a progressive group that formed after the 2017 Women and Allies March in Cody — is sponsoring the event.

"We will have local health

care providers to explain their model of practice, how each practice is/will be impacted by changes in health care legislation in Wyoming and how Wyoming Rising-Northwest might offer support for affordable and

equitable health care," said Linda Waggoner, the co-chair of the group's health care committee.

There will be an opportunity for questions and answers following the discussion, Waggoner said.



A bison makes its way through the snow in Yellowstone National Park on Feb. 4. A bill in the Wyoming Legislature calls for a new fee to go toward conserving Yellowstone's transboundary wildlife. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

YELLOWSTONE 'CONSERVATION FEE' PROPOSED

BY MIKE KOSHMRL
Jackson Hole Daily
Via Wyoming news Exchange

JACKSON — Wyoming lawmakers will soon consider whether to start a conversation about having Yellowstone National Park's millions of visitors help pay to conserve the park's transboundary wildlife.

A joint House resolution calls for establishing a "Yellowstone conservation fee" and sending funds it raises to Wyoming, Montana and Idaho.

Sublette County Republican Representative and cattleman Albert Sommers, the bill's primary sponsor, said the hope is to generate money for issues like wildlife collisions, large-carnivore conflicts and preserving migration routes.

"The idea came up that there's 4 million people going through Yellowstone National Park every year," he said, "and these animals exist in and out of the park, depending on the time of year."

"Really," he said, "it's Wyoming's wildlife, and we have to maintain them and be responsible for impacts that can happen to them and because of them. So why not ask American citizens to pony up and contribute

to that?"

Because it calls for the imposition of a fee on federal land, the legislation would have little regulatory teeth. The bill does not specify how the fee would be assessed or what the amount would be.

Sommers' goal, he said, is to start the conversation between the three states that contain parts of Yellowstone and the National Park Service.

"It's just saying, 'Hey, would you guys all please get together and discuss this issue and see if it's possible?'" he said.

It seeks to "provide an opportunity" for Wyoming, Montana and Idaho to "manage wildlife through nonconsumptive uses of wildlife." People of diverse interests vetted and supported it, Sommers said, from Park County hunting outfitter Lee Livingston to University of California-Berkeley professor and migration specialist Arthur Middleton.

Its bipartisan co-sponsors include Reps. Andy Schwartz, D-Teton; Mike Gierau, D-

Teton; Jim Allen, R-Fremont; Jamie Flitner, R-Big Horn/Park; and Sen. Hank Coe, R-Park.

At least one conservation advocacy group, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, has voiced its support.

"I think it's really encouraging that the

Wyoming Legislature is seeking out some creative ways to fund wildlife conservation," said Chris Colligan, the coalition's wildlife coordinator. "It's an opportunity for us to put aside differences and find solutions to fund wildlife conservation in the Greater Yellowstone."

It's unclear if any of the Park Service's 417 units have established similar fee-sharing partnerships with other states.

"This would be, I think, a bit unprecedented," Sommers said.

Yellowstone officials weren't aware of the bill when contacted by the Jackson Hole Daily on Thursday afternoon and declined to comment.

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Chris Colligan
Greater Yellowstone Coalition

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Thank you

The family of Mary Ann Hunder would like to thank everyone for the care, compassion and love that they gave Mary Ann during her illness. We want to give a special thank you to Dr. Courtney Spence and Dr. Carlotta Collins for giving her hope.

We cannot forget the wonderful friends, her pastor, who came often to see her. She took everyone she knew, and placed it in a special place in her heart and took it to heaven with her.

The family is in "awe" how many cards, flowers, and visits that we received. Thank you all for your support during this very difficult time.

We also would like to give a special thank you to Hospice in Cody, for making her last days bearable.

The family of Mary Ann Hunder,
Dawn Gilbert, Jay Hunder, Simone Bauer

COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE FORUM

Attend a panel discussion by local healthcare professionals about accessing and advocating for different models of healthcare in the Big Horn Basin.

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Luis Diaz Menendez and Carlos Somolinos Bravo, members of the Northwest College men's soccer team, encourage kids to speak out against bullying. The soccer team, along with other NWC athletes, are participating in #NWCcares, an anti-bullying campaign designed to raise awareness on the issue. Photos courtesy Aaron Kovac



NWC Fitness Center Coordinator Haley Sorenson settles in to a tree pose as part of the #NWCcares anti-bullying campaign.

NWC ATHLETES TACKLE THEIR TOUGHEST OPPONENT YET

After bullying hits close to home, NWC men's soccer team rallies around cause

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

Northwest College men's head soccer coach Stan Rodrigues knew something was up when he ran into one of his players on campus.

The usually fun-loving and boisterous athlete was uncharacteristically quiet and sullen; Rodrigues knew something heavy weighed on his mind.

"He's usually this happy-go-lucky kid, but I just caught a weird vibe from him," the coach recalled. "I asked him 'Hey, what's going on?' And he just heaved this big sigh."

The player had discovered his younger sibling, who has a learning disability, had become the target of bullies at school. Like any protective older brother is inclined to do, the player's first instinct was to deal with the problem directly — and not in a way that involved civil discourse.

"I told him, 'Sorry, man, that's not gonna happen. Let's talk about it a bit, see what we can come up with,'" Rodrigues explained. "He was in my office for two-and-a-half hours, and over the course of his story, I was just amazed at how the adults involved on the side of the school were not managing the situation to the student's needs. And when I found out a little bit more about it, I was even more saddened, because God forbid that was my son or daughter."

'STORIES CONNECT US'

With the advent of the internet and social media, the last 20 years have seen a powerful sub-section of bullying that is virtually impossible to escape from. According to statisticbrain.com, 52 percent of students nationally have admitted to being cyberbullied, be it on social media sites like Facebook and Twitter or through texts and instant messages. Of those students who reported being cyberbullied, 52 percent do not tell their parents or an authority figure when it occurs. And unlike

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Stan Rodrigues
NWC head soccer coach

player, Rodrigues turned to his wife Angela, who felt inspired to raise awareness in the quickest way possible: Social media. Her concept was to involve the soccer team and launch a social media campaign, inviting athletes from other NWC sports teams to get involved. She felt it crucial to use their platform, as



From left: Local students Darian Rodrigues, Coy Erickson and Gunnar Erickson.



NWC Trapper Fernando Hernandez sends a message against bullying.

"traditional" bullying that takes place on schoolyards and locker rooms, cyberbullying can reach its victims regardless of location — all it takes is a cellphone or Wi-Fi signal.

"When I was a kid, at 3 p.m. I could go home and be with my family and be protected. The worst thing I would get was prank calls," Rodrigues said. "Now kids are getting harassed on Facebook and Snapchat and getting threats on instant messenger. You can't get away from it."

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athletes, to bring a voice to those who feel they may have lost theirs.

"A lot of our athletes come from different backgrounds," Rodrigues said. "We all have stories. There are some major stories on this campus — kids that have gone through stuff, where you're just like, 'Wow, I never would have guessed that.' Stories connect us and we can't forget that at the foundation of all, we are all equal human beings with our own story to tell."

When Rodrigues approached his team with the idea of the anti-bullying campaign, their reaction was enthusiastic. Even the sophomores, gearing up for graduation and preparing to take the next step in their soccer and academic careers, immediately hopped on board.

"Despite being so different, this team is so tight," Rodrigues explained. "They're really bonded, and they protect each other very well. They also represent Northwest very well, on and off campus. When we told them about this, that's when all these different stories came out. That's when things took a turn, because our kids really felt connected. You can't beat that."

'A LIFE LESSON I WILL NEVER FORGET'

Trapper midfielder Aaron Kovac, recently named a team captain for next season, has put his photography skills to use to support the cause with a series of poignant portraits of NWC athletes. The black-and-white photos contain messages of tolerance and stress the importance of speaking out.

"Being behind the camera capturing these photos is a pleasure, but working with each individual in this campaign to end bullying is a life lesson I will never forget," Kovac said.

Fellow captain Daniel Lobera, a forward from Lander, agreed.

"At some point or another, most people have been on one end of harassment or bullying, maybe both ends," Lobera said. "This campaign is so important to our program as well as the many people who follow us on social media. It's a great thing for us to be known as a team who is willing to stand up [for] the little guy."

They're calling the campaign #NWCcares & #2TrapperUmatter in hopes the hashtags become popular on social media.

Rodrigues said one goal, among others, is to help young people learn that there is a line between a little good-natured ribbing and hurting someone's feelings. Learning where that line is could go a long way in alleviating different forms of bullying.

"We like to joke with people, but sometimes we don't know until it's too late that what we may think is funny is not always funny to everybody else," Rodrigues said.

In addition to a social media blitz, Rodrigues said the campaign has also reached out to the school district to gauge interest in having athletes come to local schools to talk to kids about bullying.

"Kids aren't always going to listen to their parents," he said. "But if I can bring in some of my athletes to share their stories, maybe it will ring true a little bit. If we can make people feel a little better, a little bit more connected, that's what we're looking to do."

Rodrigues found himself on both sides of the bullying issue during his own childhood.

"I used to get bullied a lot, especially in middle school due to my small stature," the coach said. "The only way I could defend myself when I got to high school, being the only Spanish kid in my school, I kind of became a bully myself."

Rodrigues said his brand of bullying wasn't physical; he relied on a "quick wit and a big mouth" to maintain a barrier that protected him from being picked on.

"Eventually I caught on that what I was doing was wrong, and I had softened myself by the time I was a senior," he said. "So hearing my player's story just brought in a bunch



NWC Trapper soccer player Yvan Wakam.



Lady Trapper sophomore volleyball players Samantha Waite and Julianna Hughes.



Lady Trapper sophomore volleyball players Bre Donarski and Holly Pittman.

of emotions for me. I've worked in schools my whole adult life, and I've seen things spin wildly out of control, to the point where people either lose jobs, or things get so bad for kids that they take their own lives, because bullying occurs at such a higher level now."

Rodrigues hopes that through this campaign, students feel empowered to speak out, whether they see bullying happening or are a victim themselves.

"They need to ask for help," he said. "Whether they go to their parents, their peers, maybe they need to find a safe space, there's got to be a better way to eliminate that feeling of fear and uncertainty. And in the end, the people they go to for help have got to do something ... If you're a mandatory reporter, you've got to do your job. All issues, as minor as some may appear to be, are not minor to the victim. They need to be heard."

KNOCKED DOWN, BUT NOT OUT



A light pole was still aglow after it was accidentally knocked down early Thursday morning near the intersection of First and Bent streets. A City of Powell employee accidentally hit the pole while clearing snow. The City of Powell Electric Department put up a new pole to replace it on Thursday, said Ed Bears, electric superintendent. Tribune photo by Toby Bonner

NEW FACES

Chelsey Malatare and Parker Collins of Deaver would like to announce the birth of a baby girl, Hope Kay Collins, who was born at Powell Valley Hospital on Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018. Hope was born at 2:51 p.m. with a weight of 6 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Monte Foos, Marilyn Malatare, Rick Collins and Wendy Collins.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

FEB. 6
Rick Lemuel Dye, 53, of Cody and Laura Christine (Gogolin) Sloan, 45, of Cody.

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Rickie Joe Gee, 56, of La Mirada, California, Suzanne Louise (Merchant) Peters, 65, of Cody.

POLICE REPORT

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

JANUARY 31

7:38 a.m. A resident reported someone ordered a phone to be delivered to a business on East Coulter Avenue in their name and it was not them. An officer spoke with the resident and advised AT&T's fraud department would be handling the incident. None of the resident's bank accounts were used, and they did not lose any money.

9:44 a.m. Brennan Foreman, 34, of Cody, was arrested at East Coulter Avenue/Panther Boulevard, on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance.

9:52 a.m. An ID theft was reported on North Clark Street and the case was placed under investigation.

10:43 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic disturbance on North Cheyenne Street, where they mediated the situation. Tabatha Steubner, 32, of Powell, was arrested on an active Big Horn County warrant and transported to the Big Horn County jail.

11:43 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic disturbance on West Park Street where the residents received warnings for disorderly house.

FEBRUARY 1

12:35 a.m. A traffic stop at East Third/North Everts streets resulted in the arrest of Angela Zamudio, 63, of Powell, on suspicion of driving while under influence.

12:52 p.m. Matthew Lovelady, 35, of Powell, was arrested at South Absaroka/East Park streets, on an active district court warrant.

1:23 p.m. A possible counterfeit \$100 bill was reported on West Sixth Street and the incident was placed under investigation.

5:40 p.m. Leisha Clark, 28, of Powell, was arrested at South Bent Street/East Coulter Avenue, on an active circuit court warrant.

5:43 p.m. A resident on East Third Street reported a stolen backpack and the case was placed under investigation.

6:40 p.m. Joe Walker, 27, of Powell, was arrested on North Clark Street on suspicion of driving under influence.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

JANUARY 30

1:36 a.m. Someone was reported to be spotlighting on Lane 6H near Road 6 in the Powell area. The Sheriff's Office didn't locate the vehicle.

8:13 a.m. A caller reported being bitten on the hand by their neighbor's dog on Cottontail Lane in the Cody area. The caller said a medical provider had told him to make sure the dog was current on its vaccinations.

9 a.m. Shane Michael Scheid, 36, was served a warrant at the Park County Courthouse.

10:09 a.m. A woman reported that some items had been moved around in her home on Road 19H in the Powell area and that, for some odd reason, a neighbor had paid one of her bills. The woman suspected that the neighbor had been inside her home without permission and gone through her stuff.

11:40 a.m. Two horses were reported to be running in the road on Clark Avenue/Natrona Street in Ralston. The Sheriff's Office didn't locate them.

4:12 p.m. Patricia Jaylee Strickland, 30, was arrested at the Cody Law Enforcement Center.

7:54 p.m. A Catahoula bulldog mix was returned to its owner after reportedly being lost off the back of the owner's vehicle on Lane 13/Road 9 in the Powell area.

11:36 p.m. A female reported that someone had been at her house on Road 12 in the Powell area; she said there was a silver truck in the driveway. The Sheriff's Office was unable to locate the vehicle.

JANUARY 31

12:18 a.m. Park County Search and Rescue's K-9 handlers were called for a report of a missing 8-year-old child in Thermopolis, but the call was later canceled.

10:31 a.m. A caller reported that two pit bulls were fighting in a living room on Main Street in Ralston; the caller said they were out of control. The Sheriff's Office assisted.

11:38 a.m. A semi-truck and SUV reportedly crashed on U.S. Highway 14-A and Lane 17 in the Cody area.

11:48 a.m. A truck was reported to have slid off the road and gone through a fence on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Powell area. The call was handled by the Wyoming Highway Patrol.

12:20 p.m. The Sheriff's Office was asked to check on the welfare of an 89-year-old woman on Road 10 in the Powell area.

2:50 p.m. Ryan John Hensley, 31, was served a warrant at the Park County Detention Center.

4:13 p.m. A caller on Cooper Lane in the Cody area reported that false allegations were being made about them via an anonymous letter.

10:56 p.m. The Sheriff's Office was asked to help contact a woman in the Deaver area. A caller

was trying to reach her about her son, who was making suicidal threats in Casper.

FEBRUARY 1

9:03 a.m. A deputy removed rocks from Stagecoach Trail in the Cody area.

4 p.m. A deputy assisted Cody police with a motor vehicle crash on 17th/Draw Street in the Cody area.

4:48 p.m. A man in his 30s was reported to be sitting in a vehicle that had its right rear window broken out, with heavy damage to the passenger side. The vehicle was reportedly at Name It Creek off U.S. Highway 14/16/20 west of Cody.

7:03 p.m. Mailboxes and fence were reported to have been taken out on Sage Drive in the Cody area.

FEBRUARY 2

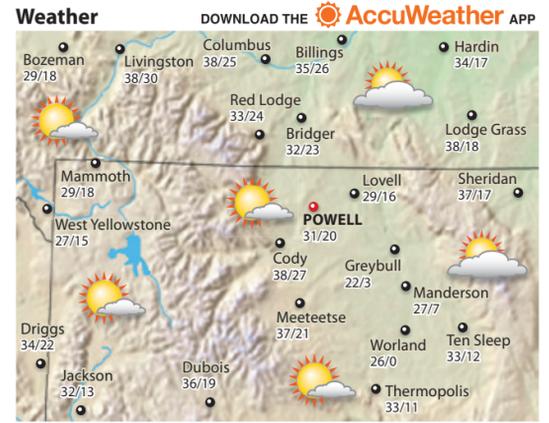
6:49 a.m. A caller reported hitting an elk on Lane 10/Wyo. Highway 294 in the Powell area. They were not injured.

10:41 a.m. A citizen reported that their ex just came to their house on Road 2BC in the Cody area and took their 3-year-old son without permission. The citizen said they and their ex did have joint custody.

1:28 p.m. A car was reported to have been sitting on a citizen's property Bear Creek Road in the Cody area for about 30 minutes. The caller thought that the occupants may have gone into the barn and then left in a Chevy Silverado truck.

10:07 p.m. A fence was reported to have been damaged on U.S. Highway 14/16/20 west of Cody.

10:09 p.m. A woman reported that a long line of vehicles just passed her residence, heading toward Polecat Bench on Wyo. Highway 295. She said her husband could see a bonfire up there.



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31° 20°	36° 8°	13° 0°	29° 19°	38° 21°

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Sunday

TEMPERATURES
High/Low 47°/-13°
Normal high/low 36°/10°
Average temperature 10.6°
Normal average temperature 22.9°

PRECIPITATION

Total for the week 0.21"
Month to date 0.32"
Normal month to date 0.05"
Year to date 0.42"
Snowfall for the week 4.7"
Snowfall month to date 6.3"
Snowfall season to date 13.5"

Sun and Moon

Sunrise/Sunset 7:19am/5:40pm
Moonrise/Moonset 6:05am/3:46pm

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Ice fishermen head to Lower Sunshine Reservoir at sunrise for the start of the second day of the Meeteetse Ice Fishing Tournament Sunday. The tournament was sponsored by the Meeteetse Visitors Center. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

Fishing: More than 200 anglers take part in fishing tournament

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Saturday, but passed on the first day weigh-in. Many teams, feeling confident about fishing conditions and looking for larger fish, passed on the Saturday weigh-in only to find the good times were over on day two. Vertz hadn't landed a fish. And yet, he didn't care.

"I'm not going to let anything keep me from doing what I love to do," Vertz said.

That includes his prognosis. The Powell resident was diagnosed with multiple myeloma — bone cancer — on Christmas Eve 2016 and he had been facing daily chemo treatments leading up to the tournament.

Vertz moved to Wyoming to be a roustabout after a long career in Alaska as a commercial salmon fisherman. It was a tough move, but a blessing, Vertz said.

"It's good to be near my brother, my family," he said. "Especially now."

Vertz doubts he'll be able to get to next year's tournament. The ride to Meeteetse from Powell was tough on his body. He stayed overnight near the lake to avoid two round trips.

"Right now there are good days and bad days, but I'll probably be paralyzed soon," he said.

Vertz was keeping entertained watching the antics of Dylan and Bryce Martin, who fished in the "small fry" tournament for youth. On Saturday, they were kept busy reeling in fish. On Sunday, with boredom setting in, the two found all sorts of mischief during the chilly day.

Under the guidance of their father Eric Martin, of Powell, and uncle Brian, who came from Mt. Joy, Pennsylvania, for the tournament, the boys finished second and third in the youth division.

Bryce and Dylan argued about who caught the biggest fish. Bryce caught the longer fish, but Dylan's fish was fatter. The length and girth of the fish combine for the overall score. Three-quarters of an inch separated the two.

Brian Martin was proud of his nephews. And despite not having any luck on Sunday he plans to make the long drive from Mt. Joy again for next year's tournament.

"I don't know how many times I've been here, but each time I can't believe how beautiful it is here. It's breathtaking," Martin said.

Emmarie Fauver, daughter of Jeremiah "Odie" Fauver of Basin, won the youth contest by about 5 inches, while her father finished in second place in the main event, losing to team Mari by 5 inches.

Tess Tom, tournament organizer, said it's an important event for the town of Meeteetse, population 327. The tournament is sponsored by the Meeteetse Visitors Center.

"Events like this help fund and keep the doors open," Tom said. "And it's a lot of fun."



Rick Vertz, of Powell, fishes the Meeteetse Ice Fishing Tournament despite an ongoing battle with cancer. The only equipment change he made was a pillow for his back to help with the discomfort.



Tony Martoglio, of Cody, drills holes in his ice fishing shelter at sunrise as he prepares to fish Lower Sunshine Reservoir in the Meeteetse Ice Fishing Tournament Sunday.



Norm Wesolowski, of Cody, won the big fish award for a 26 1/2-inch lake trout. The lunker had a girth of 13 inches.



Mary Askvig, Dean Askvig and Doug Chouinard show off their top 10 tournament fish after weigh-in on Sunday. The team used sucker meat with gold powerbait to attract the fish.



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PANTHER GRAPPLERS FALL TO CODY 38-32

DUAL COMES DOWN TO FINAL MATCH

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The No. 6-ranked Cody Broncs wrestling team squared off against the No. 4 Powell Panthers Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the last home dual of the season for Powell. It came down to the final match, with the Broncs escaping with a 38-32 win.

"It was an exciting dual," said head coach Nate Urbach. "It went back and forth and it came down to the last match and we ended up not getting it."

The dual started at the 285 pound weight class with Powell's Brandon Thompson, a senior who's ranked sixth in the state, versus senior Eric Flores, ranked second.

Thompson scored the first points to lead 2-0 at the end of the first period and went on to win by a 5-2 decision.

The win started Powell off with a 3-0 lead.

The second match was between freshman Emma Karhu and junior Drew Morris at 106 pounds. Morris pinned Karhu in 48 seconds, giving Cody a 6-3 lead.

In duals, pins are worth six points and victories by decision (a win by seven or fewer points) give three points.

The third match was a forfeit by Cody at 113 pounds, awarding six points to Powell and

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STATE BOUND

PHS INDOOR TRACK COMPETES IN LAST MEET OF REGULAR SEASON

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

In their final tune-up before the state tournament, Powell High School's indoor track and field athletes picked up a handful of strong finishes on Thursday in Gillette.

Colby Warner won in the high jump, clearing a height of 6 feet, 2 inches.

Also placing in the top eight for the boys was Kanyon Gann, who took third in the triple jump.

Top eight finishes for the girls track team included JuliaKay O'Neill in the 800 meter run (with her fourth-place finish) and an eighth-place finish by Hailee Paul in the 1600 meter run. Elsie Spomer had a fifth place finish in the long jump and a third place finish in the triple jump.

GIRLS RESULTS

Tomoka Hasegawa - 11. 55 Meter Dash 8.20, 18. 200 Meter Dash 31.04
Jozi Simpson - 16. 400 Meter Dash 1:14.66
JuliaKay O'Neill - 4. 800 Meter Run 2:29.86
Hailee Paul - 16. 800 Meter Run 3:11.50, 8. 1600 Meter Run 7:19.95
Emily Sweet - 12. 55 Meter Hurdles 10.48
Elsie Spomer - 5. Long Jump 14', 6.25", 3. Triple Jump 30', 5.5"

BOYS RESULTS

Kanyon Gann - 12. 55 Meter Dash 7.38, 3. Triple Jump 39', 1"
Kalen Sapp - 25. 55 Meter Dash 7.76, 30. Long Jump 13', 8"
Dylan Lowry - 28. 55 Meter Dash 7.85, 18. 400 Meter Dash 1:03.18
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Tyler Pfeiffer - 10. 800 Meter Run 2:18.77
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Colby Warner - 1. High Jump 6', 2"



PHS senior Luke Washington goes up for a shot Friday against a Mountain View defender during a game at Powell High School. The Powell boys split a pair of games over the weekend, losing to Mountain View but rebounding Saturday with a win against Lyman. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

PANTHERS SPLIT HOME GAMES

LOSE TO MOUNTAIN VIEW, BATTLE BACK AGAINST LYMAN

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School Panther basketball team split a pair of home games over the weekend, losing to Mountain View 56-49 on Friday, but beating Lyman 41-37 on Saturday.

"It was good to get a win," said PHS head coach Chase Kistler.

MOUNTAIN VIEW 56, PANTHERS 49

The Panthers jumped out to an early lead in the first quarter, 13-4, and led 25-18 at halftime.

In the second half, Mountain View made a comeback that was led by six 3-pointers by Braeden Walk.

The Buffaloes made a total of eight 3-point baskets throughout the game, while the Panthers made just three — one each by Kaelan Groves, Aaron Jacobsen and Jace Smith.

Powell lost the game 56-49.

The Panthers had 14 turnovers in the game — a marked improvement considering the Panthers have averaged more than 20 a game for the season.

Groves led with 13 points, Carson Heinen had 10 and Jacobsen scored eight.

On the boards, Heinen led

with six — five on defense and one on offense. Zach Meredith had five rebounds, four defensive and one offensive.

The team had a total of nine steals, led by Luke Washington with four followed by Jace Smith with three.

Smith had a team-best six assists.

The Panthers shot 48 percent from the field, 25 percent from the arc and 36 percent from the free throw line.

Mountain View shot 48 percent from the field, 40 percent from the arc and 50 percent at the charity stripe.

PANTHERS 41, LYMAN 37

Powell led 8-4 after the first quarter against Lyman, though the Eagles fought back to take a 14-13 lead at the half.

The Panthers, however, then re-took the lead at 27-22 in the third, and went on to win 41-37.

The Panthers kept their turnovers down for the second game in a row with 13.

Groves led with 14 points, including three 3-pointers. Meredith followed with 11 and Smith finished with seven.

The Panthers shot 31 percent from the field, 25 percent

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Turnovers hurt Lady Panthers

PHS LOSES TO MOUNTAIN VIEW, LYMAN AT HOME

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School girls' basketball team has averaged 14.9 turnovers per game thus far in the season, but after a pair of losses at home last weekend against Mountain View and Lyman, that average is due to rise.

The Lady Panthers had 23 turnovers in each game, a factor in both losses. Powell lost to Mountain View 47-33 and Lyman 49-36.

"The whole weekend, turnovers was our problem," said PHS head coach Scott McKenzie.

MOUNTAIN VIEW 47, LADY PANTHERS 33

"We just never could get with them," coach McKenzie said of Friday's loss to Mountain View. "We dug a hole and it stayed that way the whole game."

The Lady Panthers trailed 19-13 after the first quarter, and the Lady Buffaloes

increased the lead to 29-18 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Mountain View out-scored Powell 11-5 to lead 40-23 going into the final quarter of play. During the fourth quarter, Powell bounced back to hold the Lady Buffaloes to their lowest scoring quarter of the game — seven points — while scoring 10 points themselves. However, the hole the Lady Panthers dug for themselves during the first three quarters proved to be too much to overcome and Mountain View held on for the win.

"They shot the ball really well, credit to them. They came in and shot the ball really well at our place," coach McKenzie said of Mountain View. "We were just out of position defensively a lot in this game. We were just out of sync, for sure."

The Lady Buffaloes made a total of seven 3-pointers throughout the game. For the season, Mountain View has an average of five 3-point baskets per game.

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PHS junior Rachel Bonander battles for a shot Friday against a pair of Mountain View Lady Buffaloes at Powell High School. Powell lost the game, 47-33. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

PHS swimmers to compete at state

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Powell High School boys swim team will compete in the 3A State Swim and Dive Championships in Laramie this week. The action is slated to start at 2 p.m. Thursday and resume at 9 a.m. on Friday.

The Panthers have 12 swimmers qualified for state across eight events.

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The Powell High School boys swim team is sending 12 swimmers to the 3A State Swim and Dive Championships in Laramie on Thursday and Friday. Pictured (from left) are top row: Gavin Asay, Kacey Creed, Jared Fuller, Hudson Wilkerson and Dillinger Wilkerson; bottom row: Jay Cox, Ben Cannizzaro, Richard Spann, Bryce Hogen, Matthew Hobbs, Joe Rogers and Trenton Wilson. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

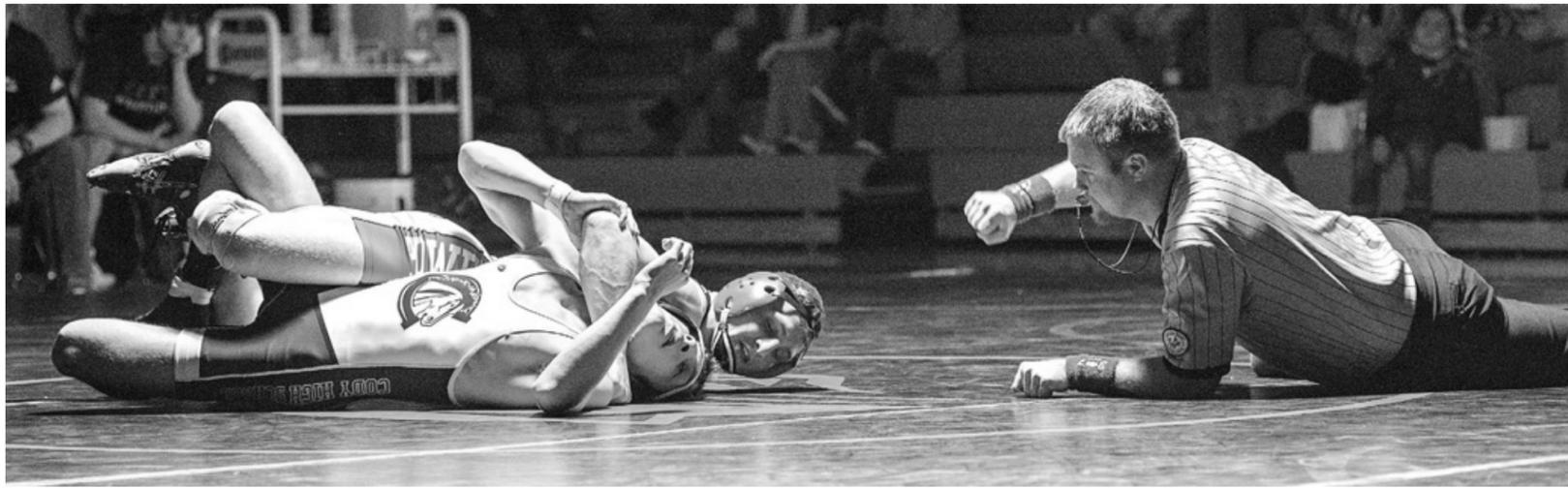
NWC weekend sports recap

The Trapper Wrestling team brought home three titles from the Rocky Mountain District Championships in Rock Springs on Saturday. The three champions were Nodir Safarov at 125 pounds, Tate Allison at 157 pounds and Lisiate Anau at 285 pounds. As a team, the Trappers took second place among the three teams that competed. Safarov, Allison and Anau will compete at the NJCAA National Championship in Council Bluffs, Iowa and will be joined by Taylor Jeffries, Palmer Schafer, Nic Urbach and Jeff Oakes who were selected as wildcards.

The Lady Trapper basketball team won both of their games last week to extend their win streak to five, beating Central Wyoming College 82-57 on Wednesday on the road and Little Big Horn College 117-33 at home on Saturday.

The Trapper basketball team lost on the road to Central Wyoming College 89-68 on Wednesday. A scheduled Saturday home game against Little Big Horn College was canceled.

See Thursday's paper for more details on these sporting events.



Referee Beau Fulton counts off Powell High School junior Reese Karst's near fall against Jon Sanchez during the 138-pound match of a home dual against Cody on Tuesday, Feb. 6. Karst won by a 16-0 technical fall.
Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

PHS WR: Team travels to 3A West Regional Tournament in Lyman Friday and Saturday to vie for a place at state

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giving the Panthers a 9-6 lead in the dual.

The fourth match was between seniors Brian Brazzelton and Andrew Sandoval, No. 7, at 120 pounds. Cody's Sandoval won by a 9-1 major decision. Major decisions are won by a margin of eight to 14 points and award the team four points. Cody took a one-point lead, 10-9.

At 126 pounds, Cody forfeited to award Powell six points and the Panthers reclaimed the lead, 15-10.

The sixth match of the evening was between PHS senior Stephen Preator and sophomore Zain Fitzgerald at 132 pounds. Preator was ranked third at 126 pounds and Fitzgerald was ranked seventh at 132 pounds.

Neither opponent scored in the first period. To start the second, Preator chose the down position and got an escape in 19 seconds to take a 1-0 lead.

With about 30 seconds remaining in the second period, Fitzgerald got a takedown and a near fall, and was awarded three back points to take a 5-1 lead going into the final period. Thirty seconds into the third period, Preator was taken down for two points and Fitzgerald won by a 7-1 decision.

The win decreased Powell's lead by two points, 15-13 going into the seventh match of the evening, the 138-pound weight class. It featured top-ranked sophomore Reese Karst against No. 6 Jon Sanchez.

After the first period, Karst led 10-0 with a takedown and back points and in the second period, Karst won by a 16-0

technical fall. Technical falls are matches won by 15 or more points and award the team five points.

That increased Powell's lead to 20-13.

The next two matches were won by Powell by pins. Freshman Seth Horton, ranked sixth at 145 pounds, pinned Liam O'Hara in 1:07. At 152 pounds, sophomore Brody Karhu, No. 7, pinned Orin Oilar in 46 seconds. The two pins increased Powell's lead to 32-13.

At 160 pounds, senior Seena Ashtaini faced off against Cody senior Dan Beaudrie, ranked No. 1, and was pinned in 34 seconds. That awarded Cody six points for a dual score 32-19.

The 11th match of the evening was the 170-pound weight class, with sophomore Bo Dearcorn, No. 5, facing off against Josh Jones, No. 2.

About 40 seconds into the first period, Dearcorn got a takedown to take a 2-0 lead. But with two seconds remaining, Jones pinned Dearcorn. The pinned decreased Powell's lead to 32-25.

The next match featured the 182 pounders: Powell junior Cameron Schmidt and Cody sophomore Charlie Beaudrie, who's ranked third in the state.

Beaudrie scored a takedown 51 seconds into the first period, but Schmidt got an escape to trail by one, 2-1, going into the second period. Charlie Beaudrie then scored another takedown and an escape, while Schmidt had two points for a reversal to bring the score to 5-3 going into the final period. Beaudrie won by a 8-5 decision.

With two matches remaining, Powell held a tenuous 32-28 lead. The second to last match was the 195-pound weight class, with Powell sophomore Matthew Seckman against senior Ira Mickelson, ranked No. 6 in the state.

To start the second period, Seckman chose down and about halfway through the period, Mickelson was awarded three backpoints.

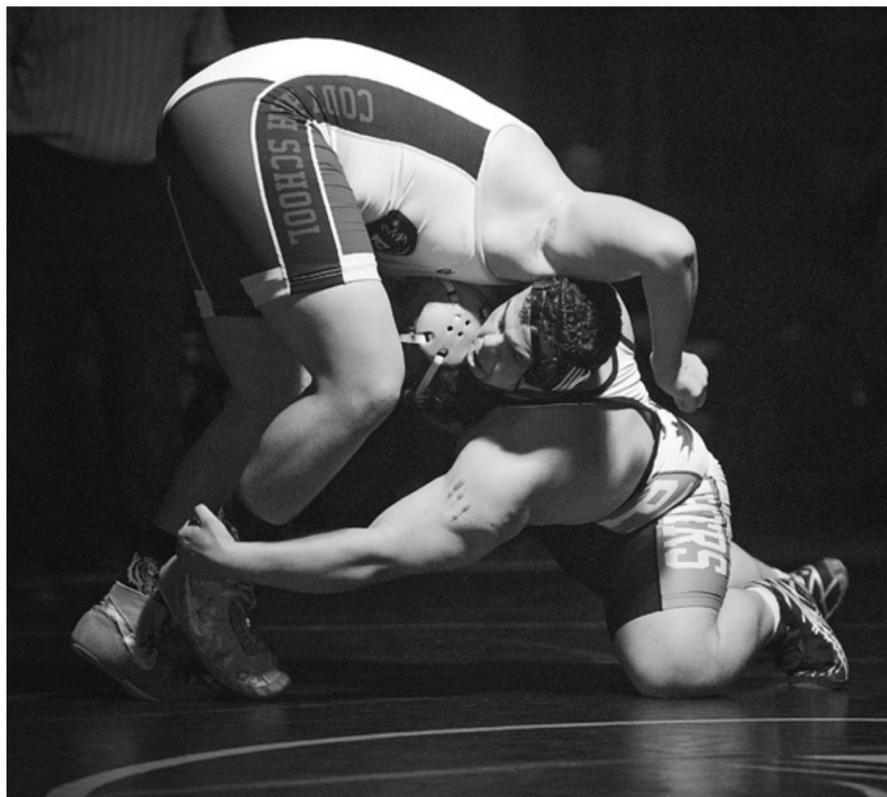
With about 30 seconds remaining in the second period, Seckman got an escape, but Mickelson got a takedown shortly after and was awarded two backpoints to take a 7-1 lead heading into the final period. Mickelson won by a 9-1 major decision.

The four points from the major decision win by Mickelson tied the score at 32 going into the final match of the evening, junior Duy Linh Hoang against sophomore Jeff Williams.

Hoang scored a takedown with 35 seconds remaining in the first period for two points but about 10 seconds later, Williams got an escape to end the first period with a score of 2-1, Hoang.

To start the second period, Hoang choose down and 20 seconds in, Williams got two backpoints to take a 3-2 lead. Eleven seconds later, Hoang got an escape to tie the score at 3-3. At 1:03 remaining in the period, Hoang got a takedown to take a 5-3 lead; then the wrestlers went out of bounds.

Escapes, takedowns, reversals, points for stalling and an illegal hold ended the second period with the two wrestlers



PHS senior wrestler Brandon Thompson, who's ranked sixth in the state, won this match by major decision against Cody's Eric Flores, who is ranked second in the 285-pound weight class. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

at 9-9. Williams chose down to start the third period and eight seconds in, the Cody wrestler got an escape to take a 10-9 lead. With 46 seconds remaining in the match, Williams got a takedown and pinned Hoang at 5:20.

The pin awarded Cody six points, and the win over Powell 38-32.

Of the dual as a whole, Urbach said, "I felt all around that we wrestled really well."

Next up for the Panther wrestling team is the 3A West

Regional tournament Friday and Saturday in Lyman. The tournament will start at 4 p.m. Friday and resume at 9 a.m. Saturday. The top eight places in each weight class will advance to the state tournament, Feb. 23-24 in Casper.



Surrounded by Lyman Eagles, PHS junior Kaelen Groves puts up a shot during Saturday's home win. Groves led in scoring for the Panthers with 14 points. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

PHS BB: On the road this weekend

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at the arc and 50 percent at the free throw line.

The Eagles shot 33 percent from the field and at the arc and 47 percent at the charity stripe.

Trent Desjarlais and Heinen had three assists each.

On the boards, Groves led with eight, split evenly between offense and defense. Jacobsen

had seven rebounds (four offensive and three defensive) and finished with four steals.

Next up for the Panthers are two games on the road. On Friday, Powell will travel to Riverton to play at 7 p.m. and on Saturday, they'll play in Lander at 3:30 p.m.

The Panthers have an 0-3 conference record and a 5-11 overall record.

WINTER GAMES



Powell's Molly Heinen is all smiles as she races to a silver medal in the snowshoe races at the Special Olympics Area 1 Winter Games. Held late last month at Meadowlark Ski Lodge in the Bighorn Mountains, the event featured competitors from Powell, Lander, Cody, Thermopolis and Worland. Representing the Powell team were Heinen, Matthew Pool, Camie Jo Connor, Noah Kiser, Emily Sessions and Asher Gonzales. Participants were involved in the event as part of their adaptive physical education curriculum, sponsored by Park County School District No. 1. The next Special Olympics event is a swimming event planned for late April. Photo courtesy Jarred Oliver Photography

PHS GBB: Lady Panthers record stands at 11-5 overall and lead with a 3-0 conference record

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Powell made a total of four 3-pointers and has a season average of 3.4 per game.

Two of PHS' baskets from beyond the arc came from Aubrie Stenerson with one each from Karlie McKenzie and Brea Terry.

As a team, the Lady Panthers shot 24 percent from the arc, 30 percent from inside the arc and 54 percent from the free throw line.

"That's just not a good night for us," coach McKenzie said of the shooting percentages.

Rachel Bonander had a double-double with 11 points and 14 rebounds, split evenly between

offense and defense. Bonander also had three assists, two steals and four blocked shots.

Stenerson also scored in double digits with 10 points to go along with four assists.

Maddy Hanks had eight boards, five on offense and three on defense.

Karlie McKenzie led the team with three steals.

LYMAN 49, LADY PANTHERS 36
Lyman came into Saturday's contest ranked No. 2 in Class 3A and sporting a 15-0 record.

"Again, we dug a hole," coach McKenzie said.

The Lady Panthers trailed 19-5 after the first quarter. Powell outscored the Lady Eagles

31-30 the next three quarters but couldn't overcome that first-quarter deficit.

"Turnovers — we did not handle the pressure well," coach McKenzie said of the game.

"Things that we've been successful with all year up to this point we just didn't execute well and dug a hole. But [I] thought we battled the whole game."

Bonander led with 11 points and Hanks had seven. As a team, the Lady Panthers shot 36 percent from both outside and inside the arc and 46 percent at the line. For the season, Powell is averaging 22 percent from the 3-point line, 58 percent at the charity stripe and 41 percent inside the arc.

Besides having a second straight game with 23 turnovers, Powell also had its lowest rebounding game of the season.

The Lady Panthers only had six offensive boards and 18 defensive rebounds.

For the season, Powell has averaged 10.75 offensive boards and 21.38 defensive rebounds.

"Lyman was tall and they killed us on the boards on both ends," coach McKenzie said.

Bonander led with six boards, five on offense and one on defense. Hanks had five defensive rebounds.

Karlie McKenzie had four assists and Hanks and Bonander finished with three assists

apiece. Bonander also had four blocked shots and four steals in the game.

"Even though it wasn't a good weekend as a whole, I was really happy with the bench," said coach McKenzie of Ashtyn Heny, Jasmyne Lensgrae, Michele Wagner, Brea Terry and Devon Curtis. "[I] thought all played well for us this weekend. That's a good sign for us as we are headed towards regionals, as those girls are starting to do more things for us defensively and scoring."

The Lady Panthers have a 11-5 overall record for the season.

"We're having a great year — just a bump in the road," coach

McKenzie said of the weekend's game results. "We're not worried. We're confident that we'll be fine going into Lander and Riverton."

On Friday, Powell will travel to Lander and tip off against the Lady Tigers at 5:30 p.m. On Saturday, PHS will play the Lady Wolverines in Riverton at 2 p.m. "That'll be two tough places to play, but if we can win those, that puts us in control of first seed for regionals," coach McKenzie said. "So that's our goal this week."

For the 3A West North Quadrant, the Lady Panthers lead with a 3-0 conference record. Cody, Riverton and Lander all have a 1-2 conference record.

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 Notice is hereby given that the Park County School District #6 will receive sealed bids until 10 A.M., local time, March 9, 2018 at 919 Cody Ave, Cody, WY, for MATERIALS, LABOR, SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION & COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMONS INFILL. All bids publicly opened and read aloud - date and time stated above. Mail or deliver to Park County School District #6. Complete digital copies of the bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com and at www.eaengineers.com under PROJECTS OUT TO BID. Submitting Contractors will be required to register with the website to download the bidding documents for \$20 by inputting Quest project #5524274 on the website's Project search page. Pre-bid meeting held at 10 A.M., local time, on February 19, 2018 at the Cody Middle School, 2901 Cougar Ave, Cody, Wyoming.
 Dated this 1st day of February, 2018
 Park County School District #6
 First Publ., Tues., Feb. 6, 2018
 Second Publ., Thurs., Feb. 8, 2018
 Third Publ., Tues., Feb. 13, 2018
 Fourth Publ., Thurs., Feb. 15, 2018

Amend budget

NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the governing body of the City of Powell, Wyoming, will consider the adoption of a Resolution to amend the 2017-2018 Budget by increasing the General Fund Police Department budgets. All persons interested may appear and be heard at the regular Council meeting on February 20, 2018 at the hour of 6:00 PM, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.
 Publ., Tues., Feb. 13, 2018

P&Z meeting

PARK COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
 Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 20th, 2018 in the Alternate Emergency Operating Center (EOC Room), basement of the Courthouse Addition 1002 Sheridan Ave. Cody, WY. 82414

Meetings of the Park County Planning & Zoning Commission are open to the public. For more information please contact the Park County Planning & Zoning Department at 527-8540 or 754-8540.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 Approve minutes from January 16th, 2018 meeting.

AGENDA
 • **PUBLIC HEARING** – Taylor SUP-159: Chris Taylor requests approval of a special use permit that would allow use of an area to process logs, for log homes, in a Residential ½-Acre (R-H) Zoning District. The area of use is approximately 3 acres, located in a 322 acre parcel in Sec. 35, T53N, R101W, Park County WY. This property is just south of Road 2 DAW, and is approximately 0.5 miles east of Yellowstone Regional Airport.

• **PUBLIC HEARING** – Higbie West 40 Major Subdivision Preliminary Plat Review: Ed Higbie requests approval of a preliminary plat for the subdivision of a 43.5 acre parcel into an 8 lot subdivision. Parcel is located within part of Lots 11 and 12, Sec. 24 (RS) T53N R102W and part of Lots 7 and 16, Sec. 19 (RS) T53N R101W Park County, WY, in the General Rural 5-Acre (GR-5) zoning district. This parcel is just east and north of Road 2 ABN, and approximately 1 mile north of Cody city limits.

OTHER BUSINESS
 • Chair's Report
 • Planning Director's Report
ADJOURN
 Publ., Tues., Feb. 13, 2018

City minutes

City Council Proceedings
 February 5, 2018

The governing body of the City of Powell met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on February 5, 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 Leslie Spencer, Tim Sapp, Jim Hillberry, Floyd Young and Scott Mangold. Absent Eric Paul. City Officials: City Administrator Zane Logan, City Clerk Tiffany Brando, Attorney Sandee Kitchen, Deputy City Attorney Scott Kath, Director of Public Works Gary Butts, Parks Supt. Del Barton, Water/Wastewater Supt. Ty McConnell and Police Chief Roy Eckerdt.

Approval of Agenda: Councilman Hillberry moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Approval of January 15, 2018 meeting minutes. Councilman Young moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.

Bills and Claims: Mayor Wetzel abstained #62. Councilman Mangold made a motion the bills be allowed and authorize the Treasurer to draw warrants for payment of the same, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.
PUBLIC HEARING – Request for Zone Change – Cason Addition – Phase I opened by Attorney Scott Kath, a re-zone from AC to RG zone and was recommended by Planning & Zoning. Subdivision and agreement will come at 3rd reading. Owner/Developer Jacob Merrell was available for questions. No further comments closed 6:06 PM.

Ordinance No. 2, 2018 read by Attorney Kath: An Ordinance Re-Zoning Cason Addition, Phase I, From Agricultural Cultivation District (A-C) to General Residential District (R-G). Councilman Hillberry moved to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.
 Malt Beverage Permit: Feb. 11th @ Commons Knights of Columbus. Councilman Sapp moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Mangold, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Catering Permits WYOld West Brewing: Feb. 13th @ Fairgrounds for Mardi Gras, Feb. 14th @ 130 N Bent St, and Feb 24th @ Plaza Diane for Sip N Paint. Councilman Young moved to approve all, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.

Catering Permit Burlington Place March 9th @ Fairgrounds for Ducks Unlimited. Councilwoman Spencer moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Request Waiver of Fees for PEP/Chamber Member Meetings Feb. 16th and April 20th @ the Commons. Councilman Young moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Hillberry, unanimous approval, MOTION

CARRIED.
 Committee Update: Mayor Wetzel gave update on Legislative Liaison Committees and the budget session at the Legislature. Downtown Parking Discussion: Mayor Wetzel discussed the downtown parking and has been hearing from constituents on parking. Chief Eckerdt stated that during meal times they are seeing an increase of persons downtown causing some of the parking restraints, and Mayor Wetzel asked PEP/Chamber to maybe address this with their members and make them aware of public parking lots available as well.

Ordinance No 1, 2018 title Read by Attorney Kitchen: An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 5.36 of the Powell City Code Pertaining to Pool and Billiard Tables, Bowling Lanes, Card Tables and Game Vending Machines. Councilman Mangold moved to approve on third and reading, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Park County Consensus Funding request for fairgrounds drainage project and to authorize all signatures. Councilman Mangold move to approve and authorize all necessary signatures, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.

Automated Merchant Systems Agreement is for ability to take municipal court payments online and has been reviewed by Attorney Kitchen. Councilman Hillberry moved to approve and authorize all necessary signatures, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Police Vehicle bid process reviewed by Chief Eckerdt and would like to be able to use the WYDOT bid process and get a replacement vehicle for the impala that was totaled in June. Explained the process and the car is within the specs for the police department. Councilman Hillberry moved to approve using WYDOT program, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.

Parks Dept. Annual Update was given by Parks Supt. Del Barton for 2017. General Announcements: Administrator Logan welcomed Ty McConnell as the new Water/Wastewater Supt., staff will be reviewing the capital improvement plan tomorrow and a reminder the Absaroka Street public meeting will be Tuesday, February 20th before the next council meeting.

There being no further business to be considered at this meeting, Councilman Young moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Mangold unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Mayor Wetzel adjourned the regular meeting at 6:43 p.m.
APPROVED:
 /s/ John F Wetzel
 Mayor
ATTEST:
 /s/ Tiffany Brando
 City Clerk
 Publ., Tues., Feb. 13, 2018

County minutes

Park County Board of County Commissioners
 Regular Meeting
 Tuesday, January 16, 2018
 Chairman Grosskopf called to order a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Park County, Wyoming, on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Present were Chairman, Loren Grosskopf, Vice Chairman, Jake Fulkerson Commissioners Tim French, Joe Tilden, and Clerk Colleen Renner. Commissioner Livingston was absent.

Teecee Barrett, Events Department, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Action Items and Other Business:
 Approve-Minutes
 The minutes from January 2 & 9, 2018 were presented to the Board for approval. Commissioner Fulkerson moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Tilden, and motion carried.

Approve-Payroll
 Payroll was presented in the amount of \$404,392.36 which included one bi-weekly and the monthly payroll in the amount of \$82,516.19 to the Board for approval. Commissioner Tilden moved to approve payroll, seconded by Commissioner French, and motion carried.

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

Payee	Amount
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	891.02
AT CONFERENCE	205.37
AT&T MOBILITY	390.69
AUTOSHOP, INC.	466.08
BAILEY ENTERPRISES, INC.	90.53
BAILEY ENTERPRISES, INC.	4,086.43
BEAR CO., INC.	6,024.34
BEARTOOTH ELECTRIC COOP	64.70
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF NW WY	2,115.67
BIG HORN CO-OP MARKETING ASSN.	33.59
BIG HORN RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY	292.96
BIG HORN WHOLESALE, INC.	2,688.68
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	12,033.83
BLAKEMAN PROPANE, INC.	501.93
BLOEDORN LUMBER - POWELL	67.32
BOONE'S MACHINE SHOP	187.82
C & C WELDING, LLC	87.28
CARING FOR POWELL ANIMALS	875.52
CAROLINA SOFTWARE	500.00
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS - #064250	1,431.37
CARQUEST AUTO PARTS - #274890	243.24
CENTURYLINK	2,491.93
CENTURYLINK BUSINES SERVICES	38.35
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	99.99
CHRISTIE, LOGAN	166.92
CLOUD PEAK COUNSELING CENTER	1,625.00
CODY ACE HARDWARE	72.26
CODY COUNCIL ON AGING	11,856.00
CODY ENTERPRISE	2,669.44
CODY PAINT & BODY, INC.	559.50
CODY SHOOTING COMPLEX	4,000.00
CODY YELLOWSTONE AIR	6,500.00
CODY, CITY OF	1,094.40
CODY, CITY OF	22,801.43
CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE COMPANIES, INC.	19,121.48
COULTER CAR CARE CENTER	59.50
CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES	3,732.12
CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES	3,064.32
CRUM ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	515.76
CUSTOM AIR, INC.	426.50
D&G ELECTRIC, LLC	65.00
ECOLAB, INC.	430.28
ESRI (ENVIRONMENTAL SYS. RESEARCH INST)	13,700.00
FASTENAL	41.54
FILENER CONSTRUCTION, INC.	5,171.65
FORWARD CODY WYOMING, INC.	4,377.60
GARLAND LIGHT & POWER CO.	1,479.78
GOODYEAR PRINTING	367.00
GRAINGER	200.88
GUERTIN, ANDREW	83.36
HAL LEE PLUMBING & HEATING, LLC	10,146.55
HANSON CHEMICAL INC.	680.63
HEARTLAND AG - BUSINESS GROUP	45.00
INTERSTATE TIRE SERV. INC.	20.00
K-B COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS	686.23
KEEGAN, KRISJANSONS & MILES, PC	4,495.00
KEELE SANITATION	1,200.00

KENCO SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY	341.75
KINCHELOE PLUMBING & HEATING	293.09
KOIS BROTHERS EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.	288.74
LINTONS BIG R, INC.	283.42
MAJESTIC LUBE, INC.	100.90
MANNAHOUSE	2,123.14
MAXX DIESEL REPAIR	360.00
MEETEETSE SENIOR CENTER	2,508.00
MEETEETSE VISITOR CENTER	2,188.80
MEETEETSE, TOWN OF	340.58
MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP.	218.15
MICKELSON, JOSEPH D	243.96
MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO.	2,462.26
MOTOR PARTS, INC.	233.29
MURDOCH OIL, INC.	353.25
NAPA AUTO PARTS	70.36
NORCO, INC.	24.30
NORTHWEST COLLEGE	3,998.00
NORTHWEST RURAL WATER DISTRICT	82.40
OFFICE SHOP, THE	1,942.94
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS - CODY	84.19
PARK CO COURT SUPERVISED TREATMENT PROG	9,147.73
PARK COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL	2,500.00
PARK COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER	2,626.56
PARK COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD	775,826.55
PARK COUNTY MUSEUM BOARD	97,161.31
PARK COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD	88,659.50
PARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	95.00
PARK COUNTY TREASURER	797.08
PHILLIPS, CLINT	1,430.00
PILCH ENGINEERING INC., PC	13,977.00
POST AND ASSOCIATES	400.00
POWELL ACE HARDWARE, LLC	302.05
POWELL ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP, INC.	3,501.94
POWELL LOCK	920.00
POWELL SENIOR CITIZENS AGO-GO, INC	11,856.00
POWELL TRIBUNE, INC.	50.00
POWELL TRIBUNE, INC.	2,354.51
POWELL VALLEY RECYCLING	2,211.84
POWELL, CITY OF	3,651.43
QUILL CORPORATION	47.98
RIMROCK TIRE CO - CODY	176.20
RIMROCK TIRE CO - POWELL	51.45
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	725.09
SANOFI PASTEUR, INC	542.87
SELBYS, INC.	347.67
SHOSHONE OFFICE SUPPLY, INC.	75.71
SYSCO FOOD SERVICES OF MONTANA	1,079.20

TOTAL ID	258.00
TW ENTERPRISES, INC.	1,289.70
VERIZON WIRELESS	71.31
VERIZON WIRELESS	26.87
VERIZON WIRELESS	210.76
VISA - #0068 - B. POLEY	28.18
VISA - #0118 - P. MEYER	782.09
VISA - #0191 - L. LIVINGSTON	29.90
VISA - #9408 - B. EDWARDS	209.99
VISA - #9507 - C. RENNEN	74.50
VISA - #9689 - M. CONNERS	2,176.30
VISA - #9762 - S. STEWARD	8,526.99
VISA - #9861 - M. GARZA	391.43
VISA - #9879 - T. BARRETT	7.21
WARNER, MICHAEL A.	30.00
WHITE INK, LLC	101.40
WILLIAMS & SONS, LLC	405.00
WINTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.	6,331.26
WPCI CONSULTANTS, INC.	112.50
WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT	190.98
WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH/PBL HLTH LB	18.00
WYOMING DEPT OF AGRICULTURE*	50.00
WYOMING STATE BAR	100.00
WYOMING STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER	400.00
WYOMING TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION	195.00
YANKEE CAR WASH	33.00
YELLOWSTONE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	9,849.60
YELLOWSTONE REGIONAL AIRPORT	31,192.50
YOUTH CLUBS OF PARK COUNTY	7,519.52
YOUTH CLUBS OF PARK COUNTY	3,283.20
TOTAL	1,270,315.59

Approve-Monthly Earnings and Collections.
 The monthly earnings and collection statements for the Clerk, Clerk of District Court, and Sheriff were presented for approval. Commissioner Tilden moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner French, and motion carried.

Approve and sign County Wide Consensus Block Grant Application, Fairgrounds Drainage Overruns (Colleen Renner, Park County Clerk)

Clerk Renner presented the application for the grant, requesting \$68,946.10 for the overrun costs in completing the fairgrounds drainage project. Clerk Renner will present to the three cities/towns for their approval the first week of February and the request needs to be to the State by the first week of March. Commissioner French made a motion to approve and sign the documentation and present to the cities/towns, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and

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City payments

PAYROLL CLAIMS			
1 AFLAC Dependent Childcare		\$100.00	Payroll Deductions
2 AFLAC Insurance Premiums		\$1,858.70	Payroll Deductions
3 AFLAC Unreimbursed Medical		\$3,489.12	Payroll Deductions
4 Internal Revenue Service		\$82,795.28	FICA
5 Great West Retirement Service		\$7,353.60	Deferred Compensation
6 Workers Compensation		\$0.00	Worker's Compensation
7 Wyoming Retirement System		\$48,484.07	Retirement Contribution
8 Child Support		\$816.00	Payroll Deductions
9 Prudential Insurance Premium		\$16.00	Payroll Deductions
10 Garnishment		\$0.00	Payroll Deductions
11 Health Benefit Plan		\$97,505.14	Plan Benefit
TOTAL PAYROLL RELATED:		\$242,417.91	
TOTAL PAID WAGES IN JANUARY 2018		\$252,244.46	
12 360 Office Solutions	Finance	\$90.33	Monthly Copy Machine Fees
13 Absaroka Doors	Airport	\$483.71	Repair Hangar Door
14 Aldrich & Company	Parks	\$7.99	Sanding Belts
15 Alere Toxicology	Police	\$60.00	Drug Testing Supplies
16 AlSCO	Aquatics	\$50.16	Mat Cleaning
17 Altec Industries	Electric	\$67.59	Bucket Truck Parts
18 AscentAviat	Airport	\$23,616.53	6,100 Gal. of 100LL Fuel for Resale
19 AT&T Mobility	IT, Admin	\$129.42	Monthly Cell Phone
20 Atco International	Prks,Aqua	\$1,564.00	Cleaning Supplies & Gloves
21 Auto Plumbers Exhaust	Police	\$899.00	Pickup Bed Cover
22 Bailey Enterprises Inc	Various	\$411.39	Fuel Charges
23 Big Valley Bearing & Supply Co	Parks	\$4.53	Spark Plug
24 Blair's Market	Various	\$379.08	Concession, Retirement Party & Coffee Supplies
25 Bobcat of the Big Horn Basin	Electric	\$512.00	68" Bucket for Bucket Truck
26 Carquest	Sani,Shop	\$542.17	Filters & Brake Parts
27 Centurylink	Electric	\$45.98	Monthly Sub Station Phone Bill
28 Charter Communication	Various	\$7.44	Monthly Cable TV
29 Chief Supply	Police	\$270.64	Uniforms & Officer Gear
30 City of Powell ~ Petty Cash	Various	\$125.10	Paper Plates, W2's, 1099's, CDL Fees, Postage & Title Work
31 Copper Mountain Irrigation	Aquatics	\$1,240.66	Pump Repairs
32 Crum Electric Supply	Various	\$1,268.28	Heater, Bulbs, Hand Dryers & Starter
33 Dick Jones Trucking	Sanitation	\$1,704.00	Cardboard Hauling Fees
34 Drivepayments	Water	\$86.26	Monthly Credit Card Fees @ Water Dock
35 Energy Labs	WstWtr	\$460.00	Waste Water Testing
36 Engineering Associates	CapProj	\$29,984.84	Absaroka Street Engineering Fees
37 Fastenal	Various	\$76.65	Drill Bits, Bolts & Washers
38 Federal Express	Ot Gen	\$4.84	Package Mailing
39 Food Services of America	Aquatics	\$451.40	Concession & Household Supplies
40 Frank, Clint	Aquatics	\$650.00	Pump Installation
41 Fremont Beverages, Inc	Aquatics	\$95.00	Concession Supplies
42 Fremont Motor of Powell	Pol,Shop	\$196.37	Antifreeze, Heater Core & Door Switch
43 Garland Light & Power	Fiber	\$45.00	Annual Pole Attachment Fees
44 General Distributing	Aquatics	\$566.00	CO2
45 Hawkins Inc	Aquatics	\$1,201.61	Chlorine
46 Intern. Assn of Chiefs of Police	Police	\$150.00	Annual Dues R Eckerdt
47 Jadedco Inc	Aquatics	\$464.00	Pump Repairs
48 John Deere Financial	Various	\$333.94	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
49 Joy of Creative Stitchery	Police	\$200.51	Sewing Services
50 KB Commercial Products	Aquatics	\$195.80	Floor Machine Parts
51 Long Building Technologies	Aquatics	\$560.50	Maintenance Repairs to Pool PAC
52 McIntosh Oil	Various	\$638.27	Fuel for Lagoon Gen., Kerosene Heater & Shop
53 Mountain West Computer	Various	\$249.97	Calendars, Keyboards, Mouse Pads, Folders & Ink Ice
54 Mr. D's Powell	Water	\$11.92	Pump, Socket, Electrical Parts & Sure Protector
55 Napa Auto Parts	Various	\$249.91	Monthly Water Fees
56 Northwest Rural Water	WtrWWat	\$321.08	Headlight & Lens Restore
57 O'Reilly Automotive	Streets,IT	\$17.08	Labor
58 Pete Dehaan Electronics	Police	\$20.63	Window Motor
59 Peterbuilt of Wyoming	Sanitation	\$444.37	Misc Purchases for Various Depts.
60 Powell Ace Hardware	Various	\$284.41	Membership Dues
61 Powell Rotary Club	Parks	\$150.00	Annual Subscription
62 Powell Tribune	Electric	\$50.00	Blood Draw Fees
63 Powell Valley Health Care	Police	\$100.00	Monthly Life Insurance Premium
64 Principle Life Insurance	Various	\$48.14	Propane
65 Quality Propane	Strts,WWat	\$144.48	Copy Paper & Desktop Calendar
66 Quill	Police	\$500.88	Support Agreement
67 RC Systems	Aquatics	\$2,570.00	Replace, Recap & Mount Tires
68 Rimrock Tire	Various	\$2,574.00	Power for Pump
69 Rocky Mountain Power	WstWtr	\$13.61	Drain & Drain Repairs
70 Sammons Excavation	WstWtr	\$5,052.13	Stool Repairs at Police Department
71 Sanders Plumbing & Heating	Building	\$135.00	Monthly LTD Premium
72 Standard Insurance Company	Various	\$2,508.30	Monthly Phone, Fax, Internet & TV Fees
73 TCT	Various	\$2,560.92	Mops Heads, Dog Waste Bags, Bath Tissue & Window Cleaner
74 Uline Shipping Supplies	Parks	\$578.80	Monthly Billing & Postage Fees
75 Valli Information Systems	Fin,OthG	\$1,450.64	Monthly Cell Phone Fees
76 Verizon Wireless	Various	\$1,288.66	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
77 Visa	Various	\$5,565.75	Sweatshirt
78 Vision West	Aquatics	\$27.25	Quarterly Installment on Downtown Lighting Project
79 WAM-WCCA	Electric	\$2,500.00	Trash Hauling Fees
80 Warren Transport	Sanitation	\$3,911.60	Citation Envelopes
81 White Ink Printing & Design	Muni Court	\$58.75	WAM Registration Fees Wetzel & Spencer
82 Wyo. Assn of Municipalities	Council	\$450.00	Quarterly Unemployment Fees
83 Wyo. Dept of Workforce Services	OthGen	\$3,457.52	Annual Dues L Kary, T McConnell, B Ballard & K Spomer
84 Wyo. Water Quality	WstWtr	\$120.00	Fire System Repairs
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TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS FOR:	6-Feb-18	\$108,159.83	
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BE MY VALENTINE Sunny Thomas, 5, works on a Valentine present during a craft and cupcake day at the Powell library last week. She made the card for a loved one, but ate both of her cupcakes. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

NWC international students host Lunar New Year celebration

If traveling to China this month to kick off the Year of the Dog isn't a possibility, area residents still have an opportunity to learn how the Lunar New Year is celebrated in a variety of Asian countries.

The program gets underway at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, in the Yellowstone Building Conference Center at Northwest College.

Northwest College students from China, Taiwan, Malaysia, Macau and Vietnam begin the spring semester with a program about how the New Year is celebrated in their native lands.

The Lunar New Year, a festival typically celebrated in China and other Asian countries, begins with the first new moon of the lunar calendar and ends 15 days later on the first full moon.

Following the presentation, attendees are invited to participate in festive games and activities that are traditional to the New Year celebrations in each country.

In addition to conversations about culture, geography and traditions in their respective countries, students will also demonstrate the art of calligraphy by writing the names of guests for them to take home as a keepsake.

As is customary, the audience will be treated to a sensorial feast, including a selection of food from each country. This event is sponsored by the NWC Multicultural Club and the Office of Intercultural Programs.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Amanda Enriquez, intercultural program manager, at amanda.enriquez@nwc.edu or 754-6424.

PUBLIC NOTICES

"BECAUSE THE PEOPLE MUST KNOW"

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motion carried. RESOLUTION 2018-07.

Commissioner Livingston joined the meeting at this time.

Approve and allow Chairman to sign corrected agreement with Wyoming Behavioral Institute

The corrected agreement has been reviewed by County Attorney Mr. Skoric and includes minor statutory language changes. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to approve the agreement and allow chair to sign, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.

Approve correspondence regarding Beartooth Ranch (Nicholle Gerharter, Executive Assistant)

This property owned by the State of Wyoming has fallen into extreme disrepair. Twenty years ago, the United States Marshal deeded the land to the State of Wyoming with strict restrictions. Park County is requesting, in a letter to the Governor and other entities, to have the Memorandum of Understanding rescinded and the property given to Park County without restrictions, while retaining access to public easements. Pictures will be attached and Attorney Skoric will have a chance to review the letter. Commissioner Tilden made a motion, contingent upon attorney approval, to approve the letter, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried.

Approve and allow the Chairman to sign FFY18 Q1 TANF/CPI Report & Vouchers (Nicholle Gerharter, Executive Assistant)

The quarterly report and invoice are for October 1 – December 21, 2017 in the amount of \$18,744.20 for the following recipients: Big Brother Big Sisters of Northwest Wyoming, Crisis Intervention Services, NWC Workforce Training & Development, Northwest Wyoming Family Planning and Youth Clubs of Park County. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve and allow the chair to sign, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried. Commissioner French opposed.

Request permission to advertise upcoming openings on Park County Predator Management Advisory Board, Park County Travel Council, and Park County Museum Board (Nicholle Gerharter, Executive Assistant)

Commissioner Livingston made a motion to advertise for these board positions, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried. Interviews will be at the February 20th regular meeting.

Teecee Barrett, Events Coordinator – RE: Consider/approve Steps for Events Grounds Foreman

Ms. Barrett stated the previous supervisor had told the employee, during an initial hiring agreement, that he would be given a raise. Commissioner Livingston had concerns and Commissioner Fulkerson asked if there were additional verbal or written wage agreements to employees. Ms. Barrett is not aware of any. Commissioner Tilden moved to approve, since the agreement was offered at hiring and Ms. Barrett had documentation, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.

Mr. Waddell, Solid Waste Manager – RE: Consider/approve Step for Gate Attendant

Mr. Waddell was not in attendance. Commissioner Grosskopf stated the employee is replacing a position that became vacant after the retirement of another employee. After discussion, it was decided that anytime an employee is getting a raise, the Department Head must come before the Board for approval. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to approve this increase, Commissioner Fulkerson seconded, and motion carried.

Nicholle Gerharter, Executive Assistant – RE: Open Requests for Proposals for the Park County Library Biblio Bistro Café

Ms. Gerharter reported there were no proposals received. After discussion, Ms. Clymer will set up a work session at the Bistro with the library board and Commissioners to discuss ideas.

Kim Dillivan, Planner II – RE: Public Hearing: Kennion and Dixie Frazier variance request to create two nonconforming lots in Lakeview Estates, a GR-5 zoning district.

Chairman Grosskopf opened the public hearing. Mr. Dillivan presented this variance request to split an existing 1.85 acre lot into two lots. This subdivision was created in 1966. This lot was originally 3.7 acres and was split in 1983. The adopted regulations on 9/1/2000 designated this area as GR-5, any lot or parcel at the time of the zoning resolution enactment that is smaller than the subsequent minimum lot size is considered non-conforming. The primary residence was built in 1983, the guest house in 1999. This lot is therefore not eligible for division based on pre-existing residence. Legal and written notice was given per regulations. Public Works and Game & Fish reviewed and have no concerns or comments. Northwest Rural Water reviewed and indicated they could serve both lots. Weed & Pest could not complete their inspection due to snow cover. Public comments have been received and a 'petition to deny' signed by 53 was also received. Chairman Grosskopf reminded all of

the rules and opened the floor to public comments.

Mark Westerhold spoke on behalf of the owners, giving their reasons why it should be allowed.

Jim Umphlett, Neil Beisler, Dennis Bakke and Liz Jenkins, Rod Tripp and Ed Spearing all made comments against the variance. For the record, Commissioner Fulkerson stated that he has not looked at this property for its salability.

After hearing all comments from the public, Commissioner Livingston made a motion to close the public hearing, Commissioner French seconded, and motion carried.

Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve the resolution to deny the request for variance from Kennion & Dixie Frazier, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. RESOLUTION 2018-01

Kim Dillivan, Planner II – RE: Public Hearing: Chris Taylor variance to zoning to allow a Major Industrial Use in a R-H zoning district.

Chairman Grosskopf opened the public hearing. Mr. Dillivan presented for approval a variance to allow applicant to apply for a Special Use Permit (SUP), and if approved, would allow a log processing yard in a residential ½ acre zoning district. The proposal is for 3 acres of a 322 acre parcel.

The site is .4 miles east of Yellowstone Regional Airport and owned by Beacon Hill Land Company. Managing partner of Beacon Hill has given applicant written permission to apply for this variance. Neighboring land uses are a mixture of residential, industrial and vacancy. Legal notices have been followed. Public Works reviewed and submitted comments. Game & Fish reviewed and has no comments. Northwest Rural Water reviewed and indicated they have no objection to the variance request. Weed & Pest has not completed their inspection due to snow cover, however the site is close to a known infestation of spotted knapweed and a long term noxious weed control plan will be required if variance is approved and applicant applies for a SUP. No public comments have been received.

Chairman Grosskopf called for public comments. Hans Odde asked for clarification of the location in relation to Yellowstone Regional Airport. Bev Shaw, landowner in Prairie View Subdivision, stated her concerns regarding size of acres for operation, days of operation, lighting, and consideration of residential area all of which will be addressed in the SUP application process. Marshall Dominick, managing partner, stated it is their intention to sell a 40 acre track out of this 322 acres to Mr. Taylor while keeping the remainder as rural and agricultural as possible. They have started the process to put deed restrictions on the property to ensure that no parcels sold are smaller than 35 acres. There being no further public comments, Commissioner Tilden made a motion to close the public hearing, Commissioner French seconded, and motion carried. Commissioner Livingston made a motion to approve the variance, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-02

Colleen Renner, Park County Clerk – Brian Edwards, Engineer, Public Works – RE: Continue Public Hearing: Amend the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Park County Budget

Mr. Edwards has been working with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) to identify expenses and reimbursements due to the spring flooding. FEMA reimburses approximately 75% and take into account Park County resources and equipment. Mr. Edwards stated the goal is to minimize expense from the County Road Fund. Commissioner French made a motion to close the public hearing, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve the resolution amending the budget, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried. RESOLUTION 2018-03

Kim Dillivan, Planner II – RE: Kenny and Mary Ann Wright final plat review. Two-lot simple subdivision, with proposed Lot 1 being 7.22 acres and proposed Lot 2 being 21.05 acres. The 28.27-acre parcel is located along Lane 15, and just north of Highway 14-A. Proposed Lot 2 has an address of 1922 Lane 15.

Mr. Dillivan presented for approval the final plat application of Kenny & Mary Ann Wright to create a two-lot simple subdivision. Lot 1 would be 7.22 acres and Lot 2 being 21.05. Both lots are for single family residential use. The Wright subdivision is classified as and has met the standards for a simple subdivision. Lots are mostly surrounded by agricultural land. Before the final plat is signed, the applicant needs to provide easements as requested, a long term noxious weed plan must be approved, analysis for the water well located on Lot 2 must be provided and applicants must comply with standards in the Park County Development Regulations and the minimum subdivision requirements as set forth in Wyoming Statute 18-5-306.

Commissioner Tilden made a motion to approve the final plat review with conditions above, Commissioner French seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-04

Bob Hooper, Manager, Yellowstone Regional Airport and Bucky Hall, CYAIR – RE: Consider resolution in support of Wyoming Commercial Air Service Improvement Plan

Mr. Hooper and Mr. Hall reported that Wyoming Commercial Air Service Improvement Plan Resolution would allow support of legislation for a planning group to study feasibility of capacity purchase for the State of Wyoming. The Yellowstone Regional Airport Board supports this resolution and asked the Board to do the same. Commissioner Tilden made a motion to support sign the resolution approved by airport board, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-05

Ann Trosper, District Manager, Powell - Clarks Fork Conservation District – RE: Annual review

Ms. Trosper thanked the board for the opportunity to summarize the past year. Time was spent on local government issues with the audit for Predator Board & Conservation Districts. They also did outreach and education in some of the following areas: water quality, high tunnel, irrigation management, shelterbelt, soil health, livestock, septic projects, and the seedling tree program. Ms. Trosper wanted the Board to be aware of the possibility of a requirement to obtain a full audit every year, which, due to cost, could cause the closure of Cody and Powell Conservation Districts. Commissioner French offered to present this issue when the Board meets with state legislators on February 1.

Bill Crampton, Public Health Nurse Manager – RE: Public Health monthly update

Mr. Crampton reported to date Cody has given 945 flu vaccines while Powell has given 1,033. This widespread flu activity is unusual; with the H3N2 type A virus, the vaccine has reduced effectiveness. The Medicare Renewal is due this year in the amount of over \$500, which he did not project in his budget. Upcoming kindergarteners will be given shots in April. He is planning to request more funds from MCH/TANF grants to make the part-time grant nurse a full-time position.

Sam Hochhalter, Cody Region Fisheries Supervisor, Wyoming Game and Fish Department – RE: Update on public engagement process on cutthroat trout restoration

Mr. Hochhalter invited the Commissioners and the public to attend a gathering to share interests, thoughts, ideas and concerns about the future restoration project for cutthroat trout. It will be at the Park County Library's Grizzly Hall, January 29 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. This is a different level of public engagement. In this effort, he will be asking for specific recommendations for restoration efforts. Participants will be given the opportunity to share their thoughts, but also be afforded the opportunity to listen to others and learn about the current status and conservation challenges.

Kim Dillivan, Planner II – RE: Public Hearing: Randal and Courtney Hooper Special Use Permit-158 with site plan review. Proposed use of Lot 101 of Evans SS-215 (amended) would be to accommodate a restaurant with a bar and short-term lodging (Highway Commercial Business) in GR-5 zoning district. Parcel is located at 53 Stagecoach Trail.

Mr. Dillivan presented for approval the Special Use Permit (SUP #158) with site plan review. Property is approximately 17 miles west of Cody. It is classified highway commercial, which provides goods and services to tourists and travelers with two guest cabins, one guest bunkhouse, and a lodge containing a restaurant with a bar and upstairs residence. Neighboring land uses are predominately residential. This property slopes down to the river on north and up to Stagecoach Trail on the south. Game & Fish will likely advise developer to follow their guidelines. Weed & Pest may require a long term noxious weed control plan approved. It was not completed due to snow cover. All fire inspector conditions have been met. There appears to be no water or waste water concerns. All utilities are adequate and no signs are proposed at this time.

There have been many public concerns received.

Chairman Grosskopf called for public comment. Mr. Hooper introduced himself, his wife Courtney and business partner James Wilson.

Don Getty and Rob Burgin both came before the board, withdrawing their objections based on compromises reached with the applicants. Denise Shirley and Thomas Smead both spoke in support of this request. Commissioners thanked those involved for working together and coming to an agreement. After further discussion, Commissioner Livingston made a motion to close the public hearing, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried.

Ms. Gillett requested time to rewrite the resolution based on the compromise that all parties have agreed to.

Commissioner French made a motion to approve the resolution and Special Use Permit with the new wording that was worked out between proprietor and neighbors, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried. Resolution 2018-06

Hans Odde, First Deputy Clerk – RE: Consider/approve new full retail liquor license for 2HW, LLC dba Rocking D River Guest Ranch

Mr. Odde reminded the Commissioners that the Public Hearing held on December 19, 2017 had been closed and the consideration of this liquor license was postponed until after 2HW, LLC was granted a County Special Use Permit. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve the liquor license, Commissioner Tilden seconded, and motion carried.

Commissioners – RE: Discuss Meeteetse Local Planning Area Advisory Committee

Mayor Yetter and Kathy Gilbreath requested more time before the final decision to disband is made. They are working with Meeteetse City Planning & Zoning members to see if anyone is interested in being on this advisory committee. They have four interested at this time and requested that the Board run an advertisement for interested parties to serve on this committee. Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to direct staff to add this board to the list of boards presented this morning for publication in all three papers, Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.

Commissioners – RE: Discuss Wyoming State Parks' response to Park County Resolution 2017-49

The Commission received a letter from Dominic Bravo at the Wyoming State Parks in response to Resolution 2017-49. Under State Statute 36-4-121 (a) the "director may waive any permit fee imposed pursuant to this section". After discussion, Commissioner Tilden made a motion to direct staff to respond to Mr. Bravo with a request to quantify revenue loss and to note State Statute 36-4-121 (a), Commissioner Livingston seconded, and motion carried.

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 Tilden moved to come out of executive session, seconded by Commissioner Livingston and unanimously carried. There were no decisions made in this session.

Adjourn. Commissioner Livingston made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Fulkerson 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. 13, 2018

Budget hearing

NOTICE OF AMENDED BUDGET HEARING
PARK COUNTY TRAVEL COUNCIL
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

CASH AVAILABLE -----	\$2,134,843.04
ESTIMATED REVENUE-----	\$1,886,077.00
ESTIMATED CO-OP REIMBURSEMENTS-----	\$16,000.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR BUDGET-----	\$4,036,920.04

RESERVE ACCOUNT	
FY2019 BUDGET RESERVE-----	\$1,277,017.04

FY2018 PROGRAM EXPENSES	
COMMUNITY SPECIFIC-----	\$284,000.00
UNIFIED PLAN -----	\$2,134,120.00
UNIFIED ADMINISTRATION-----	\$182,808.00
ATTRACTIONS -----	\$139,975.00
SPECIAL EVENTS-----	\$3,000.00
ADVERTISING CO-OPS-----	\$16,000.00
TOTAL RESERVE AND PROGRAM EXPENSES-----	\$4,036,920.04

A public hearing has been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 15, 2018, in Board Room at Yellowstone Regional Airport, Cody, Wyoming.
First Publ., Thurs., Feb. 8, 2018
Second Publ., Tues., Feb. 13, 2018