

DRUG BUST

Man charged after police find apparent meth-making materials

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

What started as an attempt to check on a man's well-being Sunday night turned into a drug bust for Powell police.

In James L. Miller's North Hamilton Street residence, police reportedly found psychedelic mushrooms, parts of a marijuana plant and materials that they suspect were being used to make methamphetamine. They also found a jar that held a mixture of substances that, according to preliminary testing, could be meth, Powell police say.

Miller, 30, has been charged with one felony count of possessing equipment with intent to engage in a clandestine laboratory operation, one felony count of possessing methamphetamine and a misdemeanor count of possessing marijuana.

Miller's bond was set at \$30,000 cash at a Tuesday morning court hearing in Cody; he remained in jail Wednesday.

Charging documents say the incident started around 9:40 p.m. Sunday, when someone reported that Miller had posted suicidal statements on

Facebook and asked police to make sure he was OK.

Powell Police Sgt. Paul Sapp wrote in an affidavit that, when he and another officer arrived at Miller's residence in the 400 block of North Hamilton Street, they could see a large bong sitting on a table. Miller tried to prevent the officers from coming in and alternated between being calm and being agitated that they were there, according to Sapp's account. Miller also made statements about wanting to kill himself, the affidavit says.

"As we spoke with James [Miller] it was apparent that he was under the influence of some type of controlled substance," Sapp wrote, adding that Miller "was not making any sense when he spoke."

Police decided to take Miller to the Powell Valley Hospital Emergency Room against his will and wanted his mental health evaluated, Sapp wrote. However, hospital personnel said they didn't have the staff to hold Miller and he was taken to jail, the affidavit says.

Meanwhile, officers obtained a search warrant for Miller's house. Sapp says they

'It appeared to us that there were several components to a meth lab in the house.'

Paul Sapp
Powell Police Sgt.

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A male adult black-footed ferret heads to his new home in a prairie dog burrow after being released by Dennie Hammer on the Pitchfork Ranch near Meeteetse. Thirteen of the endangered species were released on Monday, about a year after 35 ferrets were reintroduced to the area.

More black-footed ferrets released near Meeteetse

LUCKY 13

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

One year after the historic return of the black-footed ferret to Meeteetse, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, released 13 more of the endangered species on the Pitchfork Ranch.

Wyoming non-game biologist Jesse Boulerice led a group of about 60 state and federal employees, landowners and their family and friends into prime prairie dog habitat for the release. The site was near the Hogg ranch where the first ferret was

rediscovered 36 years ago by Shep, a blue heeler owned by Lucille and John Hogg.

Madison and Riley Hogg, great-grandchildren of Lucille and John, received the honors of releasing the first feisty ferret this year.

"I knew they had to be a part of this. It's their legacy," said their grandmother, Kristine Hogg, who had the honor of releasing the first ferret last year.

The two children, from Cody, missed last year's celebration on the 35th anniversary of the species' rediscovery.

"They tell the story at school

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Riley and Madison Hogg, of Cody, carry a black-footed ferret to a prairie dog colony on the Pitchfork Ranch. It and 12 others were among the second group to be released in the area — 36 years since being rediscovered there. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

June Fire suppressed again

The June Fire became more active on the North Fork area this week, though it was not to blame for the smoky local skies.

Fires burning in Montana and other parts of the West sent the heavy smoke into Park County this week. A federal fire information website, InciWeb, listed more than 20 wildfires burning on tens of thousands of acres in Montana on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the June Fire west of Cody began producing smoke last weekend due to

warmer, drier weather, Shoshone National Forest officials said. The fire is currently in a sheltered, inaccessible draw and fire managers — who've been monitoring and working to control it since its July 18 start — hope to keep it there.

A helicopter was brought in from Worland to drop water on the fire, Shoshone officials said in a Monday news release. They said the chopper and crew would be working for several days, and that smoke will likely be visible until the weather cools.

Northwest College prepares for accreditation visit

STATE OF THE COLLEGE ADDRESS WELCOMES FACULTY AND STAFF

BY DON COGGER
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Northwest College President Stefani Hicswa welcomed faculty and staff back to campus last week, outlining strategic plans for the new year — and preparing the campus for its upcoming accreditation visit from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC).

In her annual State of the College address, Hicswa also welcomed this year's new employees, as well as reviewing the Vision 2020 strategic priorities and mission statement.

Describing her presentation as "HLC Boot Camp," the upcoming Sept. 11-12 accreditation visit was front and center for Hicswa's address; the commission most recently came to campus in 2010.

"The visit is a really big deal," Hicswa said.

She explained that, "all colleges, in order for them to receive Title IV A [federal student aid] and for their credits to be transferrable to other colleges, have to be accredited by a regional accreditation association."

The HLC, based in Chicago, is the association that accredits NWC.

"They are responsible for — and

we report to them — ensuring we meet the standards to offer classes at the appropriate rigor and staff, faculty and resources qualifications to be legitimate as a degree-granting institution," Hicswa said.

Because of the importance of the HLC visit, the president has asked all faculty and staff to essentially clear their schedules on Sept. 11 and 12 to be available to evaluators — though classes will not be interrupted.

"With the exception of classes, this is the most important thing we do. It's very, very important for our students," Hicswa said. "I have no question that we will receive continued accreditation; there's no worries that we will be placed on probation or anything like that. It's very similar to an audit, everything is evaluated for quality and rigor."

A team of four peer evaluators

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STEFANI HICSWA

Hurricane Harvey drenches former Powell residents

BY ILENE OLSON
Tribune Staff Writer

I have had enough rain. I don't need any more for a while."

That was an understatement coming from Cheri Benander, formerly of Powell, who now lives in Texas, in the area hit hard by rain and flooding from Hurricane Harvey.

"I have dumped somewhere between 32 and 35 inches from our rain gauge," Benander said Wednesday. It's possible that she missed a few additional inches, since the gauge was full when she returned from an out-of-town trip over the weekend.

"I don't think it's stopped raining since Friday," she said Wednesday.

Benander and her husband, Greg, moved to Livingston, Texas, in February 2016, to be near family after Greg underwent a heart transplant in 2014. They live about 45 miles north of the George Bush Intercon-

tinental Airport in Houston.

The Benanders are safe and well. Their house sits on ground that's a little higher than other areas around them that flooded and had to be evacuated, she said.

"We're not evacuated," she said. "We have roads closed, and we have experienced some of the problems with supplies. But we're still in our house, we still have electricity, and we have what we need. We're doing much better than thousands of people, so we can't really complain."

"We've just been kind of hunkered down, watching movies and making sure that we have plenty of supplies," she said.

In some places around their house, there is no standing water; in others, it's ankle deep, Benander said.

"The ground is extremely soft,

though," she added. "I left [Monday] to get some supplies, and when I got back, I pulled over to park the pickup a little off the driveway, on grass that looked perfectly fine, and the passenger side sank up to the wheel wells."

Benander said local television channels have covered Hurricane Harvey and the accompanying rain and flooding 24/7 since Friday.

"We have kind of stopped watching it for the most part," she said. "You can only take so much."

"It's massive," she said of the flooding. "It's much bigger than just the city of Houston."

"So far, we're fortunate because there hasn't been an extreme loss of life," she said, adding that she knows it could get worse. "So far, it

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Cheri Benander
Texas resident

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A.J. Cozzens is pictured in front of his Houston home earlier this week on his paddle board. He and his family have since evacuated to higher ground. Cozzens is from Powell. Courtesy photo

OBITUARY

PAID OBITUARY

Marjorie Farmer

(July 2, 1933 - Aug. 28, 2017)

Marjorie Farmer, 84, formerly of Powell, died Monday, Aug. 28, 2017, at Avera St. Mary's Hospital in Pierre, South Dakota. Memorial Service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 5, at St. Barbara's Catholic Church in Powell.

Marjorie Ann Farmer was born on July 2, 1933, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Charles and Evelyn Bruyer. She was the first of four girls.

She attended Cathedral High School in Sioux City for three years and graduated from Vermillion High School in South Dakota. She then attended the University of South Dakota where she was a member of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

After graduating from college at the age of 20, she ventured to

Wyoming to begin her teaching career. She taught French and English in the Powell School District for 36 years. During that time she returned to USD to earn a master's degree and continued teaching until she retired in 1993.

While in Powell, she was involved with St. Barbara's Catholic Church and the local and national education associations. Marjorie was an avid sports fan and was on the sidelines of football, basketball, and track events as a member of the chain gang, official scorebook, or recording race times. This further fueled her interest in sports and led to her extensive trivia background. She could recite trivia about most sports but her expertise also included geography and



MARJORIE FARMER

literature. She loved to play games with family and friends. She played and taught bridge and became a life master. Her other interests included cross-words, knitting, reading, bowling, and traveling. She furthered her love of learning by enrolling in astronomy and woodworking classes.

Marjorie married Harold James Farmer in 1961 and they were blessed with three children: Renee, Mark, and Rachelle. She touched the lives of students, colleagues, friends,

family and everyone with whom she came in contact with. Many students fondly remember "Madame" leading them in French Christmas carols, others remember her for her fun and adventuresome ways, while others remember her generosity of

donating knitting baby blankets or giving to charities.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her parents, sister Joanne Bruyer, and her husband Harold. Survivors include her three children Renee (Steve) Thomas of Presho, SD; Mark (Lori) Farmer of Pittsburg, KS; and Rachelle (Scott) Wright of Cody, WY. Marge had four grandchildren: Anna Flitner, Isaac Thomas, Shawn Johnson, and Rachelle Wright and two great grandchildren: Mileah Flores and Gabriella Johnson. Surviving sisters are Lois (Willie) Seibel of Sioux Falls, SD and Elaine (Chuck) Chandler of Queen Creek, AZ and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers a donation may be made to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements have been placed in the care of Isburg Funeral Chapel. Online condolences may be made at www.isburgfuneralchapel.com.

Wildlife advocates, tribe sue to protect Yellowstone area grizzlies



A grizzly bear feeds on chokecherries near Big Rock at Sheep Creek on the North Fork of the Shoshone River on Sunday morning. 'The chokecherry crop is flush this year, so there will bear activity along the road,' said Steve Torrey, a Cody photographer who captured this image. Photo courtesy Steve Torrey

BY MATTHEW BROWN
Associated Press

Wildlife advocates and an Indian tribe in Montana have asked a U.S. court to restore protections for grizzly bears around Yellowstone National Park so that trophy hunting of the fearsome animals would not be allowed.

The Northern Cheyenne Tribe, the Humane Society and several conservation groups filed three lawsuits Tuesday and Wednesday in federal court in Montana, challenging the government's recent move to lift protections.

Idaho, Montana and Wyoming are planning limited public hunting of the region's roughly 700 bears, although no hunts are expected this year.

Critics say there is already too much pressure on the bear population, as climate change affects what they eat and as conflicts with humans result in dozens being killed every year.

A separate challenge of the government's decision was filed in July by Native Americans from seven states and Canada. They say hunting for the bruins goes against their religious and spiritual beliefs.

A Department of Interior spokeswoman referred questions on the lawsuits to the Department of Justice, where a spokesman declined to comment Wednesday.

This is the second time the

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has lifted protections for grizzlies in the Yellowstone region — 19,000 square miles of forested mountains, remote valleys and numerous small towns.

The bears lost their threatened status in 2007, only to have it restored two years later by U.S. District Judge Donald Molloy.

Molloy said federal officials had failed to demonstrate that bears could adapt to the loss of a key food source, the nuts of the whitebark pine tree, which scientists say has been decimated by climate change.

Since that ruling, government biologists have done further research to show bears can shift to eating more meat, such as elk.

But an attorney for the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Sierra Club and other conservation groups said the biologists' finding ignored the increased likelihood that bears seeking elk will come into conflict with hunters and other people.

"The result is we're finding more dead bears," attorney Tim Preso said. "Things have worsened (since 2009) in that the mortality of the population has really dramatically increased."

Government biologists from the U.S. Geological Survey say the region's grizzly population has stabilized after several decades of steep growth. They were first placed under Endangered Species Act protections in 1975.

Early deadlines for Labor Day holiday edition of Powell Tribune

Due to the Labor Day holiday, the Tribune has set early deadlines for its Tuesday, Sept. 5 edition.

The deadline for advertising and letters to the editor is 3 p.m. today (Thursday). The deadline for obituaries is noon Friday, Sept. 1.

The Tribune will be closed on Monday, Sept. 4, in honor of Labor Day.

For more information or questions, contact General Manager Toby Bonner at toby@powelltribune.com or Editor CJ Baker at cj@powelltribune.com or call the Tribune at 754-2221.

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As private operator sought, Cody library cafe's services scaled back

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Services are being scaled back at the Cody library's cafe as Park County officials prepare to start looking for a private business to take it over.

One part-time staffer left the Biblio Bistro after hearing that the library board and county commission planned to try privatizing the taxpayer-subsidized cafe.

"When they saw the handwriting on the wall, they decided to seek other employment," Park County Library System Director Frances Clymer told the library board on Aug. 24. Another employee previously left and, given the pending changes, isn't being replaced.

As a result, the cafe is short-staffed — down to the full-time manager and one part-time worker — and "we can no longer serve lunches in the Bistro," Clymer said. The menu is now limited to baked goods and beverages.

Library leaders and commissioners decided to request proposals from private businesses after the Biblio Bistro's annual losses were publicized and criticized in the Powell Tribune and the Cody Enterprise. This past fiscal year, the Bistro lost roughly \$49,000. That was in-line with the prior four years, in which annual losses ranged between \$47,000 and \$55,000.

Since county officials reached their Aug. 1 consensus to try privatization, Clymer said a few people have come forward and expressed interest in taking over the space.

"Nothing's happened yet, but people have contacted me and asked me about it and what the process was going to be," she told the board last week.

Clymer said she's hoping for a decision by no later than the middle of November; she also hopes the library and its board get a chance to provide some input to the commissioners when proposals are being considered.

The Biblio Bistro has always been envisioned as an amenity for library patrons and not as a money-maker. However, it drew more scrutiny in June, when library leaders had to cut other parts of their budget to cover the cafe's losses. In recent years, revenue from the Bistro has generally covered only about half of its costs.

Clymer said the draft includes language that would require the cafe operator to have all their employees complete a food safety course and to keep library officials informed about their menu.

"We would like to be aware of what they're doing, but not necessarily have to approve what they're doing," she said. "But the requirement is that they serve clean, wholesome food. It can't be, you know, Beanie Weenies and Mac 'N Cheese."

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later found a marijuana stem and six seeds inside a Ziploc-style bag, apparent psilocybin mushrooms, canning jars that police suspected were set up to grow mushrooms and an apparent distilling kit.

"While searching the kitchen, we located several items that appeared to be drug-related, but were unsure of what their purpose was," Sapp added.

He says officers found several small tinfoil cups with a sweet-smelling burnt residue, several bowls with a thick, dark, sticky substance, bottles of Butane fuel, jugs of muriatic acid, bleach, am-

monia and burnt matches. Other jars and bottles found throughout the house held "unknown liquids," Sapp wrote.

In the fridge, officers reportedly found a few suspicious glass containers. One bottle held a mixture of a white powdery substance with a layer of liquid on top.

"It appeared to us that there were several components to a meth lab in the house," and police requested assistance from the local Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation team, Sapp wrote.

They returned with testing supplies that indicated the liquid in the fridge might be

methamphetamine. "It was then decided to call the Hazmat unit to [complete] the processing of the scene, as it was apparent that it was a clandestine laboratory," Sapp wrote. The hazmat team responded from Worland.

The bottle from the fridge and its contents weighed about a pound, the affidavit says. Court documents do not detail how much of that weight is suspected as being meth, but the charge alleges there was more than 3 grams, constituting a felony.

Miller indicated Tuesday that he wants to represent himself in court. A preliminary hearing was tentatively set for next week.

Hurricane: Texans' spirit, support impresses

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seems to be very minimal. ... Of course, any loss of life is horrible."

Meanwhile, Ben and Jessi Borchers, also formerly of Powell, are feeling relieved after Hurricane Harvey mostly missed their town of La Vernia near San Antonio.

That wasn't what was forecasted. Hurricane Harvey initially was predicted to make landfall in the San Antonio area.

"San Antonio was bracing, we were bracing; my employer sent us home. We were bracing for the worst," Ben Borchers said.

But, when the hurricane hit a high pressure system to the west, it turned east toward Houston instead.

"We got lucky," Borchers said Wednesday. "We only got 8 inches of rain. We've had thunderstorms blow through before when we got 4-6 inches of rain."

The worst damage Borchers said he'd seen was at a gas station, where the awning over the gasoline pumps blew over. The Borchers had some trees with branches that broke, and a few people had trees blow over.

"We had pretty crazy wind gusts," he said. "It was pretty wild."

Borchers said he's been impressed with the Texas spirit since the hurricane hit.

"It's been pretty profound down here," he said. "The stories of support and aid — the big media runs some, of course. But the smaller stories that you hear of the Texas people helping each other" are amazing, he said.

Borchers said he passed a huge motorcade of highway patrol vehicles headed south toward Corpus Christi to provide help there, where Harvey made landfall and hit hard.

"If I had to live in any other state than Wyoming, I would pick here," he said.

Accreditation: 'Great opportunity to show off' NWC

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— made up of people from other colleges — will be on campus for those two days next month, then submit a report to the HLC of their findings.

"The HLC will take a look at what the recommendations of the team are and then affirm or add whatever to it to give us their final report," Hicswa said. "If they say, 'Everything's good, there's no continued monitoring, but here's some areas where you can approve,' then we'll work on that."

During the last comprehensive accreditation visit in 2010, the HLC decided they needed to continue monitoring NWC in the areas of governance, budget and assessment. The HLC came back in 2013 for a focus visit, where

they still expressed concerns but were pleased with the progress made. Hicswa said NWC has prepared material for this visit to show what work has been accomplished in those areas, as well as all of the other criteria.

"I went through the whole document for a final edit, and after I finished, I was so proud of all that everyone has done over the last four years," Hicswa said. "I couldn't be more pleased; we've really made some good progress. Everyone has worked so hard, and I'm just so proud of them. It's a great opportunity to show off our school."

Since the HLC's last visit in 2010, the criteria, assumed practices and federal requirements have changed, Hicswa said.

"Self-study has been replaced with an assurance argument sys-

tem. We have not been through an assurance argument visit, so it's important that all employees have an understanding of the new system," she said.

NWC will be required to demonstrate adherence to five different core criteria: mission; integrity (ethical and responsible conduct); teaching and learning (quality, resources and support); teaching and learning (evaluation and improvement); and resources, planning and institutional effectiveness.

NWC's standards are focused on the associate's degree track; the standards change somewhat at the university level for any institution offering graduate degrees. Accreditation visits take place every fourth and 10th year. This is NWC's 10th year review.

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IN OUR OPINION

Hunting season good for more than just hunters

August's golden sunsets are quickly coming to an end, signaling that hunters clad in blaze orange are beginning to fan out into Wyoming's mountains, prairies and forests in search of game.

Children will head into the field with their parents looking for their first deer or antelope; veterans will gear up for that once-in-a-lifetime mountain goat hunt they've planned for years.

But beyond the individual tales of quarry harvested and quarry lost, there will be a bigger story — of conserving and sustaining Wyoming's wildlife.

Hunting is the subject of heated debate in some circles (generally to the east and west of here). But here's a simple fact: It's sportsmen and women who provide the money to manage Wyoming's wildlife.

To help offset cuts they made to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's budget this year, state lawmakers increased hunting, fishing, trapping and watercraft registration licenses and fees. Those increases, which take effect Jan. 1, will require sportsmen to pay another \$5 million per year. That's on top of tens of millions of dollars they've already been paying.

"As with many wildlife agencies, hunters and anglers have traditionally provided nearly all the financial resources to support wildlife management, with 80 percent of our funds coming from license fees and excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment," the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's website explains.

In short, many non-hunting experiences in our state's outdoors — like simply watching a herd of elk or enjoying a public access area — are made possible by hunters.

The system is not perfect; sportsmen's interests do not always perfectly align with what's best for wildlife. However, we believe it's a natural and effective partnership on balance, because hunters and anglers are conservationists at their core.

Hunting and fishing are about much more than the act of killing an animal. Ask a hunter why they enjoy their sport, and you're as likely to hear about the solitude and magnificence of Wyoming's wild places as you are to hear about bagging the big one.

That's why the Game and Fish generally finds support when they propose projects to restore wildlife habitat or reduce quotas when animal populations are down. Consumptive uses like hunting must be sustainable or they will cease to exist.

At some point in the coming weeks and months, it's a near-certainty that your Facebook feed or this, your local newspaper, will bring you news of some hunters misbehaving. A trigger-happy numbskull may blast multiple animals and leave them to rot; a careless hunter may trespass on private property or make a mess of public lands; a poacher may try sneaking off with wildlife that rightfully belong to the people of Wyoming.

But amid that news, please keep in mind that, on the whole, hunters are the good guys and gals.

The Jackson Hole News & Guide recently reported that, between 2008 and 2016, Wyoming residents' participation in hunting and fishing has either grown or stayed steady.

"At last count, 18 percent of the Equality State's inhabitants purchased a fishing license, and 13.5 percent bought a hunting license," the Jackson paper reported.

Renny MacKay, a spokesman for Game and Fish, told the News & Guide that rate is about double what you find in more urban states.

"The fact is that we're a rural state, and we're still very associated with our outdoor resources," MacKay said.

We hope it stays that way and would encourage everyone — hunter, angler, photographer or wildlife watcher — to get out and enjoy what our state has to offer this fall.



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It's OK to pray in your school

The school year is arriving again. This seems like a good moment to revisit that continually confused and confusing issue, prayer in schools. There is a great deal of misinformation and misunderstanding of what kind of prayer is permitted in the public schools of the United States of America. So, let me take this column to review what is and what is not allowed with regard to prayer in public schools.

What kind of prayer is allowed in a public school?

Everyone and anyone who goes to a school may pray there. "Everyone" — that means students, teachers, staff and administrators — may offer a private prayer to the divine at any time they choose. "Anyone" means people of any religious faith — be they Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, Mormon or Native American. It also includes members of Judaism, Islam, Hinduism and Wicca. Even pagans and neopagans can pray, as can members of any religion or worshippers of any god or goddess I have not mentioned. Thus, praying in the schools is permitted to everyone there, as long as it is private and personal, and does not interrupt legitimate school activities.

It also is OK for students of

like beliefs to join together to pray, whether informally ("Let's meet at the west door before the bell") or more formally in a religious club of voluntary membership. This club may meet on school property, such as in a classroom, at times when clubs are usually allowed to meet. The only exception to this is if the school has banned clubs altogether. The rule of thumb is that religious clubs must be treated the same as other clubs.

Similarly, it is permitted for teachers, staff and even administrators to join together voluntarily to pray. Again, this may occur in formal or informal settings.

What kind of prayer is not allowed in a public school?

It is not OK to pray in a school in a way that would, knowingly or unknowingly, coerce anyone of a different belief to join in. Thus, teachers, principals and others in a position of authority should not use that position to persuade, require, expect or intimidate students or others under their supervision to take part in prayer that they otherwise would not.

Schools are inherently hierarchical, and those who are higher in the hierarchy should do nothing that would seem to exercise that position to make those below them pray.

Similarly, prayer should not be part of public school functions.

Although this rule can be a bit vague, the main principle is clear: A general prayer offered in a manner designed to be inclusive of all present, whatever religion they adhere to and articulating generally positive sentiments agreeable to them, is sometimes acceptable, if not done too frequently.

Graduation ceremonies can usually include this kind of prayer. Prayers that adhere to a single doctrinal line or reflect a noninclusive theology do not belong at school functions, even if said by a student. These general prayers should not be ended with a religion-specific phrase, such as, "In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, amen."

In general, prayer should not be conducted in such a way to exclude or stigmatize those who do not participate in or follow a

particular religion.

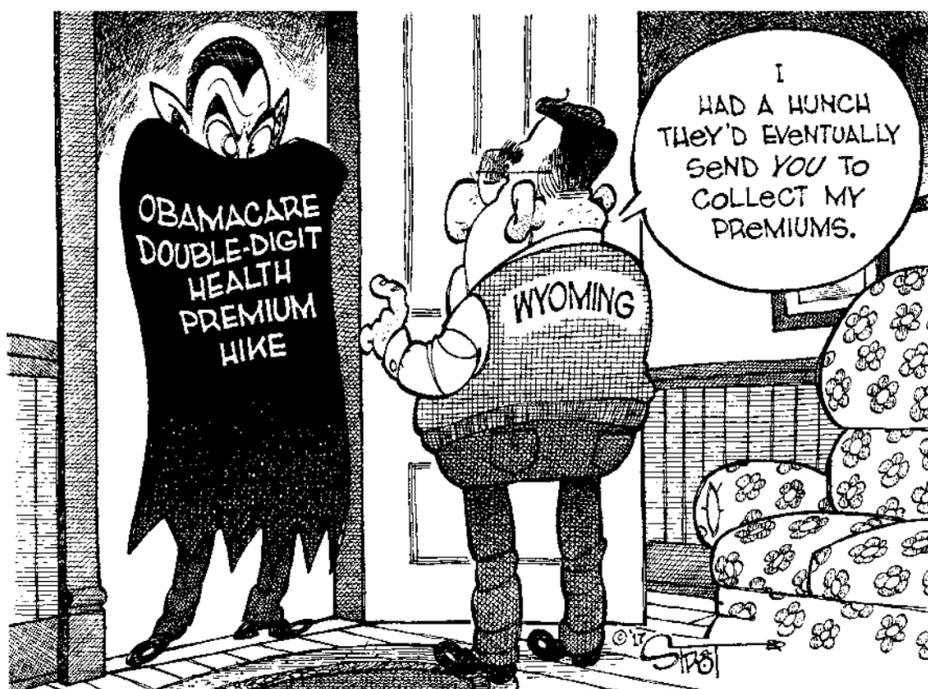
Finally, participation in prayer should not be used as a basis to reward or promote those who take part or to withhold such rewards from people who do not. Favoritism should not be shown to members of the same faith, and discrimination should not take place against members of different religions. Administrators should take pains to ensure that even the appearance of favoritism does not arise.

These rules, both positive and negative, are designed to ensure every individual's freedom to believe and worship as he or she chooses, and to prevent the power of the state (as exercised by the school and its employees) from interfering with that right. Those who do not follow such rules may be exercising what they see as their own religious freedom, but they will be doing it at the expense of the religious freedom of others. It is the balance of everyone's religious freedom that the rules aim to maintain.

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Religion Today



Take a knee for public prayer

Does anybody else find it strange that there can be such a hue and cry about Colin Kaepernick's right to kneel in contempt of the American flag, while hardly anybody breathes a word about soccer star, Jaelene Hinkle, who was forced to withdraw from the U.S. women's soccer team because she wouldn't genuflect the rainbow flag?

Still, I suppose we should be grateful to Mr. Kaepernick for putting a spotlight on the First Amendment. Perhaps he can help another fired footballer whose story is less well known.

Joseph Kennedy was an assistant high school football coach in Bremerton, Washington. Since his first season in 2008, he led voluntary prayers in the locker room. He would also pray privately on the 50-yard line after each game. Soon several players approached and asked if they could join him there. He replied, "This is a free country."

Seven years later an employee of a rival school disapproved of what he saw. Immediately, the Bremerton district superintendent issued a formal letter telling Kennedy to stop both practices. He did immediately.

Pause here to notice that the Kaepernick controversy was caused because he changed. After 13 years of standing for the national anthem, he knelt. By contrast, Kennedy did nothing different. Rather, someone else's complaint changed everything.

This is the first thing to notice in today's culture wars. There is a decided bias towards novelty, against long-established traditions. Kennedy simply carried on a BHS tradition until someone outside of the school sought to change it. Kaepernick suddenly

decided to flout a 70-year tradition and voilà, he's a hero.

Such bias is everywhere. Novelties become the newest sacred cows, while decade-long traditions are tossed away like yesterday's underwear. This is not open-mindedness. This is revolutionary fervor.

Second, notice what happened when the matter became public.

Kennedy continued to pray privately after the crowds were gone. After all, the superintendent assured him that he was "free to engage in religious activity, including prayer, so long as it does not interfere with job responsibilities."

But when he wrote a letter asking for formal acceptance of this accommodation under the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Bremerton School District treated it as a hostile act. It required a new and sterner edict.

Keep in mind that, for seven years, fans had watched Kennedy's private prayers at the 50-yard line. What did the Bremerton administration expect would happen when that practice was publicly banned? Did they think no one would notice?

A third problem with revolutionaries is that they never seem to anticipate the natural consequences of their edicts. Coach Kennedy was open. He informed the administration, the players and the coaches that while he was no longer allowed to pray corporately with them, he would still pray privately.

At this point, his players and fans grasped what eluded the

district officials. In a truly free and voluntary community you cannot coerce one citizen without coercing them all.

To forbid a man from group-prayer means also to forbid others from grouping to pray. In other words, by forbidding free speech to Kennedy, they implicitly denied free association to all who wanted to join him. Free people do not take this lying down.

But, the district officialdom could hardly make such a frontal assault on free association. Instead, they made it coach Kennedy's problem. Suddenly, and without forewarning, he became personally responsible for anyone who might pray with him.

As players and fans openly chatted about joining him as soon as he knelt to pray, the district enforcers worried that they didn't have the power to stop them. If they had thought a bit more, they would have realized they didn't have to. After all, it is a free country, or was.

Instead, they prepared a new edict to forbid fans from coming onto the field after a game. Of course, new rules require new enforcers. "Ultimately, the District made arrangements with the Bremerton Police Department to secure the field after games." Secure the field? From what? From people who might assemble with the coach.

But before this new rule could be promulgated, people prayed. By their Oct. 16, 2015 game, the district had not answered his letter. So, when it was over,

Kennedy shook hands with the opposing players, waited until the players were otherwise engaged, and dropped to a knee to pray.

While he was silently praying, "coaches and players from the opposing team, as well as members of the general public and media, spontaneously joined [him] on the field and knelt beside him." Even more intolerable, pictures of this event were taken and published in various media.

Cooler heads would have repented of the unnecessary escalation. Instead, the district blamed coach Kennedy for engaging "in religious exercise ... under the game lights, in BHS-logged attire." They accused him of behavior that may "be perceived as district endorsement [of a religion]."

Seriously. That's what they said in a court of law, and that's what the Ninth Circuit Court affirmed in denying coach Kennedy his appeal — and his First Amendment rights. (All quotations in this article are from their Aug. 23 denial of his appeal, on a 2-1 vote.)

Let's be clear. Nobody on that field believed they were engaging in some "district-endorsed" prayer. Everyone who knelt with coach Kennedy was thumbing their nose in well-deserved contempt at the over-reaching Bremerton School District.

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Amid staffing shuffle, Cody library to end Sunday hours

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Starting this weekend, Sundays will be a day of rest at the Cody library.

While the Powell and Meeteetse libraries are closed on Sundays, the Park County Library in Cody has been open from 1 to 4 p.m. in recent years.

"When people get used to anything, it's hard to quit," Cody Library Manager Marge Buchholz said at a library board meeting last week. "But I think they will understand, too, with the economic conditions, with the budgets that are all over Wyoming."

Park County Library Director Frances Clymer recommended ending Sunday hours because of some recent changes in staffing — spurred by unusually high turnover — that have left the library with fewer people available on Sundays.

"Because of the way the hiring

is going on in Park County, right now it's very difficult to keep good people, given that even at McDonald's they're paying \$10 an hour," Clymer told the library board at an Aug. 24 meeting; she said the library system has 20 employees who earn between \$9.50 and \$9.99.

Closing on Sundays would make the staffing situation "much better," Clymer said.

The Cody, Powell and Meeteetse libraries will all continue to be open on Saturdays and library officials indicated they could reconsider Sunday hours if budget conditions improve.

"At some future date, if things change, maybe we could open again, but right now, it is quite difficult," Buchholz said.

The Cody library, located on the bottom floor of the Park County Complex, averages between 100 and 140 patrons on Sundays; that compares to 400-500 people on a weekday, library officials said.

"Sunday is used," Buchholz said. However, she added to the board that "we don't have enough staff; you're not offering great money — and I have to say that — for what they're working, and they're working every Sunday for four hours."

The library board did approve one-time bonuses for employees at the meeting. Park County commissioners gave the library system an extra \$27,000 to roughly approximate the bonuses and raises that workers

within the main county government received. However, library employees ended up receiving smaller bonuses, because there wasn't enough money to match what the county employees received, Clymer said.

Library employees who work more than 30 hours a week will receive a one-time payment of \$775 (down from \$1,000 for other county employees), workers putting in 20 hours a week will receive \$525 (down from \$750) and 10- to 19-hour employees will get \$375 (down from \$500).

Buchholz expressed thanks on behalf of the staff.

"It's a real gift to the staff morale to have some extra recognition for the work they're doing," Clymer added.

Earlier in the meeting, consultant Tara Kuipers told library leaders that a recent series of focus groups with patrons concluded that the library system's most valuable resource "is its people."

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Marge Buchholz
Cody library manager

MEETEETSE MUSEUMS

To host Labor Day Archaeology Fair, quilt shows

The Meeteetse Museums will host its inaugural Labor Day Archaeology Fair on Monday.

The event coincides with Meeteetse's 105th Labor Day celebration, which features a variety of events from Saturday through Monday.

The archaeology fair will consist of a variety of hands-on stations (for youth as well as adults) operated by archaeologists and museum professionals from around Wyoming. The stations will run from 10 a.m. (immediately following the Meeteetse Labor Day parade) until 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Bonnie Smith, assistant curator of the Draper Natural History Museum at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, has been the primary organizer of the event and recruited archaeologists to the line-up. She will man the "Pictures on the Wall" station. Archaeologists from Yellowstone National Park, the University of Wyoming, Colorado State University, the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, Washakie Museum and Cultural Center and Wyoming Archaeology Society will run the others.

The Meeteetse Museum will also host two quilt shows over Labor Day weekend: the Annual Chatelaine Quilt Guild Show and the new "Places in Our Hearts" Quilt Show. Both shows will



Two Labor Day weekend quilt shows in Meeteetse will feature a variety of textile art, including this piece by Lili Turnell. Courtesy photos

open Friday and run through Labor Day.

The Chatelaine Show features full-size quilts, plus other creative textiles of various sizes. The "Places in Our Hearts" Show will feature a collection of smaller wall hangings containing an assortment of intricate designs and images.

For more information, call 307-868-2423, email info@meeteetsemuseums.org or visit <http://meeteetsewy.com/event/labor-day-celebration/>.



A young archaeologist learns the trade. Kids and adults can learn more about archaeology during a fair on Monday in Meeteetse.

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- Projectiles and Hunting on the Plains
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- Tool Time with Early Man
- Pictures on the Wall (hands-on rock art learning)
- Ceramic Reconstruction

Workforce services to host employer seminar in Powell

The Wyoming Department of Workforce Services will host one of its annual employer information seminars in Powell next month.

The public seminars feature experts from the department and are aimed at helping Wyoming employers enhance their knowledge about new workforce law changes, workplace safety compliance and workforce assistance and grants available to businesses.

The seminar in Powell will be held from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at Northwest College's Yellowstone Conference Center (231 W. 6th Street).

Other sessions are being held in Evanston, Laramie and Gillette.

Presenters will focus on workforce training programs, an overview of workers' compensation benefits, fraud prevention, safety and risk management, unemployment insurance taxes, claims and appeals, Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) requirements and more.

Participants can register the day of the seminar between or online at www.wyomingworkforce.org/businesses/eis/. The cost of the seminar is \$25, which covers lunch and breaks. For information, call 307-777-8717.

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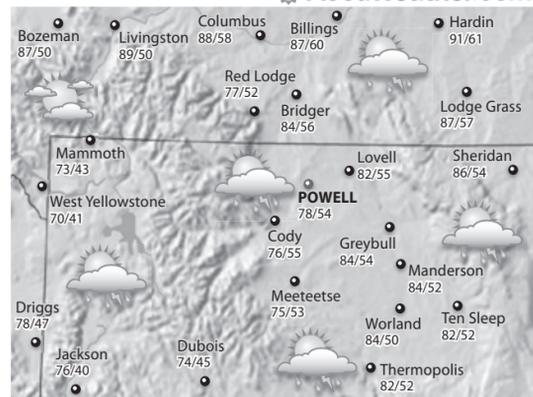
As others look on, Powell Police Sgt. Paul Sapp uses a garden hose to thoroughly douse a smoldering stump on Avenue C Sunday afternoon. The Powell Volunteer Fire Department was also summoned to the scene, but police were able to get the small fire under control before the trucks arrived.

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Weather

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5-day Forecast for Powell

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

Day	Forecast	High	Low
Today	Partly sunny, a t-storm around in the afternoon	78°	54°
Friday	Sunny	80°	57°
Saturday	Very warm with plenty of sunshine	87°	59°
Sunday	Very warm with plenty of sun	89°	55°
Monday	Partly sunny and cooler but pleasant	72°	49°

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

Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Tuesday

TEMPERATURES	
High/low	90°/54°
Normal high/low	82°/48°
Average temperature	72.4°
Normal average temperature	65.4°

PRECIPITATION	
Total for the week	Trace
Month to date	0.12"
Normal month to date	0.48"
Year to date	5.53"
Normal year to date	5.24"
Percent of normal month to date	25%
Percent of normal year to date	106%

Sun and Moon

Sunrise/Sunset6:36am/7:54pm
Moonrise/Moonset4:26pm/1:13am

Full	Last	New	First
Sep 6	Sep 13	Sep 19	Sep 27

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WEATHER REPORT

Date	High	Low	Precip.
08.23	92.3	51.9	.00
08.24	92	64.3	.00
08.25	87.2	57.2	.00
08.26	87	52.7	.00
08.27	90.2	51.7	.00
08.28	93.6	58	.00
08.29	90.4	54.8	.00

(Information provided by Powell-weather.net and Weather Underground.)

NEW FACES

Megan and Shaun Pohlman of Powell wish to announce the birth of a baby boy, Ledger Kren Pohlman, who was born at Powell Valley Hospital on Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017. Ledger was born at 8:17 a.m. with a weight of 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and joins brothers Kesh, 8, and Kasen, 5. Grandparents are Helen Pohlman and David and Laurie Ottersberg.

Cheyenne and Rickey Gilmore Jr. of Powell are parents of a baby girl, Riley Leona Gilmore, who was born at Powell Valley Hospital on Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017. Riley was born at 10:52 a.m. weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces and is welcomed by brothers Trenton, 16, Noah, 8, Colten, 2, and sister Devin, 14. Grandparents are Rick and Elaine Gilmore, Tammi and Blaine Huseby, Neva Slaght, Gearld Sanford, Lyle and Sue Slaght and Jim and Cindi Fannon.

Elizabeth Marie Sanchez was born at Powell Valley Hospital on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, to Morgan and Ethan Sanchez of Powell. She arrived at 11:49 p.m. with a weight of 8 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins brother Tucker Sanchez, 2. Elizabeth's grandparents are Sue and Leonard Sanchez and Robyn and Jules Cutter.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Individuals are presumed to be innocent and charges listed are only allegations.

AUGUST 10

5:52 p.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a report of 20 cattle on and near Ross Road in the Cody area.

6:07 p.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a request to check on the welfare of a man and his friends who went fishing at the Sunshine Reservoir in the Meeteetse area.

tse area, as the man's wife had been unable reach them.

9:25 p.m. After a traffic stop on Wyoming Avenue/16th Street in the Cody area, the driver was cited for minor in possession of alcohol and too many headlights while being warned for having an open container of alcohol in a vehicle and no valid registration. A passenger was allowed to continue driving.

AUGUST 11

2:19 a.m. A woman on Lane 11 reported that she couldn't get her husband to wake up, but while on the phone, he woke up and she no longer wanted help. A deputy was sent as a precaution.

4:14 a.m. A man reportedly pointed a gun at his cousin's face after an argument at a lodge on U.S. Highway 14/16/20 west of Cody. The man had then left the lodge and headed toward Cody. Both men were reportedly intoxicated.

8:22 a.m. Someone was reported to have stolen a flag on Lane 9 in the Powell area.

9 a.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a request to provide security for a crew surveying a squatting site on Franklin and Water streets in Meeteetse.

12:18 p.m. A man asked to have a person served with a no trespassing notice for his home on Road 12 in the Powell area.

3:33 p.m. A party with underage kids was reported on Road 2 in the Powell area.

4:18 p.m. Jason Lynn Johnson, 48, was served with a warrant at the Cody Law Enforcement Center.

4:52 p.m. People were reported to be parking on another person's property and walking to another address on Road 6GV in the Cody area.

AUGUST 12

8:40 a.m. The Sheriff's Office assisted with a request to check on the welfare of a man who was walking in the middle of Beck Avenue, heading toward 17th Street, in Cody.

6:12 p.m. A truck reportedly hit a deer on Road 3NG in the Meeteetse area.

POLICE REPORT

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

AUGUST 8

9:44 a.m. Officers were requested to check the welfare of two dogs

in the area of South Clark Street. An officer advised the dogs were healthy and had food and water.

11:59 a.m. An 18-year-old Powell resident turned himself in on a Powell municipal court warrant.

AUGUST 9

12:46 a.m. A juvenile on North Clark Street was reported to be possibly drinking, but responding officers found the juvenile was not intoxicated.

2:54 a.m. Officers responded to loud music reported on South Bent Street and advised the resident to turn the music down.

10:09 a.m. Money was reportedly found in the area of West Coulter Avenue.

2:54 p.m. Officers spoke to several individuals about carving their names in the trees in the area of West Second Street, telling them it was destruction of city property.

8:03 p.m. People were reported in the backyard of a residence on Meadow Court where no one was home. Officers contacted the subjects, who were neighbors and had permission to be there.

11:05 p.m. Officers responded to a reported disturbance in the East Coulter Avenue area. They learned the subjects had agreed to leave and stay at another hotel for the evening.

AUGUST 10

3:29 p.m. A black and gray Samsung cell phone was found at East Third/North Everts streets.

5:27 p.m. Keys on a blue carbineer were found at North Clark/East Third streets.

5:34 p.m. A resident reported being followed by another subject on South Absaroka Street/East Coulter Avenue. Officers searched through town for the suspected vehicle but were not able to locate it.

AUGUST 11

1:32 p.m. A theft that occurred on North Bent Street was placed under investigation.

6:51 p.m. An officer responded to a disturbance on South Absaroka Street.

AUGUST 12

4:58 p.m. A Siel Point Siamese cat was reported lost on North Division Street; it had reportedly escaped from a house, leaving its collar behind.

10:17 p.m. Officers responded to a report of a dog that had been barking for the past 1.5 hours on Avenue K, but they were unable to make contact. Dispatch was able

to contact the owner by phone, and the owner responded to take care of the problem.

AUGUST 13

1:47 p.m. An officer responded to a report that a man on North Hamilton Street came out and hit his dog three different times causing the dog to cry out. The incident is under investigation.

3:03 p.m. A male on East Coulter Avenue was reportedly exhibiting strange behavior, but had left prior to an officer's arrival.

4:57 p.m. A complaint was received about boys using a shed on West Second Street as a backstop for golf balls. A responding officer spoke with the boys, who advised they were hitting golf balls, but weren't hitting the shed. They were cautioned to be careful about hitting balls too hard and having them bouncing around the neighborhood.

6:45 p.m. An officer responded to a complaint of a dog barking nonstop at a residence on North Ingalls Street, but no one was home at the time. The incident was placed under investigation.

9:46 p.m. A small gray pouch with a zipper was reported lost at East Coulter Avenue/Panther Boulevard.

AUGUST 14

9:13 a.m. A white leather wallet was reported lost on South Absaroka Street/East Coulter Avenue.

10 a.m. A bike was reportedly stolen on Grand Street.

10:16 a.m. Drugs were found on North Ingalls Street.

4:51 p.m. Loud music was reported on the East Third Street area, but responding officers were unable to hear any music.

AUGUST 15

12:36 a.m. Possible shots were reported in the area at North Cheyenne/West Fourth streets; no subjects were located.

7:23 p.m. Officers contacted four subjects on Queens Boulevard about threats made during an argument. All subjects dispersed and were advised to refrain from further contact with one another.

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Casper	82/50/pc	Greybull	84/54/t	Rawlins	78/49/t
Cheyenne	81/57/t	Jeffrey City	79/52/t	Rock Springs	77/51/t
Gillette	86/55/pc	Kirby	83/51/t	Shoshoni	83/55/pc

The Nation	Today	City	Today	City	Today
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Atlanta	81/72/t	Houston	90/71/pc	Louisville	82/63/c
Boston	80/54/pc	Indianapolis	81/58/c	Miami	93/80/pc
Chicago	72/57/pc	Kansas City	82/61/pc	Phoenix	109/85/pc
Dallas	89/68/pc	Las Vegas	102/81/pc	St. Louis	82/64/pc
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Snowmobilers passing bison on the road in Yellowstone National Park in January. Beginning Friday, Yellowstone will accept applications for the 2017-18 winter season lottery for permits to snowmobile in the park without the presence of a commercial guide. Photo courtesy Jacob W. Frank, National Park Service

Yellowstone snowmobile permit lottery begins Friday

(AP) — People who want to snowmobile in Yellowstone National Park next winter without a guide can enter a lottery starting Friday. The park requires all non-commercially guided snowmobile groups that enter the park to have a permit.

Those wishing to snowmobile without a commercial guide can apply through www.recreation.gov from Sept. 1 to Sept. 30. Successful lottery applicants will be notified in mid-October. The park will make any remaining or canceled permits available on a first-come, first-served basis through the same webpage beginning Nov. 3.

The park will allow four trips per day for groups that want to enter Yellowstone without commercial guides. Groups with up to five snowmobiles will be permitted through each of the North, South, East and West entrances each day. Permits cost \$40.

Permit holders are considered non-commercial guides and must be at least 18 years old on the first day of their trips. All snowmobiles must meet the park's new Best Available Technology (BAT) standard.

For more information, visit www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/ncgsap.htm or contact Ivan Kowski at ivan_kowski@nps.gov or 307-344-2165.

'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over,' authorities warn

Labor Day is one of the year's deadliest holidays, authorities say, with drunk drivers endangering themselves and others on America's roadways.

Local authorities are participating in a high-visibility national enforcement campaign, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, through Monday.

"Increased state and national messages about the dangers of driving impaired, coupled with enforcement and increased officers, deputies, and troopers on the road, aim to drastically reduce drunk driving on our nation's roadways," the Wyoming Department of Transportation says of the campaign.

According to federal statistics, 10,265 people were killed in drunk-driving crashes in 2015 — an increase from the 9,967 people killed in 2014.

Over the Labor Day holiday period in 2015, there were 460 crash fatalities nationwide, with about 13 percent of them involving drivers who were drunk (having a blood alcohol content level of .08 percent or more).

"This holiday weekend we are stressing the dangers of driving impaired to our community," said Lt. Phil Farman of the Wyoming Highway Patrol in Cody. "Drunk driving is a serious problem in Wyoming."

Farman said that 39 percent

of Wyoming's traffic fatalities in 2015 — 56 of 145 — came from drunk drivers.

"If you're out on the roads and you see someone driving drunk, please call us," Farman said. "You could save a life."

Citizens can call 911 or the Report Every Drunk Driver Immediately (REDDI) hotline at 1-800-442-9090. Callers should be prepared to provide the dispatcher with a description of the vehicle, its location, and direction of travel, WYDOT says.

Park County law enforcement recommends these alternatives to drinking and driving:

- Plan a safe way home before the fun begins.
- Designate a sober driver or call for a ride.

If you know people who are about to drive after drinking, take their keys and help them make other arrangements to get to where they are going safely.

"If you kill someone while under the influence, you could be charged with aggravated vehicular homicide. Not only do you put your life and the lives of others at risk, but a DUI arrest means going to jail, losing your license, and paying steep financial cost," WYDOT says.

As of Monday, there had been 97 traffic deaths in Wyoming in 2017, up from 80 at the same point last year.

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Workshop for cancer survivors in Hyattville

Cancer survivors are invited to attend a free workshop near Hyattville next week, hosted by an organization that provides equine-assisted activities and therapies.

Rainhorse Equine Assisted Services will host the second workshop in its "The Art & Wisdom of the Horse" series at Medicine Lodge State Archeological Site/Campground on Saturday, Sept. 9, and Sunday, Sept. 10. The workshop starts at 9 a.m. Satur-

day and ends at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Participants will experience equine-assisted counseling led by Jessica Williams, MS, LPC, drawing and sketching led by painter and sculptor JC Dye, and a poetry writing workshop led by Lori Howe, a poet and editor. Thanks to grants and sponsors, the workshop is free. Spouses are welcome.

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Part of the group on hand to watch the release of 13 black-footed ferrets hangs out in a prairie dog colony, enjoying the sunset after the release. Tribune photos by Mark Davis



The first ferret to be released, a juvenile female, shows the species' ferocious side as Madison Hogg tries to release it to its new home.

Ferrets: 35 ferrets were released last year west of Meeteetse

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and not all of the kids believe them," Hogg said.

But now they have quite the story to tell. As Madison opened the thick wire door to the animal carrier, the growls of the ferocious ferret sent chills through the crowd. Then, as everyone waited for the creature to escape to freedom, it temporarily refused to exit. Madison prodded the ferret, an adolescent female born in captivity at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge in Ft. Collins, Colorado. But instead of running down the prairie dog burrow, it attacked the prodding stick.

Eventually, Boulерice stepped in and the ferret took to its new home. A hind quarter of a fresh prairie dog was tossed in the hole behind it as a parting gift.

As the sun began to set, Dennie Hammer was given an opportunity to release one of the lucky 13 ferrets. But it wasn't the first ferret he has released. More than three decades ago, while working for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hammer took a big risk.

After finding and capturing the first live black-footed ferret — the only known individual in the world — Hammer and Martin took it to be checked by a local vet, fitted it with a radio transmitter and then released it the following morning.

"The idea was, find one, track it and you'll find others," Hammer said.

Over the course of two weeks they found four more and then, over the course of several months they counted 122. They were eventually able to catch 18 ferrets.

But imagine the plan failing. If they had released the ferret and their plan didn't work, they would have been an unpopular pair at work.

"We didn't sleep a great deal that night," Hammer said. "We thought it could be the start of a good career or it could be the end of a good career."

After capturing the famous first 18, most if not all of the remaining 122 died from an outbreak of disease. But those 18 ferrets have parented approximately 9,000 offspring.

The 13 ferrets were released on a remote part of the Pitchfork Ranch, owned by Lenox Baker. Baker, a retired heart surgeon from Virginia, purchased a portion of the ranch in 1999 and has been a permanent resident on the property since 2009. He runs 1,250 cattle on the ranch.

"Jesse [Boulерice] came to me five years ago and ask if he could test our prairie dogs for plague," Baker said.

The Game and Fish ended up treating 1,000 acres of the ranch for disease. The property was sprayed to kill the fleas and food pellets were used to immunize the prairie dog population. The ferrets were also vaccinated prior to their release.

Before the first release of the day, Baker announced the habitat would remain intact even after



A hind quarter of a white-tailed prairie dog is dropped in the burrow as a parting gift to the first of 13 black-footed ferrets released at the Pitchfork Ranch near Meeteetse on Monday.

he was gone. The Nature Conservancy now has an easement for the property.

"We need to keep these places just the way they are, because they are disappearing fast," Baker said.

But even with all the precautions that have been taken, Boulерice discussed the dangers facing the ferrets at a speech during the Draper After Dark lecture series at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in Cody earlier in the summer.

Despite being ferocious, the ferret has its predators, including raptors. And surprisingly, a prairie dog will occasionally get the best of a ferret, Boulерice said. During a chase, a crafty prairie dog can double back on a ferret and back-fill the hole. Unable to dig its way out, the ferret is buried alive.

Boulерice and a team of biologists from the Game and Fish will spend the next month counting ferrets in the area. The job is laborious, as scientists stay up all night using spotlights to find ferrets — as the light reflects their glowing, emerald green eyes. After the first 35 were released last year, only 19 were counted in the following survey, Boulерice said.

This summer, Boulерice will have the help of canines trained to locate ferrets — on loan from Working Dogs for Conservation in Bozeman — in hopes of getting accurate counts of those released near Meeteetse.

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TRAPPERS SOCCER SPLITS PAIR AT HOME



Trappers midfielder Robert George works the ball around WNCC's Eseh Ingram Saturday at Trapper Field. The Cougars rallied in the second half to defeat NWC 6-3. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

NORTHWEST MEN'S TEAM OPENS SEASON WITH WIN AGAINST NJC, FALLS TO WNCC

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

Amid the hoopla surrounding the first weekend back on campus for the students of Northwest College, the men's soccer team opened their season by splitting a pair of home games against Northeastern Junior College and Western Nebraska Community College.

The team exhibited their up-tempo style of play for a healthy crowd of spectators Friday with a 3-2 win against the NJC Plainsmen at Trapper Field.

The crowd was just as large for Saturday's match, though the visiting Cougars from WNCC took advantage of a few second-half miscues to outlast the Trappers 6-3.

"Overall, I think the team did an excellent job," said Trappers first-year head coach Stan Rodrigues. "I gambled on our fitness and on our altitude, I gambled on our youth to be as fit as they could be, and I think I tried to high-pressure them a little too long in the games. I should have tried backing off a bit to conserve some energy. But to be fair, we were being so successful in pressing for goals that it's hard to say no to something when you're having success."

TRAPPERS 3, NJC 2

The roster for the Northeastern Junior College men's soccer team reads like a World Cup All-Star side, with no fewer than 26 international students representing a host of different countries.

"I will never use this as an excuse, but we're playing against teams with 20 full scholarships," Rodrigues said. "I don't have near that number. And if you look at their roster for how many in-state kids they really

have, they don't have it. I'm truly carrying a roster of Wyoming kids who are getting a brash lesson in the art of international soccer very quickly."

But the team that took the field for the Trappers was just as diverse, and played with more of what their opponent lacked: Heart.

"We went at them with a little bit of old school, tough-nosed soccer," Rodrigues said. "We managed the game well, and we were able to find the right pieces that fit. We made a lineup adjustment that, in all fairness, I don't know if I had done it two weeks ago if it would have been as successful as it was."

'We went at them with a little bit of old school, tough-nosed soccer.'

Stan Rodrigues
Head coach

The adjustment was putting Aaron Kovac, a midfielder from Roanoke, Virginia, as a defender against the Plainsmen. The results of Kovac's switch from attacker were immediate.

"He absolutely locked down their whole team," Rodrigues said. "He was the change of the game against Northeastern; he impacted the game so heavily."

Both teams did an excellent job creating scoring opportunities in the first half, with the Plainsmen's Paul Liagre putting NJC on the board first at the 18 minute mark. The Trappers answered with a goal of their own at 29 minutes, when Lander's Daniel Lobera found the back of the net on a penalty kick to tie the game at 1-1, ending the scoring for the first half.

The Trappers continued their aggressive play to start the second half, eventually taking the lead on a Johnny Varian goal at the 54 minute mark. The Plainsmen would tie the game about 10 minutes later on a goal by Mustafa Nadeem, but the score was short-lived,

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Tough losses open Lady Trappers soccer season

NORTHWEST FALLS TO NORTHEASTERN, WESTERN NEBRASKA IN HOME OPENER

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

It was a rough opening weekend for the Northwest College women's soccer team, as the Lady Trappers dropped a pair home games to Northeastern Junior College and Western Nebraska Community College at Trapper Field.

Both games were hard-fought contests, with the Lady Trappers creating plenty of scoring opportunities. Finding the back of the net proved to be a little more of a challenge, however, as NWC fell to the Plainswomen and the Lady Cougars 2-0 and 3-1 respectively.

"I was pretty happy with our performances for the most part," said Lady Trappers head coach Jessica Lum. "We were really hoping for a win. We came out a little bit flat, I would say, but we put some really nice passes together, we ended up dominating most of the games. We had 31 shots on goal — we just couldn't put any in."

For this early in the season, Lum was

impressed with her team's level of communication on the field. That said, the excitement of the home-opening weekend may have played a part in the Lady Trappers' scoring woes.

"The players were excited, but I think anxious, too," Lum said. "So when it came down to scoring, I could tell they really, really wanted to score. It just wasn't happening for us. We needed to settle down a little bit."

NJC 2, LADY TRAPPERS 0

Both teams came out strong to open the first half, with the Lady Trappers spending a bit more time down on the Plainswomen's end of the field. NJC finally broke the scoring drought toward the end of the half as Plainswoman Jaycie Dillenburg snuck one by NWC keeper Katelyn Behrens for a 1-0 half-time lead.

Both defenses continued to turn away scoring chances in the second half. NJC's Sierra Hinkel added an

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Lady Trapper Frankie Cervantes boots the ball down the field Saturday versus Western Nebraska Community College at Trapper Field. NWC fell to the Lady Cougars 3-1. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

Inaugural Heart of a Trapper run and hike a success

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Northwest College hosted the Heart of a Trapper Trail Run and Hike up Heart Mountain Saturday morning, part of the Paint the Town Red festivities for the college's kick-off weekend. Over 140 participants made their way to the summit, benefitting the Trapper Booster Club.

"What we wanted to create with the hike is an event that builds community on campus, connects students to citizens of Park County and becomes something alumni can return to campus to participate in again and again," said Carol Bell, an event coordinator. "It felt like we succeeded on all fronts."

Six people participated in the race portion of the event, with Jerry Rodriguez clocking the fastest time at 1:10.38. Samantha Durtsche placed second with a time of 1:13.33; Molly Lynn was third posting a time of 1:14.04.

Scott Lynn finished in fourth place with a time of 1:28.29, while Jonci Jasso finished fifth with a time of 1:30.52. In

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THE LINEUP

This Week in Powell Sports

* Home events in bold

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

PHS Golf at Buffalo, TBD

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

NWC Volleyball at Salt Lake City Tournament, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

PHS Golf at Buffalo, TBD

PHS Cross Country at Billings, noon

PHS Volleyball at WY/MT Border War Tournament in Cody, noon

PHS Girls Swimming at Cody, 2 p.m.

PHS Football vs. Worland, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

NWC Volleyball at Salt Lake City Tournament, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

PHS Swimming at Riverton, TBD

PHS Volleyball at WY/MT Border War Tournament, 8 a.m.

PHS Tennis at Jackson, noon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

NWC Men's Soccer at Sheridan College, 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

PHS Tennis vs. Cody, 3 p.m.

NWC volleyball downs Rocky Mountain to open season



Northwest sophomore Aleksandra Saric kills the ball against Rocky Mountain JV in a season opener Tuesday night in Cabre Gym. Saric lead the team with 16 kills. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

LADY TRAPPERS TO SEARCH FOR IDENTITY IN COMING WEEKS

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Northwest College's Lady Trapper volleyball team got off to a 1-0 start with a Tuesday win over the Rocky Mountain JV, but their coach says the coming weeks will be his inexperienced team's true test.

"This team is funky, because I wouldn't bet against them, but I wouldn't bet on them just yet," said NWC head volleyball coach Shaun Pohlman. "I don't know how good we are; I don't know how bad we are. We really gotta play a game that matters. ... The weekend will tell us a ton."

The Lady Trappers took three of four sets against Rocky Mountain on Tuesday, which followed a loss in five sets to Montana State University Billings in a Saturday practice game.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN JV 1

NWC officially kicked off its season by hosting the Rocky Mountain JV.

The Lady Trappers lost the first set 25-20, but came back to win the next three: 25-21, 25-14 and 27-25.

Aleksandra Saric led the way for the Lady Trappers, with 16 kills and six blocks.

Samantha Waite, an injured reserve player, had six kills and no errors. Julianna Hughes had six blocks, while Holly Pittman had six aces and six blocks.

Bre Donarski had 23 digs and Luana Rezende had 22 digs and nine kills. Jess Ruffing had 27 assists, Kailie Becking added 12 assists and Demery Dean had 11.

Even with the win, Pohlman said he was not happy with the performance.

"Hitting continues to be our worst thing," said Pohlman,

LADY TRAPPERS 3,

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NWC men's soccer: Mistakes prove costly against WNCC

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as Trapper Sergio Santamarina scored the gamewinner just a minute later, giving NWC its first win of the season.

"I don't have a team of superstars; I don't have a team of individuals that are just going to come out of the stat sheet. I have a team," Rodrigues said after the game. "Each one of those kids, they need each other. This is not going to be a team of superstars, it's going to be a blue-collar team all the way through."

For the game, the Trappers had 18 shots on goal to NJC's 16. The Plainsmen held the advantage in corner kicks, 7-4.

WNCC 6, TRAPPERS 3

Coach Rodrigues said his team had set a goal for the weekend of scoring at least six times between the two games.

The Trappers did just that, scoring three more goals Saturday against Western Nebraska Community College. Unfortunately for the Trappers, the visiting Cougars proved adept at finding the back of the net as well, doubling up NWC 6-3.

"Usually when you score three goals or more in a game, you don't tend to lose," Rodrigues said. "Unfortunately, we just got overwhelmed. Like Conor McGregor [against Floyd Mayweather], we ran out of gas."

The teams were evenly-matched in the first half, with the Trappers taking a 3-2 lead into the half on goals from Carlos Felgueroso, Lobera and Robert George. The Trappers struggled to find an answer for the Cougars' Lawan Abary, who was responsible for both his team's goals in the first half.

The second half was all Cougars, as they tightened their defense and continued to assault the Trappers' net. WNCC's Leonardo Palomo tied the game with 20 minutes left in regulation, and the final 10 minutes were an onslaught, as the Cougars scored three more times to finish out the game. WNCC's Abary scored two of those, giving him four on the day.

"We have to have the bench



Trappers midfielder Sergio Santamarina maneuvers the ball around WNCC's Leonardo Palomo Saturday at Trapper Field. NWC led at the half, but was unable to shut down the Cougars in the second, losing 6-3.

Tribune photo by Don Cogger

grow," Rodrigues said. "The last 10 minutes of the game, although we gave up some poor goals, I put kids in that either had no minutes prior or needed minutes to grow. I took my starters off and put those kids in because I need them to be ready for the next time around. Now they're collegiate soccer players, and now they have a taste of the intensity of what we're trying to do."

Looking ahead, the Trappers head to Sheridan Tuesday, Sept. 5, for a game against the Generals. Rodrigues said the team will use that time between now

and then to get his injured players healthy, as well as adjust for the loss of one of the team's leading scorers. Freshman forward Lobera, who scored a pair of goals over the weekend, will have to sit out at least the Sheridan game after receiving a red card against WNCC.

"We have to be better at executing the finishing piece," Rodrigues said. "If we don't, we're going to be a .500 or less team because we're missing good opportunities. We have to limit our mistakes. Had we limited one, maybe two of our mistakes, we would have won that game

against Western Nebraska."

Rodrigues said he was pleased with the crowds at both games over the weekend and hopes the community will continue to support its college teams.

"If we can entertain the people that come to our games, give them an entertaining, intense, serious game, that's what I want to do," he said. "Soccer sometimes takes a hit in rural areas, so it's nice to have fans come out and hear them shout, hoot, holler, especially in an intense game. We want to make it fun."

NWC women's soccer: 'We had a lot more shots, we just got tired'

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insurance goal in the game's 80th minute, and the Plainswomen rolled out of Powell with a 2-0 win.

"Northeastern only had like five shots [on goal]," Lum said. "Unfortunately, they scored on two of them."

The Lady Trappers out-shot NJC 14-5 for the game, a statistic that, if continued, will eventually lead to more scores. Freshman Nicola Waddell led NWC with seven shots on goal, followed by four apiece from Holly Burley, Hiroko Sogabe and Frankie Cervantes.

Brandie Beddes, Jessie Shipley and Powell native Kayla Atkinson added three shots on goal each, while Cody's Ashly Nieters rounded out the shots on goal list with one.

"We were really looking for a win this game," Lum explained. "They didn't have any subs, and as a coach I was hoping we'd get up pretty quick and then I'd be able to pull back a little bit, give players a rest. That didn't really happen."

WNCC 3, NWC 1

Saturday's game against Western Nebraska Community College, featured another up-tempo performance by the Lady Trappers, though it unfortunately yielded the same result, as the Lady Cougars held on for a 3-1 win.

The game featured NWC's first goal of the season, as sophomore Holly Burley found the back of the net to give the Lady Trappers an early 1-0 lead. The Lady Cougars answered with a pair of goals, one each by Courtney Nelson and Julia Stratford to take a 2-1 lead into the half.

"This game, I thought we came out a lot stronger," Lum said. "Our goal was to score in the first 15 minutes of the game,



Lady Trapper Ashly Nieters battles WNCC's Katelyn Pyle for control of the ball Saturday at Trapper Field. The Lady Cougars held off NWC 3-1. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

and we did that, so that was pretty cool. But I think our lack of fitness just caught up to us."

The tempo slowed a bit for both teams in the second half, as each felt the effects of playing a game the day before. Bianca Gomez added an insurance goal 11 minutes into the second half, and that would be the last of the scoring, as the Lady Cougars left Trapper Field with a 3-1 win.

"Again, we had a lot more shots than they did, but I think we just got tired," Lum said. "When that started happening

in the first half, they [WNCC] started finding holes and breaking through."

Waddell and Beddes paced the Lady Trappers with three shots on goal apiece. Burley, Sogabe and Cervantes added two shots each, with Burley providing the team's only score. Shipley and Nieters had one shot apiece.

Keeper Behrens finished with 13 saves for NWC. Despite the loss, Lum said she's encouraged by her team's play, and is looking forward to watching them progress throughout the season.

net scores — receiving one point for pars, two points for birdies and three points for eagles.

Winning the day, with a score of 79, were Ken Rocklitz, Stephen Burtoft, Bob Gallagher and Paul Devoss.

Kevin Lineback, Bob Parsons, Buddy Rae and Larry Hedderman took second with a score of 78.

In third place, with a score of 76, were Dennis McCollum, Jerry Linsdau and Dave Frost, with a draw of Burtoft.

Marc Saylor, Tony Waller, Howard Whitlock and Bob Mason rounded out the field with a 66.

Frost and Linsdau tied for the lowest gross score of the day, each shooting an 83. Parsons shot a low net score of 64.

Good Old Boys

Modified Stableford was the name of the game for the Good Old Boys on Tuesday. In their 18th week of play at the Powell Golf Club, the boys split into four-man teams and took their best three

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Tennis



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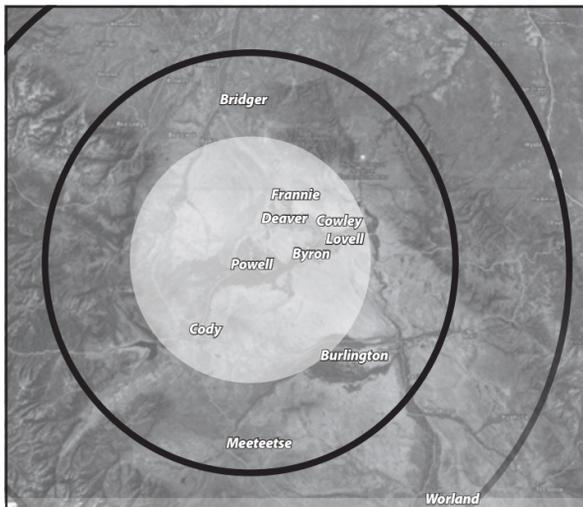
Caitlyn Miner
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Men's Bible Study Fellowship will resume Sept. 12, exploring the questions: What is the most influential letter ever written? Who wrote it, and whom is it written to?

Men can learn about this letter as the group studies the book of Romans this year.

Beginning Sept. 12, Bible Study Fellowship starts at 6:55 p.m. on Tuesdays at Cody Bible

Church, 2137 Cougar Ave.

A school program is offered for all students ages first grade through high school. Men's Bible Study Fellowship is an interdenominational and inter-generational Bible study. Men and accompanying youth are invited to attend Tuesday night classes or call Whit at 307-250-7320 or Greg at 307-899-0679 to register.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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ONGOING

■ **ARTIST HERLI PATTINAMA WIGHT'S** ceramics exhibit is on display at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant, 440 West Park St. beginning Friday. The exhibit will be on display through Oct. 5.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

- **DIARY OF A MOONSHADOW CHASER:** Astronomy enthusiast Mack Frost will share his wrap-up of the solar eclipse. The illustrated talk begins at 5:15 p.m. in the Buffalo Bill Center of the West's Coe Auditorium and is free to the public.
- ***CODY NITE RODEO FINALS:** gates open at 7 p.m., performance at 8 p.m. Tickets available at the ticket office in downtown Cody at 1031 12th St. and the Stampede Rodeo Grounds, 421 W. Yellowstone Ave. For more information, call 307-587-5155.
- **UW EXTENSION HOSTS** a small-ruminant nutrition workshop from 6-8 p.m. at the Park County Fairgrounds event center conference room. For more information, contact Jeremiah Vardiman at 754-8836.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE** from 1-3 p.m. in the basement of the Powell Branch Library.
- **OPEN ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION** from 6-9 p.m. every Friday evening at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant. Musicians of all skill levels are welcome. For more information, call 764-2389.
- ***CODY NITE RODEO FINALS:** gates open at 7 p.m., performance at 8 p.m. Tickets available at the ticket office in downtown Cody at 1031 12th St. and the Stampede Rodeo Grounds, 421 W. Yellowstone Ave. For more information, call 307-587-5155.
- **HERLI PATTINAMA WIGHT:** Ceramics exhibit opening reception will be from 6-9 p.m. at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant, 440 West Park St. The exhibit will remain on display through Oct. 5.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- ***CODY NITE RODEO FINALS:** gates open at 7 p.m., performance at 8 p.m. Tickets available at the ticket office in downtown Cody at 1031 12th St. and the Stampede Rodeo Grounds, 421 W. Yellowstone Ave. For more information, call 307-587-5155.
- **POWELL BRANCH LIBRARY** closed in observance of Labor Day. Also closed Monday.
- **MEETEETSE WILL HOST ITS 105th** Labor Day Celebration Sept. 2-4 with a variety of events over the three days: parade, rodeo, horseshoe tournament, music, craft fair, food and more. For information, visit <http://meeteetsewv.com/events-calendar/>.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

- **LABOR DAY OBSERVED.** No school for students in Park County School District No. 1 or Northwest College.
- **FARMERS' MARKET** from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Second Street near Washington Park.
- **THE MEETEETSE MUSEUMS** will be hosting its inaugural Labor Day Archaeology Fair, featuring a variety of fun hands-on stations (for youth as well as adults) operated by archaeologists and museum professionals from around Wyoming. Stations will run from 10 a.m. (immediately following the Meeteetse Labor Day parade) until 4 p.m. For more information, call the Meeteetse Museums at 307-868-2423.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- **STORY TIME** at 10:30 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Also on Wednesday morning.
- **POWELL CITY COUNCIL** meets at 6 p.m. at City Hall.
- **LASER SAFETY CLASS** at the Powell Makerspace from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Learn to safely use the laser cutter and get inspired for a project of your own. Register through Powell Valley Community Education at www.nwc.edu/pvce.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- **YELLOWSTONE QUILT FEST** sneak preview party from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Cody Auditorium, 1240 Beck Street. Hors d'oeuvres and door prizes. Tickets at the door \$5. For more information, call Marybeth at 754-5399 or visit www.yellowstonequiltfest.info.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- ***YELLOWSTONE QUILT FEST** from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Cody Auditorium, 1240 Beck Street. Vendors, demonstrations, scissors sharpening (bring scissors), SAQA art exhibit, quilts for sale. Tickets at the door \$3. For more information, call Marybeth at 754-5399 or visit www.yellowstonequiltfest.info.
- **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION BARBECUE** from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Bank of Powell, 856 Road 8. Food, music, prizes and fun. For more information, call 754-2774.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- ***YELLOWSTONE QUILT FEST** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cody Auditorium, 1240 Beck Street. Vendors, demonstrations, scissors sharpening (bring scissors), SAQA art exhibit, quilts for sale. Tickets at the door \$3. For more information, call Marybeth at 754-5399 or visit www.yellowstonequiltfest.info.
- **HOMESTEADER DAYS FESTIVAL** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Homesteader Museum in Powell. The annual event includes a historic downtown walk at 8 a.m., live pie auction at 1:30 p.m., live music from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. There will be new tractor games this year. For more information, call Homesteader Museum at 754-9481 or visit www.facebook.com/homesteadermuseum.
- **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** Book Sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
- ***THE FOURTH ANNUAL MUSTANG RENDEZVOUS** will take place from 5-8 p.m. at a spot about 26 miles east of Cody off U.S. Highway 14/16/20. The fundraiser benefits Friends of a Legacy—a local, non-profit group that advocates for the McCullough Peaks mustangs. Tickets available at the Cody Country Chamber of Commerce and online at www.friendsofalegacy.org.
- ***FALL CONCERT SERIES:** Eric E. performs at Lisa Kunkel Photography in Greybull. Doors open at 6 p.m., concert begins at 7 p.m. Presented by The Shack, Tonkin Foundation and the Wyoming Arts Council.

HOSTING A PUBLIC, LOCAL EVENT?

Please, tell us about it!

The community calendar appears every Thursday. Send your event information (date, event, location, time and contact information) by Tuesday at noon to tessa@powelltribune.com, call 307-754-2221, mail it to P.O. Box 70, Powell, WY 82435 or bring it to the Powell Tribune at 128 S. Bent St. in downtown Powell.

Jesus Christ, the cure for racism

Sometimes, you look in the mirror and you don't like what you see.

Charlottesville has become a palpable mirror for our society, revealing deep problems in our nation. According to some astute cultural observers, the grievous events of Charlottesville amounted to a "coming out party" for white supremacy groups, neo-Nazis, and the alt-right, a symbol of their power and presence.

Christians must be clear in condemning not only the violence and hatred themselves, but the ideology that gives those ideas life. The hatred and racism expressed by white supremacy must be confronted by the truth of the human dignity of all people.

Is this simply a political matter that we should leave to the government to solve and rectify? Is it a problem caused by disparate economics or by sociological differences? Actually, the issues run deeper than either of these areas can go.

The ugliness we saw in Charlottesville betrays an age-old sickness within humanity that has devastated cultures and nations since the very beginning. Racism, hatred, violence, and oppression have been seen throughout all cultures and nations. From conflicts between Sunni Muslims and Shia Muslims, to violence between Muslims and Hindus, to the "reign of terror" of secular France and the atheistic violence of the Soviet Union, human history shows a propensity to treat one another in terrible ways.

In times of crisis like we had in Charlottesville, it is easy to point the finger and say this or that is the cause. But really, if you want to know the truth, the real cause is our desperate moral sickness, a universal sickness that affects everyone of us. Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn once wrote that "the line dividing good and evil cuts through the heart of every human being." The problem isn't simply "out there." It is

in me.

There is a solution to this enduring problem of racism and violence, but it doesn't come from within humanity. It comes from outside this world, from God himself. He made the world completely good. And though humans were the ones who poisoned it, God never gave up on us. And that is the very reason that Jesus Christ entered our world.

There is a reason that he is called the "Prince of Peace." It is because he brings peace—first between a sinner and God, and second, between and among people. The Bible says that he offered up his life in our place on the cross to remove hostility and bring all of us to God.

Let's make sure that our words, as well as our posts on social media, reflect an allegiance to the gospel over political ideologies. Because God made all peoples in his image and gave his Son to bring us to him by faith. He himself is our peace.

(David Pool is senior pastor of Grace Point, formerly known as First Baptist Church.)



DAVID POOL
Perspectives



Assembly of God

Lovell, 310 Idaho; Rev. Daniel R. Jarvis; 9:45 am Sunday school 11:00 am & 6:30 pm Sun., Wed., 10 am & 7 pm Bible Study.

Baha'i Faith

For information write to: National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States, 536 Sheridan Rd, Wilmette, IL 60091.

Bennett Creek Baptist Church

11 Road 8WC, Clark, Wyo.; 645-3137; 9:45 am Bible study; 11 am Worship.

Charity Baptist Church

Pastor Kevin Schmidt, 754-8095, <http://kcschmidt.wix.com/charitybaptistchurch> meeting at 176 N. Day St. Sunday: 9 a.m. Sunday school, 10 a.m. morning service, 6 p.m. evening service. Wed.: Prayer meeting Bible study 7 p.m. Access live streaming Sunday services through the web page.

Church of Christ

7110th mile east on Hwy. 14A, 754-7250; Sunday: 9:30 am Bible study; 10:30 am Communion; Small Group Sunday Evening; Wed.: 6 pm Bible classes; If we can help, call 254-2215.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Powell 1st Ward: 1026 Ave E Syd Thompson, Bishop. Home phone 754-2724, Study 754-2055; Sacrament 11 am; Primary & Sunday School 12:20 pm; PH RS YW PRI 1:10 am.

Powell 2nd Ward: 525 W. 7th Street

Bishop J.J. Jeide 754-3929 (h) 754-3547 Study; Sacrament 9 am Sunday School 10:20 am, PH RS YW PRI 11:10 am.

Powell 3rd Ward: 1026 Ave E

Bishop Nate Mainwaring Study 754-8002; Sacrament 9 am, Primary & Sunday School 10:20 pm PH RS YW PRI 11:10 pm.

Powell 4th Ward: 525 W. 7th Street

Bishop Greg Spomer 754-2412 (h) 272-1038 (w) Sacrament 1 p.m.; Primary and Sunday School 2:20 p.m.; PH RS YW PRI 3:10 p.m.

Heart Mountain Young Single Adults Ward

(ages 18-30) 525 W. 7th Street Kent Kielen, Bishop; 754-3201 (h); Study 754-5631; Sacrament 11 am; Sunday School 12:20 pm; PH RS 1:10 pm.

Come Worship with Us!

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Faith Community Church

"Love God - Love Others" 307-271-7835, revukev@bresnan.net, 1267 Road 18 (Hwy 294), Powell. Church located 3 miles SW of Ralston, 1/2 mile N off 14A. Pastor Kevin Piscator - Bible Study 9:30 am, Sunday Worship 10:45 am.

First Southern Baptist Church

Corner of Gilbert & Madison. 754-3990, Don Rushing, Pastor. Sunday school 9:45 am; Morning Worship 10:45 am; Sunday Prayer meeting 5pm & Evening worship 5:30pm. Team Kid Tuesdays 3:30-5pm.

First United Methodist Church

We love our neighbor at 2nd & Bernard Sts. 754-3160, Rev. Melinda Perry, pastor. www.powellfumc.com; Sunday worship: Liturgical service 8am, blended worship 9:30am, small group studies 11am. Coffee before and after morning service. All are welcome, all means all.

Garland Community Church of God

Garland, Shane Legler, pastor, 754-3775; 9:30 am Sun. School; 10:30 am Worship service; 7 pm Wed. Bible study & prayer. Located in the historic Garland schoolhouse. Everyone welcome.

Glad Tidings Assembly of God

Gilbert & 7th St. East, 754-2333, Mike Walsh, Pastor; Sunday School 9 am, Worship 10:30 am, (nursery provided), Wed., 7 pm, Unashamed Jr & Sr high youth meet.

Grace Point

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Heart Mtn Baptist Church

307-254-5040, call for location. Miles McNair; pastor Independent, KJV, Baptist Church. Sunday school 10 am, Main worship 11 am & 6 pm. Wed. preaching & prayer, 7 pm. Nursery available. heartmountainbaptist.com.

Hope Lutheran (ELCA)

754-4040, corner of Cary St. & Ave. H, www.hopelutheranpowell.org, Interim pastor Kristi Bummer, 9:30 am Sunday worship, Sunday school & fellowship following. 3rd Monday Women's Faith Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., 3rd Tuesday Women's Grace Bible Study, 1:30 pm.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.) 754-3168, Rev. Lee Wisroth, Pastor, 675 Ave. D. Sunday Worship 9 am, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:15 am, Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday.

Jehovah's Witnesses

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St. Barbara's Catholic Church

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St. John's Episcopal Church

Megan Nickles, priest; 754-4218, Ave. E & Mountain View. Morning services 10:30am. Godly Play - Sunday school for children, ages 2-12, 10:30-11:30am. Visitors welcome.

Seventh-day Adventist

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Trinity Bible Church

Don Thomas, pastor, 535 S. Everts, 754-2660 www.tbccwyo.com, reformedtbc@yahoo.com, 9 a.m. Sunday School classes for all ages; 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service; 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service. Contact the church for midweek home Bible studies. Free Grace Radio 88.1 FM.

United Pentecostal Church

John Sides, Pastor, 899-4120, 754-1693. Meeting at the intersection of the Powell Hwy & Nez Perce Dr.- 7 miles from Cody. Sunday Worship 10 am, Wed. services 7:30 pm.

Union Presbyterian Church

(PCUSA). Third & Bent, 754-2491. Rev. Jeff Baxter, pastor. Sundays: 9 am Sunday School/all ages; 10:30 am Worship; 11:30 am Coffee Hour; Holy Communion 1st Sunday of each month. Wednesdays: 6:00 pm Women's Bible Study. Scouting: Boy Scouts Monday @ 4, Tuesday @ 6 & Thursday @ 3. Transportation available; everyone welcome. unionpc@tctwest.net.

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Members of the Northwest College basketball team and other participants of the Heart of a Trapper Trail Run and Hike get checked in prior to their climb to the summit of Heart Mountain on Saturday. More than 140 people participated in the hike/run. Tribune photo by Breanne Thiel

Heart: More than 140 participants make the trip to Heart Mountain

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sixth place was Julie Norberg with a time of 1:31.12.

Bell said more than half of the participants who signed in on the Heart Mountain guestbook wrote that it was their first time to the top. There were 53 confirmed first-timers on the mountain.

The NWC men's and women's basketball teams and the wrestling team also hiked the trail.

"Most of those kids had never had the opportunity to do it," Bell said of the student athletes. "But we were all surprised by how many folks from the area used this event to hike Heart Mountain for the first time."

Bell hiked up early with Anne Young, one of the board members from The Nature Conservancy, so the two were at the top as some of the athletic teams began to arrive.

"She was so happy to hear the students' enthusiastic response to experi-

encing their time on Heart Mountain," Bell said of Young. "She was also really impressed by what a polite, respectful, great bunch of kids they were."

Andy Nelson, president of the Trapper Booster Club, participated in the event with his family. He called the hike a challenge, but said he and his family enjoyed it.

"It was a great event," said Nelson.

Participants were considerate of each other, as well as their surroundings, making a point to carry out what they brought in.

"When I hiked down at the end of the day to 'sweep the trail' for garbage, there wasn't one single scrap of paper or junk on the trail," Bell said. "Remarkable for a group of our size."

NWC President Stefani Hicswa said people that participated in the run/hike covered the spectrum, from students to extreme athletes to retirees and families. One woman even brought a baby.

"The Heart of a Trapper Trail Run

and Hike was a really nice event for everyone who was involved in its planning and for those who participated," Hicswa said. "It was a fundraiser for the booster club, and I think it's safe to call it a success."

Like Bell, Hicswa said many of the participants she talked to had never summited before.

"I'm glad that a handful of students went, because you can't live here and not hike up that thing," Hicswa said, laughing. "It just begs, 'Hike me! Come to the top!' And the summit is just spectacular."

Hicswa added The Nature Conservancy was a great partner on the event, "to allow that many people to go up, and us to be able to do it."

"Their representative did a nice little talk before the hike started about the conservancy and their purpose of taking care of the land. Everyone who went on the hike got a little bit of an education," she said. "And for our students to be exposed to that was a plus."

NWC VB: 'We need to settle in and work for this,' coach Pohlman says

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citing a continuing problem with hitting errors.

He also faulted the team's low energy.

"From the bench, we didn't have people talking; we had people quiet," Pohlman said.

He added that, "this weekend is gonna be a huge wake up call. I mean, we are just gonna get smacked around. We are going to be lucky to come home 1-3. And it's what we need at this point."

During the two-day tournament at the Salt Lake City Tournament, NWC will face Otero Junior College, Salt Lake Community College, College of Southern Idaho and Miami-Dade College — the defending national champions.

Pohlman said that, among the conference's other teams, NWC has the toughest schedule in the first two weeks of the season. He said it's possible the Lady Trappers could end the stretch 1-8.

"I'm not saying we are going to get blown out, although I do think we are going to get blown out by a team or two just because mentally we have not committed ourselves to do what it takes, because we don't know what it takes," the coach said.

By next week, Pohlman predicted he may be saying that his team came together and learned what it takes — or that the team learned what it takes but is unwilling to rise to the challenge.

"It could be two different statements that I make and that would be my challenge to them," said Pohlman. "They have a choice as to what I am communicating to the general public or whatever next week, regardless of results."

Pohlman said he doesn't care about losing, per se; he would rather see improvement in those losses. As a coach at a two-year college, he said it's about process — developing players' skills and improving from week to week so they can be ready to play volleyball at the next level.

"We want to teach kids how to play the game better, how to see the game better, how to do more than just go for a ball. So the problem is we get a lack of effort because it's not the focus," Pohlman said. "There's a learning curve because it's a lot of freshmen. There's a buy-in process, there's a hesitation, then there is frustration because of the hesitation."

Pohlman said his team has been trying to be perfectionists, which translates to not wanting to make a mistake, causing players to freeze up and not stray outside of their comfort zone.

"I can't say that I haven't been here before," he said. "I've been lost as far as like, 'OK what exactly does this team need?' I know what this team is, [but] that doesn't always mean that I know what it needs just yet. I think what it needs is commitment, and true commitment. This isn't high school, it's not club volleyball anymore."

The coach was quick to add that, "we've got some good talent; we've

got some good volleyball players," but he said that "right now, it's almost like we don't have this common fight and common goal."

This year, the team is generally starting over, with 10 freshmen and six returning sophomores with little experience.

MSU-BILLINGS 3, LADY TRAPPERS 2

On Saturday night, the Lady Trappers fell to MSUB 25-21 in the first set and 25-20 in the second. NWC came back in sets three and four to win 25-23 and 25-15 respectively to force a fifth game, but MSUB took it 15-12.

During the first game, the Lady Trappers were never more than five points behind, trailing MSUB by one to three points for most of the set.

"We were right there, neck and neck," Pohlman said, who offered "kudos to MSUB" for improving from a prior match-up on Aug. 21.

However, the coach was dissatisfied with his team's performance, saying that, "it was not a good attacking night, period."

NWC's 155 swings and just 51 kills translated to a 32.9 percent kill percentage; Pohlman would like to see it at 40 percent.

Saric led the team with 16 kills and had three blocks.

Rezende had 13 kills with 16 digs for a double-double and also had four blocks.

Ashley Uffelman added eight kills and Donarski had 13 digs. Becking provided 27 assists in three sets.

None of the stats will count toward the season total because it was a scrimmage game.

The team averaged almost six hitting errors per set; Pohlman said he wants to see no more than five.

The coach said the Lady Trappers appeared passive in the game, saying their season-long challenge will be pushing back when another team challenges them.

"If we have this mentality that it's OK for people to run over us, like that's what's gonna happen," he said. "We definitely have to find our aggression while being smart."

Pohlman also said there was too much diving from his squad, indicating that the Lady Trappers were in bad positions.

"We've been harping on the freshmen to get with the program and commitment to our program," but after the scrimmage, Pohlman said he was pretty disappointed in the sophomores. He cited missed serves, dives, and blocking and hitting errors at inopportune times.

Pohlman wants the players to play with high-focused positive energy.

"They really need to settle in and say we are going to work for this," said Pohlman, who also stated that the team as a whole needs to step up.

"We are not going to be the most talented team this year, so we better be something else," Pohlman said. "We can control hard working, we can control attitude, we can control teamwork, we can control how loud we are. We cannot control that we're not the most talented team."

FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Powell's Jonathan Morrow (12) breaks up a pass to Douglas' Dawson Bratton (9) with 10:45 left in the third quarter on Friday's 20-6 loss. 'This week against Worland will be our first opportunity to fine-tune some of the faults and corrections we assessed from last week's game against Douglas,' said PHS head football coach Chanler Buck. Kick-off will be at 7 p.m. at Panther Stadium. 'Worland is an unknown due to the fact that they have not played a true football game this year,' said Buck. 'We must take advantage of our week zero experiences and prepare to compete in a historically well-matched football game. Worland-Powell is always a matchup our kids and staff look forward to.' The coach said he's excited to see what gain the Panthers have made over the past week.

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PRAISE IN THE PARK



The worship team from Grace Point leads the crowd in singing during Sunday's community 'Worship in the Park' service at Washington Park. The annual non-denominational service is aimed at celebrating and demonstrating unity among Powell's Christian churches. In addition, the event included prayers from several pastors for the local community and nation, a sermon by Justin Gwinn of Campus Ventures, communion and then a lunch. Tribune photo by CJ Baker

Happy 15th Birthday Shaelyne Ramirez



Join us for a night of dancing in celebration of her coming of age.

Saturday, Sept. 2
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Zucchini

BREAD, COOKIES OR AS A SIDE DISH

Rumor has it that it's a good idea to lock your car doors when you're parked around the area, because if you don't, you'll find zucchini on the seat when you return!

It's true that if you have a healthy plant in your garden, it will produce more than you can eat before the summer is over. There are lots of ways to use zucchini and they keep a long time whole in the refrigerator or grated in the freezer.

Adding some slices from a small zucchini to a salad gives it a little more body and flavor. I also like to slice small zucchini and saute in a skillet with a tablespoon of butter and a little chopped onion. When the veggies are tender crisp, stir in a couple of eggs and cook a couple more minutes. Sprinkle on a little grated cheese if desired and you have a delicious meal for lunch or breakfast.

When my daughter, Heather, was working at Jackson Lake Lodge one summer, they served a side dish of zucchini cooked with a little canned tomatoes and chopped onions. At serving time, they sprinkled in some oregano and grated parmesan cheese. Easy and delicious!

Most of us like to use our zucchini in baking. Here are a few recipes using grated zucchini. Drain off excess moisture after grating. Frozen zucchini may have lots of juice to drain off.

FAVORITE ZUCCHINI BREAD

3 eggs, 1 cup oil, 2 cups sugar, 1 tsp. vanilla. Beat together well.

Add sifted dry ingredients: 3 cups flour, 1 tsp. soda, 1 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. baking powder, 2 tsp. cinnamon

Stir in 2 cups freshly grated zucchini (peeled or unpeeled). If using frozen, drain off excess juice.

If desired, add 1/2 cup chopped nuts.

Mix well and pour into 2 large or 3 smaller loaf pans (greased and floured).

Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until done in center.

LEMON ZUCCHINI BREAD

1 1/2 cups sugar, 3/4 cup oil, 3 eggs. Beat together well.

Stir in: zest of 1 lemon, 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice, 1 tsp. lemon extract.

Add sifted dry ingredients: 2 1/2 cups flour, 2 tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. soda, 1 tsp. salt.

Stir in: 1 1/2 cups peeled grated zucchini, squeezed well in paper towels to remove moisture.

Bake in two large greased and floured loaf pans or 3 smaller pans. Bake 45 minutes at 350 or until done in center. Remove

from pans and while still warm, spread with glaze: 1/2 cup powdered sugar, 2 Tbsp. lemon juice or enough to make a thin glaze (bottled juice may be used).

"GREEN WORM ZUCCHINI" COOKIES

(Weight Watchers recipe given to me by Marianne Sutton)

2 cups sugar, 1 cup oil, 2 tsp. vanilla. Beat together well.

Stir in 2 cups unpeeled grated zucchini, unsqueezed.

Add sifted dry ingredients: 4 cups flour, 2 tsp. soda, 2 tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. each nutmeg, cinnamon, ginger, salt.

1 cup raisins or nuts may be added if desired. Stir all together. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet.

Bake for 8 to 10 min. until lightly browned. (Makes a large batch.)



RUBY HOPKIN
Guest columnist

(Ruby Hopkin grew up in Mantua. She and her late husband, Burchell, raised their family in Penrose, where Burchell farmed. Ruby regularly contributes recipes to the Tribune. She published a book, "Pieces of Pie: A Collection of Reminiscences," earlier this year.)

Kids donate proceeds from lemonade sales to manor



After selling lemonade, balloons and pencils on Aug. 22, Abree Haney, Kindyle Floy, Aeson Haney and Catelynn Floy donated the \$30 they earned to the Rocky Mountain Manor in Powell. Manor residents pictured are (from left) Melvin Spomer, Ruby Cozzens and Betty Gage.

Photo courtesy Cindy Ibarra

On the last day of their summer vacation, four local kids set up a lemonade stand for a good cause.

The kids — Catelynn Floy, 10, Kindyle Floy, 7, Abree Haney, 7, and Aeson Haney, 5 — sold not just lemonade, but also balloons and pencils. They then decided to put their earnings to good use, giving the \$30 they raised to the Rocky Mountain Manor.

"It was the kids' idea to donate it to the manor," said Nick Haney, father of Abree and Aeson Haney.

When the kids presented their donation to the manor last week, Cindy Ibarra explained where their \$30 could be used.

"... they chose our discretionary account that we use for residents in need," said Ibarra, who serves as the manor's housing director. "The monies in this account usually go for items like meal tickets, food and other items of necessity."

The donation was appreciated. "They were so incredibly sweet and kind to think of the manor residents," Ibarra said.

WALK ACROSS WYOMING BEGINS FRIDAY FROM CODY

A 400-plus mile journey will begin Friday as Terresa Humphries-Wadsworth embarks on her walk across Wyoming.

Humphries-Wadsworth will walk from Cody to Cheyenne to raise awareness for suicide prevention. The Cody woman described it as a journey to bring a voice to the silent and connection to the lost.

The Walk Across WY will launch Friday morning from Wyoming Veterans Memorial Park, at the intersection of U.S. Highway 14/16/20 and 26th Street in Cody. Folks will gather

around 7 a.m., and a ceremony will be held at 7:30 a.m. The walk will start around 8 a.m. The Cody VFW Auxiliary is planning the kick-off event.

Kelly Eckerdt of Powell will join Humphries-Wadsworth on the journey, providing first aid/water stations, safety checks and support along the way. Eckerdt had hoped to walk alongside Humphries-Wadsworth, but a foot injury



TERRESA HUMPHRIES-WADSWORTH

prevented her from doing so.

"While she is deeply disappointed that she cannot walk alongside me, we are both embracing the new role and that we are still '2 women with 1 mission' even though the logistics have changed," Humphries-Wadsworth said in an email.

Over the course of 15 days, Humphries-Wadsworth will walk over 400 miles.

Residents can ask Walk Across WY to dedicate a mile in honor of their loved ones.

"We will dedicate a mile to each memory shared for those who have been touched by suicide, those who are still fighting the battle, and those whom we remember," Humphries-Wadsworth said.

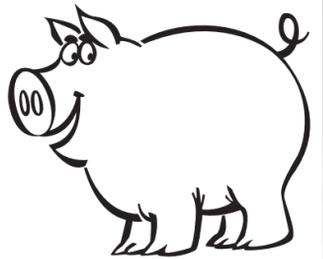
People also can join the Walk Across WY when it comes through their town.

Follow the journey at www.facebook.com/walkacrosswy/ or www.walkacrosswy.com.

— Tessa Baker

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 First Publ., Thurs., Aug. 24, 2017
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McDonald estate

IN THE MATTER OF ESTATE OF)
)
 JUDITH LYNN McDONALD,)
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 NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR)
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 and one of the claiming distributees of Judith Lynn)
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 davit for Decree setting over to the devisees and

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Lot 1, Block 4, Cary Addition to the Town (Now City) of Powell, County of Park, State of Wyoming, according to the Plat recorded in the records of the County Clerk and Recorder for the County of Park in the State of Wyoming.

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DATED this 15th day of August, 2017.
 Bill Simpson
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Artist in Residence to lead hike at Bighorn Canyon on Saturday

Lloyd Sneed of College Station, Texas, is the third of four artists in residence at Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area in 2017.

Sneed will offer a "walk-about" on Saturday, starting with a short lecture on composition and then a short hike in the park. The trail he will take is to be determined depending on conditions. Participants are encouraged to bring their cameras.

The program will start at 5 p.m. at the Lovell Bighorn Canyon Visitor center. Sneed will give a short lecture, then lead participants out to a trail in the park to take advantage of the evening light. During the hike, he will be available to give feedback and answer questions.

Sneed has a doctorate degree in molecular biology. He spent his career developing and implementing DNA-based diagnostics of animal pathogens specific to the agricultural industry.

Since retiring in May 2014, his new focus has been on digital photography, specializing in wilderness areas. He is drawn to find a sense of order that can often be found within the natural chaos of the wilderness. In an interview, Sneed said, "This artist in residence appointment will be a wonderful opportunity to really spend some time really getting to know a beautiful place. Photography is, first and foremost, always 'about the light,'



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and viewing the same location at different times of the day, cloud conditions, etc., can yield dramatically different results."

"I am hopeful that this slower, more thoughtful approach will allow for artistic development not otherwise possible," he said.

For information about this program or other park programming, call the Lovell Visitor Center at 307-548-5406.

POWER WHEEL DERBY



A dozen kids participated in a power wheel derby on Aug. 19 at the Park County Fairgrounds. Reanan Barnes organized the derby and provided the following results: Winners from the 2- and 3-year old group were Tristyn Baker (first place) and Kaiden Adey (second place). In the 4- to 6-year-old group, Ethan Ely took first place and Emellie Bawden placed second. The 7- to 10-year-old group winners were Wyatt Schmidt (first place) and Shaeley Meza (second place). Other riders who participated were: Kellon Miler, 2, Gaige Vogel, 3, Bobby Burns, 4, KeyTon Miler, 10, Rebel Kemper, 7, and Jaxon Bawden, 7. Photo courtesy Reanan Barnes

Free hearing tests to be offered next month

Heart Mountain Hearing in Ralston is offering free hearing tests, consultations and follow-up care on Sept. 13 and 14.

"Our goal at Heart Mountain Hearing is that everyone, regardless of financial ability, have better hearing," said owner Chris Pelletier.

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CHRIS PELLETIER

available for people who have the ability to make some level of payment.

"No one will be denied better hearing," Pelletier said.

The event is a partnership between the business and the Starkey Hearing Foundation's "Hear Now" program.

People interested in the free hearing days are asked to make an appointment by calling 754-3464 or emailing HeartMtnHearing@gmail.com.

Author to speak to gathering of Volga Russians



Historical author Karen Schutte, a native of the Big Horn Basin, is speaking at the convention of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia (AHSGR) in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, today (Thursday).

Schutte, who now lives in Fort Collins, Colorado, will give a presentation on her second novel, "Seed of the Volga." It recounts the experiences of her maternal great-grandparents and why Germans emigrated to Russia in 1764. Schutte also describes the successful way of life they made for themselves along the Volga River and why they decided to emigrate to America in 1906.

She has written four family-

centered history books. Her mother, Beata Wamhoff, still lives in Powell.

Schutte is currently working on a new series based on her paternal forefathers. Her father's grandfather, John Westerhoff, fought for the Union Army with Merrill's Horse Cavalry, where he was a farrier and served on the western front in Missouri. He later homesteaded in Germantown, Nebraska. Schutte's grandparents, John and Mary Wamhoff, eventually left Nebraska and traveled to the Big Horn Basin by wagon train to homestead at Emblem, where Schutte grew up.

"German Yankee" is set to be released in 2018.

Author Karen Schutte talks about her work during a Fine Arts Club program at the Union Presbyterian Church in Powell in April. Her next book, 'German Yankee,' will be released in 2018.

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BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

As a teen, Garrett Burbank was drawn to hunting. The only boy in a house of women and without the influence of hunters to mentor him, his passion seemed out of place. But it persisted.

"I felt like hunting was branded on my soul," Burbank said.

Wanting to assist with her son's passion, Lora Bush decided to help him chase his dream. So together they bought a .270 and alone they planned their chase.

The first season was a failure. They struggled to learn the regulations, interpret the land and, despite seeing deer on the sides of the road on the way to their hunts near Lander, they couldn't get a deer in front of them to harvest.

The following season, at the age of 13, Burbank and his mother finally got a little luck. But the hard work didn't end with the well-placed shot. They took the doe home, hung and aged it and together they learned to butcher the deer. They were inexperienced, but they wanted to have total quality control from the field to the table.

"That first harvest was epic in so many ways," Burbank said.

They started off with steaks and jerky, then moved to burger with an underpowered grinder. From the very beginning they were insistent they not lose the intimacy of the experience

by having their game processed by a stranger. They struggled, but they did it all together. And in the process the two grew close.

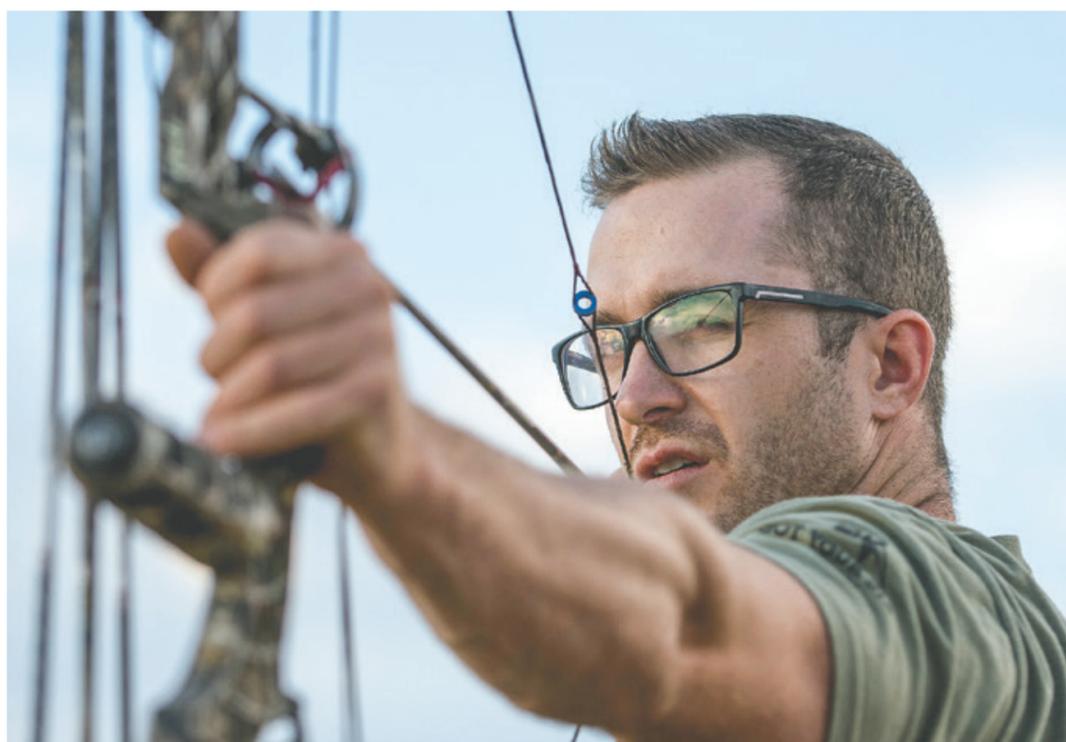
Through high school, Burbank — the 2003-04 Wyoming state pole vault champion — continued to hunt. He studied every aspect of hunting, calling his obsession "nerding out" on the process. Burbank is a problem solver and what knowledge he didn't have, he pursued through research.

Always seeking a more intimate experience during his hunts, Burbank saw a mature 5x6 bull elk in a meadow, but instead of taking a tough shot he decided to attempt to get as close as possible before firing. For a couple hours he slowly belly-crawled through the brush, careful not to spook his prey. Finally at 18 yards, Burbank harvested the bull and found his new obsession.

"My senses were heightened to another level and I was hooked," he said.

Addicted to the thrill of hunting from close range, he immediately took up the bow. He also appreciates the timing of the early archery seasons, having less risk of being caught in a snow storm and seeing more movement of his prey during the day.

Burbank fell in love with Becky Kleinfeldt, of Powell, while attending Chadron State College in northwest Nebraska. They married after a year and started a family. They have



Garrett Burbank, of Powell, practices his shot at the Cody Archery Range. Burbank helps to feed his family with wild game meat from elk, pronghorn and deer hunting. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

two children, Nova, 4, and Lincoln, 18 months. Nova is a big fan of wild game and loves watching her father process the family food.

"Nova draws licenses for me while we're in the park trying to convince me to take her hunting," he said.

Lincoln already knows bear and elk noises while most children are more familiar with cows and chickens.

Becky will be hunting for the first time this year after drawing an elk tag. Having subsisted on game meat by choice throughout the couple's marriage, participating in the hunts

seemed like a natural progression in their relationship.

Bush, who worked in the state school, was having chronic pain in her neck and back and was having a hard time traveling to spend time with her grandchildren. It was heartbreaking for her son. He had a hard time accepting the limited exposure his children had with his mother and best friend.

Then tragedy struck the tight-knit family. Lora became sick with a combination of spinal meningitis and Mersa infection. Mersa causes infections in different parts of the body and is

difficult to treat because it's resistant to antibiotics. Bush, 52, died on July 2, 2016 — two days before her son's birthday. Garrett slipped into a deep depression. In his despair, memories of a trauma-filled childhood surfaced and he went to a dark place. At a very young age he had witnessed acts of violence on family members by his father.

"Watching my mother gasp for air as she was dying brought back memories of helplessly watching my father

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'My senses were heightened to another level and I was hooked.'

Garrett Burbank



Brandon Gates after a successful hunt in the Meeteetse area two years ago. Thousands of hunters used PETA's border on their photos.

'SHOOT SELFIES' PETA CAMPAIGN BACKFIRES

PETA's anti-hunting campaign backfired on social media last week when hunters proudly shared photos of their harvested animals. PETA — People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals — created a photo frame on Facebook with the message: "Shoot Selfies, Not Animals."

Users could update their profile photos with the frame — and many hunters did.

Along with thousands around

the nation, local hunters posted photos of their successful hunts using the PETA frame.

PETA responded in a statement Aug. 24, contending that the "trolling" helped spread their message.

"... the hunters have introduced PETA and its anti-hunting message to a whole new audience: More than 250,000 people have now used the frame," a press release from PETA said.



Emily Kahl is pictured on her first successful hunt on Nov. 22, 2015, in the Willwood area. Courtesy photos

Tooth aging helps wildlife management

Tooth aging is an important tool in wildlife management, and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department says hunters play a vital role in helping. Teeth from harvested big game and trophy animals collected by hunters, wardens and biologists from across Wyoming are sent to the Game and Fish laboratory in Laramie. The laboratory ages approximately 2,500 teeth per year.

The tooth aging process determines the age of the animal, and that data is then used by regional wildlife managers to assess herd units and determine how the hunting seasons affect big and trophy game populations. This important information is used when developing future hunting seasons, and Game and Fish appreciates hunters assistance collecting teeth.

To age a tooth, a thin section is taken from the root of each tooth and stained; this makes it easy to see the rings of the tooth. Just

like rings in a tree, the rings in the root of the tooth will indicate the age of the animal. While some animals are harder to age than others, the general process for all the teeth is the same.

Wildlife managers analyze specific hunt areas each year and focus sampling efforts by collecting teeth from harvested animals at check stations, during field checks or when a trophy game harvest is registered at a Game and Fish facility. Hunters may receive a tooth box in the mail and are encouraged to send in teeth when they harvest their animal. Hunters who provide teeth can use their license number to access the animal's age online.

Even if you do not receive a tooth box or if you harvest an animal from another state, you can still get your animal aged for a fee. For information, contact the Wyoming Game and Fish Wildlife Forensic and Fish Health Laboratory at 307-766-5616.

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Archer: 'That first harvest was epic in so many ways'

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choking her," Burbank said.

The mental images of his mother's struggle for breath was a trigger for his dark thoughts. He sought help and was diagnosed with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and, through counseling, his suppressed memories came pouring out.

"I unpacked the past I was carrying," he said.

And then he went back to the wilderness. He found the beauty and isolation of the mountains to be soul healing.

"You're grounded and rooted in the moment. You have no other choice," he said. "Overcoming the challenges of the wilderness gives you strength in the world."

At the same time a friend from work, Dana Sander, invited Burbank to a Bible study with a group that included several veterans suffering from PTSD. The release of emotions changed Burbank. He caught fire.

Sander and those in the group witnessed the dramatic change.

"Garrett unloaded his life story. Then I saw his life change," Sander said.

No longer hiding the secrets of his childhood he felt vulnerable, but free. While sharing his form of wilderness therapy with the Bible study group, the idea of immersing yourself in an outdoor experience to assist in the emotional healing process sparked a plan.



As a child, Garrett Burbank first learned his hunting skills with the help of his mother, Lora Bush, of Lander. The single mom of three passed away in 2016, at the age of 52. Courtesy photo

"We knew he had to build a secure place for sharing while mixing in outdoor adventure," Sander said.

'Garrett unloaded his life story. Then I saw his life change.'

Dana Sander
Friend

for those looking for the healing powers of mother nature and in September, their inaugural 12-week program, Down Range Warriors, begins.

Burbank is excited by the opportunity to help his fellow man.

"I want to share how I was

given the courage to follow my passions through wilderness therapy and not be defined by my failures," he said.

His goals are lofty, but he's taking it slow.

"I'm concentrating on the next step. I'm not going to worry about the following 50," Burbank said.

More than 100 people came to the last adventure outing, a barbecue, biking and water sports extravaganza at Beck Lake, in Cody. The group has also gone on hikes — providing transportation for those physically unable to participate — and off-road ATV and motorcycle adventures.

For more information on Down Range Warriors, call 307-250-2018.

Hunting elk in the Big Horns? Monitor for brucellosis by collecting blood samples

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department is asking successful elk hunters in the Big Horn Mountains to assist in brucellosis surveillance by collecting blood samples from elk immediately after harvest.

After two elk harvested in the Big Horn Mountains tested seropositive for brucellosis in 2012, Game and Fish substantially increased surveillance efforts in the Big Horn Mountains.

Hunters have played a key role in these efforts by voluntarily collecting blood samples, said Big Horn Basin Brucellosis Habitat Biologist Eric Maichak.

Since 2012, Game and Fish has documented nine seropositive elk along the western flank of the Bighorn Mountains through testing hunter-harvested elk.

Seropositive test results indicate an individual elk has been exposed to the bacteria, but may or may not be infected with the disease.

Brucellosis, a disease caused by the bacteria *Brucella abortus* that causes elk to abort, is known to be widespread and common in elk in the Greater Yellowstone Area. Elk and bison are the primary reservoirs of the disease. Brucellosis can be spread from elk to other elk and to livestock.

For the last two years, Game and Fish has captured

and collared elk as part of a study to better understand seasonal movements and brucellosis prevalence of elk in the Big Horn Mountains. The project also aims to isolate and analyze genetic strains of the brucellosis bacteria to help determine how it may have spread to the Big Horns. Financial support has been provided by the U.S. Animal Plant Health Inspection Service and in 2017, also by Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Currently, there are 68 elk wearing collars that are actively transmitting locations as a part of this study. Collars deployed in 2017 collect eight locations per day, which will help Game and Fish develop more precise models to understand potential risk of brucellosis transmission from among elk and from elk to livestock.

Game and Fish will mail blood sample kits to elk hunters holding limited quota licenses for hunt areas in the Big Horn Mountains and southern Big Horn Basin. If you do not receive one or are hunting in a general area, blood kits are available at game warden stations, the Sheridan or Cody Game and Fish regional offices and field personnel.

"Game and Fish sincerely thanks the many elk hunters in this area who have collected blood samples from harvested

elk in the past, and asks for hunters' continued support with blood collections," Maichak said. "These data are invaluable for helping Game and Fish managers and researchers monitor, understand management impacts and plan future research regarding brucellosis."

Hunters can help by collecting a usable blood sample from elk immediately after harvest.

To collect a usable blood sample, hunters should follow these tips:

- Carry your blood tube or the entire sampling kit with you in the field.
- Collect blood from the neck, femoral artery (rear leg), or chest cavity immediately after harvest.
- Do not allow the blood sample to spoil or freeze; keep it cool.
- Fill in the data section on the instruction card with specific information.
- Return the kit to any Game and Fish field personnel, regional office, or sample cooler.
- Kits may also be returned via mail with return mail sticker included in the kit.

A video on how to collect a blood sample from a harvested elk can be found at

<https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Wildlife-in-Wyoming/More-Wildlife/Wildlife-Disease/Brucellosis/Hunter-Surveillance-Blood-Kit>

BIG OLD BEAR



TJ Edgell shot this black bear during a spring 2017 hunt west of Heart Mountain. A Wyoming Game and Fish biologist told Edgell the bear was over 20 years old by the wear on his teeth. The bear was over 6 feet long, had an 18-inch skull and weighed over 400 pounds. 'It took everything three men had to load the bear,' Edgell said. Photo courtesy TJ Edgell

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Cecile Wiechmann of Ten Sleep takes aim at a target during the 20th Annual Long Range Gong Shoot at the Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club in Powell. Wiechmann hit 20 targets, placing third.

Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club hosts 20th annual long range shoot

With targets as far as 1,000 yards away, shooters competed in the Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club's 20th Annual Long Range Gong Shoot earlier this month.

Seventeen shooters competed in the Aug. 19-20 competition at the club, located southeast of Powell on Road 5.

"It was a good match," said Bob Smith, with the Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club.

Competitors took aim at five targets at the following distances: 490 yards, 600 yards, 728 yards, 800 yards and 1,000 yards. They also shot offhand — shooting from a standing position.

"Offhand is the most difficult position ..." wrote Wayne van Zwoll in an article for the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. "It requires plenty of practice, a fine trigger and a rifle that handles with uncanny grace."

Competitors took six shots at each target, plus six offhand shots for a total of 36 shots.

Shooters could use any single shot or lever action target rifle, 38 caliber or larger. Any metallic sight was allowed.

Bob Sprague of Bozeman, Montana, won the competition, hitting 23 of 36 targets. In offhand shooting, he got five out of six, and a perfect six at the 490-yard target.

Paul Dowell of Livingston, Montana, came in a close second with 22 targets, while Cecile Wiechmann of Ten Sleep followed in third place with 20.

In the scope class, Scott Sibley of Powell placed first, hitting 20 targets.

The Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club is planning to host the long range competition again in 2018, but may move it up to the spring instead of the late summer, Smith said.

For more information about the club, visit www.facebook.com/Powellgunclub/ or call 754-5427 or 754-9492.

— Tessa Baker



Paul Hoeft of Powell shoots at a target during the Heart Mountain Rod & Gun Club's 20th annual Long Range Gong Shoot. Hoeft hit 14 targets — including two at 1,000 yards. Tribune photos by Tessa Baker

Help wildlife by returning animal tracking collars intact

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department is encouraging anyone who finds or harvests an animal that is wearing a tracking collar (or transmitter) to return that piece of equipment undamaged — and as soon as possible — to any Game and Fish office.

"Between our projects and those through the University of Wyoming Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, there are a lot of radio-collared animals around the state," said Wildlife Coordinator Tim Woolley.

Throughout Wyoming, people may come across collared big game animals including moose, mule deer, pronghorn, bighorn sheep or elk. There are also trophy game animals wearing

collars, including black bears, grizzly bears, mountain lions and wolves. Hunters may also find tracking units on game birds and waterfowl.

"Sometimes we have animals that have been collared or radio-tagged in other states or national parks that turn up in Wyoming as well, and gaining insight into the start and endpoint of the animal or collar allows managers to better understand the long range movement patterns of some of these animals on the landscape," said Woolley.

The Game and Fish said it is important that people refrain from cutting, damaging or otherwise destroying any portion of a collar.

"If you find a collar in the

field, please do not cut it off the animal unless you have the proper tools to remove it without damaging the collar in any way," Woolley said.

Otherwise, he asks that people mark the location or take GPS coordinates and let the local Game and Fish office know where it is.

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Terry Miller, a Hunter Safety instructor in training from Powell, trains James and Morgan Love, 12-year-old twins from Lovell, on an inert lever action training rifle during class. Students learned about all types of actions during the class and were tested on the safe loading and unloading of the guns. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

Hunter Safety not just for kids

In 1976, the bicentennial year, I was 12. Jimmy Carter was the president, Rocky was playing at the Rivoli in downtown Hastings, Nebraska, and I was a Boy Scout.

That same year my parents gave me a Daisy BB gun. One afternoon I put up a target in my bedroom and practiced my aim while my parents were at work. The BBs went through the target and ruined the baseboard in my bedroom at our east side bungalow. My mom made me sand the dimples out by hand and relocated me to the room next to them.

I remember the scolding like it was yesterday. Then they signed me up for a Hunter Safety course.

Honestly, I remember more about Rocky than the course work. Adrian! My memory of the class was a two- or three-hour lecture followed with a test. I'm not trying to diminish the efforts of the teachers, but it was a very long time ago.

My family moved a lot after that — there wasn't much time for hunting. I was proud of my hunter's orange patch, but life didn't offer many chances to use my knowledge. I lost track of my BB gun about the same time I figured out that girls didn't really have cooties. Opportunities to hunt were rare, yet when I did handle a gun I took it seriously.

As with many hunters raised in none hunting families, the urge to hunt didn't hit me until after I went to college, had a few years of employment under my belt and life settled into a pattern of having time to concentrate on the sport.

It took me three years to harvest my first deer, but once I started I was addicted — not as much to the act of harvesting, but the peace I found being afield alone and the camaraderie of hunting in groups. I hunted Iowa and Nebraska hard, mostly for deer, yet I was game for any species and with any weapon. I expanded from shotguns to rifles, archery, black powder and experimented with crossbows. I took my second eastern turkey with a crossbow and almost lost the tip of my thumb the same day. I even bought a new BB gun.

Recently, while living outside of Chicago, I decided to hunt Indiana. I needed proof I took Hunter Safety but had lost my certificate. I called the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and they still had a record of my passing the class. I was relieved for the moment, but thought often of my experience in Hunter Safety education. Safe, ethical and knowledgeable hunting has become an important

part of my life — covering hunting accidents as an outdoor journalist can give you nightmares.

I took a beautiful Indiana white-tailed buck that year and shortly after found the opportunity to move to the Cowboy State, a hunting and fishing mecca.

I want to do it right — from start to finish. So when Tara Hodges, Cody region information and education specialist for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, informed me she was teaching a Hunter Safety course, I looked it up on the Wyoming Game and Fish Department website and made the commitment to retake the class — 41 years after passing my first one.

Unlike the first experience, I won't soon forget this class. Pre-teens filled most of the chairs in the basement of the Big Horn Federal Savings Bank. Four of the 10 students were young women. I was the only one there with gray hair.

"The average age of students in the class is 10 to 14," Hodges said. "It's a rite of passage."

Part of Hodges' job description is to help support the two dozen volunteer instructors in

the Cody region. She also fills in when there's a need.

"It's the most rewarding part of my job," she said.

A natural teacher, Hodges' presentations are both entertaining and memorable. Remembering the lectures and studying the homework is important because there's a pretty tough test at the end of the five-day course.

I was somewhat surprised to find the information as new and relevant to adults as it is for inexperienced hunters. Jeri Lyn Love, of Lovell, found new information from the class that she could use while escorting her twins, James and Morgan, through the class.

"It was my fourth time taking the course," Love said. "Every time I take it I learn something new."

During the first night's class, Hodges asked why students were there. "Having to" take the class was the attitude going into the first moments of a five-day class for a few of the students. A Hunter Safety certificate is required to hunt in the state.

But as the information was presented, you could feel a change in attitudes. The students, including myself, were excited to get to class.

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Tara Hodges, Cody region information and education specialist for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, walks students through a training exercise designed to teach conservation and habitat issues.

Keri Pittman, a Hunter Safety instructor from Basin, leads students through a training session on the prone position with inert guns in the basement of the Big Horn Federal Savings Bank in Powell.



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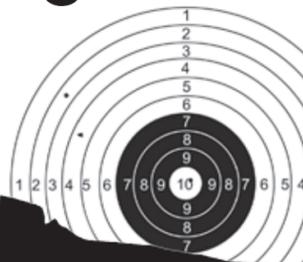
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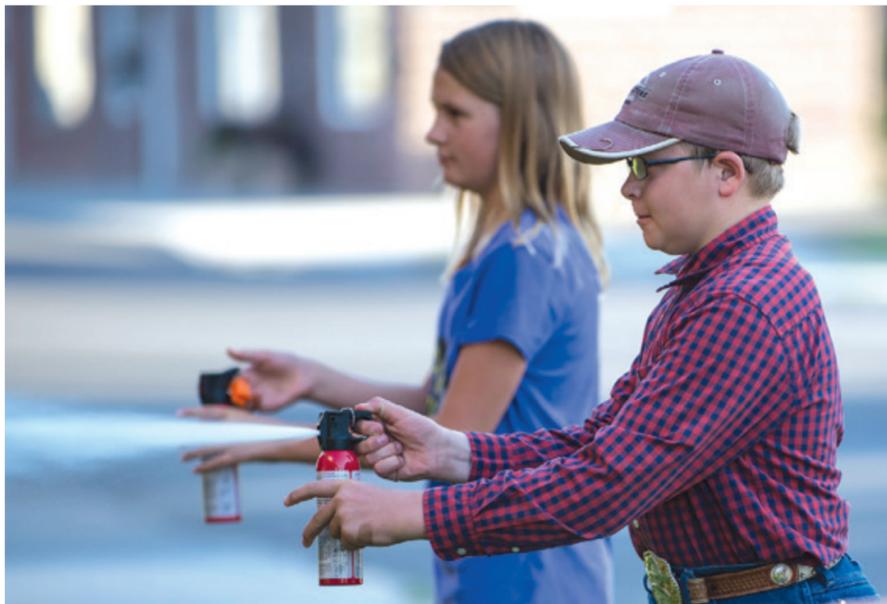
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Morgan Love (right) goes through bear spray training during the five-day Hunter Safety course.

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Outdoor Report: Volunteers needed

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Hodges and Keri Pittman combined to present the information. Chris Queen, a game warden from Powell, came in to speak about his experiences in the field. Both Hodges and Pittman were fun instructors, but they were tough as nails when needed.

At age 16, an age that many young women are gifted hope chests, Pittman received a .30-30 rifle. At 17, she received her first handgun.

"Mom taught us all to hunt and fish," Pittman said.

As a natural extension of her volunteer work with 4-H, Pittman began volunteering her time to teach Hunter Safety. Her mother taught the class for many years. Pittman's first day teaching the class was her mother's last. She died soon after she passed the torch to her daughter.

Pittman is a combination between a loving mother and a drill sergeant. Safety is the number one issue in every aspect of her teaching and she knows the material. There are no excuses for unsafe hunting with Pittman. But that's because she knows the importance of hunting safety. Every lesson taught could conceivably save a life.

I'm not the best student, but I tried hard. The more I learned, the more confidence I had in knowing I could hunt legally, ethically, knowledgeably and safely. It was probably the best introduction to hunting in Wyoming I could've received and in the end, I was proud of myself.

I finished with a 94 percent on the test. Once again, I wasn't the best student — several kids scored near perfect on the test — but I was glad I went through it even though it wasn't required for me.

James and Morgan Love, 12-year-old twins, told everyone they know about their success, Jeri Lyn said.

"The teachers were wonderful and I could see them excited to learn even though they don't normally have a great love for learning," she said.

The twins have deer tags and are looking forward to the coming season. In the meantime, they're practicing what they learned and sharing the information with their sister.

I've covered several hunting stories that have ended tragically. A father, thinking he saw a deer move, took an ill-advised shot and accidentally killed his son. A bow hunter thought a harness unne-

cessary and fell out of a tree stand to his death. Stories like these are heartbreaking, especially considering they were unnecessary. Last year, a hunter in Indiana was killed while on public land. Nobody stepped forward to claim responsibility.

It seems every year there's another tragic story to tell. If not in hunting season, then boating, skiing, hiking or any outdoor activity can easily take its place. Hunting safely isn't romantic, but I bet it beats coming home to tell your loved ones the tragic story that happened afield.

Hodges appreciates the opportunity to teach.

"It's a great opportunity to influence children in a positive way," she said.

Hodges finds the impact she has on her students comforting. Instilling a love for hunting in each person in her class and starting them off on the right path is important. But she needs help.

Volunteers apply through the Game and Fish Department and go through a background check and training. Hodges is looking for people willing to share their love of hunting and experiences to make a difference in people's lives. For more information on the program, call 307-527-7125.

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ANTELOPE

Wyoming has more antelope than the rest of America, and harvest success commonly exceeds 85 percent.

Pronghorn hunting in the southern Big Horn Basin will likely be better in 2017 compared to a year ago. High fawn production during the past three years has translated into more pronghorn and improved hunter opportunity and success.

Although pronghorn numbers are slightly below target levels in both the Copper Mountain herd (hunt areas 76, 79, 114, and 115) and the Fifteen-Mile herd (hunt areas 77, 83, and 110), populations are increasing so a few more Type 1 and Type 6 licenses are being offered in most hunt areas.

Type 1 or 2 licensed hunters shouldn't have a problem finding a good buck to harvest in both Copper Mountain and Fifteen-Mile herds.

The pronghorn population in the Carter Mountain herd (hunt areas 78, 81, and 82) is above target population levels, which means antelope hunting should be good in 2017.

Even though the 2016-17 winter was more severe than average, higher than normal over-winter mortality has not been documented, allowing for hunting opportunity to be maintained or increased through more Type 1, 6, and 7 licenses.

Type 1 license hunters in Hunt Area 80 shouldn't have a problem finding a reasonable buck to harvest. Fewer doe/fawn licenses in Hunt Area 80 are being offered this year because damage issues caused by pronghorn on private crop lands has subsided and winter mortality is thought to be higher than normal for this herd, so extra tags are not warranted.

MULE DEER AND WHITE-TAILED DEER

Game and Fish predicts slightly more difficult hunting for bucks in the North and South Forks of the Shoshone River

herd in 2017. A fair proportion of older age class adult bucks in the population should be available for harvest in 2017 since good buck ratios (29:100) were observed post season in 2016.

The severe winter of 2016-17 likely will cause high fawn mortality that will affect future buck hunting in the next several years.

The Shoshone River deer herd (areas 121, 122 and 123) and Greybull River deer herd (hunt areas 124 and 165) should have similar hunting conditions compared to 2016 with the normal 10-day general seasons and Type 6 and 8 licenses restricted to private or agricultural lands.

The Shoshone River deer herd still has doe/fawn licenses available despite fewer damage complaints.

In the Clarks Fork herd, opportunities to harvest a mature buck deer in areas 105 and 106 should still be good in both the late general season and the November limited quota season. Again, there will be higher than normal fawn mortality due to the severe winter that could reduce bucks in the future.

Mule deer hunting in the southern Big Horn Basin should be better in 2017 compared to last year.

Although mule deer numbers still remain below target levels, the Game and Fish is seeing improving habitat conditions along with good fawn production in most hunt areas.

Because of improving deer numbers, some hunt areas will have more licenses available for both buck and antlerless deer hunting. Limited quota areas such as hunt areas 37, 119 and 125 should see good hunting, while areas such as 116, 118, 120 and most general license areas will likely be better than past years.

White-tailed deer numbers have improved in many areas of the Big Horn Basin, so hunting opportunity and success is improving.

Increases in Type 3 and 8 li-

censes in many areas have been made to increase opportunity where possible. Because of public input during the Owl Creek/Meeteetse mule deer initiative and concern over expanding white-tailed deer numbers, more white-tailed deer hunting opportunities have been offered in hunt areas 116-120 in the past few years.

For the northern portion of the Big Horn Mountains, while buck numbers have been on the rise, the overall population still has not increased to numbers observed in the mid-2000s. Buck hunting should be fair to good, and antlerless deer hunting opportunity will be similar to last year in the Paintrock herd (hunt areas 41, 46, and 47).

Some antlerless deer hunting with a general license is being allowed in hunt areas 41 and 47 after the buck season to address damage issues.

ELK

Based on 2016 and '17 winter trend counts, elk numbers in the Gooseberry herd (hunt areas 62-64) are approaching herd population objectives due to record high harvest during the past several years.

Although elk numbers are closer to the objective, Game and Fish is still offering additional hunting opportunity. Elk numbers in the South Big Horns herd (hunt areas 47-49) are still very productive.

Based on winter counts, Game and Fish is still over objective levels but is trending towards objective, and will again offer ample opportunity for elk hunting in the South Big Horns elk herd. Hunters are reminded to collect blood from their harvested elk for brucellosis sampling and can get blood sampling kits from Game and Fish field personnel or the Cody Regional office (see related story on Page 3).

The North Big Horns elk herd remains healthy and productive and there should be a good opportunity to harvest an elk again in 2017.

Game and Fish has checked many older class bulls in the past years' harvest and predict it should be good again for those hunters with a Type 1 tag.

Based on 2016 and '17 winter trend counts, elk numbers in Hunt Area 40 have increased in the past two years and a few more Type 1 and Type 9 licenses are being offered. Harvest success, however, usually depends on the arrival of cold and snowy weather to move elk to accessible locations.

Hunting seasons in Hunt Area 41 is being restructured to help increase success and simplify regulations.

A Type 1 license valid in October, a Type 4 license valid in October and November, and a Type 6 license valid in December are being offered to help alleviate hunter crowding, which should also help increase hunter success.

Most elk populations near Cody are near population objectives and the majority of the season recommendations adopted in 2013 (during the Cody Elk working group process) for hunt areas 55, 56, 59, and 60 will remain in place for 2017. Ample opportunity in Hunt Area 66 is again being offered with liberal general seasons and Type 6 licenses to reduce elk numbers on agricultural land along and adjacent to the Greybull River.

As a reminder, elk hunt areas northwest of Cody (areas 51, 53, and 54) were changed dramatically in 2014 to better manage migratory and non-migratory elk population segments. Review the 2017 elk hunt area map closely prior to hunting or call the Cody Regional Office at 307-527-7125 for a more detailed explanation.

MOOSE

The moose population in hunt

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Forecast: Good success for those with moose license

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areas 9 and 11 in the Absaroka Mountains are still at low densities, but hunters who are lucky enough to draw a license should have good success for a bull.

Recent aerial trend counts have indicated a slight increase in overall numbers since the mid 2000s. Harvest success for these moose areas still runs above 90 percent, with most hunters harvesting a mature bull.

The 2017 season should again have good success with older mature bulls being available.



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BIGHORN SHEEP

Overall, bighorn sheep hunting in the Absaroka Mountains should be good in 2017 for those lucky enough to draw a license.

In 2016, the average age of harvested rams in hunt areas 1-4 was between 7-8 years old, with many older age class rams checked. License adjustments made in hunt areas 4 and 5 have helped preserve the age distribution of rams and appear to have maintained hunter success.

Between 2011 and 2013, classification/trend flights conducted in Hunt Area 5 suggest a 40-50 percent decline in the number of sheep compared to the previous 10-year-average.

Since then, Game and Fish has seen a slight increase in the number of sheep during winter classification flights along with improving hunter success and harvest.

For 2017, an additional eight licenses are being offered in Hunt Area 5. Hunters lucky enough to draw an Area 5 license will have good opportunity to find and harvest a ram. Although sheep numbers are down in Area 5, successful hunters harvested good rams in 2016, with an average age of 7-8 years.

In Hunt Area 12 (Devils Canyon), the bighorn sheep herd continues to do well, and the Game and Fish is continuing to offer six licenses in 2017.

Past hunters have all harvested mature rams (6-8 years), so hunting should be good for the four resident and two non-resident hunters lucky enough to draw one of the coveted licenses

for this small herd.

MOUNTAIN GOAT

Mountain goats are currently doing well and populations are remaining relatively stable in some areas (Hunt Area 1), while increasing in other areas (Hunt Area 3). Hunt Area 3 has increased hunter opportunity for hard-to-access backcountry areas where increasing goat populations now exceed numbers estimated in Hunt Area 1.

To minimize hunter crowding in Hunt Area 3, Game and Fish is again offering a Type 2 license valid only for the month of October in 2017. Access to goats in the late season can be tricky, but this Area 3 license should provide opportunity for those willing to put in the extra effort.

UPLAND GAME BIRDS, FALL AND SPRING WILD TURKEY

Spring and summer moisture typically helps Big Horn Basin upland bird populations, so hunting may be better in 2017 compared to last year.

Upland bird hunting in 2016 was down compared to previous years, with many hunters finding scattered numbers of huns, chukars, grouse and pheasants. This past winter was relatively severe through February, so there should be fewer carry-over birds from 2016 to help with the 2017 production. Bird hunters need to remember hunting has little to no affect on upland

bird populations, while weather and habitat play a much more significant role than hunting by influencing nesting success and chick survival.

General license spring turkey hunting season will again occur in 2017 for Hunt Area 4, and despite a more liberal spring season, the Game and Fish continues to see an expanding population of turkeys into new areas of the Big Horn Basin. There will be a limited quota fall turkey season in Hunt Area 4 again to control numbers in a specified area, and the addition of an early archery season will provide more hunting opportunity.

The hunt area limitation will be east of the Big Horn River to focus harvest on those increasing numbers of turkeys in the Shell, Paintrock and Upper and Lower Nowood River drainages. Hunters who scout and ask for landowner permission beforehand should be able to find a place to hunt turkeys.

BISON

Game and Fish is proposing a hunting regulation that will allow bison hunting in Hunt Area 3 (North Fork drainage) so a few tags may be offered in 2018.

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