



University of Wyoming archaeology students Morgan Robins and Ashley Harris painstakingly clean bone fragments from a mammoth found near Cody at the Buffalo Bill State Park and Reservoir. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Police had been seeking man who died on Chief Joseph Highway job

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

A Cody construction worker who died in an Oct. 12 crash along the Chief Joseph Highway wasn't supposed to be at the work site that night: According to court records, he was supposed to have turned himself in to law enforcement.

In the hours before Ronald "Ronny" Frankenberry II's haul truck drove over a cliff, authorities in Cody had tried to take him into custody, according to an affidavit from Wyoming Highway Patrol Lt. Lee Pence, who's helping investigate the 26-year-old's death.

Law enforcement's search for Frankenberry began on the afternoon of Oct. 11 — after he failed two drug tests and walked out of the Cody probation office against his supervising agent's orders, Pence wrote.

Authorities located Fran-

kenberry on Oct. 12, but he was able to elude them. Around 4 p.m., he called his probation agent, who told Frankenberry to turn himself in.

"Mr. Frankenberry said he would do so, but failed to show up," Pence wrote. "Instead, he arrived late for work on Chief Joseph Pass."

Frankenberry was working for Oftedal Construction as part of a \$5.5 million effort to stabilize a sliding section of the Chief Joseph Scenic Byway (Wyo. Highway 296).

He was on a night shift, helping with the contractor's efforts to build a stabilizing berm before winter sets in.

A co-worker later told investigators that Frankenberry was "not himself" when he arrived at work that night, visiting his personal vehicle and the bathroom more often than normal.

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'There were no signs of braking at any point ...'

Lee Pence
Highway Patrol Lt.

Election Day to settle many races

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Joining fellow voters across the country, Park County residents will head to the polls today (Tuesday) to help decide many national, state and local races.

Beyond weighing in on Wyoming's next governor and two of the state's three members of Congress, local voters will pick between multiple candidates for the Wyoming Legislature, the Powell City Council and for boards that oversee Powell's K-12 schools, Northwest College, Crown Hill Cemetery and the Powell-Clarks Conservation District.

More than 16,300 Park

County residents had registered to vote as of last week. By Monday afternoon, 3,411 people had already voted by mailing in absentee ballots or by voting at the Park County Courthouse.

Based solely off the number of absentee ballots cast, local voter turnout may be up from the last midterm election in 2014, which was one of the worst on record.

"It looks like we're up; it's feeling like we're up," Park County Clerk Colleen Renner said of the turnout. "[Election Day] will be a big decider when we see how busy we are at the polls."

The elections office had a

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CODY MAMMOTH

ONGOING RESEARCH IN YOUNG HANDS

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

Like a huge puzzle, young scientists at the University of Wyoming are attempting to piece together how a mammoth died outside of Cody centuries ago. They're recording as much information as they can about the animal's life in Park County — and hoping the bones are evidence of a Pleistocene-man barbecue.

There are only 16 sites in North America where archaeologists have found early man took down a mammoth for sustenance. Finding one in Cody with proof of human intervention would be the fourth such site in the Cowboy State. Even if the discovery doesn't turn up cultural evidence, the educational opportunity is great, said Greg Pierce, Wyoming state archaeologist.

The mammoth's remains — discovered at the Buffalo Bill Reservoir last spring — have been moved to new digs at UW's anthropology department.

Spread out on tables and shelves and in boxes and bags stored on sturdy metal shelving, artifacts salvaged from the site discovered in the shallows of the reservoir await cleaning, identification and research for signs of human intervention in the Columbian mammoth's fate.

Five graduate students studying the remnants have a huge task in front of them. Artifacts — ranging from a large chunk of vertebral column to pieces the size of a grain of sand — number in the thousands. Six prehistoric

species are currently represented in the bones recovered, including a Pleistocene-era camel, horse, bison, a type of early deer, pronghorn and the mammoth positively identified from the site. Other species could still pop up before the team is finished.

"If you look just by species, you could have a million years or more in range that some of these species were running around out there," Pierce said. "Right now, there's nothing here to say this was a cultural assemblage. It's not unusual to find these species together."

But for five archaeology students, this tedious, slow-moving work is a dream job. "That's what we live for," said

Morgan Robins, a graduate student from Lander.

A SPECIAL TYPE OF CLASS

Robins and Ryan Bush, of Wheatland, came early for an extra day of work in the lab last month. They spent hours cleaning and consolidating packages of materials collected from the bed of the Buffalo Bill Reservoir.

Casts and glues were used to stabilize fragile pieces for transport to Laramie, but now the adhesives and attached debris must be removed and the pieces identified and studied for evidence.

"One of my favorite parts of the job is taking all the little clues, putting them all together so when you write the report you can say something significant — something that matters

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'About 95 percent of the work is analysis, 5 percent is digging.'

Marieka Arksey
Collections manager

SUN-KISSED



Trees and corn stalks just west of Powell are painted in orange while Heart Mountain remains in shadow as the sun rises Saturday morning. Winter weather is on its way to the Big Horn Basin, with the forecast calling for possible snow and chilly temperatures the rest of the week. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

PHS students exceed state average on ACT

BY TESSA BAKER
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Powell High School students continue to score better on the ACT than their peers around the state.

All juniors in Wyoming are required to take the ACT. PHS juniors — the Class of 2019 — had an average composite score of 20.4 on the test, which was administered last spring. That was just a smidgen below last year's average of 20.5.

"We kind of just about broke even — we were ahead in some areas and a little bit behind in others, but nothing drastic," PHS Principal Jim Kuhn told the Powell school board last month.

The composite is an average of the scores in four subject areas: English, math, reading and science. PHS juniors scored nearly a full point above the state average composite of 19.5, and exceeded the state in every subject area (see related graphic).

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LOTTA NUMBER - 134 11/30/2018

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





Investigators have been probing why a Cody construction worker was unable to stop his haul truck before it went over a cliff. It crashed through a series of trees after going off a haul road.

Photo courtesy Oftedal Construction

Crash: OSHA investigations typically take 45 days

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Shortly before 10 p.m., Frankenberry's haul truck clipped another truck, then "continued off the haul road, over a berm, through trees and off a cliff," Pence wrote.

After a roughly 250-foot drop, the truck came to rest upside down in a creek. Frankenberry died at the scene.

"There were no signs of braking at any point, the emergency braking systems were not selected and the steering of the vehicle appeared to be under control," Pence wrote.

The trooper composed the affidavit in order to obtain a warrant to search Frankenberry's personal vehicle, a Toyota Highlander. Court records indicate that the only item the trooper seized in the search was a capsule of Vyvanse — a stimulant most commonly used to treat ADHD — found on the floorboard.

The patrol's investigation remains open. Park County Coroner Tim Power said he

received a toxicology report on Monday, but declined to share the results, citing the pending investigation by law enforcement and OSHA. The report is expected to show what, if any, substances were in Frankenberry's system at the time of his death.

Frankenberry had tested positive for methamphetamine in two tests overseen by his probation and parole agent on Oct. 11 and then left the office, Pence wrote. That led probation and parole to issue an "arrest and hold" order later in the day.

Court and Wyoming Department of Corrections records say Frankenberry was on probation for a misdemeanor offense of using meth in Cody in April and a felony count of robbery by accountability in Montana from 2012. The felony conviction stemmed from Frankenberry's participation in the robberies of two Billings casinos.

Since the Oct. 12 crash occurred on a work site,

Wyoming OSHA is also investigating Frankenberry's death. Their investigations typically take around 45 days to complete, said Tyler Stockton, communications manager for the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services.

"Wyoming OSHA goes in and tries to keep an open mind and investigate the entire situation to see what happened," he said last week.

No information is released, with things staying "pretty quiet," until an investigation is final, Stockton said. A 45-day timeline would tentatively put the release of OSHA's final report sometime in late November.

Work on the Chief Joseph Highway was halted immediately after the Oct. 12 crash. OSHA later cleared Oftedal to resume work, with the project restarting on Oct. 17.

A Wyoming Department of Transportation spokesman said the department has confidence in Oftedal, saying the company was built on safety.

Election: 'One person, one vote, no exceptions'

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couple snafus with incorrect absentee ballots in the Cody and Frannie area school board races, but re-issued those ballots and took other steps to address the problem.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and voters can register at the polls with their driver's license.

"Voters in Wyoming have flexibility in choosing when to register and vote, so there is no excuse not to vote," said Secretary of State Ed Buchanan, whose office oversees state elections.

Powell area voters cast their ballots at the Park County Fairgrounds, Garland voters gather at the Garland Community Church, Ralston and Heart Mountain area residents vote at Mountain View Clubhouse, and Clark community members vote at the Clark Pioneer Recreation Center.

The "big ticket" items at the top of the ballot — for Congress and the statewide races for governor, secretary of state, treasurer, auditor and superintendent of public instruction — are generally contested, though Republicans are favored to sweep the posts.

Heading into the election, registered Republicans outnumber Democrats by more than 4:1 in the state and nearly 9:1 in Park County.

The 10 county positions up for election this year — including three seats on the Park County Commission — are all uncontested, with only Republicans in the running. Outside of Lloyd Thiel of Clark and Dossie Overfield of Cody, who are seeking to join the commission, the other county-level candidates are incumbents.

Some of the local legislative races are also a little sleepy.

After defeating incumbent state Sen. Ray Peterson of Cowley in the Republican primary, no one is opposing R.J. Kost's bid to join the state Senate. The retired Powell teacher is poised to become the next lawmaker for Senate District 19, which includes northern Big Horn County.

Similarly, Reps. Dan Laurs-

en, R-Powell, and Jamie Flitner, R-Greybull, are unopposed in their bids to continue representing House districts 25 and 26, respectively.

There are a couple of contested races, however, that are near-repeats of the 2016 election.

Democrat Mike Specht of Clark is again attempting to unseat Rep. David Northrup, R-Powell, in House District 50. And in Cody, Republican Sandy Newsome and Democrat Paul Fees are each hoping to become the next representative for House District 24; they had come up short of Rep. Scott Court, R-Cody, two years ago.

At the city level, Powell voters will have multiple choices at every position.

Powell Mayor John Wetzel and city councilmen Scott Mangold and Tim Sapp enjoyed comfortable margins of victory in August's primary election, but their challengers — Ryan Miller, Michael Newton and Tawnya Peterson respectively — will be looking to reverse the results today. Steve Lensegrav, meanwhile, will be looking to join the council after a strong showing of support in the primary; fellow Ward I contender Ernie Phipps, said after the primary that he'd be voting for Lensegrav. The two are seeking to replace departing Councilman Eric Paul.

Five candidates, meanwhile, are seeking four seats on the Powell school board. Incumbents Greg Borchert, Lillian Brazelton, Don Hansen and Trace Paul are asking voters for another four years in office, while Nathan Lind hopes to join the board.

Voters must also make a choice on the Northwest College Board of Trustees, as Karen Elton is challenging incumbents Carolyn Danko and Dusty Spomer in the race for two Powell area seats. Meanwhile, state Rep. Scott Court, R-Cody, is seeking to move from the Legislature to the college board, making a bid to replace John Housel as a Cody area representative.

The Crown Hill Cemetery District Board of Trustees features a rare contested race

this year, with longtime board members Clarence Anderson, Jim Beavers and John Karst seeking to keep their seats and newcomer Brian James seeking to replace one of them.

There's also competition for the Powell-Clarks Fork Conservation district board.

Sandra Frost is challenging Frank Palazzolo to represent city of Powell residents on the board, while Greg Mayton is challenging Anthony Spiering for an at-large seat. Incumbent Regan Smith is unopposed in his bid to keep his seat representing rural residents.

Other races feature only incumbents on the ballot.

For instance, Jerry Faxon, Gerald "Bear" May and Kelly Spiering are set to keep their spots on the Powell fire board.

Similarly, four incumbents — R.J. Kost, Jim Carlson, Beth Gilb and Gerri Ackley — are looking to continue serving on the Powell Hospital District board. Ackley doesn't appear on the ballot because she missed the filing deadline, but she's hoping people take the time to write in her name so she can stay on the board.

Voters across the Big Horn Basin will also decide whether they want to retain the two judges who primarily serve Park County: Circuit Court Judge Bruce Waters and District Court Judge Bill Simpson, both of Cody.

In a news release last week, secretary Buchanan assured Wyoming voters that the state's elections are secure. He noted the various precautions that are taken — including the fact that Wyoming's voting systems are never connected to the internet.

"Wyoming's citizens will be given every possible opportunity to cast a ballot because Wyoming elections are run with the utmost integrity from beginning to end," Buchanan said, adding that, "every voter can be confident that their vote will be counted and counted accurately — one person, one vote, no exceptions."

Anyone with questions about the elections process can visit www.parkcounty-elections.net or call the Park County Clerk's elections office at 754-8620.

GOP hopefuls raise most in state races

BY RAMSEY SCOTT

Wyoming Tribune Eagle
Via Wyoming News Exchange

Candidates for statewide office released their final pre-election fundraising reports last week. And across the board, Republicans hold a significant money lead over their Democratic opponents.

In the race for governor, Republican Mark Gordon saw a huge influx of cash since the Aug. 21 primary. Between contributions from individuals and political action committees, various contributions and a \$200,000 loan from his wife, Gordon raised \$618,295.12. He was already sitting on a substantial war chest, meaning he entered the final run with \$807,375.87.

Having gone through the primary without a significant challenger, Democrat Mary Throne was able to reserve a large amount of money for her general election race. She entered the fundraising period after the primary with \$210,088.39. Thanks to individual contributions, PAC contributions and donations funneled through ActBlue — a left-leaning group that provides candidates with fundraising tools and connects them to donors across the country — Throne's final total was \$337,664.02.

Constitution Party candidate Rex Rammel's campaign finance report shows he has a long way to go to keep up financially with the two major party candidates. Rammel pulled in \$12,327 in the final report before the election, with \$5,475 coming in in-kind donations and \$5,352.00 in individual contributions.

Lawrence Struempf's report showed the Libertarian candidate didn't raise any money, and his campaign's account showed a balance of negative \$73.64.

U.S. HOUSE

The incumbent in the race for Wyoming's lone seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, Rep. Liz Cheney, holds a significant lead over her Democratic challenger when it comes to money.

In just two months, between Aug. 2 and Sept. 30, Cheney pulled in \$155,810 in campaign donations. To date, Cheney has pulled in the majority of her \$896,839.17 this election cycle from PACs. Even with spending \$159,733.90 in that two-month span, Cheney still had \$240,624.13 in the bank.

Democratic challenger Greg Hunter only raised \$5,094.77 during August and September. The vast majority of his total campaign cash is from

\$33,494.91 he loaned himself earlier in the campaign.

U.S. SENATE

During August and September, U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., raised \$426,713.71.

Even after spending more than \$1.2 million in those two months — including a \$500,000 check to the National Republican Senatorial Committee — Barrasso still had more than \$4.5 million in the bank.

Barrasso's Democratic challenger, Gary Trauner, has raised \$771,141.20 in individual contributions throughout his campaign and \$170,962.66 in August and September. The vast majority of those funds came through ActBlue.

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OBITUARY

Mary Jane Weathermon

(May 26, 1945 - Nov. 1, 2018)

Mary Jane Weathermon, 73, passed away peacefully on Nov. 1, 2018, at her home in Laurel, Montana, with her family by her side.

Mary Jane was born in Billings, Montana, on May 26, 1945, to Lawrence Edward and Mary Rose Wetsch Larsen. She spent her youth in Bridger, Montana, before moving to Wyoming. She attended schools in Cody and Powell and graduated from Powell High School in 1963. While a senior in high school, she met her future husband, Robert (Bob) Weathermon. They were mar-

ried Feb. 8, 1964, and spent 54 happy years together. Mary Jane was baptized and confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Powell and was a faithful Christian.

Mary Jane is survived by her husband; three children, Barbara 'Bobbi' of Laurel, Montana, Lonnie (Pyper) of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Ronnie (Sandra) of Basel, Switzerland; four grandchildren, Derek (Ivy) of Island Park, Idaho, and Drew, Jenna and Jaycee of Idaho Falls, Idaho; one brother, Jerry Larsen (Sue) and family, and sister, Sandy (Ken) George and family of Powell.



MARY JANE WEATHERMON

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a sister and brother-in-law, Pat and Joe Kelly of Cody. Mary Jane was a full-time mother and homemaker and enjoyed her house and yard, plus her flowers and watching hummingbirds.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Billings, Montana, with interment at 2 p.m. at Yellowstone National Cemetery in Laurel, Montana.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church & School or to the charity of one's choice.



Powell High School students, shown enjoying a home volleyball game earlier this season, posted better-than-average ACT scores last spring. As juniors, the PHS class of 2019 posted an average composite score of 20.4 on the test. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

ACT RESULTS: PHS AND STATE AVERAGES

Year	# Students Tested		English		Math		Reading		Science		Composite	
	PHS	State	PHS	State	PHS	State	PHS	State	PHS	State	PHS	State
2016-17	107	6,267	19.3	18.6	20.1	19.5	21.4	20.2	20.5	20.0	20.5	19.7
2017-18	124	6,129	19.3	18.4	20.5	19.2	21.0	19.9	20.6	19.8	20.4	19.5

PHS juniors who took the ACT last spring exceeded the statewide average in every area.

ACT: Online testing took longer than past paper-and-pencil tests

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When compared to last year's results, "we stayed the same or got a little bit better," Kuhn said. "And the state dropped a little bit this year in just about every category."

Looking at data from the past five years, the Class of 2019 was on par with previous classes. The highest average composite score in the last five years was recorded in the spring of 2015, when PHS juniors achieved an average of 22.5.

PHS students taking the test last spring had to deal with unexpected technical difficulties.

"This was the first year that we did the ACT online, and it was a little bit of an adventure," he said.

Kuhn commended the district's technology coordinator Mike Reed and his team, and said everything was set up and running fine for PHS. At the state and national level, however, there were some glitches, Kuhn said.

"When you do paper and pencil, everybody starts and every-

body finishes at the same time," he said. "What we ran into this year was that you would all be cruising along on the test, and then someone would get kicked off for whatever reason."

That student would then have to restart the test.

The rest of the juniors would finish within the time limit, but would have to wait 20 minutes or however long until the other student completed the test, Kuhn said.

"That happened multiple times during the testing," he said, which created stress for students. "So we were a little bit disappointed in our scores, because we felt they were going to be better."

The online testing also took longer than past paper-and-pencil tests, he said.

"Having those students sit in front of that small screen for almost six and a half hours was a lot to ask of anybody," Kuhn said. "Those juniors, though, they answered the call. They did the best they could under those circumstances, and overall, I thought our results were very

good." PHS may return to the paper-and-pencil version in 2019. Across the state, 21 schools administered the ACT online last spring, compared to 14 schools the previous year, according to the Wyoming Department of Education.

Juniors at Burlington High School earned the highest average composite score in the state last spring with a 24.6 and Jackson followed with 22.3. Rounding out the top five were Sheridan (22.1), Lovell (21.8) and Central High School in Cheyenne (21.6).

"The ACT is a college readiness exam that opens doors for Wyoming students through the Hathaway Scholarship," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jillian Balow in a news release. Balow noted that the state is no longer using the ACT to measure academic achievement, a decision she called appropriate.

"We emphasize multiple options for students after high school," she said, "and we don't tie success to a single test."

Big Horn Basin counties launch partnership aimed at improving healthcare

Park, Big Horn, Washakie and Hot Springs counties kicked off their combined Next Generation Sector Partnership, focusing on the healthcare industry. Leaders from various healthcare companies met in Cody on Oct. 22 to choose priorities they feel will best foster growth in the field. Public-sector representatives sat around the perimeter of the room, with strict instructions to only watch and listen, for now.

Amy Quick from the Wyoming Business Council described herself as thrilled with the outcome of the launch.

"The meeting started with a slight air of uncertainty or skepticism, a feeling maybe of, 'here's just another meeting,' but ended with enthusiasm and commitments on real actionable items from everyone," Quick said. "It was awe-inspiring to be a part of a meeting like that where in less than two hours, people who may not have previously known one another came together, identified opportunities, and then committed to work together to take concrete actions."

The Next Gen strategy aims to position industry professionals as the leaders in economic

growth, with the public sector (such as economic developers, educators and workforce professionals) following their lead. It's a reversal from how such partnerships tend to operate, with the public sector frequently directing industries toward their own vision of the future. And it asks companies to do something they wouldn't normally do: sit down with their competitors to discuss mutually beneficial progress.

In previous Next Gen workshops, participants from the public sector as well as various private sectors divided the state into eight regions and chose an industry in each region to focus on first. In making that decision, participants considered multiple factors, including the need and potential for growth within the sectors. Participants then brainstormed specific people and companies from the chosen sectors that should be invited to participate in the partnership meetings.

The healthcare sector was chosen for Park, Big Horn, Washakie and Hot Springs counties as a starting point, and the Oct. 22 meeting was the official launch of that partnership. The ultimate goal is for

such Next Gen partnerships to develop in several sectors within each region.

During the meeting, the healthcare industry reps landed on five categories for opportunity:

- Expanding markets, including an overall increase in the need for healthcare services as well as specific drivers of new healthcare demand
- Expanding career opportunities, including a shift in staffing needs and the overall demand for employees
- Transportation, specifically patient travel to access services
- Technology, including adoption of WiFi and improved patient care via telemedicine and data and technology sharing
- Collaboration, including communication and coordination of care and services

At the end of the workshops, participants were asked to volunteer to champion one or more of these opportunities by participating in a conference call and an additional meeting, likely in November or December.

Each of the five categories had multiple volunteers for champions.

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- It can cause decreased circulation to the feet, resulting in a reduced blood supply that may be insufficient to fight infection and heal wounds. The risks of developing foot problems can be greatly reduced if you follow the simple principles of foot care outlined here and see your podiatrist regularly, with minimum, annual foot exams.

The key is in preventing and treating such potentially serious problems as foot infection, puncture wounds and ulcers. This can be accomplished by the following:

- Look at your feet every day. Inspect for cuts or scrapes, ingrown toenails, signs of discoloration, pain, redness or swelling.
- Wear properly fitting shoes. Poorly fitting shoes are involved in as many as half of the problems that lead to amputations.
- No bathroom surgeries. A minor cut can rapidly lead to serious infections in the diabetic patient.
- Wash your feet everyday, but do not soak your feet unless recommended by your physician.
- Do not go barefoot. Not even in your own home.
- Do not use chemical corn or callous removers. People with diabetes may have a loss of feeling in their feet and suffer a burn or an abscess without knowing it.
- Do not smoke. Tobacco can contribute to circulatory problems, in addition to all its other damaging effects. People with diabetes already have impaired circulation, and smoking just makes it worse.

The preventative foot care should include daily foot inspection for any signs of problems, exercise as recommended by your doctor, and a relationship with your podiatrist that involves annual visits to prevent serious infections, which can develop as a result of diabetes.

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IN OUR OPINION

With dogs expelled from school grounds, a dog park makes sense

When a pair of dog lovers approached the City of Powell last spring with a proposal for a dog park within our city limits, the idea was met with vehement opposition from residents whose property bordered the proposed site.

Whitlock Park, a little-used stretch of grass on Powell's southeastern edge, was only mentioned as a possibility. However, those who live in the area cited decreased property values, noise, odor and parking concerns as just a few of the reasons the park was a bad idea, at least in that location. The city agreed to explore other options, and with that, the idea for a dog park in Powell seemed to be put on the back burner.

A recent decision by Park County School District No. 1, however, may change all that. After repeated concerns and complaints registered by parents and school employees alike regarding animal waste on school property, the district decided enough was enough: As of Thursday, all pets are banned from school grounds.

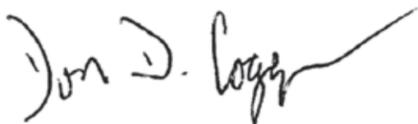
"We certainly want to be good neighbors and want to welcome people to our schools," said Rob McCray, support services coordinator for the district. "But it's just like your house — you wouldn't want neighbors to let their dogs poop in your yard and then you have to clean it up or your kids play in it. It's no different for us."

Let that sink in for a minute. Because a few dog owners can't be bothered to pick up after the dogs they allow to run free on school playgrounds — despite posted signs reminding them to do exactly that — the areas in town where responsible owners can take their pets for a walk or run just got significantly smaller.

Suddenly, the idea of a dog park doesn't seem so far-fetched. Reaction on social media to the school district's ban would seem to indicate that local interest in a dog park does exist, as does a desire by residents to hear what building one might entail. The success of the Beck Lake dog park in Cody has proved that it can work in a smaller community, and with the option of taking your pet to a local school to stretch its legs now off the table, folks will be looking for other alternatives.

We hope the idea for a local dog park is one the city continues to pursue. Since it's not always convenient to load up your pup and drive out of town for a little exercise, having a place in town where owners can gather and socialize with their neighbors and their dogs just makes sense. As with any project, a dog park would take time, from gaining city approval, to finding a location, to securing funding, so it's not something that would happen overnight. We hope the park advocates who first approached the city council with the concept in April are still willing to help make it a reality, and encourage like-minded pet owners to do the same.

But regardless of if or when the idea of a dog park comes to fruition, please be responsible, and pick up after your pets.



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It's not bulimia if you keep it down

Did you know 2018 is the "Year of the Chinese Buffet?" Maybe it's not noted on your calendar, but in my belly it's perfectly clear. If I might say a couple words about Chinese buffets, "Yum; MORE!"

Nominally well-meaning friends and family eagerly point out my increasing girth since spring, heckling cruelly as I breathlessly tie my shoe or blindly grope for a belt hole. Current suspects of interest are the Peter's Café unlimited trip soup bar and the Chinatown buffet I frequent frequently.

I can't help it; everything on that buffet is just so hot and delicious, plus the exercise from countless brisk walks from table to the steaming food bar and back can't be underestimated. And since I often dine alone doing crossword puzzles, I never have to hear, "How many trips is that for you?" Don't ask; don't tell.

I'm always taken back to a portly, engaging fellow who often delivered shingles to my jobs a few years ago. Darryl asked with a childlike giddiness, "Have you eaten at that Chinatown buffet yet? It's really good, and you can keep eating till you're sick!"

He was dead serious, which I found comically endearing.

Then recently during one of my private, midday mega-meals, with elbows flying overtop a steaming plate of noodles smothered by pork and mushrooms, I put down my egg roll long enough to send a group text to my three nephews.

Thinking back to my friend Darryl's remark, I was stupefied when I realized what I had just sent. With a childlike giddiness, I had written, "I'm at the Chinese buffet. I'm so stuffed but I'm going back at least one more time. Legally they can't make you stop eating, ya know."

I grinned at the irony, but suddenly remembered the food-loving Darryl had a debilitating stroke last year. Thankfully, I saw him and his wife at the fair this summer and he appears to be making a comeback.

Although a sobering revelation, it would be a knee-jerk reaction to blame any of that misfortune on all-you-can-eat buffets. Simply genetics, I'm thinking. So I haven't let it deter me from entertaining that seductive craving for heaping helpings of scrumptious Chinese food.

It matters not that I have trouble distinguishing one dish flavor from another; I'm a meal mix-and-match guy anyway. Heck, I'll pile up white and fried rice and lo mein noodles, underneath pork concoctions mingling shamelessly with

chicken dishes and so on. Chased with egg rolls dripping with sweet and sour sauce, I just keep shoveling it all in and let the chips fall where they may.

In my gluttonous defense though, let's not forget most of these dishes include various veggies and often cabbage. *Cabbage!* That's

some serious roughage. So I have few qualms about shelling out the modest fee for stuffing myself with choice variables that leave Thanksgiving an embarrassed second. What's not to love about the Chinese buffet? An encouraging extra that isn't lost on me as I engorge myself is the frequency at which I glance around to see Chinese family members and employees contentedly munching those very dishes they've served me. You won't see *that* at your typical greasy spoon. I see it as a trust

and verification issue.

I do take issue, though, with the fortunes inside those sweet cookies. I'm beginning to think more times than not, those things aren't even accurate — maybe more a pre-tip encouragement. My last fortune read, "You have an ambitious nature and will make a name for yourself." Yeah, *right!* My only ambition was to go straight home, watch TV and take a nap. If I make a name for myself, it will likely be "Homer Simpson, Couch King."

The fortune makers should take a tip from the cooks and offer variation and realistic options. I mean, we buffet addicts might be fat, but we're not stupid. We know each time we leave your place, we're not going to come into unimaginable wealth or meet the love of our lives. How about keeping it real; we can take it.

I propose completely retooling the system and throw in the occasional, "Go straight home, Tubby; the rest of your day looks bleak," or "Give up, loser!"

Quit coddling and insulting us!

Fortunes aside though, I'm trying to think of a 13-letter crossword answer for "glorious experience." Oh yeah, "Chinese buffet."



DOUG BLOUGH
My Lousy World



What a new volcano threat assessment means for Yellowstone

Last month, the U.S. Geological Survey released an updated threat assessment for U.S. volcanoes. The first assessment was published in 2005. The 2018 update refined the original assessment by accounting for new research and observations over the past 13 years. Some volcanoes moved up the ranking, and some moved down. A few volcanoes were added to the list, and a few were removed. But what does this mean for Yellowstone?

First, let's review what the assessment is and what it isn't. The assessment is NOT a list of which volcanoes are most likely to erupt, nor is it a ranking of the most "active" volcanoes. Instead, the assessment is a quantification of the relative threat posed by the volcanoes in the United States. Threat is defined as the combination of a volcano's hazard potential, and the exposure of people and property to those hazards. In other words, a volcano that only erupts lava

flows but doesn't have anyone living on it has very low threat, since even though there is a hazard (lava), there are no people or property at risk from that hazard. A volcano that might experience only small explosions but that is surrounded by towns and near an airport has a higher threat, since lots of people and property are exposed to the hazard (even if the hazard might be a relatively small one).

Another important definition is "active volcano." What does it mean to be "active?" Both the original 2005 report and the 2018 update define "active" to mean that the volcano has experienced an eruption in the past 11,650 years, the Holocene geological epoch. How then, could Yellowstone even be considered for a ranking, given that the last time magma reached the surface at Yellowstone was 70,000 years ago?

It turns out that, in addition to volcanoes that have erupted in the Holocene, the report also

considers caldera systems that show unrest — for example, earthquake activity, ground deformation, and/or gas discharge, even if they have not erupted recently. There are three such caldera systems in the USA: Valles caldera, New Mexico (which last erupted over 50,000 years ago), Long Valley caldera, California (last eruption was over 15,000 years ago), and Yellowstone.



MICHAEL POLAND
Guest columnist

Now that we have established which volcanoes are considered, we need to address how "scores" are tabulated. In the report, 24 factors that describe a volcano's hazard potential and the exposure of people and property to those hazards are considered. The hazard factors include such categories as the size of the largest explosion to have occurred at the volcano, the average

recurrence of eruptions, what types of eruptions have taken place, and whether or not the volcano shows signs of unrest. Exposure factors include nearby population, nearby aviation activity, and nearby infrastructure (like power and transportation resources).

The overall threat score is determined by multiplying the sum of the hazard factors by the sum of the exposure factors. The top three volcanoes, in order, are Kilauea (Hawaii), Mount St. Helens (Washington), and Mount Rainier (Washington). A general categorization was also introduced — "very high threat," "high threat," "moderate threat," "low threat" and "very low threat."

In 2005, Yellowstone was ranked No. 21 in the threat assessment. Now for the big reveal: In 2018, Yellowstone

was ranked ... No. 21! This qualifies Yellowstone as a "high threat" volcanic system. This is not a change or any sort of upgrade in the threat posed by Yellowstone, and carries no implications for future eruptive activity. It is merely a way to provide a sense of Yellowstone's threat level compared to other volcanoes in the USA.

Relative to the other US calderas, Yellowstone lies in the middle. Long Valley caldera is No. 18 ("very high threat") and Valles caldera is No. 68 ("moderate threat").

Despite the fact that Yellowstone has not experienced any magmatic eruptions in 70,000 years, the system reached its lofty ranking (compared to other volcanoes in the country) because of the long-past history of very large explosions, more recent history of steam explosions, observed seismic, deformation and degassing activity, and the presence of a population (over 4 million people visit

Yellowstone National Park each year).

The threat ranking is intended as a guide in terms of which volcanoes should be prioritized for upgrades in monitoring capabilities. Yellowstone is already among the best-monitored volcanoes in the world, but we expect that the upgraded threat assessment will be helpful in refining the monitoring plan, which is due for revision.

If you have any questions about the threat assessment or how Yellowstone fits in to the 2018 report, feel free to contact us any time at yvowebteam@usgs.gov.

(Michael Poland is a geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey and scientist-in-charge of the Yellowstone Volcano Observatory. Based in Vancouver, Washington, Poland's area of specialization is volcano geodesy, which emphasizes the surface deformation and gravity fields associated with volcanic activity.)

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Businesses and agricultural producers in Big Horn and Park counties that were impacted by a severe July 26 hailstorm may be eligible for low-interest government loans. Above, Stephen Fowler boards up a broken window at one of his Lovell properties damaged by the storm. Tribune file photo by Mark Davis

Loans for farms, businesses hurt by July storm

Agricultural producers and small non-farm businesses in Park County may be eligible for low interest disaster loans from the federal government.

These loans are intended to offset losses caused by a July 26 hailstorm and high winds that hit neighboring Big Horn County. That event was recently declared to be a disaster by U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue.

The USDA's Farm Service Agency is offering emergency credit to impacted producers in Big Horn County and neighboring counties. The Farm Service Agency said it will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

Meanwhile, the Small Business Administration (SBA) is offering Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to \$2 million to small nonfarm businesses, small agricultural cooperatives and most private nonprofit organizations. The loans are intended to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses that could have been met had the storm not occurred.

Businesses may be eligible if they were directly impacted by the disasters or if their business depends on farmers and ranchers who suffered losses from the storm.

Eligibility for the SBA loans is based only on the financial impact of the disasters and not on any actual property damage. The

loans have an interest rate as low as 3.61 percent for businesses and 2.5 percent for nonprofit organizations, a maximum term of 30 years, and are available to small businesses and most private nonprofits that lack the ability to handle the adverse impact of the disaster without hardship.

For more information about SBA assistance, visit <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>, call 800-659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. For more information about the Farm Service Agency's emergency loans and other programs available to help farmers recover from the storm, visit www.farmers.gov/recover or call 754-9411, extension 116.

The deadline to apply is June 17, 2019.

New circuit court judge appointed in Big Horn Basin

Edward Luhm of Worland has been named as the next circuit court judge for Big Horn, Washakie and Hot Springs counties within the Fifth Judicial District.

Luhm will replace Judge Thomas Harrington, who is retiring on Jan. 7.

Luhm has been in private practice in Worland for more than 30 years — 20 in partnership with William Shelledy Jr. and 11 as a sole practitioner. His practice has been diverse, including civil litigation, school law, criminal defense, domestic relations, and business and property law. Luhm graduated from the University of Wyoming's College of Law in 1986.

Gov. Matt Mead announced

Luhm's appointment to the bench in a recent news release.

"His experience in the courts of the Fifth Judicial District will stand him in good stead on the bench, and he comes highly recommended by those who know and work with him," Mead said of Luhm. "His commitment to the district he will serve has been long-term and that means a lot."

Luhm's experience includes years of service as a Worland Municipal Court judge, district court commissioner, circuit

court magistrate, city councilman, bar commissioner and member of the Commission on Judicial Conduct and Ethics.

Luhm has also served as a hearing examiner for the state Office of Administrative Hearings for many years and he worked as a hearing officer for the Park County commissioners in a tax dispute last year.

"Lawyers appointed to the bench always say they are honored because they are — that's the most appropriate senti-

ment. So, I am indeed deeply honored to be appointed by Gov. Mead to the circuit Court," Luhm said in a statement. "I am looking forward to working hard for the people of the Big Horn Basin."

Luhm was chosen over two other finalists: Basin attorney Kristen Schlattmann and Deputy Teton County Attorney Clark Allan of Jackson.

Before being picked for the circuit court position, Luhm had been a finalist for a district court post that similarly serves Big Horn, Hot Springs and Washakie counties. That position went to Thermopolis attorney (and now judge) Bobbi Overfield, who officially joined the bench earlier this month.

'His commitment to the district he will serve has been long-term and that means a lot!'

Matt Mead
Governor

WYOMING GAS PRICES DROP, BUT THAT MAY CHANGE

Gas prices in Wyoming and across the nation have been dropping slowly in recent days, but lower prices aren't likely to be a long-term trend, the AAA says.

As of the week that ended Thursday, the national average fell 4.9 cents to land at \$2.793 per gallon.

Prices in Wyoming have dropped a

half-cent to \$2.936.

Michelle Donati, spokeswoman for AAA Wyoming, said her organization expects that gas prices will increase as a result of Sunday's announcement of sanctions on Iran and today's (Tuesday's) mid-term election.

"How expensive gas prices will be

depends on how the market reacts to the these events," Donati said.

Delaware and South Carolina hold the lowest average prices in the lower 48 states, the AAA said, at \$2.488 per gallon. Meanwhile, California had the priciest fuel, with service stations charging an average of \$3.776 per gallon.

Farm Service Agency county committee elections begin

PRODUCERS TO RECEIVE BALLOTS NEXT WEEK

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will begin mailing ballots to agricultural producers for the 2018 Farm Service Agency county committee elections on Monday.

Producers must return or mail their ballots to their local FSA offices by Dec. 3 to ensure their vote is counted.

"County committee members represent the farmers, ranchers and foresters in our Wyoming communities," said Wyoming FSA State Executive Director Lois Van Mark. "Producers elected to these committees have always played a vital role in local agricultural decisions. It is a valued partnership that helps us better understand the needs of the farmers and ranchers we serve."

Nearly 7,700 FSA county committee members serve FSA offices nationwide. Each committee has three to 11 elected members who serve three-year terms of office. One-third of county committee seats are up for election each year. County committee members apply their knowl-

edge and judgment to help FSA make important decisions on its commodity support programs; conservation programs; indemnity and disaster programs; emergency programs and eligibility.

Van Mark said producers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program to be eligible to vote in the county committee election.

Farmers and ranchers who supervise and conduct the farming operations of an entire farm, but are not of legal voting age, may also be eligible to vote.

Farmers and ranchers will begin receiving their ballots next week. Ballots include the names of candidates running for the local committee. Voters who did not receive a ballot can pick one up at the FSA office just west of Powell, 1017 U.S. Highway 14-A.

Newly elected committee members will take office Jan. 1.

For more information, visit the FSA website at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections or call the Powell office at 754-9411.

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These two New Zealand mudsnails are pictured on a dime to show how small they are. The mudsnails, an invasive species, have made their way into Wyoming. Courtesy photo

Invasive mudsnail makes its way into Wyoming

BY MIKE KOSHMRL
Jackson Hole News&Guide
Via Wyoming News Exchange

A slow-going mollusk native to a mountainous south Pacific Ocean island has hitched a ride and found a new home in a stretch of the Snake River watershed's southern reaches.

The invader is the New Zealand mudsnail, which until this year had not been detected in the Salt River, and its arrival isn't being welcomed.

"There's good news and bad news," Wyoming Game and Fish Department aquatic invasive species specialist Chris Wight said. "The bad news is that obviously they are a classified invasive species."

On the bright side, he said, New Zealand mudsnails are relatively ecologically innocuous, at least compared with game-changing exotics like quagga or zebra mussels.

The tiny mudsnails are already found in much of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, including the Snake River near Flagg Ranch and nearby Polecat Creek. Count the Snake River's South and Henrys forks as other undesirably occupied waters, in addition to the Madison and Yellowstone rivers.

In those places, Wight said, mudsnails boom and bust, and spread throughout river systems. The species reproduces

both with mates and asexually, which means they can clone themselves. The nocturnally grazing snails are also hardy, capable of surviving the digestive systems of fish, and thus are moved from one place to the next.

"They are able to reproduce pretty rapidly," Wight said, "but not at the exponential rate that we see with zebra and quagga mussels."

There's much research to be done to learn how the critters influence ecological conditions on this side of the world.

"We really haven't done a whole lot in the eight years of the AIS program in terms of specifically looking at what these nonnative mudsnails do to our native game and nongame fish," Wight said.

One worry is that the snails can congregate at incredible concentrations and are capable of blanketing cobbles that are critical habitat for invertebrates like mayflies and caddis flies, an important food for trout. According to the U.S. Geological Survey, one study looking at populations in the Madison River found they can reach densities of over 30,000 individuals per square foot.

The Salt River isn't the only newfound Wyoming habitat for the species.

The esteemed North Platte River fishery, near Casper, is also infected for the first time.

"New Zealand mudsnails are easily transported on waders and drift boats," Eric Hansen, Wight's counterpart in Game and Fish's Casper office, said in a statement. "Not taking the time to 'clean, drain, dry' between waters likely led to these new infestations."

Game and Fish sets up aquatic invasive species checkpoints around the state during the summer, but only anglers toting watercraft must stop. Shore fishermen and wade anglers must check themselves so they don't move a species like the mudsnail from point A to B. Wight said evidence suggests the Salt River infestation came from someone who was wading. The newly infected stretch of the Star Valley river is actually a braid of the Salt, he said, perhaps running for 75 or 100 feet a couple miles upstream of Palisades Reservoir.

"It's pretty consistent with the other places that we find them," Wight said.

'They are able to reproduce pretty rapidly, but not at the exponential rate that we see with zebra and quagga mussels.'

Chris Wight
Wyoming Game and Fish Department

OPEN RECORDS BILL WOULD REQUIRE AGENCIES TO RESPOND IN SET TIME

BY RAMSEY SCOTT
Wyoming Tribune Eagle
Via Wyoming News Exchange

A bill proposed by a legislative working group that's trying to promote openness in Wyoming government would put rules in place for open records.

In national assessments, the state often ranks poorly for access to public information, in part because of a lack of clear guidance when it comes to public records requests. Currently, there is no defined timeline for when state agencies have to respond to a request for public documents, with responses needing to be made within a "reasonable" amount of time.

A bill that came out of the Legislature's Public Records Working Group on Friday would give state agencies seven days to respond to a request and another 10 days to produce the records. The bill also outlines penalties for records requests that are denied for inappropriate reasons.

The chair of the group, Rep. Dan Zwonitzer, R-Cheyenne, said the panel aimed to make rules for records requests that would match the timelines for federal records requests.

"I think everybody in the room agreed that transparency was important and necessary," Zwonitzer said. "The [draft bill] really tries to tackle two situations: the required timelines of getting information provided and the penalty associated with not providing that information."

Zwonitzer said the Legislature needed to create guidelines with clearly defined rules and penalties. Not only would it give the public more confidence in having access to information, it also would give state employees handling the request a clear set of guidelines and rules to follow that has been lacking.

"People want a responsive government. But to make that happen, local government employees and state government employees need to understand what the law is, too," Zwonitzer said. "It's the Legislature's responsibility to make this work and provide more transparency on who can access public records and how agencies are supposed to react."

Zwonitzer said it was interesting to see who came out in support of the bill. Groups who tend to find themselves on the opposite ends of fights in the state were aligned in trying to get more access to public information. Representatives from GOP megadonor and former gubernatorial candidate Foster Friess and from the environmental group Wyoming Outdoor Council both spoke in favor of the bill.

"Most of the time, state agencies respond in good faith when we make requests for public records," said Dustin Bleizeffer, spokesman for the council. "But we do commonly come up against prolonged delays in records requests, and sometimes agencies are unsure what records they can provide. So we support each state agency having a designated person who is versed in responding to public records requests."

A draft of the bill now heads to the Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Committee, which will meet later this month.

Another bill in the working group that would have established the need for local and state government agencies to provide records to a public-accessible website failed to move

forward. Zwonitzer said the group didn't feel comfortable mandating small agencies like local special districts to digitize their records without providing funding.

"The committee felt we needed to solve the basics before we took the next step of requiring [records] to all go onto one website," Zwonitzer said.

An issue discussed but not addressed with a bill on Friday was the ability for agencies to charge fees for time taken to compile records for a request. The transparency website OpenTheBooks.com — which is currently suing State Auditor Cynthia Cloud for access to records — was charged more than \$8,000 by the auditor's office for compiling the records.

Bleizeffer said his group was disappointed that issue still hasn't been addressed, and saw the fees as a major impediment to the public having oversight over government activities.

"We believe that providing public records and governing transparently is not an add-on to the job of government that citizens should have to pay for. We already cover the cost to produce public records with our taxpayer dollars dedicated to support state agencies," Bleizeffer said.

While the environmental group understands the challenge posed by broad requests for large amounts of records, "we believe the state can provide some fee flexibility and prioritize timelines for requests by citizens and noncommercial groups for records that are in the public's interest," he said.

'We believe that providing public records and governing transparently is not an add-on to the job of government that citizens should have to pay for.'

Dustin Bleizeffer
Wyoming Outdoor Council spokesman

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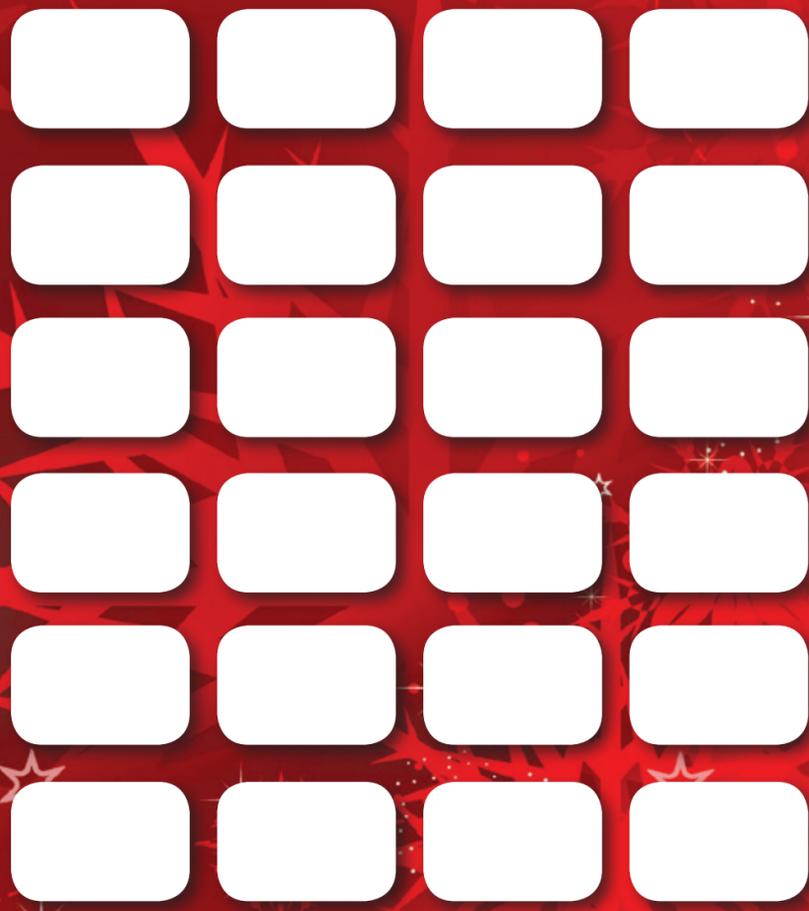
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Mammoth: Archaeology department is holding an open house for the public in Laramie today (Tuesday)

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and is helpful," said Robins. The students in the faunal processing class work under the guidance of Pierce, assistant state archaeologist Marcia Peterson and Marieka Arksey, collections manager for the university archaeological repository. While attendance in the class results in graduate credit for independent study, most would volunteer to do the work. Learning archival techniques and having their hands on a mammoth — the iconic species of the Ice Age — is an important experience in their young careers.

It's not a typical class, Pierce said. "It's more of a special problems type of class. It won't be offered every semester — it's not the type you'll find in a class brochure," he said.

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The students are some of the top students in the program, Pierce said. About 100 students are currently studying in the department. Many of the students graduating from the university's program will work in the compliance archaeology industry. It's work mandated by state and federal laws prior to development of roads or construction projects. They can also find employment with federal agencies, like the Bureau of Land Management or the National Forest Service. The median salary for archaeologists working in Wyoming is \$59,350, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Accelerated degrees, often a doctorate, can push salaries into six digits.

people seem to think is there aren't any jobs out there," Pierce said. "There are quite a few — so long as you're willing to travel."

The mammoth mission gives clues to the life of an archaeologist: After Pierce was contacted by the Bureau of Reclamation to lead the salvage effort, he and his team packed and hit the road to Cody. All the while, they were coordinating between state and federal agencies as well as contacting a short list of professional volunteers. After arriving at the reservoir, the team worked 12-14 hours a day in Wyoming weather — under a hot sun for two days and then in rain and blowing snow for two more. The team removed a cast of the largest piece of remains as the rain and snow rolled in.

Pierce tent-camped at the site until the weather turned.

"It was blowing so hard I slept in my truck for a couple days," he said.

By the time the team heads back to the lab to uncover the secrets of summer excavations, they're ready for a little time indoors — especially sleeping in their own beds and having a shower available. Most of the work is done in the lab.

"About 95 percent of the work is analysis, 5 percent is digging," said Arksey, the collections manager.

Greg Pierce
Wyoming state archaeologist

FROM ART TO BONES
The university anthropology department is in a newer building on the Cowboy campus. The labs and classrooms are well lit, but every inch is covered in projects and supplies. As artifacts are processed and studied, they are moved to storage.



Molly Herron, a University of Wyoming graduate student and part-time processor in the anthropology departments archive, looks through a file in one of dozens of rows of artifacts stored in the department. There are approximately 4.5 million artifacts in the school's 'South Forty' storage center in the basement of the school. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

More than 4.5 million artifacts are stored in basement vaults, called "the South Forty storage." Protected by climate control for humidity and temperature and under lock, artifacts run from microscopic to large slabs of rock and bone. Some are surprising: A whale rib found near Medicine Bow from a time much of the state was under water; giant slabs of rock with prehistoric art; a mammoth tusk; and human remains — all brought to the museum for protection from erosion and vandals.

The vaults also contain exactly what you expect to find in a Wyoming repository: Native American and historical site artifacts and tons of paperwork. While most of what is stored in the South Forty has little value, to scientists it is priceless. A September fire

at National Museum in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil — where 200 years of anthropological and geological research was lost — rippled across the profession.

"It keeps me up at night," said Molly Herron, a grad student in the class. "I've worked in curation and feel for the researchers who lost their entire collections."

Pierce points to the fire as evidence of the importance of digitization. In many cases, once the artifacts have been studied, reports written and photographs taken, they're sent back to agencies and private landowners or moved to exhibits and used as educational

pieces. People often conflate archaeology and paleontology, Pierce said. The difference is lost on most, but generally speaking, archaeologists deal with bones and paleontologists deal with fossils.

As Bush put it, "We don't dig dinosaurs."

There is some overlap between the two fields, but it's relatively small. Archaeology studies people and culture. For the most part, their studies are based in the past 14,000 years, though the profession goes back approximately 2.5 million years. Paleontology, meanwhile, studies time back to 4.5 billion years ago.

The UW students would love to find definitive evidence of a human connection to the mammoth remains found west of Cody, but as of yet, there is none. Should they find cultural evidence, scientists could be returning to the site for several years. Without it, the artifacts will be moved to the paleontology department and "we probably won't be back," Pierce said.

The archaeology department is holding an open house for the public in Laramie today (Tuesday). For more information, visit www.facebook.com/OfficeoftheWyomingStateArchaeologist or <http://wyoarchaeo.state.wy.us>.



Molly Herron, a University of Wyoming graduate student, works on the ribs and vertebral column of a Columbian mammoth found near Cody last spring. Herron and four other students were selected for a faunal processing class to work with the remains from the discovery.



Archaeology graduate students Molly Herron and Ryan Bush process tiny fragments of a mammoth found west of Cody while Ashley Harris and Marieka Arksey, collections manager for the university archaeological repository, work on remains in the background during a special class to process the discovery.

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LADY PANTHERS RUNNERS-UP AT STATE

MINER EARNS ALL-STATE HONORS

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports Editor

The Powell High School girls' swimming and diving team defied expectations over the weekend in Laramie, overcoming nagging illnesses and youthful inexperience to finish second at the 3A State Swimming and Diving Championships.

Senior Caitlyn Miner earned All-State honors for her second-place finish in the 50 freestyle, breaking her own school record in the preliminaries with a time of 24.92.

Lander won the state title with 279 points, followed by Powell with 172 and Buffalo with 154. Lyman rounded out the top four with 139 points.

"Last year, we scored 159 points for third place and we were 163 points behind Lander," said PHS head coach Bob Smartt. "This year, with scoring 172 points, we were able to narrow the Lander gap to 107 points. It was gratifying to have 11 of our 12 athletes at state place in an individual event and earn points for the team."

Miner's time of 55.53 seconds in the 100 freestyle was good for a third-place finish, and now ranks her third on the Powell Hall of Fame board.

"The coaches had a hard time deciding upon the best individual events for Caitlyn Miner at state as she was ranked second or third in five different events," Smartt said. "Unfortunately, missing two weeks of practice late in the season due to pneumonia narrowed her options at state."

The senior ends her career with school records in the 100 breaststroke, 50 freestyle and 200 medley



Powell sophomore Elizabeth Liggett swims to a third-place finish in the 500 freestyle at the 3A Swimming and Diving Championships in Laramie Saturday. The Lady Panthers finished second in the meet as a team behind Lander. Tribune photo by Toby Bonner

and freestyle relays. In addition, she has HOF standings in the 200 freestyle (fifth), 200 individual medley (third), 100 backstroke (third) and 100 fly (second).

It was a record-breaking meet in many respects for the Lady Panthers, especially for the relay teams. The 200 freestyle relay team of Madison Lowery, Katrina Twitchell, Miner and Elizabeth Liggett broke the oldest school record in the books (set in 1993 by Kristy Johnson, Renee Johnson, Jennie Parsons and Christy Christiansen). This year's time of 1:44.75 beat the old record by just a tenth of a second.

Smartt noted that Liggett had just wrapped up a third-place finish in the 500 freestyle (5:49.04) two races before the 200 freestyle relay, swimming on little rest.

"It takes extra character to stand up and race the 200 free relay with only one heat of rest after swimming the 500 free at 7,220 feet of elevation," he said.

Liggett said she thought the meet went well.

"I was happy to place at state with the times I swam and relays I was on," Liggett said. "Our second-place finish was well-deserved. Everyone on the team worked so hard for this accomplishment, and persevered through the tough altitude change, which made breathing more difficult."

The team dedicated the record attempt to Twitchell, a senior swimming in her final high school meet.

"The team really wanted to get her [Twitchell's] name on the board," Smartt said. "I joked with the coaching staff that we only wanted to break the record by a little, so that it would be easier to break next year."

'Our second-place finish was well-deserved. Everyone on the team worked so hard for this accomplishment ...'

Elizabeth Liggett
Panther swimmer

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Powell's 200 freestyle relay team of Madison Lowery, Katrina Twitchell, Elizabeth Liggett and Caitlyn Miner finished third at the 3A State Swimming and Diving Championships in Laramie Saturday with a time of 1:44.75. Tribune photo by Toby Bonner

Lady Panther volleyball comes up short at state



Powell's Devon Curtis, left, and Jazlyn Haney go up for a block against Torrington's Dani Masterson Friday at the 3A Volleyball State Tournament in Casper. The Lady Panthers finished 1-2 for the tournament, with losses against Douglas and Mountain View. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

POWELL 1-2 AT 3A TOURNAMENT

BY MIKE BUHLER
Tribune Community Editor

Powell's Lady Panthers came agonizingly close to getting to play for third place at the WHSAA Class 3A State Volleyball Championships in Casper over the weekend.

The Lady Panthers bounced back from an opening-round 25-19, 25-10, 25-22 loss to defending state champion Douglas on Thursday to beat Torrington 25-18, 25-12, 25-16 on Friday and make it to the heartbreak round on Saturday morning, where a win would mean a chance to play for third place. However, Powell could not get over the hump against Mountain View, losing 25-12, 13-25, 25-13, 25-17 to the Buffaloes. That ended the Lady Panthers' season with a record of 21-15-1.

Despite not bringing home a trophy from state, PHS coach Randi Bonander is proud of how her team did at the state tournament.

"It says a lot to be the first team back to state when not one of these girls have ever been at the state venue," coach Bonander said. "It is overwhelming, but such an honor to

step on that court and know that your hard work and dedication to your team has paid off. Although we fell short of our ultimate goal, the girls worked hard to be in the top five at state."

"Over the season, they continually made adjustments and took on new responsibilities, which sometimes included new positions, defense, and teammates," the coach added. "Overall, this team had a successful season not only due to their record, but the fact that they took on responsibility of being positive leaders [and] role models for all the underclassmen to carry on the tradition."

Lyman rallied from a two-set deficit to beat Rawlins for the state championship, while Douglas downed Mountain View for third.

DOUGLAS 3, POWELL 0

When the Lady Panthers and Douglas met at the Rawlins In-

vite on Sept. 8, Powell downed the Lady Bearcats in two sets.

It was a different story Thursday afternoon in Casper, as Douglas raced out to a 14-6 lead in the opening set to seize control of the match.

Powell made it close in the third set, taking a 17-16 lead at one point and forging a 22-all tie late in the match.

'It is overwhelming, but such an honor to step on that court and know that your hard work and dedication to your team has paid off!'

Randi Bonander
Head coach

of the entire weekend," coach Bonander said. "No excuses, just facts that have an effect on athletes. They did adjust to make the first set close, but we just couldn't seem to find our rhythm to overtake the Bearcats. The Bearcats also have a four-time All-State player along with a long-standing

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Panther tennis teams celebrate season

SIERRA SANDERS, DYLAN PREATOR NAMED MVPS

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports Editor

The Powell High School tennis teams recently celebrated their 2018 seasons, honoring athletes with a number of postseason awards.

The Panthers and the Lady Panthers each finished sixth at the state tournament in Gillette in September. On the boys' side, Jesse Brown and Dylan Preator earned All-State honors, in No. 1 and No. 2 singles, respectively. Preator was the state champion in No. 2 singles.

For the girls, senior Sierra Sanders finished fourth at state in No. 2 singles, while the No. 3 doubles team of Hailee Paul and Sami Cole also fin-

ished fourth.

The tennis program finished the season with 38 players.

"We had the eight and eight on varsity, but for those kids that don't have the opportunity to play varsity, we have a great JV program, and the kids seem to enjoy it," said PHS head coach Joe Asay.

Of the 38 tennis players, "I think most all of them were there to enjoy the awards ceremony," Asay said. "It's nice to be able to get together and recognize those kids for what they did over the course of the season."

Varsity letters were handed out, as well as individual awards — including Most Improved, Most Inspirational and Most Valuable.

At the varsity level, Sophe Morrow and Logan Brown were named Most Improved, while Shayla Shoopman and Aidan Hunt were named Most Inspirational.

Sanders and Preator were named Most Valuable.

On the JV side, Most Improved went to Alora Walker and Austin Chandler, while Whitney Hull, Takota Hammond and Joe Kousoulos were named Most Inspirational.

Sydnee Thompson and Ethan Bartholomew were named Most Valuable. "The kids are all so deserving," Asay said. "We have a lot of kids out there working awfully



Panther tennis player Dylan Preator, this year's state champion at No. 2 singles, was named the boys' MVP for the 2018 tennis season. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

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PHS swim: Dive coach Heather Christensen was voted the Class 3A Assistant Coach of the Year

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The Lady Panthers' 200 medley relay team of Sidney O'Brien, Anna Fuller, Miner and Madison Lowery finished in fourth place with a time of 1:58.10, just 0.21 seconds behind the third place team from Worland.

"The Panthers' finals swim was a nice 3.4-second improvement from the conference meet," Smartt said.

Twitchell missed winning the consolation final in the 100 freestyle by just 0.04 seconds, swimming it in 57.77 seconds for eighth place and narrowly missing HOF recognition in the event.

The 500 freestyle was the highest scoring individual event for the Lady Panthers, with Liggett in third (5:49.04), Addison Moretti winning the consolation final for seventh in 5:52.39 and Fuller placing ninth in 5:56.88.

"Elizabeth [Liggett] passed [2017 state runner-up] Sheridan Mathis of Douglas in the last 100 yards and Makenna Lambert of Buffalo in the last 150 yards," Smartt said.

Moretti, meanwhile, "had one of the largest place improvements of the meet," the coach said. She went from 11th in preliminaries (6:01.14) to seventh in finals in 5:52.39 — "a time that would have been fifth place in the championship final," Smartt noted.

In diving, Emma Karhu moved up a spot in the finals to place fourth with 309.70 points. Maddi Hackenberg placed ninth with a personal-best score of 296.50.

"The three athletes who fin-



Members and coaches of the Lady Panthers swimming and diving team are all smiles as they celebrate their second-place finish at the 3A State Swimming and Diving Championships in Laramie Saturday. From left: Assistant coach Bailey Jackson, Addison Moretti, Anna Fuller, Elizabeth Liggett, Grace Harder, Madison Lowery, Rachel Kuntz, Maddi Hackenberg, Ashlyn Aguirre, head coach Bob Smartt, Emma Karhu, Sidney O'Brien and assistant coach Heather Christensen. Kneeling are seniors Katrina Twitchell and Caitlyn Miner. Tribune photo by Toby Bonner

ished ahead of Emma [Karhu] will not compete next year, as two are seniors and one represents Jackson," which will move to Class 4A next year, Smartt said.

Dive coach Heather Christensen was voted the Class 3A Assistant Coach of the Year.

Other notable performances included sophomore Madison Lowery's 26.15 in the 50 freestyle preliminaries, which puts her in fifth place on the HOF board. In the 200 freestyle event, Liggett placed fourth (2:08.75) and Moretti moved up two positions in finals to 10th place with a time of 2:12.25.

In the 200 individual medley, Sidney O'Brien took 10th (2:37.08) and Rachel Kuntz was 11th in 2:39.94.

Ashlyn Aguirre finished 11th in the 100 butterfly (1:09.28), while Sidney O'Brien climbed the podium by placing sixth in the 100 backstroke in 1:06.64.

Anna Fuller won the consolation final for seventh place in the 100 breaststroke in 1:15.27.

"[Fuller's] preliminaries time of 1:14.79 was a 1.4 second personal best and represents a 6.4 second improvement on the year," Smartt said.

Heading into the final event, the 400 freestyle relay, Powell

had a 27-point margin over Buffalo for second position in the team standings. As only a disqualification could prevent a second place finish, the coaches mandated "extreme conservatism" on the relay exchanges between Twitchell, Liggett, Moretti and Fuller.

The team took fifth in 3:54.87, only 0.31 seconds out of third place, Smartt said. Twitchell, Liggett and Moretti all posted their fastest 100 free relay splits ever, while Fuller's time "was commendable given her short rest after her 100 breaststroke swim," Smartt said.

With his second season as

Powell's head coach now in the books, Smartt said he's encouraged by the team's success, as well as the number of swimmers returning.

"With only two graduating seniors, we can be optimistic about the team's future," he said. "While we will greatly miss super seniors Caitlyn Miner and Katrina Twitchell, new swimmers are the life-blood of our team and we must make strong efforts to have a large freshman class next year."

Liggett agreed, and said she hopes a bright future will ensure the return of Smartt next season.

"Coach Bob told us that with all the hard-working athletes from this season, along with a strong group of freshmen joining the team next year, the success of our swim team will be boosted," she said. "We all hope Coach Bob will return, considering the outstanding work and dedication he has put into our team."

3A STATE SWIMMING RESULTS

- Team Results**
 1. Lander 279, 2. **POWELL 172**, 3. Buffalo 154, 4. Lyman 139, 5. Worland 137, 6. Jackson 110, 7. Sublette 92, 8. Cody 77, 9. Riverton 64, 10. Douglas 54, 11. Kemmerer 50, 12. Newcastle 32, 13. Rawlins 16
- 200 Medley Relay**
 4. Sidney O'Brien, Anna Fuller, Caitlyn Miner, Madison Lowery 1:58.10
- 200 Freestyle**
 4. Elizabeth Liggett 2:08.75, 10. Addison Moretti 2:12.25
- 200 Individual Medley**
 10. Sidney O'Brien 2:36.33, 11. Rachel Kuntz 2:42.38
- 50 Freestyle**
 2. Caitlyn Miner 25.02, 12. Madison Lowery 26.75
- 1 Meter Diving**
 4. Emma Karhu 309.70, 9. Maddi Hackenberg 296.5
- 100 Butterfly**
 11. Ashlyn Aguirre 1:09.28
- 100 Freestyle**
 3. Caitlyn Miner 55.93, 8. Katrina Twitchell 57.77
- 500 Freestyle**
 3. Elizabeth Liggett 5:49.04, 7. Addison Moretti 5:52.39, 9. Anna Fuller 5:56.88
- 200 Freestyle Relay**
 3. Madison Lowery, Katrina Twitchell, Caitlyn Miner, Elizabeth Liggett 1:44.75
- 100 Backstroke**
 6. Sidney O'Brien 1:06.64
- 100 Breaststroke**
 7. Anna Fuller 1:15.27
- 400 Freestyle Relay**
 5. Katrina Twitchell, Elizabeth Liggett, Addison Moretti, Anna Fuller 3:54.87

PHS VB: 'I couldn't be more proud of each and every one of these seniors' coach says of nine departing players

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successful program."

Fertig led Douglas with 14 kills, while Haedyn Rhoades added 12 and Joslin Igo finished with 11.

Aubrie Stenerson led the Lady Panthers with five kills, while Hartly Thorington added four. Devon Curtis and Rachel Bonander each had three blocks, while Ostermiller added eight assists. Ostermiller and Ashtyn Heny each had a team-high nine digs.

POWELL 3, TORRINGTON 0

In its first consolation game at state — a must-win contest — Powell shook off a bit of a slow start to sweep the Lady Trailblazers.

The Lady Panthers led just 13-12 in the opening set before scoring eight of the next 10 points to take control of the set and grab needed momentum.

In the third set, the Lady Trailblazers forged a 10-10 tie, but Powell kept them from taking the lead and eventually scored 10 of the last 14 points of the match to close out the set and the contest.

"The girls were ready to regroup after Thursday and prepare for Torrington on Friday," coach Bonander said. "We watched some film, talked about the aspects of the game that we can control and how we would accomplish this. The girls really worked at serving and playing strategically on offense. On defense, communication was the key to making adjustments and digging every ball up."

Stenerson again led the Lady Panthers with five kills, while the trio of Thorington, Curtis and Rachel Bonander each had four. Bonander had four blocks and Sabrina Shoopman added three, while Ostermiller had 10 assists and Gabi Metzler added eight. Stenerson had 17 digs and Heny added 12.

MOUNTAIN VIEW 3, POWELL 1

On Saturday against Mountain View, Powell again struggled at the beginning, falling behind 18-6 at one point in the opening set.

However, the Lady Panthers dominated the second set, leading almost the entire way to tie the match and seemingly getting much-needed momentum against a Mountain View team they'd lost to earlier in the year.

But the Lady Buffaloes wasted little time getting the momentum back in the third set,

scoring the first eight points to once again take control of the match. In the fourth set, Powell took a 3-1 lead on Jazlyn Haney's kill, but Mountain View answered by scoring 10 of the next 13 points and never trailed again.

"The girls came in focused on what they would do individually to help the team be successful as a whole," coach Bonander said. "Meeting up with Mountain View again, we talked about all aspects of how to take advantage of their weaknesses, which are few, but their libero is one of the best in the state. She just knows the court, can read hitters, and moves quickly to wherever she needs to be to keep the ball up. The girls did work hard for the win in the second set, but just seemed to be two steps behind throughout the third and fourth sets."

Rachel Bonander had eight kills in her final match, while Stenerson added six and the duo of Haney and Thorington each finished with four. Stenerson had 23 digs and Thorington added 12, while Metzler had 10 assists and Ostermiller finished with nine.



Lady Panther Natalie Ostermiller high-fives her fellow seniors prior to Friday's match against Torrington at the 3A Volleyball State Tournament in Casper. Powell won the match in straight sets. From left: Hartly Thorington, Becky McConahay, Devon Curtis, Jasmyne Lensegrav and Rachel Bonander. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

SENIORS BOW OUT ON BIG STAGE

The state tournament also represented the final game for nine Lady Panther seniors — Heny, Stenerson, Ostermiller,

Haney, Thorington, Curtis, Jasmyne Lensegrav, Becky McConahay and Rachel Bonander. Many of the seniors have been teammates since elementary school on club teams, adding to

the bond that they have on and off the court.

"We played some really great volleyball this weekend and accomplished many of our goals for the season," coach Bonander

said. "It was a difficult end to the season, mostly because these nine seniors worked so hard and talked through so many challenges to make sure their last season would be successful."

"I couldn't be more proud of each and every one of these seniors," the coach added. "They faced challenges and embraced new roles throughout the season to keep a positive attitude for the entire Lady Panther volleyball team."

And it was a successful season for the Lady Panthers — 21 wins, a 3A Northwest quadrant title to go along with an undefeated record in quadrant play and of course, a trip to state.

"The most important aspect of this snapshot in their life is how they respond to the successes and failures," coach Bonander said. "It's easy to just walk away and say, 'Well, we should have ...,' but really taking each experience and applying it to their life in a positive way and figuring out how to handle it better next time or in another similar situation."

"Lady Panthers will always have an 'attitude of gratitude,'" she said.

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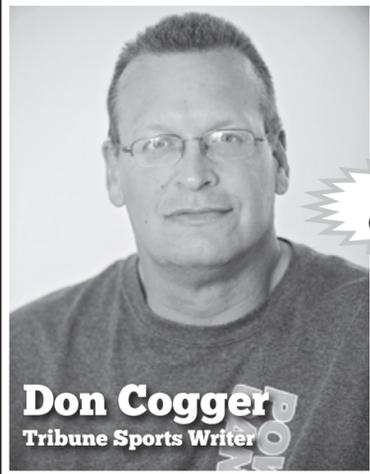
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Don's Overall Results:

75 games correct so far!

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Tribune Sports Writer

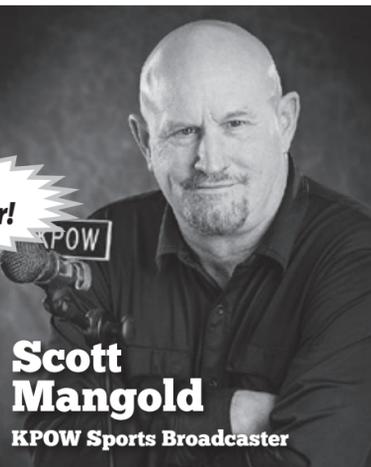
DON'S TOTAL WILL NOT INCLUDE MONDAY NIGHT GAME

Scott's Overall Results:

86 games correct so far!

Have you made your week 10 picks yet?

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Scott Mangold

KPOW Sports Broadcaster

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Sunday 11/11 @ 11:00AM	New Orleans @ (9-1)	Cincinnati @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 11:00AM	Atlanta @ (9-1)	Cleveland @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 11:00AM	Jacksonville @ (9-1)	Indianapolis @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 11:00AM	Washington @ (9-1)	Tampa Bay @ (9-1)
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Sunday 11/11 @ 2:05PM	LA Chargers @ (9-1)	Oakland @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 2:05PM	Seattle @ (9-1)	LA Rams @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 2:05PM	Miami @ (9-1)	Green Bay @ (9-1)
Monday 11/12 @ 8:15PM	NY Giants @ (9-1)	San Francisco @ (9-1)
Sunday 11/11 @ 8:25PM	Dallas @ (9-1)	Philadelphia @ (9-1)

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PHS tennis: Coach says enthusiasm for tennis is high, which brings improvement

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hard, especially those Most Improved ones, it's always tough to make a choice in that category, because you always see those improvements as we go through the season. Some are real evident."

First-year letter winners included Logan Brown, Aiden Chandler, Austin Chandler, Sami Cole, Jay Cox, Grant Dillivan, Aidan Hunt, Sophe Morrow, Elise North and Lane Summers.

Multi-year letter winners were Sloane Asay, Jesse Brown, Ashley Dunkerley, Aidan Jacobsen, Hailee Paul, Dylan Preator, Sierra Sanders and Shayla Shoopman.

"We had a lot of return kids move up into the varsity ranks, especially among the freshmen," coach Asay said. "It was definitely nice to have some depth this season."

Now a few weeks removed from the state tournament, Asay took a moment to reflect on what he called "a great

season."

"We had some unknowns going in, probably more so on the girls' side," he said. "But they ended up coming out and really competing, taking third in our regional tournament. That says a lot, because the north side is pretty strong. I was pretty pleased by that."

Asay and JV coach Brandon Preator are also encouraged by the level of commitment displayed by the players who will be returning next season.

"The biggest thing that coach Preator and I come away with is that the enthusiasm for tennis is just really high," Asay said. "The kids are excited about tennis. It wanes a bit as the kids move into their other sports and activities, but the kids were still meeting for a couple of Saturdays after the season ended to just play tennis. ... To really improve, it has to be something more than just grabbing that racket when the season starts, and they recognize that."



Powell tennis player Sierra Sanders, who finished fourth at this year's state tournament in No. 2 doubles, was named MVP of the Lady Panthers for the 2018 season. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

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WYO CYSTERS - PCOS SUPPORT Group. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday every month at Powell Valley Healthcare's Conference Room from 7pm - 8pm. Follow Wyo Cysters on Facebook for updates and online support: www.facebook.com/WyoCysters Contact Lacey Huhnke at 307-254-2708 for more information.

(39TFFT)
TOPS - TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY - Chapter 169 meets Thursday evenings at 5:30 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 308 Mountain View St. For more information contact 1-800-932-8677.

(37TFFT)
POWELL AL-ANON, support for friends and relatives of alcoholics, meets 2 times per week at Big Horn Enterprises, 146 S. Bent St.: Brown bag Tues. noon & Wed. 7 p.m. (north parking lot door). For information call 754-4543 or 754-5988. www.wyomingal-anon.org

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

(66 TFFT)

Cars & Trucks

NEW TO THE AREA? Wyoming Welcome would like to bring you a Free gift and coupon pack from the area businesses. Call 754-9399 or 754-3206.

(14TFFT)

Cars & Trucks

PARENTS WITH children who have developmental disabilities, needing information, support, or help of any kind, please contact Betty Carmon, Parent Coordinator, 754-3430.

(42TFFT)

Personals

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

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

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

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

(07TFCT)
YELLOWSTONE RIDERS MEET last Monday of every month at 7 p.m., Post 26 American Legion.

(52TFFT)
HAVE YOU BEEN AFFECTED by suicide loss? A free support group, "Hope and Healing," is held the first Tuesday of every month at YBHC, 2538 Bighorn Ave. in Cody from 6 to 7:30 pm. Call 587-2197.

(17TFFT)
IMMUNIZATION CLINICS for children and adults are held at the Public Health Office at the Powell Annex Mon., Wed., 3 - 4:30, Tues. 1:30 - 4:30 and Fri., 9-11. For appointment call 754-8870.

(46TFFT)
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS of Northwest Wyoming is looking for adult mentors for youth between the ages of 5 and 17. If you would like to make a difference in a child's life, call 754-3338 for more information

(98TFFT)
GET YOUR CAR seat safety checked for proper installation or request assistance in installing at the Powell Law Enforcement Center, 250 North Clark.

(06TFFT)
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(72TFFT)
ARE YOU PREGNANT and planning to breastfeed? If you want information or have concerns about breastfeeding, please call Park County Public Health at 527-8570 or 754-8570.

(37TFFT)
CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES is your source of help with family violence and sexual assault. All services are free and confidential. Call toll free, 24 hours a day, 877-864-9688.

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(42TFFT)

Cars & Trucks

Pets

ANNUAL SANTA PET PHOTO SHOOT. Tractor Supply Co., east loading dock entrance, 324 Yellowstone Ave., across from Walmart, Cody. Saturday, Nov. 10, 10a-2p. Benefits Park County Animal Shelter and Wyoming Basset Hound Rescue. \$15 for emailed, digital photo. Questions? Mary (307)587-3832 or Holly (307)272-8089.

(87-90CT)

Lost & Found

FOUND: LARGE BLACK dog, male, green & black collar. Found on highway between Byron and Lovell. 754-1019.

(89-90FT)
FOUND: MALE BORDER COLLIE/heeler mix, white with some black. Pink, blue and black collar. Found on highway between Byron and Lovell. 754-1019.

(89-90FT)
FOUND IN LOVELL AREA: a black lab type male puppy, approximately 5-6 months. Mostly black with minimal white. 754-1019.

(88-89FT)
FOUND ON RD 11/LN 7: short haired neutered male orange/white cat. Big and friendly. 754-1019.

(88-89FT)

Work Wanted

LOOKING FOR RANCH WORK, 3 days a week, \$8/hr. Prefer a place that has cows and horses. Justin, 307-899-1357.

(79-90PT)

Personals

PREGNANT? WHAT am I going to do? How can I be sure I am pregnant? How should I tell my family? Can I continue school?...keep my job? Where can I live until my baby is born? Call Care Net of Billings Woman Clinic at 406-256-7038. Give life a chance and we'll help you every step of the way.

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(72TFFT)
Organ Donor Info:
The Living Bank
1-800-528-2971

Help Wanted

FREE BOARD FOR ONE horse in exchange for 3 hours a week of ranch chores or \$11.00/hour, 3 days a week, 1 hour each day, Blue Sky Ranch. 899-4107.

(89-94PT)
CUSTOMER SERVICE/ACCOUNTING POSITION, The City of Powell, WY is seeking an Accounting Technician I. Computer, clerical and accounting skills needed. Must be able to work with the public face to face and over the phone. Full-time, M-F, 8am-5pm. Competitive wage and excellent benefits. The City of Powell is an EOE and drug free agency. Send application and resume to: City of Powell, c/o Human Resources, 270 North Clark, Powell, WY 82435, Ph: 307-754-5106. For online application and job description: www.cityofpowell.com. Filing deadline, 5 p.m., Thursday, November 15, 2018

(89-91CT)
IN HOME CAREGIVER for elderly woman with Alzheimer's in Clark, WY. Please call Jerry at 307-645-3130.

(86-89PT)
WILKERSON & BREMER LAW GROUP, LLC is seeking two full time legal assistants. Entry level positions. No prior legal experience required. Must have general knowledge of computer, word processing and the ability to work in a fast pasted team environment. Duties include assisting attorneys from inception to completion of litigation, document preparation and communication with courts, process servers, sheriff deputies and other attorneys. Hours are Monday thru Friday 8am to 5 pm. Send resumes to Silvia@rsiwy.com

(85TFCT)
BIG HORN REDI MIX is looking for a skilled diesel mechanic for large trucks and heavy equipment. Pay depends on ability + benefits. Apply in Cody at 1245 Riverview Drive or in Powell at 355 E. North St., or call Mandy 307-864-3397.

(84-91CT)
CARQUEST IS HIRING SALES PEOPLE who love cars! We are looking for Delivery drivers, sales people, we offer flexible schedules. Apply at your local CARQUEST store Today! FT/PT

(82-89CT)
AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN, Powell, WY, 307-754-5117, apply at the front desk *** Position: House-keeper ***

BHB(32TFCT)

Help Wanted

PIZZA ON THE RUN now taking applications for part time and delivery drivers. Apply at 215 E. 1st in Powell or call Brenda at 202-3216 for more info.

(23TFCT)
ARE YOU A CARING person? You are NEEDED! Families of domestic violence and sexual assault want and need someone to care. Please call Crisis Intervention Services at 754-7959 or 587-3545 and put your talents to work. Volunteer today! Thank you.

(53TF)

Help Wanted

Looking for a Friend?
Caring for Powell Animals
754-1019

Full Charge BOOKKEEPER/OFFICE MANAGER
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
• 3-5 years of experience in a Bookkeeping position.
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Please send resume to: 544 Gateway Dr., Powell, WY 82435 or email to: jbsackman@tctwest.net

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Public Notices

"BECAUSE THE PEOPLE MUST KNOW"
Board vacancy
NOTICE OF POWELL RECREATION BOARD VACANCY
The Powell Recreation District has one "designated" position as the Clark representative. This is a voluntary Board position terms are five-year with service to begin January 2019. Any resident within School District #1 boundaries having interest in community recreation programs and activities may apply. Interested individuals should contact Joyce Ruward, Office of the Superintendent at the Central Administration Building, 160 North Evarts, Powell, Wyoming, for information on the application process. Applications should be returned to this office by 4:00 p.m., November 21, 2018.

An appointment will be made by the School District #1 Board of Trustees on December 11, 2018. For more information, please call the Powell Recreation District office at 754-5711.
Kimberly Condie
Clerk, Board of Trustees
First Publ., Thurs., Nov. 1, 2018
Second Publ., Tues., Nov. 6, 2018

WCDA work session

The Board of Directors of the Wyoming Community Development Authority (WCDA) will hold a Board work session beginning at 1:00 pm, Monday, November 26, 2018, and a Board meeting beginning at 8:30 am, Tuesday, November 27, 2018, at the offices of WCDA, 155 N. Beech, Casper, WY. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss general business of the Authority. An agenda is available at the offices of WCDA at 155 N. Beech, Casper, WY 82601.
Publ., Tues., Nov. 6, 2018

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COMMUNITY



In front of Powell Valley Hospital, (from left) Jennifer Tippetts, Dana Kinney and Lloyd Snyder load up the food gathered at Powell Valley Healthcare. The food was later weighed to determine the winner of the Food Fight food drive contest between Powell Valley Healthcare and Cody Regional Hospital. Tribune photos by Mike Buhler

Everybody wins in 'food fight' between PVHC, Cody Regional

BY MIKE BUHLER
Tribune Community Editor

Park County's two hospitals recently had a food fight of sorts. However, in this food fight, everyone was a winner. Powell Valley Healthcare and Cody Regional Health recently staged an inaugural Food Fight, in which both hospitals competed throughout the month of October to see who could collect the most food.

Together, the two healthcare organizations gathered up more than 2 tons of food. When the contest ended Wednesday, Powell Valley Healthcare collected 3,340 pounds and Cody Regional Health brought in 762 pounds.

"This just shows what a great community we live in," said Jennifer Tippetts, executive director of the Powell Medical Foundation. "Together Cody Regional Health and PVHC decided to help fight hunger in Park County. Ultimately, our goal is to care for the people in our communities."

The contest "started as a brainstorm between" Tippetts and Ashley Trudo, the marketing director at Cody Regional Health.

While PVHC may have earned some bragging rights, the real winners of the contest were two local food banks. PVHC's collections were donated to Powell Valley Loaves and Fishes, while Cody Regional Hospital donated the food it received to Cody Cupboard.

"The Powell [Valley] Loaves and Fishes board was overwhelmed by the generosity



Lisa Wooten of Powell Valley Healthcare (left) and Powell Valley Loaves and Fishes volunteer Howard Sanders load food onto a trailer at Powell Valley Hospital Thursday afternoon.

of the PVHC employees and the unbelievable amount of food donated," said Peggy Snyder, a board member with Loaves and Fishes. "Each and every one enthusiastically supported the Food Fight and had fun in this spirited competition. The hands-on support to handle and move the food was much appreciated. It truly does 'take a vil-

lage to feed the hungry in this community."

Better yet, Tippetts said the two hospitals are planning to stage another Food Fight next year.

"We look forward to working with Cody Regional [Health] next year and continuing our efforts in supporting our communities and fighting hunger," Tippetts said.



Powell Valley Healthcare collected 3,340 pounds of food in October to win a 'Food Fight' with Cody Regional Health.

NWC HOSTING TURKMENISTAN CULTURE NIGHT NOV. 14

Area residents are invited to celebrate International Education Week with an evening of fun at Turkmenistan Culture Night. The event takes place Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 7-9 p.m. in the Yellowstone Building Conference Center on the Northwest College campus.

Students will introduce their Turkmen culture through a multimedia presentation of images, traditional dress, cuisine and music.

Located in central Asia, present-day Turkmenistan covers territory that has been at the crossroads of civilizations for centuries. The medieval city of Merv, now known as Mary, was an important stop on the Silk Road used for trade with China in the mid-15th century.

Turkmenistan declared its independence from the Soviet Union in 1991. Slightly larger than California and with a population of more than 5



Northwest College student Tair Masharipov prepares pilaf for NWC's Intercultural Tuesday Lunch last month. Masharipov, who is from Turkmenistan, will be part of NWC's Turkmenistan Culture Night on Nov. 14 at the Yellowstone Building Conference Center. Tribune photo by Mike Buhler

million people, the country is bordered by Afghanistan, Iran, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and the Caspian Sea.

Mostly an arid subtropical desert with little rainfall, more than 80 percent of Turkmenistan is covered by the Kara-

kum Desert, one of the driest deserts in the world.

The country's prominent horse culture includes Akhal-Teke, also known as the "golden horse," thought to be one of the world's oldest surviving breeds.

This event is free and open to the public.

In addition, the winner of a 10-day Greece and Italy trip will be announced during the event. Those who are interested still have the opportunity to purchase a raffle ticket at <https://51222.thankyou4caring.org/taste-the-nations>. To view a full day-by-day itinerary, or sign up to attend the trip, visit www.efcollegestudytours.com/professors-trip/2084335CC.

For more information about the event or the trip, contact Intercultural Program Manager Amanda Enriquez at Amanda.Enriquez@nwc.edu or 754-6424.

WARM HEARTS COAT DRIVE

Please join Bank of Powell in giving back to the community this holiday season by donating coats, hats, gloves or scarves. Donations will be accepted now through November 15 at Bank of Powell.

Thank you for helping us help our community.



Questions? Call Ciera at Bank of Powell. 307-754-2774 • 856 Road 8 • Powell, WY



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NOVEMBER 2018



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- NOV 7** **Stohart Reading**
12:00 – 1:00 pm · Wednesday, November 7
NWC · HINCKLEY LIBRARY
This event is free and open to the public
- NOV 7** **Women's Giving Circle – Intercultural Night**
5:30 – 7:30 pm · Wednesday, November 7
NWC · YELLOWSTONE BUILDING
This event is free and open to the public
- NOV 8** **22nd Annual Buffalo Feast**
6:00 – 8:30 pm · Thursday, November 8
NWC · YELLOWSTONE BUILDING · CONFERENCE CENTER
\$20/Adult · \$12/Children · \$10/NWC Students
- NOV 10** **Northwest Civic Orchestra – Fall Concert**
7:00 pm · Saturday, November 10
NWC · NELSON PERFORMING ARTS · AUDITORIUM
\$10/Adult · \$5/Senior · Children/Free
- NOV 12** **Veteran Appreciation Dinner**
5:00 pm · Monday, November 12
NWC · DEWITT STUDENT CENTER · DINING HALL
Veterans/Free · \$6/Family & Friends
- NOV 12** **Jazz Night**
7:00 pm · Monday, November 12
NWC · NELSON PERFORMING ARTS · AUDITORIUM
This event is free and open to the public
- NOV 14** **Turkmenistan Culture Night**
7:00 pm · Wednesday, November 14
NWC · YELLOWSTONE BUILDING · CONFERENCE CENTER
This event is free and open to the public
- NOV 30** **First Bank of Wyoming Shootout**
Friday & Saturday · 11/30 – 12/1
NWC · CABRE GYM
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Events are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information visit nwc.edu/events