

FEDS SEEKING TO SEIZE ASSETS OF FORMER TREATMENT CENTER

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Federal prosecutors are attempting to seize buildings, cash and other property from a Powell group home and treatment center, alleging the non-profit organization submitted fraudulent bills to Medicaid.

In asking a judge to turn the hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property over to the government last month, the U.S. Attorney's Office asserted that Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center's assets represent "the proceeds of, and property derived from the proceeds of, health care fraud."

The details of the civil forfeiture case

are being kept confidential, but an attorney representing one of the center's former employees said it stems from a years-long investigation into the Medicaid billing practices of former Powell psychologist Gib Condie, who founded the Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center.

"Basically this does arise out of the leadership and advice that [Gib] Condie gave to Northwest Treatment Center," Cheyenne attorney Gay Woodhouse said

Wednesday.

Condie is currently serving a three-year federal prison sentence for health care fraud after he reportedly submitted millions of dollars of fraudulent bills to Wyoming Medicaid. He also was ordered to pay \$2.28 million in restitution and forfeit property valued somewhere around \$1.5 million. Condie contended that he had submitted legitimate claims and provided quality care, but federal prosecutors disagreed,

saying he had made multiple misrepresentations in billing for ineligible work.

The Medicaid claims that landed Condie in prison came from Big Horn Basin Mental Health Group, his private business that operated a statewide network of mental health providers.

Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center is a separate, not-for-profit organization with a different mission. Condie founded it in 2000 as the Vernon Clegg Condie Group Home to provide supervision, tutoring and care for teenagers involved in court proceedings or crises. It later became the Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center, adding a residential drug treatment facility for teens in 2008. At its peak in 2015, records show NWTC

employed two dozen people and pulled in more than \$2.3 million in revenue.

Much of that revenue came from Wyoming Medicaid. Between 2012 and 2015, NWTC submitted nearly \$6 million worth of claims to the joint federal-state program, an average of nearly \$1.5 million per year.

However, the center stopped submitting claims to Medicaid in 2016 and revenue plummeted to just \$325,454 that year. Condie and Big Horn Basin Mental Health Group also stopped billing Medicaid early that year, after authorities told him they had found evidence that his billing was fraudulent.

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Grizzlies increasing cost of managing livestock east of Yellowstone Park

HEART MOUNTAIN RANCHER TURNED DOWN FOR COMPENSATION

BY MARK DAVIS
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Nervous but determined, a Heart Mountain area rancher stood in front of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission last month, seeking compensation for calves he's sure were killed by grizzly bears.

Two of Russ Boardman's calves were partially buried when they were discovered; at a separate location, all that remained of another calf was a piece of hide, about 2 feet long by 1 foot wide. They were the first calves that Boardman, owner of the B-Slash Ranch, had lost in about a dozen years — and, he believes, the first ever lost to grizzlies.

"We have big, healthy calves," Boardman told the commission. "We don't lose them; we live with them."

MAKING HIS CASE

Boardman filed the required paperwork with the Game and Fish Department in September, reporting a total loss of \$10,715 from predation. That was from 10 calves and steers that he lost while grazing on the Heart Mountain Ranch Preserve last year.

The Game and Fish has a liberal compensation program, said large carnivore program coordinator Dan Thompson, paying out nearly \$1 million in compensation in 2018. The program ensures producers don't suffer financial losses from large carnivores moving beyond the boundaries of Yellowstone National Park.

But for every cow, sheep or guard animal presumably lost to predators, there's an investigation before any payment is made.

Dusty Lasseter, who works exclusively with large carnivores for the Game and Fish, investigated Boardman's case and was unable to verify the calves were killed by grizzlies.

When the Game and Fish Department denied his request, Boardman appealed to the commission, specifically seeking a review of three calves. The commission, however, agreed with the department's findings.

Lasseter explained to commissioners last month that he didn't find the damage to the calves that's usually associated with livestock killed by grizzlies.

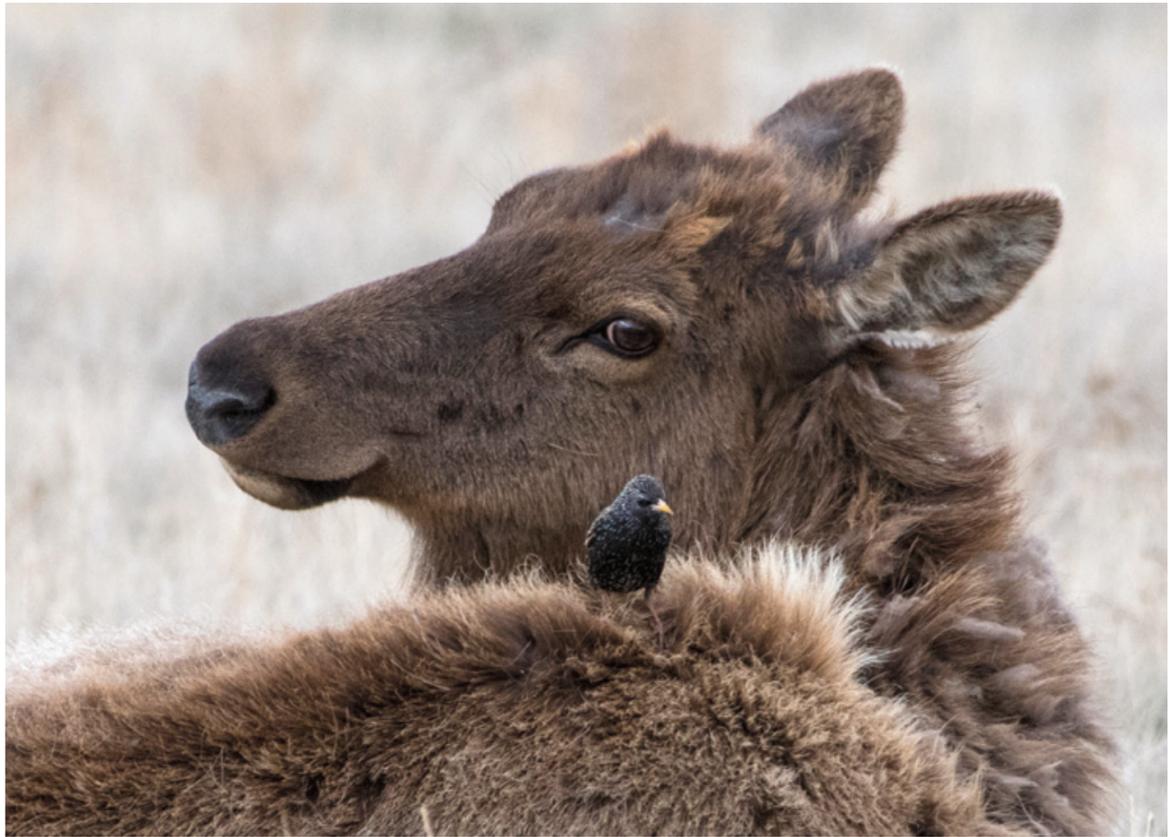
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Dusty Lasseter
Game and Fish

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VIEW FROM THE CHEEP SEAT



A lounging elk eyeballs a brave starling as it forages on the elk's back near the North Entrance to Yellowstone National Park on Tuesday. The East Entrance opens for the summer season on Friday, May 3. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

PVHC planning paramedicine program

BY KEVIN KILLOUGH
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Powell Valley Healthcare is establishing a new health-care model. They call it community paramedicine, and it's a relatively new concept in the healthcare industry.

It's hard to say exactly how PVHC's program will work. It's still in the planning phases, and each program is designed according to the community's individual needs.

Broadly speaking, community paramedicine allows

paramedics to expand their roles beyond managing immediate medical conditions and providing transport to hospitals. A trip to the emergency room is expensive and, in some cases, the patient's needs may be better addressed with preventative care or connections to other service providers.

Community paramedicine programs typically follow one

of two models. One model provides services to prevent hospital readmission, such as post-discharge care after surgery, targeting high-risk patients. The other model connects patients to primary care physicians and other social and healthcare services. Some programs do a bit of both.

'This is going to be the next evolution in EMS care.'

Andy Gienapp
Wyoming Department of Health

PVHC received a grant through the Medicare Rural

Hospital Flexibility program to get a community paramedicine program started in Powell. It will pay for two PVHC paramedics to receive the special training and a stakeholders meeting, which was held earlier this month.

Dr. Todd Beia was going to serve as the program's medical director, but, unfortunately, he unexpectedly died shortly after the stakeholders' meeting.

Jess Mathews, one of two PVHC paramedics training to

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The pastures just off the summit trail to Heart Mountain have seen increased bear traffic in recent years, especially in the spring. The popular trail that begins at the Heart Mountain Ranch office is currently closed and ranch managers have had to relocate grazing operations because of bears. Tribune file photo by Don Cogger

School district adopts policy on social media

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Powell school district employees must follow a new set of rules when they interact with students online, use personal web pages or post to social media sites.

The four-page social networking policy was approved last month by the Park County School District No. 1 Board of Trustees. Chairman Greg Borchert said he thought it was needed "after some of the posts that I've seen."

Superintendent Jay Curtis told the board that the intent is to help guide employees and to "modernize our district."

"Social media is a real and present danger," Curtis said. "In a lot of districts, this has

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TALKING ABOUT TREES



Ella Reekers and Max and Tate Gunn (at right) enjoy an Arbor Day program Wednesday at the Powell Branch Library, which explained how even dead trees can play an important role, providing shelter. For more about Arbor Day, see Page 7. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Paramedics: With patient volumes so low outside metropolitan areas, healthcare services can be sparse

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provide the new service, said Beia was very passionate about the program. Despite the untimely loss of the highly respected medical director, PVHC will forge ahead with the program, Mathews said.

“Dr. Beia would be very upset if we didn’t move forward,” she said.

Dr. Adam Childers has assumed the role of medical director for the program, and Mathews said Childers has been involved with its development since the “get go.”

At the stakeholders’ meeting, PVHC provided information on the program and solicited input from healthcare professionals, law enforcement and community social service representatives on how best to design a paramedicine program that fits Powell’s needs.

Andy Gienapp, manager for the Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma for the Wyoming Department of Health, said the traditional role of paramedics and EMTs limits the services of paramedics to a small role that can be expanded to better serve the community.

“This is going to be the next evolution in EMS care,” Gienapp said.

A good example of paramedicine in action would be an elderly woman who has trouble taking her medications after surgery. Perhaps she forgets or takes them on the wrong day. After she has a reaction, she calls 911, and the ambulance arrives to help her. This may happen multiple times, with frequent trips to the emergency

department.

Community paramedicine would work a little differently. A paramedic might visit the woman’s home after the medications are prescribed to make sure she understands the schedule and how to follow it, which would prevent return trips to the hospital.

Another example might be a person suffering from mental illness who calls 911 in times of extreme stress. Rather than transport the patient to the hospital, a paramedic trained in community paramedicine would put the patient in touch with mental health services that can better address his or her individual needs.

In rural areas, these programs can utilize existing services to close gaps in care. Since patient volumes are so low outside the metropolitan areas, healthcare services can be sparse.

“In Wyoming, we have a lot of gaps,” Gienapp said.

Speaking after the meeting, PVHC Emergency Department Director June Minchow said there isn’t a lot of concern about duplicating existing services, as there aren’t a lot of other sources for what the community paramedicine program would provide.

There are questions about payment for the service. Since ambulance services are reimbursed for traditional stabilization and transport, there isn’t a mechanism for Medicare or insurance to cover the cost to the patient.

Outside of Medicare, “a lot of our seniors don’t have other coverage,” Powell Senior Center



On Labor Day weekend, paramedics tend to accident victims in a crash. The traditional role for paramedics is stabilization and transportation of people with medical needs. A community paramedicine program will expand this role to extend this local resource. Tribune file photo by Mark Davis

Director Cathy Florian pointed out.

Minchow said the service actually saves money by preventing multiple trips to the hospital, so she said it’s likely that — as more communities adopt these programs — insurance companies and social services will buy into it.

“It will happen. It will get there. All the markers point in that direction,” Minchow said.

Gienapp said grant funding

will not sustain the programs, so those other sources will be needed to keep the program going.

Minchow said the program won’t start operating until next year. Mathews and fellow paramedic Joshua Poff still need to finish their certifications in community paramedicine — and PVHC has a lot of outreach to do.

“We want to get to know people and get our faces out there

and let them know they have this resource,” Minchow said.

Kevin McGinnis, an expert in rural EMS who traveled from Maine to the stakeholders meeting, said 30 to 40 percent of patients EMTs and paramedics serve don’t need to go to the hospital. However, McGinnis said the traditional role of these healthcare professionals is geared toward that one destination.

“We need to be a fuller play-

ers in a community’s health provisioning,” he said.

He recommended that PVHC start its initial community paramedicine program small and build from there.

Whatever the program will look like, those at the meeting saw a lot of potential; Florian said the example of follow-up care to help seniors with their medications is especially promising.

“I’m really excited to see this play out,” she said.

Suspect in Yellowstone National Park assault sentenced

A man who reportedly assaulted two tourists in Yellowstone National Park last summer has received a 6.5-year prison sentence.

Jackson Burley Coombs, 30, received the sentence from U.S. District Court Judge Nancy D. Freudenthal on Wednesday, after pleading guilty to one count of aggravated assault with a dangerous weapon and one count of simple assault.

Coombs was arrested by Yellowstone park rangers after a report of an assault in progress at the Xanterra Cabin Community Bathrooms at Mammoth Hot Springs.

Federal prosecutors said Coombs hid in a stall in the women’s bathroom, with his face wrapped in toilet paper. After a woman entered another stall, he banged on her door until it opened and then began punching her

in the face and head; at one point, he grabbed her by the jaw.

The woman was able to yell for help and her traveling companion entered the bathroom to help her. Coombs then assaulted the companion and used bear spray on both victims.

A passerby also entered the bathroom and helped subdue the suspect until park rangers arrived. The fe-

male suffered a concussion as well as many bruises and cuts to her face.

“The nature and circumstances of the unprovoked assault in this case are truly appalling,” said Mark A. Klaassen, the U.S. attorney for Wyoming. “I am sorry for the pain and emotional distress the victim of this senseless attack has had to endure, and thankful for the courage of those who heard the commotion and took

action to subdue Coombs before he could inflict any further harm. I also appreciate our law enforcement partners in responding to the scene and assisting my office in bringing this case to justice.”

After completing his prison sentence, Coombs will be on supervised release for 36 months. He was also ordered to pay \$2,199 in restitution and a \$125 special assessment.

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OBITUARIES

Ruric O'Brien Mason II, (O'Brien, OB)

(Feb. 14, 1953 - April 21, 2019)

Ruric O'Brien Mason II passed away on April 21, 2019, at Powell Valley Hospital. He was 66.

He was born on Feb. 14, 1953, at St. Vincent Hospital in Santa Fe, New Mexico, to Ruric D. Mason and Barbara Eukel.

O'Brien graduated from Santa Fe High School in 1971, and completed his studies at the College of Santa Fe in 1986, to become a registered nurse. He married his wife, Terry Odom, in Seattle, Washington, on June 2, 2013.

O'Brien had a long career of helping people. He worked at Christus St. Vincent for 45 years, starting as a central distribution tech and then becoming an operating room technologist.

After graduating from the College of Santa Fe, he continued to work in the OR as an RN. He was a preceptor for many new RNs and techs. He was a patient teacher, and his colleagues greatly valued him as a member

of the OR team. He made an impact on each patient he cared for.

He was an avid Lobo basketball fan who purchased season tickets every year. From November through early March, he could be found at "The Pit," enjoying the game with many friends over the years, especially Charlie and Loretta Maxwell.

O'Brien also loved traveling with his wife. During their time together, they explored Alaska, Wyoming, South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Florida, North Carolina, Kansas, Arizona, Nevada and Colorado.

He loved to fish and took every opportunity to go. It didn't matter if it was a lake, river, stream or pond, he was ready to catch some fish. He taught Olivia, Cara and Craig his fishing skills and was looking forward to teaching Madeline, Hudson, Jack and Ryan. He also enjoyed collecting gemstones.

O'Brien was a kind and generous man who brought a smile to many faces. He will be missed.

He was preceded in death by his father Ruric D. Mason.

He is survived by his mother Barbara Mason of Santa Fe, New Mexico; his wife Terry Odom of Powell; stepmother Leslie D. Mason; stepdaughters Erin (Paul) Albuquerque and Shawna Burgower; sisters Robin Casey, Kathy (Skip) Noltensmeyer and Shelly (Bill) Moon; and five grandchildren.

There will be a visitation on May 2, 2019, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Kiva Chapel of Light of the Santa Fe Memorial Gardens in Santa Fe, New Mexico. A memorial service will be held on May 3, 2019, at 2 p.m., at the Santa Fe Memorial Gardens.

Flowers can be sent care of Rivera Family Funeral Home 417 East Rodeo Rd. Santa Fe, NM 87505. The family would also appreciate donations in O'Brien's name to the Powell Medical Foundation, Santa Fe Animal Shelter or the American Cancer Society for colorectal cancer research.



O'BRIEN MASON

Ronald Hugh Rickard

(July 18, 1939 - Jan. 16, 2019)

Ronald Hugh Rickard passed away peacefully on Jan. 16, 2019, at Cody Regional Hospital.

Ron was born July 18, 1939, in Glenrock, Wyoming, to Hugh and Audrey Rickard. Ron attended schools in Powell and Northwest Delores Christman in July 1959.

He served his country in the National Guard during the Berlin Crisis in 1961. With his master's degree he received from the University of Wyoming, he went on to be a caring and inspirational math teacher at Cody Junior High.

Together, Ron and Delores lived in Cody, where they raised their two sons Steve and Scott Rickard.

When he wasn't teaching, Ron enjoyed farming and was

an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, horseback riding, and snowmobiling. He was a long-time member of the Cody Elks Lodge. He loved to cook for his family, especially his famous pancakes and roasting the perfect marshmallow.

He loved playing games and cards with his kids and grandkids. He worked hard with his family to build and maintain the family cabin, which is still enjoyed today.

He had many good stories and good times and lots of laughter shared with his family. He will be greatly missed.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents Hugh and Audrey Rickard and sister Judy Tollman.

He is survived by his wife; sons and daughters-in-law Steven and Dina, and Scott and Angie; four grandchildren; two

great-grandchildren; and his sister and brother-in-law Terry and Bob Peterson.

Ron was cremated on Jan. 19, 2019. A memorial service will be held on May 3, 2019, at the First Presbyterian Church, 2025 23rd Street, Cody, WY 82414.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a celebration of life immediately following.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to the First Presbyterian Church. The funds will be used to provide education and training for professionals, parents and teachers who work with children from disadvantaged places. This will provide an opportunity for young parents and Cody-area professionals who will benefit from this continuing education opportunity for new knowledge and understanding. Please designate your donation as funds in memory of Ron Rickard.



RON RICKARD



VETERAN

Grizzlies: 42 grizzlies euthanized in Wyoming last year

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blew up," Lasseter explained to commissioners. "There's broken bones, damaged muscles, bruising and punctures."

In this case, neither of the calves had puncture marks to the dorsal midline or head. Further, the two calves were buried in the same location, while grizzly depredations are usually dispersed, Lasseter said.

He agreed that a grizzly bear "cached" the two dead calves, but "when we investigate these cases, a lot of the time the livestock have died from other causes and grizzly bears have scavenged those dead livestock."

Lasseter said he calls them as he sees them.

"I wouldn't have any integrity if I did it any other way," he said after the debate.

In the end, Game and Fish officials decided Boardman's calves didn't qualify for a "more likely than not" killed by a trophy game animal status.

There was no argument the animals had been cached by a grizzly. But whether they were killed or scavenged by a bear was unclear to the commission after hearing Boardman's appeal. (Commission president David Rael recused himself from the debate due to a friendship with Boardman.)

Commissioner Pat Crank made the motion to deny the request.

"There's a history that we don't [pay] these kind of claims," Crank said. "There's no evidence consistent with our experience and training with grizzly bear kills that these were killed by a grizzly."

The process and denial of compensation left Boardman upset.

"I'm taking this to the next step," Boardman said Monday, explaining that he plans to take the case to arbitration. He has 90 days from the denial of compensation from the commission to file.

"This is purely a business decision. This is nothing against the Game and Fish. They are great," he added. "This is the cost of an unfunded mandate by a federal judge."

U.S. District Court Judge Dana Christensen reinstated endangered species protections

for grizzly bears in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem last year, taking management of the species away from Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. Christensen ruled that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife acted improperly in delisting the species, halting planned hunts in Wyoming and Idaho.

In the wake of his ruling, Boardman and many local livestock producers and residents have expressed growing weariness with expanding predator populations.

As Boardman noted to the commission, the Wyoming Grizzly Bear Management Plan says that public support "is key to the long-term welfare and sustainability of the grizzly bear population."

However, "public support for grizzlies from livestock producers can only occur if there's an honest, fair and common sense process for the producer to receive just compensation for predatory losses," he said. "Not a bureaucratic and expensive system that places undue hardships and unrealistic burdens of proof on the livestock producer."

INCREASING BEARS

Boardman has leased land on Heart Mountain for his cattle for the past 12 years. The Nature Conservancy property is managed both for historic use (ranching), public recreation and for wildlife. This was the first time the B-Slash Ranch has lost cattle on the property — and it was the first time Game and Fish investigated cattle depredation on Heart Mountain pastures.

"We've definitely seen an increase in distribution of bears," Lasseter said.

The popular trail from the Heart Mountain Ranch office to the summit of the mountain is currently closed due to high grizzly traffic. The Boardman case meant that ranch managers had to relocate grazing operations, but they have flexibility on the large property.

Unlike some other agricultural properties in the area, The Nature Conservancy isn't totally dependent on grazing. However, Ranch Preserve Manager Brian Peters said they have to make the same adjustments to having grizzlies in the region.

"We're trying to manage for a balance between wildlife and historic use," he said.

Lasseter said Heart Mountain is on the edge of biologically suitable grizzly habitat.

Three grizzlies made it as far east as Byron last year — about 100 miles from Yellowstone's East Gate — due to the suitable habitat being oversaturated with bears, according to Game and Fish officials. Since grizzlies were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act more than 40 years ago, populations have gone from well under 200 grizzlies to more than 700 inside the core Demographic Monitoring Area (DMA) and in Yellowstone. Grizzlies outside the boundaries of the DMA are not included in the official counts and the estimates are designed to be extremely conservative.

As grizzly bears push further east and south, livestock producers are experiencing more problems. There were 244 grizzly conflicts in 2018, mostly involving grizzlies attacking cattle. That was more than the combined total of black bear, mountain lion, gray wolf and coyote conflicts.

Lasseter said that during the fall, looking at dead livestock is a daily activity.

"My phone would be nothing but dead calf pictures if I took a picture of every calf I saw," he said.

Conflicts impact not only livestock producers, but also the Game and Fish and sportsmen, who pay for more than 85 percent of the department's budget. Costs, both in dollars and in grizzly deaths, are increasing as populations expand.

Wildlife managers in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, guided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, euthanized 42 grizzlies last year — including a record 32 "lethal removals" in Wyoming.

While Boardman believes the price of doing business near grizzly habitat has gone up, costing him thousands of dollars, he said he's now more worried about a hiker being hurt or killed on the Heart Mountain trail than the loss of livestock.

"We can replace cattle," he said, "but we can't replace people."

Service Academy Information Day May 4 in Cody

Parents and students can learn more about opportunities in America's military academies during a Saturday, May 4 event at Cody High School.

The Service Academy Information Day, which starts at 1 p.m., will include representatives from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado; the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York; the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland; and

the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York.

They'll share information about the academies and ROTC/NROTC application process, attending a military academy or ROTC/NROTC, and serving as a commissioned officer in the United States Armed Forces.

The informational session also offers an opportunity for parents and students to hear

from representatives of Wyoming's Congressional Delegations, about how they can assist students gain a nomination to a Service Academy; the process is complex and can start as early as the junior year in high school.

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IN OUR OPINION

Earth Day a reminder we must all do our part

Monday was Earth Day across the nation and around the globe, an event that began on April 22, 1970, in response to a massive oil spill off the coast of California in 1969. The spill blanketed the coast with oil, enraging environmental activists and inspiring a senator from Wisconsin, of all places, to establish Earth Day as a way to raise awareness to environmental causes.

It seemed to work, with the Clean Water Act coming out of that “call to arms” by environmentalists and concerned citizens. President Richard Nixon created the Environmental Protection Agency, another positive step in the fight for a cleaner nation. How we consume energy, the products we buy and how we choose to discard our waste all play a part in the overall health of the planet.

Unfortunately, one of the easiest ways for people to stay involved and engaged in protecting our environment is taking a bit of a hit. The recycling industry is struggling with a commodity market affected by Chinese bans on certain recyclables, and recycling centers, including Powell Valley Recycling, are feeling the pinch.

Other challenges also exist for recycling centers, including trucking regulations that have increased the cost of transporting recyclables while revenues continue to decrease.

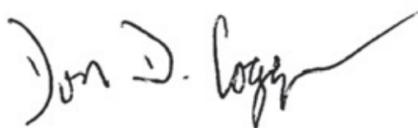
In short, because China no longer wants our garbage, the market for recycling could be going the way of the dinosaur. Cities and towns all across the nation are scrambling to figure out what to do with the stuff they had previously sent abroad. Unfortunately for many communities who can no longer sustain a recycling facility, that means utilizing landfills and incinerators to dispose of the waste. Curbside recycling pick-up is becoming a thing of the past in larger communities as recycling centers continue to shut their doors.

As a country, we’re creating more waste than in any other time in history: According to an EPA study, the United States generated approximately 262 million tons of waste in 2015, up 60 percent from just 30 years ago.

And therein lies the rub. With no simple answer staring us in the face, it’s up to us and our elected officials to brainstorm and problem-solve the issue.

Recycling without cost-effective and environmentally-friendly ways to dispose of the materials is an effort in futility. We as a community and as a state have to find solutions by working together and reducing our reliance on disposable items.

We don’t need to stop recycling; rather, we just have to be smarter about how we do it. Cleaning and sorting our recyclables before we put them in recycling bins may seem like a waste of time, but it’s a small step we can take to help the larger process. There are many vital reasons for changing the way we recycle and dispose of waste, not the least of which is ensuring we keep having an Earth Day to celebrate.



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The importance of reading to your baby

Ever wonder when to start reading to your baby? The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends reading to your baby every day starting at birth. Some parents even read to their baby while he or she is in the womb. By 16 weeks, a baby in utero begins to detect sound, and by week 24, babies have shown a response to hearing human voice by turning their head. According to Tricia Skoler, Ph.D., “Talking with your baby, reading with your baby, and engaging in conversations is a great way to foster learning. Now there is new research evidence suggesting that babies begin learning patterns of language even before

they are born.”
Why should you read to your baby? Times spent reading together are happy times of bonding. Baby is secure hearing your voice and reading will become a positive experience — setting the tone for learning to read later. While baby is not yet talking, he or she is listening and beginning to learn language.

In addition to reading, as you communicate with your child during your daily activities, you model the vocabulary, inflection, meaning,

and back and forth of language. Talk to your baby during the day about what you are doing, such as when you change her diaper or give him a bath. Sing with your baby, and play with your baby. Remember This Little Piggy Went to Market, and Pat-a-Cake? Rhymes are not only fun, but familiarity with rhymes helps children with word prediction when they learn to read.

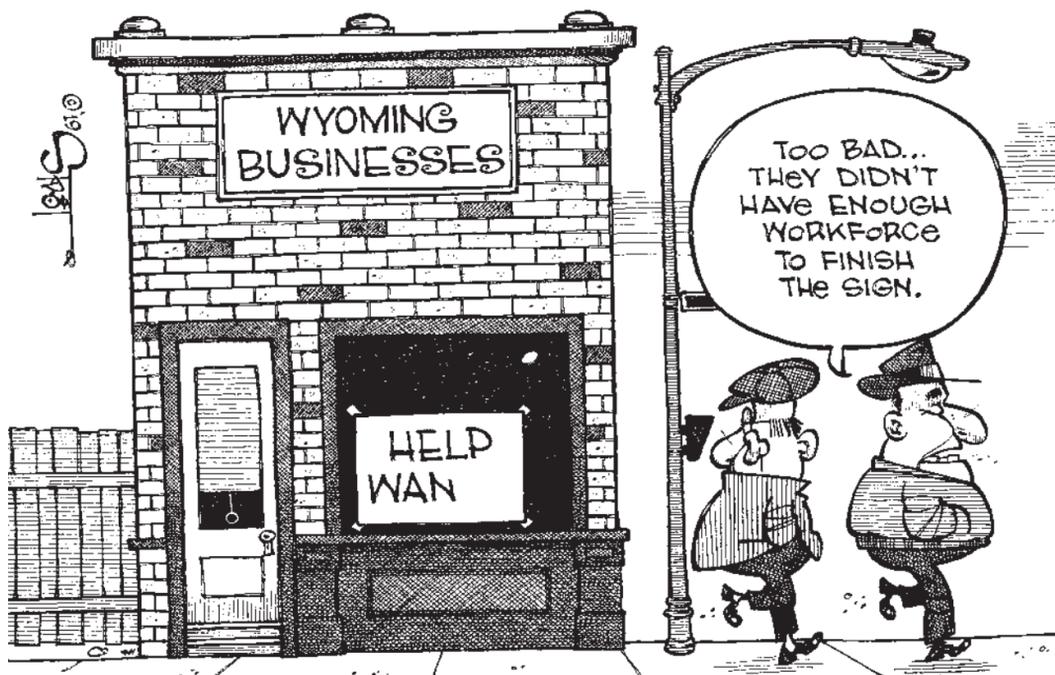
When your baby is big enough, let him hold the book and turn the pages. Board books

are ideal for little hands, and durable. Ask questions about the pictures. Point to the words in the book as you read, thereby modeling the format of reading from left to right. Each of these experiences is preparing your child to become an independent reader later. Your library here in Powell has board books and picture books to borrow, as well as weekly storytimes for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. Come visit us anytime. We would love to help you start building these fun memories with your child!

(Renee Hanlin is the children’s librarian at the Powell Branch Library.)



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WILD Act will spark innovation in wildlife conservation

Wyoming is home to some of the most incredible wildlife on the planet. People travel from all over the world to experience our state’s natural beauty and see our thriving populations of bison, grizzly bears, mule deer, wolves and elk. People from Wyoming have a special appreciation for wildlife conservation. We are determined to protect these wild animals from the threat of invasive species and illegal poachers.

Conservation has remained a priority of mine for years. In 2005, as a member of the Wyoming State Senate, I supported the creation of the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust. By combining donations and state funds, the trust bankrolls projects that conserve wildlife habitat and natural resources across the state. Now, as chairman of the U.S. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, I am working to protect our wildlife in Wyoming and around the globe.

In March, President Trump signed into law legislation I introduced — the Wildlife Innovation and Longevity Driver Act — or WILD Act. It will promote technological innovation to protect threatened wildlife and control invasive species. It also

reauthorizes the Department of the Interior’s successful Partners for Fish and Wildlife program.

This important conservation program works with private landowners to restore and improve fish and wildlife habitats. In Wyoming, the result has been decades of successful partnerships among landowners and conservation groups. These partnerships have been key for protecting threatened species and confronting the threat of invasive species, which are foreign species that are introduced to a new environment and then take over. They present a threat to native wildlife, water resources and the landscape, often clogging pipes and fueling catastrophic fires.

Invasive species also push local species to the brink of extinction. Almost half of America’s endangered species face threats from invasives. In Wyoming, we struggle with cheatgrass, which steals water from other plants and provides low-quality forage for animals. The WILD Act instructs govern-

ment agencies to implement strategic programs to control cheatgrass and other invasive species.

The law also supports innovators who are creating new methods for battling invasive species. The WILD Act will support this development by establishing competitions with cash prizes for wildlife innovation. Awards will be available for new technologies that promote conservation, manage invasives, protect endangered species, prevent poaching and use nonlethal methods to control wildlife.

The people of Wyoming have seen firsthand how devastating poaching can be. Earlier this spring, the Sheridan County Sheriff’s Office charged one man with poaching more than 100 deer. In 2018 alone, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department issued 160 citations for hunters failing to tag big or trophy game. The numbers are staggering.

This issue isn’t unique to Wyoming. Several other states struggle with poaching, and it has become a pandemic over-

seas. Some of the world’s most beloved species are on the verge of extinction. Over the past decade, international poachers seeking to cash in on the ivory trade have reduced the population of African elephants by 75 percent.

America’s innovators are developing cutting-edge technologies to fight poaching more effectively. These approaches include the use of genetic testing to identify the origins of illicit ivory and drones to locate poachers in our national parks.

The WILD Act also reauthorizes successful conservation programs to protect some of the world’s rarest animals, such as elephants, tigers, great apes, rhinos and marine turtles.

The people of Wyoming understand the importance of protecting wildlife. Innovation is one of the best tools to conserve endangered species and keep invasive species under control. The WILD Act will help spark that innovation.

(John Barrasso, a Republican senator from Wyoming, is chairman of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works. This column first appeared in the Jackson Hole News & Guide.)



SEN. JOHN BARRASSO
Guest columnist

Nice people and open spaces help keep our folks among the happiest

The diversity of our landscape and our people (and even our weather) were reasons given by some of my best friends about why they are so happy to live here in Wyoming!

It is easy to understand why Wyoming was named one of the two “most happy” states in the country in a recent Gallup Poll, reported in USA Today.

“People wave at you when you are driving down the street, even if they don’t know you,” says Mike Bailey of Riverton. “Plus I love our 300 days of sunshine per year and the beautiful view of the mountains. I like that people here are so honest, too.”

Jerry Kendall of Hudson says, “I love Wyoming because of the amazing diversity of its landscape. I can climb into the Wind River Mountains and stand where perhaps no other human has ever stood,” he says. “I can

wander out into the vast Red Desert and not see another soul for days on end. I can breathe fresh air every day of my life.”

John Davis of Worland reports, “My wife is from Toronto, and would have been quite at home in a large city. What we both settled on was Sheridan; we thought it was the perfect blend of a town with a little bit of size, and, therefore, a lot of shopping and restaurant advantages, and still one that was right in the middle of one of the prettiest areas in the state.”

“Well, Sheridan was not to be, and when I got out of the JAG Corps, the best opportunity seemed to come in my hometown of Worland. What we liked immediately about Worland was how warm and friendly the people were. Crime was unheard of and our neighbors bent over backwards to be, well, good neighbors.

“We found a house, a fine 1917 Arts and Crafts piece, one full of great woodwork, and, at least in the main floor, almost completely original. It was built for Sadie and Charlie Worland, and was intended to be the finest house in town. Well, the house became our grand project. We were truly blessed to have it as our home for 38 years.”

Jack Speight of Cheyenne says, “I enjoy the wide open spaces and the lack of concentration of people on top of each other.

“We wintered this year at home in Wyoming instead of in a warm place. What you discover is it is the people [who set] Wyoming apart in the middle

of July or in mid-February. Wyoming people care about their neighbors.

“I was out shoveling a fairly long half-block sidewalk on Eighth Avenue. The snowplows had dumped more snow on top of the 6 inches on the sidewalk to clear the street. A man in a pickup truck turned around in the middle of the block, pulled up, unloaded a snow blower, and gave me a helping hand. That’s Wyoming.

“That Good Samaritan didn’t know me. I had never met him until that morning, yet he was willing to give a helping hand to a 79-year-old out shoveling his own sidewalk. You’re not gonna find that in many states. People do

care for each other in Wyoming more than other states because there are fewer of us. That is the true beauty of Wyoming.”

Chuck Brown of Wheatland says, “Why aren’t we the happiest? I am!”

John Brown of Lander (no relation) says, “Fewer people, no traffic to speak of, mountains, and a clear sky at night that allows me to see the Milky Way!”

Jim Hicks of Buffalo says, “Most small communities around the country have people who do care about their neighbors, not just in Wyoming, but since most of this state is made up of relatively isolated small communities there is a stronger community spirit.

“We all talk about improving the economy by attracting new business and more people, but down deep for many of us we honestly don’t want that much



BILL SNIFFIN
Guest columnist

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Historic Yellowstone materials shared Monday



Depictions of Yellowstone Lake (above) and the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone (at right) are among the items held with the McCracken Research Library's Yellowstone archives in Cody. The archives will be the subject of an April 29 talk at the Irma Hotel.

Images courtesy McCracken Research Library, Buffalo Bill Center of the West



Samantha Harper and Karen Roles of the McCracken Research Library at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West will provide an overview of the library's Yellowstone archives at the next meeting of the Pahaska Corral of Westerners.

The Monday meeting will be held at the Governors Room in the Irma Hotel in Cody, beginning with a no-host dinner at 6 p.m. and followed by the presentation around 7 p.m.

Both the meal and the program are open to the public; however, due to limited seating, non-members must RSVP by emailing Lynn Houze ljhcody@tctwest.net.

The McCracken's Yellowstone National Park Collection came from various sources, but they are all primary sources that depict the Yellowstone story — from stagecoach passes to photographs, promotional brochures, government reports and postcards. Harper and Roles will be highlighting the Greater Yellowstone Sights and Sounds Collection, made up of 18,000 video clips that include moose, grizzlies and other charismatic megafauna at ease in the park. The collection also includes video of rangers, biologists and community members discussing their feelings about, among other things, wolf reintroduction, grizzly bears and incidents of human-wildlife conflict.

Harper came by her interest in the American West naturally. She originates from Hays, Kansas. Not only was it once the wildest of cow towns, it was at one point the home to Buffalo Bill, Wild Bill Hickok, and others.

"In a way I'm retracing Cody's steps through life," Harper said. "The Hays City Crest consists of busts of Cody, Hickok, and Custer, so I just grew up with this history all around me."

Roles, a former Powell High School history teacher, was born and raised in the Big Horn Basin. A skilled genealogist, she assists patrons at the McCracken with research inquiries.

"We have buried treasures here," Harper said, "and when you do a little bit of digging, you find we have an abundance of materials that are deeply related to Yellowstone National Park."

The Pahaska Corral of Westerners is the local chapter of Westerner International, an organization dedicated to stimulating interest and research in the history of the American West.

'In a way I'm retracing Cody's steps through life.'

Samantha Harper
Buffalo Bill Center of the West

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Thank you to numerous more community members who donated to Bowl for Kids' Sake!

Smithsonian researcher to speak about early humans

A paleoanthropologist from the Smithsonian Institution's national Museum of Natural History will present a talk on "Innovation and Environmental Disruption during the Origin of Homo Sapiens" at an upcoming talk in Cody.

Richard Potts is set to speak at 6:30 p.m. on May 3, at the Buffalo Bill Center of the West's Coe Auditorium.

Potts and fellow researchers have proposed that environmental turmoil in the form of geological faulting and rapidly changing climate likely drove early humans in East Africa to develop stone tool innovations, exchange between distant groups and the use of coloring material,

tens of thousands of years earlier than previously thought. These milestones in technological, ecological, and social evolution coincided with the oldest ages for fossils attributed to humans in Africa.

Potts shares these findings in the presentation, as well as those in a follow-up study that shows that dramatic variations in fresh water, vegetation and landscapes took place during this critical transition in human behavior and may reflect the origin of adaptability in our species.



RICHARD POTTS

Potts founded and directs the Human Origins Program at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C. In partnership with the National Museums of Kenya, Potts leads ongoing excavations at the Olororgesailie and Homa Peninsula field sites in Kenya.

After receiving his PhD in biological anthropology at Harvard University in 1982, Potts taught at Yale University before joining the Smithsonian in 1985. His research investigates Earth's

environmental dynamics and the processes that have led to human evolutionary adaptations. His ideas about the influence of environmental instability on human evolution have stimulated new studies in Earth sciences, paleontology, and computational biology.

Potts is the curator of the Smithsonian's Hall of Human Origins and of the exhibit Exploring Human Origins, which has been traveling across the United States since 2015. Potts is author of the exhibit companion book, "What Does It Mean To Be Human?"

Learn more at the free May 3 presentation.

HEART MOUNTAIN INTERPRETIVE CENTER SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

On Sunday, Heart Mountain Interpretive Center will hold a meeting for residents interested in volunteering at the center. The meeting is open to the public and will begin at 2 p.m. at the interpretive center.

Volunteers fill many roles at Heart Mountain Interpretive Center. Some greet visitors, give programs, and guide student groups through the museum, while others help to maintain the site's historic structures and gardens. Others assist with organizing the center's archival and artifact collections, or provide support at the annual Pilgrimage and

other special events. Volunteerism is a great way to give back and support the center's mission, while having fun and meeting new people, the nonprofit organization says.

"Volunteering at Heart Mountain these past two years has been among the most rewarding and fun, things I've done in my life," said Harriet Bloom-Wilson, a volunteer from Powell.

She said it's rewarding because she feels proud to play a part in communicating the message of the interpretive center to visitors from all over the world.

"I'm also always learning something new,

from inputting data to gaining insight into the experiences of incarcerated and their families," Bloom-Wilson said. "I always look forward to my time there."

Heart Mountain Interpretive Center tells the story of some 14,000 Japanese Americans unjustly incarcerated in Wyoming from 1942 through 1945. The center is located between Cody and Powell on U.S. Highway 14-A.

Those who cannot attend the meeting but are interested in volunteering can contact registrar Danielle McAdams at dmcadams@heartmountain.org or 754-8000, ext. 105.

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DIGEST



A Dodge Durango suffered heavy damage after its driver reportedly ran a stop sign at the intersection of Lane 8 and Road 10.
Tribune photo by Don Cogger

Crash in rural Powell results in no injuries

No serious injuries were reported after two vehicles collided west of Powell on Tuesday evening. Joshua Bassett, 39, of Powell, was heading north on Road 10 in his 2015 Ford pickup when he saw a 2006 Dodge Durango approaching on Lane 8 at "a high rate of speed," the Park County Sheriff's Office said.

"[Bassett] wasn't sure if the Durango was going to be able to stop at the stop sign at the

intersection, so he swerved in an attempt to avoid being hit," said Lance Mathess, a spokesman for the sheriff's office.

The Durango went through the stop sign and crashed into the Ford's rear, causing it to spin 180 degrees and go off the road, Mathess said.

Emergency responders were summoned to the scene around 4 p.m.

The driver of the westbound Durango,

30-year-old Ethan Wutzke of Powell, later told the sheriff's office that he "was not paying attention when he ran the stop sign," Mathess said. Wutzke was cited for failure to stop at a sign, no valid registration and no proof of valid auto insurance. Wutzke said he was driving about 45 mph at the time of the crash.

Both drivers were wearing seat belts and declined medical treatment.

WEATHER REPORT

Date	High	Low	Precip.
04.17	60	33	.00
04.18	70	33	.00
04.19	80	48	.00
04.20	73	50	.00
04.21	49	40	.00
04.22	57	39	.07
04.23	75	35	.00

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

POLICE REPORT

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

APRIL 11

- 8:16 p.m. Leisha Clark, 29, of Powell, was arrested on an active circuit court warrant on North Bernard Street.
- 9:05 p.m. After a traffic stop at East Coulter Avenue/South Day Street, the driver received a warning for driving without lights at night and no proof of insurance and a citation for driving without a driver's license.
- 11:33 p.m. An officer noticed an open car door on East Coulter Avenue. The owner could not be located. A property manager was notified that an officer had shut the door.

APRIL 12

- 6:20 a.m. A resident on South Gilbert Street reported a dog had been yelping at a side door most of the night. A responding officer found a dog in the backyard, not making any noise. No one answered the door and the incident was placed under investigation.
- 9:40 a.m. After a traffic stop at East Seventh Street/Panther Boulevard, the driver received a citation for speeding.
- 5:52 p.m. A caller reported a vehicle driving erratically at South Day/East Jefferson streets. A

responding officer advised the driver of the complaint.

- 10:13 p.m. Officers responded to a disturbance on North Bent Street and contacted all parties involved. It was determined it was a verbal disturbance only and the parties separated for the night.
- 10:56 p.m. Officers responded to a report of a vehicle swerving on East Monroe Street, but they found the vehicle unoccupied.
- 11:07 p.m. A caller reported a domestic disturbance on Kattenhorn Drive. Officers were told that the disturbance was not physical and both parties calmed down.
- 11:41 p.m. Officers responded to a report of a physical altercation on North Bent Street. Both parties involved received a citation for breach of peace.
- 12:51 a.m. A resident on East Fifth Street reported an intoxicated subject was knocking on someone's door. Responding officers were unable to locate the subject.
- 9:05 a.m. After a traffic stop at Avenue A/South Division Street, the driver received a warning for using a cellphone while driving and a citation for no proof of insurance.
- 10:44 a.m. A caller on East Monroe Street reported a subject flying a drone. Responding officers were unable to locate the subject.
- 3:16 p.m. A caller on North Bent Street reported a person was selling products for Dish network door to door. Responding officers contacted the subject and advised them of the city ordinances.
- 3:58 p.m. A driver's license was reported lost at South Absaroka Street/East Coulter Avenue.
- 6:12 p.m. A resident on South Jones Street reported a vehicle had been egged. The case is still under investigation.
- 9:30 p.m. A resident on East Seventh Street reported a person

taking things out of a vehicle and then leaving the area. Officers responded, but were unable to locate the person.

APRIL 14

- 1:13 a.m. Dispatch received a report of a missing person; officers later located the individual.
- 1:27 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic disturbance on North Ingalls Street and calmed down the situation. The investigation is ongoing.
- 3:05 a.m. After a traffic stop at North Evarts/East Second streets, the driver received a citation for no driver's license and a warning for passenger side brake light out.
- 10:20 a.m. A caller on Julie Lane requested to speak with an officer about a neighbor's dogs barking constantly, being neglected and being aggressive in their own yard. The officer placed the incident under investigation.
- 5:33 p.m. A truck was reported to be going about 40 mph through a trailer court on South Jones Street. An officer checked the area, but did not locate the truck.
- 8:12 p.m. Joe Fred Walker, 28, of Powell, was arrested on North Bernard Street on an active Wyoming warrant.

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- 11:14 a.m. A caller reported a possible drunk driver coming into town at East Coulter Avenue/South Day Street. Responded officers stopped the vehicle and found the driver was not intoxicated; however, the driver received a warning for failure to maintain a single lane and a citation for no registration.
- 12:44 p.m. A resident requested criminal trespass notices be served on a person for several locations in the Powell area. Officers served the notices.
- 7:40 p.m. A very small cellphone in a gold Under Armour case was reported lost in the Powell area. It was described as almost looking like a child's phone, only 3 inches in length.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

APRIL 14

- 12:10 a.m. Brian Abraham Scott, 21, was arrested on a warrant at the Red Lake area outside of Cody.
- 3:48 p.m. The sheriff's office assisted Powell police in arresting Christopher Stewart Cline, 42, following a traffic stop on U.S. Highway 14-A/Road 11.

APRIL 15

- 12:24 a.m. Luke Bryson Cozzens, 35, was served a warrant at the Cody Law Enforcement Center.

APRIL 16

- 7:42 a.m. Two black dogs were reported to be running in traffic on the Corbett Bridge on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Cody area. The call was referred to another agency.

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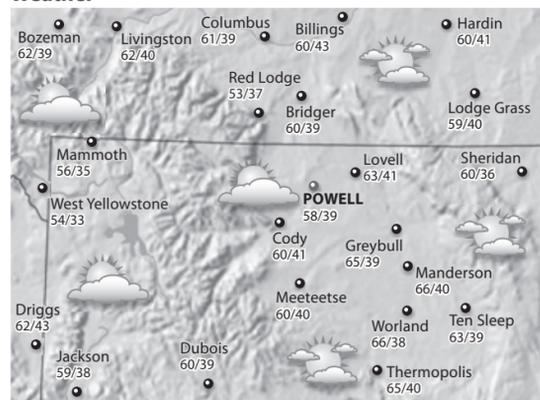
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58° 39°	57° 34°	55° 34°	43° 24°	35° 25°

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

Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Tuesday

TEMPERATURES

High/Low	75°/32°
Normal high/low	60°/32°
Average temperature	50.3°
Normal average temperature	45.6°

PRECIPITATION

Total for the week	0.07"
Month to date	0.07"
Normal month to date	0.32"
Year to date	0.45"
Snowfall for the week	0.0"
Snowfall month to date	Trace"
Snowfall season to date	13.5"

Sun and Moon

Sunrise/Sunset6:15am/8:12pm
Moonrise/Moonset1:53am/11:02am

Last	New	First	Full
Apr 26	May 4	May 11	May 18

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The State	Today	City	Today	City	Today
Buffalo	56/40/pc	Green River	67/44/pc	Laramie	59/38/sh
Casper	64/37/pc	Greybull	65/39/pc	Rawlins	64/43/pc
Cheyenne	61/40/pc	Jeffrey City	65/42/pc	Rock Springs	63/43/pc
Gillette	57/38/pc	Kirby	66/39/pc	Shoshoni	66/42/pc

The Nation	Today	City	Today	City	Today
Atlanta	79/60/pc	Houston	82/62/c	Louisville	74/56/r
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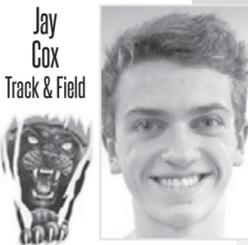


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PREP PERFORMER OF THE WEEK



Cox notched a pair of second-place finishes at Thursday's Laurel Invitational, taking silver in the 400 and 800 meters with times of 51.21 and 2:09.23, respectively. The junior also ran a leg of the 4x400 relay (with teammates Brody Karhu, Dylan Cordes and Dylan Preator), which won the event with a state qualifying time of 3:33.12.

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PREP PERFORMER OF THE WEEK



With a throw of 119 feet, 5 inches, Bonander finished second in the discus at Thursday's Laurel Invitational. The senior's throw was a state-prequalifying distance, and a 9-foot improvement on her previous best this season. Bonander also finished sixth in the shot put with a toss of 33 feet, 1 inch.

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ARBOR DAY

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Trees will be celebrated at a pair of upcoming Arbor Day events in Powell.

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Additionally, folks can pick up free tree seedlings to take home and plant. Various species will be available, including: Black Hills Ponderosa Pine, Black Hills Spruce, Western Red Cedar, Bur Oak, Water Birch, Nanking Cherry, Cheyenne Amur Maple, White Spruce and American Mountain Ash.

Powell Mayor John Wetzel will read a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day and the Wyoming Division of Forestry will recog-

nize the City of Powell as a Tree City USA. It will mark the 29th consecutive year that Powell has received the designation from the Arbor Day Foundation. It will also be the fifth consecutive year that Powell has received the Tree City USA Growth Award, presented to cities that provide higher levels of tree care.

Additionally, Westside Elementary School student Korbyn Warren will be honored as the runner-up in this year's statewide Arbor Day Poster Contest.

While Friday is officially Arbor Day, fifth grade students from Parkside, Southside and Westside elementary schools have been invited to attend another event at The Commons on Monday. Starting at 12:30 p.m., students will participate in programs dedicated to tree planting.

Questions can be directed to the Parks Department at 754-6971.



Above, Marynell Oechsner hides inside a puppet show prop made to look like a dead tree stump known as Sally Snag for an Arbor Day program at the Powell Branch Library Wednesday. The City of Powell will celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, and free trees will be given away at The Commons. Below, parents and children play 'The Mulberry Bush' game during a Wednesday morning program at the Powell Branch Library. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

NWC launches conservation law enforcement program this fall

A new conservation law enforcement program launching this fall at Northwest College will prepare students for careers as park rangers, field agents, game wardens and many other related law enforcement positions.

NWC is the fifth college in the U.S., and the only institution in Wyoming, to offer this associate of arts degree program.

"The demand for both seasonal and full-time, well-trained employees in this field throughout the region is high," said NWC Instructor of Criminal Justice Tony Enerva. "The Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service, National Park Service and several others are increasingly seeking new recruits with a background in criminal justice and conservation law enforcement."

Throughout the next five years, there will be more than 300 job openings in the state through Wyoming Highway Patrol, Forest Service, National Park Service, Wyoming Department of Corrections and Bureau of Land Management.

Students who enroll in the program will gain a comprehensive background in criminal justice, environmental law, backcountry survival, navigation and natural resource protection.

In addition, students will receive academic instruction from faculty with more than 50 years of combined law enforcement experience and gain access to technology that helps facilitate real-world scenarios.

"We're one of only 12 colleges in the nation with a state-of-the-art VirTra 300 firearms simulator," said NWC Instructor of Criminal Justice Dave Patterson. "By offering our students exposure to the highest quality simulations, we assure real-world training to help them prepare for the risks associated with law enforcement."

The curriculum is specifically designed so students receive a strong academic background in law enforcement, which will assist those who complete the program to advance in conservation law enforcement careers.

Graduates of the conservation law enforcement program at NWC will be prepared for employment at the federal, state and local levels in Wyoming and beyond.

Program requirements for the associate of arts degree include courses such as Introduction to Conservation Law Enforcement, Environmental Law, Basic Search and Rescue, Firearms I and II, Criminal Law, Criminal Investigations, Introduction to Geographic Information Systems, Wildlife Management, Wilderness First Aid and Principles of Range Management.

To learn more about conservation law enforcement at NWC, visit <https://nwc.edu/academics/programs/conservation-law-enforcement>. Go to <https://nwc.edu/schedule> to view course offerings for the upcoming semester.



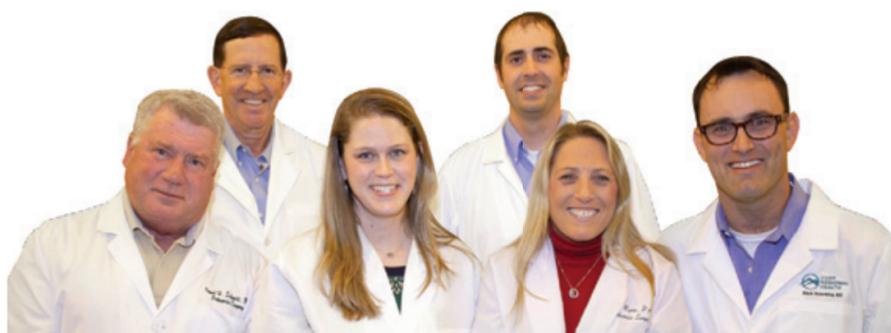
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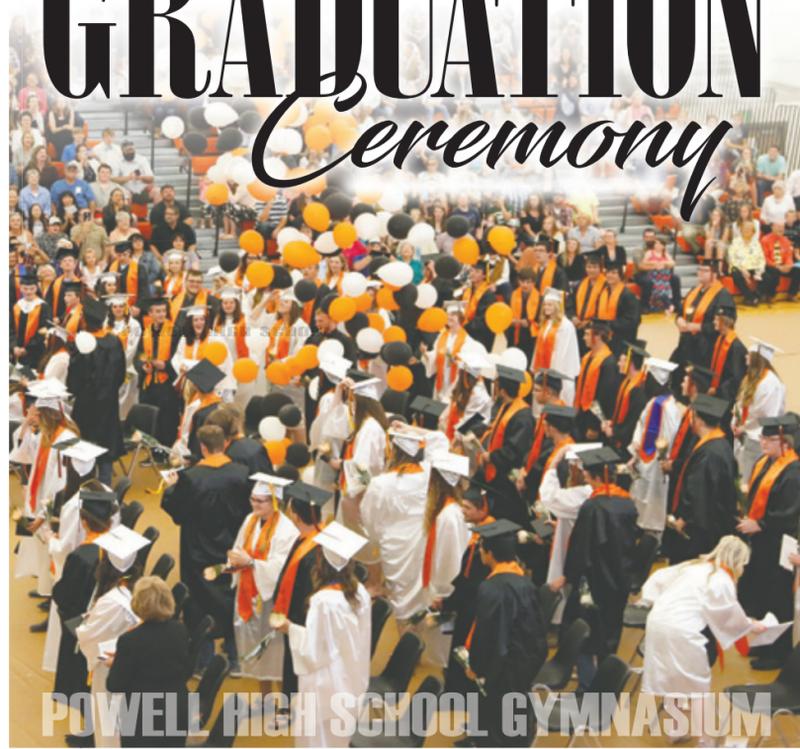


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STUDY: Impact of wolf reintroduction not so clear

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

Perhaps the most-told ecological success story about the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is bringing back wolves, which sparked a trickle-down effect on the web of life around them that researchers are still debating. The premise of wolf reintroduction's effects, known as a "trophic cascade," is that the return of the large canines cut into numbers of herbivore populations like elk, and in turn influenced vegetation like willows and the smaller species that depends on the shrubbery, like songbirds. But some scientists who have kept an eye on Yellowstone since wolves were brought back 24 years ago

say the narrative has been too simplified, a charge that a new University of Wyoming research supports.

"Conventional wisdom in ecology is that trophic cascades are reversible," University of Wyoming PhD ecology candidate Jesse Alston told the News&Guide. "So when you reintroduce a predator to an ecosystem where they existed, it's going to reverse back to a historic state."

Because of some "theoretical reasons," Alston and some lab mates suspected that the relationship wasn't so neat. Their hunch was that factors like the effects of climate change, incomplete historical records and smaller "mesopredators" filling vacant ecological niches weren't being fully accounted for. To test the hypothesis, they mined

over 1,800 academic studies, selecting 20 to analyze that assessed the effects of returning a native apex carnivore to a landscape, or removing an invasive apex predator.

The results confirmed their suspicion that some of the conventional conceptions of trophic cascades are misguided. Alston's research was peer reviewed and published in the latest edition of the journal Biological Conservation.

"Professionals in our field," Alston and his coauthors wrote, "might consider the conservation importance of large carnivore reintroduction (which few ecologists would question) as distinct from the cascading impacts of large carnivore reintroduction, which can be significant, muted or virtually nonexistent."

Yale University and the University of British Columbia-Okanagan researchers collaborated on the study, titled "Reciprocity in restoration ecology: When might large carnivore reintroduction restore ecosystems?"

"Removing or reintroducing apex predators from ecosystems does not appear to have predictable restorative effects," the researchers concluded, "but solid confirmation will require additional rigorous tests of this assumption of reciprocity."

The study suggests that the existence of a trophic cascade hinges largely on how it is defined. Other smaller, carnivores considered within the 20 studies did almost invariably respond.

"When you take wolves back into an ecosystem, you get fewer coyotes,"

Alston said. "The reason why is that these mesopredators perform a lot of the same functions in an ecosystem that the larger predators did."

But the effects large carnivores' presence had on the biomass of vegetation was unpredictable, he said. In Yellowstone, for instance, wolves reduced elk numbers, but the link to how riparian vegetation and beavers responded was muddled by drought.

"We're not claiming that predators never restore ecosystems," Alston said. "Sometimes you get the result that you're looking for, and sometimes you don't."

"What we think the data shows right now," he said, "is that we don't have enough rigorous studies to show that it's predictable."

Policy: Intent is to guide employees

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gotten away from them, and I don't want to be one of those districts."

Curtis told the board earlier this year that some Park 1 employees have posted things online that were considered a little questionable.

"It's been turned in by other teachers who say, 'Why are they talking about our school like that? Why are they talking about our kids like that?'" Curtis said.

The new policy is intended to bring clarity and address those issues.

"I'm not looking for a hammer here," Curtis said. "What I'm looking for is guidance for our staff members."

Under the new policy, employees are also prohibited from having current students as friends or "followers" on social media sites, such as Facebook or Instagram. An exception is made if an employee and student have a family relationship or "other type of appropriate relationship which originated outside of the school setting."

Curtis gathered input from district employees in recent months before the board moved forward with the policy. When the final draft was sent to employees, he received comments from some coaches who were worried about contacting their athletes.

The policy outlines rules for coaches, advisers and teachers who want to use social media to communicate with students about games, announcements or meetings for a school-based activity. If there is a page for a sport or club, students can't be established as friends with the coach or teacher, but as members of the group list. The principal must be notified of the page, and parents will be allowed to access any site their child is invited to join.

The policy also says that all communication with students must be professional in nature, both inside and outside of the classroom.

"Although it is desired that staff members have a sincere interest in students as individuals, partiality and the appearance of impropriety must be avoided," the policy says.

Teachers and coaches who decide to give out their personal cellphone or home phone numbers "need to understand the personal risks associated with that," Curtis said.

If texting students, an employee should text a group of kids, not a single student. If there's a need to text an individual student who,

for example, isn't at practice, the coach "probably needs to text their parent as well," Curtis said.

Administrators have talked about looking into a third-party app that coaches could use to communicate with students, he said.

Under the new policy, employees are also responsible for content they post on their personal pages outside of school hours.

The policy says that while the board respects staff members' right to use social media on their personal time as a form of self-expression, "employees are responsible for their public conduct even when they are not performing their job duties as employees of the school system."

Remarks made on social media can have far-reaching and unintended consequences, the policy notes.

"Opinions expressed by staff on a social networking website have the potential to be disseminated far beyond the speaker's desire or intention, and could undermine the public perception of fitness of the individual to educate students, and thus undermine teaching effectiveness," the policy reads.

It outlines principles for employees to follow when communicating through social media, including not posting confidential information about students, not using internet posts to libel or harass and not posting inappropriate content.

Employees who violate any part of the policy are subject to disciplinary action, from having their online activity monitored when using school equipment up to dismissal.

The Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board's Code of Conduct already outlines rules for educators' use of social media.

"Exercise prudence in your posts," the PTSTB Code of Conduct reads. "If you don't want the Superintendent reading it aloud to you in a meeting, don't post it."

The Park 1 policy also prohibits employees from posting identifiable images of a student without permission from the student and a parent.

Some staff members worried that meant they couldn't post a photo of their own child at a sporting event if other students were also pictured.

"That was not the intent of the policy," Curtis said, adding that it only applies to photos taken in a school setting. Sporting events, assemblies or concerts are considered public events, he said.

The school board unanimously approved the policy at their March 12 meeting.



The U.S. Attorney's Office is seeking to have this Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center facility on Julie Lane forfeited to the government — along with two other buildings, a piece of land and other assets. Prosecutors allege the property represents the proceeds of health care fraud. Tribune photo by CJ Baker

Center: NWTC reported having about \$690,000 in net assets at end of 2017

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Though reduced in size, NWTC continued to operate through March 1 of this year, when it stopped accepting teens at its group homes, according to information the Wyoming Department of Family Services provided to the Park County Attorney's Office.

It was only a few weeks later, on March 25, that federal prosecutors filed a complaint in Wyoming's U.S. District Court seeking the forfeiture of various Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center assets.

The document that lays out the details of the allegations against the center has been sealed — not even being made available to center leaders.

Former NWTC Executive Director Ty Barrus and Joe Bridges, the president of the center's board, each declined to answer any questions about the center this week. They referred questions to attorney Pat Crank of Cheyenne, but he was attending a Wyoming Game and Fish Commission meeting and unavailable on Wednesday.

Woodhouse, meanwhile, is representing Chad Lindsay, who previously served as the center's CFO and later, as interim director. Lindsay has been cooperating with the U.S. Attorney's Office as it's investigated the Medicaid billing over the last

couple of years, Woodhouse said.

She noted that prosecutors have already obtained a conviction of Condie.

"To the extent that they're looking at anybody else, I can say for sure that Mr. Lindsay wasn't involved in anything that was illegal," Woodhouse said. "He wasn't aware of any of this billing practice; it wasn't really in his purview."

In a January 2018 interview with the Tribune, Condie said federal authorities had probed his involvement with Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center — and specifically threatened to prosecute him for fraud in connection with a grant the organization received.

However, Condie said FBI agents were told by the center's then-staffers that he wasn't involved.

"Once it was up and going, they just took over. They did their own billing, eventually," Condie said. "It was completely independent of me."

According to information provided to Wyoming Medicaid and the Wyoming Department of Health, the listed "owner" of Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center changed from Condie to Barrus in July 2011.

While the details of the pending forfeiture case have been made confidential, prosecutors did file public documents out-

lining the property they want to seize. That includes NWTC's former treatment center on Julie Lane, its boy and girl group homes on Hamilton Way, an empty lot, a Polaris UTV and a 16-foot-long trailer. The value of those assets could easily surpass \$750,000, plus whatever money remains in two NWTC bank accounts.

If center leaders want to keep the property and dispute the government's allegations, they'll need to file a verified claim by Wednesday, May 1, then file an answer to the allegations and go through a discovery process.

Big Horn Federal Savings has already filed a claim on the former treatment center and the group homes, saying it's still owed roughly \$221,000 on a nearly \$488,000 mortgage.

To seize the assets in the civil forfeiture case, prosecutors will only need to prove that the property represents the proceeds of fraud by a "preponderance of the evidence" — basically showing it's more likely than not that they're right. That's a much lower burden of proof than the "beyond a reasonable doubt" standard that the government would have to prove if it was bringing criminal charges.

At the end of 2017 — the most recent data publicly available — Northwest Wyoming Treatment Center reported having about \$690,000 in net assets.

The organization's public tax forms outline how the center experienced substantial growth over the years, with revenue rising from about \$155,000 in 2005 to nearly \$2.31 million by 2015.

NWTC leaders had hoped to grow even further: In 2015 — with the organization in the midst of a year that would produce a more than \$543,000 net gain — center leaders approached the Powell Economic Partnership and the City of Powell for help on an expansion project.

NWTC proposed replacing its roughly 10-bed residential treatment center on Julie Lane with a 20-bed facility near the intersection of Panther Boulevard and Lane 8H. They pledged to add 10 new jobs to an already \$1.19 million payroll.

The Powell City Council agreed to apply for a \$3 million grant from the State Loan and Investment Board to kick-start the expansion, but the plan was later scrapped because of a state law prohibiting facilities from adding any more treatment beds.

NWTC leaders said they planned to re-apply for a grant down the road, but the organization's fortunes changed just months later.

The vacant lot on Lane 8H is among the property that the U.S. Attorney's Office is now seeking to seize.



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Former Trapper signs with Dakota Wesleyan

EDGAR MEZA THE HEART OF NWC SOCCER FOR TWO SEASONS

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports Editor

A former team captain and defensive standout for the Northwest College men's soccer team will continue his playing career next season in his home state of South Dakota.

Edgar Meza, known during his two seasons roaming the pitch as a Trapper for his dynamic defense and infectious grin, has signed to play for Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, South Dakota. A native of Spearfish, Meza said he's excited to return home to finish his collegiate career. He'll major in Wildlife Management with an eye toward one day becoming a game warden; that DWU offered the program was instrumental in his decision to become a Tiger.

"I studied natural resource biology here at Northwest, and it correlates well with the program at Mitchell," he explained. "A lot of my credits transferred, so that was a big deal for me."

Growing up in Spearfish, soccer was a constant in Meza's life for as long as he can remember. He started playing competitively about 10 years ago, first at the club level with the Rushmore Soccer Club and the Black Hills Rapids, then up through high school. A three-sport athlete, Meza was an All-State selection and won a South Dakota Class A state soccer title his senior year as a member of the Spearfish High School team. Named Defensive Player of the Game for his efforts in the state championship, Meza credits his father for instilling in him a love for the game at an early age.

"It was my dad that got me into soccer; he played when he was my age in Mexico," Meza said. "I fell in love with the sport by watching it, and then by playing it. I just couldn't imagine not playing it as I got older."

Meza was recruited out of high school by former NWC head coach Rob Hill, though he never played for Hill; Stan Rodrigues coached Meza during his freshman campaign, and Bobby Peters headed up the Trappers last season. Meza called playing for two different coaches "an interesting experience," and he found success with both. The Trappers made the playoffs both of his years, coming within a win of the Region IX title game last season.

"I got the chance to be coached by two different coaches with different coaching styles," Meza said, adding, "My time at Northwest was great, I really enjoyed it."

Powell High School head boys' soccer coach Dave Gilliatt, an assistant under Hill, Rodrigues and Peters at NWC,

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Former NWC soccer player Edgar Meza (right) battles teammate Kyle Lamb for the ball during a practice prior to the 2018 season. After two seasons as a Trapper, Meza will continue his playing career next year at Dakota Wesleyan University in South Dakota.

Tribune photo by Don Cogger

'I fell in love with the sport by watching it, and then by playing it. I just couldn't imagine not playing it as I got older.'

Edgar Meza
Trapper soccer player

CUB TRACKSTERS COMPETE AT WORLAND

FIELD ATHLETES STAY HOME FOR POWELL THROW DOWN/JUMP OFF

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports Editor

It was divide and conquer for the Powell Middle School track and field teams last week: Runners hit the road on April 18 for the Worland Invitational, while the field athletes stayed home for the Throw Down/Jump Off Meet.

No team scores were kept for either event, though the Cubs and Lady Cubs had more than their share of strong finishes — including a pair of new school records.

Seventh grade thrower Katie O'Brien's toss of 28 feet, 2 inches in the shot put set the new standard at Powell Middle School, breaking the old record — set by Jamalee Hernandez last year — by an inch. Fellow seventh-grader Waycee Harvey went 15 feet, 10.5 inches in the long jump, shattering the 32-year-old mark of 14 feet, 9 inches.

The Lady Cubs have now broken or tied three school records so far this season; eighth grader Sydney Spomer tied the record in the triple jump at the Powell Invitational earlier this month with a distance of 32 feet, 3.75 inches.

The PMS track and field teams will head to Lovell Saturday for the Lovell Invitational.

LADY CUBS

For the eighth grade Lady Cubs, Kami Jensen and Megan Jacobsen led the charge on the track in Worland, with each winning multiple events. Jensen won an astounding four events, including the 100 and 200 meters and the 100 and 200



Powell Middle School eighth grader Jace Hyde clears the bar at 5 feet during the Powell Invitational meet earlier this month. Hyde finished second in the high jump at last week's Throw Down Jump Off Meet, clearing a height of 5 feet, 2 inches. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

meter hurdles. Jacobsen followed with wins in the 400 and 800 meter runs.

In the field events at the Throw Down/Jump Off, Grace Coombs continued to impress, winning both the shot put and discus with throws of 29 feet, 3 inches, and 96 feet, 4 inches, respectively.

MacKenzie Cheney won the high jump, clearing a height of 4 feet, while Sydney Spomer was first in the triple jump with a leap of 31 feet, 7 inches. Gracie Trotter was the top Lady Cub finisher in the long jump at 11 feet, 6.5 inches.

On the seventh grade side, Lauren Bennett had a strong

showing in Worland, finishing second in the 200 meter hurdles, third in the 200 meter dash and fourth in the 100 meter hurdles. Aubrie Fisher was second in the 800 meter run and fourth in the 400 meter run.

In the field events, Katie O'Brien took the top spot in the shot put with a toss of 29 feet,

3 inches; she also won the discus with a throw of 67 feet, 0.5 inches.

Waycee Harvey won the long jump with a leap of 15 feet, 10.5 inches. Cassidy Reimer won silver in the high jump, clearing a height of 3 feet, 10 inches,

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TRAPPERS WIN MCC SPRING RODEO

MCMILLAN WINS ALL-AROUND, SHAFFER WINS SADDLE BRONC

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports Editor

In its third rodeo of the spring season, the Northwest College men's rodeo team finished first at the Miles Community College Spring Rodeo. At the weekend competition, NWC amassed 870 points, out-distancing runner-up Montana State University at 725.

The Trappers remain in first in the Big Sky Region with 5,140 points; Montana State is second with 4,281. The Lady Trappers currently sit in fourth, behind Montana State, University of Montana Western and University of Montana.

NWC freshman Caleb McMillan won the men's all-around in Miles City, Montana, with 260 points. McMillan is currently ranked No. 1 in the nation in the all-around, while the Trappers as a team are ranked sixth.

The Trappers finished 1-2 in bull riding, with McMillan scoring 110 points and Justin Ketzenberg scoring 95. McMillan and Hagen Wallace finished sec-

ond in team roping with a score of 15.8. The Trappers also had the top two finishers in saddle bronc riding, with Calvin Shaffer taking the top spot with 127 points and Clancy Glenn second with 107 points.

After winning the first five rodeos of the 2018-19 season in the fall, the NWC men's rodeo team began spring with mixed results at the Montana State University Spring Rodeo in Bozeman, finishing fourth in the first rodeo and runner-up in the second. The Lady Trappers fared better, finishing second in both — much to the delight of their coach.

"The first rodeo in Bozeman was just kind of there. We could not get it together," said NWC Rodeo Coach Del Nose. "Luck of the draw and not being focused; especially the men's team. The girls came on and won second in both rodeos, so I was really pleased with them."

McMillan was third in the all-around in the first rodeo but came back to

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NWC Trapper Caleb McMillan competes in the bull riding event at the Trapper Stampede in Cody in September. McMillan won the all-around at last weekend's MCC Spring Rodeo, while the Trappers won the team title. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Local Special Olympic athletes to compete in Cody this weekend

Special Olympics Wyoming athletes from Powell, Cody, Lovell, Ft. Washakie, Lander, Riverton, Thermopolis and Washakie County will compete at Area I Summer Games in Cody on Friday.

This competition is in preparation for the State Summer Games that will be held in Laramie on May 9-11. The summer games are one of five Special Olympics Wyoming state competition events held each year. Athletes will compete in aquatics, track and field, basketball and powerlifting in Cody.

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend to support and cheer on local athletes as they qualify for upcoming statewide competition. If you have questions about Area I Games, visit www.sowyo.org/area-1 or contact Area I Director Karen Beddoes at 307-330-4153.

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1:30 p.m. Aquatics events at the Paul Stock Aquatics Center
1:30 p.m. Track and Field events, CHS Track Field
****Awards presented on-site**

THE LINEUP This Week in Powell Sports

*Home events in bold

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

PHS Golf v. Powell Invitational, Powell Golf Club, TBA
 NWC Rodeo at University of Montana Spring Rodeo, Missoula, MT TBD

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

PHS Girls' Soccer at Cody, Noon
 PHS Boys' Soccer at Cody, 2 p.m.
 PHS Track at Rocky Mountain Invite, 9:30 a.m.
 NWC Rodeo at University of Montana Spring Rodeo, Missoula, MT TBD

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

PHS Girls' Soccer v. Worland, Panther Stadium, 4:30 p.m.
 PHS Boys' Soccer v. Worland, Panther Stadium, 6:30 p.m.
 PHS Tennis at Cody, TBD

Meza: Former team captain returns to home state South Dakota to continue education, soccer career

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remembers the first day Meza showed up for practice at Trapper Field.

"He had a big grin, seemed happy to be there and was in no way soft or out of shape," Gilliatt recalled.

"I immediately thought, 'This kid either wrestled or has worked on a farm his whole life ... must be that kid from South Dakota Rob [Hill] mentioned.'"

Gilliatt praised Meza's work ethic and coachability, saying his election as a team captain last season was well-deserved.

"Edgar [Meza] has been an ideal Northwest Trapper," he

said. "He gives 100 percent and always holds himself and those around him to a high standard. Guys follow him because he practices what he preaches, and they know he comes from a good place and has good intentions. It was my pleasure to coach him."

DWU head men's coach Jose Lopez said it was exactly the reasons Gilliatt mentioned that he decided Meza would be a good fit for the Tigers.

"I recruited Edgar [Meza] because he brings passion, experience and the love to keep on learning on and off the field," Lopez said. "As an individual, he brings an important value that most college students don't have, which is perseverance. I'm

excited to get things rolling with Edgar."

As for what he'll miss about NWC, Meza said the community and the atmosphere top the list.

"The connections, the friendly connections that we had with the people here, I'll really miss," he said. "The teachers, the people of Powell, everyone has just been really supportive. I really enjoyed that."

That said, he's excited for the opportunity to play at a higher level at DWU.

"I had talked to my high school coach before going to Northwest, and he told me that a lot of people who go on to play in college play maybe one or two seasons before it gets to be too busy with school, and life, and they just drop it and move on," he said. "I plan on playing college soccer for two more years at Wesleyan, and then whatever happens from there, we'll just have to wait and see."

'I recruited Edgar because he brings passion, experiences and the love to keep on learning on and off the field.'

*Jose Lopez
DWU head coach*



Former Trapper Edgar Meza (center) is joined by new men's soccer coach Ben McArthur (left) and NWC athletic director Brian Erickson as he signs his letter of intent to play for Dakota Wesleyan University in the fall. Tribune photo by Don Cogger



NWC rodeo: Travel to Missoula next

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finish first in the second. Shaffer finished tied for first in saddle bronc riding in the first rodeo and McMillan won first in the second. Austin Herrera won the bull riding in the second rodeo, but wasn't on the points team, so his win didn't contribute to the overall team score.

"We had some buck-offs in the bronc riding and the bull riding and didn't draw the best in the timed events," Nose said. "We just didn't execute, and it's kind of frustrating. You think you got it, but it proves you different. Rodeo is a humbling sport. We won this thing the last two years, so I don't know what to attribute it to."

The Lady Trappers struggled with

numbers last season, but are coming in strong this spring with the two second-place finishes. Freshmen Scout Yochem and Brailly Newman are leading the way for the women's team in roping and barrel racing.

"Scout and Brailly have really blossomed; the girls are putting some numbers together and jumped from fifth place to fourth in the Big Sky Region," Nose said. "If they keep rolling along, they may have an outside chance to get the whole team to the finals. That's what we're looking at right now."

The NWC rodeo teams travel to Missoula this weekend for the University of Montana Spring Rodeo on Friday and Saturday.

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*Del Nose
Head coach*

NWC Trapper Calvin Shaffer competes in saddle bronc riding last September at the Trapper Stampede in Cody. Shaffer finished first in saddle bronc at last weekend's MCC Spring Rodeo in Montana. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

Good Old Boys

**WEEK 3, APRIL 23
GAME OF THE WEEK: Two low net from four man teams**

The Good Old Boys golf league went into week three with a game of two low net from four-man teams.

In first place was team No. 2, consisting of Dennis McCollum, Mike Hernandez, Judge Gimble and Clark Jeffs.

Second place went to team No. 1, made up of Jim Tobin, Dave Frost, Cliff Franklin and Lee Madsen.

Teams five (Paul Devoss, Lloyd Snyder, Buddy Rae and Larry Hedderman) and three (Howard Whitlock, Kevin Lineback, Thom Seliga and Tom Bibbey) finished in a tie for third, while team No. 4 (consisting of Jerry Linsdau, Bob Mason, Ray Nelson and Bob Parsons) finished in fifth.

Low gross was a tie between Mason and Jeffs at 81. Low net went to Seliga at 67.

There were no deuces recorded.

PUBLIC NOTICES

"BECAUSE THE PEOPLE MUST KNOW"

Rooftop unit bids

Fagerberg Building Rooftop Unit Replacement
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate Sealed Bids for the Fagerberg Building Rooftop Unit Replacement will be received by Northwest College, the OWNER, at Orendorf Administration Building, Room 106, located at 231 West Sixth Street, Powell, Wyoming 82435 until 10:00 a.m., prevailing local time, on May 16, 2019 (Point Architects and Northwest College, will take no responsibility for delivery of bids through mail). Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Work includes and consists of: furnishing all labor, operations, materials, accessories, incidentals, services, and equipment for work on the specific aforementioned project. The specific Work includes: furnishing all labor, means and methods, materials for owner supplied removal and replacement of (5) five existing small-tonnage packaged rooftop units in

the same location with minimal gas piping changes, located at 233 West Seventh Street, Powell, Wyoming 82435. Materials and/or work not specifically mentioned which are necessary in order to provide a complete project shall be included in the Bid and shall conform to all Local, State, and Federal requirements in accordance with the requirements, terms, specifications, conditions, and provisions hereinafter contained. Disruptive work shall not commence no sooner than May 14, 2019 and shall be "substantially completed" no later than August 12, 2019, final completion by August 19, 2019. The sealed bids shall reference: Fagerberg Building Rooftop Unit Replacement.

The Plans and Project Manual for the work may be reviewed and obtained at the office of Point Architects, P.O. Box 1001, 1203 Sheridan Ave, Cody, Wyoming 82414. No partial sets will be issued. Hard copies of the Plans and Project Manual will be issued at a non-refundable cost of \$20.00 per set. Contact Kane Morris at 307-272-4006 or kane@pointarchitects.com to request hard copy plans.

Questions regarding the technical aspects or requirements of the Contract Documents are to be referred to the Project Manager, Kane Morris, Point Architects, Cody, Wyoming, 307-272-4006.

MANDATORY PRE-BID at NWC Physical Plant, 935 Road 9 1/2, Powell, Wyoming 82435, April 30,

2019 at 9:30 a.m., prevailing local time. Bidders or Bidder's representative are required to attend and participate in the conference. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the bid which will be returned unopened to the Bidder.

In determining the lowest responsive proposal, The Owner will consider cost as a primary criterion in addition to whether the bidder is a responsible bidder. Northwest College, reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any informalities if deemed in the best interest of the Owner. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by the required bid guarantee of 5% of the total bid amount. The bid guarantee amount shall be forfeited if the bidder is awarded the Contract and fails to enter into a Contract with the Owner. The Successful Bidder will be required to provide payment and performance bonds in an amount of at least 100% of awarded contract price.

Dated this 18 day of April, 2019

Northwest College

/s/ owner

The college shall reserve the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities and informalities in the bidding process or to accept any bid which in its sole and absolute judgment, under the circumstance, best serves the district's interest.

Where applicable, preference will be given to

Wyoming contractors as provided in Wyoming Statute 9-8-301 (1977) et seq.

Northwest College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, handicapping condition, race, color, national origin, or age in its educational program and activities or in its personnel procedure.

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Second Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019
Third Publ., Tues., April 30, 2019

Notice to creditors

Notice to Creditors. Esperanza C. Flores of Powell, Wyoming passed away in March 2019; Melissa Cook was appointed Personal Representative of the estate and is completing the Affidavit of Distribution by Summary Procedure. Claims against the estate must be presented by May 18, 2019. To make claims, mail bills to: PO Box 172, Burlington, WY 82411. Claims not received by this date are forever barred from claiming against the estate of Esperanza C. Flores.

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City payments

PAYROLL CLAIMS

1 AFLAC Dependent Childcare	\$516.66	Payroll Deductions
2 AFLAC Insurance Premiums	\$2,269.84	Payroll Deductions
3 AFLAC Unreimbursed Medical	\$4,003.14	Payroll Deductions
4 Internal Revenue Service	\$110,041.43	FICA
5 Great West Retirement Service	\$12,395.40	Deferred Compensation
6 Workers Compensation	\$31,742.17	Worker's Compensation
7 Wyoming Retirement System	\$73,131.57	Retirement Contribution
8 Child Support	\$816.00	Payroll Deductions
9 Prudential Insurance Premium		Payroll Deductions
10 Garnishment	\$0.00	Payroll Deductions
11 Health Benefit Plan	\$95,446.36	Plan Benefit
TOTAL PAYROLL RELATED:	\$330,362.57	
TOTAL PAID WAGES IN MARCH 2019:	\$359,013.32	
12 307 Glass	Sanitation \$60.00	Chip Repair
13 Aldrich & Company	Parks \$199.79	Painting supplies, Plywood, Wedge Anchor
14 AlSCO	Admin, Police \$122.71	Rugs Cleaned, Mops
15 Ascent Aviation	Airport \$31.20	MO Communication Fee
16 Atco International	Parks \$199.50	LATX Gloves
17 Bailey Enterprises Inc	Various \$8,436.32	March Fuel Purchases
18 BCN Telecom	Various \$106.32	Monthly Long Distance Fees
19 Big Horn Coop Marketing	Streets, Sani \$103.43	Tools, Gloves
20 Blair's Market	Wastewater \$25.74	Ice for Lagoon Samples
21 Bobcat of the Big Horn Basin	Parks \$340.52	Tool Cat Repair
22 Border States Electric Supply	Electric \$1,294.81	Cutouts, Contactor
23 CarQuest	Shop, Sani \$38.49	Couplers, Filters
24 City of Billings	Sanitation \$10,733.95	March Tipping Fees
25 City of Powell	Various \$113.98	Bndry Adj, Proxy Text, Title Work, Easement, Spoons, Forks
26 CNA Surety	Police \$50.00	Notary Bond M Meyer
27 Cody Enterprise	Administration \$18.80	Customer Service Ad
28 Cody Overhead Door	Sanitation \$35.15	Door Antenna
29 Crisis Intervention Services	City Council \$6,000.00	Annual Community Funding
30 Custom Delivery Service	Wastewater \$103.52	Lab Delivery Fees
31 DBT Transportation Services LLC	Airport \$2,219.74	Quarterly AWOS, NAVAID, NAS Weather
32 Dick Jones Trucking	Sanitation \$2,005.00	Cardboard Haul Fees
33 Drivepayments	Water \$74.61	Water Dock CC Fees
34 Energy Laboratories, Inc	Wastewater \$230.00	Waste Water Testing
35 Engineering Associates	Various \$54,750.73	Absaroka Project, Annex, Wastewater Eng, General Eng
36 Fastenal	Water \$257.18	Marking Paint
37 Fire Protection & Safety	Sani, Water \$332.00	Annual Fire Extinguisher Checks
38 Food Service of America	Aquatic \$376.60	Concession Supplies
39 Frank, Clint S	Aquatic \$585.00	UV Maint - lap & leisure
40 Galls, An Aramark Company	Police \$200.80	Mirage Ultra Duty, Duty Belt Supplies
41 Garland Light & Power	Airport, Waste \$3,014.73	Electric Billings
42 Graybar Electric Company, Inc.	Electric \$5,229.50	PVC, Fittings, Burndy Blktap Single

43 Hanson Chemical, Inc	Sanitation \$209.76	Towels and degreaser
44 Hartford, The	Various \$1,446.36	Monthly LTD Benefit
45 Honnen Equipment Company	Streets \$1,516.03	Injection Jump
46 John Deere Financial	Various \$542.91	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
47 Keele Sanitation	Aquatic \$100.00	Vac Truck for Sump
48 Koils Brothers Equipment	Sanitation \$1,802.90	Belts, Valves, Joy Stick
49 Montana Dakota Utilities	Various \$7,545.25	March Natural Gas Charges
50 Mountain States Pipe & Supply	Water \$3,938.45	Meter ERT's
51 Mountain West Computer	Various \$459.52	Letter trays, Y Splitter, Refurb Comp, UPS, Wireless Desktop
52 MT Waterworks, & Irrigation	Water \$854.98	Repair Clamps
53 Napa Auto Parts	Various \$246.93	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
54 Northwest Pipe Fittings	Water \$460.56	Curb Box Stat Rods
55 O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	Parks, Police \$53.76	Headlight Bulbs, Brake Cleaner, Spray Paint, Spray Coating
56 Office Shop Inc, The	Administration \$204.70	Qtrly B&W & Color Copy Count, Fee
57 One-Call of Wyoming	Elec, Water \$47.25	March Dig Tickets
58 Park County Landfills	Sanitation \$250.38	March Tipping Fees
59 Park County Weed & Pest	Sanitation \$496.09	Krovax-Herbicide
60 Powell Ace Hardware	Various \$472.14	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
61 Powell Municipal Golf Course	Golf Course \$17,500.00	2019 Opening Inventory
62 Powell Senior Citizens Ago-Go	City Council \$5,000.00	3rd QT Request
63 Powell Tribune	Various \$1,862.93	Monthly Advertising & Publishing Fees
64 Powell Valley Health Care	Police \$100.00	Blood Draw
65 Powell Valley Recycling Task	Sanitation \$5,973.83	Bale Wire, Mar Rec Fees Collected
66 Production Machine Company	Sanitation \$130.18	Hyd. Hose, Repair Wash Hose, Hyd. Fittings
67 Quill	Police \$227.97	Toner Cartridges
68 Radian Research Inc	Electric \$600.00	Parts Meter Tester
69 Rimrock Tire	Sanitation \$265.56	Tire Repair, Dismount & Mount Tires
70 Saber Pest Control LLC	Aquatic \$100.00	Monthly Preventative Maintenance
71 Sanders Plumbing & Heating	Water \$200.00	Freeze Job
72 Secretary of State	Police \$50.00	Notary Renewal Fees M Meyer
73 Shoshone Municipal Pipeline	Water \$69,430.56	March Water Usage & Tap Fees
74 State of Wyoming	Elec, Aquatic \$21,896.36	March Sales Tax Collected
75 TCT	Various \$2,520.72	Phone, Fax, Internet, & TV
76 Uline Shipping Supplies	Aquatic \$308.38	Sign Post & Base
77 Visa	Various \$5,044.55	Misc Purchases for Various Departments
78 Vision West, Inc	Police \$384.46	Portfolios
79 Warren Transport	Sanitation \$10,986.33	Trash Hauling Fees
80 Williams Inland Distributors	Aquatic \$124.32	Concessions Ice Cream
81 Wilson Brothers Construction Inc	Capital Proj \$48,645.00	Absaroka St Prj Pmt 2
82 Winship & Winship P.C.	City Treasurer \$300.00	Phone Consult Shopko
83 WPCI	Various \$91.28	Monthly Drug Test Fees
84 Wyoming Assn of Rural Water	Water \$395.00	2019 Spring Training K Spomer
85 Wyoming Conference of Building	Inspection \$150.00	Conf Registration Ben Hubbard
86 Wyoming Conference of Municipal	Muni Court \$150.00	Water Allred Registration
87 Wyoming Department of Health	Water \$168.00	Water Testing Fees
88 Wyoming Municipal Power Agency	Electric \$356,323.87	March Power Bill
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS FOR:	16-Apr-19 \$666,867.39	

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

* Before a listing denotes there is a fee for the event
 ** After a listing indicates a class, event or presentation through Powell Valley Community Education. For more information or to register, call PVCE at 754-6469, stop by the office at 1397 Fort Drum Drive in the NWC Trapper West Village, or visit <https://mwc.edu/pvce/>.

ONGOING:
 ■ **"JOE NAKANISHI: PERSPECTIVE"** exhibit showcases a series of paintings created by Nakanishi over the last 20 years, based on sketches and memories from his time at Heart Mountain. The exhibit is on display at the Heart Mountain Interpretive Center.
 ■ **"BLUE ROAN CREATIONS,"** a new show featuring work by artist Linda Burwick, is on display at Plaza Diane in downtown Powell. The show will be displayed through May 11.
THURSDAY, APRIL 25
 ■ **BUREAU OF RECLAMATION** will discuss how much water will be available from the Buffalo Bill Reservoir this year. The meeting will be held at 11 a.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 131 N. Clark St. For more information, contact Shane Hayden at 307-261-5647 or shayden@usbr.gov.
 ■ **BABY & TODDLER TIME** at 11 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 ■ **PARK COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD** meeting at 4:30 p.m. at the Cody library.
 ■ **SPRING BREAK:** No school for students in Park County School District No. 1. Classes will resume Monday, April 29.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26
 ■ **ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION** from noon to 3 p.m. at The Commons in downtown Powell. A variety of trees will be given away, including Black Hills spruce, Western red cedar, water birch, Nanking cherry, Black Hills Ponderosa pine and Cheyenne Amur maple. For more information, contact the City of Powell Parks Department at 754-6971.
 ■ **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** book sale from 1-3 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 ■ **OPEN ACOUSTIC JAM SESSION** from 6-9 p.m. at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant. Musicians of all skill levels are welcome. For more information, call 307-272-7625.
 ■ **BAR BINGO** every Friday at the American Legion starting at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
 ■ **MAY DAY CRAFT AND VENDOR SHOW** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the American Legion Post 26, 143 S. Clark St. in Powell. Crafters and vendors will be on-site for shopping — think spring, Mother's Day, graduations, wedding season and more.
 ■ **KANE CEMETERY CLEAN-UP:** Bighorn Canyon is once again teaming up with the Lovell-Kane Area Museum to pull weeds, pick up trash and tidy up the cemetery. Volunteers are asked to meet at 9 a.m. at the Bighorn Canyon Visitor Center. After volunteer forms are completed, the group will carpool out to the cemetery. At noon, the group will return to the visitor center.
 ■ **NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY:** Come to the Powell Police Department between the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to turn in unused, unwanted and outdated prescription drugs. It's quick, easy and anonymous. Some of the things that cannot be accepted are: Needles/sharps, radioactive substances, pressurized canisters and illicit drugs (those will be handled in a little different manner).
 ■ **MARCH FOR SCIENCE AND EARTH DAY** celebration at 11 a.m. at Cody City Park. Afterwards, the public is invited to a free program from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Coe Auditorium in the Buffalo Bill Center of the West. Hosted by Wyoming Rising.
 ■ **"THE BAR J WRANGLERS** — world famous singing cowboys from Jackson Hole — will perform at the Wynonna Thompson Auditorium in Cody, presented by Serenity Pregnancy Resource Center. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$25 per person.
 ■ **"NORTHWEST CIVIC ORCHESTRA,** under the direction of NWC violin instructor Maurine Akin, culminates their season with a 7 p.m. concert in the Nelson Performing Arts Auditorium at Northwest College. Tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and free for children.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28
 ■ **HEART MOUNTAIN INTERPRETIVE CENTER** will hold a volunteer interest meeting at 2 p.m. to encourage community members to lend their time to the center's efforts, and to highlight the wide variety of volunteer opportunities available. The meeting is open to the public.

MONDAY, APRIL 29
 ■ **BABY AND TODDLER TIME** at 10:30 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 ■ **GARDENING SEMINAR:** "Ten Tips for Gardening" with Joyce Johnston, UW Extension horticulturist. The seminar takes place from noon to 12:50 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. For more information, call 754-8836.
 ■ **PAHASKA CORRAL OF WESTERNERS** meeting at 6 p.m. at the Governors Room in the Irma Hotel in Cody. A presentation on the McCracken Research Library's Yellowstone archives will follow at around 7 p.m. Both the meal and the program are open to the public; however, due to limited seating, non-members must RSVP by emailing Lynn Houze ljh-cody@tctwest.net.
 ■ **GUITAR ENSEMBLE,** Percussion Ensemble and Jazz Combos concert at 7 p.m. in the Nelson Performing Arts Auditorium at Northwest College.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30
 ■ **STORY TIME** at 10:30 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 ■ **FINE ART EXTRAVAGANZA** from 6-8 p.m. at the Powell High School Commons. Artwork created by K-12 students will be featured, including a 17-foot Blackhawk helicopter model made by PHS art students. Sponsored by Park County School District No. 1 and Plaza Diane Community Center for the Arts.
 ■ **"CHILE: ARRIBA Y ABAJO"** opening reception from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Advising Center adjacent to the SinClair Gallery. This spring, Jen Litterer-Travino led a group of students and community members on a 10-day trip to Chile; this exhibition features a selection of photographic images taken on that excursion. Refreshments served will be representative of traditional Chilean dishes experienced by the travelers.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1
 ■ **GAME TIME** at 10 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Adults are invited to play Scrabble, Uno, Mancala, Risk and many other fun games. Bring your friends.
 ■ **THE POWELL ROTARY CLUB** meets at noon on Wednesdays at the Nelson Foundation House, 550 College Drive.
 ■ **WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT** from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at The Commons in downtown Powell. Join Powell Valley Healthcare's women's health providers for a panel discussion on FDA approved hormone therapy, alternative therapies, thyroid testing and treatment. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served. For more information, call 754-7257.

THURSDAY, MAY 2
 ■ **LOCAL WORK GROUP MEETING** for the conservation districts in Park, Big Horn, and Washakie counties. The districts are seeking input from a range of stakeholders interested in natural resource conditions or needs. The meeting takes place at noon at the Park County Library 1500 Heart Mountain St. in Cody. For more information, call 307-868-2484 or email meeteetse@conservewy.net.
 ■ **READ TO A DOG** at 3:30 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Rusty and Pepper love to visit the library and listen to stories. Sign up at the children's desk for 15 minutes of canine companionship.
 ■ **NORTHWEST COLLEGE FACULTY SHOWCASE** will take place from 4-6 p.m. in the Yellowstone Building conference area. Finger food and beverages will be provided.

FRIDAY, MAY 3
 ■ **BACKPACK BADGES** from 1-3 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Youth in grades six to 12 can make a badge for their backpacks using 3D doo-dler pens. Limited spaces available, so sign up at the library.

SATURDAY, MAY 4
 ■ **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** Book Sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 ■ **NORTHWEST COLLEGE GRADUATION** begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Cabre Gym.
 ■ **WYOMING SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS** will host its 2019 annual meeting at 1 p.m. at the Cody library, 1500 Heart Mountain Street.

HOSTING A PUBLIC, LOCAL EVENT?

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

President Lincoln's call echoes today

In March of 1863, President Abraham Lincoln made a proclamation calling for "a day of national humiliation, fasting and prayer." At a time when the country was bitterly divided, he knew that the only way to seek a resolution to the division was to call upon divine help.

It seems today, that we are in the midst of a country divided. Gratefully, not to the extent as it was during the Civil War.

However, we point fingers at the left and we point fingers at the right. We look at others and quickly tell them why they are doing wrong. The problem is, we shouldn't be looking to the left or to the right — we should be looking up.

We may never agree on gospel doctrines, political ideas or social beliefs. But we can begin by following the second great commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" (Matthew 22:39).

It is easy to feel as though our voice is too small to bring about real change. But as a good friend told me this week, if you look around you, we are a bunch of ordinary people, yet when we come together, we achieve extraordinary things. We must look at ourselves first, and begin by changing who we are.

Let us begin with President Lincoln's call for "humiliation, fasting and prayer." We need to humble ourselves to listen first before we point out others to be wrong. May we have empathy and desire to know someone in their circumstances. May we humble ourselves to love and serve someone first, before we condemn them.

Maybe we need to fast from those things that frustrate or aggravate us in our day, whether it be news or social media. We have to refrain from living our life in tweets and Facebook posts. Maybe we need to revert to human interactions.

Let us learn to pray for not only those we love and those things we yearn for, but for those we feel may be against us or on the wrong side. May we soften our hearts that we can see things outside of our own view. In doing so, we can recognize that we have more in common than that which we disagree on.

Let us learn to become true disciples of Jesus Christ by seeing each other with their true eternal value, as sons and daughters of a loving father in heaven. May we learn to be patient, loving, and willing to minister to one another. May we prepare ourselves to be the one who goes to serve, strengthen, mourn, and bear one another's burdens. As we have celebrated the Easter holiday, may we express true gratitude for the savior's sacrifice and gift to us of the atonement and resurrection by becoming one of his true disciples.

(Nate Mainwaring serves as the bishop of the Third Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Powell.)



NATE MAINWARING
 Perspectives



Come Worship with Us!

Cornerstone Community Fellowship

754-8005. Affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America. Sunday, 10 am, NWC Fagerberg Building, Room 70. Nursery and children church provided. Pastor Andrew's office and some of our small groups will be located in "The Upper Room" (the 2nd floor of the new SBW & Associates building: 428 Alan Rd. — access from outside stairs, west side of building).

Faith Community Church

"Love God — Love Others" 1267 Road 18 (Hwy 294), Powell. Contact: Dave Seratt, 272-7655, powellfaithcommunitychurch@gmail.com Church located 3 miles SW of Ralston, 1/2 mile N off 14A. Bible Study 9:30 am, Sunday Worship 10:45 am.

First Southern Baptist Church

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

First United Methodist Church

We love our neighbor at 2nd & Bernard Sts. 754-3160, Rev. Melinda Penry, Pastor. www.powellfumc.org; Sunday worship: blended worship 9:30 am. Coffee before and after morning service. All are welcome, all means all.

Garland Community Church of God

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

Glad Tidings Assembly of God

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

Grace Point

Growing in Grace - Standing on Truth - Bringing Hope to the World. Senior Pastor, David Pool, 550 Kattenhorn Drive, 754-3639, www.GracePointPowell.org. Sundays 9-10 am Bible classes for all ages, 10am Coffee Connection Fellowship in the Library. 10:30 am Worship Service (Children's Church for 3-6 yr. olds during the message). Monday Evenings 6 - 7:25 pm AWANA, Middle & High School Groups. Like us on Facebook.

Harvest Community Church of the Nazarene

Pastor: Matt Tygart, 364 W. Park St. (behind Blair's); 754-4842. www.harvestcomchurch.net Sunday: Sunday School 9:30 am; Fellowship 10:30 am; Church service 11 am; Like us on Facebook: Harvest Community Church (HCC).

Heart Mtn Baptist Church

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

Hope Lutheran (ELCA)

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church

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

Jehovah's Witnesses

Cody - 2702 Cougar Ave. - Sunday, 10 am; 10:40 am Watchtower study; Midweek meeting, Thurs., 7:30 pm.

Living Hope Community Church

305 S. Everts St., Pastor Susan Legler, 754-7917, Sunday school 9 am, worship 10 am, Wed. Bible Study 6:30 pm. www.LivingHopeChurchPowell.com

New Life Church

185 S. Tower Blvd.; Tim Morrow, Pastor, 754-0424; Sunday worship 8:30 & 11 am. Kid's Church & nursery available. Sunday School, 9:45 am; Wed. youth group, middle school 6-7:30 pm, high school 7-8:30 pm.

St. Barbara's Catholic Church

Fr. Phillip Wagner, 754-2480, 3rd & N. Absaroka; Sat. Evening Mass 5:45 pm, Sun. Mass 9 am, noon Latin Mass & 5 pm Mass on Sun., Daily Mass-Tues. Noon, Wed. 5:30 pm, Thur. & Fri. 7:30 am. Reconciliation 9 am & 4 pm on Saturdays.

St. John's Episcopal Church

Megan Nickles, priest: 754-4000, Ave. E & Mountain View. Morning services 10:30 am. Godly Play - Sunday school for children, ages 2-12, 10:30-11:30 am. Visitors welcome.

Seventh-day Adventist

1350 N. Gilbert; 754-2129 Saturday. Everyone welcome. Worship Service 9:30 am, Saturday, Sabbath School 11 am.

Trinity Bible Church

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

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Cub track: Future of Panther track and field team looks promising with several school records falling this season

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while Amiya DeFoe-Love was second in the triple jump with a distance of 25 feet, 5 inches.

CUBS

The eighth grade Cubs were solid in the distance events in Worland, winning two events. Daniel Merritt won the 800 meter run in a personal best time of 2:28.78, while Austin Short was tops in the 1600 meter run with a time of 5:43.

Hyrum Jeide won four silvers on the day, finishing second in the 100 and 200 meter hurdles, the 200 meter dash and the 400 meter run.

At home for the Throw Down/Jump Off, Bryan Benner had a day to remember in the throwing events. The eighth grader won the shot put with a toss of 40 feet, 4 inches, and the discus with a throw of 129 feet, 9.5 inches.

Jace Hyde posted a second-place finish in the high jump, clearing a height of 5 feet, 2 inches, while teammate Sean Kennedy was second in the triple jump with a distance of 32 feet, 5 inches. Jack Beaudry finished third in the long jump with a leap of 14 feet, 7.5 inches.

Adam Williams led the charge for the seventh grade Cubs on the track, finishing first in the 800 meter run and second in the 200 and 400 meters. Stuart Shoopman also had a solid day, with second-place finishes in the 100 and 200 meter hurdles and a third in 400 meter run.

Kaden Woods was third in the 1600 meter run with a personal-best time of 6:49.34, while Sam Johnston was the top Cub finisher in the 100 meter dash, finishing fifth.

In the seventh-grade field events back home, Marshall Fields won gold in the long jump and the high jump, while Isaiah Woyak won the triple jump with a distance of 30 feet, 4 inches.

Seston Shoopman finished in the top spot in the shot put with a toss of 31 feet, 9.5 inches; he finished fourth in the discus with a throw of 70 feet.

Wyatt Blackmore was runner-up in the discus with a throw of 78 feet, 4 inches.

- 800 Meter Run**
2. Aubrie Fisher 2:54.24 PR
- 200 Meter Dash**
3. Lauren Bennett 30.71 PR, Kyra Hoffman 36.09 PR
- 400 Meter Run**
4. Aubrie Fisher 1:12.60 PR, 5. Gracie Wolff 1:15.28
- 100 Meter Dash**
Kyra Hoffman 16.26 PR
- 100 Meter Hurdles**
4. Lauren Bennett 21.02 PR, 5. Gracie Wolff 21.06

EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS

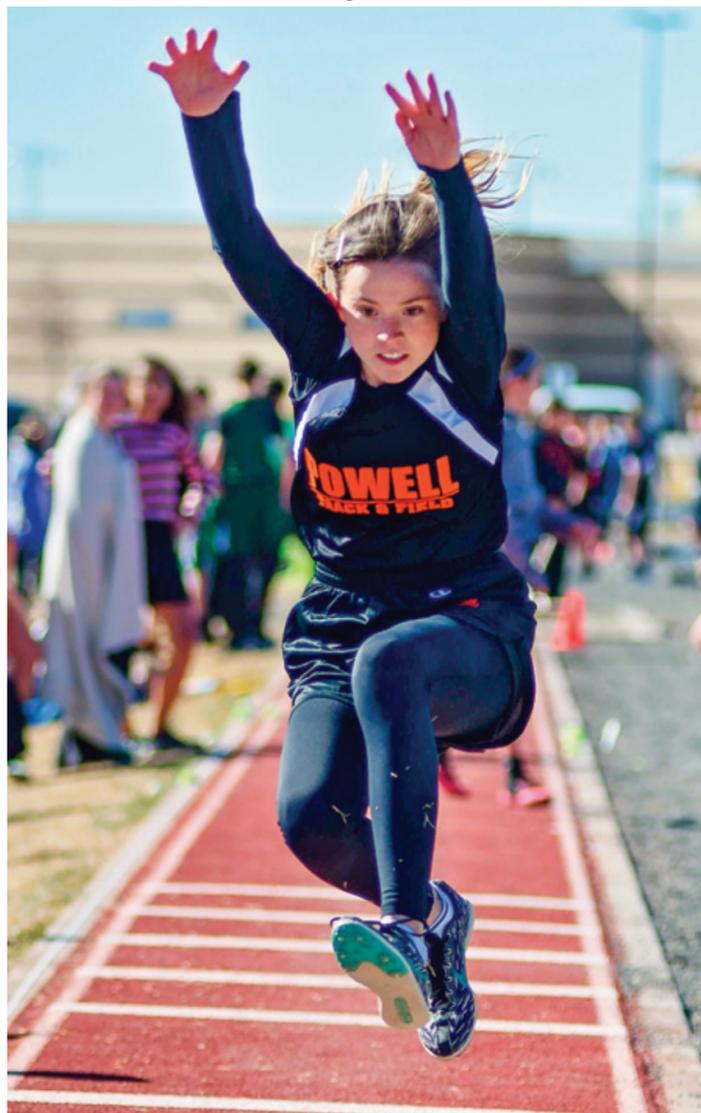
- 200 Hurdles**
1. Kami Jensen 30.72 PR, 2. Vanessa Richardson 34.02 PR
- 800 Meter Run**
1. Megan Jacobsen 2:44.25 PR
- 200 Meter Dash**
1. Kami Jensen 28.00, 3. Vanessa Richardson 31.35 PR, 4. Megan Jacobsen 31.56, 5. Blake Nissen 32.21 PR, 6. Maddie Campbell 32.24 PR, Kaylee DeGluau 34.34, Gabby Olsen 40.75
- 400 Meter Run**
1. Megan Jacobsen 1:09.39, 6. Kaylee DeGluau 1:22.67, 7. Gabby Olsen 1:22.67
- 100 Meter Dash**
1. Kami Jensen 13.19, 5. Vanessa Richardson 14.41 PR, 7. Maddie Campbell 14.88, 8. Blake Nissen 15.41
- 100 Meter Hurdles**
1. Kami Jensen 17.41 PR, 6. Vanessa Richardson 19.70

SEVENTH GRADE BOYS

- 200 Meter Hurdles**
2. Stuart Shoopman 31.70 PR
- 800 Meter Run**
1. Adam Williams 2:43.97 PR, Kaden Woods 3:08.41 PR, Ayden Heine 3:30.17
- 200 Meter Dash**
2. Adam Williams 28.13 PR, 6. Sam Johnston 31.06 PR
- 100 Meter Dash**
5. Sam Johnston 14.41 PR
- 400 Meter Run**
2. Adam Williams 1:02.00 PR, 3. Stuart Shoopman 1:04.00 PR
- 100 Meter Hurdles**
2. Stuart Shoopman 17.17 PR
- 1600 Meter Run**
3. Kaden Woods 6:49.34 PR, 6. Ayden Heine 7:34.83

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS

- 200 Meter Hurdles**
2. Hyrum Jeide 30.22 PR, 4. Simon Shoopman 30.38 PR
- 800 Meter Run**
1. Daniel Merritt 2:28.78 PR, 3. Simon Shoopman 2:41.11, 5. Stetson Davis 2:45.42
- 200 Meter Dash**
2. Hyrum Jeide 25.38 PR
- 400 Meter Run**
2. Hyrum Jeide 1:02.89, 3. Austin Short 1:04.06, 4. Daniel Merritt 1:04.07
- 100 Meter Hurdles**
2. Hyrum Jeide 16.59 PR, 4. Simon Shoopman 16.87 PR
- 1600 Meter Run**
1. Austin Short 5:43.00, Stetson Davis 5:59.09



Lady Cub eighth grader Alexis Terry competes in the long jump at the Powell Invitational earlier this month. Terry finished second in the triple jump and eighth in the long jump at last week's Throw Down/Jump Off Meet. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

2019 POWELL THROW DOWN/JUMP OFF MEET RESULTS

- SEVENTH GRADE BOYS**
- Shot Put**
1. Seston Shoopman 31'9.5", 2. Jimmy Dees 27'1.5", 6. Taydan Stevens 24'4", 7. Clayton Emmett 23'10.5", 8. Wyatt Blackmore 23', 9. Adam Flores 22'2"
- Discus**
2. Wyatt Blackmore 78'4", 4. Seston Shoopman 70', 6. Jimmy Dees 65'1", 7. Taydan Stevens 62'7", 8. Clayton Emmett 62'6", 9. Adam Flores 62'2"
- High Jump**
1. Marshall Lewis 4'8", 2. Jonathan Hawley 4'6", 4. Isaiah Woyak 4'2", 5. Kaden Clark 4'2", 6. Adam Flores 4', 7. Cole Young 3'10"
- Long Jump**
1. Marshall Lewis 14'6", 3. Jonathan Hawley 14'2.5", 4. Isaiah Woyak 14'2.5", 5. Kaden Clark

- 12'10.5", 6. Cole Young 11'11", 7. Tevon Schultz 11'10", 8. Evan Staidle 11'2.5", 10. Adam Flores 8'11.5"

Triple Jump

1. Isaiah Woyak 30'4", 2. Cole Young 28'7", 3. Tevon Schultz 28'5", 4. Evan Staidle 27'4", 5. Seeger Wormald 27'2", 7. Carson Lawrence 23'11", 8. Wyatt Blackmore 23'5"

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS

- Shot Put**
1. Bryan Benner 40'4", 3. Jonathan Mendoza 34'3", 4. Josh Ashcraft 33'11.5", 5. Lannon Brazelton 32'6", 8. Hunter Davis 16'4.5"
- Discus**
1. Bryan Benner 129'9.5", 3. Josh Ashcraft 102'7", 4. Lannon Brazelton 97'3", 5. Jonathan Mendoza 95'10.5", 6. Keegan Hensley 86'6.5", 8. Hunter Davis 64'1"
- High Jump**
2. Jace Hyde 5'2", 4. Bryan Benner 4'10", 5. Weston Thomas 4'8"
- Long Jump**
3. Jack Beaudry 14'7.5", 4. Weston Thomas 14'5.25", 6. Armando Hernandez 13'10", 7. Josh Ashcraft 13'9.75", 8. Nathan Feller 13'6.5"
- Triple Jump**
2. Sean Kennedy 32'5", 3. Armando Hernandez 31'5", 4. Nathan Feller 30'4", 5. Lannon Brazelton 26'4"

SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS

- Shot Put**
1. Katie O'Brien 28'2", 2. Victoria Beaudry 22'11", 3. Brooke Bessler 22'2", 5. Dakota Hernandez 21'2", 6. Dazi Simpson 19'3", 7. Taylie Sessions 18'2.5"
- Discus**
1. Katie O'Brien 67'5", 2. Victoria Beaudry 57'2.5", 3. Brooke Bessler 53'6.5", 5. Dazi Simpson 50'9.5", 7. Dakota Hernandez 45'6.5", 8. Taylie Sessions 45'
- High Jump**
2. Cassidy Reimer 3'10", 3. Maci Borders 3'6"
- Long Jump**
1. Waycee Harvey 15'10.5", 7. Amiya DeFoe-Love 11'7.5", 8. Shandi Salas 9'8", 9. Danika Gibson 8'5.5"
- Triple Jump**
2. Amiya DeFoe-Love 25'5", 3. Cassidy Reimer 25'2", 4. Aramonie Brinkerhoff 21'75"

EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS

- Shot Put**
1. Grace Coombs 29'3", 3. Grace Sapp 25'3.5", 4. Jamalee Hernandez 24'1", 5. McKenna Alley 23'9", 6. Lilly Morrison 23', 7. Shelby Fagan 22'8", 8. Regan Sapp 21'3.5", 9. Allison Morrison 20'10.5", 11. Josie Griffin 19'8.5", 14. Arends Abi 17'1"
- Discus**
1. Grace Coombs 96'4", 3. Jamalee Hernandez 82'9", 5. Grace Sapp 76'10", 6. Lilly Morrison 67'4", 8. McKenna Alley 62'8", 9. Shelby Fagan 61'2", 10. Regan Sapp 59'7", 11. Josie Griffin 58'9", 12. Arends Abi 54'4", 13. Allison Morrison 45'6"
- High Jump**
1. MacKenzie Cheney 4', 3. Gracie Trotter 3'6"
- Long Jump**
6. Gracie Trotter 11'6.5", 8. Alexis Terry 11'3.5", 9. Gretel Opps 11'1"
- Triple Jump**
1. Sydney Spomer 31'7", 2. Alexis Terry 27'3.5", 4. Gretel Opps 26'6", 7. Shelby Fagan 22'4.5"

2019 WORLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL INVITATIONAL RESULTS (RUNNERS ONLY)

- SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS**
- 200 Meter Hurdles**
2. Lauren Bennett 36.40, 3. Gracie Wolff 37.03

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An exhibition at the SinClair Gallery at Northwest College will display photography from 14 people who traveled to Chile in March, including this shot captured by Jazmyne Collingwood.

'Chile: Arriba y Abajo'

OPENING RECEPTION FOR EXHIBITION TUESDAY

An exhibition featuring the photography of 14 individuals who traveled to Chile in March will be on display in the SinClair Gallery at Northwest College. The opening reception will run from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Advising Center adjacent to the gallery.

Led by Jen Litterer-Treviño, NWC instructor of photography, a group of 23 students and community members traveled on a 10-day excursion to experience the sights, sounds and culture of Chile.

"The name of our exhibition, 'Arriba y Abajo,' translates to up and down, which we felt describes the theme of our trip both metaphorically and geographically," Treviño said.

During the journey, travelers were tasked with photographing Chilean food, architecture, people, wildlife and a creative category that showcases "what Chile means to you."

"The people of Chile were so friendly — we felt very welcome and safe everywhere we went during our travels," Treviño explained.

Just a few highlights of the trip included a walking tour of Santiago, a bus ride into the Andes Mountains, a boat ride to Magdalena Island, a full-day tour of Patagonia, an exploration of Valparaíso and Viña del Mar, and a tour of the Concha y Toro winery.

One specific photography opportunity travelers looked forward to was the prospect of capturing images of Magellanic penguins on Magdalena Island. The birds are named after Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan, who spotted them in 1520. They're a South American penguin that breed in coastal Argentina, Chile and the Falkland Islands, with some migrating to Brazil where they are occasionally seen as far north as Rio de Janeiro.

The diverse blend of scenery and experiences allowed travelers to take a variety of photos featured in the exhibition, which will hang in the SinClair Gallery through Sept. 6.

Those featured in the exhibition include Dennis Davis, Nash Chase, Jeff Codevilla, Makenzie Colling, Jazmyne Collingwood, Katelyn Copenhaver, Jaydn Engelhardt, Alex Hunnes, Cyndy Jahn-Thomas, Emily McCaslin, Shyane Schultz, Tyler Whitaker,



Photo by Emily McCaslin



Photo by Jaydn Engelhardt

Anthony Polvere and Treviño.

The SinClair Gallery in the Orendorff Building is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Admission is free.

For further information, contact NWC Art and Galleries Coordinator Denise Kelsay at Denise.Kelsay@nwc.edu or 754-6499.

NWC offers Cuba field studies trip next winter

Area residents are invited to explore the vibrant and rich culture of Cuba next winter during a Northwest College Humanities Division field studies trip.

Taught by NWC instructor Connie Moore, the course leading up to the trip begins Monday, Oct. 14. The group will then travel to Cuba from Dec. 26, 2019 through Jan. 4, 2020.

The 10-day excursion begins with a one-night stay in Cancun at the five star Westin Resort, well known for its vast ocean views.

The next day, travelers will take a 55-minute flight to Cuba

and stay in Havana at Hotel Presidente, an icon located steps away from the famous Malecon. During attendees' time in Havana, the schedule includes a visit to the outer areas of Morro Cabaña Park and Havana Colonial, plus a walking tour through the old town to see its fortresses and buildings built by Spaniards between the 16th and 19th centuries.

In addition, travelers will visit La Bodeguita del Medio, Old Havana, the Capitol, the Plaza of the Revolution and enjoy dinner and a show at the Guajirito Buena Vista Social Club.

Day Four of the trip, Dec.

30, the group will depart to Guamá, located in the Zapata Peninsula in Matanzas province. Here, attendees will have the opportunity to take a guided tour, visit a crocodile farm and have lunch at a local restaurant.

Following time in Guamá, the group will soon depart to Trinidad, where they'll visit the Plaza Mayor, Romantic Museum, the Church of the Holy Trinity, the Canchánchara Bar and a ceramics workshop. As an optional activity, individuals can also opt to go to the Trinidad main square to see locals sing, play instruments

and dance.

To kick off the new year, travelers will spend Day Six touring the city of Cienfuegos, visit the Marti Park, Tomas Terry Theater, House of Cultural Property and Immaculate Conception Cathedral.

In addition to free time and enjoying the beach, the group will wrap up the trip back in Cancun to discuss their experiences.

Total cost for the all-inclusive trip is \$3,995 per person. For more information, contact Moore at Connie.Moore@nwc.edu. The course will also be available via video conference.

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PURCHASED IN 2010 electric over hydraulic Besler 3100 Series bale bed. Hardly used for feeding mostly used as a flatbed with a gooseneck hitch. Paid \$11,000 willing to sell for \$8,000 OBO. It's been modified to fit a 2016 F350, but it can be fabricated for any truck. Tool boxes included. Please contact Michael Hogg at 307-272-4164. Meeteetse, WY.

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Seed potatoes, onion plants/sets available. 74 Shoshone Ave., Lovell 307-272-6691
We are open M-F, 9-6,
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(BHB4/25-5/2cL)

RESIDENTIAL LOTS IN Scharen subdivision east of Greybull. Great mountain views. 307-765-2213.

BEAUTIFUL Bob Carothers painting. \$6,000. May be seen on Greybull Swap & Sell. Make an offer. 307-899-2368.

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LARGE LAND LEVELER, \$1,500. Call 307-271-1000 or 307-754-4048.

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Real Estate

GREYBULL: 1400 SQ. FT. home. Four bedroom, one bath, garage, 2 1/4 acres in city limits. 307-267-0959 or 307-267-2957.

RUN WITH THE BEST! Running Horse Realty, List or Buy. Your Home & Land Specialists! Greybull 307-373-2565 & Powell 307-754-9400. runninghorserealty.com Click, Call, Come by!

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Help Wanted

SAAM VETERINARY CLINIC is now taking applications for part time summer help. Duties include but not limited to yard work, cleaning kennels, overall cleaning of facilities, restocking and assisting technicians. We are a non-tobacco facility. Must be able to multi task and work Saturdays. Resume with references can be mailed to PO Box 1024 Basin, WY 82410 or email to saamvetclinic@gmail.com or dropped off in person. Resume without references will not be considered. No phone calls please.

Help Wanted

Training and Development Program Associate
Northwest College, Cody Center for Training and Development
Promotes workforce training opportunities in the community, coordinates the day to day program operations, provides marketing and outreach, and performs other related activities. Starting salary is up to \$49,677/year, fully benefitted. For more information and to apply: http://www.nwc.edu/hr EOE

Yellowstone Sports Medicine: Medical Billing Specialist

Busy orthopedic practice, full-time position; Monday-Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM. Responsibilities include, answering telephones, coding surgery charges, working with insurance companies and patients, and maintaining medical records. Good people skills, good organizational skills, medical billing, and computer experience required. Wages depend on experience. Please email resume and cover letter to dunrine@bhbocysm.com or fax to 307-578-1990.

Maintenance Manager - Mullinax Inc

has an opening for a Maintenance Manager to oversee all aspects of maintenance and repair for over 100 pieces of equipment. Must have the ability to prioritize, schedule and manage multiple employees. Focus on heavy duty diesel trucks required as well as being computer literate. This is a full-time benefitted position offering competitive wages. Please send resume and references to Mullinax - P.O. Box 2044 - Sheridan, WY 82801.

SLEEP TECHNOLOGIST TRAINEE

for Western Sleep Medicine. Contact Mark Schultz at 308-633-3000.

VACANCY

Big Horn County School District #2, Lovell, Wyoming, has the following vacancy for the 2019-2020 school year:
Elementary Reading Specialist/Title I Teacher
All applicants must have Wyoming K-6 Elementary Teacher certification as per the PTSE rules and regulations. Preference will be given to candidates who possess a reading endorsement.
Applicants may request a certified application packet by contacting the office of Superintendent Rick Woodford, 502 Hampshire Avenue, Lovell, WY 82431 or by calling 307-548-2259 between the hours of 8 AM and 4 PM, emailing cbowers@bgh2.org or downloading forms from the District's website at www.bgh2.org.
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Help Wanted

AIRPORT OPERATOR I POSITION
The City of Powell, WY is seeking an Airport Operator I. Performs a variety of working level skilled duties related to the City of Powell's Municipal Airport. Must be available for stand-by as needed. Candidate must have high school diploma or GED and possess, or have the ability to possess within six (6) months of hire, a valid Class "B" Commercial Driver License (CDL) with air brake and tanker endorsement. Preferred candidates will have experience in Equipment Operation/Fuel Services. The City of Powell is an E.O.E. and drug free agency. Send application to: City of Powell, c/o Human Resource, 270 North Clark, Powell, WY 82435, Ph: 307-754-5106 For online application and complete job description: www.cityofpowell.com Filing deadline, 5 p.m., Friday, May 3, 2019

CEO POSITION AT Big Horn Co-op, Greybull, WY.

Ag & Energy Retail Cooperative seeking qualified candidates with business management, financial experience. Apply: http://bit.ly/CEO-BigHornCo-op26 David. lemmon@chsninc.com

CAREER MANAGERS

Get a job that fits your life, inspires your best, and moves you forward. McDonald's is hiring managers that are willing to provide coaching and direction, hone their leadership skills, and help run a shift that ensures great Quality, Service and Cleanliness to customers.
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Scheduling
Training
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Opportunity for Advancement and additional benefits
Up to \$3000 Tuition Assistance
And much, much more!
Currently Hiring at \$11.00 - \$18.00 D.O.E.
Go to mcdonalds.com/careers to apply or contact Marcus at jobs@mtmcd.com or 406-851-9229.

Help Wanted

FREMONT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25, RIVERTON, WYOMING positions open for the 2019-2020 School Year: CERTIFIED POSITIONS: *FACS/Culinary Arts Teacher HS, *Math Learning Resources SPED Teacher HS, *ACE Special Ed Teacher at MS, *Kindergarten Teachers, *Pre-School Teacher, *8th Grade Science Teacher, *English/Language Arts Teachers at HS, *Spartan Academy Teacher at MS, *Native Language Teacher (Part-time). CLASSIFIED POSITIONS: *School Secretary at Elementary, *Health Aide at Elementary, *Several SPED Paraprofessional vacancies. If Interested In Obtaining Information Or Applying, Please Contact: Riverton Workforce Services, 307-856-9231. Applications are received electronically and job descriptions are located at: https://www.applitrack.com/fremontcountysd/onlineapp/ Fremont County School District #25 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR WEB PRESS OPERATOR

in Douglas. Competitive pay, full-time, benefits, health insurance. Send resume to publisher@douglas-budget.com.

VANGUARD NATURAL RESOURCES, INC.

is seeking an experienced Environmental and Regulatory Representative in their Elk Basin Field Office (18 miles North of Powell, WY). To view the complete job description and to apply please visit www.vnrenergy.com/jobs

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Help Wanted

BIG HORN ENTERPRISES is offering a part-time position open in our residential department. This position is for 30+ hours per week. We offer competitive pay, a \$500 sign up bonus and a generous paid leave package. If you would like to help people with disabilities in a relaxed home environment, please call 754-5101, ext. 18 for more info or pick up an application at 146 S. Bent Street in Powell.

(30-33CT)
TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO. IS LOOKING FOR A Wyoming Heavy Equipment Resident Field Technician for our Wyoming Territory (Lovell / Powell area) who will be responsible for providing maintenance and repair of heavy equipment within our territory. **Responsibilities:** • Troubleshoot and perform diagnostic tests on Caterpillar and Allied equipment. Communicate diagnosis. • Interpret results and take corrective actions; Exhibit ownership of repair being performed • Troubleshoot and repair advanced electronics using E.T. and VIMS. • Overnight travel required • Follow all Safety Policies and procedures **Preferred Experience:** • Knowledge of Caterpillar equipment, E.T. and SIS programs • High school graduate with 3-4 years industry experience preferred • Valid driver's license, CDL license required. **Company Benefits:** We offer a competitive wage + SIGN ON BONUS, excellent benefits (medical & dental, vision, 401(k), profit sharing / company match, paid holidays, paid vacation and sick leave, company paid life insurance, vehicle provided, training and support from Caterpillar and team members. **Apply online at tractorandequipment.com.**

(33TFCT)

PIZZA ON THE RUN now taking applications for part time and delivery drivers. Apply at 215 E. First in Powell - call Kyler 272-8890 or Apply at 1302 Sheridan Ave. in Cody - Call Brenda 202-3216.

(02TFCT)

Help Wanted

Buffalo Bill Center of the West

2019 Summer Seasonal Positions
Spring has sprung and it is that time again to hire for our busy summer season. Buffalo Bill Center of the West is looking for individuals to fill a wide variety of jobs to include: Admission Clerks, Food Services/Coffee Bar, Museum Store Sales Associates, Custodians, Gallery and Security Guards, Tour Guides, Ground Maintenance, Information and Membership Desk, PT Human Resources Assistant and more. The Center is such an exciting place to work no matter what department you choose. To learn more about each position and/or to apply, complete an application on our website, <https://centerofthewest.org/> or pick up an application at the Center. You are sure to have a fun summer if you join the team! EEO

BHB(28-35CT)

TEMPORARY FARMWORKERS

3/4 contract hrs and the hourly rate noted below guaranteed (unless the required wage rate is rescinded/enjoined by court order or other action or a higher or lower wage is required by federal regulation). Piece rates and/or additional monetary benefits may also apply. Tools/supplies and, if applicable, worker housing provided. Travel costs reimbursed at 50% of contract and upon completion of contract (earlier if appropriate). 20 days experience (unless otherwise indicated*) and a reference required. To apply, contact the State Workforce Agency (SWA) below or any local SWA.

JO# 10456412, 1 Farm/Irrigation/Livestock Worker(s), Coleman Angus, Charlo MT, \$13.48/hr, 48 hrs/wk, 6/8/2019 to 10/31/2019, Polson, MT SWA, 406-883-7880

JO# 10454494, 1 Farm/Irrigation/Livestock Worker(s), Glem Ranches, Inc., Twin Bridges MT \$13.48/hr, 42 hrs/wk, 5/10/2019 to 10/1/2019 * 2 mos exp Dillon, MT SWA, 406-683-4259

JO# 10454874, 2 Farm/Irrigation/Livestock Worker(s), Jurica Corporation, Broadus MT \$13.48/hr, 48 hrs/wk, 6/1/2019 to 11/15/2019 Miles City, MTSWA, 406-232-8340

JO# 10456187, 1 Farm/Irrigation/Livestock Worker(s), Rebish/Konen Livestock, LP, Dillon MT, \$13.48/hr, 48 hrs/wk, 6/4/2019 to 9/10/2019 Butte, MTSWA, 406-494-0300

JO# 10456421, 3 Farm/Irrigation/Livestock Worker(s), SMH Cattle Company, LLC, Polson MT \$13.48/hr, 48 hrs/wk, 6/8/2019 to 12/1/2019 Polson, MTSWA, 406-883-7880

JO# 10456426, 2 General Farmworker(s), Tash Livestock, Inc., Polaris MT \$13.48/hr, 48 hrs/wk, 5/20/2019 to 10/30/2019 Butte, MTSWA, 406-494-0300

(02TFCT)

Help Wanted

THE CITY OF CODY is seeking to fill the position of a Regular Part-Time Solid Waste Assistant. This position is responsible for assisting with collection and transport of solid waste and for providing support for the City's recycling operations. Application and job description available at City Hall, 1338 Rumsey Avenue, on the website at www.cityofcody-wy.gov or emailing dscheumaker@cityofcody.com. Application deadline is May 3rd. \$16.02/ hr, plus partial City benefit package. This position will be required to work a varying schedule not to exceed 1,456 hrs/yr and could include weekends. The City of Cody is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

(33-35CT)
MEDICAL. \$30.48/HR. MINIMUM for L.P.N.s in Basin. Prior experience NOT required. Immediate starts, all shifts. Phone Kevin at Worldwide, 866-633-3700 or email kpeters@worldwidetravelstaffing.com.

(4/4-4/25pB)
OVER ROAD DRIVER wanted. Home every 3-4 days. Dan Brown Trucking. Call 307-765-4476.

(8/23tfnB)

Help Wanted

CDL DRIVER FOR cement truck and end dump. Wages based on experience. Come by in person, 1887 Highway 310. 307-548-2287. (4/4-25cL)

KING'S INN, Powell, WY, 307-754-5117, apply at the front desk *** Position: Housekeeper *** BHB(32TFCT)

PEP/Powell Chamber/Powell Visitor Center OFFICE MANAGER

Powell Economic Partnership (PEP) is hiring an Office Manager/Administrative Assistant.

We are a dynamic and positive office. This is a 28-32 hour per week (4 days per week) year-round position. Pay range is from \$13.50 to \$16.50 per hour. Benefits are provided for full-time staff. Duties include administrative support, customer/community service, membership management and overall office management.

For a complete job description, please go to powellchamber.org/job-opportunities-at-pep/ TO APPLY: Send cover letter and resume to info@pepinc.org DEADLINE TO APPLY IS May 7, 2019.



(33-34CT)

Commercial Lines Insurance Producer

Wyoming Financial Insurance is a Wyoming owned company & was established in 1990. We have 11 offices across Wyoming. Come work with a great group of Insurance Professionals.

Producer Responsibilities:
• Responsible for a book of business, both renewal and new.
• Prospecting and obtaining new business via networking, cold calls and all other means.
• Working with Account Manager in a team environment to support retention of accounts.
• Other duties as assigned.

Requirements:
• Strong communication skills.
• Ability to maintain client relationship and discern coverage needs
• Work in a team environment
• P&C Insurance License required

Experience:
• Insurance: minimum of two years of Insurance experience in sales and/or servicing accounts.
• License: WY P&C License

Job Types: Full-time, commission

Contact Art Hansen if interested at ahansen@wercs.com or 307-432-4140.



(33-36-38CT)

Help Wanted

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 volunteer today! (53ftT)



Help Wanted

PARK COUNTY WEED & PEST Summer Seasonal Jobs.
Active outdoor work. • Competitive Wages • Weekly Bonus, Monthly Raise Opportunities • REACH Air Medical Service Membership. Applications due April 26th.
Contact **Park County Weed & Pest Control District** at (307) 754-4521, visit us at parkcountyweeds.org, or stop by our office at 1067 Road 13 in Powell.

REGISTRATION
Emergency Room Admissions Clerk
1 full-time position, 40 hr/wk. Sat., Sun., & Mon. days (7am-3:30pm) & Tues. & Wed. evenings (3:30pm-midnight). Weekends are required. Accurately register patients for Emergency Services. Attention to details is a must. Outstanding customer service skills and positive attitude required. High school Grad./GED required.
LONG TERM CARE CENTER
CNA
1 full-time day position, 36 hr/wk (6:45am-7:15pm)
Powell Valley Healthcare offers a full benefit package to all full-time and part-time employees. These benefits include health insurance (medical, dental, and vision), a pension plan, long term disability insurance, life insurance (equal to your annual salary), and paid time off. EOE
Powell Valley Healthcare
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Help Wanted

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THAT'S SUPER!
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Call today to place your **SUPER CLASSIFIED ad.**

A Career in Healthcare AWAITS YOU!
Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) Development Program seeking individuals ready for a career in healthcare.

"I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to take this class. People are helpful and encouraging throughout the process. And to be paid to take the class is such a bonus."
~ Michelle Wallace, CNA Development Program, Class of '18
"It's a great stepping stone to open the door to finding out if you want a career in nursing. What a terrific opportunity!"
~ Tony Kingery, CNA Development Program, Class of '18
For more information:
* Go to www.pvhc.org -> careers -> CNA Development Program
* Attend an informational session: **Thursday, May 23 or Thursday, May 30 at 6:30 p.m. Courtside room - Powell Valley Hospital**
* Call Tami Lineback - 754-1133.
Application deadline May 31, 2019

PUBLIC NOTICES
"BECAUSE THE PEOPLE MUST KNOW"

Improvements bids

Northwest College Childhood Learning and Care Center Improvements
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate Sealed Bids for the Childhood Learning and Care Center Improvements Project will be received by Northwest College, the OWNER, at Orendorf Administration Building, Room 106, located at 231 West Sixth Street, Powell, Wyoming 82435 until 2:00 p.m., prevailing local time, on May 7, 2019. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Work includes and consists of: furnishing all labor, operations, materials, accessories, incidentals, services, and equipment for work on the specific aforementioned project. The specific Work includes: furnishing all labor, means and methods, materials for owner supplied RTU and curb, services and equipment required for the rooftop units, replacement of existing lights (interior and exterior), replacement of ceiling tiles, and interior windows, located at 231 West Sixth Street, Powell, Wyoming 82435. Materials and/or work not specifically mentioned which are necessary in order to provide a complete project shall be included in the Bid and shall conform to all Local, State, and Federal requirements in accordance with the requirements, terms, specifications, conditions, and provisions hereinafter contained. Disruptive work shall not commence no sooner than May 30, 2019 and shall be "substantially completed" no later than July 19, 2019, final completion by August 9, 2019. The sealed bids shall reference: Childhood Learning and Care Center Improvements.

The Plans and Project Manual for the work may be reviewed and obtained at the office of Hord Coplan Macht Architects, 1331 19th Street, Denver, Colorado 80202. No partial sets will be issued. Contact Craig Welsh at 303-202-2160 or CWelsh@hcm2.com to request plans.

Questions regarding the technical aspects or requirements of the Contract Documents are to be referred to the Project Manager, Craig Welsh, Hord Coplan Macht Architects, Denver, Colorado, 303-202-2160.

MANDATORY PRE-BID at NWC Physical Plant Building, Conference Room, 839 Road 9.5, Powell, Wyoming 82435, April 30, 2019 at 10:30 a.m., prevailing local time. Bidders or Bidder's representative are required to attend and participate in the conference. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of the bid which will be returned unopened to the Bidder.

In determining the lowest responsive proposal, The Owner will consider cost as a primary criterion in addition to whether the bidder is a responsible bidder. Northwest College, reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any informalities if deemed in the best interest of the Owner. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by the required bid guarantee of 5% of the total bid amount. The bid guarantee amount shall be forfeited if the bidder is awarded the Contract and fails to enter into a Contract with the Owner. The Successful Bidder

will be required to provide payment and performance bonds in an amount of at least 100% of awarded contract price.

The college shall reserve the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities and informalities in the bidding process or to accept any bid which in its sole and absolute judgment, under the circumstance, best serves the district's interest.

Where applicable, preference will be given to Wyoming contractors as provided in Wyoming Statute 9-8-301 (1977) et seq.

Northwest College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, handicapping condition, race, color, national origin, or age in its educational program and activities or in its personnel procedure.

Dated this 15th day of April, 2019
Northwest College
/s/ owner
First Publ., Thurs., April 18, 2019
Final Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019

Intent to subdivide

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBDIVIDE
Pescadero Properties acknowledges intent to subdivide acreage located at 850 Road 5, Powell, WY being a portion of Lot 63-I, Lot 63, T55N, R98W, 6th PM, Park County, Wyoming. The intent is to divide the 7.2 acre property into 4 lots. Intended use of each lot is for residential and possible agricultural.
First Publ., Thurs., April 18, 2019
Final Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019

Board vacancy

NOTICE OF POWELL RECREATION BOARD VACANCY
The Powell Recreation District has one "At-Large" position. This is a voluntary Board position terms are five-year with service to begin June 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 Everts, Powell, Wyoming, for information on the application process. Applications should be returned to this office by 4:00 p.m., May 17, 2019.

An appointment will be made by the School District #1 Board of Trustees on May 28, 2019. For more information, please call the Powell Recreation District office at 754-5711.
Kimberly Condie
Clerk, Board of Trustees
First Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019
Second Publ., Tues., April 30, 2019

Blaylock probate

STATE OF WYOMING)
) ss.
COUNTY OF PARK)
IN THE DISTRICT COURT)
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:)
DONALD RAY BLAYLOCK,)

Deceased.)
Probate No. 9936

NOTICE OF PROBATE
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that, on the 21st day of March, 2019, the Order for Probate of Estate, Appointing Personal Representative, and for Issuance of Letters Testamentary was entered by the Fifth Judicial Court; and that Jeremy S. Blaylock was appointed Personal Representative thereof.

Notice and request is given that all persons indebted to Donald Ray Blaylock or to his Estate make immediate payment to the undersigned at P.O. Box 550, Cody, WY 82414.

Creditors having claims against the decedent or the Estate are required to file them in duplicate with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of said Court on or before three months after the date of the first publication of this notice, and, if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 22nd day of April, 2019.
M. COLE BORMUTH, 6-2805
Bormuth Law, LC
P.O. Box 550, Cody WY 82414
307.587.4711
cole@bormuthlaw.com
Attorney for Estate
First Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019
Final Publ., Thurs., May 9, 2019

City minutes

City Council Proceedings
April 15, 2019

The governing body of the City of Powell met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on April 15, 2019 in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Council President Jim Hillberry opened the meeting and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Council President Hillberry called the meeting to order and the following were present: Council Members Jim Hillberry, Floyd Young Tim Sapp, Scott Mangold, Lesli Spencer and Steven Lensegrav. Absent Mayor John Wetzel.

City Officials: City Administrator Zane Logan, City Clerk Tiffany Brando, City Attorney Sandee Kitchen, Deputy Attorney Scott Kath and IT Manager Zack Thorington. Approval of Agenda: Councilman Mangold moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Approval of April 1, 2019 meeting minutes. Councilwoman Spencer made a motion to table until May 6, 2019 meeting, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Bills and Claims: Councilwoman Spencer made a motion the bills be allowed and authorize the Treasurer to draw warrants for payment of the same, seconded by Councilman Young, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED.

Request to land helicopter for NWC rooftop unit replacements by Schrader Metal. Councilwoman Spencer moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Signage for Wiggly Park (dog park) presented to council and Councilman Young asked about removal of trees and it was stated one tree removed and another trimmed. Councilman Lensegrav moved to approve the signage presented,

seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Committee Updates: Councilman Hillberry Shoshone Municipal Pipeline, Councilwoman Spencer Airport Board, Councilman Young Arbor Day, Councilman Lensegrav Golf Board and Councilman Mangold Recreation Board. City Administrator Agreement: Zachary M. Thorington City Administrator agreement presented and Councilman Mangold and Councilwoman Spencer both spoke on the agreement and is a fair agreement for both parties. Mr. Thorington spoke on the agreement terms and thanked the Council. Councilman Mangold moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Lensegrav, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Owner's Representative Agreement for Hotel/Convention project presented for Zane Logan to be the City's representative on a part time employment contract. Discussion of start date and agreement to be July 15, 2019 contingent on completion of all grant requirements being met for private funding by the developer. Councilman Lensegrav moved to approve the agreement contingent on all grant requirements being met beginning July 15, 2019, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. WAM Voting delegate for summer WAM Convention June 12-14, 2019 in Sheridan. Councilman Lensegrav and Councilwoman Spencer will be attending as well as Mayor Wetzel. Councilman Young moved for Mayor Wetzel be the voting delegate and Councilwoman Spencer the alternate, seconded by Councilman Lensegrav, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Ordinance No. 6, 2019: Read by title Attorney Kath - An Ordinance Re-Zoning A Portion of Tract 3, Lot 63, Triple S Subdivision to the City of Powell from Limited Industrial District (I-L) to Residential Mixed Use District (R-M). Councilman Young moved to approve on third reading, seconded by Councilman Sapp, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Subdivision and Final Plat for Triple S Subdivision presented by Attorney Kath and Councilman Mangold moved to approve and authorize necessary signatures, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. WYDOT Sealcoat/Marking State Aid 2019 agreement for Airport project presented by Administrator Logan. Councilman Lensegrav moved to approve and authorize all necessary signatures, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer, unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Third Quarter Revenue and Expenses presented by Administrator Logan and overall revenue is at 78% with general fund at 82% while overall expenses are at 68% and general fund is at 73%. General Announcements: Administrator Logan update on WMPA meetings, and the budget meeting is set for May 6th at 2:00 p.m. Updated on the Absaroka Street project.

There being no further business to be considered at this meeting, Councilman Mangold moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Spencer unanimous approval, MOTION CARRIED. Council President Hillberry adjourned the regular meeting at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVED:
/s/ John F. Wetzel
Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/ Tiffany Brando
City Clerk
Publ., Thurs., April 25, 2019

THE HOME PAGE

Christi Greaham —

Paying It Forward

BY CATHY RINGLER
Special to the Tribune

It's Game Day at Camp Wannabe. Christi Greaham pulls up in front of the arena driving an older model pickup hauling a white six-horse trailer.

She jumps out of the truck and bends down to scratch the ranch dog behind his ears. Calling out a greeting to the other staff, Greaham walks back to her tack compartment and leans on the door to release the latch. Pool noodles, water balloons, blue plastic buckets and doughnuts to be hung from the arena rafters are crammed into the small space.

Campers tie up their horses and come to help unload the supplies. Greaham spends a few minutes with each one, talking, laughing and building relationships.

Relationships are an important part of Camp Wannabe. Located just south of Powell, the Christian day camp provides young people with an opportunity to learn horsemanship skills along with life lessons.

"Being around horses teaches kids to problem solve and use their common sense," Greaham says. "If they come up against a roadblock, they need to find a way around it."

Greaham spends Game Day on the run. She hands out eggs and spoons for the egg race, helps set up and tear down the trail course, positions barrels and dodges water balloons.

"Christi has volunteered here for over 10 years," said Ron Adams, owner of the camp.

"The kids love her energy and enthusiasm. It's infectious and she always gives 200 percent."

Camp Wannabe is one of the many organizations where Greaham contributes to the Powell community by offering her time, talent and expertise.

"Growing up, adult volunteers helped shape my life," she says. "I've always been grateful for them. Now it's my turn to pay it forward."

Greaham pays it forward every October when she and a team of volunteers transform the fairgrounds into a haunted house. The money raised is donated to the Northwest College Drama Club.

"We started the fundraiser about 10 years ago," says Greaham. "The first year wasn't too exciting. We literally had kids standing in the corners shouting 'boo' as people walked by."

Now, an air compressor, synthetic cobwebs and eerie music



Christi Greaham of Powell has given back to the community in a variety of ways, volunteering for Camp Wannabe, the Powell Recreation District, 4-H, FFA, Homecoming Olympics and other nonprofits. Courtesy photo

along with a host of vampires, ghosts and goblins provide a bone-chilling experience.

Several of the same volunteers come back to help year after year. When asked the reason for their commitment, Greaham explains that many of the young people feel a sense of community and acceptance there. Plus, she adds with wide grin, "Some of our volunteers just really love to scare people."

Greaham notes that volunteering takes time but feels the time is well spent — especially when she is supporting youth.

Dag Hammar-skjold, economist and diplomat advises, "Never look down to test the ground before taking the next step." Greaham agrees.

"I usually just jump in," she says. "It might be too overwhelming if I stop to think about it."

Greaham and her husband Jeff jumped in 10 years ago when they went to the Powell Recreation District to sign Christi's daughter up for soccer. They were told that the program needed coaches. Although neither had coached the sport before, both agreed to take on the job.

"We went home and Googled how to coach soccer," Greaham says with a shrug. "Do you have any idea how many soccer drills there are on YouTube?"

After soccer the husband and wife team coached basketball, t-

ball, coach pitch and softball.

"Lots of years we had winning records," Greaham says. "But not in softball. We all had fun, but for our team, it was kind of a mess."

Some of the other organizations where Greaham has paid it forward include 4-H, FFA, The Hoop Shoot, Backpacks for Foster Kids, Free School Clothes Program, Homecoming Olympics, Wyoming Days, The Wyoming Pony Express, The Elks Club and Polestar, a group that enriches the lives of young people through the outdoors.

The National Elks Foundation provides Greaham with another avenue to benefit the local community. She has written several grants through the club. This year the monies were awarded to the Boys and Girls Club of Park County, ROYAL Family Kids Camp, and a new program which provides backpacks to foster kids. The backpacks are filled with personal hygiene items such as shampoo, conditioner, a toothbrush and a gift card to purchase whatever else the child might need.

When Greaham describes the reasons for her involvement in the backpack program she says, "I believe that every child deserves to know that they matter and that someone does care."

Adams of Camp Wannabe sums up Greaham's passion for paying it forward. "Christi will go out of her way to help anyone," he says. "Our kids are lucky to have her. Actually, we're all lucky to have her."

'I believe that every child deserves to know that they matter and that someone does care.'

Christi Greaham



Mary Ann Merz (center) with the Friends of the Powell Branch Library recently recognized Laurie Zwemer (left) and Cathy Ringler for their winning entries in the 2019 Gib Mathers Journalistic Writing Contest. Ringler won the grand prize, while Zwemer received honorable mention. Tribune photo by CJ Baker

Gib Mathers Journalistic Writing Contest winners

The Friends of the Powell Branch Library and the Powell Tribune are pleased to announce the results of the 2019 Gib Mathers Journalistic Writing Contest. The Grand Prize winner is Cathy Ringler with her story "Christi Greaham — Paying It Forward." Laurie Zwemer's story "Retire Without Regret" received Honorable Mention.

The contest was created in honor of Mathers,

a professional journalist who wrote for the Powell Tribune at the time of his death in 2017. The contest was founded to recognize Mathers' contributions and professionalism, and to foster great writing and critical thinking.

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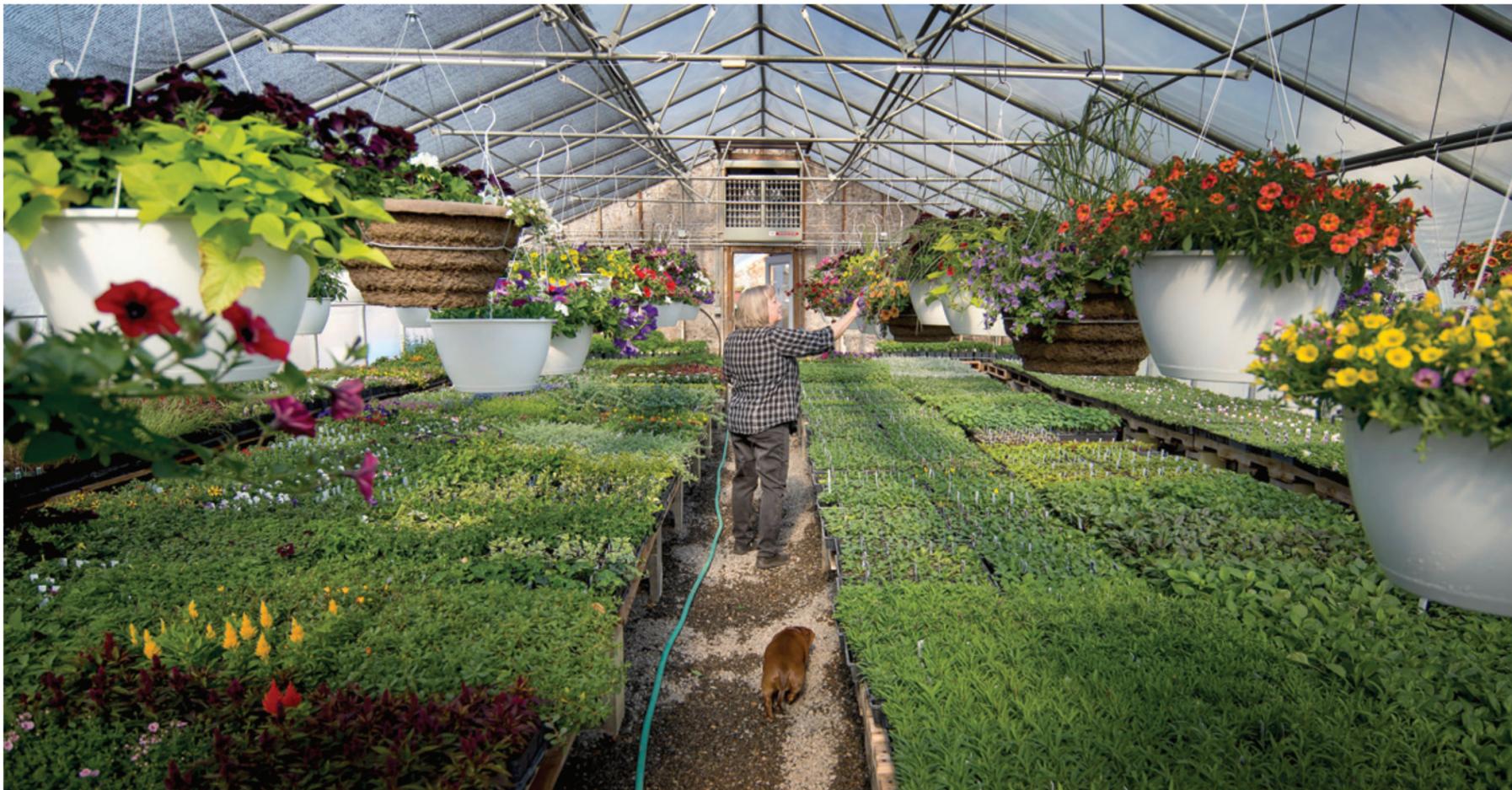
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Sandi Cannon 'deadheads' hanging plants on opening day in one of her dozen greenhouses at J&S Greenhouse south of Powell. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

POWELL GREENHOUSE THRIVES THROUGH A SEASON OF LOSSES

GREEN THUMBS *big hearts*

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

With a mug of coffee in her soil-stained hands and two green thumbs, Sandi Cannon opened her door to blue skies and a cool breeze early Friday morning. She paused and whistled for her pups, Latte and Dolly. They came running, their plump little be-

hinds wiggling — knowing if they were a step slow, they'd miss opening day.

When the doors open for the season at J&S Greenhouse, customers are usually already waiting. The plants and service at the business south of Powell bring in customers from around the area.

"We have customers from as far away as Billings and Casper," she said.

Opening day is an occasion that Cannon has relished

for nearly four decades. The greenhouses are only open from mid April to late June — the favorite time of year for the Cannon family. But this year, the day was going to be tough.

Two individuals who helped to make opening day sweet for many years wouldn't be with her to share in the tradition. Sandi's husband, Jim, passed away April 2 and Max, the "greenhouse dog," died just a couple months earlier. Both losses hit Sandi hard.

Loyal customers paid their respects while checking out with colorful potted plants or flats of tomatoes in tow. There were times she fought back tears in moments alone, but remained tough for the shoppers through the morning. The only girl in a family of seven kids, Sandi has always been one tough lady. "I was just one of the guys," she said.

A former neighbor knows different, saying "she ruled the roost," but wishing to remain anonymous, out of respect or fear.

Sandi and Jim raised five sons and a daughter. All the while they fought for everything they had — doing odd



There are a large variety of flowers, all hand grown by the employees at J&S Greenhouse, in their 12 greenhouses open for public shoppers.

jobs and having second careers. Despite the greenhouse business only being open in spring and early summer, it's a year-round job. Still, Jim was a roughneck in the oil fields and Sandi continues to work with special needs clients.

Everywhere she looks, there are reminders of Jim and Max. Fortunately, she said, the two chocolate-colored, plump pups weren't about to let her get more than a few steps away. Sandi had bought Latte and Dolly to comfort Jim while he was sick — a replacement for his miniature dachshunds who had died not all that long ago. Now they have become Sandi's constant



Colorful celosia flowers bloom at J&S Greenhouse.



A flat of succulents grown at J&S Greenhouse.

'It's my only quiet time. I can come back here and make beautiful things!'

Sandi Cannon
Greenhouse owner

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Chuck Bruner, 99, moves through the living room of his home constructed with straw bales he built in his younger years as a way to provide a home for his family in an inexpensive way. The house is still standing in good condition all these years later and still serves as the man's humble abode.

Photo courtesy Mike Moore, Douglas Budget

‘My wife was a marvelous person to go through what I did. What I put her through was beyond comprehension, and she stuck with me the entire time.’

Chuck Bruner

70-year-old straw house withstands test of time

BY MIKE MOORE
Douglas Budget
Via Wyoming News Exchange

He wanted a home for his family. As a young man with a wife, two children and one on the way, Chuck Bruner had some big decisions to make. He may have had little money, but he was smart and not afraid to take a chance.

Working nine-hour days six days a week back in 1948, Bruner's mind wondered while employed at a nearby garage. He complained about not being able to afford a home, but one day in Glendo gave him a glimpse of hope.

Roy Amick enlightened Bruner of his successful venture building a grocery store out of straw bales and suggested Bruner do just that on his own plot of land.

“I said, ‘You’re kidding me,’” Bruner recalled. “He asked me to come down and look at it. It was kind of crude. He hired all his help and didn’t even try to make the walls straight.”

Amick learned the technique from the western sandhills of Nebraska, giving the idea more credibility. Intrigued by the idea, Bruner immediately started thinking about who was going to bale his straw.

He found someone willing to bale the hay west of Douglas near the present-day KOA campground. Excited to get going, he started building his plans for a modest home along Jackson Street.

Not much was going on along Jackson Street at the time.

“There wasn’t anything between here and the old South Grade School,” Bruner said, looking out his living room win-

dow down Hamilton Street in Douglas. “It was a two-lane road and wasn’t anything north or south, except pasture.”

His day to collect the bales that would soon form the walls of his home eventually arrived, but in the 40s, nothing came easy.

“I had to tie the bales myself,” Bruner said.

He began construction of his new straw home in April of 1949. The layout and plans for what he wanted were solidified, and he began enclosing each bale in cement one hour before work and two hours after his nine-hour shift at the garage.

As the unique home started taking shape, a handful of people around town took notice, driving by regularly to keep an eye on Bruner's creation.

“They pretty much left me alone,” he said. “(They) thought I was goofy.”

One of those men was Mort Peters, owner of Converse Lumber.

“He’d drive by once a week, he never stopped,” Bruner recalled. “When I got ready to pour the floors, I needed a wheelbarrow. I went to Mort and he said, ‘There is no damn reason to buy a wheelbarrow, I’ll loan you one.’ I’ll never forget of Mort telling me that.”

The engine running the cement mixer came from a gasoline washing machine he had bought while living outside Douglas at the family-owned Bruner Ranch.

“When I moved to town I had electricity, so I replaced the engine and used that gas engine to run the mixer,” he said.

He dug his foundation by hand and poured cement, which

partially came from his own sweat by digging sand from along the North Platte River. He made daily trips in the morning and twice at night to shovel sand into his father’s Jeep.

Once the foundation was set, he moved onto the posts he needed throughout the home for support. Even the lumber came on a per-need basis.

“I made a deal to saw out lumber as I needed,” he said. “It was really a do-it-yourselfer because I didn’t have any money.”

In between the post and beam framework, Bruner placed the straw bales, eventually encasing them in cement. As the walls and wooden roof went up throughout the summer months, the time came for move-in day in September. Bruner couldn’t believe the patience his Chicago-raised wife, Mary, had during that time.

“My wife was a marvelous person to go through what I did,” he noted. “What I put her through was beyond comprehension, and she stuck with me the entire time.”

At the time, the house was one big open room with no plastered walls. The bedroom still had a dirt floor.

“We were all looking at straw bales,” he said with a chuckle. Children James and William joined the couple in the home, and in October, son Phil joined the crew.

He kept track of every penny he put into the home’s construction. When tallying up the overall cost, it came to \$2,500.

One hiccup arose when Bruner experienced what he thought were flying ants while putting up the roof, but he didn’t really think anything of it at the time.

Unfortunately, he later learned he built right on top of a termite nest.

The termites caused his window sills to deteriorate, most notably in the 60s, before he inevitably “took care” of the nest without elaborating any further.

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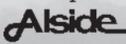
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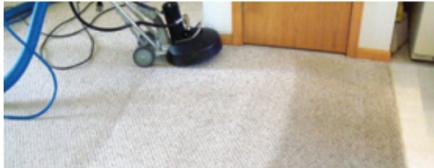
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Local rental rates holding steady

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

The cost of renting an apartment or home in Park County is holding fairly steady, the latest data suggests.

The state's Economic Analysis Division found that the overall cost of housing rose by about 2 percent between late 2017 and late 2018. However, rental rates in Powell and Cody appear to have stayed pretty consistent during that time frame.

For an average two-bedroom apartment, the state found that the going rate was \$635 a month during the fourth quarter of 2018. That was up by just \$1 from a year earlier.

Similarly, an average two- or three-bedroom home could be rented for about \$920 a month in Park County — no change from 2017.

The data suggests it got a little more affordable to rent a mobile home in Cody and Powell, with the average rental rate falling 2.7 percent, to \$692.

All of those are below

the statewide average, with Park County generally falling in the middle of the pack among the state's 23 counties. Park County is the most expensive to rent in the Big Horn Basin, however. For example, the average apartment rental rates in Powell and Cody are about 24 percent higher than the average rates in Lovell, Greybull, Worland and Thermopolis.

However, the entire Basin remains a bargain compared to neighboring Teton County, where housing costs continue to rise into the stratosphere.

At the end of 2018, an average apartment in the Jackson Hole area was renting for an average of \$2,138 a month. That's up nearly 12 percent from the same point in 2017. It's 2.5 times pricier than the second-most expensive place to rent a flat (Sublette County, where apartments were going for \$827 a month).

A Jackson area house, meanwhile, costs an average of nearly \$2,700 a month (up 5 percent) while getting a mobile home is \$1,188 a month, up 6.3 percent.

AVERAGE RENTAL RATES

4Q18	Apartment	House	Mobile home
Park County	\$635	\$920	\$692
Big Horn County	\$514	\$629	\$446
Teton County	\$2,138	\$2,696	\$1,188
State	\$735	\$1,074	\$730



An unidentified youth stands outside of the home Chuck Bruner built out of straw in Douglas in 1949. Bruner, now 99, spent \$2,500 to build the home using straw bales. Courtesy photo

House: Straw bales tied by hand

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He replaced the wooden window sills with more termite-proof cement ones, he added.

Since straw contains traces of silica, it kept the termites out of the bales. It also caused him to get house insurance, as straw only smolders and won't burn unless the flame can vertically climb the stalk.

As a mechanic who was tired of picking up cold tools off the shop floor, the man kept innovating at the property, constructing a shop with heated floors not long after.

He later added two additional bedrooms in 1952 to make room for his children. In the years following Phil's birth, the family welcomed two more children, Marie and Tom.

Bruner's most recent look at the condition of the straw bales came 10 years ago when he widened his front door from the original 28-inch door to one spanning 3 feet in width. A

building inspector requested to see just how the bales were holding up, and she showed up within five minutes of Bruner cutting open the wall.

"She was flabbergasted," he said. "The straw looked just like it did the day I put it in."

Bruner, now 99 years old, never thought he'd still live in his straw bale home 69 years after the fact.

"Mary and I were 30 years old," he said. "I figured if it lasted us 50 years we'd be 80 years old and we'd be on our last legs, too. I never dreamed this house would be standing here in practically 2020."

A building permit for a homemade straw bale home would never fly these days, he surmised.

Bruner hopes the house lives to hit a 100-year milestone, which would be in 2049, but he realizes that may not happen.

"When I'm gone I'd like them to tear it down and build a nice modern house here," he said.

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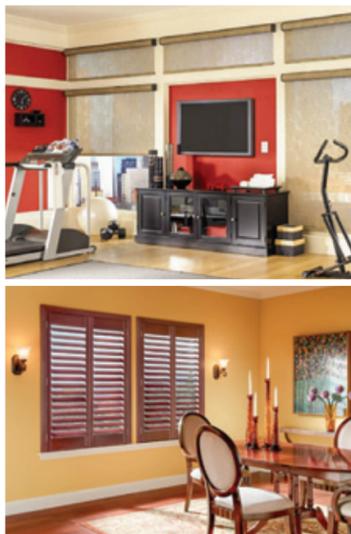
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Sandi Cannon takes time out for some puppy love with Latte and Dolly, miniature dachshunds that have the run of her business. Cannon lost Max, the famous greenhouse dog, in January.

Greenhouse: 'This is my life'

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companions, smothering her with gentle puppy kisses at every opportunity.

A PLACE FILLED WITH BEAUTIFUL THINGS

Sandi and Jim had started the business by accident in the early 1980s. They were growing vegetables on their dining room table in an effort to lower the couple's grocery bill while raising their large family. Jim kindly offered to build a greenhouse for Sandi as they ran out of room.

Soon after, neighbors began asking if the couple would mind doing their seasonal starts.

There wasn't enough room. So Jim built another greenhouse. They continued the cycle until there were a dozen.

Sandi's favorite space is the Pot House. There she can come out early in the morning to assemble fancy potted plants, from small gift-sized

plants to giant, multi-plant pots too heavy for one person to tote without risking injury. Jim had built the fortress of solitude — complete with bathroom facilities — special for Sandi. Moments spent there were "therapeutic and productive," she said. "It's my only quiet time. I can come back here and make beautiful things."

'I knew when Jim passed and I missed him I could just walk out [to the greenhouses]. He's everywhere here.'

*Sandi Cannon
Greenhouse owner*

While Sandi spent extra time caring for Jim during his extended illness, she counted on her year-round, full-time employee Della Sheridan. Sheridan is a master gardener, known around the county for doing volunteer gardening and instruction, including at the Powell Community Garden.

During Sheridan's interview, she surprised Sandi with a brash statement.

"I asked her, 'What do you hope to get out of this job?' And she says I'm going to buy the place," Sandi said with a



Sandi Cannon works in the 'Pot House,' creating ready-to-go hanging and standing pots of flowers and plants for summer shoppers. Cannon uses the out-of-the-way area for alone time, often working hours before the greenhouses open for business. Tribune photos by Mark Davis

loud, honest laugh. "That was her first day."

Now Sheridan is working on making her dream come true. She's doing intensive gardening and business studies with Sandi in anticipation of taking over. It's not just about growing plants — the job involves public relations, accounting, education as well as gardening. The two women's working relationship could soon reverse.

While Sheridan wants to be the boss, Sandi wants to apply for a job at the greenhouse operation as soon as the sale is final. She wants to be close to the customers who treat her like family, the plants she loves and the place she raised her family with Jim.

"I knew when Jim passed and I missed him I could just walk out [to the greenhouses]. He's everywhere here," she said, struggling for but a second to stay composed. "This is my life."



A columbine blooms at J&S Greenhouse. Current owner, Sandi Cannon, calls herself an 'unusual junkie' due to her love of anything unusual in the plant world.



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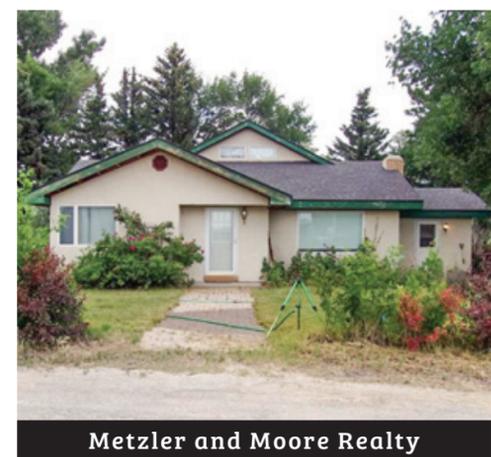
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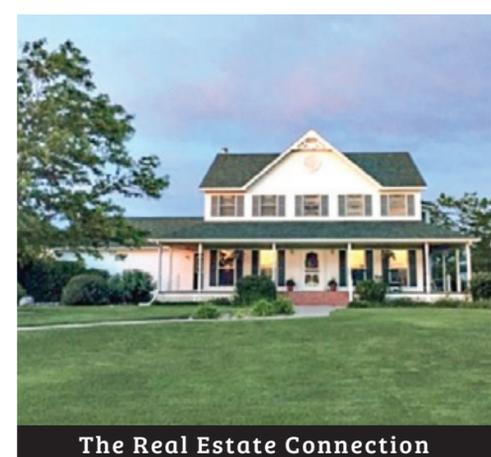




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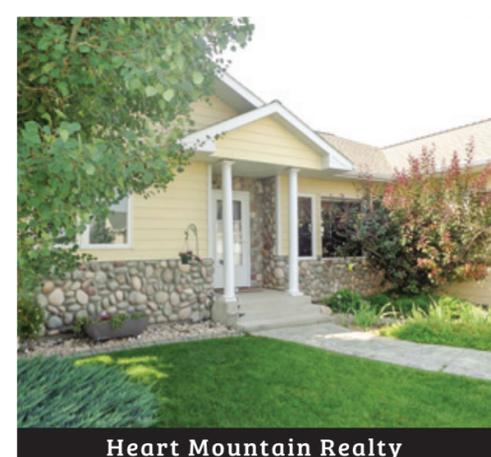
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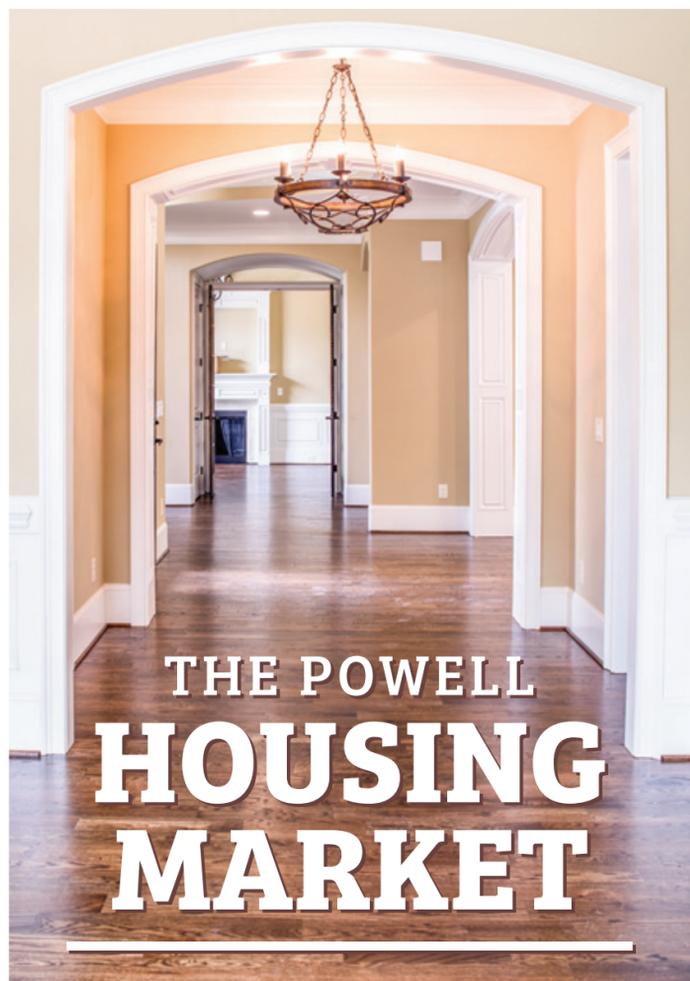
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THE POWELL HOUSING MARKET

'Well positioned to have a strong spring and summer season'

BY KEVIN KILLOUGH
Tribune News Editor

The economy as a whole is currently performing well. The local housing market has more strengths than weaknesses, housing experts say, and the housing market in Powell is looking good going into the spring season.

"We're pretty optimistic," said John Parsons, co-owner of 307 Real Estate.

Across the nation, things are looking good for real estate for both buyers and sellers. Earlier this month, Fannie Mae released its Home Purchase Sentiment Index, which measures Americans' attitudes toward the housing market now and in the future. It showed its highest levels since June — rising 5.5 points in March to 89.8 — a sentiment driven by increases in the "good time to buy" and "good time to sell" components.

On its blog, Heart Mountain Realty points to three markers to explain what's happening nationally with the housing market today.

The 30-year mortgage fixed rates have fallen from a high of 4.51 percent to 4.06 percent since January. Those falling rates are combining with hourly earnings rising nearly 2 percent since January 2018, which may drive more home buying.

Adding to that, the U.S. existing home price has fallen from \$273,800 in June to \$249,500 in February. Put simply, home buyers have more money to spend, and their dollar is going a bit further.

Zillow, a Seattle-based real estate information site, said these factors indicate a "reasonable" amount of mortgage affordability — the share of income necessary to afford a typical house payment — in most markets.

The lower interest rates, Zillow researchers caution in a December 2018 report, may lead people to stay in their current homes rather than sell, which could end up negatively impacting inventory.

Inventory is the area some local brokers say the market has its weaknesses.

Parsons, who has been in the area 15 years, said the inventory of mid- to high-range homes is pretty solid. But at the lower price range, the supply on the market is only about 60 days.

"We could definitely use some more inventory," he said.

The City of Powell has issued about 13 building permits for single family housing every year for the past few years, but this might not be keeping pace with the demand.

Eric Paul, broker/owner of Heart Mountain Realty, said the stock of new housing is too sparse, and that's where the demand is.

This is a nationwide problem. Zillow notes entry-level and median homes have a shrinking amount of an already low inventory, which are the homes first-time buyers and young families are seeking. This is adding to the trend of young people living with parents longer.

With concerns about slowing global economic growth taking hold, the low interest rates began to rebound at the start of April and the trend could continue. This could reverse some of these positive indicators.

While new housing inventory could be better, Paul said houses coming on the market right now, if priced reasonably, are moving.

This time of year typically is a good time to get a house on a market.

"We're well positioned to have a strong spring and summer season for sellers," said Andrew Whitlock, broker/owner of Whitlock Development.

Paul said a seller who waits too long might miss out on what is typically a spring push for buyers.

He cautions there are a lot of factors that can determine how a particular house performs on the market. Besides how it's priced, there's also the quality. Throwing a house on the market that isn't quite ready to sell will not produce the best results.

Sellers also don't want to have a house

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NEXT WORKSHOP TO MAKE YOUR OWN SIGNS IS MAY 3 IN POWELL

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

An old family recipe tucked away in a drawer may be loved, but rarely seen.

Citrus Bee Studios in Powell can help preserve it as a keepsake to be displayed for years to come.

"When you have a special note from a loved one or a recipe that reminds you

of a grandparent or your childhood, who wouldn't want to make that into a sign to display for years to come?" said Tasha Miller, owner of Citrus Bee Studios. "Notes can fade or become ruined over time, but when you turn one into a sign, it lasts so much longer."

The studio is hosting a May 3 workshop on creating signs, including handwritten signs.

Miller says she has loved every hand-

written sign that she has made, especially her own family's recipes/handwritings, because of the sentimental value. She recently did a recipe for a customer on a wooden tray that her grandfather made, which had been in the family for years.

"I thought that was so special to make something that was so personal to that family on a family heirloom," she said.

Stephanie Brown, who co-founded Citrus Bee Studios, made a little sign out of a Mother's Day card that her 7-year-old daughter drew last year. The card said, "Thank you Mom for all that you have done for my (home)" with a sweet little picture of their house.

"... the handwriting of a child with a heartfelt sentiment and the little drawing are captured perfectly," Miller said.

The handwritten signs have been popular. As Miller noted, "everyone loves things that mean something to them."

A mutual love for crafting led Miller and Brown to create Citrus Bee.

"We wanted to share it with others and create a place where they could develop new talents and just have fun — together with a group of friends or solo," Miller said.

Knowing how busy people are, they knew it was important that participants have the time and supplies available so they could leave with a completed project to proudly display at home, she said.

"No one needs another half-finished project shoved in a closet, right? Please say we aren't the only ones!" Miller joked.

Over a year after creating Citrus Bee, "it's getting busier and busier," she said, "and we still love it!"

When people go to a workshop, the hope is that they have fun and create something they're proud of, Miller said.

"We love teaching new skills, tips and tricks for making things look just right, and we want people to enjoy the experience of it all," she said.

The workshops are open to all skill levels — even beginners who don't consider themselves as crafty.

"We make sure to help you every step of the way, if you need," Miller said. "It is a lot less complex than people think it is ... it's really a great, relaxing, and fun way to spend an evening with friends while creat-



Stephanie Brown, who co-founded Citrus Bee Studios, turned a Mother's Day card from her daughter into this little sign.

Photos courtesy Citrus Bee Studios

ing something that you'll actually enjoy and keep in your home."

Miller said it's fun to see people's personality shine through their finished projects.

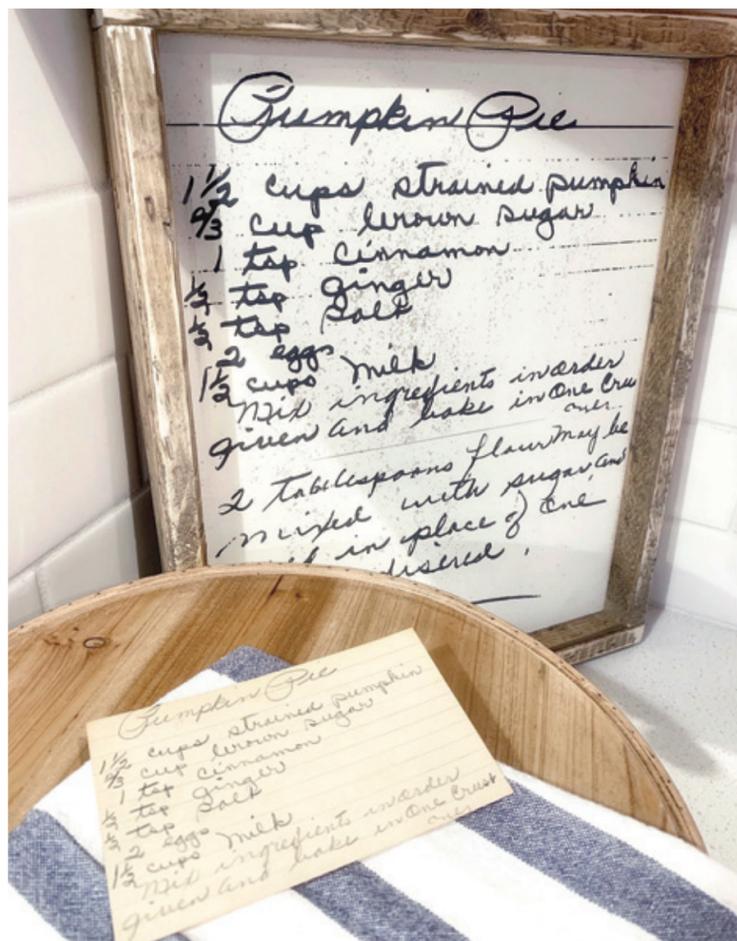
"Being creative is part of the human spirit, it's what makes us unique and we love seeing how different people express that," she said.

In a typical class, there may be two or three of the same sign, but she said they never look alike.

Miller and Brown lead the Citrus Bee workshops and provide everything needed — from the tools you need to drinks and snacks to enjoy. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothes instead of anything fancy, "because paint and dust are everywhere," Miller said.

To register for a workshop, visit www.citrusbeestudios.com, then click on "shop" and find the sign that you're wanting to do. Add it to your cart and then checkout. On the checkout page, add the date of the workshop you want to attend, and list others that will be attending in your group, so you can be seated together. The deadline to sign up is April 28. For more information, call 307-201-9474.

"Friends crafting together is so much fun!" Miller said.



A beloved family recipe, such as this one for pumpkin pie, can be made into a sign to display in a kitchen or another part of the house. Citrus Bee Studios in Powell will help people make their own handwritten signs during a May 3 workshop.



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BROWN RETURNS TO CONSTRUCTION

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Throughout Scotty Brown's life, construction has been a constant.

He grew up learning about the industry from his grandfather, who worked as a general contractor in California and was always eager to teach him.

When Brown was 15, he started to rodeo, riding bulls and then fighting bulls.

"... Construction was the only thing I could find to do where I could leave and always have a job when I got back home," he said. "I installed flooring, framed houses, worked concrete, roofed, remodeled. You name it and I probably did it."

He continued to rodeo full time, even while working full time, and for several years had a window and door company in two states.

Brown eventually expanded his business and completed some rather large projects in the area.

Then about five years ago, a friend who owns the Lovell Building Center approached Brown about becoming the center's new manager. It took about a year of convincing, he said, but he decided to give it a try.

"Honestly, I wasn't sure, at the time, if I wanted to be swinging a hammer at 70 years old," Brown said.

His background in construction gave him some insight into what customers were going through and the challenges they were facing on their projects, he said.

Brown called it a great experience, but after about a year at the building center, he realized he probably wasn't cut out for the retail world.

Another friend had a management need, and Brown went to work for Dorm's Auto as the service manager.

"That was a really good position, but their buildings needed a lot of work and as the only guy there with experience, I soon moved from service manager to resident re-modeler," he said.

In two years at Dorm's, he spent almost an entire year remodeling the two locations, with the sales lot on Coulter Avenue being rather extensive.

"When we started that project, it was an old A&W restaurant that had been remodeled a number of times and used for a variety of businesses over several decades," Brown said.

The owners, Patrick and Kim Feathers, wanted to transform the old building into something more modern and useful, he said. While it took a lot of work and creativity, Brown said he's pleased with the end result.

"About halfway through those [Dorm's] projects, I came to the conclusion that I should have never left the business and that I'd be very happy to still be doing this at 70," Brown said.

He said there's something satisfying about working hard, then standing back and seeing the results. But his favorite parts of the job are working with customers and his son, Matt Brown.

"I like to say that we don't have customers, we have friends, and I think that's mostly

true," he said. "I have a real desire to serve my customers well, giving them sound advice, which will allow them to make educated decisions when spending their hard-earned money."

Matt has helped his dad since he was old enough to walk, picking up carpet scraps or cleaning windows. In his high school and college years, Matt started working with his dad on a more full-time basis.

"... when I decided to return to this line of work, he did too," Brown said.

Along with Brown's good friend Louis Kousoulos, Matt became a partner in Scott Brown Construction earlier this year.

"So, he's committed to learning the trade and continuing the family business for many years after I'm gone," Brown said.

Brown said he's been surprised at how busy work has been upon re-entering the building industry.

"In fact, we had a lengthy stretch of the summer where we were working 14-hour days, six days per week, just to keep up," he said. "Things have leveled off a little now and are much more manageable at this point."

That has allowed them to take on some new projects and focus on areas where they want to expand, such as windows and doors. But he said "we're pretty careful about what we do."

"Although we want to be diversified in the services we offer, I'm a firm believer in doing what we do well and hiring great subcontractors to do what they do well," Brown said.

Over the fall and winter, they completed a new home in Clark. But they're not restricted to just new construction. Right now, the business has five different projects going, ranging from siding jobs to full interior remodels.

The variety of the work keeps things interesting.

"We really love to build. It doesn't matter if it's a home or a garage, we just enjoy it," he said.

Brown has seen a steady flow of calls for new construction and remodels, "but certainly more remodels," he said.

"I think there will always be a larger remodel market in Powell," Brown said. "As the existing homes age, there continues to be a growing need to improve and/or repair what's already here."

One of the things that's been disappointing is running into poor-quality workmanship, especially when tackling a remodel project.

"I really feel like this is pretty common for a small town like ours," Brown said. "For many years, there wasn't a building inspector or permitting process to, at least, ensure certain building practices were followed."

However, even with these measures, the crew still sees poor workmanship that can compromise the value of a home, cost a homeowner a lot of money and even become a safety issue.

"My advice for a homeowner hiring a contractor is to first, hire someone that is registered with the city," Brown said.

A contractor who isn't registered won't be able to draw a permit or have his work in-

spected.

"The inspection process should be a welcomed level of accountability for any good contractor," Brown said.

Secondly, it's important to hire someone with a good reputation.

"Even the most qualified contractor isn't much use to you if you can't trust him," he said. "Your home is, most likely, the single largest investment you'll ever make. You want someone who understands that."

Lastly, Brown said to just use common sense and don't allow yourself to be pressured into something.

"Some of the worst decisions are made out of desperation or under pressure from a good sales person," he said. "So, ask questions, be informed and take your time."



Scotty Brown (left) and his son Matt Brown have worked together on projects for years. Matt became a partner in Scott Brown Construction earlier this year. Photo courtesy Matt Brown

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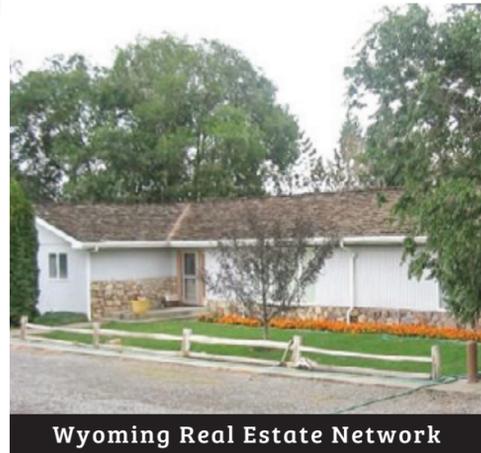
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selling before they're ready to move out. "If you have that flexibility, yes this is the time of year to sell," Paul said. Parsons said 307 Realty doesn't see so much of an uptick in spring. He said it used to be that way, but now people are much more likely to move in the winter. For example, February, despite record low temperatures this year, was a "solid" month. "Our winter months stay pretty active," Parsons said. Paul characterized Powell as having "barely" a buyers' market, but Parsons, with 307 Realty, said it was too balanced to say one way or another. Like Paul, Parsons noted if a house is fairly priced and of good quality, it will sell.

Powell has quite a few things going for it too, which brings in home buyers. The cost of living and property taxes are low. Park County has seen a healthy population growth. Parsons said Powell gets its share of out-of-state homebuyers. Housing in Wyoming is about at the median price range for the nation. Whether that appeals to buyers, Parsons said, depends on where they're coming from. "We have people coming from the West Coast, and they think our prices are a bargain," he said. With the cost of living bursting on the West Coast, a lot of out-of-state buyers are coming from that direction. Economists are predicting a recession in the coming year. It remains to be seen if the optimistic atmosphere continues to flow through the housing market should that happen, but for now, things are looking good.



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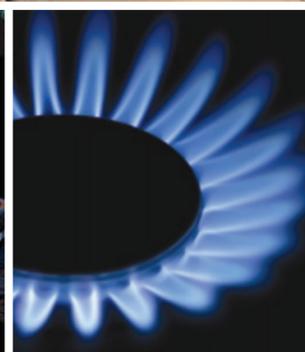
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FROM WYOMING TO WACO



Magnolia's Spring at the Silos in Waco, Texas, from March 14-16 drew thousands of visitors. OLIVE & PEARL of Cody was selected to be a vendor at the popular event. Photos courtesy Audrey Duke

OLIVE & PEARL

FEATURED AT MAGNOLIA'S SPRING AT THE SILOS



Taylor Duke, who owns Indigo Boutique in Cody, is pictured at Magnolia Market at the Silos in March. She is Audrey Duke's daughter, and they attended Spring at the Silos together.



For Audrey Duke, the most memorable moment of Spring at the Silos was when her business OLIVE & PEARL received a shout-out from Joanna Gaines, Magnolia's co-founder and lead designer.

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

When Audrey Duke started selling candles at farmers' markets in 2016, she dreamed of one day making it to Magnolia.

Created by Fixer Upper stars Joanna and Chip Gaines, "Magnolia is aptly referred to as the Disneyland of home decor," Duke said.

With her business OLIVE & PEARL — a hand-poured, small batch, coconut wax candle brand — Duke applied last year to be a vendor at one of

'The takeaway from my experience doesn't have to do with aesthetics. It is the impact that this one family had on an entire community.'

Audrey Duke
OLIVE & PEARL

Magnolia's marquee events: Spring at the Silos in Waco, Texas. But she didn't hear back and thought she must not have been selected.

However, while going through emails on a December morning, "it was in the last email account I checked that I received the notification," Duke recalled. OLIVE & PEARL was one of 90 vendors selected to participate in the 2019 Spring at the Silos, chosen from a pool of more than 700 applicants.

"It was like winning the lottery," Duke said. "I literally screamed out loud when I read the invitation!"

Magnolia anticipated upwards of 10,000 visitors per day during the March 14-16 event — or, for comparison, the entire population of Cody.

For Duke, highlights included an instant feeling of community among the vendors and meeting so many creative people. She said she also loved seeing the working garden on the grounds; veggies

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REFRESH A ROOM

OLIVE & PEARL owner Audrey Duke suggests these simple and inexpensive ways to refresh a room:

- Channel your inner Marie Kondo and find joy in decluttering. Not only does decluttering transform a space visually, it makes it more efficient. It's also been proven that a well-organized home actually has health benefits like reduced stress!

- One of the easiest and most affordable ways to refresh a room is with a new coat of paint. Walls have a large surface area, so changing the color has a great impact on the space. I gravitate towards timeless, neutral colors. My go-to wall color (if it's not white) is a greige, such as Gray Mist OC-30 by Benjamin Moore.

- Make the most of your windows by hanging your window treatments correctly. A few rules of thumb when hanging curtains: First, select a curtain rod that is wider than the width of your window. It tricks your eye into thinking the window is larger than it actually is. Curtain rods should extend 8 to 12 inches wider than your window on each side. Also, the higher the curtain rod, the taller the window will appear, so place your curtain rod closer to the ceiling than the top of your window — ideally 4 to 6 inches above the window frame.

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SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE CHAPTER PROVIDES BEDS FOR CHILDREN IN BIG HORN BASIN

Striving to give every child a bed

BY TESSA BAKER AND KARLA POMEROY
Powell Tribune
and Northern Wyoming News

Across the nation, Sleep in Heavenly Peace chapters provide beds to children who don't have one. When Dan Frederick of Worland first heard about the nationwide movement, he thought, "There can't be a need around here; not in this day and age."

"But it bothered me," he said. "I thought, 'Could that be?'"

He and his wife, Nancy, began talking to people in the community to find out.

"We found out there is a big need for that, for all sorts of situations," Frederick said, adding that it was extremely surprising. "Once I found out there was a need, I just

'It truly is heartwarming to see these young people get not only a bed but a safe place all of their own.'

*Dan Frederick
Chapter president*

"This number changes weekly as we keep getting more bed requests from people around the Big Horn Basin," Frederick said.

More than half of the beds have gone to kids in the northern part of the Basin.

"It truly is heartwarming to see these young people get not only a bed but a safe place all of their own," said Frederick.

When volunteers deliver and set up the bunk beds, they see firsthand the need — and the joy that the beds bring to kids.

"The parents of these children are so thankful that many times it brings tears to the eyes of the volunteers setting up the beds," he said.

Nancy Frederick taught school for 30 years and sometimes saw the effects of kids not having enough food or sleep that they needed to perform in school.

"There are a lot of programs for food out there," she said. "This is the only one for sleep. So for me it was, 'Yeah, here's something we can do to help that problem.'"

She said she still loves working with kids — this is just a different way to do it.

Since the launch of the local chapter last year, the Fredericks said it's been very rewarding to see the generosity of the community.

It costs about \$150 per bed — or \$300 per bunk — for materials, which includes lumber, screws, wood finish, mattresses, bedding, cost of delivery, insurance, accounting, etc.

With 226 beds built to date, "you can see that it takes a large amount of donations," Frederick said. "Literally hundreds of people, churches, businesses and other organizations have stepped forward to fund



Since a Sleep in Heavenly Peace chapter started in Worland last year, the nonprofit organization has delivered 226 beds, including some to children in the Powell area.

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Sleep: '...we are now building 30-40 beds at a time'

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this wonderful project."

In addition, there are thousands of volunteer hours invested in the program through building and delivering beds to kids.

"When you add to that all the people that have spread the word to families in need of beds, it really is an amazing show of how our communities come together to support our own," Frederick said.

To date, the local chapter has done nine builds, all in Worland.

"Our builds have grown in size as we are now building 30-40 beds at a time," he said. "In order to do this, we have grown to 50 volunteers per build."

In June, Sleep in Heavenly Peace will participate in Beds Across America (see related story).

The organization ensures each bed is well-made with quality materials. The beds are hand built with new lumber; each bed part is dipped in white vinegar to stain (and clean) the beds, Frederick said.

"When we get to the recipients' home, we bring new mattresses that are vacuum-packed from the factory and brand new pillows, sheets and comforters or quilts," he said.

Most of the chapter's support has come from the Worland area, but "we would like to expand that to include the northern Basin," Frederick said.

Northwest Wyoming Realtors 4 Kids was the first sponsor in this area. In addition, the chapter has received bedding (including homemade quilts) from the women of Hope Lutheran Church in Powell as well as a monetary donation from the Union Presbyterian Church in Powell.

"We hope that as we continue to grow donors in Powell, Cody and Lovell will become more aware of SHP and we will be able to have other 'builds' up here," Frederick said.

He said the local chapter is striving to reach their goal that "no kid sleeps on the floor in our

'We use an assembly line approach that gives each person a job that they repeat for each bed!'

*Dan Frederick
Chapter president*

town."

"We consider our town the entire Big Horn Basin," Frederick said.

People can sign up for beds at the www.shpbeds.org website by clicking the "Request a Bed" tab and filling out an online form.

Anyone who wants to help provide a bed for a child can volunteer. For more information, contact Frederick at dan.frederick@shpbeds.org.



Volunteers sand boards as they help in the bed-building process. 'We take rough lumber and sand it so the finished bed is smooth enough for those little bare feet to crawl into bed at night,' said Dan Frederick, chapter president of Sleep in Heavenly Peace in Worland. Photos courtesy Sleep in Heavenly Peace



Sleep in Heavenly Peace has hosted builds in Worland, where volunteers gather to make beds for kids in need. The nonprofit will partner with Northwest Wyoming Realtors 4 Kids for a June 15 build in Cody, which is part of Beds Across America.

Beds Across America build on June 15 in Cody

Sleep in Heavenly Peace in the Big Horn Basin will participate in the nationwide Beds Across America event on June 15.

The national non-profit organization has grown to 147 chapters in almost every state and "this is one day when every chapter will attempt to host a build," said Dan Frederick, the chapter president in Worland.

The Northwest Wyoming Realtors 4 Kids will sponsor a build at City Park in Cody. The goal is to make 40 beds that day, Frederick said.

"In order to do that, we will need 50 volunteers," he said.

Volunteers will be needed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You do not need to be a woodworker to help.

"We use an assembly line ap-

proach that gives each person a job that they repeat for each bed," Frederick said. "These volunteers are supervised by our pros that we will bring with us from Worland."

Sleep in Heavenly Peace will provide all the tools and know-how to help the volunteers have a great time, working together to help kids in need, he said.

The event at City Park will also feature a kids' carnival, with lots of free games, free bikes given away by the Lauralynn Project and fun for kids of all ages. This will be Northwest Wyoming Realtors 4 Kids' fourth annual event, which is its main yearly fundraiser.

Anyone interested in this event can contact Frederick at dan.frederick@shpbeds.org.

Wyoming students invited to participate in radon poster contest

The Wyoming Department of Health is inviting Wyoming students in grades 3-9 to enter a poster contest designed to raise awareness about radon and radon testing.

"We are asking Wyoming's youth to use their creativity to help us tell the story of radon and its risks," said Star Jones, outreach and education coordinator with the Department of Health's Wyoming Cancer Program.

Radon is an invisible, odorless, tasteless radioactive gas found in the soil that can sometimes reach dangerous levels in homes.

"While all homes have radon, higher levels of radon can mean a health concern linked to lung cancer," Jones said.

This contest deadline is May 10.

Entries will be divided into groups for grades 3-6 and grades 7-9. First-place winners

will receive a Fitbit and a Wyoming State Parks pass. Second-place winners will receive a state parks pass.

All participants will receive a free radon test coupon.

Students must choose from the following five topics for their posters:

- What is radon?
- Where does radon come from?
- How does radon get into our homes?
- Radon can cause lung cancer.
- Test your home for radon.

More contest information, important artwork details and the required artwork submission form are available at www.wyomingradon.org.

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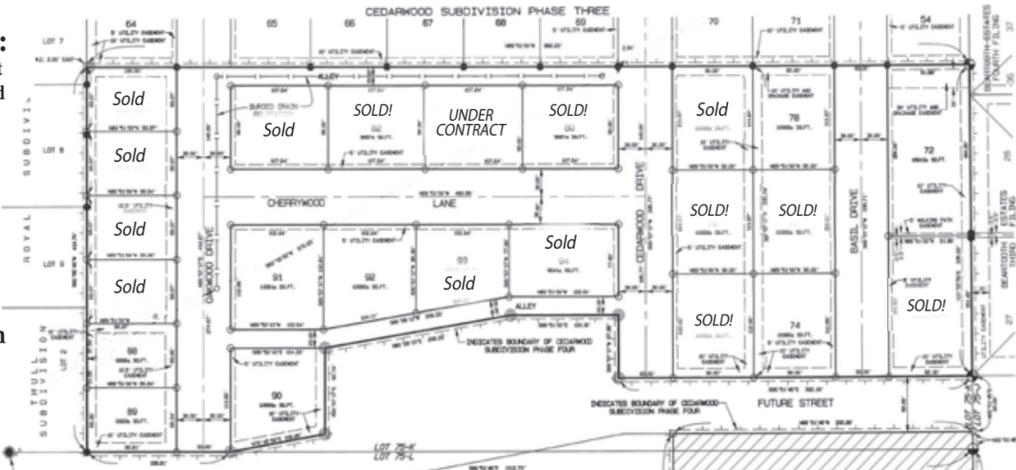
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OLIVE & PEARL: Received shout-out from Gaines

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harvested from the garden are served at Magnolia Table.

“... But the most memorable moment for me was when OLIVE & PEARL received a shout-out by Joanna Gaines herself at the vendor meeting!” Duke said.

During the Spring at the Silos event, Duke was impressed with the details and how every little thing was thought about.

However, “the takeaway from my experience doesn’t have to do with aesthetics,” she said. “It is the impact that this one family had on an entire community.”

Uber drivers commented on the astonishing growth Waco has seen over the past five years, she said, and hotels are being built to accommodate visitors from all over the world.

“And it’s all because someone dared to chase a dream,” she said.

Duke was pleased to learn that she carries many of the same lines at OLIVE & PEARL, a home goods, gift and lifestyle boutique in downtown Cody.

Spring at the Silos also opened new doors: OLIVE & PEARL candles can now be purchased at a Waco boutique just a few blocks from Magnolia, in addition to being available at about 30 locations across the country.

“There were so many connections made during the three-day event that the full impact of this opportunity is still unclear,” Duke said. “I have seen an increase in online orders, especially orders being shipped to Texas in the month since the event.”

Duke started pouring candles in her kitchen in 2015. OLIVE & PEARL grew from selling candles at the local farmers’ market in 2016 to a brick-and-mortar location on Cody’s Sheridan Avenue by February 2017. The business moved into its current location at 1183 Sheridan Ave. in May 2018, and will celebrate its one-year anniversary there with a ribbon cutting at noon on Friday, May 3.



OLIVE & PEARL was one of the vendors at Magnolia’s 2019 Spring at the Silos event. Magnolia hosts three events per year: Spring at the Silos (March), Silobration (October) and Christmas at the Silos (December).



Audrey Duke of Cody, owner of OLIVE & PEARL, drives to Spring at the Silos last month. Courtesy photos

TIDYING UP ... ONE BOX AT A TIME

In my early 20s, I made a comment that has become a long-running joke between my husband and me.

With ambitions to live abroad again or perhaps move across the country, I told him that I wanted to be able to fit everything I owned in my car, so I could easily move to my next adventure. Considering that my car at the time was a small Saab hatchback, it’s laughable that I thought such a notion was even possible.

A little over a year ago, when my husband and I moved into our new home, he loaded up yet another box filled with my possessions and remarked wryly, “Just going to have enough to fit in your car, huh?”

That would only be true if my car was actually a U-haul truck.

Even though I still have a romantic notion of living simply with very few possessions, the reality is, I am also hopelessly sentimental. In addition to furniture, cloth-

ing and other necessities, I keep boxes of cherished items.

To many people, they wouldn’t have any value, but to me, they’re priceless. Some boxes contain mementos and photos from past adventures, while others are filled with journals, books, photographs and decades-old handwritten letters from family and friends.

My husband — who, I should note, had fewer belongings to move into our new home — has encouraged me to try reducing

the number of boxes in our crawlspace. (And just so you don’t think I’m a hoarder, it’s a relatively small number of boxes.)

Anyway, I recently tackled a couple of boxes and eliminated a garbage bag full of random things. I am making progress, albeit slowly.

With a baby boy who is eager to get into boxes, the task has become more difficult. I often wonder what I used to do with all the free time I

had before my baby was born — but that’s a subject for another day.

As I contemplate what to keep and what to get rid of, I know many other Americans share this same struggle. The popular Netflix show “Tidying Up with Marie Kondo” is dedicated to the subject.

Kondo is an organizing expert from Japan who “has sparked a nationwide decluttering frenzy,” as NPR reported earlier this year.

She encourages people to ask a simple question when going through their belongings: Does it spark joy?

If you answer yes, then keep the item. If no, then get rid of it.

It’s an easy concept, and for sentimental souls like me, I can happily answer yes as I decide to keep that box of old letters.

But the reality is, quite a few of the belongings in the crawlspace don’t spark joy — not for me, and certainly not for my husband.

So I plan to eventually go through each box and get rid of more. Because I do love a well-organized and clean home — even if it doesn’t all fit in a car.



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Zack Thorington keeps this 1967 Chevelle in the shop below the entertainment room. Radiant heated floors keep the shop warm year-round.

MORE THAN A MAN CAVE

SHOP, ENTERTAINMENT SPACE FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY TO ENJOY

BY KEVIN KILLOUGH
Tribune News Editor

The man cave is a great American tradition — a dedicated space where a man can enjoy a widescreen television on a big sectional, drink a cold one or two, and slap down an extra-large meat lovers pizza on a coffee table wide enough to hold it well into the following morning.

Zack Thorington's man cave is impressive to say the least, but he doesn't really see it as his man cave. As he shows off his creation, he speaks of it with an insouciance of someone whose only goal is the personal fulfillment that comes with a casual hobby. He said he doesn't even use it as much as the rest of his family.

"It's really a daughters' cave. They use it more than me," Thorington said.

Thorington's family entertainment house, as we shall call it, started its life as a lean-to, which surveyors and engineers in the 1980s used as a map room. In 1998, when Thorington bought the property, it was the only

structure in the housing development west of Powell, which now has a number of residences along an unpaved road. The lean-to was his father-in-law's, so he's kept it.

"It has sentimental value," he said.

From these humble beginnings came a two-story structure, dedicated to his favorite hobbies. A contractor built the structure's frame, but most of the rest of the work Thorington did himself, or with the help of friends.

On the bottom level is a shop, complete with a 1950s-era refrigerator and a 1960s-era pop machine. He has a set of old traffic lights the City of Powell was going to toss into the dumpster. He snatched them up, cleaned them off, and hung them prominently in the corner.

There is also a collection of old street and gas station signs. He includes among this collection of shop decor a photograph of his daughter holding a rose.

The shop also has radiant heated floors.

'It's really a daughters' cave. They use it more than me.'

Zack Thorington

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Thorington used a spiral staircase to maintain lots of space on the shop floor. Tribune photos by Kevin Killough

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Tomatoes grow well in containers, as do most peppers, eggplants and many herbs. Courtesy photo

CONTAINER GARDENING

EXPO OFFERS HEALTHY YOUNG PLANTS TO GROW AT HOME

BY BARB MILLER
Guest columnist

If you want to grow tomatoes in containers this spring, varieties to consider are: Glacier, Legend, Marglobe, Mountain Fresh, Fargo Yellow Pear, Early Wonder and Sheyenne.

New this year are Dwarf tomatoes. Heirloom tomato expert Craig LeHoullier collaborated with Patrina Nuske Small of Australia and members of the Tomatoville internet group to develop smaller in stature tomato plants with large fruits. With growers in both hemispheres, they could grow two seasons of tomato plants in one year, thus developing Dwarf varieties in half the time.

There are now three groups of tomato plants. Indeterminate varieties make up the majority of heirloom tomato plants. They will grow very tall and produce delicious tomatoes throughout the summer.

I suggest growing heirloom plants on cattle panels, because the plants quickly outgrow a tomato cage. Some Indeterminate varieties are: North Dakota Earliana, Chalk's Early Jewel, Bloody Butcher, Green Zebra, Sun Sugar, Black Giant and Lemon Boy.

Determinate tomatoes have been around since the 1920s. They produce the majority of

their fruits in a shorter time frame so they are popular with those who love to can homegrown tomatoes. Determinate varieties are delicious but the flavors are not quite as intense as the indeterminate varieties. They do well in containers and only require a tomato cage to keep the plant in check.

A few Dwarf tomato varieties had been known since the 1850s. They have a shorter stem and are continuous fruiting like indeterminates. The new Dwarf tomato varieties were created by crossing the old Dwarfs with heirlooms. Look for Sweet Adelaide, Russian Swirl and Velvet Night at the May 11 sale. They are happy on balconies and patios in pots.

Speaking of growing in containers, eggplants produce purple blooms and are gorgeous in pots. Most peppers — sweet and hot — thrive in pots. Most herbs grow very well in pots, too.

Whiskey barrels are great as containers. Plant a smaller pot with herbs and sink into the middle of the whiskey barrel and then bring the herb pot inside in the fall.

Lettuce, spinach, onions and chives all grow well in a container. Look for bush varieties of cucumbers and squash if you are short on space or grow them on a trellis. You can even use a 5-gallon bucket as a container, just be sure and drill holes in the bottom.



Gardening buzzwords

Many ways to live a sustainable, organic and native existence

Have you ever wondered just what some of the words we hear so often in the gardening world mean? I am referring to words like "native," "sustainable" and "organic." These words are misrepresented and misunderstood.

Most of us want to eat safe produce (especially now in our contaminated world), grow beautiful plants without lots of work to maintain them and have an opportunity to reduce our costs because of our gardening practices.

According to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, native plants are ones that occurred within a state before settlement by Europeans.

As we become more global, our native species of plants are becoming less present in our landscapes and in the natural habitat. When plants from other parts of the world come into our landscapes, things change. A couple of examples are barberry and burning bush, now found in some forests. There are no natural predators and no natural controls for these plants.

One big concern about native plants is that research shows that native plants attract native species. The decline of honeybees has brought the pollinator issue to the forefront in the agriculture world. Without insects to pollinate our crops, seeds are not formed and there are no fruit and vegetables. This severely limits the food sources we consume.

Water resources are another concern. As some areas become landscapes of non-native species that we plant when water is scarce, this attracts insects that are non-native as well. These insects become problems because there are no predators that can control them. So, we spray to get rid of the insects and diseases that make our plants look bad. Many people use sprays without understanding the implications of those sprays, better known as pesticides.

When misused, pesticides can wash into our water sources. I am pretty sure none of us want to

drink contaminated water. Proper use of pesticides and fertilizers is so very important. We must be sure to follow label instructions. Pesticides include insect sprays, foggers, mice poisons and many others.

When we grow native plants, they tolerate native insects and attract native predators for those insects. This will cost us less without having to fight insect and disease damage, they will be hardier, tougher plants that like our environment. Watering will be reduced and we will be conserving what we have.

The word "sustainable" is often used in agriculture. The Webster's definition is: able to be used without being completely used up or destroyed. That pretty much says it all. It is so important for us all to remember that we cannot use up our natural resources, like soil and water. These are two of the most important things for plants and human existence. We just have to protect our environment.

When referring to sustainable vegetable growing it is the same idea. Using less pesticides, more compost to enrich the soil, and irrigating smartly. It doesn't mean organic, or natural, it means simply growing food in a way that our natural resources are not used up completely or destroyed.

Let's talk about "organic." An organic farmer is certified and follows rules as to what is applied to the crops and how they must be managed. Organic farming does not mean that pesticides are not used. They use pesticides that are a natural product and not synthetic. I try to garden organically most of the time but use horticultural oil and insecticidal soap. These are organic pesticides.

Composting and using rain barrels are also part of a sustainable lifestyle. As you can see, there are many ways we can live a sustainable, organic and native existence. With an understanding of what these words mean, this will allow us all to be better gardeners and stewards of our environment.

(Suzanne Larsen of Cody is a master gardener.)



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Locally grown plants will be available at the enormous sale at the 15th Annual Home and Garden Expo. The May 11 expo also will feature a variety of vendors. Tribune file photo by Tessa Baker

15th Annual Home & Garden Expo May 11

EVENT FEATURES 100 VENDORS

The annual Home & Garden Expo in Powell has become a favorite springtime tradition for garden gurus, do-it-yourselfers and Mother's Day shoppers.

On May 11, the expo will return for the 15th year, running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Park County Fairgrounds. The Heart Mountain Center and Homesteader Hall will be brimming with 100 vendors. The popular plant sale will feature locally grown heirlooms and short-season veggies, herbs and flowering plants.

Shoshone River Farm, Barb Miller, Lynn Neale and Rana Heredia have been busy starting seeds in preparation for the enormous plant sale. Park County Master Gardeners will be bringing plants dug from local gardens.

"There will be a plethora of plants!" said Miller, who organizes the annual expo. (See related story about container gardening.)

The expo also is a great opportunity to shop for Mother's Day gifts. There will be clothing from LuLaRoe, Piphany, and Canyon Colors Apparel. Unique gifts also will be offered from Knotty Bear Carvings, Side by Side Weaving and Pallets to Planters. Shirley's Pies, Kettle Korn, Gigi Marie's Salsa, the Spiked Olive, Zap's Smoke Shack, Xochis Apothecary teas and Farm Fresh Florals also will be in attendance.

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Man Cave: In no rush to finish

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"Middle of the winter, I can be on the floor changing oil and it's 60 degrees in here," Thorington said.

Perhaps the most impressive shop decoration is his shiny red 1967 Chevelle, which he restored himself. It has black leather interior and front and rear disc brakes, which replaced the less-reliable rear drum brakes.

"It can stop on a dime," he said.

That's just the bottom floor.

Accessed by a narrow spiral staircase winding from the shop's concrete floor is a game room in the loft. He specifically used the spiral staircase to keep clear as much floorspace as he could in the shop.

The wood-panel barn ceiling hangs over the loft, which features a fluffy sectional that sits in front of a projector screen. Next to that is a popcorn machine, and next to that is an antique radio he restored. It came from Ohio and has old call signs of area stations on the dial, as they used to include on radios of that era.

A theater marquee ringed with lights and featuring movie posters keeps the corner of the room well lit. It came from Basin's long-defunct theater.

"I didn't even know they had one," Thorington explained. He found it one day online.

There are a lot of things around the entertainment house

that he found online, which makes it a lot easier to do such projects today. Finding parts for his Chevelle, for example, would have required multiple trips to junkyards, possibly in other states, to find everything he needed. Now a search on E-bay can bring a lot of these items straight to his doorstep.

Next to the marquee are some theater seats that came out of the Cody Theatre. When they renovated the building and were getting rid of them, Thorington grabbed a set, which has four seats together.

When he cleaned the chairs out, he found a Sugar Babies wrapper someone stuck under the cushion, possibly decades ago.

He also has a couple 1980s arcade games — Centipede and Pac-Man — and the obligatory foosball table. There's a dining table, too, next to a drop-down buffet table made out of a Studebaker tailgate.

And throughout the entire loft are hunting trophies, including a bobcat that his father hunted in the McCullough Peaks south of Thorington's home.

A sliding glass door opens onto a balcony overlooking the pond, with a view of the Bighorn Mountains in the distance.

The project isn't finished. He has a room on the lean-to side of the building he plans to turn into an office/spare bedroom, complete with a separate bathroom. And there are some smaller



The theater marquee came from Basin's long-defunct theater. Thorington found it online. Tribune photos by Kevin Killough

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Zack Thorington

projects he's got plans for, like an antique gas pump sitting outside the front door just waiting to be cleaned up and have new lights installed.

He's in no rush to finish, if there ever is a point when it's done. A trained engineer, there are few limits to what he can do with the space.

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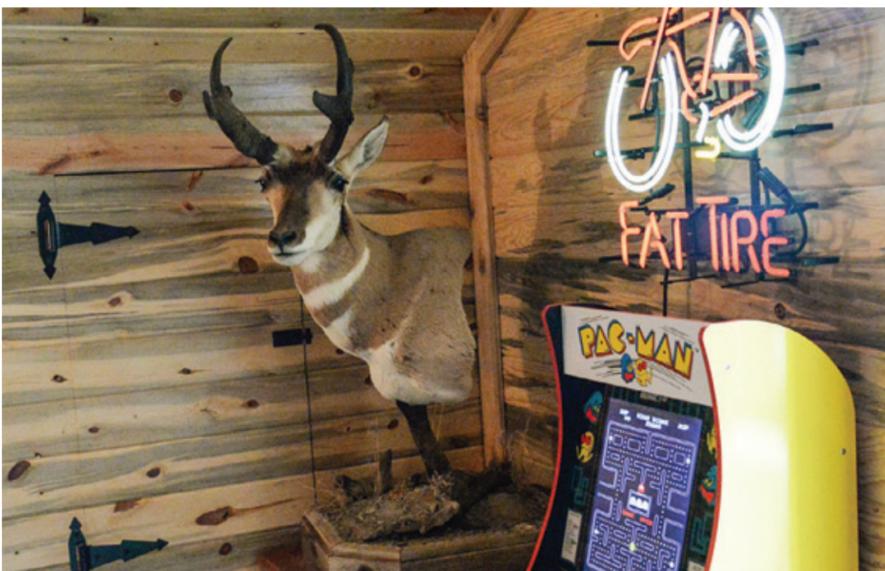
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Tips for starting spring cleaning

While spring cleaning can be important in keeping your home in tip-top shape, the annual ritual can also feel overwhelming.

Three in five Americans engage in deep cleaning every spring, according to a Clorox survey earlier this year.

The online survey found that Millennials have the worst cleaning habits out of the demographic cohorts, with 31 percent admitting they haven't cleaned behind the toilet since moving in.

Americans' bad cleaning habits also include not cleaning their microwaves and not mopping the floor.

When it comes to clean-

ing in a hurry, 78 percent of Americans admit to hiding clutter/messes — with closets and bedrooms being the most popular places to stash things.

To help make spring cleaning a more joyous and efficient event, designer Joy Cho, the founder of the Oh Joy! lifestyle site, offers these tips.

- **Start with a fresh clean:** It's a good habit to routinely clean your high-touch surfaces with disinfecting wipes and to pick up common areas. That should be the starting point for any spring-cleaning project. When you start with a clean space, you know you won't have to deal with dust bunnies and clutter along the

way. Regularly freshening up can help you maintain a clean space and cut down on time spent tackling big messes.

- **Decorate with color:** Make your rooms fun and unique by adding pops of color. After cleaning dust off your bookshelves, add contact paper to the inside back section of the shelves. Flower vases and decorative jars add temporary color and character.

- **Maintain your spaces:** Spending a little time each day cleaning high-traffic spaces can be easier than devoting an entire day each week to getting your home back in order.

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