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When Should July 4th Parade Turn Left

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A regular Belle Fourche City Council Meeting was held on August 3rd at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

With over 22 citizens in attendance, the majority were waiting for the council members to address the Black Hills Roundup Parade route for 2021.

First, a brief update was given from the Belle Fourche Area Community Center Director stating attendance has steadily risen from an average of 116 people per weekday last month to now averaging 158.3 people per day.

Kristi Thielen, Director of the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center also updated the City Council on the expansion of the disc golf course to 18 holes, and they would soon be looking for business sponsors for the new holes.

The largest item on the agenda would prove to be the discussion on the Black Hills Roundup Parade route. In years before, this matter had not drawn a crowd such as this, but several circumstances brought an uptick in attendance.

This last year the parade route was altered to take a left on 8th Avenue, by the Post Office, instead of going down the entirety of State Street causing local business owners to see dramatic falls in revenue. Also differing from the previous year, this item was added to the agenda six months before the previous approval date.

Before the meeting had convened, Mayor Gloria Landphere had received emails from the public regarding the proposed route. Mayor Landphere stated,

Beware of the Possibilities of Fire and Fire Hazards



Fire Season is underway. - Recent thunderstorms have produced some severe lightning that has in turn been the culprit behind numerous grass fires in the country. The photo above was not caused by lightning. As hay was being baled on the Lantis Ranch north of Belle a finished bale was noticed to be smoking. The smoke grew into a fire and the bale and several acres of the field were burned before volunteer fire fighters extinguished the blaze. A failed bearing on the baler had caused the bale to catch fire. After putting it out they found that an unfinished bale still in the baler was on fire too and ensuing fire completely destroyed the John Deere baler- *Courtesy Photo*

“Ordinarily I ask for a motion and second, but tonight I read quite a bit of correspondence. I think it deems we can come out for quite a bit of discussion.”

The first to speak on behalf of their business was Daphne Johnson, Owner of Designs by Daphne. “I am not pleased with the way this particular matter

came to this agenda,” Johnson said at the podium. “I am very disappointed. Under cover of darkness, it seems like all of a sudden it was sent out.”

Johnson voiced her approval of the Cattle Drive route, which went down the entirety of State Street, but found it concerning that the parade route would not

also do so. Johnson noted her displeasure at the street being opened so soon after the parade due to a miscommunication with a Belle Fourche Police Department Officer. Chief of Police Marlyn Pomrenke would later address her concern by stating it was not intentional, but the officer had misunderstood a radio command to remove various barriers.

Johnson stated her business that day had decreased 60% from the previous year, and she was not alone in seeing a drop in revenue. Bob Croeni of Relic Diggers stated his business had

fallen 75% due to the change in route. “They sit in front of the store, shop, come back after the parade, and shop more,” Croeni said. “Every parade in America goes down main street.”

Keith Anderson, Chairman of the Black Hills Roundup, and Clay Crago, Vice Chairman, attended the meeting as well. Anderson was the first to speak up regarding the recent changes. “It wasn’t out to sabotage the downtown businesses,” Anderson said. “At the end of the day it’s the Roundup’s parade. All I

Parade Route A6



City Council Chambers was the site of a contingent of Belle business people and Black Hills Roundup Committee Members at the Council’s Regular meeting August 3 -Alexa Althoff Photo

Rancho Los Agaves Mexican Restaurant

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BELLE FOURCHE – Raul and Gerardo (Gerra) Guzman have big plans and hope to supply a need within the Belle Fourche and surrounding community. Rancho Los Agaves Mexican Restaurant it set to open soon, within the next couple weeks.

“My brother-in-law, Efraim Lopez, had a restaurant in Chamberlain and one in Winner,” said Raul. “I was working in a restaurant in Wisconsin and wanted an opportunity to grow as a business partner. So, one

day, my brother-in-law and I started driving all over the state and we found Belle Fourche, a good-sized town and not lots of places to eat, and no Mexican food.”

For Raul, those were good enough reasons to think about opening a Mexican restaurant with authentic Mexican food. “We thought this would maybe be an improvement for the community and something different,” he said. “We will try to be as authentic (in the food) as we can, but more mild to adapt the culture to everyone.”

Raul spent 12 years in Wisconsin, Alabama and Tennessee working in the restaurant industry. His sister lives in Winner and he wanted to be closer to family. “I’m just two hours away now.”

Although Raul and Gerrado will be running the restaurant day to day, Efraim Lopez will be in and out as a partner in the restaurant.

“We should be open in a couple weeks,” Raul said. “We have applied for the liquor license and still have to get the food license from the health department. We will have both the front room and back room open to the public.”

Currently he is still looking for some waitstaff and people to bus tables. He’s looking to hire local people.

Born in Mexico, Raul came to the U. S. at 19. “I don’t know how to cook, just fix a bowl of milk and cereal,” he laughed.

“But I have good guys as the cooks. Guys I met in Wisconsin originally from Mexico.” Those “guys” brought the skill to cook real Mexican food with them and plan to provide that same thing here locally.

“I’m good with drinks, like

Rancho Contd. A6



Raul and Gerardo Guzman on the front porch of Rancho Los Agaves on 5th Ave/Hwy 85. -Brunner Photo

Belle Fourche’s Sweet Corn Festival August 21 & 22

A new committee, Boost Belle, will hold its first annual Belle Fourche Sweet Corn Festival on August 21-22.

The Sweet Corn Festival begins on the grounds of the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center at 415 Fifth Avenue, at 6 p.m. on Friday, August 21st. Hometown Thursday will sponsor an appearance by Chelsey D and Company and also offer beer sales. Food and refreshments will be provided by; Carmel Creations, the Leaky Pot and the Lions Club. There will also be booths run by Oak Tree Pottery and FFA. The Raptors Center will attend and bring a number of birds for people to see.

Family activities will include craft tables with corn-inspired craft and art projects, including one in which children can “paint” with a corn cob. Lawn games, including corn hole, will be available and rides on the

“Corn Festival” train will be available for children.

The Festival continues on Saturday, August 22 on State Street in downtown Belle Fourche from noon to 6 p.m. The Belle Fourche Downtown Business District will oversee the event, which will include merchandise, crafts, activities and store specials. There will also be bed races – a long-ago fixture of special events in Belle Fourche – and a corn-cooking competition with team participation.

Boost Belle was specially created by the Mayor to spearhead new events in the Belle Fourche community, to be carried out with participation by strategic partner organizations. These events are intended to provide increased opportunities for Belle Fourche residents to enjoy their city and for people in other Black Hills communities to come to Belle, too.

Cowboys Too! Receives FFA’s 2020 Honorary Chapter Degree



State Street business **Cowboys Too!** received the Belle Fourche FFA Chapter’s 2020 **Honorary Chapter Degree** in recognition of their efforts, involvement, promotion, and support of the chapter. Pictured from left Chapter Advisor and BF High School Vocational Ag instructor, Austin Bishop; Michelle Evans and George Wilson, Cowboys Too!; Morgan and Laney Mackaben, FFA members and officers. *Courtesy Photo*

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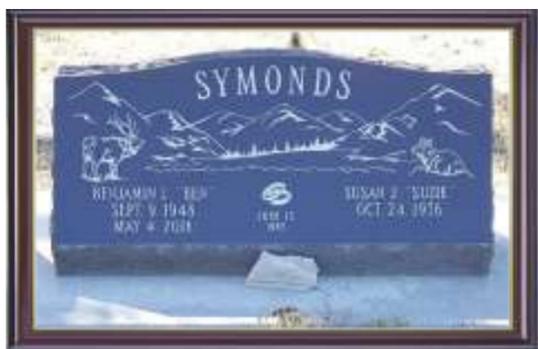
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Obituaries

John Dale "JD" Mutchler 51

John Dale "JD" Mutchler was born October 20, 1968, in Rapid City to Neil and Margaret Mutchler of Mud Butte, SD. He grew up and attended high school in Newell, SD, where he graduated in 1987. He moved to Mud Butte and worked on the Mutchler Ranch, raising Hereford cattle.



his wife and family. He wanted to run his ranch, carrying on the Mutchler name. He wanted to watch his grandkids bounce on the backs of horses he made "kid broke" himself. He fought the hardest battle of his life for many years, and is finally at peace.

He married Danelle Mutchler on September 20, 1997. Together with their children, Tyler, Megan, and Prestyn, they welcomed another son, Caleb, in 2001. He continued to ranch in Mud Butte, and soon became busy taking his kids to ropings, rodeos, and following their athletic teams and other activities from elementary school through college. He loved his kids, but he had an even bigger place in his heart for his grandchildren, who will always remember "Papa JD" in every tall man they see with a cowboy hat.

The family extends their most sincere thanks to all of those who cared for JD and his family throughout his life. Your help was what did, and will continue to, hold his family together for many years to come.

He also enjoyed spending time with his wife, Danelle, no matter what they were doing - marathons, camping, or paddle boating. He would always be up for a new adventure, clad in his cowboy hat, denim western shirt, Hawaiian swimming trunks, and crocs.

JD was known by many, and had many long-lived friendships. His personality matched that of his horses: sometimes stubborn and wild, but gentle-mannered. He always had a sarcastic joke to tell (mostly inappropriate ones) and liked to make people laugh. Each joke was always followed by a big smile and a belly laugh. He loved kids, and developed a passion of helping and teaching kids to rope. Over the last few years, he helped build the arena into a place where kids could learn to love rodeo as much as he did.

JD, age 51 of Newell, SD, passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2020, at his home.

JD is survived by his wife of 24 years, Danelle (Conitz) Mutchler; his children, Tyler (Jordynn) Mutchler, Megan Dix, Prestyn Novak, and Caleb Mutchler; his grandchildren, Josie Dix (age 2) and Tilden Mutchler (age 1); his mother, Margaret (Bauer) Mutchler; his brothers, Marvin (Tekka) Mutchler and Bill (Tricia) Mutchler; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces, and nephews; and his loyal pal, Roper.

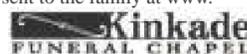
He was preceded in death by his father, Neil Mutchler, and infant sister, Mary Mutchler.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, August 6, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis, SD.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 7, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. at the Newell Rodeo Arena. A family burial took place afterward.

A memorial has been established to the Community Club for the Newell Arena improvements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



Bonnie Claire LaShier Bentley 91

Bonnie Claire LaShier Bentley, age 91, of Spearfish, SD went to dance and play cards with her husband Lee in heaven on Tuesday, August 4, 2020.



Bonnie was born April 8, 1929 in Crooks, SD; the youngest of two daughters born to Albert LaShier and Rose (Byg) LaShier. The family moved to Sioux Falls where Bonnie attended Beadle Elementary and Washington High School, graduating a semester early. She had various employment opportunities beginning at age 14 as a soda jerk in a department store. She began her career as an operator for Bell Telephone and soon met the man of her dreams, Lee Bentley, whom she married at the age of 19. After five years, they had their son Robin. She stayed with "Ma Bell" until Lee's assignment to Wessington Springs with the SD Highway Patrol. Daughter Dalari was born, and Bonnie devoted her time to raising her children. Lee was transferred to Belle Fourche in 1964. While in Belle, Bonnie worked as a clerk at JC Penny's, as a law enforcement officer for the port of entry, as a clerk at a convenience store, and completed her employment history as a bailiff for the court. After retiring from working, she focused her energy on her grandchildren, where "spoiling" was the name of the game!

bered for her delicious "porcupine balls," and hosting court whist tournaments annually on Lee's birthday.

Survivors include her son, Robin (Beth) Bentley of Spearfish; her daughter, Dalari (Dennis) Bentley-Stillman of Gillette; granddaughter, Jaime Bentley of Spearfish SD; grandsons, Brandon (Alisa) Bentley of Spearfish SD; Mason (Kayla) Stillman of Seattle WA; and Myles (Savannah) Stillman of Rock Springs WY; great-grandchildren, Banks, Roselynn, Sadie, Cooper, and Robyn; one nephew, James (Virginia) Heesch and family of Flandreau SD. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee "Sarge" Bentley, her parents, sister Lillie Heesch, brother-in-law John Heesch, and nephew John Heesch Jr.

Due to the COVID-19 virus, her memorial service was a private family service on August 7, 2020 at the Fidler-Isburg Chapel at 1:00pm with Pastor Scott McKirdy officiating. Memorials and condolences may be sent in care of Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapel, PO Box 487, Spearfish, SD 57783.

Arrangements were under the care of the Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapels and Isburg Crematory of Spearfish. Online condolences may be written at www.fidler-isburg-funeralchapels.com



Skyler Jackson 26

Skyler Jackson, 26, of Chamberlain, SD died on August 5, 2020 at his home.



Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Murdo Auditorium in Murdo, SD with visitation one hour prior to the funeral. Burial followed at the Murdo City Cemetery. For those unable to attend Skyler's funeral service, it will be live-streamed at the top of the obituary page.

Skyler Dean Jackson was born in Pierre, SD on December 16, 1993. He grew up in Murdo, SD with his parents Darrin and Lonna (Cudmore) Jackson. He graduated from Jones County High School in 2012. Skyler also lived in Spearfish, Belle Fourche, Big Lake, AK and Rozet, WY at different times prior to residing in Chamberlain. He spent time on a fencing crew, worked as a plumber and was known as a "jack of all trades". He was always willing to lend a helping hand. Every kid and baby loved Skyler. He loved writing his own lyrics. His favorite pastimes were playing socktag and listening to music.

He was often considered the class clown in school and continued to be the biggest goofball, constantly making people laugh. He was well known for multiple impersonations of people and characters. He excelled in football, baseball and basketball throughout his school years. Skyler and his boys, or "the tribe" as he called it, were known for keeping Murdo on its toes. The young outlaws were a generation all their own.

Skyler loved the open road, windows down and music blasting. Sky was always the man in charge of the music.

Skyler first met Carly in the summer of 2016. "All roads always lead back to each other" and in July 2019 they were reunited. The two of them became inseparable. They were each other's soul mates and promised to "love you til my lungs give out."

In the short amount of time he was with his son, he was the best daddy. He was so proud the day he was born and was so excited. He was already planning all of the fun things they could do together when Roe was older.

Skyler is survived by the love of his life Carly Iversen and their newborn son, Roekin James Dean Jackson of Chamberlain; his parents Darrin and Lonna Jackson; his sister Breanna "Breezy" Jackson; and his sisters, Marissa Jackson and Lindsey (Fairbairn) Bomesberger and nephew Ryker Bomesberger. He is also survived by his grandparents: Rod and Darlene Cudmore, Bob Jackson, Lyn Hullinger and great grandmother Anna Marie Hullinger, aunts: Kara, Sarah, Heidi, Karen, Gena, Calista, Sheri, Soledad and Tanya, and uncles: Clay, Cody, Percy, Grant, Doug, Barry, Dave, Rod and Ken, along with many other family members.

He was preceded in death by his Grandma Ada Jackson and Grandpa and Grandma John (Gene) and Sonya Fairbairn; special uncle Don Hullinger; uncle Rich Vavra; and cousin Brit Boyd.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be directed to the Roekin Jackson College Fund at First Interstate Bank, P.O. Box 2160, Belle Fourche, SD 57717.

Judy Shaykett 73

Judy Shaykett, age 73 of Newell, died Thursday, August 6, 2020 at Monument Health in Rapid City.



Judy's life will be celebrated 10:30am Thursday, August 20, 2020 at the Nisland Independent Community Church. Visitation will be held 4 to 6pm Wednesday, August 19th at Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

The funeral will be live-streamed online on Judy's obituary page on the funeral home's website, where friends may also leave written condolences: www.funeralhomeofthenorthernhills.com

Judy Lee Shaykett was born April 20, 1947 in Belle Fourche. She was the daughter of Ralph and Alice (Dennis) Shaykett. Judy graduated from the Belle Fourche High School in 1965. In 1967 she was united in marriage to Robert Gilmore, in Belle Fourche. To this union, three children were born: Patrick, Shannon, and Teresa. Following their marriage Judy and Robert lived in Rapid City, before being divorced in 1978. In 1980 Judy moved to the Yankton area, returning to Rapid City in 1990. In 1996 she settled in Newell where she has lived since. Judy enjoyed 38 years of life with Bruce Olding. They shared a special bond and love and together they made many life memories.

Judy will be remembered for many things, but the biggest will be her heart for people who needed care.

For the past many years, Judy had taken in so many people into her home who needed a place to stay, food to eat, and the comforts of home. She had a very caring heart toward people and always was looking for a way to help them. Years ago, she was a very active member of the Rapid City Women of the Moose, serving as Secretary/Treasurer, and helping with their pageants. She also had been a member of the Rapid City National Guard Auxiliary. Judy was a gifted musician.

In her younger years she played drums. She also played piano and taught lessons. She loved singing karaoke, and was a great cook and baker. She will be missed greatly by her family and friends.

Judy is survived by her children, Patrick Gilmore of Yankton SD, Shannon (Troy) Zwetzig of Newell, Teresa (Justin) Larive of Newell; 5 grandchildren, Brady (Michelle) Gilmore, Shaina (Jake) Williamson, J.D. Zwetzig, Chasin Larive, Lyric Larive; 2 great grandchildren, Leon and Talia Gilmore. She is also survived by her father, Bud Shaykett of Whitewood, and her sister, Kay (Ed) Kapsa of Whitewood, and her long-time friend and partner in life, Bruce Olding of Newell and his daughter, Kim (Nathan) Stordahl of Fargo ND.

She was preceded in death by her mother, and her brother, Gary Shaykett.



Todd Fletchall 55

Todd Fletchall, age 55 of Belle Fourche, died Friday, August 7, 2020 at his home.



Graveside services will be held 10 am Wednesday, August 12th, 2020 at Black Hills National Cemetery with military honors.

Funeral arrangements are with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

When service times are set the website will

be updated immediately.

Todd is survived by his wife, Denise Fletchall of Belle Fourche; son, Dustin Fletchall of Bomholder, Germany; daughter, Sandra Fletchall of Weiden, Germany; stepson, Jeffery Gilliam of Belle Fourche.



Rhonda Thybo 54

Rhonda Dee (Wientjes) Thybo, 54 of Belle Fourche, though tough as nails, lost her courageous battle with cancer on August 3, 2020 at the University of Health in Aurora, CO. Rhonda is the beloved wife of Jimmy, and loving mother of Trever, Tate, and Jesse.

Rhonda was born on November 28, 1965 in Mobridge, South Dakota to Calvin and Deleen (Jensen) Wientjes. She moved to Belle Fourche with her family in 1980. She quickly established herself in the community, in particular on the basketball court where she was a force to be reckoned with.

Rhonda had many basketball accomplishments throughout high school. Following high school graduation, Rhonda transferred her basketball skills to BHSU before marrying Jimmy Thybo on March 14, 1992. Her basketball accomplishments include all-conference at the college level.

Rodeo was another family legacy Rhonda loved and excelled at. Besides an avid barrel racer just like her mother and sisters, Rhonda also enjoyed rodeo queen competitions around the state and won many. She achieved many titles while competing in 4-H, Little Britches, and local rodeo competitions. She then continued to excel in rodeo throughout high school. She passed the rodeo passion to her sons, all successful cowboys in their own right. She was their biggest fan, supporting and cheering them on whether it was good or bad, Rhonda always kept things positive.

Rhonda then put the Wientjes trait into operation – working hard, hustling and busting to bring success



to everything she touched. Her successes included operating the Sale Barn Cafe, Harold's Club and perhaps what she was most proud of – she brought the Tri-State Rodeo crowd out of the bar and into the street when she set up a beer tent on the corner of 5th (Main) & 85. She then went on to a successful career with the Eagle Butte Mine.

In addition to Rhonda's husband, Jim and children, Trever, Tate and Jesse, many are left to fill this void cancer created; her sisters, Teri (Paul) of Denver, CO, Toni (Darwin) of Belle Fourche; her brother, Randy (Joan) of Paducah, KY; nephews, Ty, Ryan, Calvin and Kyle, Wacey (Heather), Wade (Jessica), Tyrel (Jamie), Joey, Peter (Zoey) and nieces, Kristen (Jason), Kelly (Dave), Kari (Casey), Dawn (Justin), Ashley, and Teresa, Amanda, Karen and Kathryn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Calvin and Deleen.

Rhonda's time was cut much too short and the lives she touched are endless! She wouldn't want you to mourn terribly, just live by her example – live your life to the fullest!

A celebration of life was held Friday August 7, 2020 at the Branding Iron Steakhouse in Belle Fourche, SD.

An online guest book is available at klinefuneral-chapel.com



Richard Meyer 85

Richard Meyer, age 85 of Sturgis, died Monday, August 10, 2020 in Sturgis.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Leverington Funeral Home of the Northern Hills in Belle Fourche.

Dick is survived by his wife, Linda of Sturgis.



Pastor's Perspective Real Meaning Behind the Readings

This week's Pastor's Perspective is provided by Fay Hersey, St. James Episcopal Church

Much of the Bible can be rather depressing if we only briefly read through it and not look for the real meaning behind the readings.

From Genesis 32:22-31 we learned Jacob sent his family away in the middle of the night because his brother Esau is coming with the intend of killing him, he was attacked by a strange man, and his hip is put out of joint.

Paul writes to the Romans (9:15) of his great sorrow and the unceasing anguish in his heart. He is dispirited because so many of the Jews,

God's chosen people are turning their backs on Jesus.

In the Gospel lesson from Matthew 14:13-21 Jesus has learned that John the Baptist has been killed, and he goes to mourn in solitude. But a crowd follows him. Some come out of grief. Others out of desperation. Desperation so great they end up in the desert without food. They had made no preparations but acted on instinct alone. Many are sick and others are just heart sick. This is not just a hungry crowd, but also a dispirited one.

It all reminds me of our current situation with the Covid 19. Many have lost their jobs, many are dispirited, and many have lost their lives. We are sick of the whole thing. Please, oh please. No more masks, no more social distancing.

Upon reading the lesson again I realized they are not depressing. They are joyful, full of mercy, faith, and hope.

Jacob's fight represents the internal struggle many



of us go through before we accept God as our Savior. Jacob had been a scoundrel before he turned to God. Upon accepting Jesus, he received God's saving mercy. He entered the promise land and received a new name.

From Paul we learn of the spiritual privileges of God's chosen people. The spiritual privileges include the adoption as children of God, the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the worship, and the promise of the coming Messiah.

Jesus had compassion on his followers. He healed their sick. He fed the five thousand. And he met their spiritual needs. He also taught the disciples what he expected of them. The food symbolized to the disciples, and to us, instead of expecting the people to find their own food, they are to be fed. Not only real food but spiritual food. They are to be shown mercy, kindness, and compassion.

When Jesus looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to feed the crowd, it wasn't just about feeding the people. It was to show the disciples when they have needs, they should go to God to refuel. After all it was with God's help Jesus provided enough for all to eat. Go to God to refuel. When we feel like we have given all we have to give and have hit rock bottom we too can go to our own personal gas station God and refuel. Amen.

Arts Council Says Thank you!

The Belle Fourche Arts Council was pleased to be able to offer the community a scaled down series of three free concerts in Herrmann Park this July. 2020 has certainly been a uniquely different year. We were thrilled with the support from the community and the delightful people who came to enjoy the music and great local talent. Thank you to the wonderful community of Belle Fourche for your support. We are proud to live here and be part of this caring community.



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The current playground equipment at the park is outdated and unappealing; new equipment could give a lift to the park's usage and the quality of life for

young Belle Fourche families. The feedback can be supplied through emails, sent to Engineering Assistant Krysti Weed. Her email address is krysti@bellefourche.org. Please provide your feedback before September 1st. For more information, call the Belle Fourche Engineering Department at 892-3006.





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As a part of the August 21 & 22 Sweet Corn Festival Bed Races is being brought back to State Street. In the 1980's bed races were held downtown Belle as a part of Crazy Days. The then Chamber of Commerce event is being brought back on Saturday August 22 by the Downtown Business district.

The event is being spearheaded by Sheila Hodge of Pete's Clothing & Hodge Bootery at the top of State Street. Hodge commented, "It was a very fond memory of mine from my childhood growing up in Belle. Its a fun, entertaining, family event that seemed to be enjoyed by all." Although there are no cash prizes, bragging rights and a travelling trophy are up for grabs. We envision this event becoming bigger and better than it ever was before! Enter now and enjoy the fun! Call 605-892-4773 to enter.

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- Beds may be equipped with "push bars" on each of the four corners. Beds may not be pulled, only pushed from the sides or back.
- No cribs, toddler, child sized, or day beds allowed.
- Beds must include a manufactured twin sized mattress. Pads do not qualify. (box spring optional)
- Beds must be designed with four functional wheels making contact with the road surface at all times. NO motors or mechanical assistance is allowed!
- Bed must have a minimum of four wheels, so situated to make the bed stable and safe. Wheels may be fixed or swivel. There is no type or size limit on wheels.
- Bed must have no means of mechanical propulsion, only human power. No steering or breaking devices are allowed.
- Beds that do not pass inspection will have an opportunity for correction. If a correction cannot or is not made, the team will be disqualified.
- Participants are encouraged to decorate the bed, and the team members in any theme appropriate for family audiences.

Racing Teams

- Each team consists of four (4) people - three pushing the bed, and one riding on it.
- Racers must be 15 years of age or older to participate.
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- Appointments required—call North Park @ 723-3379 to schedule an appointment ASAP
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- Appointments generally last one hour



Area competitors participated in a recent Little Britches Rodeo in Belle. Above left: Jace Olson; Above right Jasmyr Jensen; below left Jet Jensen; below right Lan Fuhrer; far right JP Jensen -Courtesy Photos



Bronc Boys and Girls Soccer to Start

Jim Trimble
news@bellefourchebeacon.com

The 2020 Boys and Girls Belle Fourche Broncos Soccer season is set to commence this coming weekend. There are a lot new procedures that the squads will have to work into their protocols due to the COVID-19 situation affecting just about everything from traveling on the buses to what they do on the field. Both squads have been busy with workouts since Monday August 3rd.

The Bronc Boys coming off a disappointing 1-12-1 season a year ago have a new coach in Anthony Carbajal. This is Carbajal's second time as coach of the Broncos, leading them to a second place finish in the 2013 state championship just prior to soccer becoming a sanctioned high school sport by the SDHSAA. Joining him as an assistant will be former Broncos All State standout Lucas Trimble. Also assisting will be Michael Kane. Coach Carbajal believes his team has good chemistry and is excited to see

what they can accomplish as a team on the field.

The Broncos have a number of returning players with experience led by first team All-Stater senior Josiah Trimble. He has been a starter on the varsity since his eighth grade season and brings experience and leadership to the squad. The only other senior is Conrad Schreier. Conrad saw lots of playing time last season and will be called on to anchor the Broncos defense this year. Also returning are juniors Tristan Hendricks, Ethan Jensen, Charles Alberts, and goal keeper Hunter Cherveney. Sophomores Anthony Staley and Brayden Carbajal will return with a full year of experience to help bolster the squad! Others that will be looked upon to step up for the Broncos are freshman Ethan Staley, Aiden Voyles, and Harley Rivera. Eighth grader Drake Sutter is also expected to see lots of action.

The Boys open the season on the road at Hot Springs on Friday and return home on Saturday to host the Cobblers of

Rapid City Central.

The Broncos girls return 10 ladies from last year's team as second year head coach Rob Creed tries to improve on last year's 2-8-3 record. The Broncos lost a number of talented girls and it won't get any easier as senior team MVP Laney Brill is out for the season with an ACL tear! Coach Creed is looking for senior defenders Addie Shockey and Jazmyr Hunt, along with junior Dru Keegan to keep the opposing offense off balance. He is banking on junior Reese McKenna and sophomores Tori Brill and Ava Walker, who all saw lots of action last year, to step up and give the Broncos some scoring punch. He will again be assisted by Rebekah Ruby.

The girls play a similar schedule with the boys but have east river opponents West Central and Dakota Valley that the boys do not have. The ladies will open at home on Saturday against Rapid City Central at 900 AM followed by the boys game at 1100 AM at the Round-up soccer fields in Belle.



Jet Jensen, Belle Fourche, won the Junior Boy All-around saddle, along with the all-around buckles each day at the 2-day Blunt 4H Rodeo July 18-19. He competes in breakaway roping, team roping, flag racing and goat tying. Saddle sponsor was AgTegra. Jet pictured with AgTegra sponsor and his daughter -Courtesy photo

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From A1
Parade Route
Anderson said. "At the end of the day it's the Roundup's parade. All I heard was positive feedback."
3rd Ward Councilman Vern Hintz addressed Anderson concerning the route. "These people pay for it in the taxes every year," Hintz said. "They need to be included in it. You didn't go to these people and involve them."
The primary reason for the change in route as expressed by Anderson and Crago was a concern for safety since the route had previously involved a section of highway travel. Crago said, "It's for the safety of everybody that we can't, don't go on the highway. The cattle drive takes 5 minutes to cross it, is the difference in the parade."
Given the contrast in focus between the two parties, 2nd Ward Councilman Travis Martin recognized the current time frame allowed for additional discussion. "I think we're 11 months out?" Martin said. "I

think we're a little premature to set a parade route. I think there's a lot we can talk about, and by we, I mean you guys."
Mayor Landphere deferred to the City Attorney, Kellen Willert, to establish how the council may table the item and place it on the agenda at a later date. Landphere noted the city should try to facilitate the discussion, but it is only the role of the council to approve or dismiss the proposals given to them about street closures. The item was tabled until the 8th of September with the suggestion that the Black Hills Roundup and downtown business owners reach some sort of an agreement.
3rd Ward Councilman James Ager noted his displeasure at the general confusion and lack of cooperation. "We don't hold any committees hostage until they make it the way we want," Ager explained. "We just want the 102nd to be amazing and I just don't understand how this can be so difficult, honest to God."

From A1 **Rancho**
margarita's," said Raul. "I don't think my drinks will disappoint. We'll have beer, wine and mixed drinks."
The restaurant will be open Sunday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 9:30 and Friday and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. with the possibility of later closing times based on local area traffic. "We might keep

the bar area open later if people want that; maybe with some karaoke or something."
The menu includes all Mexican dishes as well as seafood, specialty foods and even a vegetarian menu. The location is the old American West Plaza at 1805 5th Street and the phone number is 605-723-1623.
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Anything Left in the Barrel?

By: Doug Cole

As founder and publisher of this newspaper, we strive to take a positive approach to our local news.

I don't remember where I heard it, but years ago someone said to me: Most people have a couple of opinions and like arm-pits, they usually stink.

With that philosophy I tend to believe that my personal opinions don't belong in a news story.

A current controversy is stirring in regard to the route that the July 4th Parade should take.

We were overheard having a conversation about what was discussed at the recent City Council meeting on the subject.

I was relating comments that had been shared with me (in regard to State Street business's position) and the person listening in, later made comment in regard to "where our local paper" stands on the issue.

I remarked that nothing has ever been printed in the Beacon coverage in favor of or against any viewpoint or position on the issue.

The 2nd Annual Corny Joke contest is in its second week.

Additional submissions can be emailed to news@bellefourche-beacon.com.

The contest will again award prizes to the three best corny jokes received. \$100-1st Place; and \$50 Honorable Mention prizes.

Question: What do snakes say about a funny joke?

Answer: That's hissterical!

Because of the Covid-19 quarantine, the only jokes we can tell are inside ones.

Question: What do pigs do after school?

Answer: Hamwork

Dogs enjoy the ride, cats want to drive.

Did you hear about the preacher who preached total abstinence? He and his wife had 23 kids, so it wasn't THAT kind of total

abstinence. Rather, he preached total abstinence from alcoholic beverages. One Sunday, he told his congregation to not drink beer. He said water is best. He told them to not drink wine. He said water is best. He told them to not drink hard liquor. He said water is best.

The next day, a parishioner saw him go into a bar. So, the parishioner went into the bar to see what he was doing. To his surprise, he saw the preacher having a beer. He told the preacher he was a hypocrite because the day before he said not to drink alcoholic because water is best, and now he was having a beer.

The preacher told him water IS best. But a person doesn't always have to have the best.

A man told his wife, "I'm making plans to meet the grandchildren at Badlands National Park." "We will have to watch for the rattlesnakes," she replied. "Those rattlesnakes will have to watch out for themselves!" replied the Grandfather.

Health Tip: An exercise for people who are out of shape: Begin with a five-pound potato bag in each hand. Extend your arms straight out from your sides, hold them there for a full minute, and then relax. After a few weeks, move up to ten-pound potato bags. Then try 50-pound potato bags, and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-pound potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. Once you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

Rancho Los Agaves, a Mexican restaurant will be opening soon in the location where Todd and Kathy Fierro operated the American West Steakhouse.

Ever since doing missionary construction work with mi cunado (Brother-in-law) in Juarez, Mexico a number of years ago and eating the home made foods prepared by the women in the churches I subscribe to the belief that authentic Mexican food is 'mas circa de cielo'.

Looking forward to experiencing the fare at Rancho Los Agaves.

We were invited to attend the Belle Fourche FFA's Fall Festival to wrap-up summer at Jones Park last Friday evening.

We were treated to an excellent supper of grilled hamburgers, salads, and watermelon.

We were pleasantly surprised and a bit embarrassed to receive the chapter's 2020 'Friend of the FFA' Award.

We are always a bit embarrassed to receive recognition, but considered it a very high honor to receive.

It has been a pleasure to watch the kids work hard and the Chapter grow and prosper and to always seem to have great fun doing their work.

The kids, their parents, the school, and the community can be proud of their accomplishments.

We are fortunate, as the local newspaper, to be able to share their activities with you.

I would be remiss to not mention Austin Bishop, the chapter advisor.

He will tell you the success is because of the great kids and their accomplishments.

That is true, but credit is owing to the always smiling, hardworking, personable Advisor who inspires the students and makes what they do enjoyable and rewarding.

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FFA Advisor, Austin Bishop, Doug Cole, Beacon publisher, and Laney Mackaben, Belle FFA after the presentation to the Beacon of Chapter's 2020 Friend of FFA Award. -Courtesy Photo



A reader texted me this photo of a large supply of TP over the weekend. My first thought was they were involved in the black market, but they assured me they were in Robb's and the shortage was over. Reported that Robb's had received two truckloads of the commodity. -Courtesy Photo

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"Building Main Street, not Wall Street" A Community's Untapped Resource

John D. Rockefeller said, "Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great". Nearly every community is seeking ways to ignite



John Newby

tourism and stimulate economic growth. There are oftentimes untapped resources going unnoticed and in large part unclaimed. Those untapped and unclaimed community resources are local museums.

While it is rare a single museum will by itself lift a community out of an economic decline, it isn't so rare these oftentimes-unclaimed resources can provide a great stepping-stone or foundation upon which to build. It is rarely if ever a single entity will lift a community out of their slump. It is normally a community-wide long range and strategic marketing approach that involves multiple and varied methods needed to succeed. But make no mistake, when done correctly; museums can be a big part of a community-wide strategy.

A community must understand the nature of most museums. There are few museums that can stand on their own financially. Communities need to understand museums are rarely able to accomplish that.

There are usually financial costs with having local quality of life entities such as museums, event centers, sport complexes and other infrastructure. But when factoring even modest figures, a case can be made for supporting these entities to a reasonable degree. If only 2000 out of town tourists come to your community due to a museum or other attractions and only spend \$250 (about 1/3 of what studies show can be expected), that is \$500,000 new dollars circulating through your community. Of course, 5000, 10,000 or more visitors would circulate millions of dollars throughout your community.

I would suggest that with a concerted marketing and branding strategy (note, marketing is vastly different than branding), museums will not be a public drain, but a valued resource that helps propel a community forward. Furthermore, communities that have the luxury of museums should create a specific museum strategy that is promoted, celebrated, branded and advertised far and wide. Smart communities figured this out long ago.

As communities develop their museum strategy, always keep in mind the most important issue is that of the visitor experience. Ask yourself, if I had traveled one or two hours to visit this museum, would I be thrilled or disappointed. If

the answer isn't "thrilled," you may not be considered a viable museum. If you can't find a reason to stay and take-in the various museum's exhibits for more than an hour, you may want to reevaluate your museum and create an entity that raises awareness, concerns, educates and/or thrills. If you aren't adding new displays and interactive components at least monthly, you are lacking. If any of the above describes your museum, it doesn't mean it won't work, it only means your community must determine what needs to be done to change that.

Create the museum experience which your own community can find ample reasons to visit multiple times. Better yet, create an experience you can't wait to introduce your visiting family and friends to. Once you have accomplished that, you are ready to start your regional museum campaign. If you are a community with multiple viable museums, you are sitting on a tourism goldmine. Piece together a marketing plan around the entire museum experience; give reason for tourists to select your community based on this grand experience.

Spread the message far and wide. You will be amazed at the results when done correctly. As the numbers securely support, the payback to your community can be huge, but only if you strategize the approach. Communities must learn to market and brand themselves efficiently, that is a key component to not only a powerful museum strategy, but a powerful community-wide strategy as well. Watch this column for future segments on ways for your community to capitalize in the marketing and branding arena.

It is time for communities to seize the moment. Take advantage of every opportunity within your community to bring increased tourism and the revenue that comes with it.

John A. Newby, author of the "Building Main Street, Not Wall Street" column dedicated to helping communities and local media companies combine and thrive in a world where truly-local is lost. His email at: john@360MediaAlliance.net.

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Consignor	HD #	Sex	Weight	Price	Vac Prog	Delivery Date
Randy Aletta, Tyrel & Tell Shannon	100	Strs	545	535	Vac 34, Nat+, Lim.	10.20-11.03
Randy Aletta, Tyrel & Tell Shannon	100	Hfirs	535	535	Vac 34, Nat+, Lim.	10.20-11.03
Charles Pearson & Tom Wolf	100	Strs	600	600	Vac 34	10.15-10.25
Waylon Carson	100	Strs	550	550	Vac 34+, Nat+, Angus	09.15-10.01
Waylon Carson	100	Hfirs	530	530	Vac 34+, Nat+, Angus	09.15-10.01
Dale & Trent Turbiville	98	Strs	620	620	Vac 34+	10.20-10.27
Dale & Trent Turbiville	90	Hfirs	560	560	Vac 34+	10.20-10.27
Dead Horse Creek Ranch	480	Strs	420	420	Vac 34+, Angus	10.01-10.10
Swartz Ranch	110	Strs	540	540	Vac 34, Nat+, BQA, Angus	10.13-10.20
Barbaro Inc	90	Strs	600	600	Vac 34+, Nat+	11.01-11.15
Barbaro Inc	100	Hfirs	540	540	Vac 34+, Nat+	11.01-11.15
Foothills Ranch	85	Strs	650	650	Vac 34+, Select Sires	10.24-11.07
Foothills Ranch	25	Strs	580	580	Vac 34+, Select Sires	10.24-11.07
Foothills Ranch	60	Hfirs	610	610	Vac 34+, Select Sires	10.24-11.07
Jensen Ranches LLC	160	Wnd Strs	740	740	Red Angus	11.03-11.17
Jensen Ranches LLC	80	Wnd Strs	630	630	Red Angus	11.03-11.17
Rich & Sherry Kokesh	100	Strs	580	580	Vac 34+	10.15-10.29
Scott & Mackey	115	Wnd Strs	520	520	Vac 45 BQA, Red Angus	10.31-10.31
Daly Livestock	120	Feeder Hfirs	835	835	Vac 45, Nat	09.24-09.24
Daly Livestock	415	Strs	485	485	Vac 34, Nat	12.07-12.18
Open 8 Ranch	261	Strs	575	575	Vac 34+, Nat+	09.25-10.05
Open 8 Ranch	111	Hfirs	540	540	Vac 34+, Nat+	09.25-10.05
Jim & Tawny Tetrault	90	Strs	650	650	Vac 34+	10.14-10.28
Cheyenne Wilson	100	Strs	575	575	Vac 34	10.07-10.14
Cheyenne Wilson	100	Hfirs	550	550	Vac 34	10.07-10.14
Burghdoff/Glines Ranch	248	Strs	700	700	Vac 34+	10.25-11.01
Burghdoff/Glines Ranch	98	Strs	580	580	Vac 34+	10.25-11.01
Burghdoff/Glines Ranch	190	Strs	615	615	Vac 34+	10.25-11.01
Tim Tetrault/Peter Sobotka	92	Hfirs	600	600	Vac 34+	10.14-10.28
Miller's Crow Creek Ranch	138	Strs	640	640	Vac 34+, Allied Genetics	10.31-11.11
Miller's Crow Creek Ranch	88	Strs	640	640	Vac 34+, Allied Genetics	10.31-11.11
Miller's Crow Creek Ranch	82	Strs	675	675	Vac 34+, Allied Genetics	10.31-11.11
Peterson & Swan	100	Strs	540	540	Vac 34, Angus	10.14-10.24
Llewellyn Johnson	175	Strs	640	640	Vac 34+	10.18-10.27
Llewellyn Johnson	100	Hfirs	560	560	Vac 34+	10.18-10.27
Ed & Joe Gantz	90	Strs	560	560	Vac 34, Nat+, Angus	10.25-11.10
Ed & Joe Gantz	85	Strs	640	640	Vac 34, Nat+, Angus	10.25-11.10
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Dinstel & Stephens	95	Strs	600	600	Vac 34+, Nat+	11.01-11.10
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 September 11th - Yearling & Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
 September 18th - Yearling & Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
 September 25th - Yearling & Spring Calf Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
 October 2nd - Spring Calf & Yearling Special - Selling All Classes Of Cattle
 Friday, October 9th - Spring Calf & Yearling Special
 1st Saturday Sale, October 10th - Weigh Up Special
 1st Wednesday Sale, October 14th - Spring Calf Special
 Friday, October 16th - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, October 17th - Weigh Up Special
 Wednesday, October 21st - Spring Calf Special
 Friday, October 23rd - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, October 24th - Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
 Wednesday, October 28th - Spring Calf Special
 Friday, October 30th - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, October 31st - Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
 Wednesday Sale, November 4th - Spring Calf Special
 Friday, November 6th - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, November 7th - Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
 Friday, November 13th - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, November 14th - Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
 Friday, November 20th - Spring Calf Special
 Saturday, November 21st - Bred Cow & Weigh Up Special
 Saturday, November 28th - Annual Thanksgiving Bred Heifer & Stock Cow Special
 Friday, December 4th - Spring Calf Special
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 Oct 22nd - Replacement Ewe & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
 Oct 29th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
 Nov 5th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
 Nov 12th - Replacement Ewe & Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
 Nov 19th - Feeder Lamb Special - Selling All Classes Of Sheep & Goats
 Nov 26th - No Sale
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by Anonymous

There once was an oyster, whose story I'll tell
Who found that some sand, had gotten into his shell
It was only a grain, but gave him great pain
For oysters have feelings, although they are plain

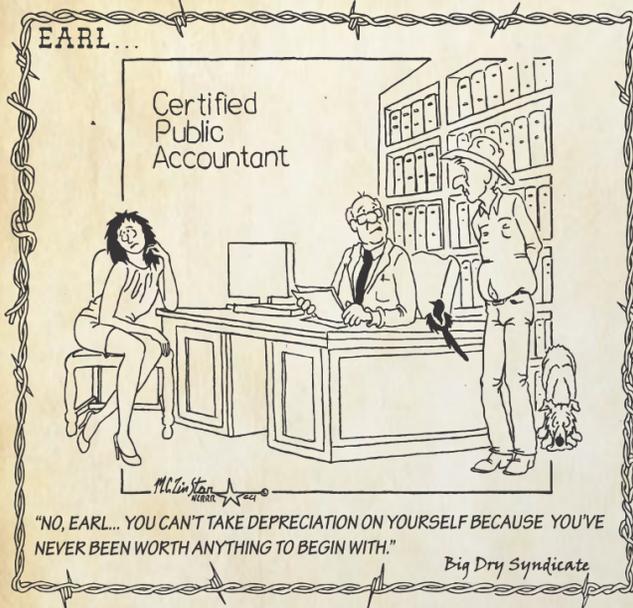
Now, did he berate the harsh workings of fate
That had brought him to such a deplorable state?
"No", he said to himself, "Since I cannot remove it",
I'll lie in my shell, and think how to improve it",

The years rolled around, as the years always do,
And he came to his ultimate destiny stew.
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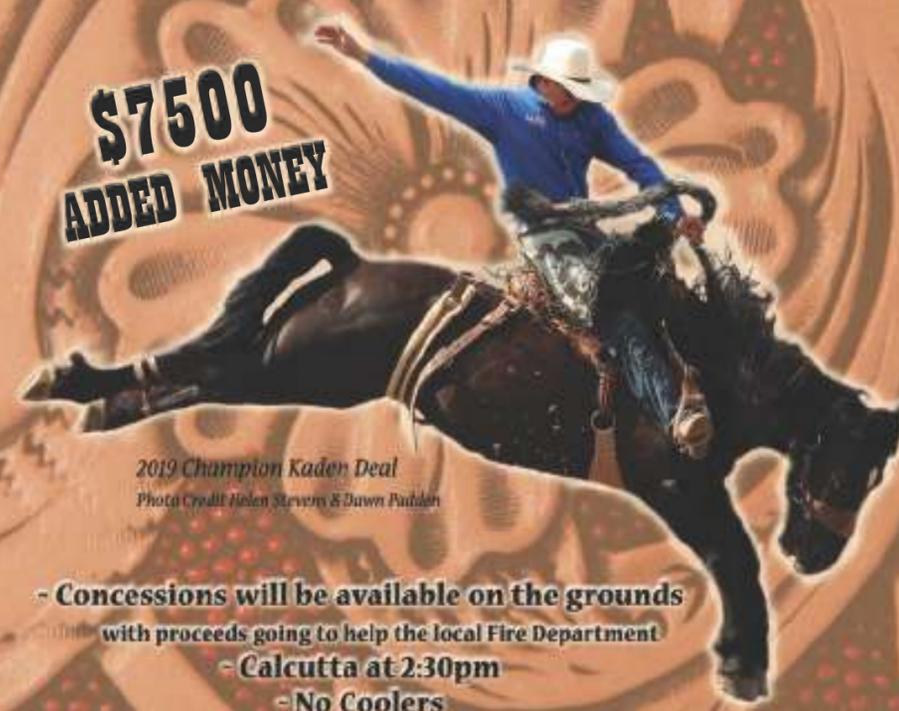
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2020 PRCA World Standings

(Leader plus South Dakota Contestants in the top 50 as of 8/7/20)

Bareback		Tie-Down Roping	
1. Tim O'Connell	\$105,736.68	39. Ty Manke	\$13,360.13
3. Jamie Howlett	\$61,545.99	41. Chuck Schmidt	\$12,972.00
25. Shane O'Connell	\$19,054.09	42. Jacob Kemmerer	\$12,438.67
Steer Wrestling		Steer Roping	
1. Matt Reeves	\$85,212.99	1. Trevor Brazile	\$42,739.08
6. Jace Melvin	\$40,491.09	13. Jess Tierney	\$19,349.57
22. Eli Lord	\$23,627.43	18. Ora Taton	\$14,029.38
31. Taz Olson	\$17,167.14	47. Brian Garr	\$3,255.82
Team Roping Headers		50. J.R. Olson	\$2,734.00
1. Luke Brown	\$81,013.15	Barrel Racing	
31. Jr. Dees	\$21,269.88	9. Jessica Routier	\$35,120.89
Team Roping Heelers		14. Lisa Lockhart	\$31,724.40
1. Jade Corkill	\$67,285.10	Bull Riding	
7. Levi Lord	\$42,104.70	(No SD riders in top 50)	
Saddle Bronc		1. B. Campbell	\$80,371.96
1. Wyatt Casper	\$143,643.36	All-Around	
5. Shorty Garrett	\$60,949.08	(No SD athletes in top 9)	
6. Cole Elshere	\$52,484.01	1. Tuf Cooper	\$80,593.29
22. Taygen Schuelke	\$23,745.83	Decatur, TX	
30. Lane Schuelke	\$16,907.32		
33. Jade Blackwell	\$15,540.32		

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Annual NAVFR Fundraiser



Members of the Nisland/Arpan Volunteer Fire & Rescue posed for a group photo during their annual brisket feed fundraiser on Saturday, August 8. Back row from left: Colleen Brunner-PIO, Bill Noziska, Randy Vallery, Fred Wells, Ken Seieroe, Bill Heidrich, Jeremy Butcher, Chief Stan Lewis, Riley Ward, Maynard Yule, Jake Bachmand and Tom Lewis. Front row: Junior members Parker Lewis and Daniel Lewis, Calvin Fickbohm, Josh Kitzan, Ronald and Collette Fickbohm. - Brunner photo

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NISLAND – In their annual Nisland/Arpan Volunteer Fire & Rescue brisket feed fundraiser on Saturday, August 8, the firefighters and auxiliary served over 330 people during the time frame from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

They served up pulled pork and beef brisket as well as beans and coleslaw and wrapped it up with homemade cookies and bars.

The event is held each year as a main fundraiser for the volunteer department which exists on a small allotment from the county and other fundraisers, including a big pie sale by the auxiliary each summer at the county fair.

This year, due to the Covid 19 virus, that pie sale didn't happen so funds will be tighter than normal. The hope was that there would be a good turnout for the event and locals and visitors didn't disappoint.

There was no big push, but a slow, steady lineup from the morning through the afternoon with some taking meals home

to other family members who did not want, or couldn't come to the firehall.

As people came through the line they stuffed bills and checks into a fire boot in a free will donation. Donations had already been made by many local businesses including: meat from Integrity Meats in Belle Fourche and the Meat Shop of Nisland, Lueders of Belle Fourche donating ice cream, Pepsi donating pop and water, Runnings of Belle Fourche donating water and five gift cards, and Lois Lewis who donated cookies and bars.

The funds will go toward paying off the new hall and equipment and supplies.

"We had a good turnout," said Chief Stan Lewis. "We appreciated the donations of both those who attended and those businesses that donated toward the feed."

Calvin Fickbohm and his daughter Ashley, along with Maynard Yule on bass, provided music during the afternoon. Tom Lewis cooked the brisket and Yule cooked the pork.

The sun set on a friend today.



In true cowboy tradition one of JD Mutchler's horses was led around the arena with his duster and hat on board. A last trip around the Newell rodeo arena that Mutchler helped construct. - Brunner photo

Mutchler Memorial Draws 200 to Rodeo Grounds

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NEWELL – The setting was as unique as the man, as around 200 people gathered in the Newell rodeo grandstands to say goodbye to a friend, J.D. Mutchler. The location was perfect, as that was one spot where JD spent a good chunk of his time and energy during his life, which ended all too short at just age 51.

Pastor Harold Dellbridge of Union Center, spoke words of comfort and challenge to those gathered. He told those who were in attendance that they all had a choice, to follow Christ or not.

The plain wooden casket, marked with JD's brand on top, was brought into the rodeo arena on a flatbed trailer pulled by two horses. His friends and family which included Rich Palo, Jim Palo, Scott Reder, Scott Crowder, Robert Boylan, Darin Schuelke, Harold Miller and Todd Furchner, served as pallbearers.

The service, held in the heat in a dusty rodeo arena on Friday, August 7, was just as JD probably would have wanted it—a hot day

with horses and ropes and all things cowboy. His denim jacket, saddles, and chaps hung on a quickly constructed wooden rail fence which was the backdrop to the service.

His good friend Arlie Hulm provided special music from the grandstand that JD was instrumental in getting constructed. Mutchler was involved in the local Community Club, which supports the rodeo fever in the town of Newell. He was a big part of the annual Newell Labor Day celebration, especially the rodeo action, which included in recent years the normal 3-day-weekend events as well as the brand-new Newell Bronc Match, which this year will be held September 4 at the Newell rodeo grounds.

Over the last few years JD helped build the arena into a place where kids could learn to love rodeo as much as he did.

There will be a somberness to the Labor Day celebration this year as JD will not be riding the arena, nor moving steers from one end to the other through the alleyway. A good friend of JD's, Sheriff Fred Lamphere wrote a poem memorializing this cowboy. In it he said, "The sun set on a friend today."

The Little Firehouse Library

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NISLAND – "It was mom's idea," said Kimber Mills of the brand-new Little Free Library at the Nisland/Arpan Volunteer Fire & Rescue hall.

Codi Vallery Mills, who along with her husband Bri-



The Little Free Library container was re-painted by Kimber Mills and her mother Codi Vallery, decorated with flames and a firetruck. - Brunner photo

an, are mom and dad to this energetic and enterprising you six-year-old.

"Once we got mom on board it was easy," said Codi Mills, she said of her mother,

Rhonda Vallery. Rhonda is a member of the NAVFR auxiliary and her husband Randy, who was a former chief and now member. The

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The people just kept trickling in until the NAVFR had served over 330 people. - Brunner photo

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Aug. 7-14: Rally Breakfast at Vale Community Country Church, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Aug. 8: Nisland/Arpan Fire & Rescue Brisket feed at the firehall in Nisland. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Aug. 11: Registration due for State Fair, State Dog Show, and State Horse Show

Aug. 13: Middle school football practice for 6th-8th grade begins at 8 a.m. A physical must be completed and turned in to practice. Please bring your own water bottle. For more info call 456-2393.

Aug. 18: School open house from 5-7 p.m.

Aug. 19: First Day of School

Aug. 21: No school-in-service

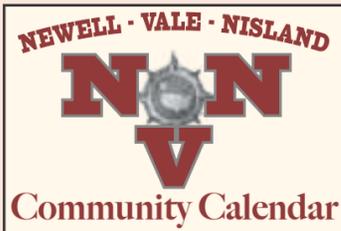
Aug. 21: HSFB award at Faith 7 p.m.

Aug. 22: Private family graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Hope Cemetery in Newell.

Aug. 25: HSVB at home with Lead. JV and V, begins at 5 p.m.

Aug. 28: No school-in-service

Aug. 28: HSFB away at Lemmon/McIntosh, 7 p.m.



Aug. 28: Cross Country at Douglas, 9 a.m.

Aug. 28/29: HSVB at Custer Tournament, 3 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. Saturday.

Aug. 30: Coronation 7 p.m.

Aug. 31: MSVB away at Harding County, 5:30 p.m.

Aug. 31: MSFB away at Harding County, 6 p.m.

Newell school is still in need of many coaches and one bus driver. Pay has been increased for the bus driver. Please call the school at 456-2393 for more information. Also, the school supplies list is available on the Newell School Facebook page.

Owl Creek Hill West of the 212-79 junction South of Newell will soon be impassable for any vehicle over 11 feet wide. Martin Construction out of North Dakota is creating two bypass roads over the creek for traffic to use while the bridge is being worked on by the SD DOT. The bypass roads are being constructed with large concrete culverts which will bypass the main water flow under the bridge and will not be capable of handling the wider loads. Beware and check before you try to take something over Highway 212 toward Belle Fourche.

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family, along with a whole lot of firefighters from the NAVFR, held a ribbon cutting on Saturday, August 8, during the annual fire department brisket feed fundraiser.

A Little Free Library is a small box that is located in communities where there may not be a library or where books are scarce.

Little Free Library is a non-profit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world. Through Little Free Library book exchanges, millions of books are exchanged each year, profoundly increasing access to books for readers of all ages and backgrounds, providing 24/7 access to books as well as encouraging a love of reading.

Rhonda said she had the idea to do the little free library for a while now and finally, with help and encouragement of her daughter and granddaughter, they went online to check out

what it took to create a little library. They ended up purchasing a Cottage Red Little Free Library model and then decided to make it their own by decorating it in a bright fire engine red with flames and a yellow firetruck.

Then they filled it with books for all ages.

"I put in some of my books," said Kimber. Rhonda said she even talked Randy into donating some of his Louis L'Amour books. There's currently a wide variety of books, from little kid books to adult novels.

The idea of a little free library is "take a book, leave a book." For those who don't have a book to donate, they are still encouraged to take whatever books they want. The little library will be restocked by the Vallery and Mills family and other firefighters in the organization in Nisland.

For those who want to check out the little fire engine red library in Nisland it is right next to the sidewalk in front of the firehall.



A ribbon cutting was held for the Little Free Library at the Firehouse at the NAVFR hall in Nisland. Besides Fire Chief Stan Lewis, wielding the "lopper" and Kimber Mills holding the right side of the ribbon, others include (from left) Jake Bachman, Lewis, Sandy Heidrich, Bill Noziska, Nancy Reid, Lisa Noziska, Pam Fickbohm, Rhonda Vallery, Fred Wells, Randy Vallery, Codi Mills and daughter Kimber, Sherry Wells and Colleen Brunner. - Brunner photo

Spurs Restaurant and Bar Reopens With New Owners

COLLEEN BRUNNER news@bellefourchebeacon.com

NISLAND – With family ties to both the Nisland and Belle Fourche communities, Dale and Kim Barker feel comfortable doing business in the area. So, Spurs rides again after a few months' hiatus between the previous owner and the Barkers.

"My parents lived here for six years or seven and my mom worked at the other bar building," said Dale. "We've had a home in Belle for 20 years. I was born there and went to school there." He also went to school in Alaska.

Barker worked for Exxon Mobile for many years, traveling overseas and spent a lot of time in Alaska as well.

"We got tired of it," he said. "She decided to quit traveling and said if I wanted to keep half of everything we owned I had to decide too," he laughed.

He said he was working in Detroit and "this Covid thing happened" so they sent him home. He has some health care issues and was high risk so he did not go back. He said they started looking around for something to do and the restaurant idea came up and they decided it would be fun. But they have never had a

restaurant business before, nor even worked in one.

"But my wife is a good cook and we like being in the country," Barker said. "These are the people we relate to."

He said they are going to start having a buffet again, but had to gut the kitchen and tore everything out of the back to start over so everything would be clean to start.

"We're hoping everybody will come back and give it a try," he said.

Barker said they had around 40 people on their opening day on Saturday, August 1. "It was like a reunion," said Barker. "They stayed till, like 1:30. Bedtime for me is eight, anything after eight is not for me."

They have a full-time bartender who previously worked for the business and a Sunday cook. He also said he has a call into another person who worked for the business on Sunday's that he is hoping will come back.

For rally they intend to have their smoker going, starting on Friday, and do pulled pork, baby back ribs and brats. They plan to serve prime rib on the third Saturday of each month. They will keep the ribeye steaks on Friday and Saturdays and have added chicken fried steak,

tips, fresh pies and cinnamon rolls as well as fresh baked goods.

The hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for food and later for the bar. Monday's through Thursday they plan to close at 10 and midnight on Friday and Saturday. Barker said it depends on the crowd.

They also plan to get the campground up and running again, level out and plant to grass the area east of the building.

"We might put some cabins in and a fire pit," said Barker. "This year we'll have horse-shoes."



SPURS RIDES AGAIN - The Spurs restaurant and bar at right, is once more open for business. They are also working to re-do the camping area and bring it back to use as well. They hope that all former patrons will come back and give them a try - Brunner photo

Then and Now in Newell

from the Newell Museum

"Looking Forward to our Past" by Linda Velder

August 11, 1910

The kids of this town are getting around with a petition for money to buy a baseball outfit and have already collected \$17. The boys should play their first game with the seniors and get some practice before they attempt to beat the Vale kids. A victory, as a rule gives confidence.

Archie Roosevelt the 14-year old son of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, former President of the US, arrived yesterday in company with R. C. Paine, of Brookline, Mass. and the US Marshall is showing the boys every courtesy. They will take a fishing trip in Wyoming and will make pilgrimages to various points of interest hereabouts.

August 12, 1920

At a meeting of the Commercial Club on Tuesday evening it was decided to hold a Labor Day celebration at Newell again this year. Barring the unfortunate weather experienced during the evening of last year's celebration this will be the best celebration ever pulled off in this section. The committee in charge of the program will have the "dope" ready for publication at an early date.

The Newell City council has given First reading to a revision to their Ordinance and about to give Second reading: after the experience they have had to present damage to lawns, trees and gardens by stray livestock is to do the best we can to prevent such is to enforce an Ordinance. This would include herded livestock, hobbled horses and tethered animals, except

of tethered on owned privately lots. This also refuses livestock shippers from the country to pasture either sheep or cattle on the Townsite when they drive them in for shipment.

August 14, 1930

The bowery dance floor is being laid this week recently purchased from the Belle Fourche American Legion and the Sugar Queen Dance will be given Friday night, August 15. A Mexican dance will be held the same night at Woodman Hall. Music is to be provided by the Metropolitan Dance Orchestra of Miles City.

Dr. Clark was called Monday to attend Mrs. Ray Wilkinson, who was suffering from a wound received when a stray bullet stuck her while engaged picking cucumbers in a field adjoining town. The bullet passed through the leg just above the knee. No serious after effects are anticipated.

August 16, 1940

Almond Doud lost 3 stacks of hay last Saturday afternoon by spontaneous combustion. One stack ignited while being stacked and 2 others caught fire.

The Empire Women's Club met at the home of Mrs. Vernon Edwards last Friday. After the regular business meeting, Mildred Drake and Pat Holdren gave an interesting 4-H demonstration on preparing a garment for sewing. A lovely Silver Musical tea set was presented to the J.E. Evans Home. Mrs. Methven gave several piano solos as did her nephew John Foster. The hostess, assisted by

Mrs. Stillman Edwards served a delicious lunch later in the afternoon.

Ralph Hedrick has his right arm in a sling this week, the result of a rather painful accident at his filling station and garage last Friday when he fell over backwards while carrying a car frame. The injured member was badly bruised and knocked out of joint at the elbow. Dr. O.H. Clark immediately dressed the arm, however with limited usage; it is on the mend at this time.

August 17, 1950

Donald R. Seaman and Everett M. Lambert announced they have purchased the former O'Brien Canyon Service Station in Newell which will continue under the name of S&L Service. They will offer complete welding service, painting, body & fender work and minor mechanical repairing. Your patronage will be appreciated; Open 6:30 AM to 10:00 PM every day including Sundays. Phone 7421.

Drilling on the Tee Pee Buttes Joint Venture oil & gas test east of Newell will be resumed within the next week, it was announced Tuesday with arrival of a rotary rig to be used in the effort.

A Hungarian surgeon reported he was highly impressed by the Belle Fourche Irrigation District when he visited the Newell Community last week. Dr. Joseph Pokorney, only in the US 6 days as a Displaced Person, came to Newell as a guest of the Newell Community Club and Jaycees, with a view to selecting a community to set

up a new medical practice location. He has been chief surgeon in the Hungarian Government 2,000 bed hospital in Budapest as well as other hospitals and clinics. Presently his is in Sioux Falls with his family under sponsorship of the U. S. Lutheran Resettlement Agency.

August 18, 1960

Displays of pioneer and antique articles and early day pictures in Newell increased sharply the past week, with the formal opening Saturday of Newell's 50th Anniversary Museum in the Bober building at the corner of Main & 3rd Street. Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Syverts, who are in charge, will be open each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons from now until September 3rd when it will be open until 8:30 PM. It will remain open both days of the Anniversary and Labor Day Celebration.

Seven friends called on Mrs.

Guy Tucker Wednesday afternoon to greet her on her birthday. A pleasant afternoon of visiting was enjoyed. Home made aprons were displayed and Mrs. Tucker given her choice of one for a gift. A dessert lunch was served including a beautifully decorated cake baked by Mrs. Jake Zimmerman. Other greeters were: Mrs. Dale Kingsbury, Mrs. Nellie Fredlund, Mrs. A.C. Drake, Mrs. A.B. Clark, Mrs. Bert Jenks, Mrs. Duane Tucker of Plentywood, Montana as well as Mrs. Zimmerman.

Army Pvt. Henry D. Alexander, 19, son of Mrs. Enid Arlene Harr, Newell, recently arrived in Germany and is now a member of the 97th Signal Battalion. Alexander, who was last stationed at Ft. Gordon, GA, is a power equipment maintenance man in the Battalion's Co. C in Stuttgart. A 1958 graduate of Vale High School, Alexander was engaged in farming before entering the Army last January.



Helen Tucker (far left foreground) was "legendary" for her hospitality and accomplishments.

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Learning the Ropes

While I was gone for a few days one summer, my youngest son Chance was watching the cattle for me. Somewhere in his formative years, Chance had heard a little about tying on hard and fast and “tripping” cattle. He never learned much of it from me!

Not that I have a problem with it, but more for the fact that I never was taught how. I did tie on when I was a mere lad, but at a very early age, team roping came into this country and I grew up learning to dally.

Dad didn’t believe in roping in the pasture tho’ he was good afoot, in a shed, at calving time. He and I had several good arguments as to how much roping, out on the open range, took place in the past years. I always claimed that them old-timers had to have roped as they didn’t have corrals or pastures as we do now. Dad’s argument was that they were working for for someone else and so didn’t care about the cattle and wouldn’t bother to put in the effort. Face it, Dad had quite a little “farmer” leanings!

He would admit that they probably roped in a corral a little when they branded. When I pointed out Charlie Russels paintings, he claimed that the pictures were made up! Man, did I get on the fight as everyone knows that Charlie painted what he saw.

So consequently, when I did pasture roping, it was when Dad wasn’t around!

To get back to the story I started to relate, Chance took the time while I was away to perfect his skills at “trippin” cattle! Not that I would probably have stopped him, but some things are better done when the old man ain’t around!

Chance was checking on yearlings and found a heifer who needed doctoring. He had been doing a little tripping on some breechy yearlings to “punish” them for being in the wrong pasture, so felt that this would be a good way to capture and doctor this particular heifer. He was ridin’

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Great Turnout for Vale FD Fundraiser

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VALE – They planned for 200 but over 300 locals came together to enjoy each other’s company and benefit the Vale Fire Department at a community corn feed last week. The event was organized by Crystal Cole-Eaton this year and she’s already looking forward to next year. Volunteer fire fighters cooked burgers, dogs, and sweet corn to feed the hungry community members. More volunteers were on hand to handle the serving line and make sure everyone got enough to eat. Orders for “more corn” were heard frequently!

“We will plan for more next year,” she said as she discussed



The line stretched outside while locals enjoyed the myriad of salads and side dishes brought by volunteers to the Vale FD Corn Feed. - Bruner Photo

the event with others who had pitched in and helped. The successful event will be an annual under-taking.

The Vale Fire Department sponsors several fundraisers throughout the year, including a

coyote hunt, corn feed, and golf tournament. VFD has served the Vale community since 1928 and has volunteers who are trained in search and rescue along with fire fighting.

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Even the youngsters enjoyed some time handling the fire hose. - Bruner Photo

Looking Back in Belle

These articles come from newspaper microfilm from the Belle Fourche Public library, using a new microfilm reader and printer. The photographs are from the Tri-State Museum.



by Mary Buchholz

124 years ago
 Aug 8, 1896 Northwest Times
As To The Revenue Increased Receipts The Last Fiscal Year
 Washington, July 31

The commissioners of internal revenue have submitted to Secretary Carlisle a preliminary report of the operations of his bureau during the fiscal year ended June 30. It shows that the receipts aggregated \$146,830,615, an increase of \$3,584,537 over those of the preceding fiscal year. Expenses approximated \$4,044,351 and the percentage of cost of collection was about \$2.70, a reduction of eighteen cents as compared with the preceding fiscal year.

Talk Of The Town
 Charlie Oliver and Sam Butts took a trip to Deadwood Tuesday. J. G. McNairy returned Friday from a trip to Chicago with cattle. George Fuller was at _____, we don’t know where, but returned on Monday’s train. Dave Richards was seen on our streets Thursday.

100 years ago
 Belle Fourche Bee
 Aug 12, 1920
Washington’s Course

Commitment of United States to a plan of action in the Polish crisis was continued to be held in abeyance while word was being awaited of the detention of France and Great Britain to impose a blockade on Soviet Russia. The note dispatched by Poland to the United States has been received. It was stated by the officials that the government was in constant communication

with France and Great Britain. The blockade, though never formally acknowledged, prevented the importation into Russia of any goods the allies desired to keep out, it is claimed, without having broken the Soviet power.

Here and There
 L. C. Shipley, supervising architect for the Belle Fourche post office, left Monday for Casper, Wyo., where he will look after the construction work on the new post office at Casper. Miss Jane Roberts and Leila Evans left Monday for Los Angeles, Calif. They will later go to Berkley, Calif., where they will attend school at the University of California. Cashier D. R. Evans of the First National Bank, and family went to Deadwood Monday with their daughter, Miss Lelia, who left for California over the Burlington. E. J. Owrid, representing Charles Webb & Co., wool merchants of Philadelphia, arrived in Belle Fourche last week and will remain here during the balance of the wool season.

Ranch House Burned
 The nine-room house on the N. B. Odle place, six miles west of Belle Fourche, was completely destroyed by fire Friday evening of last week. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to have started from a defective flue. The loss was partially covered by insurance. The fire was discovered in the roof by neighbors, who assisted Mr. and Mrs. Odle in removing all their furniture. Built about six or seven years ago, it was one of the nicest home in that part of the country.

75 years ago
 Belle Fourche Bee
 Aug 10, 1945

Notice To The Public
 Owing to the fact that we are unable to secure sufficient graduate nurses to properly staff the hospital in a manner suitable to handle the heavy demands on the institution, we are compelled to make the drastic decision that the John Burns Memorial Hospital will not receive any more patients after this date, July 25th, 1945, and will remain closed until such a time that a sufficient number of graduate nurses can be secured. We fully realize the fact that our failure to keep the institution open will work a serious hardship on this community, every bed in the hospital being now occupied, and it is with sincere regret that we are compelled to take this action.

Servicemen News
 Pfc. Bob Justice, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Justice, Belle Fourche, arrived home Tuesday after spending seven months overseas in the European theater of war. Bob, who has been in the army for about a year, is to report back to Camp McCoy, Wis., in 30 days.

Benefit Rodeo Sunday
 There will be another war benefit organization rodeo at the Kindsfater ranch, east of Belle Fourche, next Sunday afternoon at 2 o’clock.

Local News
 Maida Hoover was a visitor in Rapid City last week. Pete Helmer, Albion, Mont., was in town Friday attending to business. Cashier Geo. Q. Runkel

of the Bank of Belle Fourche, and Mrs. Runkel will start today for Rochester, Minn., where they will both go through the clinic, and Mrs. Runkel expects to enter a hospital for major surgery. Natalie Durr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Durr, arrived home Tuesday evening from Norwich, Co., where she has been employed. Elinor Sloan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sloan, left Friday for Spokane, Wash., where she will be employed in secretarial work.

50 years ago
 Belle Fourche Bee
 Aug 10, 1970

Owen Hanley Explains McCulloch Plant Operation
 Owen Hanley of the McCulloch Oil company told the Chamber of Commerce at their Monday noon luncheon that the McCulloch Oil plant located 27 miles north of Belle Fourche is the only plant of this type in

South Dakota that turns natural gas into propane. McCulloch company bought the operation of the Omega plant several months ago. Hanley told the Chamber that his company is very diversified, that in addition to the McCulloch chain saw and outboard motors, the company is manufacturing gyro-airplanes (smaller than helicopters), that the demand is high and they are behind on orders. In addition to the above the company is also involved in land development. His was the company that bought the London Bridge at a cost of six million dollars, to establish a site in Arizona. The bridge weighs 22 million pounds. Another venture of the company is the model town

LOOKING BACK B6



Bank of Belle Fourche, downtown, circa 1970.



Bank of Belle Fourche: Back row :Florence Clarkson Davis, FL (Roy) Clarkson, James Clarkson, Maurice Clarkson
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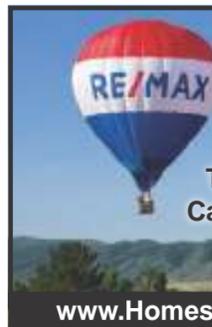


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Grand River Roundup

BETTY OLSON
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I'm writing this on Saturday because some of the newspapers have to print early because of the motorcycle rally in Sturgis. It was hot this week, but we had two little rains early Friday morning and Saturday morning that left over three quarters of an inch of water in the rain gauge.



I spent most of Thursday and Friday on the computer taking more census training while Reub spent a lot of time on the phone talking to the vet and doctors about the rabies shots. So far the vet doesn't think Roger has rabies but has coon hound paralysis. We sure hope that's right.

Our week started off with Reub and me taking Taz's dog to the vet in Hettinger on Monday. Roger had a battle with a coon last week and he started to get sick on Saturday. We took him to the vet because by Monday he couldn't stand up or even use his legs. The vet told us he either has rabies or coon hound paralysis. If it's rabies, he'll be dead after ten days, but he was almost dead Saturday afternoon so Reub took him to the vet clinic in Hettinger to have him put down so his brain can be shipped to South Dakota to be tested for rabies and several of us, including two of the little people, might have to take the very expensive rabies shots. Casey and Taz were busy baling while we were in town on Monday and they moved the sheep to the home place so they could get water because the well quit where they were at the east place.

We lost several people this week. JD Mutchler, age 51 of Newell, passed away on Sunday, August 2 at his home. His funeral services were held Friday at the Newell Rodeo Arena with a family burial afterward. Rhonda (Wientjes) Thybo, 54 of Belle Fourche, lost her battle with cancer on August 3 at the University of Health in Aurora, CO. There was a celebration of life for her on Friday at the Branding Iron Steakhouse in Belle Fourche.

Arlen Aaker, age 76, of Bison passed away in Yankton on Wednesday, August 5. His funeral will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 13 at the Prince of Peace Chapel of the Evanson Jensen Funeral Home in Lemmon. Burial with military honors will be held on Friday at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis.

Albert Lenerville, age 89, of Rapid City and formerly from Strool, passed away on August 6 at the Lippold Hospice Unit at Monument Health Sturgis Hospital. Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 10 at Our Lady of the Black Hills Catholic Church in Piedmont with burial to follow at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Friday was opening day for the Sturgis motorcycle rally and it looks like a big crowd showed up to celebrate the rally without many bikers worrying about the China virus. In all the pictures of the rally we've seen on television we haven't seen anyone wearing a mask or social distancing. Friday was also "Purple Heart Day". Honoring all those in the military that were wounded in battle defending our freedoms. My late father, Staff Sgt. Bryce White, received two purple hearts during WWII, one for getting his back broken during an air raid in northern Africa and the other one for being wounded when a bomb went off near him on Anzio beach in Italy. I also want to give a shout out to Rep. Sam Marty for getting his purple heart 26 years after he was wounded in Vietnam! We owe these guys a lot for fighting for us.

I'll leave you with this military story that Don Seaton sent me:



KAREN ODELL
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Dick and Erma Albert both had appointments in Spearfish on Wednesday. They just picked up some groceries, and got gas before coming home. On Sunday they went to mass at the Catholic Church. After church they joined the Helms family to celebrate John's birthday (a little late) at Saloon Number Three. Father Bryan and all of John's family were home to help celebrate.

Billy Roadifer made a trip to town on Saturday. He has been working on equipment at Capitol. His hired man found that there was a skunk under the baler, and that kept him away from the baler for a short while. Billy reported that Nellie Davis had fallen, and broken her hip. She had surgery and will be staying with her granddaughter, Carla, in Broadus during the time that she is having rehab.

Denin Chegus went to Miles City on Wednesday, to a fire. Miles City has had a few other fires up that way, also. On Thursday, Alvin and Marlee Cordell went up to Wickham Gulch for a birthday picnic for Wayne Nelson and Jack Ovitz. A storm and lightning were moving in just as the picnic was over. Alvin got a quarter of an inch of rain on Thursday evening. Grasshoppers have been worse over toward the west, but they are not yet bad along the river. There are more grasshoppers up at the Horton place in the Sheep Mountains. Jay Cordell has been coming out each weekend to help with work on the house at the Horton place. He has been painting and making repairs.

Lynn Gustafson had spent a couple of weeks in Alabama, visiting relatives. Her mother is 91 years old and they are being careful to keep the Covid virus away from her. Bruce picked Lynn up at the Rapid City Airport on Monday, and she has been busy catching up on work at home. They went to church at Little Missouri on Sunday. Bruce is working on his second cutting of hay.

Diane Wear spent the weekend working at the Wagon Wheel during the Days of 85

A former Master Sergeant in the Marine Corps took a new job as a high school teacher.

Just before the school year started, he injured his back. He was required to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. Fortunately, the cast fit under his shirt and wasn't noticeable.

On the first day of class, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in the school. The smart-aleck punks, having already heard the new teacher was a former Marine, were leery of him. He knew they would be testing his discipline in the classroom.

Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, the new teacher opened the window wide. He sat down at his desk. A strong breeze made his tie flap. He picked up a stapler and stapled the tie to his chest.

Dead silence.
The rest of the year went smoothly.

Fair. On Sunday she was delivering some meals from their buffet.

Donna Lewis's sister, Janice Collins, was visiting this week. Donna and Janice went to the 'Bump and Run' competition in Ekalaka on Saturday. Janice came for her class's 50th reunion at Ekalaka on Saturday. Donna went back to the fair on Sunday for the parade, and to see the exhibits. She saw that the reserve chicken weighed 16 pounds.

Shirley Melum reports there are no mosquitoes there this Summer. There had been a big rain in Alzada, but the river didn't rise much.

On Wednesday, Dorothy Padden went with Brandon and Ashley to Camp Crook for a birthday supper at the Corner Cafe. Dorothy's birthday was complete with a cake and candle. On Friday, Dorothy went to Ekalaka for the Firemen's Supper. On Saturday, Tim Padden took Dorothy out to supper at Camp Crook. On Sunday, Dorothy went to Ekalaka for the parade. The afternoon got windy in Ekalaka. Then later in the day, she went to B J and Michelle Padden's for a birthday party for Brayden and Kamry. Ian and Jenna Flatgard went to Ekalaka for the fair and rodeo on Saturday. They had spent the very hot week outside tearing down wooden corrals, and using railroad ties and steel panels for replacement. Jenna discovered a raccoon had gotten into her hen house, but it had just eaten the chicken feed and hadn't gotten any chickens. The chickens must have gotten onto their roosts and away from the raccoon. They will set some live traps to move the raccoon if they catch him.

Monday seemed a little slow with no grand children around, for Ronda Cordell. She and Diane Wear checked water tanks, and Clint Zolnoski was at Ronda's welding on the hay trailer. On Tuesday, Ronda took Angel and Sophie to the Belle Fourche Vet, where Angel had surgery and stayed overnight. Ronda met with the crop adjuster who adjusted hay fields. Then Ronda and Diane had to return on Wednesday to bring Angel home. They shopped at Walmart before coming home. On Thursday, Ronda had an appointment at the Buffalo Clinic. Clint went to a farm auction near Baker, that day. Ron Rosencranz hauled us some straw bales for Ronda on Friday and Saturday. Ronda joined Zolnoski's for Saturday supper, and played with Darby and Abby. They had Gramma wearing their tiger cap

with attached mittens, and chasing them to try to scare them. Denise is feeling much better, but is being extremely careful regarding issues that may cause her to have an allergic reaction. She had more testing done Wednesday in Bowman. Ronda and the Zolnoski's went to Ekalaka for the Day's of '85 parade, and a looked at exhibits on Sunday. The parade was good, and the businesses were very generous with candy. Two girls ended up with loads of candy, and even a bag of cotton candy. As Darby and Ronda sat on a bench near Kaden's Park, two very gracious little boys came over one at a time, to ask if she'd like more candy. She answered, "Yes", and thanked them. Every day, Ronda is so thankful to be living where she does. She couldn't imagine living where fear, and extreme caution are an everyday need. She had supper with Zolnoski's again, and watched the sun sinking low.

Charlie Odell made a trip to town to get supplies before the bike rally begins. Karen spent most of that day mowing cockle-burrs. They were just in bloom, and needed to be cut before they seeded. The next day, Charlie looked for more patches of cockle-burrs to mow. Karen has been raking and hauling large branches from the tree patch. On the hot days, she has found that swimming in the kids' stock tank swimming pool has helped her back and hips very much. She has been writing on her novel as much as she can, but she is not going to have it done in time for Rowan's birthday. She will have to give him the first few chapters, and he can look forward to the ending sometime this fall. Then she will have written a book for each grandchild. Carson has already asked for a second book. Charlie has been building corral, and working on the water at Capitol. Karen added one quarantine activity to her Evans Odell Publishing Facebook page, but she thinks people are getting back to outside activities even in other states, and do not have as much time for painting and drawing. On Sunday they went to the 'Days of 85' parade in Ekalaka. They went to see the exhibits at the fair grounds, and had lunch at the Wagon Wheel, where they had a delicious buffet. They visited with Diane Wear, the Dagues and Jamie Selting. Charlie went to the Over The Edge for a carry-out supper.

Don't forget the Harding County, and Fallon County Fairs are next week.

**From B5
LOOKING BACK**

without pollution established at Pueblo West in Colorado and joint mining ventures with Homestake in Colorado.

Not The Last (editorial)
Butte County, we call it, but we would be more accurate were we to call it Belle Fourche Valley Fair. Though the three-day show which opens at the Nisland fairgrounds next week draws exhibitors from all parts of the county, it is the valley section which is the heart of it. Without the efforts of men and women of this valley the Butte County Fair would have gone the way of the other county fairs long ago. Why do they do it? One reason is loyalty. This is the big event of the valley community. But deeper than area loyalty is the belief that the County Fair is needed as a rural recognition day - recognition for effective farming, for wom-

en's projects, and particularly for youth programs - and pride in their rural industry and pattern of living. No better proof that the record of county 4-H clubs, as youths and as contributing citizens.

*Bank Open House
Will Be Aug 15*

The official open house for the new Bank of Belle Fourche building is scheduled for August 15, almost 33 years from the day the bank received its charter and opened for business, August 30, 1937. Plans call for business as usual Saturday morning. The bank will close and reopen from 1 to 5 p.m. for the open house. For each adult registering during the afternoon, the bank will donate to the church or favorite charity designated by the adult registering. Refreshments will be served throughout the afternoon, and the bank extends a welcome to everyone.

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From B5 WISDOM

my big dun horse, "Kid". Kid will run to a critter and give you a good shot cuz' I've trained him well. How you do this is to pick out a critter to rope and then chase said critter at a dead run, all the time throwing and missing the critter, with your rope. The horse learns that if he is ever going to get a rest, he must put you up fairly close and keep you there. Either that or run the critter until it tires and lays down, whereupon the rider will finally get the rope on and the horse will get a chance to get his wind back. Needless to say, all of my horses will really track a critter and give you a good shot! Some people claim I am a poor roper. I prefer to think that I am a hell of a good rope horse trainer!

So Chance put good ol' Kid up on the critter and slaps a necklace of nylon on her, throws his trip and rides on by. The critter goes down, but Kid has never been taught the finer art of "logging off" and dragging the critter, so that it can't get to it's feet, so that the rider can pile off the horse and tie the critter down.

Chance gets the heifer down, but of course she don't stay down. So he rides to her and throws another trip. She again gets to her feet, so Chance builds to her again and throws his trip and rides on by. Only thing he forgot was to check his cinches!

That third trip, the saddle turns from the force of the bovine on the end of the rope and ends up with the saddle horn almost on the side of the horse and the saddle pulled back into the flank area of Kid. "Sure was a good thing that Kid's gentle" Chance told me later! "All he did was stand there all humped up and kind'a quiver a little!"

Chance works and works and finally gets the rope off from the horn. That frees the poor year-

lin' from the wreck and she proceeded to trot over to a dam with a little water in it, to cool off.

Chance loosens his cinches and get his saddle squared back up and looks around and see's this yearling, coolin' off in the waterhole and he starts formulating a new plan of attack.

Poor ol' Kid just lets out a sigh!
Chance knew that it was too muddy to ride out and pick up his rope, that was decorating this heifers neck, and have any chance of dragging her out of the water. He looks around and see's an old jon boat, that we had left next to the dam. I had left it there for the time in the future when the dam would again be full and we could use it for fishing. Hey, I'm an optimist!

Chance decides to paddle the boat out into the water and try and scare the yearling back out onto dry land where he and Kid would again have the upper hand.

He finds an old paddle (made from a stick and an old license plate tacked onto the end) and paddles out to the heifer. The heifer is puzzled as she has never been approached by a boat with a guy wearing a hat in it, waving a stick in the air and calling her unprintable names.

The heifer finally decides to leave the water-hole as she doesn't like having a boat rammed into her side and back, and Chance wins round two.

When the heifer leaves, Chance disembarks from the boat, gets Kid from where he's left him hobbled and takes down his second rope (he is like his father and has lost a rope to a critter a time or two and just hates to have to try and pickup a rope, on the run, from the back of a horse, that is being dragged by a scared, mad, on the fight bovine) and rides up and ropes this poor bewildered yearling, by the hand feet, this time.

After that, Chance said, doctoring her was plumb easy!



The Class of 1970 held a reunion July 4 with 21 members present. Classmates attended from Washington, Florida, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana and of course, South Dakota! Front: Debra Finck Gotfredson, Linda Powers Beane, Donna Stover Bradley, Diane McTavish Bostick, Debra Steinbach Fall, Alfred Garduna, Ann Logan Padilla; 2nd: Jean Claire Hamblin, John Thomas, Charlie Johnson, Yolanda Somervold Graslge, Jack Kindsfater; 3rd: Carol Riesland Wood, Penny Drolc, Zane Riley, Shawn McCoid Scoggin, Kim Kling; Back: Jim Wright, Rick Bach, Monte Drolc, Richard Nickelson. -Courtesy photo

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- Gross (verb)
- Fling
- Underwear
- Scrub-dress
- Galle (reed)
- Egypt (gold)
- measure
- Sp. (verb)
- Whistle
- Of (verb)
- Group of (verb)
- Of (verb)
- Kid
- Alcove
- Reclina
- "Above"
- Wet (verb)
- lashed
- Leaf (verb)
- Of (verb)
- interleaved (verb)
- Jan. festival
- Melodious
- Sing (verb)

DOWN

- Lull
- Sonic (verb)
- "Bus Stop"
- Playwright
- Form of (verb)
- Tea
- Wara (verb)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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A B E I A D O C N O I L
A C S L E C K A S T

1. Zenith
2. Cash
3. Overflow
4. Prince princess
5. Did (verb)
6. Actual
7. Of the (verb)
8. Is (verb)
9. Boat (verb)
10. Cal
11. Aerobics
12. Board (verb)
13. Television channel
14. Belonging to (verb)
15. River into the Yellow Sea
16. UK
17. Cup
18. II
19. Walk (verb)
20. Thursday
21. Bene's river
22. A. (verb)
23. Ceylonese lang. (verb)
24. Down (verb)
25. Deep (verb)
26. Sea (verb)
27. Hardwood

ENIGMA CRYPTOGRAM

"VY TGG UMH PHMC QRTW MTIR ZTVK
JY WRM JWRMA, WRMAM QJEGK HJW
FM YJEA YAVMHKZ VH WRM CJAGK."
FGTVZM NTZITG

PREVIOUS ENIGMA: "Have you ever noticed after a race who has nearly all the egg cartons as they had had an accident?" Mark Leifer

Sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9.

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	3		5		1

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.....70	Black-Yrfg Hfr Spayed	820	135.50
.....26	Black-Yrfg Hfr Spayed	819	135.50
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.....39	Black-Yrfg Hfr Spayed	850	135.75
.....18	Blk/Bwf-Yrfg Hfr Spayed	957	127.00
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Christensen Ranch, Newcastle WY.....57	Black-Yrfg Hfr Open	849	135.00
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Y Y Cattle Inc, Volborg MT.....19	Black-Yrfg Hfr Open	927	129.25
Wy Consignment.....5	Red-Yrfg Hfr Open	677	142.50
Tooke Ranch Inc, Ekalaka MT.....5	Black-Yrfg Str	804	140.00
Dave Mader, Biddle MT.....9	Black-Yrfg Str	764	144.00
Charles Larsen, Hulett WY.....7	Black-Yrfg Str	911	134.00

Spring Calves

Williamson Land & Cattle, Moorcroft WY...8	Rd/Blk-Calf	286	600.00
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Weigh Ups

Chris Kling, Belle Fourche SD.....5	Black-Cow Df	1514	70.00
Kayden Steele, Newell SD.....1	Red-Cow	1395	74.00
Peter & Sarah Burgess, Sheridan WY.....1	Black-Cow	1270	62.50
Ron Nenaber, Belle Fourche SD.....4	Black-Cow	1496	64.00
.....1	Black-Cow	1305	64.00

Jack E & Linda J Terhune, Alzada MT.....1	Black-Cow	1445	71.50
Nate Frederickson, Spearfish SD.....1	Rwf-Cow	1435	62.00
.....1	Bwf-Cow	1705	70.00
Dane Dobesh, Belle Fourche SD.....3	Herf-Cow Df	1235	68.00
.....6	Herf-Cowette Df	1137	71.00
.....2	Xbrd-Cow Df	1328	67.50
.....1	Xbrd-Cowette Df	1075	70.50
.....1	Black-Cow Df	1175	70.00
.....1	Black-Cowette Df	1025	73.00
.....1	Black-Cow Df	1345	70.00
Williamson Land & Cattle, Moorcroft WY.....8	Rd/Blk-Cowette	1166	73.00
Chris Kling, Belle Fourche SD.....4	Black-Cow Df	1491	67.50
Williamson Land & Cattle, Moorcroft WY.....1	Rwf-Cow	1340	67.50

Bulls

Hoagland Family Trust, Banner WY.....1	Black-Bull	2250	100.00
Chris Kling, Belle Fourche SD.....1	Black-Bull Df	2010	98.50
Ed Lawrence, Alzada MT.....1	Black-Bull	1780	94.50
C E Or Carol Hendrickson, Hermosa SD.....1	Black-Bull	1730	95.00
.....1	Black-Bull	1900	92.50
Wace Snook, Hulett WY.....1	Red-Bull Df	1585	90.00
Hay Creek Surface Llc, Gillette WY.....1	Red-Bull	1565	88.00
B&L Betz Cattle Company, Clearmont WY...1	Black-Bull	1205	85.50
Tim Reich, Belle Fourche SD.....2	Char-Bull	2385	93.00
Mccabe Enterprises, Ekalaka MT.....1	Black-Bull	1170	88.00
.....1	Black-Bull	2290	91.50
.....1	Black-Bull	1780	94.00
Consignment From MT.....1	Black-Bull	1750	93.50
Mallett Cattle Co, Powderville MT.....2	Black-Bull	1963	92.50
.....1	Black-Bull	2385	95.00
Williamson Land & Cattle, Moorcroft WY.....1	Black-Bull	1755	90.00
Matt Or Karen Disney, Sundance WY.....1	Red-Bull	1805	94.00
Wy Consignment.....1	Red-Bull Df	1530	92.00
Jd Schlosser, Hulett WY.....6	Black-Bull Df	1786	94.00
Scheldorf Ranch Inc, Sundance WY.....1	Herf-Bull	2035	90.50

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August 20, 2020.....WEIGH UP & FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL & LOOSE HORSE
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w/ Loose Horse Sale to Follow Cattle Sale - 12:00 PM

August 27, 2020.....WEIGH UPS & ALL CLASSES SPECIAL
Start Times: | Weigh Ups - 9:00 AM
All Classes - 12:00 PM

September 3, 2020.....WEIGH UP & FEEDER SPECIAL & ANNIVERSARY SALE
BBQ Start Times: | Feeder Cattle w/ Weigh Ups to
Follow - 8:00 AM

September 10, 2020.....WEIGH UP & FEEDER CATTLE SPECIAL
Start Times: | Weigh Ups - 9:00 AM
Feeder Cattle - 12:00 PM

September 17, 2020.....WEIGH UP & ALL CLASSES SPECIAL & LOOSE HORSE
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News From The Block
For our sale on the 6th of August we had a light run of weigh ups with a nice summertime run of feeder cattle. The cow market was steady, with weigh up bulls being \$3 to \$6 higher on the real lean bulls. Feeder cattle sold in good demand to a large crowd of buyers with lots of interest on all classes. No sale next week on the 13th due to the rally but we will have a nice feeder cattle special again on the 20th. Thank you for marketing with Belle Fourche Livestock.
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5th Annual Invitational Bronc Match

Broncs, Stray Gathering and Mini Bulls are coming to the Camp Crook arena on August 14, 2020.

The Camp Crook Roping Club are excited to be able to still rodeo and bring you the Invitational Bronc Match.

South Dakota and surrounding areas has produced some top cowboys and cowgirls. We are fortunate to have some of those coming to Camp Crook. Some of the 30ish cowboy's

coming are Jesse Bail, Kaden Deal (2019 Champion), Shorty Garrett, Jeremy Meeks (2018 Champion), Taygen Schuelke, Houston Brown, Cash Wilson, Jade Blackwell (2016 Champion), Dusty Hausauer, Lane Schuelke and Jacob Lewis (2017 Champion).

Local up and coming saddle bronc riders will start the match off at 3pm. We will have 8 teams for the straying gathering that will run between our

sections, it will be a tournament style. During the long go and the short go will be the finals for the stray gathering and we will buck 5 mini bulls with some young local talents testing their skills.

The Calcutta will start at 2:30pm at the arena. There will be concession on the grounds. If you have questions give Karen Stevenson a call, 605-375-3124. Come enjoy the day!!

2020 Make it With Wool District Contests

2020 Make it with wool district contests have been scheduled in Aberdeen, Park-er, Brookings, and Newell, SD. Contests will be held: Aberdeen: Sunday, August 23; Brookings: Saturday, September 12; Parker: Monday, September 14; and District 1 and 2: Newell: Thursday, September 17, 2020 Newell, SD Registration starts at 3:30 PM in the NVN Sr Center, Newell; with the style show at the Newell

City Hall. Contact Ida Marie Snorteland, District Director, 642-5123.

The 2020 State Contest will be held in Spearfish, SD September 26 during the SD Sheep Growers Meeting. For more information about the district and state contests and to receive an entry blank, contact Ida Marie Snorteland, 642-5123 or Snorteland@blackhills.com.

Categories for the contest include pre-teen, 12 years old

and younger; Juniors, 13-16; Seniors, 17-24; adults, over 25; and professional. Other divisions include: made for others, wearable accessory, recycled article, and novelty, quilt, and afghan's. There is something for everyone.

The SD Make it With Wool contest is sponsored by the SD Sheep Growers Association and the American Wool Council.

Office Space For Lease in Belle Fourche

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has a need to lease 4,904 Rentable Square Feet (RSF), yielding approximately 4,359 Usable Square Feet (USF) of office space in Belle Fourche, South Dakota (Butte County). Find more information by searching for Solicitation No. 57-46019-20-NR on Beta.SAM.gov.

You may also contact USDA at:
Dina Burks, Realty Specialist
(816) 823-1185 Dina.burks@usda.gov
Joyce Pederson, Leasing Contract Officer
(701) 893-2207 Joyce.pederson@usda.gov
Expressions of interest must be received no later than August 3, 2020, 5:00pm CDT



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