



Armed with an Airsoft handgun, Westside Elementary teacher Donna Cole plays the role of a shooter during an ALICE training drill the school held Wednesday. The training is one way that the Powell school district works to protect students. District leaders are considering the possibility of allowing trained staff to carry firearms as another precaution. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

County may form committee to study ranch

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

Park County commissioners — looking to shake up the management of a piece of state land in Clark — have decided to slow things down after hearing concerns from local residents.

At a meeting last week, commissioners indicated they plan to form a committee to look at ways to improve the former Beartooth Ranch. That tentative decision came after a lengthy back-and-forth discussion with members of the East Yellowstone Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the general public.

Commissioners had been preparing to ask Gov. Matt Mead to give the 657-acre parcel to the county, believing the ranch has fallen into poor condition because of federal restrictions on the property. However, the letter the county drafted drew controversy — in part because commissioners discussed the possibility of turning around and selling the ranch to a private owner.

Several of the people who filled up the commission's meeting room last week expressed concern about losing access to the hundreds of acres of land along and near the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone River.

Commissioners, meanwhile, defended their record of fighting for public access and com-

plained their intentions for the former ranch have been misunderstood and misrepresented.

But at the end of the at-times contentious discussion, everyone seemed to agree to try working together through a committee.

"This is getting to a resolution hopefully that everybody can endorse, and I think that's what everybody wanted to do: make this situation better, right?" said Commission Chairman Loren Grosskopf. "That's the purpose of all this and that's our end game."

The federal government seized the Beartooth Ranch from a drug smuggler in 1997. Seized property is generally sold off and the proceeds put toward drug enforcement efforts, but in this case, the government kept the land. Park County had been in-line to receive the ranch because of the assistance the Sheriff's Office provided in catching the smuggler, but the State of Wyoming stepped in and obtained the land in 1999, Sheriff Scott Steward has said.

Federal restrictions prohibit the property from being sold and require that it be "reserved for recreational or historic purposes or for the preservation of natural conditions" outside of some grazing and 80 acres that can be used for agriculture.

The property — particularly

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SHOULD SCHOOL STAFF BE ARMED?

Public forum on March 12

BY TESSA BAKER
Tribune Features Editor

Powell school board members do not yet know if they will consider a policy to allow trained staff to carry guns in local schools.

Before deciding, they have a lot of questions:

Could a teacher shoot a teen wielding a gun? What is a truly adequate amount of training for employees carrying firearms? Would Powell children actually be safer if staff members carried concealed weapons? If someone is so unstable that they're willing to shoot kids on a campus, will anything deter them?

Board members posed those questions to local law enforcement during a school board meeting Tuesday night.

Before beginning Tuesday's discussion, Superintendent Jay Curtis noted that "this topic is hot, and it can be very controversial."

"We cannot let this issue consume us as a community, nor as a school district," Curtis said. "We have the really, really important job of educating children. And yes, we have to keep them

safe, and this has a tendency to be a very emotional issue, and not always a logical issue."

Curtis also emphasized that the issue of arming staff is "one thing we're talking about as a puzzle piece to a very large and comprehensive plan to keep our kids safe everyday."

Park County School District No. 1 is doing a lot of things to make its buildings safer, train staff and keep students safer, Curtis said.

"Even if we had a shooter walk in tomorrow, our staff is more prepared for that today than they would have been at the beginning of the school year," he said.

School board trustees said they want to know how school employees feel about carrying firearms after going through ALICE training. Throughout the district, Powell staff and students are undergoing the active shooter response training known as ALICE (which stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate).

A survey last fall showed nearly 64 percent of school employees believe that having armed staff would make

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PRESIDENT, BARRASSO CALL FOR STRONGER BACKGROUND CHECKS

BY CJ BAKER
Tribune Editor

In the wake of a deadly shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida, President Donald Trump is calling for schools to arm certain staffers.

"Highly trained, gun adept, teachers/coaches would solve the problem [of a school shooter] instantly, before police arrive," Trump tweeted last week. "GREAT DETERRENT!"

The president also called it an issue for states to decide.

Wyoming legislators passed a law last year that allows school districts to choose whether they want to permit armed staff; the Powell and Cody

school boards are among those currently discussing the idea.

There's been a renewed debate over America's gun laws and school security following a Feb. 14 shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in southern Florida, where 17 students and staff were killed.

In remarks to the Powell Rotary Club last week, U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., said he

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JAY CURTIS

Northwest College explores increasing student fees

BY DON COGGER
Tribune Sports/News Editor

Northwest College leaders are considering a series of proposals that would raise student fees.

A needs assessment report for fiscal year 2019, presented to the college's board of trustees last month, recommended raising mandatory student fees by \$3 per credit hour, charging more fees to students with heavier credit loads and changing the way student wellness fees are assessed.

NWC President Stefani Hicswa told the board that "these [current] fees are not designed to ... have the money to do all the things that we did before we made budget cuts. That's very important as we talk to students and make good on our promise of what we are doing."

With the cuts being permanent, "we're looking at inflation and what we need in specific areas," she said.

Vice President of Administrative Services Lisa Watson said all student fees were reviewed and evaluated "for their support of current operations, future needs and external factors."

Before presenting the recommendations to the board, Watson and Residence and Campus Life Director Dee Havig solicited input from NWC Student Senate members. The feedback they received in January favored maintaining existing services.

"Student input was imperative in developing the recommendation that we did," Hicswa said. "If the students

had been opposed to what was put together, we would have gone back and re-worked it. The students are pretty savvy about finances and how it works. They know costs are increasing, and they know we've had budget cuts. In order to maintain services that they want, they are willing to pay for it, which I appreciate. They get it."

However, Hicswa said increasing fees is never an easy decision.

"It seems that tuition and fees is the only way to increase revenue at this point," she said. "But you can only increase it so far before it starts affecting enrollment. It really is a double-edged sword between us needing revenue versus limiting access for students."

The \$3 per credit hike in mandatory fees would include a \$0.50 increase for

instruction equipment, \$0.25 for student health fees, a \$0.25 for training needs associated with Title IX and a \$0.50 increase to the facilities fee. The facilities fee, which hasn't been hiked since its inception in 2013, would assist with NWC's ability to "address current facility needs outside of support lines," while having funds available for future projects.

The report also recommends converting the student wellness fee from a per student charge to a per credit hour charge.

Students currently pay a flat \$15 per semester fee for student wellness. College staff recommend that change to a rate of \$1.50 per credit hour,

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NWC president

FOREST SERVICE TRAIL MAINTENANCE BACKLOG LIKELY TO CONTINUE DESPITE RECENT ATTENTION TO ISSUE

THE LONG TRAIL

BY MARK DAVIS
Tribune Staff Writer

Two Wyoming trail systems were recently identified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture as being among 15 priority areas for combatting a \$300 million backlog of infrastructure maintenance.

But while the need for repairs on the trails is real, no federal money has been allocated to the cause; hopes seem to be based on generating more volunteers and partners to do the work. At the same time, volunteer groups — the largest in the Big Horn Basin being the Wyoming Back Country Horsemen of America — are having trouble recruiting new members and the aging group is finding it difficult to keep up with the laborious task of trail building and maintenance.

The priority area referred to as "Wyoming Forest Gateway Communities" covers about 1,000 miles of trail in the Shoshone National Forest, five other national forests and one national grassland property in the state. Those trails — along with a portion of the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail that runs through parts of the Shoshone —

have been identified as priority areas by USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue. Trails in the southern part of the Shoshone is where

most of that attention is geared. "Our nation's trails are a vital part of the American landscape and rural economies, and these

priority areas are a major first step in USDA's on-the-ground responsibility to make trails better and safer," Perdue said in a statement. "The trail maintenance backlog was years in the making with a combination of factors contributing to the problem, including an outdated funding mechanism that routinely borrows money from programs, such as trails, to combat ongoing wildfires."

While Perdue's office is attempting to be proactive in looking at the backlog, no funds have been given to do work.

"The focus will be on volunteers due to the lack of money," said Kristie Salzmann, a spokesperson for the Shoshone.

The Wyoming Back Country Horsemen of America, with about 400 members statewide, is one of the Shoshone's most important volunteer groups. Since 1996, the group has contributed over \$588,820 worth of volunteer labor on local trails. The Shoshone includes the group in a cost sharing plan, but none of the money goes to club members. All funds from the Shoshone goes to pay for programs and supplies for projects the

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Each year, volunteers with the Shoshone Back Country Horsemen, along with their horses and mules, help maintain trails within the Shoshone National Forest. A new effort from federal officials to reduce a backlog of trail maintenance will rely on volunteers.

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Donna Bitzas, a fourth-grade para educator at Westside Elementary School, tries on her safety mask while going through ALICE active shooter training at the school Wednesday. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Support: President says it's an issue for states to decide

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supports strengthening background checks for people seeking to purchase a gun. "That has to be beefed up, as well as mental health," he said; the senator did not mention the possibility of arming school staff.

Authorities have said the 19-year-old shooter legally purchased the AR-15-style rifle he used in the attack; although concerns had been raised on the young man's mental health, those concerns had not risen to the level where his right to possess firearms would be taken away.

Media outlets have also reported that law enforcement officials failed to act on multiple tips that the shooter had the potential for violence.

"Those kids were let down in that community where they knew who the bad actor was, saw the potential," Barrasso said.

Jay Curtis, the superintendent of Park County School District No. 1, said there's research indicating that school shooters can be identified as early as the second grade. However, "even if we identify them, it's difficult getting them the help," Curtis said at the Rotary meeting.

"Do you think there's any possibility of some sort of federal initiative to help increase mental health services for elementary age kids?" he asked Barrasso.

The senator said he wasn't familiar with the research and wanted to read it.

Some of the concerns raised about the Parkland shooter's mental health related to posts he'd made on social media. Where to draw the line on someone's freedom of speech is "going to have to be a major debate topic," Barrasso said. "But I think for right now, we have to beef up and get to where we believe the instant [background] check ought to be to have it actually be the case — and have the FBI respond appropriately when alerted to this."

He said the federal government's background check system "failed" in Sutherland Springs, Texas, last year, when a man killed 26 people and wounded 20 others at the First Baptist Church. The killer in that attack had purchased multiple guns in the years prior to

the attack — although he should have been prohibited from purchasing them because of a prior domestic violence conviction and other reasons, according to media reports. In that instance, the information disqualifying the man from possessing firearms was never entered into the National Crime Information Center database used for background checks.

Barrasso's remarks about stronger background checks were in-line with other comments from President

Trump.

"I will be strongly pushing Comprehensive Background Checks with an emphasis on Mental Health," Trump tweeted last week. He also advocated for requiring that buyers be at least 21 years old (up from 18) and to end the sale of bump stocks, which enable guns to fire more rapidly, like automatic weapons; a bump stock was used by the shooter in a deadly attack in Las Vegas last year.

"Congress is in a mood to finally do something on this issue — I hope!" Trump wrote.

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John Barrasso
U.S. Senator

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which would decrease overall costs for students taking under 10 credit hours, but increase the fees for full-time students.

Removing the cap on student fees may prove to be the most significant portion of the recommendation. For academic year 2017-18, Northwest College students are only paying fees on the first 15 credit hours of classes — up from a prior cap of 12 credit hours.

Removing the cap means students would pay fees on however many credit hours they take.

All of Wyoming's community colleges are reviewing their caps on student fees following a Wyoming Community College Commission (WCCC) decision to remove caps on the tuition that students pay. That decision will have the effect of increasing tuition costs for students taking more than 15 credit hours.

"The result of that is increased revenue for the colleges; it meant having more money in the system without having to increase tuition by that much," said Hicswa.

The WCCC struggled with the decision to remove the tuition cap before finally deciding to do so; the change is scheduled to be implemented beginning this fall, though the date is always subject to change. NWC is proceeding with its budgeting and planning as if that will happen, according to Hicswa.

Removing the cap on student fees would run parallel with removing the cap on tuition fees, and Watson told the board that will help with covering potential shortfalls when the tuition cap is removed.

"It's a moving number, because it's based on enrollment," Watson said. "But it really will hit the spots that we needed."

Hicswa commended the work of her staff — and specifically

Watson, Havig and finance director Brad Bowen — in crunching the numbers for the recommendations, as well as the board for being open to data-driven analysis.

"I've always believed data-based decision-making is much better than analogy-based decision-making," Hicswa said. "These particular board members want that, they're demanding that of me, and I appreciate that, quite frankly. It pushes me and makes me a better president."

The Board of Trustees will revisit the proposed recommendations at its March 12 meeting at NWC's Cody Center.

"They weren't ready to vote on it," Hicswa said. "They needed to read through it and find what resonates for them. The board asked really good questions, and were really thoughtful in that. Whatever decision they make will be a good, well-thought out decision."

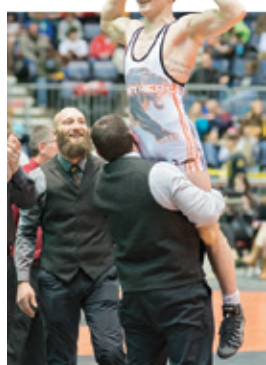
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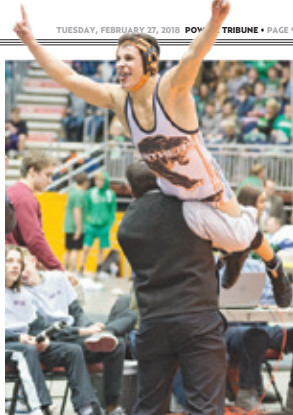
PANTHER WRESTLING TEAM PLACES FOURTH

BY BRIANNE THEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Powell High School's wrestling team placed fourth at the 16th Annual State Wrestling Championships in Salt Lake City on Saturday. The team, coached by Travis Kierling, finished with a 4-4 record.



Powell High School junior Jesse Karest is held up by head coach Nate Uchida after placing third at the 16th Annual State Wrestling Championships in Salt Lake City on Saturday. Powell High School sophomore Brady Kutka is held up by head coach Nate Uchida after placing fifth at the 16th Annual State Wrestling Championships in Salt Lake City on Saturday. Powell High School senior Ryan Miller is held up by head coach Nate Uchida after placing eighth at the 16th Annual State Wrestling Championships in Salt Lake City on Saturday. Powell High School senior Ryan Miller is held up by head coach Nate Uchida after placing eighth at the 16th Annual State Wrestling Championships in Salt Lake City on Saturday.



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Lady Panthers crush Fillies to end regular season

LONG SENIOR MADDY HANKS HONORED

BY BRIANNE THEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Suffolk's second half dominated the game as the Lady Panthers outscored the Fillies 23-10 in the second half. Powell's Maddy Hanks was named the team's most valuable player.



Powell senior Maddy Hanks is shown during the game against the Fillies. Powell senior Maddy Hanks is shown during the game against the Fillies.

Panthers lose two at the buzzer

LATE-GAME HEROICS COME UP SHORT AGAINST WOLFSON, CODY

BY BRIANNE THEL
Tribune Sports Writer

Powell High School's basketball team lost two games at the end of the season. The Panthers lost to Wolfson and Cody in overtime.



Powell High School basketball players are shown during a game. Powell High School basketball players are shown during a game.

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OBITUARIES

Raymond Paul Fetzter, Jr.

(Dec. 28, 1947 - Feb. 19, 2018)

Raymond Paul Fetzter, Jr. of Powell died Feb. 19, 2018. He was 70.

Ray was born Dec. 28, 1947, in Cody, to Patricia Bartley and Raymond Paul Fetzter, Sr. He attended high school at West High in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Northwest College in Powell. He also attended Mexico, Missouri, Military Academy.

Ray married Lanette Evelyn Iverson on Jan. 5, 1974. Ray was a member of the

Greybull Elks Club, and was a former president of the Chamber of Commerce in Basin. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, woodworking, painting and music.

He was preceded in death by his father Ray Fetzter Sr., and mother Patricia Fetzter.

Ray is survived by his wife Lanette Fetzter of Powell; son Bartley Lane Fetzter of Powell; daughter

Suzanne Helfrich of Powell; stepmother Rose Fetzter of Grand Junction, Colo-

rado; brother Randy Fetzter of Denver; sisters Pamela (John) Babson of Cheyenne, and Peggy (Terry) Melander of Kenai, Alaska, and three grandchildren: Jasmine Ray, 15, Dominic Ames, 14, and Alexis Lane, 8.

A celebration of life will be held June 16 with time and location to be announced at a later date.

Thompson Funeral Home is assisting the family and condolences may be sent to them at www.thompsonfuneral.net or P.O. Box 807, Powell, WY 82435.



RAY FETZER JR.

David Hale

(March 1936 - February 2018)

David Hale of Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania, formerly of Powell, died on Feb. 13, 2018.

David graduated from Powell High School with the class of 1954.

He was the beloved husband of Carolyn (nee Rowe), devoted father of Gretchen (Grant) Nauman and Julie (John) Good; and grandfather of Grace Isabel

Good. David also is survived by sisters, Margaret Bushnell and Ann Marra and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Maurice P. Hale and first wife, Susan (nee Hahn).

David was a 30-year professor of Theater at Temple University and long-time flyer for Flying by Foy.

Services were held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 22 E. Chestnut Hill Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19118, on Saturday, Feb. 24, followed by reception in the Parish House.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for friends to support the St. Paul's Church Rummage Sale and Well Spouse Association in his honor.



DAVID HALE

Wheatland man sentenced for embezzling more than \$236,000 from fire district

WHEATLAND (WNE) — A former Platte County Rural Fire District 1F Board member has been sentenced to two to five years in prison plus seven years of probation for embezzling \$236,707 from the fire district. Don Moede took the money during the last four years he served in office.

At a Feb. 20 sentencing hearing, Eighth Judicial District Judge F. Scott Peasley suspended another four to six years of prison time for Moede.

According to earlier reports, Moede pleaded guilty to eight counts of larceny and theft last November in Platte County District Court; he'd initially

been indicted on 81 counts in August.

At the same time he pleaded guilty, Moede provided restitution in the amount of \$236,707.57 — the full amount he stole from the district.

Platte County Prosecuting Attorney Doug Weaver said during last week's sentencing that Moede was elected to the fire board in 1994.

When Moede lost re-election in November 2016, then quit two days later rather than finishing his tenure, Weaver said the rest of the fire board started examining the district's financial records.

Weaver said that, of the eight amended charges

against Moede, the four committed after July 1, 2013, are felonies.

The prosecutor said Moede used fire district money to transfer payments to his own credit card accounts, as well as issued himself personal checks from the fire district's account.

"Today is difficult for me personally and professionally," Weaver said, adding he had known Moede for many years as a good person who was active in the community. "We're here today because Mr. Moede had another side to him."

Weaver said although Moede has made restitution, it does not negate his crimes.

Heart Mountain Irrigation District Public Notice

This is to notify the general public that the Heart Mountain Irrigation District Canal O&M roads and right of ways will be permanently closed to the public beginning April 1, 2018 between the following 2 sets of coordinates (N44° 30.745' - W109° 07.746') and (N44° 45.45761 - W109° 02.008). The canal road and right of ways will be signed as closed to the public and gates may be used. This is to prevent illegal trash dumping and to increase safety and security of the canal facilities. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Heart Mountain Irrigation District.

Weapons: Board to decide whether to move forward with policy

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school buildings safer.

The board decided to resurvey staff this month, after every school has completed the ALICE training.

It will also hold a public forum on Monday, March 12.

School board chairman Greg Borchert encouraged fellow board members to use the next several weeks to get answers to their questions about school security or a possible concealed carry policy.

The board will then decide at its April 11 meeting whether to move forward with reviewing a concealed carry policy or kill it altogether, Curtis said.

"As most of you can tell, this is not an easy decision for the seven of us to make," Borchert said, adding that the board usually makes all of its decisions based on data. "... I know it's highly, highly emotional. We don't take it lightly."

During Tuesday's meeting, the Powell board talked about a concealed carry policy that the Cody school board approved by a 5-2 vote on a first reading last week; Cody's policy must undergo two additional readings before it's adopted.

Curtis said the Cody board and superintendent have spent many hours discussing the policy and dissecting it, and "we have the culmination of a lot of good work."

Around Wyoming, 13 or 14 school districts "are having this conversation right now."

"Not all of them are in the media much," he said.

The Evanston school board recently voted to move forward with a concealed weapons policy, and a final vote is scheduled for March 13.

Superintendent Curtis said conflict on the topic is inevitable, but combat is optional. Curtis said this issue cannot be combative in the Powell community, as it has been in some

CONCEALED CARRY PUBLIC FORUM

As the Park County School District No. 1 Board of Trustees discusses whether to consider writing a policy to allow staff to carry concealed weapons, the board will host a public forum beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, March 12, at the Powell High School Auditorium.

towns that have talked about it.

Following a recent shooting in Parkland, Florida, where officers didn't initially go into the building, Borchert asked Powell Police Chief Roy Eckerdt what the department's response would be if there was an active shooter in a school.

A Powell police officer would go into the building immediately if he heard gunshots fired, Eckerdt said.

"He's going in. There's no forming a team, there's no waiting for somebody else to get there," Eckerdt said.

On any given school day, four to five officers are on duty, Eckerdt said, and Powell officers live within 15 minutes of schools and also would respond.

"What you're going to see that you might not expect is, you're

going to see BLM, the Forest Service, Highway Patrol, the Sheriff's Office," Eckerdt said. "So a lot of agencies within this area are going to respond in addition to Powell PD. In pretty short order, you'd have a lot of officers on scene."

Some officers would respond in plain clothes, because they wouldn't have time to put on a uniform.

Trustee Tracy Morris asked about the scenario of having to shoot a student who has a gun.

Eckerdt said officers undergo training to the point of muscle memory, so "when you're met with a threat, you respond according to what's in front of you."

He also said if the school district moves forward with a policy, they would have to consider

what happens with armed staff when law enforcement arrives on the scene.

"When we come through the door and see a gun, we don't know who the good guy is or bad guy is when we come in," Eckerdt said, adding that in his opinion, armed staff should put away their weapon when law enforcement arrives and respond to officers' instructions.

Curtis commended law enforcement in Powell.

"You have a tremendous presence in this town, and your officers are never very far from our schools," Curtis said.

Trustee Trace Paul said there's a mindset that armed staff could be a deterrent for an active shooter to come on a campus.

"Is there any research out there that shows that somebody that's that unstable, that's willing to come onto a campus and shoot people, will anything deter that personality?" Paul asked.

Eckerdt said he hasn't seen research on that specifically, but he has seen research that gunmen in school shootings don't want any confrontation and want soft targets.

"Generally, they're cowards to the point that they don't want conflict. As soon as they meet a confrontation, it's over," he said.

Chief Eckerdt said he would support the Powell district with whatever decision they make on a policy.

"Whatever direction the board decides to go, we'll support in any way we can," he said.

(Editor's note: A story in next week's Tribune will include more information about the concealed carry discussion.)

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Bison illegally released from Park Service holding pen

JACKSON (WNE) — Seventy-three bison were illegally set free from Yellowstone National Park’s Stephens Creek holding pen facility in the overnight hours between Feb. 21 and 22.

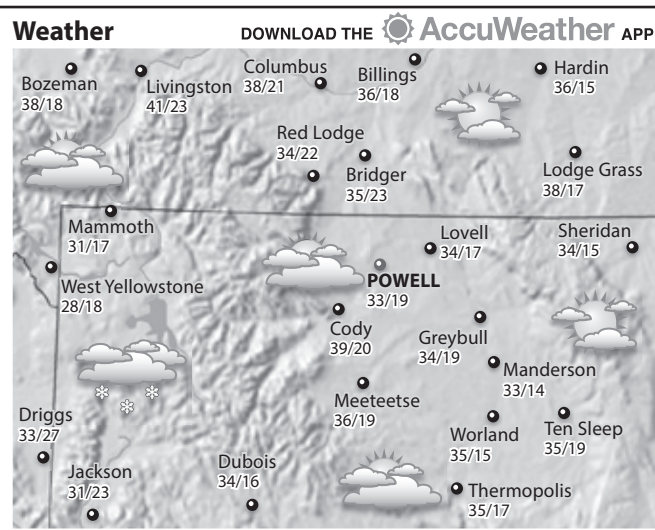
The National Park Service has begun a criminal investigation into the incident, which is a repeat of another unsolved illegal bison release in the same location in mid-January. Yellowstone Superinten-

dent Dan Wenk called the cutting of the fences an “act of sabotage” that’s a “set-back for bison conservation.”

“Creating a successful quarantine program will allow the transfer of live animals to tribes to develop conservation herds on tribal lands,” Wenk said in a statement. “The saboteurs are only ensuring more bison will be shipped to slaughter.”

Many, if not all, of the escaped bison remained in the area, Yellowstone officials reported, and most returned to the pen through the same span of cut fence. There were 96 bison in the pen at the time, none of which had been tested for brucellosis, a disease which theoretically can spread to cattle. Keeping the disease from infecting livestock is the aim of the population-reduction program.

For the second time this year, a person or group of people illegally released bison from Yellowstone National Park’s Stephens Creek holding facility, shown here in 2016. Photo courtesy Neal Herbert, National Park Service



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Date	High	Low	Precip.
02.21	10.3	-12.3	.00
02.22	22.4	-6.6	.01
02.23	16.4	-4.1	.00
02.24	32.1	-1	.00
02.25	36.9	12.9	.01
02.26	35.6	16.5	.01
02.27	31.8	10.3	.00

MARRIAGE LICENSES

- Torrey William Hansen, 30, and Alexa Lyn Dodd, 23, both of Powell
- Jesse Warren Barnard, 22, of Powell and Tess Onida Wasson, 22, of Lebanon, Oregon
- Jeffrey Duane Steward, 46, and Julie Diane White, 37, both of Cody
- Paul Alfred Blough, 70, of Cody and Jane Noreen (Keene) Miller, 60, of Powell
- Jacob Reuben Hamilton, 31, and Sager Lyn Rhoads, 30, both of Powell

SHERIFF’S REPORT

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

- FEBRUARY 18**
- 7:59 a.m. A vehicle was reported to be stuck in a snow drift on Lane 4/Desert Road in the Powell area. The call was referred to another agency.
 - 1:44 p.m. The Sheriff’s Office was asked to check on the welfare of a woman on Road 8 in the Powell area. Her sister said she hadn’t been able to reach her and she hadn’t sounded good the prior afternoon.
 - 2:49 p.m. A deputy assisted with a vehicle that appeared to be stuck on Lane 7H/Wyo. Highway 295 in the Powell area.
 - 9:01p.m. A man reported that his son and his son’s friends had gone snowmobiling in the area around Wyo. Highway 296/U.S. Highway northwest of Cody and hadn’t returned.

FEBRUARY 19

- 8:05 a.m. Twenty head of cattle were reported to be out on the road on Lane 7/Road 8 in the Powell area.
- 11:34 a.m. A blue Ford Explorer was reported to be covered in snow on the south side of Lane 10 between Roads 11 and 12 in the Powell area. The caller said the vehicle might hamper plowing efforts.
- 4:26 p.m. Someone — possibly a snow plow driver — was reported to have knocked over a mailbox on Road 6 in the Powell area.
- 4:32 p.m. A yellow backhoe was reported to have been abandoned in the middle of Road 6RT in the Cody area since noon.

FEBRUARY 20

- 6:07 a.m. A driver reported sliding off Cooper Lane/North 44th Street in the Cody area and damaging their vehicle.
- 9:16 a.m. Animal cruelty was reported on Desert Road in the Powell area.
- 9:22 a.m. A vehicle was reported to have been abandoned on the side of Road 19, just off U.S. Highway 14-A, in the Powell area. A citation was issued.
- 10:27 a.m. A man reported that three mules and two horses showed up on his property on Johnson Avenue in the Powell area. He had no idea who the animals belonged to.
- 12:31 p.m. A part of what appeared to be a wooden bed frame with a mirror was reported to be lying in the road on 17th Street/Alger Avenue in Cody. The caller had moved it to the side of the road.
- 3:47 p.m. A man reported that someone was trying to open a credit card in his name on Sage Drive in the Cody area.
- 4:27 p.m. A citizen on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Powell area reported getting a fraudulent check from a company in Colorado via an online classified site.
- 6:07 p.m. Two horses and a mule were returned to their owner after getting loose on roads 2BC/2BD in the Cody area.

FEBRUARY 21

- 8:13 a.m. The Sheriff’s Office assisted another agency with a home visit on Lane 13H in the Powell area.
- 11:23 a.m. Powell police asked for an abandoned vehicle to be towed on Sixth/Hamilton streets in the Powell area.
- 12:19 p.m. A postal supervisor asked the Sheriff’s Office to check on the welfare of a man on South Marquette Court in the Cody area, as he hadn’t picked up his mail in days.
- 5:07 p.m. The Sheriff’s Office assisted a citizen on Lane 7 in the Powell area who needed to get rid of some ammo.
- 7:25 p.m. A caller reported concern about a male in a silver Dodge pickup who was parked on Lane 7 in the Powell area. The caller said the male, in his early 20s, seemed incoherent and was possibly sleeping in the vehicle and watching videos. The vehicle was gone when the Sheriff’s Office arrived.
- 10:41 p.m. Three horses were reported to be running loose on Dutcher Springs Trail in the Powell area. They were gone when the Sheriff’s Office arrived.

FEBRUARY 22

- 6:48 a.m. Three stray horses were reported as being in a citizen’s yard on Dutcher Springs Trail in the Powell area.
- 5:36 p.m. The Sheriff’s Office was asked to assist the Big Horn County Sheriff’s Office in checking on the welfare of a female on Fourth Street in Frannie.
- 8:03 p.m. A station wagon or Subaru was reported to be weaving between the lines on U.S. Highway 14-A in the Powell area.
- 9:20 p.m. Sheep was returned to their owner after being out on Lane 7/Road 6 in the Powell area.

POLICE REPORT

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FEBRUARY 20

- 9:56 a.m. A theft reported on East Second Street was placed under

investigation.

- 10:05 p.m. A caller reported an intoxicated male in the Powell area walking to get more alcohol. The caller did not know where the male was at the time of the call and responding officers were not able to locate him.

FEBRUARY 21

- 2:02 a.m. Officers responded to a domestic disturbance on East Jefferson Street where Jeffrey Longshore, 31, of Powell, was arrested on suspicion of interference with a peace officer and simple assault.
- 6:28 p.m. Officers responded to a reported smell of marijuana coming from a room on North Division Street, but found nothing.
- 8:17 p.m. A gray iPhone 5G with a green case on an Otterbox was reported lost on East Seventh Street.

FEBRUARY 22

- 2:26 a.m. A traffic stop at East First/North Day streets resulted in the arrest of Jenna Diaz, 32, of Powell, on suspicion of driving while under the influence.
- 6:34 a.m. A reported theft on South Clark Street was placed under investigation.
- 5:33 p.m. A brown front pocket wallet was reported lost on North Bernard Street.
- 6:20 p.m. Dispatch received a report of a truck being driven on South Best Street by a possible drunk driver; the caller offered no further details. A responding officer checked the area, but did not locate the described vehicle.
- 9:22 p.m. A person on Avenue H was reportedly bitten by their own dog. An officer placed the incident under investigation.

FEBRUARY 23

- 12:16 a.m. Jonathan Joy, 32, of Powell, was arrested at North Day/East Fifth streets on an active Cody municipal warrant and on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance.
- 1:53 p.m. The glass in a church door on West Seventh Street was reported to have been broken. An officer determined it did not look like significant damage but may have occurred due to the extreme weather conditions.

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Powell Middle School students Hunter Davis (left) and Tate Allred talk about their project during the Northern Junior Regional Science Fair at Northwest College in January. The students qualified for the Wyoming State Science Fair. Tribune photos by Carla Wensky

Local students qualify for Wyoming State Science Fair

Powell Middle School seventh-graders will head to Laramie next week for the annual Wyoming State Science Fair.

During the March 4-6 science fair at the University of Wyoming, students from 42 schools will showcase their original science research, and compete for award monies and chances to advance to further competitions at the national and international levels.

Students' research may cover areas as diverse as robotics, environmental management, behavioral and social science, computational biology and chemistry.

"Not only will the students receive awards but, this year, teachers will receive awards and recognition for their work as mentors," said Erin Stoesz, Wyoming State Science Fair coordinator. "Teacher support is often the key to student participation and success. Our students with good ideas rely on the help of mentors to make their scientific ideas and investigations a reality."

Students competing this year



Megan Jacobsen shows part of her project on music during the regional science fair at NWC. Jacobsen and other Powell students will show their projects at the state science fair at the University of Wyoming next week.

also will participate in enrichment activities and laboratory tours on the UW campus, planetarium shows and an evening learning about the WyoBio Citizen Science Project.

The public is invited to view the student research displays in

the Wyoming Union Ballroom and Family Room from 5:30-8 p.m. Monday and 7-10:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The public also is welcome to attend Tuesday's 8 a.m. awards ceremony in the UW College of Arts and Sciences auditorium.

STUDENTS WHO ADVANCED TO THE STATE SCIENCE FAIR:

Grace Coombs
Anna Bartholomew & Raven Tobin
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Dacovney Brochu & Shelby Fagan
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Panel discusses Native American education

BY KRISTINE GALLOWAY
Wyoming Tribune Eagle
Via Wyoming News Exchange

CHEYENNE — Teaching Native American history in Wyoming is a challenge.

Caroline Mills, a member of the Eastern Shoshone tribe, recalls that, "When I taught back in the late '80s at St. Stephen's [Indian] High School, the only thing I found about our people was the Trail of Tears and a little bit of the Lewis and Clark trail of Sacagawea."

Now the director of a day-care center in Fort Washakie, Mills was a member of a Wyoming Department of Education committee that worked to add Native American history and

contributions to the state's social studies standards.

Speaking Tuesday at the Wyoming State Superintendent's Policy Summit, Mills said it's important for students to learn that Native Americans still exist with their own distinct culture, "and we're not like the John Wayne movies portray us."

Patrick Moss, a member of the Northern Arapaho tribe and the federal programs director for Fremont County School District 38, said it's important for students to learn more about the Native American culture and its important people. Moss and Mills attended public schools on the Wind River Indian Reservation and "we knew of our reservation, of our tribes, but

comparing that to the textbooks, it was more of the generalization," Moss said, adding, "this effort is going to make it better."

The updated standards proposed by the social studies standards review committee are available for public comment through April 8 at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/standards-review>.

Mills and Moss both invited state residents to visit the reservation.

"If you ever see a tribal member anywhere in Wyoming, come, stop and say hi, and ask them the questions," Mills said. "We really like to be asked about our people, our ways, what we're doing today."

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Ranch: Commissioners say transferring the land to the county is just one option

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the area around the former ranch house and outbuildings — has fallen into disrepair over its years of state ownership.

Citing the ranch's degraded condition, Clark resident Lloyd Thiel approached commissioners in December and asked them to work with state leaders to have the federal deed restrictions relaxed. With the limits on the property, he said it's difficult to come up with a use for the property that's allowed; in the meantime, tax dollars are being spent dealing with weeds and vandalism and other issues, Thiel said.

"It was not the intent to have it sold, it was not the intent for the county to take it, it was the intent to put some pressure on our [legislators] down in Cheyenne and our senators and representatives" in Congress to remove the federal restrictions, Thiel explained at last week's meeting.

Commissioners, however, reached a consensus in December that they would prefer to have the land in county hands; commissioner Tim French suggested selling it to a private buyer.

"I said let's sell it and let's get it back on the property tax rolls and I guarantee you, I've had numerous people say absolutely, it's an eyesore out there; leave all the access in place ..." French said last week.

Other people have said absolutely not.

Speaking on behalf of the East Yellowstone Chapter of Trout Unlimited, "We do believe the state land should remain like it is," Tim Wade said at last week's meeting.

The fishing guide and former county commissioner highlighted how the property is used by anglers, rafters and wildlife.

"We want to maintain that whole 657 acres for access," Wade said.

If the property was to sell, a public easement for fishing access along the river corridor would remain, but "that's much different than what we have now," said Clark resident Kristie Hoffert.

She and her husband, Tracy Lewis, spoke of how much they enjoy the property.

"I run that road just about every day and I am pretty protective of it," Hoffert said.

She said there's been concern



The portion of the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone River that runs along the now state-owned Beartooth Ranch is prized by anglers, in part because the river doesn't completely ice over in the winter. Park County commissioners may form a committee to discuss ways to improve the management of the property. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

"that there was any consideration that it be taken from state land, that we all have access to and love, to a private property by some multi-millionaire, most likely not [from] anywhere near this area."

Len Fortunato of Pheasants Forever and the Cody Anglers Group pressed the commissioners on whether they wanted to acquire the land or simply change its management.

"We're not taking a vote," responded Commissioner Jake Fulkerson, who became visibly frustrated with Fortunato's line of questioning. Fulkerson said the commission was looking for input and would make a decision later.

"As it stands right now, that [acquisition] would be one of the options," Grosskopf said.

In the letter the commission drafted to Gov. Mead, they asked him to give the property to the county "without restrictions, while retaining access to public easements." The draft did not say what the county would do with the land.

However, commissioners never sent the letter — in part because a member of the East Yellowstone Chapter of Trout Unlimited asked them to wait until the group could provide input; Grosskopf had agreed to put the subject back on the commission's agenda.

In the meantime, the local Trout Unlimited chapter wrote a Jan. 24 letter decrying the commission's tentative request for the ranch as "nothing more than a land grab" aimed at selling to the highest bidder. They sent the missive to the commission, plus the governor, local lawmakers and other state and federal officials.

The Greater Yellowstone Coalition also sent a letter to most of those recipients on Feb. 8, strongly opposing the commission's tentative request.

"We are disappointed that your ... draft letter neglects to mention the important public uses and values that have been exercised on this property since it became publicly owned land and continue to this day," wrote

Jenny DeSarro, a staffer for the organization in Cody.

Both the coalition and the Trout Unlimited group said the commission's request appeared to be "illegal."

The remarks didn't sit well with commissioners.

French repeatedly called the Greater Yellowstone Coalition's letter "a joke."

Commissioner Joe Tilden said he took "great offense" to accusations that the commission was trying to curb access, saying the board has "bent over backwards to maintain public access" through the years.

Commissioners Grosskopf and Lee Livingston said they found the letters "disconcerting."

"You might not agree with what we do, but being accused of attempting to do something illegal, that hits pretty hard," said Livingston.

At the outset of his remarks, Wade said Trout Unlimited was trying to wave an olive branch.

"We're not saying you're trying to do anything illegally,

perceived or otherwise," Wade said later.

"You did," Livingston interjected.

Ken Lichtendahl, a Clark resident and Greater Yellowstone Coalition board member, suggested it might be a misunderstanding. He advocated for the formation of a committee to look at "what we could do to make it [the property] special."

Lewis said he was willing to help with fixes to the ranch house; Fortunato said Pheasants Forever and other conservation groups like Ducks Unlimited could help with some projects to enhance the property.

Commissioners indicated they wanted to explore all those options through a committee.

French said he was glad the ranch's condition was getting attention and called it "great" that people were willing to step forward and help. He expressed hope for a "win-win."

"Something needs to be done out there, however it is done," French said, adding, "It could be so much better than it is now."

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PREP PERFORMER OF THE WEEK
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Trail: Bureau of Land Management has partnered with the chapter on trailhead development

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club initiatives. Projects include building corrals in the forest and outdoor skills programs for children.

The cost sharing agreement obligates the Shoshone chapter of the club to maintain over 100 miles of trail each year. The agreement allows

'Funding for the Departments of Agriculture and Interior are easy targets for Congressional budget cuts.'

Andy Blair
NOLS

a popular way to draw young members in other groups — but a recent attempt to move in that direction failed to pass. The local chapter also recently held a program for 4-H youth, but high hopes of a large turnout were met with disappointing results. The group works to protect rights to use the back country areas for future generations, though the most visible part of their work is the sweat and blood they spill on trail maintenance crews.

Salzmann said many of the trail projects involve clearing deadfall, and in some cases, rerouting some that run through areas effected by beetle-killed sections of the forest.

Forest Service staff is so short in the southern section of the park — only one staffer is available to assist in identifying projects — National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) volunteers are limited in the work they can accomplish.

"Funding for the Departments of Agriculture and Interior are easy targets for Congressional budget cuts," said Andy Blair, assistant director of NOLS, in Lander. "Trails are close to the bottom of the pile of the Forest Service budget."

Blair said more work is needed than Forest Service staff are able to get to. NOLS focuses on wilderness and leadership with the goal of fostering a sense of stewardship for natural resources. The Shoshone partner



Members of the Shoshone Back Country Horsemen faithfully maintain trails in the Shoshone National Forest each year, but finding new volunteers has been a challenge. 'The group has a shelf life unless we recruit younger members,' said group president Rick Adair. Photo courtesy Rick Adair

does a large amount of maintenance work. Yet Blair doesn't see any easy answer to the backlog issue.

"It sounds like [Perdue] is trying to make a media splash without having a solution to the problem," Blair said. "Many trails are in need of attention, but it certainly takes money and personnel to make it happen."

Much of the funds for infrastructure maintenance has been reallocated to fight forest fires,

Perdue said. "This borrowing from within the agency interferes with other vital work, including ensuring that our more than 158,000 miles of well-loved trails provide access to public lands, do not harm natural resources, and, most importantly, provide safe passage for our users," Perdue said.

There has been no suggestion that money moved for infrastructure will be repaid or replaced, despite warnings

from the secretary. And there is speculation budgets for the Shoshone will see drastic cuts. Efforts to reach Perdue and his staff were unsuccessful.

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TRAPPERS PLACE EIGHTH IN NATION

SAFAROV NATIONAL CHAMPION AT 125

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Northwest College wrestling team placed eighth at the NJCAA National Championships in Council Bluffs, Iowa last weekend, while bringing home four All-American titles.

Nodir Safarov became the national champion at 125 pounds and Lisiate Anau was runner-up at 285 pounds while Jeff Oakes, at 184 pounds, and Tate Allison, at 157 pounds, made the podium with eighth-place finishes.

"[They] worked hard and wrestled their very best at the end of the year, so I'm proud of them for that," said Trappers head coach Jim Zeigler.

The Trappers, who were among 47 teams represented at the tournament, had seven wrestlers qualify for the NJCAA National Championships. In addition to the four who earned All-American honors, Taylor Jeffries, Palmer Schafer and Nic Urbach also competed.

"Everybody contributed to the team score, everybody won matches, everybody scored points," Zeigler said.

Having all seven Trappers score points made the difference between NWC placing eighth instead of 12th, the coach said.

Northeast Oklahoma A&M won the championships with 147.5 points, Clackamas Community College was second with 124.5 and Iowa Central Community College placed third with 121. Western Wyoming Community Col-



Trapper wrestler Nodir Safarov battles his way to a national championship against Benny Gomez. Photo courtesy Don Kohler/IWCC

lege was fourth with 99.5, Iowa Western took fifth with 86.5 points, North Idaho College was sixth with 80.5, Ellsworth Community College was seventh with 76.5 and Northwest had 73 points for

eighth place.

NODIR SAFAROV

Safarov, a freshman from Bekabad City, Uzbekistan, won the National

Championship title at 125 pounds.

"He was solid throughout the tournament," said Zeigler. "He just didn't make mistakes and wrestled real good in the finals."

En route to the finals, Safarov won his first match by a 17-5 major decision and his second by a 12-2 major decision.

In the quarterfinals, Safarov pinned Noah Bauer of Rochester Community and Technical College out of Minnesota in 3:35.

In the semifinals, Safarov beat Marcelino Lopez of Cowley County Community College by a 20-9 major decision.

Safarov faced off against Benny Gomez of Muskegon Community College in the championship match.

"That kid came out ready to wrestle; that kid's tough," Zeigler said of Gomez. "He's a good wrestler. He wrestled really hard — a very worthy opponent."

Safarov led 8-3 after the first period.

During the second period, Gomez got one point for an escape, then got a takedown with 54 seconds remaining in the third period to cut Safarov's lead to 8-6.

"Made a match out of it for a while," Zeigler said of Gomez. "Got one of the only takedowns Nodir [Safarov] has given up all year."

Throughout the remainder of the third period, Safarov got an escape and a takedown while Gomez got one

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Correction

The caption to a Tuesday photo of NWC Nodir Safarov wrestling in the 125-pound championship match of the 2018 NJCAA Wrestling National Championships misidentified his opponent. Safarov defeated Benny Gomez of Muskegon Community College. The Tribune regrets the error.

Lady Trappers finish second in Region IX North

WILL HOST PLAY-IN GAME THIS FRIDAY

BY BREANNE THIEL
Tribune Sports Writer

The Northwest College Lady Trapper basketball team secured the No. 2 position in the Region IX North with an 86-64 win over Gillette College on Feb. 21 and a 69-50 win over Sheridan College on Saturday.

The Lady Trappers will host the Region IX-North play-in game at 6 p.m. Friday against Western Wyoming Community College.

"Sheridan and Gillette were important just for us to maintain that No. 2 seed," said Lady Trappers head coach Janis Beal. "It was important to get those on the road."

The Lady Trappers finished the regular season with a 23-7 overall record while going 11-3 in the conference.

LADY TRAPPERS 86, GILLETTE 64

Beal felt NWC came out strong in the first quarter against Gillette College (12-15, 6-9) on Wednesday, Feb. 21, building a 25-18 lead.

During the second quarter, the Lady Pronghorns fought back, outscoring the Lady Trappers 19-17 to make the score 42-37 going into halftime.

"Second half I thought we did a better job just defensive pressure — kind of getting after it — and just extended into the fourth quarter extending the lead," Beal said.

Northwest College increased its

See NWC WBB, Page 10



Trapper sophomore Kira Marlow looks to pass during the home game against the Sheridan Generals earlier this season. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

AFTER KNEE INJURY IN HOME OPENER, CREAGER RETURNS TO COURT

Lady Trappers' Comeback Kid

BY DON COGGER
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After an off-season of hard work, Lady Trappers sophomore Mattie Creager was poised to expand her role on the team after playing sparingly her freshman year. The Weston, Idaho, native impressed head coach Janis Beal with her work ethic over the summer, and Beal was excited to see how Creager would progress.

But a routine play during the Lady Trappers' home opener against Wiliston State on Nov. 10 slammed the brakes on what both were hoping would be a productive season.

"It was just a fastbreak," Beal said. "She went up and came down and

landed wrong."

Creager tore her meniscus and the subsequent surgery "ended up being a little more complicated than some," the coach said.

Creager knew when she landed that there was a problem, though, according to Beal, she insisted she could still play.

"I heard a pop," Creager said. "I couldn't straighten it or walk on it."

Creager was helped off the court, but Beal said she kept a smile on her face — even as she was making her way to

'Mattie is just one of the hardest workers. She's always asking what she can do to get better.'

Janis Beal
Head coach

pointing to see her get hurt, because I'd seen how hard she worked."

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Trappers limp into postseason

ROAD LOSSES TO GILLETTE, SHERIDAN END REGULAR SEASON

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Riding high off of an emotional win against Casper College two weeks ago, the Northwest College men's basketball team hoped to ride that momentum into its final two games: A brutal, two-game road swing against the top two teams in Region IX-North.

Unfortunately, Gillette College and Sheridan College had other plans. The Pronghorns, still smarting over the end of their perfect season at the hands of the upstart Trappers in January, got their payback last Wednesday in Gillette with a 94-75 win. Three days later, the Generals would take the season sweep against NWC with a dominating 97-71 performance to end the regular season.

"We were hoping to go into the play-offs with a win; we were hoping to start that streak, try to make a run," said Trappers head coach Brian Erickson. "It just didn't work out for us."

GILLETTE COLLEGE 94, TRAPPERS 75

The last time the two teams squared off, the then-undefeated and sixth-ranked Pronghorns (26-4, 10-4) were bested by the Trappers 94-89 in the Cabre Gym.

Gillette — ranked No. 25 in the latest NJCAA Division I poll — wasn't going to overlook NWC (14-16, 6-10) in the rematch. The Pronghorns charged out to an early lead and kept their foot on the gas throughout, cruising to a 94-75 win.

"We played too much to their tempo," Erickson said. "The things that they did really well we didn't take away. They get out on transition, and had better rebounding. We let them hurt us on those."

The Trappers put up 35 shots from behind the arc, hitting on 12.

"We shot too many 3-pointers," Erickson said. "Too many long rebounds, they were going the other way, doing what they like to do. We just didn't do enough to take away what they do well."

NWC spotted Gillette a 12-0 lead, creating a sense of urgency for the Trappers from the outset. Erickson said he was pleased with his team's tenacity in

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Trapper freshman Umar Jalloh (right) goes up for a jump shot against two Sheridan College defenders during a home game earlier this season. Tribune photo by Carla Wensky

NWC MBB: Region IX play-in game slated this Saturday in Riverton

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battling back, but the quick lead proved to be insurmountable. The Pronghorns led 45-32 at half.

"We gave them 12 points right off the bat, and ended up losing by 19," he said. "We just couldn't make it up. I think they had 18 points just from second-chance rebounds. We didn't do enough to win."

That's not to say there weren't bright spots for the Trappers. The team played well in spurts, moving the ball well and putting together a solid defense, according to Erickson.

"We just had those spans, three or four minutes, that we played really, really well, doing the things we needed to do," Erickson said. "But then we'd fall away from it, go back to our bad habits. We have to play together longer, not take early shots. When we get back in transition, box out and get stops."

Defensively, Gillette keyed on Reme Torbert and Luc Lombardy, NWC's top scorers of late. That created opportunities for players like Axel Okongo and Jordan Banks to step up and provide an offensive spark. The Trappers finished with five players scoring in double figures, led by Banks' 12 points and three assists, including going 4-7 from the behind the arc.

"Reme [Torbert] and Luc [Lombardy] had opportunities, but the 3-pointers we were taking were covered 3s; they weren't great looks," Erickson said. "That kind of goes to Reme and Luc — they gotta take better shots. When we did take good shots, move the ball, make the extra pass, we were knocking shots down. Don't know if it was so much them tak-

ing certain guys away as it was us playing a little bit more to ourselves, being true to who we are."

Lagio Grantsaan just missed a double-double, finishing with 11 points and nine boards, to go along with four assists. Calvin Fugett also netted 11 points and four assists. Torbert and Okongo finished with 10 points apiece.

"I think it came down to, we played a top-25 team again, a team we had beat once," Erickson said. "We were excited we beat them and excited to play them again. We just tried to do a little bit too much, each guy."

SHERIDAN COLLEGE 97, TRAPPERS 71

Squaring off against their second top-25 opponent in almost as many days, the Trappers were unable to replicate what worked for them the first time these two teams played in early February.

That game was a back-and-forth contest from the start, with the No. 16 Generals finally outlasting NWC for an 89-84 win at Cabre Gym.

This time, however, the Region IX-North conference crown was at stake, and Sheridan played like it. All five of the Generals' starters finished in double digits en route to a convincing 97-71 win and the top spot in the conference.

"It came down to effort," Erickson said. "I don't think we had enough guys that played hard enough. Some of it could have been with travel — travel all day Wednesday, play, travel home Thursday then travel again Saturday. It's no excuse, but I think guys were a little beat up. This late in the year, it's tough to stay focused."

The Generals never trailed, taking a 45-

32 lead into the half. The Trappers, behind a 16-point, 10-rebound performance from Umar Jalloh, showed some grit at the start of the second half. They scored six of the final frame's first eight points to cut the lead to nine at 47-38. Sheridan settled in, however, not allowing back-to-back baskets from the Trappers again until late in the game.

"They [Sheridan] out-played us in every way," Erickson said. "We did some good things, but not enough to change the game. Their percentages were so high, they were taking great shots. I don't think we were. When we get more shots than they do and you still lose by that many...it's tough."

Torbert led the way for NWC, netting 17 points, while Fugett finished with 15. Lombardy rounded out the double-digit scoring with 11.

"I thought Calvin [Fugett] played pretty well, he was aggressive attacking the rim," Erickson said. "When we played inside-out and got some shots, we were pretty good. We just weren't very sharp."

With the regular season in the books, next up for the Trappers is the Region IX-North play-in game, scheduled for Saturday at Central Wyoming College in Riverton. Tip-off is at 4 p.m. Erickson said the team will go back to the basics.

"We need to put a big focus on close-outs, setting good screens, rotations, reading screens," he said, adding, "When we shoot well, we're pretty good, but when we don't, we struggle. We need to pass up those covered looks, work to get an open look. Just things we've talked about all year."

"If we can get back that mentality, I think we'll be all right," the coach said.

NWC WBB: Host play-in game against Western Wyoming Saturday

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lead to 61-52 in the third period, then held Gillette College to only 12 points while scoring 25 of their own in the fourth to win 86-64.

"The girls did a really good job of the game plan," Beal said of the win.

Five players scored in double digits with Kira Marlow leading with 16 points, followed by Mattie Creager, Alexi Payne and Dallas Petties with 12 each. Dani McManamen finished with 10.

Creager "played really well. It's nice to have her back from her knee injury," Beal said.

Creager went 5 for 6 at the free throw line and, along with her points, had three defensive rebounds.

"She just came in and really kind of gave us some stability right then when we needed it," Beal said.

On the boards, Payne led with eight — seven on defense and one on offense. McManamen had five rebounds.

As a team, the Lady Trappers had 24 assists, led by Tala Aumua-Tuisavura with seven, Petties with five and Marlow with four.

"Offensively, we were moving the ball," said Beal, explaining that the assists showed that the Lady Trappers were playing team ball.

Gillette College had 31 turnovers and NWC had 22.

For steals, Tayla Sayer led the Lady Trappers with five followed by Aumua-Tuisavura with four.

The Lady Trappers shot 52.2 percent from the field, 30 percent at the 3-point line and 78.6 percent from the free throw line. The Lady Pronghorns shot 35 percent from the field, 30.8 percent from the arc and 69.2 percent from the charity stripe.



Lady Trappers head coach Janis Beal talks to her team during a timeout. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

LADY TRAPPERS 69, LADY GENERALS 50

In NWC's final game of the regular season, "the girls just flat out came ready to play," Beal said of Saturday's matchup with Sheridan. "Jumped out on them quick."

The Lady Trappers led 21-7 after the first quarter and increased the lead to 45-21 after two quarters of play.

"... We came out with good intensity, good focus and really just got out after it," Beal said.

The Lady Trappers maintained a 59-34 lead over the Lady Generals (14-16, 9-11) after three quarters and went on to win 69-50.

"I was just pleased with the intensity level they came out and played with," Beal said.

Each Lady Trapper contributed to the final score. The team was led by Marlow with 15 points followed by Julynne da Silva Sa with 12.

"We were able to play everybody," Beal said, adding that

"helps us when we go into tournament time. I think we've been lucky with that this year."

Beal said there have been several games throughout the season where the entire bench has gotten time on the court.

"You never know when you're going to need that [experience] when it comes to tournament time," she said.

The Lady Trappers out-rebounded the Lady Generals 49-33 and all 12 Lady Trappers got at least one rebound.

McManamen led the team with 13 boards — eight on offense and five on defense — to go along with four steals.

Sayer finished with seven boards and four assists.

Aumua-Tuisavura had four assists and three steals.

In the steals department, seven players got at least one steal for a team total of 12. The team's 13 assists were spread across six players.

"The girls did a good job forcing some turnovers and getting

some steals," Beal said.

Beal explained the team tried different trapping defenses, resulting in Sheridan's 22 turnovers.

"I think those defensive stops really helped us," Beal said.

Beal also thought the Lady Trappers "did a good job at free throws — getting to the line, being aggressive and attacking."

The Lady Trappers made it to the free throw line 25 times and shot 76 percent.

The Lady Generals attempted just 11 free throws and shot 36.4 percent.

For field and 3-point line shooting percentages, the Lady Trappers shot 38.7 percent and 18.2 percent, respectively.

The Lady Generals shot 32.3 percent from the field and 22.2 percent from the 3-point line.

"I thought the girls did a great job of coming out and focusing on this is one step to getting to our final goal and wanting to play well going into tournament time," Beal said.

On Friday, the Lady Trappers will host the Region IX Tournament Play-In Game against Western Wyoming Community College at 6 p.m.

"We're at do or die: you got to live to play another day," Beal said.

The Lady Trappers and Lady Mustangs met twice during the regular season, with NWC winning by 59 points on Jan. 10 and by 20 points on Feb. 3.

In the month since the teams' last meeting, Beal thinks Western has "played pretty well."

"I think our girls definitely have to realize it's going to be a battle and we got to come out and play strong; we can't overlook them at all," the coach said.

The winner of the game will advance to the Region IX-North Tournament in Casper March 8-10 while the loser will have their season cut short.

Lady Trappers welcome familiar foe

WESTERN WYOMING MAKES SECOND TRIP TO CABRE GYM

BY DON COGGER

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With Saturday's 69-50 win against Sheridan College, the Northwest College women's basketball team solidified their spot as the No. 2 seed heading into the Region IX-North playoffs.

But perhaps even more important, the Lady Trappers (23-7, 14-4) guaranteed themselves one more home game for the 2017-18 season. NWC will kick off March Madness by welcoming Western Wyoming Community College (6-24, 4-15) for a play-in game Friday at Cabre Gym. Tip-off is scheduled for 6 p.m.

NWC swept the season series against the Lady Mustangs with a pair of lopsided wins, though Lady Trappers head coach Janis Beal said WWCC is a team with the potential to play spoiler.

"We haven't played Western Wyoming since the first part of February," Beal explained. "I think they've been playing pretty well this last month. Their record doesn't necessarily show it, but they've been in some games."

Strong showings in losses against Miles Community College and Central Wyoming to finish the season has WWCC starting to peak at the right time. Beal said the Lady Mustangs were hampered by injuries early, and are finally getting some of that talent back.

"It's definitely a game that we can't overlook," Beal said. "The thing that makes them dangerous is they've got some kids that can shoot it extremely deep. If they catch fire, they kind of gain momentum that way."

The Lady Mustangs also have a couple of athletic post players who can hold their own against Julynne da Silva Sa and Dallas Petties in the middle.

"They've got some good players, but the thing that's hurt them this year is they've had a lot of injuries," Beal said. "I think that's a big part of why they haven't been as successful on the win column this season."

For the Lady Trappers, Beal said the team's defensive intensity will be put to the test — and with the playoffs, everything ratchets up a notch.

"We have to do a really good job of defending their shooters early, and not let them get going," Beal said. "That's definitely going to be a focus. We have to defensively get after it and cause some turnovers."

Enjoying their best regular-season record in years, Beal said the Lady Trappers are excited for a final home game and the opportunity to extend what's turned out to be a special season.

'It's one of those groups where it will be a season to remember for sure, no matter how it ends.'

Janis Beal
Head coach

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Senior Hattie Pimentel is the Powell High School Student of the Month for January. She is the daughter of Troy and Emelyn Pimentel.
Hattie is a National Merit Finalist who has achieved a perfect 4.0 GPA while also being involved in numerous activities, sports and volunteer efforts.
As a four-year member of the PHS Robotics Club, Hattie has designed and built a robot every year with her team, advancing to regional and international competitions. Her team has won Wyoming State three times, Montana State once and the Inspire Award three times.
Hattie also is the coordinator for the Girls Maker Club and volunteers at the Powell Makerspace. She also was involved with the PHS drone project.
As a four-year member of the varsity Panther tennis team, Hattie was the top-ranked female on the team for two years and won several awards.
Hattie also plays hockey, and was selected as an All-State ice hockey forward.
Hattie co-founded a math club, and also has placed in various math competitions.
Hattie was recently named a U.S. Senate Youth Program delegate (one of two for Wyoming). She also has been recognized by the National Center for Women and Information Technology.
Through National Honor Society, Hattie has volunteered in community service projects, including food drives and raising money for Make-A-Wish. She serves as the parliamentary-historian-treasurer for NHS.
Hattie also volunteers for Big Brothers Big Sisters.
She attended High School Summer Institute, Girls State and the Engineering Summer Program.
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 - **"THE GREAT OUTDOORS IN WATERCOLOR,"** an exhibit by artist Jim Howard, is on display at Plaza Diane in downtown Powell through March 17. The gallery will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays through March 17. For more information, contact Katie Stensing at 307-271-1264.
- THURSDAY, MARCH 1**
- **BABY & TODDLER TIME** at 11 a.m. at the Powell Branch Library.
 - **READ TO A DOG** at 3:30 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Rusty and Pepper love to visit the library and listen to stories. Sign up to read to a dog for 15 minutes of canine companionship.
 - **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN** meeting at 4:15 p.m. at the Intercultural House at Northwest College, followed by a program at 5 p.m. with international students from around the world.
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 - **"STORIES OF CHIEF GRAY-BULL** and the different drum beats and songs of the Crow Nation" presentation 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area's Cal S. Taggart Visitor Center in Lovell. Johnny Tim Yellowtail — the great-great grandson of Crow leader Robert S. Yellowtail — will present a multimedia talk and demonstration.
 - **WIND AND SOLAR FOR YOUR HOME** and camper presentation at 7 p.m. at the Powell Makerspace with speaker Andrew Rose, president of Hi-Q Technology.

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- **FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** Book Sale from 1-3 p.m. in the basement of the Powell Branch Library.
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- **SPRING BREAK BEGINS** for Northwest College students. Classes resume March 12.

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- **THE POWELL CITY COUNCIL** will meet at 6 p.m. at City Hall.
- **CODY CUTTHROAT TROUT COLLABORATIVE** meeting from 5-9 p.m. at the Lovell Community Center. Information related to the Cody Cutthroat Trout Collaborative — including a summary of public input received at previous meetings — can be found at <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/Get-Involved/Cutthroat-Trout>.
- ***PARENTING THE LOVE AND LOGIC WAY** Class from 6-8 p.m. in the NWC Fagerberg Building, Room 61 with instructor Roena Halbur. Classes continue through April 16. Parenting the Love and Logic Way is an approach to raising children that provides loving support from parents while at the same time teaching children to be respectful and responsible and to make thoughtful decisions. **A PVCE class.
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TUESDAY, MARCH 6

- **FREE PRESCHOOL CLASSES** for children ages 3 to 5 from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Support Services Building, 245 N. Everts St. in Powell. Also on Thursdays. The classes are provided by Park County School District No. 1.
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- **LITTLE TOTS CLASS** for children ages 1 and 2 from 10-11 a.m. at the Support Services Building, 245 N. Everts St. in Powell. The class is provided by Park County School District No. 1.
- **THE POWELL ROTARY CLUB** meets at noon on Wednesdays at the Nelson Foundation House, 550 College Drive.
- **STOZHART READINGS** from noon-1 p.m. in the Hinckley Library Amphitheater at NWC. Named for Rob Stothart, a former associate professor of English who helped launch the NWC Writers Series and contributed regularly to the readings. Each month, an open mic is set up for college and community participants to read their original writing or offer their interpretation of a favorite author.
- **ARBOR DAY POSTER-MAKING** from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Powell Branch Library. Marynell Oechsner, with Project Learning Tree, will teach kids why trees are important. Design a poster to display in the library. This year's theme is "To Be a Tree."

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

- **EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION:** the group will be discussing "My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry," by Fredrik Backman. The April selection will be "The Movement of Stars" by Amy Brill, and will be available after the discussion.
- **GARLAND LIGHT & POWER COMPANY'S** 81st annual meeting will be held at The Commons, 135 N. Bent St. Registration and dinner at 5 p.m., meeting at 6 p.m. Variety of door prizes.

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Religion in American history

In a recent survey, college seniors were asked questions from a high school-level test on American history. Over 75 percent scored a D or below!

While the disappointment expressed by history professors, politicians and the media over the students' performance is certainly justified, it was the questions on the test that I found most disappointing. Despite this country's proud religious heritage and the influence of religion at nearly every stage of our history, none of the questions asked about religion. It was as if religion had been dropped from the curriculum.

How did our education system arrive in this situation? It all boils down to the separation of church and state. In the early part of the 20th century, the boundaries between church and state were not clearly defined with regard to schools. All across America, school systems had a variety of relationships to local churches and religious practice. Aspects of American religious history were taught in various degrees of detail.

Then, following the end of World War II, uncertainties began to arise concerning the appropriateness of the intertwining of churches and schools. The doubts continued into the 1960s, when the Supreme Court ruled that schools were permitted to teach ABOUT religion(s), but they were not permitted to teach religion, i.e., to indoctrinate.

The Supreme Court's ruling that banned teacher-led school prayer ushered in an era of litigation over religion in schools, which has continued to this day.

The fear of legal action has led schools to "sanitize" their curriculum — to take mention of religion out of the curriculum. School district budgets are stretched as it is, without having to find several million dollars for legal expenses. The victory granting the ability to teach students about this country's religious heritage has been squandered by the political controversy over school prayer.

So, what kinds of questions should high school students, college students and we "lifelong learners" be able to answer about religion in our country's past? Here are three



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2. At the time of the American Revolution and the founding of the American republic, Baptists strongly supported the separation of church and state.

3. In the slavery debate preceding the Civil War, the Bible's explicit statements about slaves supported the pro-slavery position best.

Check the answers below, and see if you don't agree that religion's role in shaping American culture and history needs more emphasis at all levels of learning.

Answers:

1. False — Puritans were interested in freedom of religion for themselves only. It was Roger Williams, Rhode Island's founder, who promoted religious freedom for all.

2. True — Historically, Baptists have been some of the strongest believers in the separation of church and state.

3. True — The Bible never explicitly condemns slavery; its statements assume that slavery is a normal part of society.

(Paul V.M. Flesher is a professor in UW's Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies.)

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NWC WR: Points generated from four pins boosted team four places

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escape. Safarov won by a 11-7 decision, ending his season undefeated with a 24-0 record. "He's the only undefeated national champion that NWC has ever had," Zeigler said, adding, "that is extremely rare — extremely rare to go through an entire college season undefeated." It was the 14th national championship title that the Trappers have won during Zeigler's years of coaching.

LISIATE ANAU

Anau, a sophomore from Pocatello, Idaho, came in second at 285 pounds. He had a first-round bye before winning by a 5-4 decision to advance to the quarterfinals. Anau then won by a 3-2 decision over Bryan Ditchman of Joliet Junior College. In the semis, Anau faced off against Brian Andrews of Northeast Oklahoma A&M, the No. 1 ranked wrestler who'd pinned Anau in 25 seconds earlier in the year.

This time, however, Anau took a 4-1 lead in the first period. The neutral position (both wrestlers standing) was chosen to start the second period and with 23 seconds remaining, Andrews got a takedown to decrease the lead to only one point, 4-3. Andrews chose down to start the third period, and got an escape with 14 seconds left in the match to tie the score at 4. Two seconds later, Anau got a takedown which resulted in a pin in 6:49. "For him to come back and have the confidence to stand in there with him

and wrestle him and figure out he could actually beat him was a big deal," Zeigler said of Anau avenging the previous loss to Andrews. In the finals, Anau lost to Odgerel Batkhishig of Northwest Kansas Technical College by a 10-1 major decision. Zeigler said Anau did a "great job" in taking second. Last season, Anau placed fourth at 285 pounds, making him a two-time All-American for NWC.

TATE ALLISON

Allison, a redshirt freshman from Moorcroft, wrestled at 157 pounds. Allison won his first two matches by 3-1 and 6-5 decisions to advance to the quarterfinals. He dropped into the consolation bracket with a loss by a 6-2 decision. Allison came back in the consolations to pin Alfred Daniel of Rochester Community and Technical College in 1:28, then lost a 7-4 decision to put him in the seventh/eighth place match. Allison lost by a 10-2 major decision to Noah Jackson of North Iowa Area Community College to place eighth and earn All-American honors. "Tate [Allison] did a great job, getting on the podium," Zeigler said. Allison was ranked eighth going into the national championships.

JEFF OAKES

Oakes, a sophomore from Battle Mountain, Nevada, wrestled at 184 pounds. He won by a fall in 3:33 and took a 9-2 decision to advance to the quarterfinals. Oakes then lost by a 18-5 major decision to Tanner Harvey of Southwestern Oregon

Community College to drop into the consolation bracket, where he faced off against Connor Kirkland of Western Wyoming Community College. Kirkland and Oakes had met twice this season — at the Apodaca Dual and the Rocky Mountain District Championships — with Kirkland taking both encounters. This time, Kirkland didn't score a single point against Oakes. Oakes led 4-0 before winning the match by a pin in 5:49. Zeigler said Oakes did a "super job," in the match. "Jeff avenged his loss to the Western Wyoming kid who I think is super good," Zeigler said. Oakes lost his next match by a 5-4 decision to wrestle for seventh and eighth. Oakes was pinned by Joseph White of Northwest Kansas Technical College in 4:06 to place eighth. Oakes also became a two-time All-American, as he finished sixth last season at 197 pounds. Overall, coach Zeigler said Oakes "did a good job."

PINS BOOST TEAM

Jeffries, a sophomore from Gillette, went 2-2 in the 133-pound weight class. "That was a hard one — hard for him, hard for me," Zeigler said of Jeffries, who also made it to the National Championships as a freshman last season. "He's worked real hard and I feel like he is one of the best eight in his weight class but just got in a tough spot in the bracket. He competed hard; he just didn't get there. But very proud of him." Schafer and Urbach also went 2-2 at the tournament. They both picked up their wins by way of pins. "Those are big scoring [points]," Zeigler said of the pins, adding the points generated from the four pins boosted the team up four places. Zeigler also said that both wrestlers "did a great job." Schafer is a freshman from Lander and wrestled at 141 pounds. He has "really come on the last few weeks of the season and really kind of discovered some confidence and doing a great job," Zeigler said. "I think the future could be bright for him." Urbach is a Powell High School alum who wrestled at 149 pounds. For the season as a whole, Zeigler said he was "really proud" of his team. "They stepped up," Zeigler said. "They had a lot of challenges this year." The coach said one particular challenge was not having a lot of depth, which equates to not having backups; the team stayed healthy this season. Zeigler plans to begin recruiting for the 2018-19 season — and said he's also looking forward to working with the student athletes currently on the roster for next season.



Lady Trapper sophomore Mattie Creager hugs coach Janis Beal at Sophomore Night. Tribune photo by Don Cogger

Creager: Back in rotation for play-in

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Relegated to the sidelines, Creager became the team's most vocal supporter, a role she accepted graciously. Creager's positive attitude came as no surprise to her coach. "With Creags, we really didn't have to say a whole lot," Beal said. "She has such a selfless attitude, the 'We over me' team motto we use; she fits that perfectly. Her first question to me was 'What can I do to help? Even though I'm out, what can I do?'" After several months of cheering on her teammates as they established themselves as one of the top teams in Region IX, Creager was finally cleared to play last month. She saw her first action of 2018 on Valentine's Day against Miles Community College, scoring her first points since November in roughly seven minutes of play. "It was very exciting to see Mattie get back on the court," Beal said. "All of the rehab and skills drills she had done while she was out helped her to be ready to go when her number was called." Creager said it was hard to watch the team at first, but as the season progressed and she was able to practice on a limited basis, it became easier. When she finally got back on the court, the sophomore was more than ready. "It was fun. I had a smile on my face," she said. "I got to practice [the day before the MCC game] with about 20 minutes left, put my brace on, and I was

just smiling the whole time." After seeing limited action in the three games since she's been cleared to play, Creager emerged as a factor in last week's 86-64 win at Gillette College — scoring 12 points in 12 minutes. "She had a great game against Gillette," Beal said. "It was one of those times where July [Julynne da Silva Sa] had gotten into some foul trouble and Dallas [Petties] was struggling a little. To be able to have Mattie step up and say 'All right, let's go,' she came in and did a great job. She was getting into position, she was scoring. It was fun to have her back in the rotation." With the regular season at an end, the Lady Trappers (23-7, 14-4) are looking toward the playoffs. Creager is confident her team will make some noise in the post-season. "I would really like to see us go to nationals; I think we have the team to do that," Creager said. Beal said Creager's infectious attitude and willingness to serve is what she'll miss the most. "She's such a willing person to help in any way — whether it's helping to carry something to the bus, or whatever she can do to help her teammates," Beal said. "She's always thinking of someone else first, and that's a trait you don't always see. I'll definitely miss her as a person, as well as a player." For Creager, the feeling is mutual. She said her coach is "always there when I need her to be."



Trapper wrestler Lisiate Anau (left) squares off against Odgerel Batkhishig in the national championship match. Photo courtesy Don Kohler/WCC

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Tribune photos by Carla Wensky

NATIONAL ENGINEERS WEEK ACTIVITY DESIGNED TO INSPIRE

Some of the state's top engineers made special visits to Wyoming elementary schools last week as part of National Engineers Week.

The University of Wyoming College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS) has partnered with the Wyoming State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors to create a free program that brings professional engineers into third-grade classrooms around the state to lead a one-hour, hands-on activity.

The activity is designed to inspire innovative thinking and design to young students to encourage participation in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

"More than 3,200 third-grade students will have the opportunity to engage in hands-on learning and exploration with professional engineers from their community," said Teddi Freedman, CEAS senior project coordinator.

She said it's a unique opportunity for professionals to connect with youth to share their experience as experts in their fields, and to inspire the next generation to consider engineering in their academic and professional pursuits.

The DiscoverE network's theme for 2018 is "Engineers: Inspiring Wonder" and highlights how engineers create awe-inspiring wonders and daily marvels like clean drinking water, computers and cars. Girl Day was Feb. 22, and the UW Society of Women Engineers hosted middle school students on campus for an experience aimed at highlighting and celebrating the contributions from women in engineering throughout history.

Elementary schools in Powell, Cody and Basin were among those scheduled to participate in Engineers Week activities.



Above, Southside students Lily Paisley and Wesson Warren begin construction on their engineering project last week. Students made vehicles from Life Saver mints, straws, popsicle sticks and notecards.

At left, Alexa Johnston and Kindall Ashcraft put the finishing touches on their vehicle during last week's project at Southside.

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Teddi Freedman, CEAS senior project coordinator

Hicswa receives award from honors society

Northwest College President Stefani Hicswa is among just 35 college presidents selected to receive the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction this year.

The award honors college presidents who have demonstrated outstanding effort toward promoting the goals of Phi Theta Kappa — an honor society for two-year college students that strives to "recognize and encourage scholarship."

"It is an honor to be nominated for this award by our PTK chapter. To be recognized at the national level speaks highly of our PTK students and their accomplishments," Hicswa said. "This award represents all that we are doing on campus to support student success. The greatest reward is to see our students walk across the stage at commencement."

Northwest College PTK President Quentin McHoes described Hicswa as "a paragon of integrity and service," saying the award "recognizes her tireless efforts to improve the lives of others — especially students and young people."

"Her involvement with Northwest College's PTK honor society has inspired countless students to achieve greatness," McHoes said. "President Hicswa unequivocally deserves this award."

NWC Library Coordinator and local PTK adviser Beth Hronek expressed appreciation for Hicswa's willingness to work with the group. For instance, Hronek said the president worked to give more recognition to the students of the Wyoming Academic All-State Team, who are mostly PTK students.

"Giving respect and honor to our best students is thoughtful, and she worked to make that happen," Hronek said, adding, "I hadn't heard about her part of that until an adviser at another college told me. She worked quietly to make good things happen for all of those students — not just NWC students."

Hicswa will formally receive the honor in April during the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Catalyst 2018, the society's annual convention, in Kansas City, Missouri. Another celebration will take place on the NWC campus.

PTK has nearly 3 million members and more than 1,250 chapters internationally. To learn more about PTK at Northwest College, visit <http://www.nwc.edu/ptk>.



STEFANI HICSWA

Local filmmaker wins 'best pitch' award

A Cody filmmaker's upcoming documentary — focused on a Montana man's controversial conviction for a 1979 murder — picked up some accolades at last week's Big Sky Documentary Film Festival.

Preston Randolph was one of just 10 filmmakers invited to pitch his film, "All We've Lost," to a group of industry executives, producers and filmmakers at the Missoula, Montana, festival on Feb. 22.

Randolph topped the group, with his presentation being named the "Best Pitch."

He's been working on the film for years. A description for "All We've Lost" reads, "An aging mother, despite continuous denial, battles the State of Montana to free her son from prison while discovering their story has inspired historic change."

It focuses on the case of Barry Beach, a man convicted of murdering 17-year-old Kimberly Nees near Poplar, Montana, in 1979; Beach was also 17 at the time.

Critics of the case contend a confession Beach gave to authorities was coerced. He initially received a 100-year prison sentence, but Montana Gov. Steve Bullock commuted his sentence in 2015 after national and statewide attention.

Randolph's selection for Best Pitch is a big accomplishment and will help build momentum in the film's final stages of production, said his brother, Garrett Randolph, who's been assisting with the project.



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(18-21PT) **GUARANTEED CREDIT APPROVAL** through Wyoming Auto Finance. Only available at Midway Auto Sales. Stop getting denied for a loan. 307-548-7571.

(3/10tnL) **1985 TOYOTA PICKUP**, VIN # Jt4RN65D5F5068863, 16-5886, recovery and storage fees \$3,000. Sale to take place at 355 N. Absaroka, 3/4/18 at 12 p.m.

(16-18ThursPT)

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Announcements

YOGA - TUESDAYS 6 a.m., Wednesdays 6 p.m., Thursdays 6 a.m. at 380 US HWY. 20 South. www.yogabuffs.net. 307-431-0386.

(2/5tnB) **NA MEETS WEDNESDAYS** from 7 to 9 p.m., Grace Fellowship Church, Greybull.

(tnB) **AL-ANON MEETS** at 401 S. 5th, Grace Fellowship, Greybull at noon on Mondays.

(tnB) **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS** on Tuesday at 7 p.m. and Friday at 8 p.m. at 256 East Fifth St., Lovell Search and Rescue Building. Call 831-240-8984.

(7/27tn/nCL) **POWELL AL ANON** provides support for friends and relatives of alcoholics. Meetings: Tuesdays at noon and Wednesdays, 7 p.m. at 146 South Bent (Big Horn Enterprises/north entrance off parking lot). For information, call 754-4543 or 754-5988.

(103TFThursFT) **NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS** Meets at 146 S. Bent, Powell (Big Horn Enterprise building) Tues., Thurs., Sun., at 7 p.m., Sat. at 10 a.m. Call 307-213-9434 for more info.

(21TFCT) **CODY NA MEETINGS** Mondays & Fridays at 7 p.m., Episcopal Church, 825 Simpson Ave., door by alley. Call 307-213-9434 for more info.

(24TFCT) **NA MEETS IN LOVELL**, Mondays at 7 p.m. at 1141 Shoshone Ave., Saint Joseph's Catholic Church. Call 307-213-9434 for more info.

(16TFCT) **WELCOME TO POWELL!** Call us for a Free gift pack and coupons from area businesses. Wyoming Welcome- 754-9399 or 754-3206.

(15ThursTFCT) **IS YOUR NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY ZONED FOR A PIG FARM?** Find out for yourself! Review this and all kinds of important information in public notices printed in all of Wyoming's newspapers! Government meetings, spending, bids. Visit www.wyopublicnotices.com or www.publicnoticeads.com/wy.

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(11/14tnB)

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 BHB(3/1cL)

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Lost & Found

STILL MISSING TWO Aruba Sun Dolphin hardshell kayaks, one blue, one red, in Shoshone River between Byron and Lovell. May have drifted down farther. Boating accident. Please call Jacque 503-995-1375. Lovell, Wyoming.

(2/1-3/22pL) **FOUND NEAR 7TH & CLARK**, short haired black and white cat wearing a collar with a bell. 754-2212.

(17-18FT)

Help Wanted

RIVER- RAIL COMMUNITY FEDERAL Credit Union in Powell is looking for a part-time member service representative 25 plus hours Monday-Friday. Great customer service skills a must! Banking/accounting background a plus. Apply in person with resume at the Powell branch 482 S Mountain View St., or email to mborcher@river-rail.com

(18-22CT) **SECURITY STATE BANK** in Basin and Greybull are each hiring a part-time Teller. Banking experience is preferred but not required, excellent communication and customer service skills are essential. Starting wage DOE. Send resume to PO Box 531, Basin, WY attention Human Resources. Security State Bank is an equal opportunity employer of women, minorities, veterans and individuals with disabilities.

(3/1-3/8cB)

Help Wanted

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(3/1-3/15cB) **OVER ROAD DRIVER** wanted. Call 307-765-4476. BB(2/22-3/1cB)

DO YOU LOVE your community? How would you like to write stories about its people and the issues impacting them? The Basin Republican Rustler is looking for writers in the Basin and Burlington areas to help cover news and sports. From features to covering meetings, the possibilities are endless, the hours flexible. Team players who know the community well, are detail oriented and have a solid grasp of the English language are encouraged to apply. We are looking for a part-time reporter who could help us in the office and/or stringers who could contribute stories from home. If you are interested, please contact Publisher David Peck, dapeck00@tctwest.net, or Managing Editor Nathan Oster, greybullstandard.press@gmail.com.

(2/22tnB) **THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE IS SEEKING** A General Laborer for the Public Works Department. Pay DOE with excellent benefits. Applications can be obtained at http://www.newcastlewyoming.org/.

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(17-18PT) **THE SHOSHONE IRRIGATION DISTRICT** is now accepting applications for the position of a ditch rider. This is a full time position with benefits. Applicant must be willing to work seven days a week from about April 15 to October 15 during the irrigation season. Five days a week are required during the winter months. Application will be accepted until position is filled. Applications may be picked up at 337 East First in Powell.

(17TFCT) **NOW HIRING - AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN** - Powell, housekeeping position. Apply at the front desk, 307-754-5117.

(20CT)

Help Wanted

Northwest College Instructor/ Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

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(15-20PT)

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 For more information please contact Jeremy Dickson at Big Horn Co-op, 661 East North Street, Powell, WY 82435. (EOE & Drug Free Workplace)
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 661 East North Street - Powell, Wyoming
 Phone 307-754-5962

THE NEWS
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POWELL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMICS

Powell High School announces honor roll

The following Powell High School students were named to the honor roll for the first semester of the 2017-18 school year.

Students with a 4.0 grade point average received straight A's, and those with a 3.5-3.9 GPA had more A's than B's

with no C's. Students with a 3.0-3.4 GPA received A's and B's with no more than one C.

9TH GRADE
4.0

Kadden Abraham
Romney Andreasen
Jaxton Braten
Clayton Brown
Magdalena Capiello
Ashley Dunkerly
Hailee Hyde
Emma Karhu
Mattie Larsen
Riley McKeen
Jenna Merritt
Bailee Moore
Addison Moretti
Samuel Pool
Raelynn Ramsey
Jozi Simpson
Elsie Spomer
Amber Visocky
David Waite

3.5-3.9

Anna Atkinson
Mia Baxter
Hailey Bott
Ashton Brewer
Triniti Bruski
Samantha Cole
Madison Fields
Lane Franks
Rose Graft
Maddisson Hackenberg
Madelyn Horton
Seth Horton
Whitney Hull
Averee Johnson
Augusta Larsen
Olivia Lobingier
Tegan Lovelady
Alejandro Martinez
Aryanna Minemyer
Sophe Morrow
Kobe Ostermiller
India Palato
Bailey Phillips
Elisa Polson
Kaylee Stewart
Isaac Summers
Emery Terry
Sydney Thompson
Brian Walker

3.0-3.4

Sabrina Alvarez
Payton Asher
Sam Bauer
Andrew Beavers
Riley Beckett
Tarren Blackmore
Brandon Casey
Daylon Clarkson
Luke Condie
Kaelin Crichton
Jeremy Estes
Zekeal Frankenberg
Zoie Gaisford

Adrian Geller
Olivia Griffin
Lexis Griffith
Trevor Groves
Jose Hernandez
Matthew Hobbs
Delaney Jackson
Paije Johnson
Sidney Karst
Joseph Kousoulos
Abigail Landwehr
Landon Lengfelder
Jaden Marchant
Mason Marchant
Jason Meschke
Cassidy Miner
Mark Pappenfort
Jasmin Preator
Kinzie Rea
Kaden Salas
Kalen Sapp
Landon Sessions
Alexis Sinecio
Yogi Sullivan
Ethan Thiel
Jacob Thiel
Jesse Trotter
John Weimer
Isaac Wilson
Taber Wilson

10TH GRADE
4.0

Ashlyn Aguirre
Sloane Asay
Ethan Asher
Tayten Barhaug
Skylar Cooley
Jaymison Cox
Lauren DeWitz
Aidan Jacobsen
Brody Karhu
Kayla Kolpitcke
Devin Ott
Hailee Paul
Dylan Preator
Colin Queen
Marie Ramier
Crandell Sanders
Brian Smith
Michele Wagner
Isabella Wambeke
Kady Wailes

3.5-3.9

Dallin Allred
Heidi Barrus
Nathanael Belmont
Jesse Brown
Courtney Childers
Kaitlyn Church
Trienna Collicott
Zane Cordes
Bo Dearcorn
Kaitlyn Decker
Grant Dillivan
Natalie Dillivan

Nicolas Fulton
Marina Goffaux
Torie Hawthorne
Chauntay Hernandez
Rachel Kuntz
Lauren Lejeune
Aaron Lind
Gabi Metzler
Sydney O'Brien
Sabrina Shoopman
Izaiah Zapata

3.0-3.4

Colby Bennett
Kason Cannon
Kortny Feller
Ryan Galindo
Zachary Griffin
Cheyanne Higgs
Bryce Hogen
Jasmine James
Justin Johnston
Caitlyn Jones
Kailey Jurado
Bailey Kennedy
Ryan Kolpitcke
Corey Linebaugh
Elijah Macy
Kiya McIntosh
Scarlette Mendoza
Ryley Meyer
Braxton Miller
Wyatt Murray
Colt Nicholson
Alexis Reynoso
Mina Schuler
Garrett Stutzman
Macen Thomas
Myciah Wainscott
Cameron Wentz
Catherine Wilson

11TH GRADE
4.0

Rachel Bonander
Kara Borchert
Kenadee Bott
McKenna Buck
Austin Chandler
Wyatt Decker
Kaelan Groves
Ashlyn Heny
Dylan McEvoy
Karlie McKenzie
Katie McKenzie
Alan Merritt
Elise North
Jaighden Rayment
Joseph Rogers
Sierra Sanders
Brylee Schuler
Taytum Sessions
Lucy Sullivan
Hartly Thorington
Emma Waite

3.5-3.9

Alexander Costigan
Brinson Cozzens
Devon Curtis
Jacob Harrison
Addison Howard
Aidan Hunt
Dominik Johnson
Jessica Kasinger
Gabrielle Lundberg
Gracie McLain
Alina O'Leary
Carter Olsen
Joelynn Petrie
Sarahjo Rodriguez
Kourtney Rowton
Shayla Shoopman
Brianna Simmons
Aubrie Stenerson
Kenlee Stenlund
Joshua Summers
Brealyyn Tery
Shaelynn Theriault
McKenzie Thompson
John Walker
Sadie Wenzel
Jayden Yates

3.0-3.4

Dakota Caudill
Abigail Cabbage
Haley Escalera
Kjelden George
Reece Hackenberg
Jaclyn Haire
Jazlyn Haney
Reece Karst
Jasmyne Lensegraw
Dylan Lowery
Savannah Martin
Sawyer Mauthe
Dalton McMillan
Caitlyn Miner
Ciara Payne
William Preator
Rylee Ramsey
Ariana Rodriguez
Streeter Kayla
Dacean Thomas
Bennett Walker
Colby Warner
Holden Wilson
Trenton Wilson

12TH GRADE
4.0

Aspen Aguirre
Emma Andreasen
Lauren Asher
Samantha Becker
Natalie Birdsley
Kendyl Bohlman
Gracen Curtis
Jacob Frankenberry
Maddy Hanks
Aaron Jacobsen
Treven Keeler

Michaela Kousoulos
AJ Lewis
Ian Ley
Joshua Malone
Emily McCaslin
Jordan Moore
Wade Musso
Harriet Pimentel
Rhett Pimentel
James Sheets
Jordan Walsh
Nathaniel Whitham

3.5-3.9

Christian Bitzas
Kathleen Bush
Ian Callahan
Nathaniel Cole
Kacey Creed
Jesse Erickson
Joey Haire
Tomoka Hasegawa
Toby Hooper
Gabriel Miller
Addison Miller
Jonathan Morrow
Charles Myers
JuliaKay O'Neill
Wesley Patrick
Mariah Phister
Madyson Riedinger
Mariah Saville
Jonathan St.Pierre
Emily Sweet
CJ Wardwell

3.0-3.4

Jeremy Ackley-Burrs
Gavin Asay
Brooks Asher
Brian Brazelton
David Bright
Isaiah Fauver
Ethan Follett
Jason Gutierrez
Charles Hall
Olivia Hobby
Breanna Holdsworth
Sydney Horton
Samantha Jeide
Taylor Johnson
Rylie Kannard
Heather Lieser
Luke Matheson
Mariana Mendoza
Sierra Peton
Addison Patrie
Treva Robson
Braden Schiller
Edward Shramek
Bronson Smith
Jace Smith
Alli Sommerville
Shea Swenson
Michal Tomasik
Nicole Westfall



The Gestalt exhibit will include this portrait of Debbie Borchert from her high school years. Courtesy photos

Borchert family exhibit opens Friday at Gestalt

An exhibit at Gestalt Studios will celebrate Debbie Borchert, who would have turned 67 on Friday. Five generations of Borcherts will exhibit their work to recognize Debbie's life and influence.

The exhibit opens Friday with a reception from 6-9 p.m.

Artworks will range from watercolors to embroidery and crochets.

Artists include: Gloria Bell,

Ken Borchert, Debbie Borchert, Erin Johnson, Shana Barela, Kendrea Flynn, Kellyn Richardson, Alleigh Richardson, Teagan Barela, Linley Richardson, Collin and Ryan Flynn, Andrew Barela, Lucy Burns and Payton, Morra and Sebastian Jessup.

The exhibit will remain on display through April 5 at Gestalt Studios at the Polar Plant, 440 W. Park St.



Gloria Bell and Debbie Borchert are pictured in the late 1950s.

Achiever

Kath named to dean's list

Emily Kath has been named to the Fall 2017 Dean's List at Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law in Chicago. The list honors full-time stu-

dents who achieve a GPA of 3.5 or higher while pursuing a juris doctor degree.

Kath has also been selected as the managing editor for the Northwestern Journal of Law & Social Policy for the 2018-19 Editorial Board. She is the daughter of Meg and Scott Kath of Powell.

Help Wanted

CATERING COOK- THE BUFFALO BILL CENTER of the West is looking for a positive, hardworking, dependable, talented cook to help us prepare excellent quality food to our clientele. Minimum one year cooking experience. Full time position. Very competitive pay based upon experience. Please visit for <https://centerofthewest.org/about-us/employment/> complete job description and application. (17-18CT)

FULL TIME SEAMLESS SIDING help needed. 40 hours a week plus overtime! \$14 - \$20 per hour DOE. Must have clean drivers license and be able to pass a drug test. Call 899-1863. BB(17TFCT)

LOCAL TREE SERVICE COMPANY is looking for ground workers and tree climbers. Chainsaw experience preferred. Must have a valid drivers license. Willing to train the right person. Pay determined by experience. Please call 307-272-2801 for more information. (14TFCT)

Help Wanted

ATTENTION ROCK CLIMBERS! Have you ever wanted to make money climbing? Local tree service company is looking for motivated rock climbers interested in climbing trees. Pay determined by experience. Must have a valid drivers license. Please call 307-272-2801 for more information. (14TFCT)

ABSAROKA, INC. HAS AN OPENING for the Early Head Start Home Visitor position in Basin, Wyoming. Experience working with infants and toddlers is preferred. Applicants without a degree in Early Childhood Education will be required to complete an Infant/Toddler Credential upon hire. Please send a letter of interest and resume to: Absaroka, Inc., PO Box 952, Worland, WY 82401. Absaroka, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer. (06TFCT)

AMERICAS BEST VALUE INN, 777 E. 2nd St., Powell, WY 82435, (307) 754-5117 — Apply at front desk — Must be willing to submit to a pre-employment drug screening — Maintenance/Groundskeeper position (full time). (80TFCT)

Help Wanted

A BUSTLING POWELL BUSINESS has an opening for a part-time data entry clerk. This position is perfect for someone who has good computer skills, who loves spreadsheets and who's looking to work 16-20 hours per week. Applicants must have a valid drivers license, social security number, and be able to pass a background check. Wage - \$8 per hour d.o.e. Send resume with three references to the Powell Tribune, P.O. Box 70-E, Powell, WY 82435 (02TFCT)

Help Wanted

ARE YOU A CARING Families of domestic violence and sexual assault want and need someone to care. Call Crisis Intervention Services at 754-7959 and volunteer! (53TF)

SCHOOL DISTRICT VACANCY
ASSOCIATE CUSTODIAN
Southside Elementary School
4 hours per day for 176 days per year (student days). Salary: 2017-2018 base, \$13.30/hour, position is non benefit-eligible. The District reserves the right to fill this position at any time after March 8, 2018. Apply online at www.pcsd1.org, for questions contact the Superintendent's Office, Park County School District #1, 160 N. Evarts, Powell, WY 82435 (764-6186). EOE (06-18)

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PUBLIC NOTICES
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Revisions notice

Public Hearing on proposed Amendments to the 2015 Park County Development Standards and Regulations
Notice is hereby given that the Park County Planning & Zoning Commission will review at a public hearing possible revisions to the 2015 Park

County Development Standards and Regulations, to be renamed the 2018 Park County Development Standards and Regulations.

Interested persons may present their views on revisions at the public hearing 7 p.m. April 17th, 2018 at a regular meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission, Alternate EOC Room, basement of the courthouse addition, 1002 Sheridan Avenue, Cody, Wyoming.

The proposed rules meet minimum substantive state statutory requirements and are authorized by W.S. §§ 16-3-101 through 103; 18-5-301 through 315; 18-5-201 through 207; and 24-1-104.

Interested persons may obtain copies of these proposed rules from the Planning & Zoning office located in the Park County Courthouse, 1002

Sheridan Avenue, Cody, Wyoming. The amendments may also be viewed on the county website <http://www.parkcounty.us/planningandzoning/planandzone.html>
A printed copy is available for \$20.

The revisions include but are not limited to:
1. Delete Chapter V, Park County Road & Bridge Standards. The requirements of the Road & Bridge Standards as pertains to development remain the same. Road & Bridge standards (Public Works requirements) are referenced where needed throughout in regards to roads, bridges, addressing, runoff and erosion control, etc. and related appendixes;
2. Appendix 13 (Percolation Test Procedure)

deleted; it is included in the stand-alone small wastewater regulations;

3. Clarification of appeal process for zoning violations (no public hearing);
4. Definitions: Definitions added include but are not limited to boarding house, transient lodging, short term and long term rentals, dude ranch;
5. RV's / campers cannot be rented;
6. Deleted specific requirements for mobile home parks — review as minor or major subdivision;
7. Removed requirement for soils report from conservation district;
8. Signs are limited to site / parcel where business is located.

PERKY PUP



Sage, a German wire-haired puppy owned by Dean and Angie Woyak, flies through the air on Tuesday while playing in the snow at the Willwood public access area on the Shoshone River south of Powell. Dean is active with Pheasants Forever and Sage will get plenty time afield after training. Until then, play time on daily walks are pure joy for the speedy pup. Tribune photo by Mark Davis

Johnson Fitness Center moves to the Fagerberg Building Annex March 12

Northwest College's Johnson Fitness Center is temporarily relocating to the Fagerberg Building Annex on North Beckman Street.

Throughout the week of spring break, March 3-11, exercise equipment will be moved to the temporary location so remodeling can begin in the JFC. Personal belongings must be cleared out of the center's lockers by Friday.

The JFC is scheduled to reopen in its temporary location at the Fagerberg Building Annex on Monday, March 12.

Patrons will have access to lockers and bathrooms in the new temporary location, but there are no showers available.

Northwest College staff who currently work in the adjoining Moyer Building will also temporarily be housed in the Fagerberg annex.

Renovation work at the JFC will continue through the rest of the spring semester, and will include asbestos removal, updated HVAC and electrical systems and new flooring.

The full remodel of the JFC is expected to be complete before the fall 2018 semester begins on Aug. 22. The project is funded by major maintenance funds Northwest College receives from the state.

JFC memberships are available in the NWC Business Office in the Orendorff Building.

Local veterans assistance available

A veterans service officer from the Wyoming Veterans Commission will conduct community outreach in the Big Horn Basin this month.

Former U.S. Marine Josh Schmidt will be at the Powell Valley Healthcare Clinic from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday. He'll also be in Lovell from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 13, at the North Big Horn County Senior Center.

Schmidt is available to meet with veterans and their families to discuss state and federal veterans' benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs claims, or VA healthcare. Schmidt can also help veterans and their families apply for benefits, file claims or request healthcare.

Call Schmidt at 307-250-3890 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Local responder attends homeland security training

While a chemical attack may be low on local residents' list of worries, it's among the many potential crises that Park County has prepared for.

Kimball Croft, who serves as the public health emergency response coordinator with Park County Public Health, recently completed training that included instruction on chemical and biological live agents. His course also involved working with OSHA Respiratory Protection Program.

Croft trained at the COBRA (Chemical, Ordnance, Biological, Radiological) Training Facility, located at

the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) in Aniston, Alabama. The CDP is operated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and is the only federally chartered Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) training facility in the nation.

Croft trained in 98 percent sarin live nerve agent gas and, he says, came back prepared to assist Park County to



KIMBALL CROFT

respond or recover from chemical or biological accidents/attacks.

"It is better to prepare, train and know how to respond to many threats both accidental or man-made (think a tanker car leak) than it is to get caught with no training and no response plans," Croft said in a release.

Park County Public Health already has response plans. Croft said the department would be

able to provide assistance, treating those who might have suffered an exposure.

Croft was returning to CDP to participate in Health Care Leadership in Mass Casualty Incidents. This course is intended for health care responders to be prepared for any incident that results in multiple casualties — a natural disaster; an accidental or intentional release of a chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, or explosives (CBRNE) hazard; or a disease outbreak that results in an epidemic or pandemic.

ACHEIVER

Zachary listed on honor roll

Ross Zachary of Cody has been named to the Whitworth University Provost's Honor Roll for fall semester 2017. Zachary qualified for the academic honor society by maintaining a grade-point average of at least 3.75 during the semester.

Whitworth is a private, liberal arts university affiliated with the Presbyterian church with an enrollment of nearly 3,000 students.

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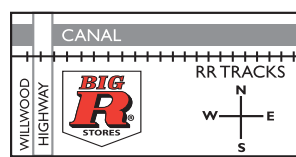
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