

## New Powell Library set to open April 24

BY ZAC TAYLOR  
Tribune editor

The new Powell Library is not meant to look like just any library.

Many of the interior walls throughout the 14,000 square foot space feature reclaimed wood from wind fences. Windows feature etchings of native grasses and a covered wagon to evoke Powell's pioneer spirit, which kids can play on, graces the children's area.

The centerpiece is the massive circulation desk made by Andy Childress, of AC Millworks in Cody, out of local wood, inlaid with area river rocks local residents brought to the library.

"We're hoping that people can kind of pick up the Powell vibe when they come in," Park County Library Director Karen Horner said. "And it doesn't just look like you just walked into the library, you know, in downtown Seattle."

The new Powell Library is slated to open April 24, while the library will move out of its temporary home at Homesteader Hall in the Park

County Fairgrounds at the end of March.

That will give staff time, Horner said, to set up all the books and prepare the new library for opening day, which she said will be a celebration for the whole community. Events will be 1-5 p.m.

"We're hoping to have food trucks, make it a huge Friday," she said, adding that as school gets out early that day, "we thought we'd maybe do it at one so that at least we could maybe involve the whole community."

As it's 105 years since Powell first had a library, Homesteader Museum Director Brandi Wright will also be on hand with historic information.

That history will pair with the brand new feel of the building — Horner said pretty much everything is new, from chairs to book carts, while it'll also be a new experience for the library employees to have a break room, something the old building lacked.

Horner said the new building has so much more usable

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**Karen Horner**  
Library director

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The Powell Library's new building will open to the public April 24 for a grand opening celebration, where people will be able to explore the new, open spaces that Park County Library District Director Karen Horner said will allow for a better experience for both visitors and staff. Tribune photo by Zac Taylor

## SPREADING WINGS OF SPRING



A bald eagle, photographed by Powell resident bird whisperer Rob Koelling, does a fly-by showing off its grace and strength while patrolling the skies around the city. It takes about five years for bald eagles to fully develop white plumage on the head and tail-feathers. The species, which lives year-round in Wyoming, was once endangered by hunting and pesticides, but has flourished under protections. Photo by Rob Koelling

## THE BEAR WISE GUY

Game and Fish intensifies messaging to public

BY MARK DAVIS  
Tribune senior reporter

In an effort to multiply the number of people reached by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Bear Wise program, Coordinator Mark Aughton came up with an inexpensive plan to dramatically increase reach. Then he found someone to pay for the plan.

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**Mark Aughton**  
Game and Fish

in the short three years since the former National Park Service biologist arrived in the Cody Region from Florida.

"At the end of the day, the highest quality type of outreach we do is going to be in

Aughton's plan worked; you might say it went viral. The number of those reached by the critical safety information went from a little more than 12,000 in 2024 to 1.2 million reached last year. That's a full 100-times more



Wyoming Game and Fish Department Bear Wise Coordinator Mark Aughton (right) conducts training with a simulated bear charge and inert bear spray. He preaches practice with safety tools as a way of being ready if a large carnivore or angry ungulate attacks. Courtesy photo

person. But it's severely limited based on the number of people you can actually talk to, and especially in a [lightly populated] state like Wyoming," he said. "That's kind of where [the plans] came from, just accepting that we're going to be limited in the number of people we can reach in person, and trying to figure out ways to circumvent [perceived limits]."

### BEING SEEN

Wanting to reach folks who visit Wyoming and, whether they know it or not, need to become more aware and respectful of the Yellowstone Ecosystem's toothy critters, Aughton turned to transportation centers to share the word.

At a certain point, reaching out to locals about important Bear Wise information is a repeat service. There's no harm in reminding residents about safety on the landscape, however, the messaging is more critical for visitors who haven't grown to respect our large, toothy critters.

First, he contacted Yellowstone Regional Airport in hopes of running Bear Wise information on their video system. They were happy to help.

"Yellowstone Regional Airport was kind enough to run our ad for us the entirety of the bear season free of charge," Aughton said.

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Scorched ground at Yellowstone Wildlife Habitat Management Area smolders after flames rushed through nearly 2,000 of the area's more than 19,000 acres. Firefighters from the BLM, National Park Service and Lovell Fire Department have the blaze 30% contained as of Wednesday morning.

Photo courtesy Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

## Cooler weather will mean improved Kane Fire conditions

Fire crews made significant progress on the Kane Fire on Tuesday, increasing containment to 30%. Due to their efforts, firefighters are in a strong position moving forward and will continue working to safely suppress the fire and secure containment lines, according to the National Park Service.

Wednesday, crews planned to continue to patrol, monitor, and mop up areas within the fire perimeter while reinforcing containment lines. Tactics

employed continued to be adjusted as weather, terrain, and fire behavior evolved, with the goal of safely containing and suppressing the fire. In anticipation of increased winds, firefighters developed a tactical plan to adjust operations during peak wind periods, with particular attention to areas containing cottonwood trees and other heavy fuels that presented elevated risk during strong winds and gusty conditions.

A Red Flag Warning was

in effect Tuesday from noon to 9 p.m. in the region, which brought critical fire weather conditions, including peak gusts around 45 mph, low relative humidity and above-normal temperatures.

The conditions concerned those leading the effort due to increased fire activity and rapid fire spread, particularly in cottonwood trees and other receptive fuels in the fire area. Fire crews planned to

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## Chicago flight coming to Cody this summer

BY CJ BAKER  
Tribune staff writer

For the first time in five years, the Cody airport will be served by a weekly flight from Chicago through the summer season. Between mid-May and mid-September, an E175 jet from Chicago O'Hare will land at Yellowstone Regional Airport on Friday evenings and return to the Windy City on Saturday

mornings. That's in addition to multiple daily flights to and from Denver.

"We're excited about this opportunity," airport director Aaron Buck said at a meeting last week, "and we believe it'll add a lot of benefit for Cody and for the tourism and the industry here."

Getting the 18 flights from Chicago took some doing.

To entice United Airlines to fly the route, a private organization

that supports the airport, Cody Yellowstone Air Improvement Resources (CYAIR), signed a deal guaranteeing that the airline will make at least \$191,798.

Of that "minimum revenue guarantee," about three-quarters of the funding is coming from taxpayers: \$76,719 has been committed by the Wyoming Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Commission, with another \$50,000 from the Park County Travel Council and \$15,000 from funds previously provided by the Park County Commission and City of Cody.

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## New subdivision won't have its own park

BY CJ BAKER  
Tribune staff writer

Although one city councilman believes a new subdivision on Powell's south side should have its own park, the rest of his colleagues aren't so sure.

At a March 2 meeting, the Powell City Council decided that, rather than requiring the developer of the Autumn Grove subdivision to provide land for a park, the city will instead take a cash payment that can be used for existing parks.

The subdivision is being developed by Erik Petersen on vacant land just south of Monroe Street and east of Southside

School. At Petersen's request, the city council recently annexed 13.7 acres that may eventually host 69 homes; the first phase will involve the construction of 25 houses just off Monroe Street, between South Day Street and Road 8H.

Whenever land is annexed into the City of Powell and subdivided, the city requires the developer to either provide a piece of land for a park that's equal to 6% of the size of the subdivision or to pay the city 10% of the raw land value of the subdivision.

Councilman Tim Sapp called on the council to take the park land.

"The future growth is [in] that

direction," Sapp said, adding, "parks are needed in residential communities. It's a hell of a thing for a community to have a park in it."

Mayor John Wetzel said he didn't disagree with that sentiment, "but I think we have enough parks for our residents" while the cost of maintaining them continues to rise with inflation.

"My thought would be we continue to support the parks we have and do it well," Wetzel said, recommending the city take the cash.

The rest of the council also

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The centerpiece of the new library layout is a massive new circulation desk made in Cody out of local wood, inlaid with area river rocks sourced from locals. Tribune photo by Zac Taylor

## Library: 'It's a very open concept, a lot different than the old library ...'

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space to go with the open floor plan, ringed by windows and rooms. There are two smaller meeting rooms, a calming room for children and adults with disabilities, a large meeting room she said will serve a similar purpose to the Cody Library's Grizzly Room, a couple of nooks within the teen section and even a spot up front at the entrance for the Friends of the Library to sell books.

"It's a very open concept, a lot different than the old library, a lot bigger, way more space," Horner said. "[The old library] was so dark and cramped, and so much space we couldn't really do anything with. Now it's like every piece of this is usable space, a lot more storage, which is nice, because we never had that. Never had the big room.

"Grothouse [Construction] has done a great job." The old library, a building

that had been added onto over the decades, was demolished in the summer of 2024, with work on the new building getting underway that fall. The work is primarily being funded by roughly \$9.3 million in grants from the state (via federal Covid-era funds) and funds raised by the library foundation. Horner said they're on track to use only a portion of the \$3.2 million the Park County commissioners approved to be used for the project.

## Bears: 'Less than 2% of all grizzly bear attacks are predatory in nature'

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That meant most visitors flying in were able to watch the video — often more than once — while waiting for their luggage. About 72,000 people flew in and out of the airport last year.

There was a charge of about \$100 to place pamphlets in the airport's well-picked-over local informational racks, but with a chance to reach tens of thousands of visitors, the fee was sort of a nothing-burger. A tank of gas in a Game and Fish green pickup truck costs significantly more than that.

Next he looked into the relatively new phenomena of gas pump TV. Most people visiting the area — devoid of public transportation options — will be driving. Aughton found that learning important lessons while pumping some fuel is a great way to build awareness.

"We ended up reaching something like 360,000 people," he said, adding "compared with like traditional digital advertising, it has way higher engagement. Most people leave their phones in the car when they pump gas. That's very typical. And there's a number of studies that show that engagement with gas pump TVs are 90-plus percent, and that's across numerous different third party studies. Whereas, with traditional digital advertising, it's less than one out of every 1,000 people will engage with the content."

The campaign cost about \$10,000, but Aughton found an extremely generous benefactor in the Safari Club International Foundation, which offered to pay the entire bill for the department. You'd think Aughton had a degree in public relations, but nothing could be further from the truth.

"I'm just a large carnivore biologist and the Bear Wise coordinator. A lot of this stuff is just me trying to think outside of the box, figuring out ways to reach more people," he said.

### WHAT'S UP HIS SLEEVE AS AN ENCORE

Aughton is now looking into geo-fencing to reach more people as they travel through areas with few officials available to pass on messaging. Geo-fencing alerts are automated notifications triggered when a GPS-enabled device, vehicle, or person enters or exits a pre-defined virtual boundary. These alerts, delivered via text, email, or app notifications, are used for security, asset tracking and marketing to monitor movements in real-time.

The department wants to try

to do some geo-fencing in the Beartooth Mountains. However, before you think they will be similar to Amber Alerts (which takes over your phone and sound off a loud alarm), the system Aughton is working on will simply text or email folks when they cross into the invisible boundaries for heavily occupied bear habitat.

"There's a few different levels of severity for wireless emergency alerts. This [system] is at the lowest threshold. Amber Alerts are close to the top. So this is going to be more like just a your standard, you know, high temperature advisory, or a high wind alert, or something like that," Aughton said.

The alerts will only come to your cellphone once, not every time you cross the geo-fence boundaries and the department plans to piggy-back on the Park County Sheriff's Office alerts software.

"This is one of these things that we're excited to try it. I'm sure there will be a couple of hiccups here and there, but we kind of want to iron all of that out in this first season that we're going to try it out, and we want to be careful that this is not a thing that becomes overused," Aughton said. "We'd like to save it for areas that just don't have enough agency presence on the ground and are starting to account for a pretty significant number of conflicts where we can alert people."

### IN PERSON WORKS BEST

Despite raising the bar on bear messaging, the new programs won't slow in-person training opportunities. Last year the department held 163 different in-person presentations at 82 separate events. Aughton and other team members do presentations and training at events like workshops, school programs, camps, training for businesses and organizations whose employees spend a lot of time in the outdoors.

"We were able to double the amount of people that we reached in person from last year to this year, and we reached over 12,400 people," Aughton told the Game and Fish Commission earlier this month. "In total, we ended up reaching over 2.2 million people between all different categories and the digital media categories, the number of people that reached or that actually landed on our Bear Wise Wyoming web page, it's



MARK AUGHTON

more than likely significantly higher if you include all different branches of digital media."

The efforts also help mitigate misinformation about grizzly and black bears. The two species are responsible for by far the most human conflicts in the state. Aughton said there are more calls for conflicts with grizzly bears, possibly actions taken by folks who don't see black bears being as dangerous as grizzly bears, despite the fact that black bears are more likely to

look at humans as a food source.

"Less than 2% of all grizzly bear attacks are predatory in nature," Aughton said in a Tuesday interview with the Tribune. "Ninety-eight-plus percent of all grizzly bear attacks are what we consider to be aggressive, defensive attacks, and that's where you get too close to the young or to the food or to the personal space of the animal — all three potentially — whereas nine out of every 10 fatal black bear attacks is typically predatory in nature."

Aughton suggests you carry bear spray on your person any time you're out in Wyoming's wild spaces. It not only works on bears, but will also send animals like moose, big cats and even feral dogs running the other way. He said carrying bear spray is much more effective than a firearm, but suggests you carry both backcountry if possible.

"A lot of people ask, 'Well, which one should I carry?' And the answer is, it's not an either or question," he said. "If you have the training and the ability, carry both. I go to my bear spray first."

The reason he said he prefers the spray is that it's born out in conflict data over and over again.

"If you want to get the bear to stop what it's doing immediately, or as fast as possible, if you wanted to change its behavior, bear spray is pretty consistently shown to get them to stop or change their behavior immediately," he said.

No matter what you're carrying, Aughton suggests you "practice, practice, practice."

"We really try to drive home the point," he said. "If you're unfortunate enough to have a bear charge you, most people are going to basically be on autopilot. And if you haven't practiced, it's going to be significantly more difficult to act calmly, or, you know, at least confidently prepared in that moment."

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## OBITUARY

### Richard Walsh

(May 28, 1954 - March 20, 2026)

James Richard Walsh III passed away in the early hours of March 20, 2026, at the Spirit Mountain Hospice House in Cody, Wyoming, concluding a life dedicated to service and filled with immeasurable love.

The second of eight children born to James Richard Walsh, Jr., and Daisy (Prince) Walsh, Richard was born in his father's native Buffalo, New York. The family eventually settled in Charleston, South Carolina, Daisy's hometown, where the Walsh children were reared in the Roman Catholic Church and educated in the local diocesan school system. After graduating from Bishop England High School in 1972, where he was student body co-president his senior year, Richard began his studies at Georgetown University. Upon receiving his bachelor's degree from the School of Foreign Service, he returned to Bishop England to teach church history for two years before pursuing his Ph.D. in international relations at the University of South Carolina, which he obtained in 1984.

Richard began a career in higher education, teaching international relations with a focus on East Asia at Wittenberg

University in Springfield, Ohio. While living in Springfield, he and his wife Susan welcomed their two sons, Matthew Hale and James Cameron. In 1989, Richard accepted a faculty position at the U.S. Air War College in Montgomery, Alabama. In 1993, he was commissioned into the U.S. Foreign Service and was assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City, at which time he and his wife separated.

In 1997, during his second tour in Havana, he met first-tour Foreign Service Officer Jennifer De Witt. They married in July 1999, at the bride's home parish of St. John's Episcopal Church in Powell, Wyoming. They subsequently served together at U.S. diplomatic posts in China, Venezuela, Nigeria, Jamaica and Egypt, welcoming son John De Witt and daughter Josephine Anna along the way.

After a final tour as Consul General in Bogotá, Colombia, Richard retired from the Senior Foreign Service in 2018 and accompanied Jennifer on subsequent tours to Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Frankfurt, Germany. He was diagnosed with Stage IV lung cancer in

November 2022 and relocated to his adopted home in Wyoming in January 2026.

Richard's temperament and character earned him the admiration and adoration of many. His integrity and commitment to the duties of his office made him a respected colleague and mentor. At home, his mastery in the kitchen and generosity as a host made him a treasured friend.

Richard was preceded in death by his father. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer; his mother, Daisy; his seven siblings: sisters Barbara Bianchi, Susan Lipsey, Shannon O'Brien, Virginia Reijners, Mary Nickle, Patricia Dukes, and brother Michael; his four children: Matthew (Alison), James (Midori), John, and Josephine; and seven grandchildren. Services will be held on Friday, March 27, at 3 p.m., at St. John's Episcopal Church in Powell and later this year at the Church of the Epiphany in Washington, D.C.

Memorials may be sent to the Student Travel Endowment or International Student Scholarship Endowment of the Northwest College Foundation at nwc.edu.



RICHARD WALSH

## Boone and Crockett Club partners with UW

The University of Wyoming has partnered with the Boone and Crockett Club to establish the Boone and Crockett Working Lands Wildlife Conservation Professorship in UW's College of Agriculture, Life Sciences and Natural Resources.

This professorship will provide faculty support, graduate student opportunities and applied research focused on sustaining wildlife populations while strengthening the productivity and profitability of Wyoming's working ranch and rangeland landscapes.

The Boone and Crockett professorship will lead the establishment of UW's Working Lands Wildlife Conservation Program, which will advance excellence in research, education and extension in ranch and rangeland management, wildlife habitat conservation and wildlife health. The program directly supports the Boone and Crockett Club's mission to promote the conservation and management

of wildlife — especially big game — and its habitat, while preserving hunting traditions and the highest ethical standards of fair chase and sportsmanship in North America.

"This partnership reflects the University of Wyoming's land-grant mission at its very best," UW President Ed Seidel said.

At the center of the program is the creation of the Boone and Crockett Professor of Working Lands Wildlife Conservation, a faculty position designed to bridge multiple academic units, including the departments of Zoology and Physiology, Botany, Animal Science, Agriculture and Applied Economics, and Ecosystem Science and Management. The position also will collaborate closely with the Ranch Management and Agricultural Leadership Program, the Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station, UW Extension, and the Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources.

In addition to on-campus

collaboration, the program will work extensively with state and federal agency partners, including the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and UW's Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory. A major focus will be the intersection of wildlife disease ecology and wildlife management, including chronic wasting disease (CWD), brucellosis and other diseases affecting big game and livestock. Wyoming has some of the highest CWD infection rates in the nation, making research and management strategies critical to the long-term viability of deer and elk populations.

A key long-term objective of the program is the development of a UW Center for Wildlife Health, Habitat and Management, which will expand UW's and Wyoming's unparalleled capacity to develop, implement and evaluate practical strategies to ensure sustainable game populations for future generations.

## Subdivision: Powell already has roughly 125 acres of park land

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preferred the payment.

Councilman Steve Lensegrav noted that Autumn Grove's western edge borders Southside School while its eastern edge is just across the street from Southside Park, which covers more than 4 acres.

"[I] can't see us developing another park in such a short proximity to that big one," Lensegrav said.

Sapp suggested that as Autumn Grove expands, the city could continue gathering pieces of land from the developer to form one centralized park for the subdivision further to the south; Petersen has said he intends to eventually build more homes to the south, predicting the development could grow to include 200 homes over the coming decades.

However, at the March 2 meeting, Petersen noted he's only annexing 13.7 acres right now.

"If you guys want a park later, we can discuss it then," Petersen said of any future phases. "This one is right there by the other park."

That thinking was echoed by Councilman Zane Logan and backed by the majority of the council.

Councilman Troy Bray also preferred a cash payment, but indicated he doesn't like the city requiring land or money for parks.

"[I'm] opposed to increasing the cost of housing artificially," he said.

In contrast, Sapp unsuccessfully pushed for requiring greater contributions from developers last year.

### PARKS PUSH

Appearing before Powell's Planning and Zoning Commission in April and May 2025, Sapp argued the city should start requiring developers to either provide a completed park on the land (rather than just the property) or pay 10% of the property's "finished" value rather than its "raw" value.

It would be a significant difference: Petersen said the raw value of one of his lots is around \$2,200 while the finished value is roughly \$50,000, raising the per lot payment from \$220 to \$5,000.

Sapp said the city needs more funding for its parks, which he described as aging and old.

Noting that Powell already has roughly 125 acres of park land, Sapp said his goal wasn't to add more, but to find "a better way to work with the parks we've got."

However, the proposed hike was met with resistance from Petersen and the planning commission last year.

"It's just a dead tax that goes right to the people that are buying a house," Petersen said at an April 2025 meeting.

He indicated that Sapp's proposal would raise the cost of the homes in his Autumn Grove subdivision by roughly \$4,900 — and he said it wasn't a fair way to pay for the city's parks.

Multiple planning commission members agreed the fee hike wasn't equitable.

At the May 2025 meeting, Petersen further argued that the city has "three times as much land for parks as they need right now. And that's a big part of why it's breaking the city."

"But I also think by having more parks, we make our town much more welcoming," offered commission member Thom Miller.

While no one disagreed, multiple people noted that the city has yet to develop all of its park land. Fellow commission member Scott Shoopman pointed to the 10.5 acres on the western edge of town that have been set aside for Centennial Park but remain vacant.

Right now, "it's a mountain of freaking 200-foot tall dirt," Shoopman said, asking, "Does that make our city lovely?"

City Administrator Zack Thorington told the Tribune last year that Centennial Park will likely need to be built in phases — both as the surrounding area is developed and as funding

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GUEST EDITORIAL

## OPEN GOVERNMENT IS GOOD GOVERNMENT

Each March, news media organizations across the country highlight the importance of transparency in government at all levels — from local special districts and school districts all the way to the governor's office and the Oval Office.

Sunshine Week, as the observance is known, is timed to coincide with the March 16 birthday of James Madison, fourth president of the United States and a framer of the Bill of Rights and its guarantee of freedom of the press. Celebrating Sunshine Week around Madison's birthday is meant to honor Madison for his stalwart protection of a free press as a watchdog over government.

To ensure transparency in government, Wyoming has Sunshine Laws requiring government transparency and accountability. Together, these laws guarantee the right of access to government information at public meetings and through public records, so that the public can witness the decision-making process, so the democratic process works properly.

Democracy depends on a knowledgeable citizenry whose access to a range of information enables them to hold their public officials accountable.

The role of the media in this process is to ensure that public business is conducted with openness and transparency.

But open government isn't just for the media.

State open records and open meetings laws demand that state agencies, county bodies and local governments — and all of the commissions, committees and boards that derive their authority from them — do their work in the clear light of public accountability.

The laws do not say journalists must be allowed to access documents. They do not say that newspapers or radio stations need to be able to attend public meetings. They say these meetings must be open and public. The laws say official action is not official if it happens in darkened corners where the people can't see their business being transacted.

The government's business is your business. You deserve to know how your government operates, how your elected representatives vote and how your tax dollars are spent. You should also have easy access to these records and documents, in digital or paper format.

Although Sunshine Week is only one week, we should each demand open and transparent government at every level, every day.

By Jackson Hole News&Guide

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(Editor's note: The Tribune is periodically featuring editorials from newspapers around the state. The pieces reflect the opinion of their respective papers. This editorial was first published in the Jackson Hole News&Guide on March 18.)

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A sad state of affairs

Dear editor:  
It saddens me to realize the state of our government in this country. We are fighting a war that is hard to understand why. The reasons we are given are convoluted and seem to have little validity beyond creating an effective distraction from the social and moral implications of the Epstein investigation.

We are bombing, killing civilians and children in Iran, while those in power are trying to protect a group of pedophiles that seem likely to include our president, members of Congress (both sides of the aisle) and a select group of one percenters plus others. I am surprised that in a town with around 28 churches, and with article after article in our paper about child abuse, that there is not a public outcry demanding to know the truth.

Martin Garhart  
Powell

### Republicans put politics above safety and freedom

Dear editor:  
Congressional Republicans constantly refuse to fund TSA, FEMA, the Coast Guard and so on. Why?

This issue began when Democratic legislators paused DHS funding to reform ICE's brutal tactics and un-American policies. Many justified ICE's oppressive, violent, tyrant-like behavior as simply making America safe. But those methods led to citizens being wrongfully detained and needlessly or negligently killed.

While bipartisan talks decide which reforms will be enacted, Democrats also relentlessly request that DHS be funded regarding non-ICE and non-CPB agencies. Republicans continually refuse, formally and officially voting to stop that effort. Repub-

licans seem to put politics and theatrics above public safety and individual freedom. Why?

Funding DHS without ICE remains simple to do — just do it. The hard part of ICE reforms can be worked out over many months without financial or safety concerns as Republicans already over-funded ICE in its big bill which gutted much of America's health care and social safety nets. The Trump-Iran war of choice provides reasons to fund DHS this way. Why do the Republicans refuse?

Worse still, Trump adds that funding of DHS must include immediate national restrictions on the voter registration process affecting this November's elections. Ongoing reports for decades show no fraud-based or immigrant-based losses, including in 2020 when Trump actually lost.

Again, why do Republicans refuse, over and over, to simply fund DHS without ICE, and without adding voter registration restrictions?

Dennis Reuter  
Powell

### Environmentalists wrong to blame hunters for grizzly numbers

Dear editor:

In response to Chuck Neal's March 2, 2026 in the Cody Enterprise letter to the editor:

I feel he doesn't have a clue and that his attitude, as it is of many is, intentionally or not, as a result, hell bent on destroying not only our heritage, but our sovereignty and ecosystem, also.

A bit of history:

The Shoshone National Forest was set aside by proclamation of President Benjamin Harrison, as the YNP Timberland Reserve on March 30, 1891 — later the Shoshone National Forest.

Furthermore, the late Ted Ogston was chosen as the first

## News from the front

I was a teenager in the late '60s, watching Walter Cronkite report on the Vietnam War on CBS Evening News most nights around dinner time. Bad for digestion, but fodder for many debates with my dad, who (like so many parents) somehow seemed to get a lot smarter by the time I was 10 years older. Funny how that works.

Back then, the hard part for news junkies was the paucity of information — print newspapers, broadcast network TV, and weekly newsmagazines were about the only sources. Now it's the opposite: We're flooded with information, and much of it is suspect because everyone who can access a cell tower or a satellite is competing with his own version of the facts or their meaning. And most of them are either honest but wrong, with only a narrow view of events, a narrow range of sources, or no breadth or background to provide context; or they are intentionally deceitful, for reasons of profit, politics or ideology. Fact-checking every source would leave no time for life. My approach is to screen sources that report or analyze issues I am interested in, and have some background or education on. Sources I find truthful, rational and believable on topics I know, earn my trust on other issues. It's not a flawless technique, but when confirmed by jumping down the research rabbit hole as time allows, it gives pretty good results.

I'd enjoy debunking some of the poor or malicious reporting, by both bad actors and their useful idiots, regarding the ongoing US-Israel war on Iran, but there's not enough room here. I'll just share my own opinions on the ground truth.

The war with Iran continues. Those appalled by that lone fact lack a sense of perspective. America's wars have mostly been measured in years, and the shortest recent one — the First Gulf War, 1990-1991 — lasted six months and resulted in 148 Americans killed. This one has lasted three weeks, with 13 American lives lost so far. Its progress in disarming and destabilizing the terrorist Islamic Republic regime is already out of all proportion with the First Gulf War, and it's not going to last as long. Have a little patience.

The Iranian regime is in a state of near collapse. There's a veneer of normalcy, but a close look reveals that there is no unified national military command, no effective civilian leadership, and instead the 10 Revolutionary Guard regional commands and 31 provinces are on their own, blindly striking out with whatever they have at hand in accordance with prior planning. Those regional and local commands are isolated, demoralized and starved for

munitions with which to continue their fight. Missile and drone launches have diminished by 90% since Day One; of those launched, 93%-97% are intercepted, and their stockpiles and production facilities are being systematically destroyed. Soon they'll be throwing rocks. Defections from IRGC forces — their equivalent of Hitler's SS — and their Basij militia have begun. Before long, a real civilian uprising will begin,

supported by American and Israeli air power and probably by a mass mutiny of the regular Iranian military, so far notably inactive in the war.

I wrote about the boogeyman of Iran's ballistic missile force two weeks ago. There are so few left now, that their effectiveness has shrunk to terror attacks on Israel with cluster munitions that, even when they do land in the target area, are so small as to cause minimum damage, mostly injuries to people caught outside local shelters. Against the Arab gulf states, they score an occasional hit on a refinery or tank farm, which has managed only to cement a de facto alliance of every other Muslim state in the Middle East against them, and in cooperation with the U.S. and Israel.

Iranian drones are not, as the alarmists claim, forcing us to expend multi-million dollar missiles for each kill; they fly at 120 mph and are being shot down by anti-aircraft guns and helicopter

gunships; that is to say, bullets. Those that do get through have tiny, 80-90 pound warheads of minimal effectiveness.

Maritime traffic through the Strait of Hormuz is still only a fraction of its prewar level, but that is more a matter of insurance claims for damage than sinkings, which have been few and far between. With the establishment of near-total air supremacy, U.S. air power is increasingly focused on securing safe transit through the Strait. More important is the emerging story of how it was the high-risk reinsurance firms like Lloyds of London that actually closed the Straits by denying coverage to shipping firms and captains. When you want answers, follow the money: The sour attitude of our once-great ally, the United Kingdom, has more to do with fear of its own immigrant Muslim population, and unhappiness at the loss of insurance revenues, than any issues of principle. Trump is now offering insurance coverage, and Lloyds and company are in retreat.

The last overplayed fear is American "boots on the ground," considered to be a sure predictor of a "quagmire," another "forever war." The original science fiction novel by that title was great, and more plausible than this current fear. There are two locations that might, briefly, feel American bootsoles: the storage site for Iran's highly enriched uranium, and Kharg Island, the conveniently offshore oil terminal through which almost all of Iran's oil flows. Stay tuned.



BILL TALLEN  
Hold on Steady



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## Request to take lots out of subdivision denied

BY ZAC TAYLOR  
Tribune editor

Park County Commissioner Scott Mangold reiterated what many of those opposed had previously intimated — they were concerned not with what was actually being asked, but as to what might result from that.

“He hasn’t indicated he’ll put in a big subdivision, but you can see the writing on the wall,” he said.

Mangold and all other commissioners present at the March 17 commission meeting (Dossie Overfield was absent) voted to

deny a request for a landowner to combine parcels in and around a subdivision east of Cody. His intention was to create one larger lot outside of the subdivision and therefore outside the covenants, with the initial understanding to have it be in agricultural use.

There were a number of comments from neighbors in the Paddock Estates Subdivision off Sage Creek, both during the general public comment period and extending into the public hearing following. That’s in addition to 14 letters, mostly in opposition, and a petition with 24 signatures

opposed to the amendment and partial vacation.

“We choose to live out there for the more open spaces,” resident Robert Crooks said. “From what I know, which is not much, it’s not appropriate for a rural subdivision. I would like to see that plan changed or modified so it’s more in keeping with the neighborhood we’ve enjoyed all these years.”

Commissioners all agreed with the concerns of the unknown possibilities, with Commissioner Lloyd Thiel questioning why, if the property owners want to use the land for ag, he couldn’t do so with the lots still divided.

Rusty Blough, surveyor for the landowner and speaking on his behalf, countered that landowner Gary Ventling or his heirs or any other future owner of the property would not have a harder time creating a subdivision with smaller lots — the area is zoned for half acre residential — within the subdivision or without.

Mangold said, as commissioners have been saying a lot recently, that this is yet another case that would be good to look at again once the new development standards and regulations, currently being worked on, are fully approved.



Emily Thomas (left) works with Beth Antal during a Rock Steady Boxing Class at Cody Regional Health, a program that assists Parkinson’s disease patients maintain their movement, balance and coordination. Photo courtesy Cody Regional Health

## Parkinson’s rehab events successful

CODY — Cody Regional Health’s Rehabilitation Services is celebrating two milestones in support of individuals living with Parkinson’s disease in the Big Horn Basin — one year of Rock Steady Boxing (RSB) and two years of its Parkinson’s Support Group.

Since launching these programs, Cody Regional Health has expanded access to specialized care. Over the past year, the Rock Steady Boxing program has hosted more than 100 classes and welcomed over 10 individuals impacted by Parkinson’s disease.

Parkinson’s disease is a progressive neurological disorder that affects movement, balance, and coordination. For many individuals living in rural communities, access to specialized programs designed to improve mobility and build community support can be limited.

“Programs like Rock Steady Boxing give individuals living with Parkinson’s the opportunity to stay active, build strength, and

connect with others who understand their journey,” said Heidi Mayton, rehabilitation services director at Cody Regional Health. “At the same time, our support group has created a space for encouragement, education, and meaningful connection over the past two years. We’re incredibly proud of both programs and the community that has grown around them.”

Rock Steady Boxing is a nationally recognized, non-contact boxing-based fitness program specifically designed for individuals with Parkinson’s disease. Research shows that targeted exercise programs like this can help improve balance, mobility, strength, and overall quality of life.

Equally important is the Parkinson’s Support Group, which provides a welcoming environment where patients and caregivers can share experiences, learn from one another, and find encouragement in a supportive community.

Cody Regional Health’s RSB program is currently the only program of its kind serving the region, making it a vital resource for individuals and families across the Big Horn Basin.

Another important aspect of the program is its affordability. Compared to similar programs across the country, the classes offered through Cody Regional Health are intentionally priced to remain accessible so that more individuals can participate and benefit.

“Our goal has always been to remove barriers to care,” said Jeannie Delquadro, CRH physical therapist. “We want people living with Parkinson’s to know they are not alone and that support, movement, and community are available right here.”

Individuals interested in learning more about Rock Steady Boxing or the Parkinson’s Support Group can contact Cody Regional Health or visit [codyregional-health.org](http://codyregional-health.org) or call 307-578-2452 for more information.

## CIS announces re-opening of Cody office

CODY — Crisis Intervention Services (CIS) will host a Grand Re-Opening open house for its renovated Cody office on April 1 from 4-6 p.m. at 1220 13th Street. Community members, partners, and local leaders are invited to tour the updated facility, meet staff, and learn more about services available to individuals and families in Park County and across the Big Horn Basin. Refreshments will be served.

The renovation focused on improving safety, accessibility, and functionality of the building, creating a more welcoming and trauma-informed space for individuals and families seeking support.

“This renovation represents more than an updated space,” said CIS Executive Director Alaina Doely. “It reflects our ongoing commitment to creating a welcoming environment where survivors and community members feel safe seeking help. We are grateful for our community’s patience and support throughout this process and are excited to share this refreshed space with the people we serve.”

Crisis Intervention Services provides free and confidential support for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and other crimes. Services include 24-hour crisis response, victim advocacy, safety planning, court accompaniment, shelter services, and community education.

Community members are encouraged to attend the open house to learn more about the organization and the resources available to victims and families in northwest Wyoming.

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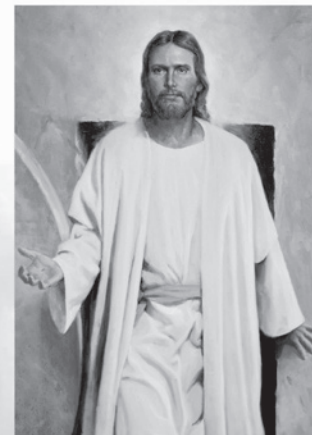
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## LES SCHWAB DONATES TIRES TO SEARCH AND RESCUE AS PART OF GRAND OPENING

The Park County Search and Rescue Foundation is getting some new tires on its Chevrolet Silverado 3500 4x4 Diesel at the grand opening celebration of the new Les Schwab Tires store in Cody. Les Schwab Tires is donating the tires as part of its Tires for Purpose program and will install them this coming Friday.

PCSAR operates on a very small budget, with 35 volunteers and no funding for replacement tires on its vehicles. The donated tires enable the organization to devote its funds to its core mission



The new Les Schwab Tires location in Cody celebrates its grand opening with events Friday and Saturday. Courtesy photo

of supporting people in the back country. The tires will be installed at 10 a.m. Friday,

March 27. The whole community is invited to join the grand

opening celebration at the 10,500-square-foot Les Schwab Tires store at 213 Yellowstone Ave. in Cody. Visitors will enjoy locally made sweet treats and free merchandise, gift cards and more.

This is Les Schwab Tires' first Cody location and its 11th in Wyoming. The company has nearly 100 employees across the state.

Events start at 8 a.m. Friday and Saturday with treats, giveaways and store tours, with a free barbecue lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. each day.

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## Cody man imprisoned for sexual abuse

BY CJ BAKER  
Tribune staff writer

A Cody man has been ordered to serve three to five years in prison for sexually abusing a child in the spring of 2025.

Jared M. Griffin, 35, received the sentence earlier this month after being convicted of second-degree sexual abuse of a minor at a fall trial in Park County District Court.

"I know it may be a shock, and perhaps you wanted probation, but that's not going to happen," District Court Judge Bill Simpson told Griffin on March 13. "I'm not trying to be cruel or difficult, I'm just trying to tell you that this crime that you were adjudicated by unanimous verdict is very serious, very serious."

The victim told Cody police that Griffin — who had been drinking — had directed her to take her clothes off and then briefly rubbed his genital area

against hers.

Griffin initially denied anything untoward had happened and consistently said that the girl had been clothed, but under intense grilling from Cody police detectives, he eventually admitted the interaction had become inappropriate. Griffin said he threw up afterwards because it felt "wrong" and brought up memories of sexual abuse he suffered as a child.

However, when Griffin testified at his trial in November, he went back to insisting that nothing sexual had occurred. He contended his alleged confession was a result of him being intimidated by police.

Jurors ultimately didn't accept his version of events and the 12-member panel unanimously found him guilty after less than an hour of deliberations.

During his March 13 sentencing hearing, Griffin apologized to the child.

"I am sorry for having to put them through this. I can't imagine how hard or uncomfortable and painful this has been for them," Griffin said.

He also apologized to his family for the pain he's put them through.

A couple of Griffin's family members noted the abuse he suffered as a child and mental health issues. They told the court he needs treatment rather than incarceration.

Griffin's court-appointed attorney, Sam Krone, argued that a sentence of probation with a suspended prison term would provide punishment and justice.

As for the victim, she told Griffin that she has forgiven him and wants him to get help. Through one of her family members, the girl indicated that she thought a yearlong sentence would be appropriate.

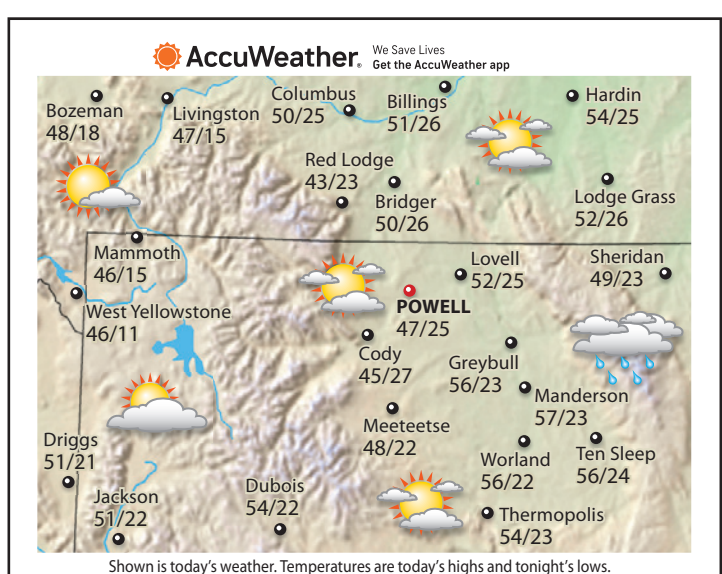
Meanwhile, Senior Deputy Park County Prosecuting Attorney Larry Eichele requested

14 to 15 years for Griffin, citing "his absence of acceptance of responsibility."

Though he imposed a three-to-five-year sentence, Judge Simpson said it might amount to 18 to 20 months given the time Griffin had already served in jail and future credit for good behavior. Simpson also said there was a "very good chance" he would be willing to modify and reduce Griffin's sentence within the coming year if he behaves in prison.

"... you stand a good chance of being released relatively quickly, OK?" the judge said, "but I want you to understand what you did was wrong, what you did was criminal, and a jury found as such."

As of Wednesday, Griffin remained in the Park County Detention Center, awaiting transport to a Department of Corrections facility. He's been incarcerated since his initial arrest in April 2025.



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### NEW FACES

**MARCH 16-20**  
Ollie Mae Kardos was born on Friday, March 20, 2026, to Nathan and Cassie Kardos of Cody. She arrived at Powell Valley Hospital at 2:54 p.m. with a weight of 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and joins sibling Henry Kardos, age 1. Ollie's grandparents are Lisa and Nathan Gesner, Kent Beier, Lisa and Greg Kealey, and Mark Courtney.  
Cory and Taylor Heny of Powell wish to announce the birth of a baby boy, Hudson Davie Heny, who was born on Saturday, March 21, 2026, at Powell Valley Hospital. Hudson was born at 2:41 a.m. weighing 7 pounds, 4 ounces, and joins sibling Hayes Heny, 2.5 years. Grandparents are Jerry and Angie Woodward and Scott and Pokey Heny.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

**MARCH 16-20**  
John Talmadge Attaway, 26, of Ladonia, Texas, and Hannah Elizabeth Yeater, 26, of Williamsfield, Ohio  
Benjamin Curtis Stewart, 20, and Taylen Kay Stinson, 21, both of Cody  
Cole Michael Zachary Arneson, 26, of Powell and Laine Marie Sperry, 23, of Cody

### SHERIFF'S INCIDENTS

- 911 Hang-Up Call ..... 1
- Intrusion/Holdup ..... 2
- Animal-Lost ..... 2
- Animal-Call-Other ..... 3
- Animals on Roadway ..... 4
- Animal-Stray ..... 1
- Assist Other Agency ..... 11
- Citizen Contact ..... 2
- Civil Attempt ..... 36
- Civil Dispute ..... 1
- Civil Standby ..... 1
- Custody Dispute ..... 1
- Disturbance ..... 1
- Extra Patrol Request ..... 12
- Followup ..... 4
- Fraud Related ..... 3
- Harassment ..... 2
- Mental Problem ..... 2
- Miscellaneous Assistance ..... 5
- Motorist Assist ..... 5
- Motor Vehicle Crash With Injury ..... 1
- Motor Vehicle Crash With Property Damage ..... 2
- NCCJ/WCJIN Related ..... 3
- Nuisance Complaint ..... 1
- Parking Problem ..... 1
- Patrol-Extra Officer Initiated ..... 2
- Prisoner Transport ..... 4
- Protection Order ..... 3
- Search & Rescue Call ..... 1
- Sexual Assault ..... 1
- Sex Offender Registration ..... 3
- Suspicious Activity ..... 2
- Theft ..... 1
- Vehicle Complaint ..... 3
- Traffic Stop ..... 32
- Trespass Complaint ..... 1
- Vehicle Inspection ..... 60
- Warrant Service Attempt ..... 3

### LOVING LAP-WARMER

Numerous animals are currently in the shelter and are looking for forever homes. If you are interested in adopting a shelter animal, call Caring for Powell Animals/Moyer Animal Shelter at 307-754-1019.



Photos courtesy Kayla Peterson

- Weapons Offense ..... 1
- Welfare Check ..... 5
- Total Calls ..... 229

### SHERIFF'S REPORT

- MARCH 11**  
1:29 a.m. A caller on Road 22 in the Powell area said his son is going through withdrawals and needs an ambulance. Assistance provided.  
6:36 a.m. A caller on Marquette Drive in the Cody area said his wife is unstable due to comments made by her over the phone earlier. Assistance provided.  
12:51 p.m. A deputy assisted on a report of a dead dog in the road at Road 15/Lane 9 in the Powell area.  
2:02 p.m. A deputy assisted a motorist at MP 41 on U.S. Highway 14/16/20W in the Cody area and gave a warning for unsecured load.  
3:24 p.m. A mailbox was reportedly beaten with a bat on County Road 6WX in the Cody area.  
3:47 p.m. A caller on Wyo. Highway 120S in the Cody area said they received a complaint of shooting on the range and wanted to know who authorized it. It was determined the sheriff's office and Cody police were doing monthly training.  
6:13 p.m. Aedan Andrew Arneson, 18, was arrested for domestic battery causing injury on Avenue H in the Powell area.  
9:30 p.m. A caller at Saddle Hill Road/Shirley Drive in the Meeteetse area said a transit van almost had a head on collision and then pulled off and turned its hazards on. The van was not located.  
9:33 p.m. A 35-year-old male on Road 22 in the Powell area said he is detoxing and would like an ambulance and deputy to respond. The call was later canceled as the caller's father took him to the hospital.
- MARCH 12**  
7:24 a.m. A one vehicle rollover crash was reported on Lane 9 in the Powell area. A case

### POLICE REPORT

- MARCH 12**  
3:32 p.m. A Rotozip saw case with bits found in the road at Avenue F/North Division Street was brought into the law enforcement center. Nothing matching was reported lost and it was placed in found property.  
7:25 p.m. A stray black and white dog was reported in a caller's back yard on South Jones Street. An officer responded but the caller advised the dog was gone.  
8:12 p.m. An officer responded to a stolen vehicle reported on Queens Boulevard, but after investigation the report was determined to be unfounded.

8:39 p.m. A resident on Queens Boulevard reported an auto burglary. An officer responded and placed the incident under investigation.

### MARCH 13

- Midnight: After a traffic stop at North Division/West Eighth streets, a driver was cited for not carrying driver's license and warned for failure to stop at a stop sign.  
7:57 a.m. An officer assisted with a civil standby on South Bent Street.  
11:39 a.m. A caller complained that a green Ford Taurus with paint on the door was speeding and driving recklessly at North Absaroka/West 10th streets. An officer responded, but the vehicle was not in the area.  
12:20 p.m. A black leather trifold wallet was reported lost on West Coulter Avenue.  
12:41 p.m. An officer responded to a report of a dog on North Bernard Street that had been in a kennel for a few days, but the kennel was not located.  
3:15 p.m. An officer assisted with a civil standby on North Absaroka Street.  
5:14 p.m. A driver at West 10th/North Absaroka streets was warned for speeding.

### MARCH 14

- 12:30 a.m. An officer responded to a report of possible underage drinkers and loud individuals outside arguing on North Bent Street. The officer advised there were no underage drinkers and the individuals will keep the noise down.  
11:59 a.m. An officer assisted in checkingsa the welfare of a resident on North Bent Street. Disposition: completed.  
8:29 p.m. A driver at South Panther Boulevard/East Adams Street was warned for failure to maintain lane.  
11:27 p.m. An officer checked on a vehicle at Homesteader Way and reported the vehicle was unoccupied.

### MARCH 15

- 12:17 a.m. An officer checked on a vehicle on South Douglas Street and reported everything was fine.  
12:57 p.m. A caller on South Division Street reported harassment by a neighbor. The officer was able to provide some options on handling the described situation.  
2:14 p.m. A resident on North Ingalls Street reported something suspicious on their cellphone and needed help in blocking a number; an officer was able to provide assistance.  
8:05 p.m. A driver at West Coulter Avenue/South Tower Boulevard was warned for no taillights.  
8:21 p.m. A driver at East Coulter Avenue/North Everts Street was warned for driver's side headlight out.

### 5-day Forecast for Powell

- Today**  
Windy and cooler with clouds and sunshine  
47° 25°
- Friday**  
Breezy in the morning; otherwise, sunny  
57° 38°
- Saturday**  
Warmer with times of clouds and sun  
69° 41°
- Sunday**  
Partly sunny and warm; breezy in the afternoon  
71° 43°
- Monday**  
Warm with clouds and sun; breezy in the afternoon  
71° 44°

### Weekly Almanac

Powell for the 7-day period ending Tuesday  
TEMPERATURES  
High/Low ..... 79°/30°  
Normal high/low ..... 51°/23°  
Average temperature ..... 56.7°  
Normal average temperature ..... 36.9°  
PRECIPITATION  
Total for the week ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 0.26"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.22"  
Year to date ..... 0.34"  
Snowfall for the week ..... 0.0"  
Snowfall month to date ..... 1.0"  
Snowfall season to date ..... 3.5"  
**Sun and Moon**  
Sunrise/Sunset ..... 7:07am/7:35pm  
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## High temps, winds bring precautionary power outages

BY DUSTIN BLEIZEFFER  
WyoFile.com

As hurricane-force winds ripped across Wyoming in recent months, uprooting trees in Cheyenne and tipping semitrucks along Interstate 80, electric utilities scrambled line crews and warned customers their power might be cut as a precautionary measure to prevent wildfires.

Some 370 Black Hills Energy customers in the Harriman and Curt Gowdy areas west of Cheyenne, for example, received such notices on March 14, and power for some was cut off for a short period until conditions improved.

"Have a backup plan for medicine that needs to be refrigerated or medical equipment that is powered by electricity," the company advised in emails and social media posts. "This could mean finding a place to go during an outage or having a backup generator."

The "emergency public safety power shutoff warnings" are not new, but they appear to be more frequent than usual, coinciding with unseasonably hot, blustery conditions that worry electric utility companies. The same wind gusts that can knock down a power line can fan a wildfire to tragic proportions. One person died in a massive wildfire driven by hot winds in Nebraska this month.

Though Wyoming has dodged catastrophic wildfires so far this year, the state faces a particularly precarious situation. Multiple wildfires have already scorched parts of the state. Red flag warnings — which are based on a calculation of dry vegetation and sustained high winds — note favorable wildfire conditions, and they typically begin in May, according to the National Weather Service's Riverton office. This year, Wyoming saw its first red flag warning on Feb. 15.

"That's the earliest on record that we've issued," meteorologist Lance VandenBoogart told WyoFile Monday, adding that the office has issued five red flag warnings so far this year.



Smoke from the Whit wildfire west of Cody helped color the sky in August 2016. At least two homes were lost to the fire, and dozens of homeowners had to evacuate. Photo courtesy Dewey Vanderhoff

"If this pace continues, we'd be on pace to break a record this year."

Power companies are increasingly worried about sparking a blaze and getting sued.

Western utility giant PacifiCorp — which operates as Rocky Mountain Power in Wyoming, Utah and Idaho — has been selling off assets in Washington and Oregon, the result, some speculate, of compounding jury awards related to the company's alleged role in wildfires that ravaged portions of Oregon.

Another increasing financial risk is skyrocketing insurance premiums for power companies. Colorado-based Xcel Energy noted a 300% jump in "excess liability insurance" costs last year in the wake of its alleged role in the "wind-driven" 2021 Marshall Fire, which destroyed nearly 1,100 homes. Similarly, Rocky Mountain Power has cited rising insurance rates — nearly 300% in one year — in Wyoming.

"We're just one wildfire away from bankruptcy if we don't have liability relief," Wyoming Rural Electric Association Executive Director Shawn Taylor warned Wyoming lawmakers in 2024.

The industry's impassioned push eventually convinced state lawmakers to take action.

Last year, the Legislature passed House Bill 192, "Public utilities-wildfire mitigation and liability limits." The law restricts what wildfire victims can claim damages for when an electric utility sparks a blaze. As part of the bargain, electric utilities are required to invest in and maintain more stringent wildfire mitigation strategies — from modernizing aging equipment to more proactively implementing preemptive shutoffs like the one west of Cheyenne this month.

"I think it's just the utilities trying to be a little more proactive," Wyoming Office of Consumer Advocate Deputy Administrator Justin Ballard told WyoFile. "Certainly, given the weather conditions that we've seen here — I've lived in Laramie since the early '90s, and I've never seen so little snow."

To qualify for immunity under HB 192, utilities must file a new wildfire mitigation plan, and the plan must be approved by the Wyoming Public Service Commission. The panel has approved only a "handful" of plans so far, and many more are

now under review, according to the commission's Secretary and Chief Counsel John Burbridge.

Utilities are not the only ones flirting with rising insurance rates.

"It's applicable to everyone, and some of the small-business owners are the ones that are having the hardest problems," Wyoming Insurance Commissioner Jeff Rude told WyoFile. "We can say, pretty confidently, across the board, the higher fire risk has been [a cost factor] for several years now, and it's becoming more and more costly and harder to obtain."

Meantime, most of Wyoming is experiencing moderate to severe drought conditions with little precipitation to help make up what was considered a "snow drought" this winter. The spring outlook isn't promising relief. "The highest likelihood of enhanced warmth ranges from the Southwest to the Inter-Mountain West," the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration noted in its most recent outlook.

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In addition to daily flights to Denver, Yellowstone Regional Airport in Cody will be served by a weekly flight from Chicago this summer. The hope is to eventually add daily service to Salt Lake or another hub. Photo courtesy Yellowstone Regional Airport

## Flight: January and February enplanements at YRA were up about 5.5% from last year

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Buck said this month that a couple Cody businesses have also provided donations and Forward Cody provided a loan as contributions continue to come in.

“There’s a lot of entities that are just doing what it takes to kind of make this thing come together,” CYAIR Chair Dusty Spomer told the Tribune on Wednesday.

The new flights are projected to bring over 1,000 additional passengers to Cody this summer, generating an additional \$378,000 worth of visitor spending. Aeronautics staff considered the seasonal Chicago service to be a “good use” of state funds and the commission unanimously approved the 40% share of the minimum revenue guarantee at its March 17 meeting.

Exactly how much CYAIR will pay to United hinges on how well the Cody-Chicago flights sell. If they fill up and United earns more money from ticket sales, CYAIR will owe less and money could be returned to the state; the \$191,798 is the maximum that United would be paid.

Buck said airport officials are confident the flights can succeed. He told the aeronautics

commission that they already have a “good number” of advance bookings.

“We’re looking forward to getting that thing filled up,” Spomer said Wednesday.

### WORKING TOWARD A SECOND HUB

While excited to have weekly Chicago service, Buck has been clear that the ultimate goal is to have the Yellowstone Regional Airport served by two major hubs on a daily basis. Denver International Airport has been Cody’s only commercial connection since 2021.

At a Park County Travel Council meeting last week, Buck said it would be great to get a flight to Atlanta, Seattle or Dallas, but that reestablishing a connection to Salt Lake International Airport is the most likely — and the hub most requested by local residents and businesses. He said Salt Lake opens up the opportunity for quicker trips out west, and council members noted it also has a reputation for being a more reliable stop than Denver.

Delta Air Lines and its partner SkyWest Airlines ended their Salt Lake-Cody service following the summer of 2021; Buck said that was largely a result of Delta phasing out their all-economy

CRJ-200 aircraft in favor of up-graded CRJ-550s, which have been in limited supply.

SkyWest has since been adding more CRJ-550s to its fleet, Buck said, and Spomer said in December that the possibility of Salt Lake-Cody service was looking “very positive for 2027.”

However, Buck cautioned at last week’s travel council meeting that getting just a seasonal daily flight to the Utah capital would likely require a revenue guarantee in the range of \$700,000 to \$1 million.

“We’re just kind of in line of when they have enough 550s and when the price gets to where we’ve been able to stomach [it],” Buck said, adding that they’d need more financial support from the community.

### USING CHICAGO TO GET SALT LAKE

This summer, Buck is hoping the community will use the Chicago flight, which will have first class seats, priority business and dual class economy.

“If we can get the community to do that and use that, it’ll show Delta that we actually have the community that wants those kinds of fares, and might be able to help be the straw that helps Delta come back,” Buck

said at a January airport board meeting.

During the summer of 2021, the Chicago-Cody flights were generally full in May, June and July, then dropped off in September, Buck said. The airport is planning to do some marketing to prevent a dip this year, as the flights will start May 22 and continue through Sept. 19.

At last week’s aeronautics meeting, Commissioner Bruce McCormack of Cody made a point of praising Buck’s, Spomer’s and CYAIR’s efforts.

“Cody and CYAIR have really come a long way after a couple of hiccups there in the past,” McCormack said, adding that they have “really ... put this program back on solid ground.”

In 2025, the airport logged 35,743 enplanements, or boardings, which was down by about 3.5% from 2024. However, the addition of the Chicago flight is expected to help boost air traffic this year — along with some newly engineered new flight paths that will enable planes to fly into the airport when cloud cover is lower.

January and February enplanements at Yellowstone Regional Airport were up about 5.5% from last year, which Buck described as a strong start.

## Fire: All roads within Yellowtail management area remain temporarily closed

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modify operations as needed during peak conditions to ensure safety.

Today (Thursday), conditions are expected to improve with cooler temperatures, higher relative humidity and continued breezy winds. Friday, fire behavior is expected to moderate; however, crews will remain engaged in suppression, patrol, and mop-up operations.

All roads within the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area remain temporarily closed. The public is asked to respect these closures to ensure firefighter and public safety and to allow crews to operate effectively.

Local communities and visi-

tors to the area may continue to see smoke from the fire. Smoke is expected to settle into low-lying areas during the evening and overnight hours.

Updates on the Kane Fire will be posted on the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area social media channels and website as new information becomes available.

The Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area is located approximately 6 miles east of Lovell and encompasses 19,288 acres. Established in the early 1960s, the area supports waterfowl habitat through a cooperative agreement between the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, National Park Service, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and Bureau of Land Management.



Fire crews work to mop-up hotspots at Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area. More than 1,900 acres burned since igniting this past weekend. Photo courtesy Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

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# GIRLS CONTINUE TITLE CHARGE

KICK OFF SEASON AT HOME VS. NEWCASTLE

BY SETH ROMSA  
Tribune sports reporter

After making their first state championship in school history a year ago but coming up short in a 1-0 defeat, the Powell High School girls' soccer team is still searching for its first title, as the Panthers hope to reload once again in the 2026 season.

Leading the way is senior midfielder Ivy Agee, who is a three-time All-State selection and the program's all-time leading goalscorer, having surpassed over 100 goals in her first three years.

Agee is not the only Panther returning with experience this season, as her younger sister Jesi is a returning All-Conference selection for her sophomore year.

The Panthers bring experience in a number of places across the field, as senior Josie Hallock returns in net, junior Ava Brewer and sophomore Charlie Eastman return in the back line, forward Ava Gilliat

returns for a third straight year as well as seniors Patricia Christensen and Melanie Garcia having experience for the Panthers.

"The biggest thing I'd like my upperclassmen to do is set a consistent example to the younger kids," coach Danny Agee said. "That's the only way we'll be able to keep the philosophy of play and work ethic consistent year to year."

**"The two main things we are hitting are technical ability, and we are really trying to improve our fitness level."**

Danny Agee  
Coach

In addition to experienced returners they will add in another group of talented freshmen who are hoping to make an impact as well as some sophomores who earned playing time a year ago.

Coach Agee noted the Panthers have a relatively smaller team this year which means the team is focusing early on fitness in addition to technical abilities in hopes of keeping kids healthy while continuing to play their brand of soccer.

"The two main things we are

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Junior Ava Brewer fires a shot on goal during practice on Monday. Brewer is one of several starters returning for the Panther girls as they continue to seek a first state title in program history. Tribune photo by Seth Romsa

# Panther boys' track brings speed

BY SETH ROMSA  
Tribune sports reporter

After finishing ninth a year ago the Powell High School boys' track and field team is looking forward to a stronger 2026 season, with speed leading the way for the Panthers.

Senior Caden Nelson is the top Panthers returner and will return to the track for the first time in two years.

Nelson won the long jump his sophomore year, while also finishing second in the 200 meters and third in the 100 meters before being unable to compete

his junior year following an ACL tear in the fall of 2024.

"It's gonna be nice to have him back. I felt so bad for him last year because he wanted to so badly, but it was the right thing to hold off," coach Scott Smith said. "I feel confident ... I think we're good to go with his health. I think he's healed, and it's gonna be fun to watch and see where he's at. He's gonna light some things up."

Another key returner is Nel-

son's younger brother Braxton, who placed third in the high jump as well as fifth in the long jump last year, and is expected to be a key part of a young core of sophomore Panthers this season.

**"I'm really excited. They are very talented."**

Scott Smith, Coach

"I'm really excited. They are very talented. A lot of those kids were in indoor, there's a ton of speed there. In addition to the two Nelsons and Karcher [Foley], some of their hardest competition is going to be in practice every day," Smith said.

"It's going to be our job to make sure we get them in the right places. It's really exciting, we're really young on the boys' side, but we're very talented. I'm really excited about that."

The Panthers bring back everybody from their 4x100 relay which placed third, while adding in more sprinters on top of those returners to try maximizing their points this season. "Sometimes it just takes care of itself. If we have six kids that prequalify, we can enter all six in the individual (races). Then we can spread them through the relays, and get really good relays," Smith said. "Get those points, and some of them also transfer over and use that speed for jumps."

While the Panthers have plenty of speed in the short sprints, Smith said the team has added a number of new 400 meter runners this year which the team was missing a year ago that he feels will help the team.

"Last year we just didn't have 400 runners. This year we've got kids that have already stepped up and said 'yeah, I want to run the 400.' They're working on it right now and looking good," Smith said. "To get on the 4x400 relay this year is gonna be tough. That carries through everywhere."

The Panthers also bring back two finalists in the 110 meter hurdles, where juniors Lincoln Crawford and Sawyer Wormald placed sixth and eighth respectively.

In the distance races the Panthers bring back a pair of seniors in Korbyn Warren and Colin Walker and add more depth despite losing their top runner from a year ago.

"There's a little bit more depth. Liam [Taylor] was awfully good last year, but the depth is going to be a good thing," Smith said. "(Sophomore) Alex Werner really started to show some things there at the end of the indoor season and I think

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Junior Paige Sanders leaps into the pit during practice on Tuesday. Sanders will look to lead the Panther jumpers following a strong indoor track season. Tribune photo by Seth Romsa

# PHS GIRLS' TRACK RETURNS TALENT

HOPE TO BE IN FINAL MIX TO END YEAR

BY SETH ROMSA  
Tribune sports reporter

Following a fourth place finish a year ago at the state meet in Casper the Powell High School girls' track team returns plenty of talent to its lineup this year, hoping to move up the rankings in what is expected to be a competitive girls' 3A field.

Leading the way for the Panthers in returning points is senior Audrey Johnson, who claimed the 400 meter title and added a fifth place finish in the 200 meters, as coach Scott Smith said Johnson returns this year looking strong.

"It's always nice to have those kids that are coming back that you can count on," Smith said. "Audrey had a really good indoor season, and she's in great shape and looking really good. I'm really excited to watch and see what she's going to do."

Another top returner is junior Paige Sanders, who took third in the triple jump and seventh in the long jump, and is coming off an indoor season that saw her break the school record in both events.

While Sanders returns to lead the Panthers in those

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# PHS boys' soccer program buys in

BY SETH ROMSA  
Tribune sports reporter

Looking to continue a streak of Lstate tournament appearances the Powell High School boys' soccer team has a number of new faces, but with a strong early season buy-in the Panthers are hoping to make it to state and contend in an open 3A field this season.

Powell's strengths come at the back, as senior goalkeeper Ryan Rivas returns in net for the Panthers while fellow senior

Owen Hill and junior Calvin Opps return as defenders.

"I'll rely on them to keep the backline organized, and honestly probably help keep as much of the field organized as they can. Players like Owen, who is very vocal, I think he'll help keep the back line organized, which is important to me," coach David Gilliat said. "Calvin will help as well. We'll probably play him either centrally or as an outside back."

While the Panthers bring back plenty of experience they

will need to adapt quickly up top and in the midfield. Players with varsity experience include seniors Tim Hosein, Hugh Carpenter and Ethan Frame, juniors Sean Ferguson, Knox Johnson and Michael Horner as well as sophomore Gianrey D'Alessandro.

"I think it'll be important for them to get some success early on, to get some goals. I think that'll boost their confidence," Gilliat said.

He said early chemistry will be key to the season for the Pan-

ther attack, as he feels if they can find that connection early on they'll be able to find success in the final third of the field.

"If they can figure out where each other's movements are, and kind of instinctively know where people are going to be, play the ball into those spaces or play to their feet. I think the more they can play with each other and create some chemistry, the better they'll be," Gilliat said. "We'll definitely

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Coach Danny Agee (center) gives instructions on ball movement to his team during practice on Monday as the Panthers prep for their first contests of the season. Tribune photos by Seth Romsa

## Girls' Soccer: 'I'd like to see a fast transition and press high up the field'

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hitting are technical ability, and we are really trying to improve our fitness level so we hopefully push teams outside their comfort level and take advantage at the end of the game," coach Agee said.

He said one of the main things the team is focusing on is the warm-up, ensuring the players are ready to compete and not get any injuries due to fatigue.

"We're going to push the fitness level to where injuries are not occurring due to fatigue," coach Agee said.

The Panthers once again expect to be among the top in a field of tough competition, with two of the toughest opponents coming in the 3A West in defending champion Cody and Lander.

Powell begins its quest to return to the state title game on May 23 in Gillette with a pair of home games as the Panthers



Sophomore Annikah Hosein (center) passes the ball around freshman Aspen French during a possession drill on Monday.

and Douglas on Saturday at noon.

While they are the first games of the season, Agee said he is hoping the Panthers will show plenty of early control against the visiting opponents, while working hard to win the ball back should they lose possession at times.

"I want the soccer ball the entire time. What I'd really like to see of the team is we push the tempo in possession," coach Agee said. "When we lose the ball, I'd like to see a fast transition and press high up the field."

Powell continues its early homestand with a contest against Buffalo next Thursday before taking the rest of the Easter weekend off before starting conference play the following week.

have plenty of chances to compete in front of the home crowd this year.

Those first two games will

give Powell an opportunity to see a pair of 3A East opponents, as the Panthers welcome in Newcastle at 3 p.m. on Friday



Senior Audrey Johnson leads the way for the sprinters just ahead of junior Ashlee Jacobsen and freshman Kaytlee George at practice on Tuesday. Johnson returns as the defending 400 meter champion for the 3A girls. Tribune photo by Seth Romsa

## Girls' Track: 'I'm really excited ... it's going to be fun to watch as the season goes on'

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jumps, Smith expects one of the most competitive fields in 3A history as seven of the top eight triple jumpers and six of the top eight long jumpers return from a year ago.

"Some of those girls that were there last year are coming back. This is probably one of the strongest fields, last year and this year, of girls' horizontal jumps that's ever happened in 3A," Smith said. "Paige rises to the occasion. The better the competition, the better she jumps. It's just fun to watch her go."

Senior Nalani Jordan is the top returner in the throws, as she finished fifth in the shot put and sixth in the discus along with senior Anai Torres, who also qualified for state last year but just missed on placement in the discus.

"A lot of experience back in that group," Smith said. "It

seems we've got some proven talent, they've got some state experience and that's going to be nice to kind of lead the way. There's some good talent with the younger girls too. I think coach [Zack] Coombs is really excited about what he's got on that side of the field."

In the distance events the Panthers have points to replace but expect a stronger showing from junior Karee Cooley who was seventh in the 3200 meters a year ago. That jump is expected following a state cross country title and a strong indoor track season, as she will lead the Panther distance team alongside senior Shelby Zickefoose and a number of young Panther runners.

"She's (Cooley) running so much better than she was last year. She came back from over the summer and was just ready to roll and hasn't let up yet," Smith said. "I'm really looking

forward to what she can do. She was breaking records in indoor, and I expect to see some of the same things outdoors too."

In the sprints the Panthers have a smaller group of competitors, but Smith expects to see jumps from junior Ashlee Jacobsen, freshman Kaytlee George who set new indoor records in the 200 and 400 meters, as well as senior Averie Warner who placed seventh in the 100 meters at outdoor state a year ago.

"I'm really excited. I think our girls' team is going to be really, really deep all the way across," Smith said. "It's going to be fun to watch as the season goes on."

In the team race Smith expects a close battle at the top this year, with Lander likely the early favorite returning several of their top point getters after winning last year by 74 points over second place.

"Indoor, they (Lander) didn't

have a lot but they had an awfully good girls' basketball team. Of course they've got the best thrower that's ever existed in Wyoming on the girls' side. They'll be very good," Smith said. "Cody will be solid and very deep. Torrington is looking like they have some high end stuff too ... Worland will be good ... Girls are going to be very, very competitive across the state. There's gonna be a lot of talent."

The Panthers won't have to travel far to kick off their season, making the short trip to Cody for an invitational at 11 a.m. Friday. The listed attendees are expected to be 4A Campbell County, Cody, Lovell, Powell, Worland and 2A Thermopolis.

"This will just let our kids that have done it before get a couple events in. They're all chomping at the bit to go and we'll let them get after it," Smith said.

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# A change of ownership

There's a lot that goes into the process of closing on a house. There are papers, signatures, deadlines, inspections, appraisals, etc. At the center of it all is ownership. At closing, the title of the house is transferred. What once belonged to someone else is now placed into new hands. I will be closing a house for the first time real soon and it has had me thinking: What does it look like for ownership to change, not just on paper, but in life? Not just for a house, but for the heart?

The house I'm buying is not move-in ready. The domestic plumbing and the boiler has to be replaced. The basement flooded and has been torn apart. There's real work ahead, and it's a little overwhelming. This isn't a one-day project. It's going to take weeks to make it livable, and longer to make it what I want it to be. I can see glimpses of what it could become. With the right work, care, and attention, it can be a place that's beautiful, useful, and a real blessing to me and others.

Most of us like the idea of new things or restoration, but we don't love the process that comes with them. Especially when it means dealing with the "messy" parts. The things we'd rather ignore. The areas of our lives that feel broken, neglected, or out of control. The burden of maintenance and repairs or renewal falls on the owner. Following Jesus involves a transfer of ownership.

Recently, I read "My Heart Christ's Home" by Robert Boyd Munger. He describes the Christian life as inviting Jesus into the different "rooms" of your heart. At first, everything seems manageable. But then Jesus starts opening doors and pointing out what doesn't belong, what needs to change, what needs to go. It's sort of uncomfortable. It's one thing to invite Jesus into the clean, presentable parts of your life; It's another thing entirely to hand him the keys to every single part, including the junk drawer. Yet, that's exactly where he wants to work.

Jesus isn't surprised by the mess. He already sees it and he doesn't shy away from it. He steps

into it. The gospel tells us that Jesus lived the perfect life we couldn't live and died in our place so that our sin could be forgiven. When we come to him honestly, he meets us with mercy and grace, not rejection.

Revelation 3:20 says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." That's not the voice of someone trying to take over by force, that's the voice of someone offering relationship. He invites us to let him take his rightful place. When we do, he begins a process, not of overnight perfection, but real transformation over time. Just like this house won't be fixed in a day, God doesn't expect us to have everything figured out instantly. As we surrender more of our lives to him, he patiently works, repairing what's broken, replacing what doesn't belong, strengthening what is weak.

When we are honest with God about our shortcomings, our sin, our selfishness, and the areas we've kept to ourselves, he meets us with mercy, not rejection. Jesus lived the life we couldn't live and died in our place so that our sin could be forgiven. Through faith in him, we are given new life and a new identity.

He doesn't leave us to do it alone. Scripture reminds us, "... that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns." (Philippians 1:6). There will be moments when it feels overwhelming. Moments when the work seems too big. But God sees the finished picture. He knows what he's building.

As I step into this new responsibility of homeownership, I'm being reminded of a deeper truth: Jesus must be the sole owner of every area of my life? Not just the surface-level parts, but the places that need real work. Jesus doesn't just want a place in your life, He wants to make your heart his home. ("My Heart Christ's Home" is a quick read and is available in pdf form for free online. Check it out for yourself.)

(Hunter Christner is associate staff at Campus Ventures in Powell.)



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MARCH 26

■ **TELEMARK ROSEMALING** with Sally Holberg is every Thursday morning at CodyArts at 836 Sheridan Ave. in Cody. For more information and exact times, call 307-587-3597.  
 ■ **TODDLER TIME** will be at 10:30 a.m. at Homesteader Hall.  
 ■ **NORTHWEST COLLEGE GIVING DAY** starts at noon and runs until noon Friday. For more information and to make a gift, visit [nwc.edu/givingday](http://nwc.edu/givingday).  
 ■ **HOMESCHOOL HOUR** will be at 2 p.m. at Homesteader Hall. Participants will be reading chapter books, crafting and enjoying other activities.  
 ■ **POWELL FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES BINGO!** is at 6 p.m. at 131 North Clark St. Families welcome.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 27

■ **FITNESS CLASS** will be from 10-11 a.m. at the Powell Senior Citizens Center. For more information, call 307-754-4223.  
 ■ **POWELL JACKALOPE JUMP FUNDRAISER** to benefit Special Olympics Wyoming athletes is 1 p.m. at Powell Middle School. Registration begins at noon.  
 ■ **K-FIFTH GRADE STRAW PAINTING** is at 1 p.m. at Homesteader Hall. Create your own paintbrush out of a straw and stamp your way through a design. All supplies provided for attendees and their families.  
 ■ **GIRL SCOUT TROOP 1592 COOKIE BOOTH** is 2-5 p.m. at Powell Ace Hardware.  
 ■ **THE LIVING CHRIST** is 3-7 p.m. at The Historic Cody Mural and Museum at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 1719 Wyoming Ave. in Cody. Celebrate Holy Week, Easter and Passover with family and friends of all faiths. Admission is free.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 28

■ **GIRL SCOUT TROOP 1592 COOKIE BOOTH** is 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Powell Ace Hardware.  
 ■ **CODY FARMERS MARKET** is 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Cody VFW, 808 12th Street.  
 ■ **THE TRADES FAIR** is 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Park County Fairgrounds. The free, family event features professionals in a skilled trade showcasing their field through fun and interactive methods. Those interested in a booth space can contact Breanne Thiel at the Powell Library (307) 754-8828.  
 ■ **NO KINGS RALLY** is 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at Cody City Park. Attendees will gather with signs to hear speakers and music.  
 ■ **THE NORTHWEST COLLEGE MULTICULTURAL FAIR** is 1-3 p.m. at the NWC Student Center. There will

be food, games, activities and performances. Admission is free and an all-you-can-eat wristband costs \$25.  
 ■ **THE LIVING CHRIST** is 3-7 p.m. at The Historic Cody Mural and Museum at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 1719 Wyoming Ave. in Cody. Celebrate Holy Week, Easter and Passover with family and friends of all faiths. Admission is free.  
 ■ **SAGE CREEK COMMUNITY CLUB** family dance fundraiser is 7-10 p.m. at the clubhouse off U.S. Highway 14/16/20 east of Cody. The public is encouraged to bring baked goods for the auction or come and purchase a baked item. Entrance to the dance is by donation at the door. Club memorabilia will also be for sale.

### MONDAY, MARCH 30

■ **POWELL CHAMBER AND LOCAL BUSINESSES EASTER EGG HUNT** starts. The event runs through April 8. Those interested can pick up a participant form at the Powell Chamber. Those who complete the egg hunt will be entered into a prize drawing on April 9.  
 ■ **FITNESS CLASS** will be from 10-11 a.m. at the Powell Senior Citizens Center. For more information, call 307-754-4223.  
 ■ **WHAT'S THE TEA**, a tea time exploring popular teas in different nations, will be 2-3 p.m. at the NWC Student Center. This week's event will feature teas from Vietnam.  
 ■ **POWELL WINTER FARMERS MARKET** is 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 31

■ **TODDLER TIME** is 10:30 a.m. at Homesteader Hall.  
 ■ **TACO TUESDAY** will be at the American Legion on 143 S. Clark St. from 5-7 p.m. Everyone is welcome for free tacos every Tuesday.  
 ■ **EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION** is 6 p.m. at Homesteader Hall. Attendees will be discussing "A Good Girl's Guide to Murder" by Holly Jackson. To join, ask for a copy at the circulation desk or check it out on Libby.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

■ **FITNESS CLASS** will be from 10-11 a.m. at the Powell Senior Citizens Center. For more information, call 307-754-4223.  
 ■ **THE ROTARY CLUB OF POWELL** meets every Wednesday at noon in the NWC Nelson House on 550 College Drive; visitors are welcome.  
 ■ **STORY TIME** is 1:30 p.m. at Homesteader Hall at the Park County Fairgrounds.  
 ■ **A NIGHT OF REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** is 6 p.m. at Faith Community Church, 1267 Road 18.

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### Powell 3rd Ward 1026 Ave. E.

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### Hope Lutheran (ELCA)

588 Ave. H (corner of Cary & Ave H) 307-754-4040  
[www.hopelutheranpowell.org](http://www.hopelutheranpowell.org)  
 Worship is at 9:30 with a fellowship time immediately following. Worship is livestreamed on our facebook page: Hope Lutheran Church as well as YouTube. Contact the church office for information on Bible Studies and youth opportunities. All are welcome.

### Immanuel Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.)  
 754-3168, Daniel Harrington, Pastor, 675 Ave. D. Sunday, morning services, 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study at 10:15 a.m. Sunday Bible School 10:15 a.m. (when in session)

### Jehovah's Witnesses

Cody - 2702 Cougar Ave. - Sunday, 10 a.m.; 10:40 a.m. Watchtower study; Midweek meeting, Thurs., 7:30 p.m.

### New Life Church

185 S. Tower Blvd.; Tim Morrow, Pastor, 754-0424. \*\* Sunday Worship, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Livestream access at [newlifepowell.com](http://newlifepowell.com)

### Powell Church of God

137 W. 2nd Street. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m. For information, visit [powellcog.org](http://powellcog.org) or contact Pastor Shane Legler at 254-423-2213.

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### United Church of Powell

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Coach David Gilliatt gives instructions to his team at the end of practice on Tuesday night. Gilliatt said his team's buy-in and work ethic will help the Panthers find success this season. Tribune photos by Seth Romsa

## Boys' Soccer: 'I think they're ready to learn. They're ready to get better'

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rely on some of those returning players that have a little more club experience to get some of our goals."

Gilliatt said that he's not sure if the Panthers will be a high possession team or a high goal scoring team, but feels if they can stay organized and capitalize on their chances they can find some success.

"I think if we can be organized in defense and capitalize on opportunities that we create and be efficient there, that we can find some success with that strategy," Gilliatt said. "I think we have to be the team that's first to the ball, that outworks our opponent, that's more organized than the opposition and has more desire. I want us to be excellent at the fundamentals. I want us to be excellent at how hard we work."

While the Panthers hope to find ways to capitalize on their chances and create ways to find success, Gilliatt is pleased with his team's buy-in this season and commitment to the program.

"I go into every season a little bit cautious, not sure what I'm working with. There's always maybe a couple players that you look at and know 'OK, I need to be patient with this player,'" Gilliatt said. "But for the most



Senior Tim Hosein (second from left) passes the ball past sophomore Cannon Tolman in the midfield during a scrimmage on Tuesday.

part, this group is really all-in, and it makes me excited to work with them. We just have a lot of buy-in, a lot of commitment. It's mostly positive, which is great that we can focus on soccer and on the team building aspect. I think that's been cool."

He said this year's team is willing to learn, and that is a reason he believes this team can accomplish plenty this season.

"Everybody wants to be here, which is cool. I think the work ethic is high. This is a very

coachable group," Gilliatt said. "I don't have a bunch of kids that think they already know everything. I think they're ready to learn. They're ready to get better. They want to accomplish as much as they can this season. I'm optimistic, it's a cool group to work with because of how coachable they are."

Heading into this season, there are a number of teams that could have a shot at lifting the trophy in May, as defending champion Buffalo has talent

but Gilliatt also expects Cody and Lander to be in the mix at the top.

"Buffalo when they came to the college indoor tournament, I think they've got some really technically good players. I think Cody will be a strong team and I think Lander will be a strong team," Gilliatt said.

Powell was originally scheduled to start its season at home against Newcastle on Friday, but that has turned into a junior varsity only contest.

That means the Panthers will host 3A East opponent Douglas at 2 p.m. on Saturday to open the season, with Gilliatt looking forward to playing a team likely similar in skill to begin the year.

"I have an idea of some guys that are returning. They're always a really physical, athletic team," Gilliatt said. "I think it'll be great to get a look at one of the teams from the east — I'm definitely not overlooking anybody. I think it'll be a good matchup, it'll be a great first varsity game for us. I'm looking forward to it."

The Panthers continue their early season home contests with a matchup against Buffalo next Thursday before taking the rest of Easter weekend off and starting conference play on the road the weekend of April 10-11.

## Boys' Track: 'A lot of those kids were in indoor, there's a ton of speed there'

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he's going to help us out. Those kids are going to want to get on the 4x800 relay, it's not going to be easy."

Lovell will look to defend its title, but Smith is expecting a close race at the top and he is hoping the Panthers can make a name for themselves in.

"They (Lovell) graduated one or two kids, but they also had a couple of freshmen that really came out at the end of last year that probably developed a little more. I'd put them as a favorite," Smith said. "Lander has some good kids, if Cody gets all their kids healthy, they'll have the depth ... But I see both (girls and boys) teams having a good shot at a trophy. I think it could be com-

petitive enough that there won't be that runaway team, there might be four teams that are all within 15-20 points of each other and we could be one of those. It's gonna be a fun year."

Powell heads right down the road to start the outdoor season, taking part in a six team meet that will feature hosts Cody as well as Lovell and Worland, 4A Campbell County and 2A Thermopolis.

"What I'm really going to be most interested in is the new kids. Who is going to come out of the woodwork that we didn't expect, and who is going to be what we had hoped for? It's going to be kind of fun," Smith said. "It might only be six or seven teams, but they're all going to be really good. It'll be a fun meet."



Senior Caden Nelson lands in the pit during long jump practice on Tuesday. Nelson returns to the track for the Panthers after missing his junior year due to injury. Tribune photo by Seth Romsa

# THE LINEUP

This Week in Powell Sports \*Home games in bold

| FRIDAY, MARCH 27                         | SATURDAY, MARCH 28                      |
|--|---|
| 11 a.m. PHS track at Cody Invitational   | Noon: PHS JV boys' soccer vs. Douglas   |
| 1 p.m. PHS JV boys' soccer vs. Newcastle | Noon: PHS girls' soccer vs. Douglas     |
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The Multicultural Showcase is 1-3 p.m. Saturday and will for the first time take place in the new NWC Student Center. Admission is free and an all-you-can-eat wristband is \$25. Courtesy photo

## MULTICULTURAL SHOWCASE RETURNS MARCH 28

After a three-year hiatus, the Northwest College Multicultural Showcase returns with an afternoon of food, games, activities, and student performances on Saturday from 1-3 p.m. The day also includes a silent auction to support the NWC Student Travel Endowment.

The Multicultural Showcase has been one of the largest and most anticipated campus events each year, bringing together students, faculty, staff, and community members to experience international food prepared by NWC students and staff, along with various displays representing their home countries. This year's event takes place for the

first time in the new Northwest College Student Center, which officially opened for the spring semester in 2025.

Admission to the Multicultural Showcase is free, and an all-you-can-eat wristband for food items is \$25 for adults. The wristband is free for NWC students with a valid college ID, as well as anyone

17 and under. For more information, contact Amanda Enriquez at [Amanda.Enriquez@nwc.edu](mailto:Amanda.Enriquez@nwc.edu) or 307-754-6424. The Multicultural Showcase is co-sponsored by the Office of International Student and Scholar Services, NWC Multicultural Club, Spanish Club, Japanese Club, and the NWC Student Senate.

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Cody Optimist Club President Ron Reel holds the plaque and is wearing the medal for the Governor's Spirit of Service Award for 2026, given to the Cody Optimist Club. Pictured from left: Vice President Robert Bole, Vice President Roger Nevrel, President Ron Reel and Secretary-Treasurer Stephen Olenick. Courtesy photo

## Cody Optimist Club honored for service

The Cody Optimist Club was recently honored for its extensive service in the community with the Governor's Spirit of Service Award for 2026.

The club is a voluntary group of people working in community service, and supports responsible leadership for the youth of Cody. Over the

last 40 years the nonprofit has put in countless hours hosting major fundraising projects such as the upcoming spring "Garage-a-Rama," a garage sale et al type event with dozens of vendor tables, held at the Paul Stock Aquatic and Recreation Center on April 11, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Optimists

raise money to give away to youth oriented groups. Call Steve to rent a table at 307-272-9323.

The other major event for the club is Kid's Fishing Day in June at Beck Lake, where members give kids fishing poles and prizes, and all attendees get a free lunch.

## Clark Spring Ding returns

BY BOB RODRIGUEZ  
Special to the Tribune

A free gala Easter egg hunt plus games, prizes and hunting tips for youth are on the slate for the annual Clark Spring Ding on Saturday, April 4 from 2-4 p.m. at the Clark Pioneer Recreation Center.

All proceeds from the festive event will benefit the Rec Center, according to overseer Shirley Bentley. Participants need to bring their own baskets. With six age groups for kids 12 and younger, the hunt will involve plastic orbs of many colors. And 600 of the spheres, all containing candy, will be placed with 40 per 100 also containing prize tabs that can be claimed at a prize table.

For approximately the fifth consecutive year, said Bentley, Polestar-Outdoors, of Cody, will offer free lessons via an indoor archery and BB gun shooting range for youth 8 to 18. The Christian organization works to connect youth with nature while teaching outdoor skills, conservation practices and values through mentoring, its website states.

Activities also will include \$1 per person baked goods walks for all ages. There will be a free craft table for kids who want to try their hand making Easter-themed items using stickers, straws and foam.

Games organized by Nancy Woolard will each have a \$1 fee per child. There will be skill contests such as an egg launch, a carrot patch matching event, a feed the chicks (green pipe stems and fake chickens) contest plus a bean bag bunny fun time.

Refreshments including cookies from community members, coffee and lemonade will be provided during the festivities. Tickets for a raffle of baskets filled with various products will be available. The prizes are provided through the generosity of Canyon Real Estate and the Cody Walmart, said Woolard and Bentley.

## SAGE CREEK CLUB CONTINUES 102-YEAR-OLD TRADITION

Family dancing, a tradition which started 102 years ago at the Sage Creek Community Clubhouse east of Cody, returns 7-10 p.m. Saturday.

The club is in the process of repairing and painting the 102-year-old building and the dance serves as a fundraiser. The building received a new roof a few years ago, funded with a benefit dance and a grant.

"We're in fundraising mode." Club member Cheryl Darling said. "Now we're moving forward to finish the project."

The band, Loose Boots and 'ol Country, was formed by longtime club member Ron Daniels.

The public is encouraged



A painting at the Sage Creek Clubhouse depicts an early scene at the more than 100-year-old building, which will be hosting family dancing Saturday night. Courtesy photo

to bring baked goods for the auction or come and purchase a baked item. Entrance to the

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**Announcements**

**PCGOP REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING** is scheduled for Thursday, April 2, 2026 at the Cody Cowboy Church. Sign-in at 6 p.m., meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. See parkcountyrepublicans.com or call 307-250-5639 for more information. PD BY PCGOP.

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(24-26PT)

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BHB(18-25PT)

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(16-25CT)

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**Vacancy Announcement**

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Announcements

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT Group. Starting Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. and will continue to meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

POWELL AL-ANON is a fellowship of friends and families of alcoholics which meets on Tues. at noon and Wed. at 7:00 p.m., 146 S. Bent, Big Horn Enterprises north door.

BYRON AA, 35 S. Pryor St., Basement of Byron City Hall, Fridays, 7-8 p.m. (56TFFThursT)

Announcements

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS in Powell is meeting at 146 S. Bent St., Powell, Tues., Thurs. & Sun. at 7 pm and Sat. at 10 a.m.

CODY NA MEETINGS- M,W,F at 7 p.m., 825 Simpson Ave., (Christ Episcopal Church). Virtual meeting information can be accessed at urmna.org

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Change of name

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Gas cost increase

PUBLIC NOTICE The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) approved the Application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. to pass on a net gas cost increase of \$0.375 per dekatherm (Dth) for residential and firm general customers and for small and large interruptible customers, and an increase of \$0.374 per Dth for optional seasonal customers and contracted demand customers, effective on and after November 1, 2025, subject to notice, protest, intervention, refund, change, further investigation, opportunity for hearing, and further order of the Commission.

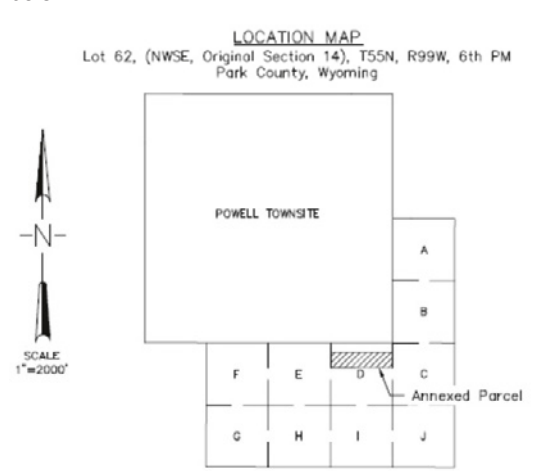
MDU's Application is available at the Commission or online at https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx. (Enter Record No. 17985). Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest, or request for hearing must file with the Commission in writing, on or before April 16, 2026. A proposed intervention or request for hearing shall set forth the grounds, the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 30013-425-GP-25 in your communications. If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Dated: March 16, 2026. First Publ., Thurs., March 19, 2026 Final Publ., Thurs., March 26, 2026

Annexation hearings

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS (Annexation Sheridan 2 Addition) Annexation of a parcel of land described by the Warranty Deed recorded as Document 2023-4305 at the Park County Clerk and Recorder's Office in Cody, Wyoming. The subject property is located just south of Monroe Street near the intersection with Jones Street and is described as a portion of Lot 62-D, Lot 62, (NWSE, Original Section 14), T55N, R99W, 6th PM, Park County, Wyoming. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public hearings will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 270 North Clark Street, Powell, Wyoming, by Powell Planning and Zoning and the Governing Body of the City of Powell, the purpose of which is to consider the annexation of, and a proposed ordinance annexing the property described herein into the City of Powell, and to consider the zoning of all of said property as Residential-General (R-G), as per Title 17, Chapter 24 of the Powell Municipal Code. The Public Hearings to be held are as follows: 1. Powell Planning and Zoning Commission on March 30, 2026, 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as is practical; 2. Powell City Council on April 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as is practical. A copy of the complete legal description of the subject real property as found in the Annexation Report can be obtained from Tiffany Brando, City Clerk, at Powell City Hall, 270 North Clark Street, Powell, Wyoming. Pursuant to W.S.15-1-405(b), the following information is provided:

- 1. A vicinity map and legal description of the subject area are set forth below. 2. The estimated cost of infrastructure improvements required by the landowner related to this annexation is \$700,000, not including \$500,000 of City sewer development. The owner/developer will bear the associated costs of any infrastructure improvements at such time that development or construction begins for sewer, water, telephone, internet, cable TV, electric, natural gas, street grading and paving, sidewalks, and curb & gutter installation. 3. At such time that the subject annexed property is being developed, basic and other services to the proposed annexed property include those services customarily available to occupancies within the City of Powell as follows: sanitary sewer, storm sewer, potable water, electric service, PowellLink, natural gas, telephone service, paved streets with curb, gutter and sidewalk, and cable television. Subject property will also have available to it street maintenance, police coverage, refuse collection, and animal control services. Fire services are provided by Park County Fire District #1. No homes can be built until the infrastructure is installed and ready to serve residents. All City-provided services will be ready to serve the area to be annexed upon acceptance of the paving and improvements by the City. 4. At such time that the subject property is being developed and/or occupied, the projected service costs for services provided will be subject to the current rates then in effect for utility services and will be dependent upon usage. No annual utility fees are assessed for service. The residential rates as of September 17, 2025, for utility services are as follows: Utility Service/Current/Proposed Usage Rates Sewer (based on 3/4" water meter)\$14.52/month base plus \$1.81/1000 gallons Water (based on 3/4" water meter)\$34.44/month base plus \$2.97/1000 gallons Sanitation\$31.10/month Electrical\$27/month base plus \$0.1145/kWh Natural GasSubject to change per Public Service Commission. Contact MDU (800)638-3278 for current rates TelephoneRates vary based on services provided Cable TVRates vary based on services provided InternetRates vary based on services provided 5. The current property tax mill levy for the municipality does not apply to this land. Projected property tax mill levies imposed by the municipality are anticipated to be as follows: Currently, the County levies a property tax of 5 mills on property located within the Powell City limits (74,377 total mills). 6. The cost of additional infrastructure improvements needed for the development of the subject property will be the responsibility of the City. A current development to the east of this parcel will require a new sanitary sewer service line to be installed by

the City through this parcel. The existing sewer line in Gilbert Street will not accept the additional flow of the proposed 69 lots in the adjacent subdivision. The City will bear the costs of extending a new sewer main to the south of Jones and westerly through a yet-to-be-completed easement across property belonging to Sheridan Construction, Inc. and to the existing County Road 8-1/2. The cost of this sewer line is expected to be approximately \$500,000, which is half of the estimated cost of one million dollars to upgrade the existing Gilbert Street sewer main. The City is currently unaware of any additional improvements to the existing infrastructure that will be required within the City of Powell's existing boundaries to accommodate this proposed annexation and subsequent development of this property at this time, other than the noted connections to the existing infrastructure. A map depicting the area to be annexed is shown below:



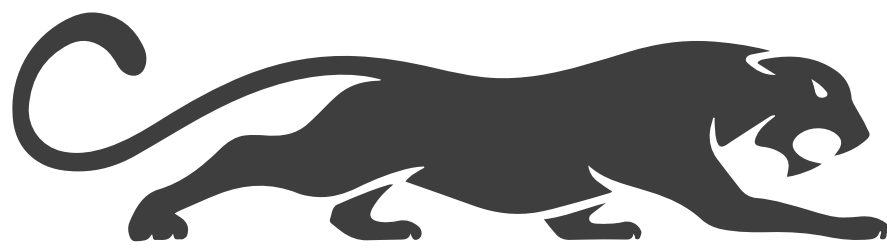
All Persons interested may appear and be heard at the above times and places. CITY OF POWELL Tiffany Brando, City Clerk First Publ., Thurs., March 12, 2026 Second Publ., Thurs., March 26, 2026

Meeting notice

The Powell Hospital District will have a Special Meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 5 p.m. in the Conference Room. The purpose of the meeting is to secure board approval for Capital Investment. First Publ., Thurs., March 26, 2026 Second Publ., Tues., March 31, 2026

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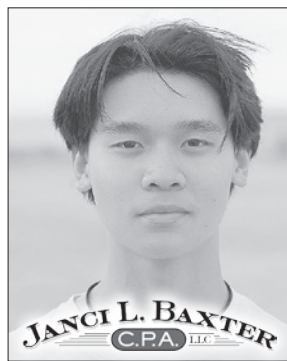
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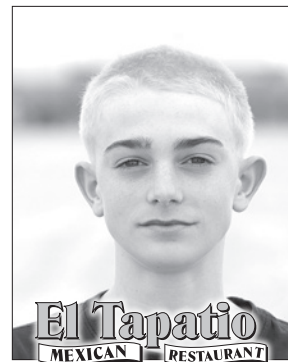
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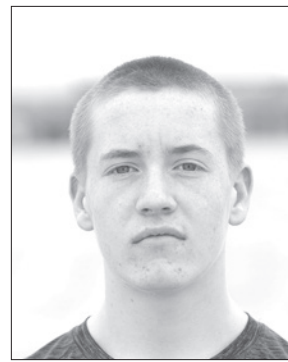
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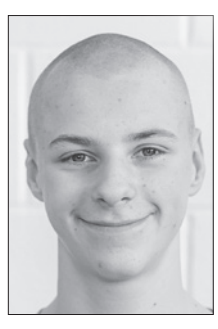
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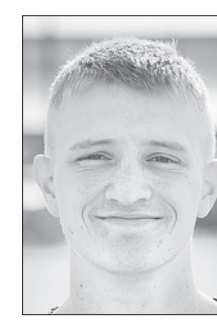
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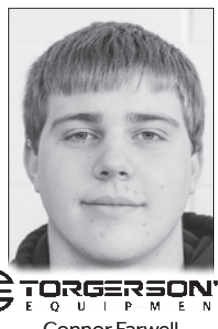
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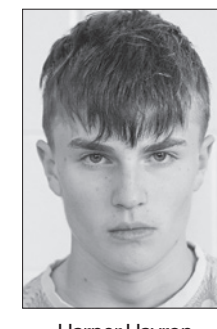
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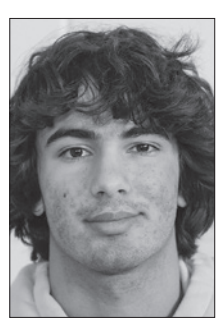
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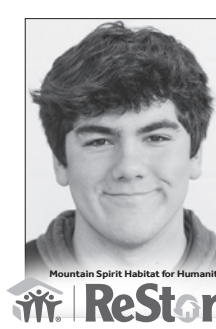
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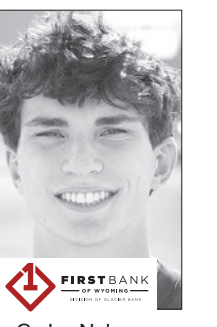


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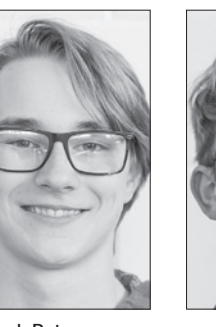
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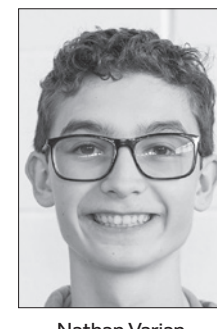
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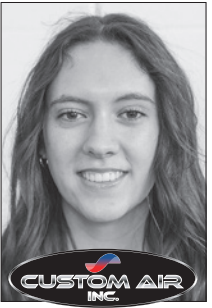
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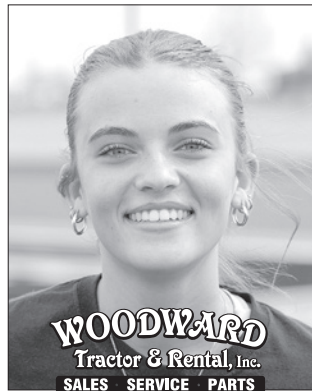
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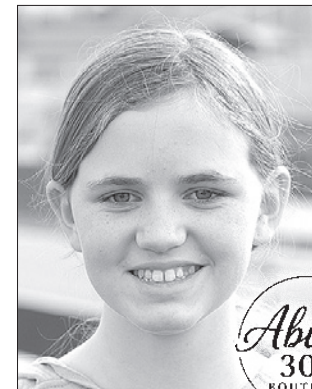
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