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Wheatland Police Department, Wyoming State Patrol, and the Platte County Sheriff's department traps a vehicle after a high-speed chase that ended in a crash near Hole 1.

Pursuit ends on golf course

By Stephanie Wilson
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WHEATLAND — On the afternoon of Monday, April 15, a pursuit (allegedly starting somewhere north of Chugwater) ended abruptly near Hole Number 1 of the Wheatland Golf Club course where those present saw a vehicle that appeared to be evading law enforcement.

Golfers on Hole 8 started hearing sirens that seemed far-off. "We could hear the sirens coming for a while," eyewitness Riley Lebsack said. "We turned around after we heard the sirens getting louder and saw [them] come right across the fairway on Hole 1; about four police cars were following."

Fellow eyewitness Brinley Heimsoth said, "The cops trapped [him] at an embankment next to Hole 1 and he lost a tire. Then we heard the police yelling 'Get on the ground!'" Heimsoth added that even though they did

not see, they heard that the man in question was tased.

"There was a second car crashed over on Sunset Drive as well," Lebsack added.

"We are not hurt. Just shocked!" Heimsoth said. "We are so glad we were not golfing on Hole 1!"

Lisa Stenmark, a third eyewitness saw the chase from her front window as Wheatland police and Platte County sheriff's vehicles were speeding after a vehicle down her street. Stenmark was able to video most of this chase that she stated started somewhere between Chugwater and Wheatland. "They turned right off Cottonwood and plowed through a small opening that enters the golf course," Stenmark said.

At the time of press the incident was still being investigated and no law enforcement comment was available. Wyoming Highway Patrol, Platte County Sheriff's Department and the Wheatland Police Department responded to the incident.

WHS Old Grads gathering soon

By Old Grad Committee

For the Record-Times
WHEATLAND — Save the date! The 67th annual WHS Old Grads reunion will be held June 21 and 22. The reunion will welcome all classes from 1939-1984.



The Old Grad Committee has been working hard to bring a fun weekend of reconnecting and rekindling old friendships with classmates.

There are some changes to note for this year's events. As of last year, there is a cover charge for the Friday (June 21) night mixer, which is in addition to the price for the catered luncheon and business meeting which will be held on Saturday (June 22). Costs for everything are skyrocketing with each year and the cover charge will help offset these increasing costs. However, if you are an Old Grad of the Class of 1964 or prior, you are dubbed a Golden Bulldog and have the privilege of

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Glendo four-day school considered

Update: school board votes "yes" at Monday night's meeting

By Lisa Phelps
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GLEND0 — Following up on inquiries from parents of Glendo School students, Platte County School District No. 1 is considering re-scheduling to a four-day school week. Though the issue has been raised by parents of Glendo students to past school boards, it has never been implemented.

PCSD1 administration has been taking the steps necessary, according to state requirements, to gather information to present to the school board trustees at the April 15 school board meeting. Some of those requirements included two public meetings to allow parents and teachers to voice their opinions, concerns, questions, and suggestions. The issue was also discussed in a presentation at the PCSD1 schoolboard workshop held on April 8. Tom Waring, 2025-26 principal for Glendo School, presented a four-day schedule that would provide the required student-teacher contact

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Broadband works with couple to restore service

By Lisa Phelps
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WHEATLAND — Cooperation from local residents enabled a local broadband service provider to restore service to a total of 18 businesses and residences in the Wheatland area. The Visionary Broadband customers were without internet - and some without phone service - from April 3 - 6. Visionary Broadband teams were all-hands-on deck to resolve the power-related issue stemming from an inability to satisfactorily access the tower in its original location. The Visionary crew hand-built a communication tower in 24 hours, after residents Frosty and Tara Adams agreed to allow the tower to be located and accessed on their property.

Following temporary restoration of service, the team determined the Adams' location was ideal for the tower, and Visionary approached the couple Saturday inquiring if they could set it up and restore service as quickly as possible.

"We thought it would be a good thing for us to help the community and to help people get back their ability to communicate," Frosty said,

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STEPHANIE WILSON/PC RECORD-TIMES

Senior Lily Nichols (No. 22) drives past her Buffalo opponent earlier in the season.

Nichols named Southeast Wyoming outstanding senior athlete of the year

By Stephanie Wilson
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WHEATLAND — Lily Nichols, a remarkable, multi-sport athlete at Wheatland High School was recently recognized as the outstanding senior athlete by the Southeast Wyoming Athletic Association for the year 2024. This prestigious award honors both Nichols' impressive athletic accomplishments but also her classroom acumen. The scholarship brings with it not only recognition, and a plaque, but also \$300 in scholarship money.

Nichols will soon be making her mark in the Division I world of track and field at the University of Wyoming next fall after signing an official letter of intent on November 8, 2023.

Nichols has maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout her high school career and is a respected student-athlete among coaches and teachers alike.

Brice McIntosh, General Manager of Meriwether Farms and former FFA leader and WHS Agriculture classroom teacher,

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Birth announcement

Wyoming Newspapers would like to congratulate Nilda Y Manuel and Alderete Marcos on the birth of their baby girl, Jaylin Yesi Alderete Marcos, born March 3, 2024. She weighted 8 lbs. 7 oz. and was 20.866 inches long at birth. She joins sibling Yerik Alderete Marcos. Maternal grandparent is Claro Y Liria and paternal grandparent is Lorenzo Y Aicla.

Stranded motorist prevention underway

CHEYENNE (WNE) — WYDOT is now working to share road-closure data directly with Google and other navigation companies.

Navigational apps generally report road closures and recommend alternate routes based on data collected from other drivers who are using the app. As a result, information about infrequently traveled local roads may not be updated often enough to reflect fast-pace conditions.

In Wyoming, some I-80 motorists following suggested detours have ended up stranded on inaccessible roads without fuel, food or water.

This also creates hazards for emergency responders tasked with finding and rescuing these motorists. To help prevent such emergencies, WYDOT has expanded third-party access to a powerful tool known as the Situation Data Exchange, or SDX.

The SDX stores and distributes data collected from wirelessly connected vehicles, including WYDOT fleet vehicles and snowplows. WYDOT also consults with individual counties to include information on local and conditional closures. Navigation companies with access to the SDX will have a new, reliable source of real-time travel information including weather advisories, variable speed limits, road closure notifications and vehicle weight restrictions.

WYDOT hopes to finalize agreements with Apple and other navigation system providers in the near future to ensure that accurate, up-to-date travel information is available to as many motorists as possible.

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adding a lot of people rely on internet to communicate – even first responders and emergency services. “It’s tough when you don’t have it.”

“I thought the Visionary crew was professional and good to work with. When you live in a small community, you’ve got to help each other out. This (agreeing to the tower) made sense,” Tara said.

The Adams are also allowing Visionary to connect into the WREA power source on their property, thus freeing up Visionary from installing a solar generator to power the newly constructed tower.

A statement issued during the outage by Greg Worthen, head of community affairs, said, “Community partnerships are a driving force behind our work, and we couldn’t be more appreciative of our newly formed partnership with the Adams to ensure Wheatland customers get back up and connected as quickly as possible. I’m proud of our team who worked around the clock and extremely grateful for good neighbors like the Adams, who made this possible.”

Reunion

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attending both weekend events for \$35. It is important that everyone who wants to attend, can. Our roots are worthy of celebration.

We hope you can attend this year! We all look forward to seeing you at the Agriplex on June 21. We promise a lot of fun, and you won’t want to miss it.

Many generous donations from individuals have enabled the Old Grads Board to award eleven \$1000 scholarships to WHS graduating seniors over the past six years. These scholarships are an excellent connection between WHS Old grads and current high school students. Continued support of this educational endeavor is encouraged.

Additionally, for another year, many local businesses have graciously placed paid advertisements in the Old Grads Round-Up. These advertisements help defray printing and mailing costs of the Round-Up Annual. Also, take a moment to keep an eye on the Honor Roll at both of this year’s events as we are grateful and count on donations to keep the WHS Old Grads event alive and thriving in the future.

The WHS Old Grads Supplement and Round-Up will be going out the week of April 17.



PHOTOS BY STEPHANIE WILSON/PC RECORD-TIMES

Bryce Cushman, PVCS School Director, greets students on the first day of school.

Prairie View Charter School busy and productive

By Stephanie Wilson swilson@pcrecordtimes.com

WYOMING — Prairie View Charter School in Chugwater has just about wrapped up its first year in operation, and what a year it has been. The school board has settled in and conducts workshops and meetings monthly. According to the Prairie View Charter School newsletter, the board is creating five committees comprised of staff and community members to provide comprehensive feedback and examination of the school. There are five areas in which committees will oversee: governance, academic, finance, audit, and facilities. It is projected that the committees will meet one-to-two times per year, and the board welcomes interest from qualified community members.

The school board is also partnering with the administrative team to get accreditation through a third-party organization.

Prairie View students have been busy and productive this year. After the Easter break, secondary students have been participating in FFA, track, and preparing for spring testing. One student took it upon themselves to create a yearbook for Prairie View Charter School.

As much of the school’s philosophy is project-based, elementary students are enjoying learning about composting with worms and watching their seedlings sprout.

Thanks to a volunteer in the community, an after-school gymnastics program has been initiated on Wednesdays.

Prairie View will host a Spring Showcase on May 16th at 5:30 p.m., which will be followed by graduation ceremonies May 17 at 6 p.m.

For more information you may contact Admin@prairieviewschool.org.



Parents raise the American flag at Prairie View Charter School’s first day of classes last August.

POLICE REPORT March 31 — April 6

Table with 2 columns: Incident Type and Count. Includes categories like ALARM, ANIMAL PROBLEM, ASSIST OTHER AGENCY, etc.

Advertisement for Kari Cobb, ChFC, AAMS, CRPC, Founding Partner, Wild Horse Creek Wealth Management. Includes contact information and a small photo.

Large advertisement for Platte County Record-Times. Includes the newspaper's name, 'Official newspaper for the Town of Wheatland, Platte County, State of Wyoming.', contact information, and subscription rates.

Advertisement for Pinnacle Bank featuring Quinn Hunter, Loan Officer. Includes contact information for Torrington and the bank's slogan 'THE WAY BANKING SHOULD BE'.

Advertisement for Gorman Platte Chapel, Funeral Homes & Monuments. Includes contact information for Ross Gorman and Tiffany Gorman-Dean.

Advertisement for Cheyenne’s Family Fun Destination! listing activities like Mini Golf, Laser Tag, Bumper Cars, Skating, and Arcade. Includes contact information for Ice & Events.

Advertisement for Skyview Villa, a 1 & 2 Bedroom Elderly/Disabled community. Includes contact information and features like On-site Laundry and Rental Assistance.



Long may she wave

Newly installed flagpole hoisted high in Wheatland's ball parks

By Stephanie Wilson
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WHEATLAND — The red-white-and-blue oversees Wheatland's ball parks and proudly waves from a newly installed flagpole. The Town Council recently voted to approve the installation of the flagpole which was raised by the Town of Wheatland maintenance crew last week, according to councilmember Willie Allison. "Our crew also keeps those fields looking so nice. We're really happy to have the new flag out there."

Although it is early in the season, the ball diamond and outfield are already starting to green up, and the WHS softball team is in full swing (no pun intended) as they host multiple games this season. Their next home game is Saturday, April 20 vs Gillette for a double-header starting at 2 p.m.

STEPHANIE WILSON/PC RECORD-TIMES

The Wheatland Town Council recently approved the installation of a new flagpole that overlooks Lewis Park softball field and the Legion Baseball field.

Meet-the-candidates event in Glendo

By Lisa Phelps
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GLENDO — A meet-the-candidates will be held at 6 p.m. at Glendo Town Hall on Wednesday, April 24. There are two council seats that will be open this year, and Andrew Ebel and Kelly Jones will both be on the ballot. The community is invited to meet them and hear their vision for the town and bring any questions for the question-and-answer session.

Big Boy No. 4014 about to embark on Westward Bound tour this summer

CHEYENNE (WNE) — Union Pacific's famed Big Boy No. 4014, the world's largest operating steam locomotive, will return to the rails this summer with a scenic tour across mountain ranges and high desert vistas in four western states: Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California.

Big Boy will journey from its home base in Cheyenne on June 30, en route to Roseville, California, before returning to Wyoming by the end of July.

It will make numerous whistle-stops in communities along the way, with public display stops scheduled July 12-13 in Roseville, California, and July 20-21 in Ogden, Utah.

Additional route details and rough times for whistle-stops will be shared closer to the tour. A route map can be found on UPsteam.com.

This is one of two public tours planned for Big Boy in 2024, with a second tour planned this fall with stops in Texas, Arkansas, Kansas and Illinois, among other states. Details of the second tour will be released later this spring.

The month-long "Westward Bound" tour will honor Union Pacific's rich railroad legacy and celebrate the railroad's employees and communities it serves.

"The Big Boy locomotive symbolizes the pivotal role railroads played in shaping our nation's history, and the technological advances we have witnessed within our industry," said Union Pacific CEO Jim Vena. "We are thrilled to share this living piece of history with our employees and the public, and we love seeing the enthusiasm this locomotive generates wherever its whistle blows."



PHOTO COURTESY OF CARRIE KAFKA

Seniors enjoy the solar event on April 8. While friends were enjoying lunch at Services for Seniors main location activities coordinator Carrie Kafka handed out eclipse-viewing glasses (provided free by Wheatland County Store) and snapped a pic. The eclipse could be partially viewed in the late morning hours Monday. In spite of some cloud cover, approximately 62% of the eclipse was visible in the Cheyenne/Wheatland area according to timeanddate.com.

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Gov. Gordon directs rules to protect second amendment rights in state facilities

By Michael Pearlman

For the Record-Times

CHEYENNE — This week Governor Mark Gordon followed through on his promise to take action on concealed carry rules for state executive branch facilities and begin a transparent, thoughtful, and thorough approach to repealing gun-free zones.

Acting at the direction of the Governor, the State Building Commission (SBC), at its April 10 meeting, began the process for the State Construction Department to draft rules allowing for the public and state employees to exercise their Second Amendment and concealed carry rights in state-owned buildings and facilities that are operated by the executive branch. The State Construction Department serves as the Secretary for the SBC.

This action is the first step to carrying out the promise outlined by the Governor in his veto letter of House Bill 125. The Governor further reinforced his commitment to incorporate substantial public comment in the crafting of these rules, along with the input of state agency directors and employees. Future meetings of the SBC will include detailed analysis of the laws, policies, and jurisdictions of state facilities across Wyoming.

“This conversation has been a long time coming,” Governor Gordon stated, “And I am delighted that we, as the State Building Commission, are taking a comprehensive look at eliminating gun-free zones where appropriate, using a fair and deliberative public process.”

Governor Gordon also commends entities, such as the Gillette Hospital Board, for considering his call to take up the discussion on similar policies in their local communities.

“As I encouraged in my letter, there are authorities in place for local boards, commissions, and trustees to begin these conversations at the local level. It is encouraging to see the commitment to full public discourse beginning to take place at the most appropriate levels of government,” Governor Gordon added.

Draft rules, timelines, public comment opportunities, and other materials presented to the Board will be published on the State Construction Department’s website, <https://stateconstruction.wyo.gov/home>, as they become available.



Gov. Mark Gordon



ANDREW TOWNE/CASPER STAR-TRIBUNE

A mourner looks at photos of Bobby Maher prior to a vigil in his memory Thursday in Casper.

Casper comes together in grief to mourn Bobby

By Zak Sonntag

Casper Star-Tribune

Via Wyoming News Exchange

CASPER — He was known by friends and neighbors as Bobby, a familiar face on the basketball court and recognized by his dashing mop of curly brown hair and boyishly charming smirk. He’s described by his classmates at Dean Morgan Middle School as a kid with relaxed happiness and a quickdraw smile.

“He was the sweetest, kindest and most courageous boy,” Hayley, his girlfriend, told the Star-Tribune, flourishing a promise ring Bobby had given her. “He was the best boyfriend out there, and we had so many plans for the future.”

Those plans changed last Sunday — the day Bobby lost his life.

Four days after Robert Dean Maher, 14, died from knife wounds in an altercation at the Eastridge Mall in Casper, residents have begun to collectively process a loss that’s shaken this central Wyoming community at its core.

As light faded into dusk and a soft evening breeze brushed over the city, hundreds of Casperites gathered Thursday for a vigil at David Street Station, where they shared emotions, memories and held one another in silent, tearful hugs. Many were dressed in blue — Bobby’s favorite color — matching like uniformed fans at home field, a fitting image for the honor of a kid who was crazy for sports, and a potent symbol of a community united by grief.

During the vigil, students spoke of an eerie sadness that’s settled over Dean Morgan since Bobby’s passing.

“A lot of kids just haven’t even been showing up. It’s, like, kind of empty. It feels weird,” one student told the Star-Tribune. “Bobby smiled a lot. He was really friendly. I had woodshop with Bobby, and everyone in class has been dead silent since.”

The news of Bobby’s demise spread rapidly. His story has reached audiences across the state and nation, and now even some outlets in Europe are reporting the death — signifying the universally felt sadness for minors killed by violence, and how the loss of a single life can impact people across the globe.

See **Bobby** on A7

Governor rejects new voter registration rules

By Hannah Shields

Wyoming Tribune Eagle

Via Wyoming News Exchange

CHEYENNE — Gov. Mark Gordon has decided the new voter registration rules proposed by Secretary of State Chuck Gray exceed his statutory authority.

Gordon sided with the Wyoming Legislature’s Management Council — made up of legislative leadership from both chambers — in its disapproval of the new rules, which would have required people to provide proof of residency, not just identity, when registering to vote.

Gray has said on multiple occasions that Wyoming elections needed to be protected “from fraud and guarantee that no vote from an eligible voter is diluted by that of an illegal alien or nonresident ineligible to vote.”

In his letter to Gray, Gordon said he received notice from the Management Council on March 28, asking him to either amend or rescind the proposed rule package “to address the concerns raised in the Legislative Service Office’s February 21, 2024 rule review memo.”

Under Wyoming statute, the governor

had until Friday to sign or reject the rules.

“The State’s election code functions well, and the countless hours spent by volunteers, election judges, canvassing boards, county clerks, town clerks, your office, and numerous others have ensured for decades that Wyomingites can trust the state’s election results,” Gordon said in the letter to Gray. “While there may always be room to improve Wyoming’s election laws, this responsibility lies in the purview of the legislative branch.”

The governor said he agreed with Gray that only Wyoming residents should participate in the state’s elections.

However, Gordon noted that current data gives no indication that the state’s election system is under significant threat of voter fraud, or is without the ability to investigate and verify voter qualifications.

The Heritage Foundation has only recorded three cases of voter fraud in Wyoming since 2000.

Gray didn’t waste any time in responding to the governor’s refusal to implement the new voter registration rules.

The secretary of state argued the “rules undertook a thorough vetting process”

and “received overwhelming support from the people of Wyoming.”

“As I indicated during our meeting with the Governor, our office has worked with county clerks on this very issue just last year,” Gray stated in the release. “These rules were a commonsense solution to stopping voter fraud in Wyoming.”

The reasons for conflict

Gray filed notice of a new voter registration rule on Dec. 7 that would have required a registered voter’s residential address to match the address listed on their valid Wyoming driver’s license or state-issued ID card.

The County Clerks’ Association of Wyoming (CCAW) sent a memo to the Secretary of State’s Office on Jan. 8 that outlined five statutory concerns with the new voter registration rules.

According to the memo, these provisions required clerks to perform duties outside of their statutory scope, such as verifying a voter’s residency. Clerks also cannot require an establishment of residency without challenge.

Under current Wyoming statute, county clerks are provided the authority

to “investigate qualifications of any voter registration, when (they have) reasonable cause to believe that the voter may be unqualified.” Only proof of identity is compulsory.

In his letter to Gray, Gordon also urged the Legislature — more specifically, the Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Committee — to clarify the term “bona fide resident” that is in current Wyoming statute.

This was a concern brought up by the CCAW in a memo sent to this committee last August, first obtained by WyoFile.

“Until the legislature provides more explicit rulemaking authority for the Secretary of State, county clerks must follow the methods for investigating and challenging voters’ citizenship and registration outlined in statute,” Gordon stated in the letter.

“While I support addressing the county clerks’ concerns, assuming the worst when experience shows that our system continues to be effective at preventing voter fraud does not support upending a decades long practice. We can always improve, and that discussion properly lies with the Legislature.”

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Four days

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time as required by state regulations. The proposed four-day schedule would have 965 to 967 contact hours, as opposed to the current 1,110 days. The schedule would add 35 minutes to each school day and every Friday would be an off-day for students and teachers, with the exception of one Friday a month the teachers would have in-school work days. He and Superintendent John Weigel were on hand to listen to the comments and answer questions at each meeting.

Waring said it did not matter to him, personally, whatever is decided. Weigel has worked in school districts with four-day schedules and shared information with the board at the workshop about different models he's seen and various ways a four-day school schedule could work to benefit the children. He emphasized, it is up to the parents and the board to decide.

In comments from parents and teachers, one parent is adamantly opposed to the

schedule and cited several reasons for her opinion at the workshop: the schedule was already approved for the 2024-25 school year and she has already scheduled her business around that schedule; there is no child care provider in the town; "every second my child is not in school, she is not being educated;" and concern for the longer days causing too much fatigue for students – especially in the youngest grades. This parent additionally said if the board votes to go to a four-day school, the school will lose some students who would rather be in a five-day school schedule.

There were parents who weren't necessarily opposed to a four-day week but did not think it necessary to even consider changing a schedule if there was no problem with five-day school schedules.

Other parents were enthusiastic with the idea of a four-day week, sharing ideas at the meeting for opportunities in which the community could come together to offer enrichment activities to students

on Fridays who had parents working or needed something constructive to do on their off-day. They felt the extra day could benefit the students greatly through those opportunities.

Another parent said it is currently difficult to pick up her child at the 1 p.m. early release that is currently utilized by the district on Fridays, and that a consistent time in the late afternoon works better for her family.

Several teachers made comments, with two standing out who teach several grade levels at a time. They concluded even an extra five minutes in each class to teach their students would make a huge difference and enable them to more effectively teach concepts at each grade level. They added the current half-day Friday was almost too short of a timeframe for the classes to allow as much teaching time as they would like.

School board trustee Connie Eller said at the meeting she is "absolutely in favor of a

four-day week" and stated she sees it as a way to help increase interest or enrollment in Glendo School in the future.

A couple attendees at the meeting claimed they have researched and discussed directly with small community schools that implemented four-day school weeks and concluded, "if it's done right," four-day schools can improve school attendance, achieve excellent academic test scores, and reduce teacher and student fatigue.

If the PCSD1 school board approves the adjusted schedule for Glendo, the information Principal Waring has put together will be presented to the State of Wyoming Department of Education for their final approval before it could be implemented. If the board chooses not to implement a four-day school week, the current school schedule will be in effect.

Please see next week's Platte County Record-Times for more information on the April 15 school board meeting.

Athlete of the year

FROM A1

had this to say in his letter of recommendation about Nichols. "On top of being an All-State volleyball, basketball, golf, cross country and track athlete, Lily is a 4.0 student. Not only did she play every sport she could and excel at them, but she made time to participate in the FFA as an officer and a teammate. It is still my humble opinion that we don't emphasize the term 'Student-Athlete' enough in sports. Miss Nichols worked just as hard in the classroom and at other school activities as she did in sports. In fact, after sports practices, Lily would come to my room to meet up with her FFA teammates where she had goals of winning the state FFA agronomy contest. She would spend countless hours and even bring dinner into practices, so she had time to fit everything in. I am proud to say she was the second highest individual in the agronomy contest where she led her team to a State FFA Championship. [You will be selecting] an amazing young woman who I firmly believe future athletes should be using as the definition of exemplary athlete. I hope my daughter grows up to handle herself on the court like Miss Nichols."

Wheatland High School Social Studies teacher and coach Brian Boaz praised Nichols for her leadership qualities outside the sports arena. "Lily Nichols is the finest young lady I have had the honor of teaching. She is responsible, dedicated, and dependable. She is intelligent and pushes herself to perform at the summit of her ability." Nichols' involvement in National Honor Society, FFA, and charitable activities in the community speaks to her wide range of interests and compassion. According to Boaz, she has worked on projects to replenish the local food bank, took initiative on campus cleanup, and helped with the Veteran's Day Breakfast and Veteran's Day Dinner, as well as being involved in the Mr. Bulldog program which supports Project Safe. "She is also an incredible artist. She is the most well-rounded young lady I know," Boaz stated in his letter of recommendation.

Nichols' athletic achievements span across these disciplines: 14 all-conference awards across golf, cross country, basketball, and track, 15 school records broken in all five sports, 12 all-state awards in golf, cross country, basketball, and track. 3A East Golfer of the Year during her junior and senior years.

Three-time 3A state champion golfer on the WHS golf teams, 3A conference golf team champion (four times), 3A East Conference champion in 1600 meters, 3200 meters, long jump, and 400 meters. 3A state champion in the 400 meters, 800 meters, and long jump.

Her dedication and talent will undoubtedly make her a valuable addition to the University of Wyoming's track and field program and any other endeavor she pursues throughout life.



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Senior Lily Nichols leaps into the long jump pit at the Wheatland Invitational this season.

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Retired but not removed:

How retired ranchers continue to weather the storms



We just “went through” our first major winter calving storm as retired ranchers. Loved all the comments about us not having to care or worry anymore! I kind of chuckled as folks mentioned this, or posted them on social media! It is true that the work of getting ready and trying to figure things out was “o” on the work and worry meter. However, the concern and care for the well-being of our neighbors and friends and their livestock was absolutely off the charts.

As this storm started showing up in the weather reports, we knew things were going to be “interesting.” As always the track of the storm makes a huge difference. Our care meter started on the upswing as we know and understand the planning involved in getting your livestock gathered and in position for the best outcome. Because of our retirement, Greg was able to be an extra set of hands to those needing a little help.

I think it is the same for any situation that you have ever been in. Once that situation is over, you are very aware when you learn of others going through the same thing. I went through slow, long deaths with both of my parents. When I hear of someone going through the same thing, I am hyper aware of what they might need or possibly how I can help. Unless you have walked in their shoes, you are often unaware of just what might be needed! For



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Just because we are done with a phase, a life adventure, or a career, just means we have more empathy for those who are going through the same thing!

any of us that have had kids, and we see a momma with her hands full, we remember, and know. The heart of a retired farmer will sure start speeding up when a hail storm is predicted that has the potential to wipe a whole years full of work out in minutes. Maybe he can't physically do anything, but he will do the best thing, pray! Just

because we are done with a phase, a life adventure, or a career, just means we have more empathy for those who are going through the same thing!

So what do we do with the knowledge we have gained? Use it! Each situation is unique and each need is different, just as we are. Pray for great wisdom in how we can help and not hinder! Do something

with the caring spirit that God has placed in your heart.

I Corinthians 1:3-4 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

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Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.

Covenant Lutheran Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
1863 South Road
Phone: 322-9423
Joshua Bruns, Pastor
pastorjoshua@wyomingwireless.com
CLCWheatland@gmail.com
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Bible Class: Wed., 6 p.m.

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STEPHANIE WILSON/PC RECORD-TIMES

A wide array of donated artificial flowers, stickers, greenery, and miniature watering cans were available for last week's spring craft at the Services for Seniors Activity Center.

Spring sunshine brightens fellowship and crafts

By Stephanie Wilson
swilson@pcrecordtimes.com

WHEATLAND — The dreary days are (mostly) over and spring is a perfect time to get reacquainted with friends and your creative side. If you are a senior citizen and find yourself looking for inspiration and conversation, look no further than the Services for Seniors Activity Center.

There is never a shortage of fun ideas and materials on hand at the Services for Seniors Activity Center; where area seniors gather for a diverse array of fellowship, games, art, music, and even dancing. Activities coordinator Carrie Kafka continues to offer unique and clever projects to get those creative waves generated.

Last week, crafters arranged miniature flower arrangements (including realistic, stick-on ladybugs!) in tiny watering cans. Kafka said most of the greenery and artificial flowers and accoutrements were donated, while other unique items were found at Wheatland's premier thrift-shop, Trudy's Treasures.

Each watering can arrangement emerged with individual personality and whimsy; while one creative breakthrough led to another, and some crafters enjoyed making more than one window-sill-sized spring bouquet.

Last week's craft-time also featured an opportunity to fill give-away containers with 'Friendship Tea' (traditional spiced tea), topped

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off with ribbon and a specially made 'gift tag' with instructions for enjoying the tea. Kafka made a big batch of the spiced tea with all the traditional dry ingredients; and crafters were able to scoop the mix into the smaller containers and decorate accordingly.

On Mondays at 1 p.m.-2p.m. throughout April and going through May 20, Platte County seniors are invited to a free 30 minutes of exercising and 30 minutes of talking and connecting with one another at the Agriplex. The Walk & Talk is a fun and healthy way to learn about resources available that encourage physical and mental well-being now and into the future.

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Senior crafters filled small canisters with "Friendship Tea" (traditional spiced tea) and specially designed tags during last week's spring craft project.

Bobby FROM A4

As Bobby's story touches hearts in far off places, here, in the small and socially interwoven community of Casper, the loss is felt profoundly: Homes across the city have been adorned and lit up in the color blue; local pubs and businesses are donating proceeds and holding raffle to support the Maher family.

From the stage, DC Martinez, youth pastor and athletic director at the YMCA, where he and Bobby interacted regularly, delivered a message of equal parts lamentation and hope.

He diagnosed the tragedy as the result of a culturally "bad diet," and bewailed the "ridiculous Instagram and TikTok videos they mindlessly watch. The SnapChat fight groups where they praise each other for the best fights, which affect a constantly developing mind."

Martinez called on leaders to take action in the hope that Bobby's death inspires social change.

We must "not let Bobby's name be a catchy hashtag or just a sticker on a vehicle, but a platform to action," he said. "May we create more mentorship programs and ways to identify troubled youth and change their heart, so that further tragedies like this don't happen."

Friends say the Maher family has been buoyed by the outpouring of support. But they chose not to address the gathering publicly.

Instead, the family offered a written statement that was given by Martinez.

A sole, untethered blue balloon drifted into the sky as he read:

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This original painting by Wheatland artist Barbara Schaffner is among five works that will be dedicated on May 2nd at the Lingle Turn-Out, 1.5 miles east of Lingle beginning promptly at 2 p.m. The paintings have been turned into signage depicting various historical events from the Wyoming State Line to Fort Laramie. This one titled "To Build an Empire: The Texas Trail" depicts the gathering of over two thousand long-horn cattle heading north from the Texas Territory.

Dedication of historic paintings for highway marker signs

By Linda Fabian
For the Record Times

LINGLE-FT. LARAMIE — A project many years in the making is finally coming to fruition. On Thursday, May 2, the dedication of signage telling the history of events that happened on the Wyoming state line to the Fort Laramie Military Post will take place.

The brainchild of Geri Zeimens with the Sunrise Historic and Prehistoric Preservation Society (SHAPPS) started when she saw the need for interpretation along a section of highway outside of Lingle. She said, "This project has been a passion of my husband, archaeologist George Zeimens. It is a tribute to him and his lifelong efforts to educate, preserve, and protect our valuable history for future generations."

Geri contacted the Wyoming Department of Transportation, and the Wyoming State Parks where she immediately partnered with Monuments and Markers Coordinator, Dan Bach. They then commissioned well-known artist, Barbara Schaffner of Wheatland, to create five original paintings depicting

various events throughout that area. Barb said, "When approached to help I offered immediately. I have always felt there were important stories needing to be told, and there was a guiding hand that brought this project to me." She added that acclaimed archaeologist George Zeimens was her most important resource. "We visited the location of each site, and here he shared information of his findings and hours of work in the area." The pair spent hours looking at building structures and placement, and how the trails accessed him. "His knowledge helped me get a feel for the area and the events that happened here. It was like stepping back in time."

Barb delved into intensive and tedious research that led to the development of five paintings depicting trading posts, traveling

the emigrant trail, battles, the trailing of Texas cattle herds, and so much more.

The paintings you'll see at the dedication are "The Art of the Trade: Fort Bernard," "One Step at a Time: The Emigrant Trail," "A High Price to Pay for a Cow: The Grattan Massacre," "In His Glory: Rock Ranch/Ash Point," and "To Build an Empire: The Texas Trail."

"Getting to work on these paintings has been the most rewarding experience. As I immersed myself in the research, the stories that I uncovered left me in awe. I feel honored that I got to play a part in bringing these important events to life for others to learn about them. It took the whole committee working together to get this done. Hopefully, I have helped pay tribute to these courageous and resourceful individuals who were part of

the saga of opening our nation's western frontier. Their struggles, sorrows, goals, and perseverance are encouraging to all of us. They need to be remembered."

Everyone is invited to attend the dedication of the signs on Thursday, May 2nd which will start at 2 p.m. at the Lingle Turn-Out, approximately 1.5 miles east of Lingle. Special guests will include Barbara Schaffner, George Zeimens, and dignitaries from the Department of State, Parks & Cultural Resources, and the Wyoming Dept. of Transportation. A reception will follow at the Lingle Community Center hosted by both the Goshen and Platte County Historical Society's.

Contact: Geri Zeimens at ggzzk@embarqmail.com or Linda Fabian, lindafabianwy@gmail.com

— Geri Zeimens

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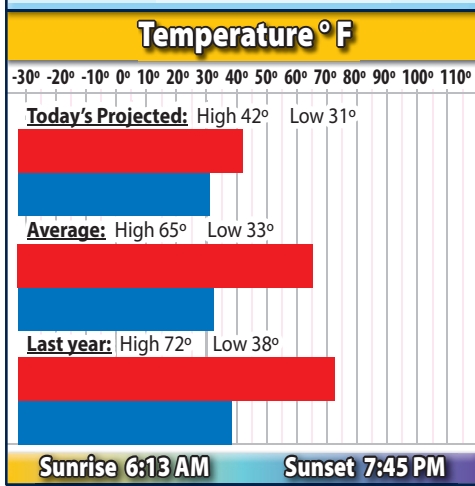
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Wyoming High/Low for Thursday



5 Day Local Forecast

Day	High	Real Feel	Low	Precipitation
Thursday 4/18	42°	38°	31°	25%
Mostly cloudy and chilly				
Friday 4/19	42°	40°	24°	60%
Cloudy and chilly; occasional afternoon rain and drizzle				
Saturday 4/20	46°	45°	22°	13%
Chilly with intervals of clouds and sunshine				
Sunday 4/21	60°	59°	32°	17%
Sunny to partly cloudy and warmer				
Monday 4/22	69°	71°	32°	0%
Times of clouds and sun				



No overnight camping, fires, fireworks, hunting or shooting are allowed in WGFD access areas along the North Platte River. The most common use of these access areas are for fishing, floating the river and wildlife viewing.

Improved boat ramps, viewing areas open along North Platte River

By Lisa Phelps
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GUERNSEY – With a mission of “Conserving Wildlife, Serving People,” the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) has recently improved public access to the North Platte River and other waterways in the region.

With decent weather this winter, the WGF Habitat and Access crews were able to complete eight weeks of work in both Goshen and Platte Counties to simultaneously improve public access for recreational opportunities and enhance wildlife habitats. According to Jerry Cowles, Laramie Region Habitat and Access supervisor, some key projects included improving primitive boat ramps and adding road base materials to improve access roads and parking lots at Wendover, Guernsey, the Whalen diversion dam, Rock Lake, Packers Lake and Springer Reservoir.

“At Wheatland Reservoir No. 1, the crew removed several acres of Russian Olive trees to enhance cottonwood tree succession around the lake, improving the overall ecosystem and saving water for the agriculture lands as well as fisheries,” Cowles said. “Early spring conditions allowed the crews to install boat docks early at Grayrocks and Wheatland Reservoir No. 1, further improving access for recreational boaters.”

Many of these access areas are available to the public through the cooperation of private landowners, with WGFD easement and management agreements. “To ensure the continued public use of these private lands, it is essential we all contribute to respecting the landowners and lands they graciously allow us to use,” Cowles said. “Thanks to the landowners for these wonderful opportunities, and the Habitat and Access crews for making a difference in providing quality recreational opportunities for the public.”

Members of the public can volunteer to help WGFD with various conservation projects. For more information, go to wgfd.wyo.gov/get-involved/volunteer.

For more information on the public access areas along the North Platte River or around the region, visit the wgfd website: www.wgfd.wyo.gov or go to: wgfd.wyo.gov/Public-Access/Public-Access-Areas/north-platte-river-guernsey.



A primitive boat launch and parking area was recently improved upon by the Wyoming Game and Fish to enhance public access to the North Platte River near Guernsey. When water levels are high on the river, many recreationists use the Whalen Diversion ramp (which was also improved) for takeout instead.

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Veterans display their massive catch of walleye at a prior Take a Vet Fishing event in Glendo.



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Veterans wave from a fishing boat as they cruise across Glendo Reservoir in Glendo State Park.

Just a good day fishing

"Vets have sacrificed their hearts, bodies, and minds, and when we come back from service, we are not whole. If I can do something for just one day; to have a good day of fishing and camaraderie, and fill a void, I want to do that."

— Matt Berry

By Stephanie Wilson
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PLATTE COUNTY — For the third year running, the Take a Vet Fishing event is currently taking entries from any and all area vets (including disabled veterans) who reside in Platte, Goshen, and/or Niobrara Counties. If you are a veteran who loves to fish, you can enter a drawing and a chance to win an all-expenses paid day of fishing at Glendo Reservoir. Eighteen vets will be selected, and the closing date for entering is May 30.

According to event organizer Matt Berry, the event started in 2022 with one boat and two vets. "In 2022 I really wanted to expand on veteran outreach programs. There aren't really a lot in the area, and after the original event organized by VFW Post #2918 in Torrington, I started to brainstorm," Berry, who has been in the Wyoming Army National Guard for 21 years with two deployments, explained. "In 2023 we selected 15 vets for the fishing event, and this year, we have added a sixth boat and can accommodate 18 veterans."

Berry's concept is to provide "just a good day of fishing" for veterans who can come together and let the stresses and cares of everyday life wash away with other military veterans with shared experiences and can relate to military life and its inherent sacrifices. "There are veterans in my family," Berry said, "and my grandfather, who was a vet, loved fishing, and it seemed like there could be a lot of people who would want to do that, but may not have the means."

Guiding the anglers will be Bruce Nepper, who is a guide with Recycled Eyes Walleye Guides (owned by Joe Stewart) out of Glendo.

Each fisherman is allowed to catch and keep up to six walleye, according to Wyoming State law. "Our guide will also file the caught walleye for each vet that

wants to keep their catch," Berry said. "After the day of boat fishing, everyone will enjoy a complimentary BBQ at B&A Marina (formerly Rooch's Marina) in Glendo. In the past, the VFW Auxiliary Post #3558 in Wheatland has provided sack lunches and this year Twisters in Guernsey will provide the lunches," he added. "I like to give everyone who is interested a chance to participate in this event."

The fishing event is not limited to only "able-bodied" vets, according to Berry. "We make sure to offer this day to any vet. I reach out to all the area vets and make sure we are providing accommodations on the boat, whether it is ramps for wheelchairs, oxygen, etc. We want to make sure they are as comfortable as possible in their own boat, and enjoy the best day they can." Berry inquires if the vet(s) in question may be susceptible to heat stroke or have any other issues that may need special accommodation.

"Vets have sacrificed their hearts, bodies, and minds, and when we come back from service, we are not whole," Berry said. "If I can do something for just one day; to have a good day of fishing and camaraderie, and fill a void, I want to do that."

Berry hopes that one day they will have enough boats to accommodate anyone that wishes to be part of the event. "Right now, we only have so many boats, so that is why we organize the event raffle-style."

Vets can enter the raffle daily until May 30 by visiting the following businesses: Interstate Gas Conoco, Wheatland; Thrifty Foods, Wheatland; Century Lumber, Torrington; Bloedorn Lumber, Torrington; Howshar's Hardware, Guernsey; Glendo Trading Post, Glendo; and Allbrights' True Value in Lusk. Look for the RAFFLE AMMO canister at these locations.

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Staying up to date on immunizations as an adult is crucial to good health. Vivek Kesara, MD, a family medicine specialist with Banner Health Center in Chandler, AZ, says, "Immunizations are essential. They protect against serious diseases that have caused sickness, disability and death in the past."

Recommended vaccines for adults:

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Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis

Who: Adults age 19 and older

Measles, mumps and rubella

Who: Adults age 19 to 64

Varicella (VAR) - chicken pox

Who: Adults age 19 and older who aren't immunized or had chicken pox

Zoster (RZV) - shingles

Who: Adults age 50 and older

Human papillomavirus (HPV)

Who: Adults age 26 or younger who weren't immunized as children/teens

Pneumococcal

Who: Adults age 65 and older or between 19 and 64 if you are at high risk for pneumococcal disease.

Hepatitis A (HepA)

Who: Adults age 19 or older

Hepatitis B (HepB)

Who: Adults age 19 to 59

Meningococcal A, C, W, Y (MenACWY)

Who: Adults age 19 or older

Meningococcal B (MenB)

Who: Adults age 19 or older

Hemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)

Who: Adults age 19 or older

COVID-19

Who: Adults age 19 and older

"While these vaccines are beneficial for most adults, for some people with allergies, weakened immune systems or other conditions, they may not be recommended," Dr. Kesara said.

The Bottom Line

You can maintain your good health by keeping your immunizations current. Make sure you schedule an appointment with your health care provider to review your health status, ask questions, and catch up on any immunizations you might have missed.

Learn more about immunizations at:
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WHS girls & boys track score high at Burns invite



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WHS senior Laynie Goertz competes in a sprint earlier in the season at Cheyenne East.

For the Record-Times

BURNS – During week five of the track season, ten area schools traveled to Burns over the weekend for the Burns Invite, including Wheatland, Guernsey-Sunrise, Cheyenne South, Lingle-Ft. Laramie, Pine Bluffs, Southeast, Torrington, and Gering and Leyton; both from Nebraska.

Wheatland senior Lily Nichols won the 400-meter, 800-meter and the long jump, while Tyler Bohnen won the 100-meter and 200-meter for the Bulldog boys, with senior Brock Peasley running a close second with a final time of 23.25.

Cole Goertz placed third

in the 300-meter hurdles with a final time of 44.70.

Desirae Iacovetto placed second in the 100m with a final time of 12.35 and Laynie Goertz placed fourth with a final time of 13.04.

Wheatland's Ethan Jackson placed first in pole vault with a final vault of 12'6". Bode Stone finished third in shot-put with a throw distance of 44'1".

The WHS girls team placed second at the meet, scoring 106 as a team, while Guernsey-Sunrise girls scored 10 as a team.

The Bulldogs boys also grabbed second place at the invite, scoring 109.50 points collectively. The Vikings boys earned 18.50 team points.

Stellar weather highlights great week of golfing

By Tony Nichols
For the Record-Times

CHEYENNE – The Wheatland High School golf team had a great week in Cheyenne. The playing conditions were spectacular as the temperature hovered in the high 70's and the Airport Golf Course was in great shape for this time of the year.

The boys team finished fourth in a very competitive field by shooting a team score of 313. They were only a few shots behind overall winner Kelly Walsh (305), and Cheyenne Central and Scottsbluff who tied for second (307).

Individually, we were led by Tate Nichols who shot 76. He was followed by Dylan Nelson and Cooper Meyer who both shot 78. Matthew Wakkuri finished with an even 80 and Timmy Philo who finished at 101.



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WHS Bulldogs Golf team includes Enrique Rafael (l-r), Timmy Philo, Jordan Downs, Gabe Hagen, Ace Keil, Tate Nichols, Brecken Sandlian, Dylan Nelson, Matthew Wakkuri, and Cooper Meyer (not pictured; Haylee Nelson).

On the girl's side, Haylee Nelson had a solid week firing a 93 to finish 13th. The team's next tournament will be in Torrington on April 26th.

The Wheatland Middle School Golf Team also played host for their first tournament of the year last Monday. The boys' and girls' teams started the season

the way they finished last year with both taking first place. On the boys' side Griffin Nichols finished in first place and Fletcher McKee second. The girls' team also filled the top of the leader board with Jaylen Kaufman placing first, Allie Keil second, and Peyton Unrein third.

WHS softball claims two wins over home-and-away weekend

For the Record-Times

WHEATLAND – The WHS varsity softball team defeated the Buffalo Bison at home on Friday, beating their foe by a daunting 11-1. Rylee Coates doubled in the first inning, doubled in the fifth, and singled in the fourth inning of play.

Landri Vaughn threw a pretty game as she struck out 10 batters on the day, only allowing one hit and one run over five innings.

Tatum Struble drew a walk in the bottom of the first and scored a run.

The Bulldogs continued putting numbers on the board as Delaney Aurich hit a sacrifice fly, and Mackenze Lockman singled, each scoring a run. A single by Hunter Sisson gave the Bulldogs a six-point advantage in the bottom of the third inning.

Halle Huston, Lockman, and Sisson each collected multiple hits; while every player exhibited patience at the plate, collecting five walks total. Huston stole two bases.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs traveled to Laramie to face the Plainsmen in a double-header, where



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Bulldog Halle Huston (No. 3) leads off first base as a Laramie Plainsmen protects the base earlier in the season.

Mackenzie Lockman struck out 11 batters, leading the Wheatland team in a 5-3 win in the first game.

The Bulldogs were the first in the first inning after Camryn Mickelsen hit a solo home run to left field.

It seemed the Plainsmen might take the lead as three runs were scored in the bottom of the second inning.

A single by left-fielder Macy Jones gave the Bulldogs their lead, 4-3 at the top of the fifth,

and led the way with two additional runs batted-in. Mickelsen was 2-for-2 at the plate and led the Bulldogs in hits.

The second game was another close dual in spite of a six-run deficit in the third inning. The

Bulldogs were on the comeback-trail, closing the gap by scoring on four singles and a home run, but eventually fell to the Plainsmen 7-9, in spite of out-hitting their opponent 16 to five.

Mickelsen and Coates

each collected three hits for the Bulldogs. Lockman led in RBIs with three runs batted in, and Ayden Coates collected two hits with four at-bats.

The Bulldogs will host Thunder Basin on Thursday for their next game.

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FRIDAY EVENING

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SATURDAY EVENING

APRIL 20, 2024

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APRIL 21, 2024

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MONDAY EVENING

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TUESDAY EVENING

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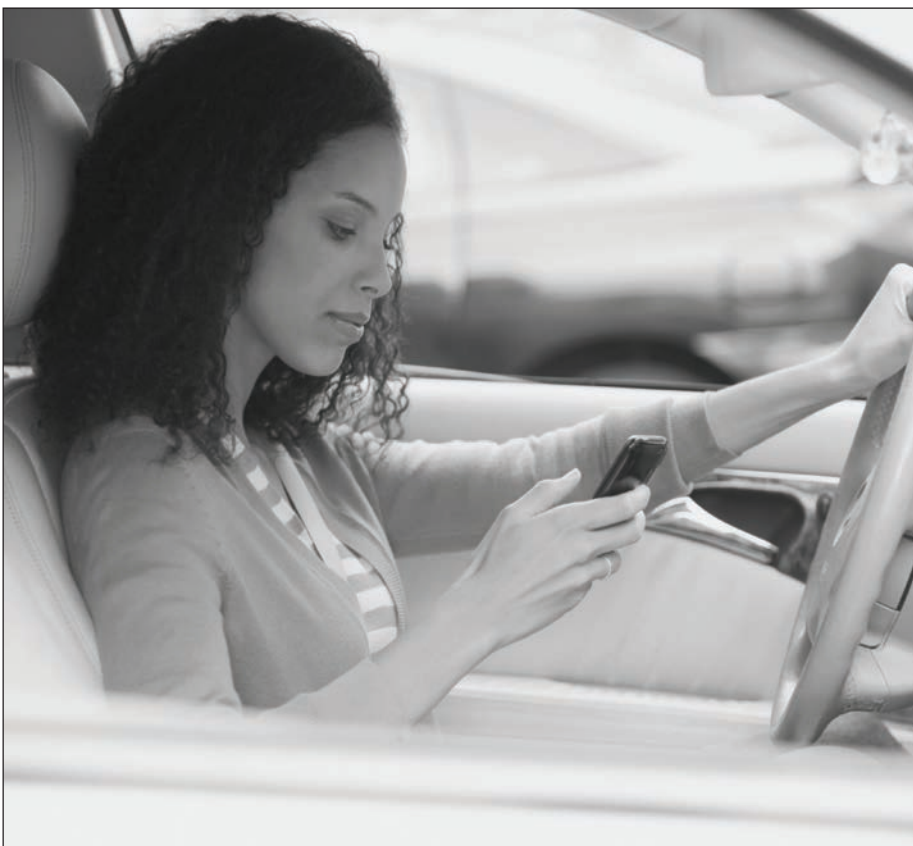
Wheatland's Haylee Nelson (above) shot a 93 to finish 13th at the Cheyenne golf tournament last week. Timmy Philo (left) displays good form at the Cheyenne golf tournament last week.



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WMS finishes top three in golf tourney
Wheatland Middle School golfers Peyton Unrein (l-r), Annabel Witt, Jaylen Kaufman, and Allie Keil took the top three places at the first home tournament last week. Kaufman took first place, Keil placed second and Unrein placed third. Boys (not pictured) placing in the tournament were Griffin Nichols, first place, Fletcher McKee, second place, and Zaide B., third place.

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years or less. During that time, 4,561 crashes were reported as suspected distracted driving. These crashes included 185 critical crashes, 1,083 serious crashes, and 3,293 damage crashes and resulted in 50 fatal injuries. (WYDOT Highway Safety report March-April 2022).

So what is considered distracted driving? Distracted driving is any activity that diverts attention from driving. This can include talking or texting on your phone, eating and drinking, talking to people in your vehicle, fiddling with the stereo,

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In Wyoming, for the same time period mentioned above, the suspected types of driver distraction report in distracted driving crashes were,

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- Other distraction outside the motor vehicle (31%)
- Electronic communication device (21%)
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Request for Bids

The Town of Wheatland will be accepting sealed bids for ONE (1) New 58,000lb. Tandem Axle Truck, with Body, Hydraulics, Snowplow, and Salt Spreader. This unit shall be new and have less than fifty (50) hours and be less than twelve months old, with full factory warranty. The unit shall be delivered complete and ready for service, as specified, and shall be equipped with all the manufacturer's standard equipment. Specifications may be obtained by contacting Wheatland Town Hall 307-322-2962 or by emailing clerk@townofwheatlandwy.org. Bids will be accepted until April 24, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. Bids may be emailed to clerk@townofwheatlandwy.org or mailed to the Town of Wheatland Attn: Candy Wright 600 9th Street Wheatland, WY 82201. For more information call Toby Hohnholt at 307-322-2962. The Town of Wheatland reserves the right to reject any or all proposals with or without cause.

Public Notice No. 11631. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 10 and 17, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Transportation has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming and Reiman, The Contractor, on Highway Project Number B222001 & DR26002 in Converse, Platte and Natrona Counties, consisting of bridge rehabilitation, and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on May 21, 2024.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 10, 2024.

Public Notice No. 11633. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 10, 17 and 24, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Transportation has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming and Bituminous Paving, Inc., The Contractor, on Highway Project Number B222013 & B222033 in Converse, Goshen, Sweetwater and Natrona Counties, consisting of chip sealing, and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on May 21, 2024.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 10, 2024.

Public Notice No. 11634. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 10, 17 and 24, 2024.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) approved the Application of Black Hills Wyoming Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (BHWG) for authority to pass on a wholesale gas cost increase of \$0.0114 per therm for non-Choice Gas customers, effective for usage on and after March 1, 2024. The rate is applicable to 67,987 customers, including the Cheyenne and Cody divisions and all non-Choice Gas customers in the Casper, Gillette, and Torrington divisions who have elected to take service under the Gas Cost Adjustment Rate. The Commission's approval is subject to notice, protest, intervention, refund, change, further investigation, opportunity for hearing, and further order.

The proposed gas cost rate results in an increase of \$1.98 or 0.9% for the typical residential customer using 58 therms per month during March 2024 through May 2024.

Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 26 allows a utility to pass on to its customers known or projected commodity cost increases or decreases on a dollar-for-dollar basis, subject to public notice, opportunity for hearing, and refund.

1. BHWG's Application is available at the Commission or online at: <http://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (Enter Record No. 17495.)

Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest, or request for a public hearing must file with the Commission on or before May 3, 2024. A proposed intervention or request for hearing must set forth the grounds and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 30026-87-GP-24.

Dated: April 3, 2024.

Public Notice No. 11638. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 10 and 17, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, notice is hereby given of the Application of Black Hills Wyoming Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (BHWG or the Company), for authority to revise its established distribution areas and Wobbe Indices, as more fully described below.

1.BHWG is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(D) and 37-2-112.

2.On March 26, 2024, BHWG submitted its Application requesting authority to revise its established distribution areas and Wobbe Indices. Specifically, the Company proposes updating the Wobbe Indices for the Riverton-Kinnear Area, Lander-Hudson Area, Arapahoe Area, Ethete-Fort Washakie Area, Pavillion Area, and Shoshoni Area. The Company states that many of the Wobbe Indices in effect were established in the 1980s, and are outdated due to changes in the natural gas supply, and that several of the locations used to test the supply are redundant. BHWG states that its proposed measurement points and methods will better represent a more constant and accurate measurement of gas quality delivered to customers than previously available.

3.This is not a complete description of the Application. The complete Application is available at the Commission's offices or online at: <https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (Enter Record No. 17533).

4.Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest, or request for a hearing must do so in writing, on or before May 6, 2024. Petitions shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 30026-89-GA-24 in your communications.

5.If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307)

777-7427, or 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: April 5, 2024.

Public Notice No. 11641. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 17 and 24, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNAPPROVED RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF WHEATLAND A regular meeting of the Council for the Town of Wheatland, Platte County, and State of Wyoming was held on April 8, 2024, pursuant to the law. Mayor Graves called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following were present at roll call: Councilman Montoya, Kaufman, and Allison. Clerk/Treasurer Candy Wright and Attorney Doug Weaver were also present. Mayor Graves presented the agenda adding an Arbor Day Proclamation and Resolution 4-2024. Councilman Kaufman motioned, seconded by Councilman Montoya, to accept the agenda as amended. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Montoya motioned, seconded by Councilman Allison, to accept the consent agenda and place it on file. Motion passed 3-0. March vouchers approved by the Council are as follows: 406 Safety and Consulting LLC, 1,000.00, safety training, Allison, William, 150.00, Council Meeting, Alasco, 122.57, mat rentals, Ardurra, 24,673.05, airport engineering, AT&T Mobility, 259.44, mobile internet, Black Hills Energy, 4,972.96, heating, Bloedorn Lumber, 1,046.96, materials & supplies, Bomgaars, 4,396.32, shop supplies, Capital Business System, 618.22, copier, Carolina Software, 200.00, support, City of Torrington, 20,338.40, Tipping Fees, Civil Engineering Professional, Inc., 29,104.02, engineering water storage tank, CMI-TECO, 1,088.04, truck maintenance, Code Publishing Company, 129.00, municipal code, Connecting Point, 5,589.80, It Support, Cowboy Drug, 30.00, PD ammo, Crescent Electric, 1,576.02, supplies, Dana Kepner Co, 1,228.12, water meters, DBT Transportation Services LLC, 1,735.75, AWOS, DBT Transportation Services LLC, 250.00, Deep Rock Water, 86.92, water, Downtown Laundry, 48.00, uniform repair, Eakes Office Solutions, 23.18, PD office supplies, Energy Labs Inc., 385.00, waste water/ water testing, Engineering Associates, 5,909.50, engineering - 16th St, Engineering Associates, 4,356.08, water & sewer engineering, Enniss, Tabitha, 460.79, travel expenses, Fat Boys Tire & Repair, 1,508.70, vehicle maintenance, Ferguson Waterworks, 1,427.98, water parts, First Bankcard, 8,369.95, travel/training/Google/PD uniform allowance, First State Bank, 20,000.00, health claims, Frenchman Valley Coop, 3,585.00, propane and tank lease, GoTo Communications, 569.03, phones, Graves, Brandon, 750.00, Town Council, Hardline Equipment, 456.74, vehicle maintenance, Hawkins Inc, 90.00, 150 lb. chlorine cylinders, Horton Fuels LLC, 8,296.92, fuel, Ideal, 98.06, coveralls, John Deere Financial, 418.82, tire and rim, Kaufman, Joshua, 150.00, Council Meeting, KYCN Radio, 200.00, advertisement, Lambert, Donald, 180.20, boots, Landis + Gyr, 950.00, Monthly Fee, Laramie Peak Motors, 100.28, vehicle maintenance, Laramie Peak Vet. Assoc., 221.26, K9 exam, Lawson Products, 1,738.84, supplies, Madsen, Alan, 150.00, Town Council, Marks Plumbing Parts, 636.00, Sloan optima sensor valve, McElmurry, Jeanie R, 325.00, Cleaning Town Hall, Meritain Health, 29,712.13, health insurance, Mid-American Pool Renovation, 120,500.00, pool repairs, Montoya, Anthony, 150.00, Council Meetings, Mountain West Technologies, 211.90, fire department, Oliver, Zachariah, 1,000.00, Electrical Inspector, One Call of Wyoming, 59.25, one call tickets, One Stop Safety, 150.00, fit test and drug testing, O'Reilly Automotive Inc, 311.96, water vehicle maintenance, Orr, Ryan, 300.00, shop cleaning, Peterbilt of WY, 185.93, pipe exhaust, Pitney Bowes, 800.00, postage, Quill Corporation, 532.53, supplies, Record Times & PC Merchant, 1,060.70, advertisement, Rock Solid SST, 1,358.00, PD ammo, Sargent Drilling Co, 54,114.12, repair well #6, & 7, Seely, Ryder, 44.38, court, State of WY, 14,561.96, Utility Sales Tax, Superior Contracting LLC, 11,400.00, trash hauling, Symbiosa, 1,000.00, gis and mapping, T & C Landscape Dirt Works, 19,128.25, infield athletic mix, T & C Landscape Dirt Works, 22,365.00, legion field, T.C. Edwards, 192.20, clean and test, diagnostics, TDS Collection Service Inc., 3,979.20, rolloff c&d, The Radar Shop Inc., 1,092.00, Recertified 12 radar units, The Tire Shop, 792.40, Shop truck tires, Thrifty Foods, 538.51, water supplies, Trav-

elers, 261.00, Commercial Insurance, Twisted Threads LLC, 162.00, Hats, USA Blue Book, 1,208.59, well maintenance, Valli Information System Inc, 1,107.85, mailing of bills, Verizon Wireless, 333.34, Wireless services, Western Bldg., 301.08, supplies, Wheatland Automotive, 3,789.11, vehicle maintenance, Wheatland Family Dental, 517.00, employee evaluation, Wheatland Fire Department Foundation, 633.00, physicals, Wheatland R.E.A., 6,222.99, Water Dept Electric, WYDOT, 29.53, Citation pads, Wyoming Local Government Liability Pool, 1,000.00, AA240038 claim 1.15.2024, Wyoming Retirement System, 243.75, firemen's retirement, Wyoming Workers Compensation, 770.91, fire workers comp, SPET- Barr Engineering, 7,778.30, South Street underground, Border States, 1,304.52, electric supplies, Town of Wheatland, 4,500.00, reimbursement for electrical supplies, Payroll, \$182,074.28, Total Vouchers \$657,778.59 PUBLIC COMMENTS: A report was given by the Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Graves proclaimed the month of April as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention month. Mayor Graves proclaimed May 2, 2024, as a National Day of Prayer. Mayor Graves proclaimed April 26, 2024, as the day to celebrate Arbor Day. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Councilman Kaufman motioned, seconded by Councilman Montoya, to approve Ordinance #849 on second reading. Motion passed 3-0. An Ordinance Continuing the Imposition of the Optional 1% Sales Tax Pursuant to Wyoming State Statute §39-15-203. NEW BUSINESS: Councilman Allison motioned, seconded by Councilman Kaufman, to accept the 2024 bond schedule. Motion Passed 3-0. Councilman Kaufman motioned, seconded by Councilman Montoya, to approve the Wyoming Water Development Commissions Grant Agreement. Motion passed 3-0. Councilman Kaufman motioned, seconded by Councilman Montoya, to approve Resolution 4-2024 A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the funding package from the Wyoming Water Development Commission for Wheatland Tank Project 2024. Motion passed 3-0. With nothing further to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. S/N: Mayor Brandon Graves Attest: S/N: Clerk Candy Wright

Public Notice No. 11642. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 17, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Jacob Joseph Grudle HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that she/he has filed a Petition in the District Court of Platte County requesting that his/her name be changed to Jacob Joseph Easthouse. All parties opposed to this Petition should file notice with the court before the Petition is granted.

April 10, 2024 /s/ Jacob Grudle

Public Notice No. 11643. To be published in the Platte County Record-Times - April 17, 24, May 1 and 8, 2024.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROBATE
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED: You are hereby notified that on April 5, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Bridget Foley Wilson, deceased, was admitted to probate by the District Court, Eighth Judicial District, Platte County, Wyoming, Docket No. CV-2024-33-DC, and Hayley M. Kirchoff was appointed personal representative. Any action to set aside the Will shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent or the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at the office of the attorney for the estate, John J. Maier, Maier Speckner & Speckner Law Firm, LLC, 310 West Valley Road, Suite B, P.O. Box 1094, Torrington, Wyoming 82240-1094.

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

DATED April 10, 2024. s/John J. Maier, WSB 5-1786, Attorney for the Estate

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Avoid open fields, the top of a hill or a ridge top.

Stay away from tall, isolated trees or other tall objects. If you are in a forest, stay near a lower stand of trees.

If you are in a group, spread out to avoid the current traveling between group members.

If you are camping in an open area, set up camp in a valley, ravine or other low area. Remember, a tent offers NO protection from lightning.

Stay away from water, wet items, such as ropes, and metal objects, such as fences and poles. Water and metal do not attract lightning but they are excellent conductors of electricity. The current from a lightning flash will easily travel for long distances.

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- 4. I can't hear the siren where I live. How will I be notified?**
Get a weather radio, and/or make sure you are signed up for PlatteAlert.
- 5. Will I get a PlatteAlert notification when there is a tornado?**
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- 7. How do I sign up for PlatteAlert?**
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- 8. I don't have a computer. How do I sign up?**
Call 307-322-1335. It is a dedicated number just for PlatteAlert. Leave a message with your information and someone will get back to you and make sure you are signed up.
- 9. What if I want to change the notifications I'm getting?**
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- 11. With all the spam calls going on now, how will I know that a call is from PlatteAlert so that I can answer it?**
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