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# Beyond the field

## Honoring Mark Bullington



FILE PHOTO

Southeast Schools released a statement on Wednesday morning announcing the passing of Mark Bullington, who retired from head football coach and teacher in 2023. Bullington had a successful football career in his over 40 years with the Cyclones but he will be remembered for much more.

BY JESS OAKS

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**YODER** – The week became more difficult to bear by the day after the Monday announcement of the untimely death of a beloved man and Trailblazer legend, Tim Hurst. The sports community of Goshen County, once again, felt a deep sadness as the Southeast High School Cyclones announced the death of Mark

Bullington, an admired high school football coach and automotive/woods teacher who retired in 2023, after working in the school district for over 40 years, on Wednesday, December 18.

“This morning the Bullington Family and Cyclone Community lost one of the greatest men to ever walk the earth. Mark Bullington faithfully served the students at Southeast Schools for over 40 years as

a teacher, coach, and mentor,” the social media post read.

Bullington, often known as “Coach B.,” “Mr. B.,” or simply just “B.,” played 8-man football in Hyannis, Nebraska, while he was growing up in the Sandhills. His love of football brought the prospects of his early athletic career to life.

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## Tim Hurst honored



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A bittersweet moment for the Torrington High School Lady Blazers as the teams stands for the National Anthem following a memorial to honor longtime sportscaster Tim Hurst before the home opener on December 17. Pictured, from left, are junior Kieana Gunhammer, junior Natalie Long, junior Kennedy Reinhardt, senior Madix McIntosh, senior Teryn Stokes and senior Jaycee Hurley.



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The Torrington High School athletic department and basketball teams honored the memory of longtime sportscaster Tim Hurst with family members before the Lady Blazers and Blazers home games on December 17. Pictured, from left, are Tim Hurst's son-in-law Moses Hernandez, daughter Kenzy Hernandez, grandson Cooper Fetus, wife Kim Hurst and THS activities director and dean of students Gabe Bartlett.

## City optimistic with pool repairs

BY JESS OAKS

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**TORRINGTON** – The Torrington City Council called the second December meeting to order on the 17th at 5:30 p.m. by mayor Herb Doby with council members Wayne Deahl, Dr. Richard Patterson, Dennis Kelly and Shane Vikortin were present at the meeting where the council approved the third and final reading of the ordinance relating to sanitation fees.

After a few words of condolence regarding the loss of long-time sports director and area sports broadcaster for GoCoNow, formally KGOS/KERM, Tim Hurst, Patterson led the community and council in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the mayor's informational items.

Doby wished the community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

“Tonight is council's last

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OBITUARY

Robert "Bob" Lewis

TORRINGTON – Robert "Bob" Lewis, of Torrington passed away on December 9, 2024. Bob was born January 28 in Greybull. In 1957, his family moved to Riverton where Bob graduated from high school and met the love of his life, Janie. Together, they shared 64 wonderful years and raised four boys. Bob retired from the computer center at the University of

Wyoming in 1995. Bob was an avid golfer, active member of the Lions, the Episcopal church and was loved by all. Bob was preceded in death by his son Chris and is survived by his wife Janie, sons Patrick (Kim), Tim (Erika), Eric (Ali) and numerous grand and great grandchildren. Service to be held in Laramie, spring 2025.

December 4 – December 6 emergency services log

**December 4 – 6**  
 00:40 – Domestic – Occurred on E E St. individual drunk and hitting RP. Rp bleed from back of the head. Disposition: report required.  
 02:52 – Suspicious circumstances – Occurred on E 3rd Ave. Sounded like someone just hit back door and thinks someone may be outside/Rp will meet with deputies when they arrive. Disposition: completed.  
 03:01 – Medical aid – Occurred on E F St. Disposition: completed.  
 04:42 – 911 call (abandoned, open line, etc.) – Occurred on E 17th Ave. Hang up call. GPS showing around above location number not in house. Disposition: gone on arrival.  
 05:34 – 911 call (abandoned, open line, etc.) – Occurred on W A St. accidental dial was trying to turn alarm off on phone, states everything is fine. Disposition: completed.  
 05:53 – Medical aid – Occurred on N Lawton Ave. called RP called RP wanting an ambulance ref gout. Disposition: completed.  
 06:34 – Suspicious circumstances – Occurred on US Highway 26. White pickup parked in the middle of the road, RP stopped and talked to individual and stated that they are very intoxicated, RP did not get a plate number. Disposition: completed.  
 07:51 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at E M St, Torrington. Disposition: completed.  
 08:00 – Extra patrol – Occurred on E 3RD Ave. Disposition: completed.  
 08:27 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at Us Highway 26, Ft Laramie. White Kia Forte. Disposition: citation issued.  
 09:06 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at S Lacy St, Yoder. Disposition: completed.  
 09:15 – Log information – Occurred on Road 47 F. Lane closure for about a week/west lane being concreted.  
 10:36 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at Sage Creek Dr, Torrington. Disposition: completed.  
 10:51 – Medical aid – Occurred on W Valley Rd. having heart attack/use west side door/RP disconnected call. Disposition: completed.  
 10:59 – Officers court papers other

than warrants – Officer initiated activity at W D St, Torrington. Disposition: completed.  
 11:03 – Follow-up on incident or case – Officer initiated activity at E E St, Torrington. Disposition: completed.  
 11:11 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at Us Highway 26, Ft Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.  
 11:25 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at Us Highway 26, Ft Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.  
 11:27 – Scam calls, monetary / computer fraud – Occurred on Tollefson TrI. Received a phone call from someone claiming to be a third-party process server was going to serve them a summons and they needed to call and reschedule. Disposition: completed.  
 11:58 – Welfare check – Occurred on E F St. RP has not heard from individual all day or seen door open/would like a welfare check as AP talked to the people in the office and they cannot get a hold of individual either. Disposition: completed.  
 11:58 – Warrant – Occurred on E Valley Rd. individual is there and has a warrant, they were told to call if individual shows. Disposition: report required.  
 12:27 – Alarm – Occurred on W C St. fire alarm. Disposition: completed.  
 13:06 – Assist the public – Occurred on E F St. please call RP has questions ref littering and what is allowed and not allowed. Disposition: completed.  
 13:17 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at State Highway 160, Ft Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.  
 13:29 – Log information – Occurred on E 3rd St. fire drill. Disposition: completed.  
 14:03 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at Us Highway 26, Ft Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.  
 14:30 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at Us Highway 26, Ft Laramie. Disposition: warning for any traffic or other.  
 14:30 – Hazard – traffic, ped, etc. – Occurred on US Highway 85. Big hay bale in road. Disposition: completed.  
 15:08 – Found property report – Occurred on E G St. Found debit card for individual in alley. Disposition: completed.

Court fines for Dec. 1-6

**December 6**  
 Derek Weber, Drake, Colorado, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$105.  
**December 7**  
 Tyler Rutt, Rapid City, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$115.  
 Hailey R. Hushbeck, Cheyenne, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$155.  
**December 8**  
 Kayla Brooks, Arvada, Colorado, fail to use non-toxic shot for waterfowl or in restricted area, \$150.  
 Todd Brooks, Arvada, Colorado, fail to use non-toxic shot for waterfowl or in restricted area, \$150.  
 Brian Skarohlid, Cheyenne, fail to use non-toxic shot for waterfowl or in restricted area, \$150.  
**December 9**  
 Harley K. Feagler, Torrington, fail to provide proof of liability insurance, \$560.  
 Kellin S. Sandeno, Fort Collins, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$135.  
 Faustino Hisqueredo, Jr., Torrington, stop sign, \$140.  
 Heather Vires, Tucson, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$140.  
 Monica Moler, Rapid City, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$105.  
**December 10**  
 Steven Martinez, Torrington, criminal trespass, jail: five days, suspended: five days, unsupervised probation: six months, fees and fines: \$370.  
 Michael A. Flores, Cheyenne, careless driving, first offense, \$240.  
 Kyndra A. Wiford, Torrington, careless driving, first offense, \$240.  
 Brian Newton, Yادkinville, North Carolina, RR crossing: stop at signal, \$90.

Omar Perez Lozano, Houston, Texas, vehicle exceed 30 mph in urban district (6+ over), \$267.  
 Karolyn K. Berry, Lingle, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$120.  
 Tyler Grippo, Huntington, New York, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$135.  
**December 11**  
 Barry Baker, Guernsey, operate a CMV without CDL, \$190.  
 Barry Baker, Guernsey, no or improper breakaway or emergency breaking, \$190.  
 Barry Baker, Guernsey, defective coupling devices for full trailer, \$190.  
 Jordan Andrew Courtney, Torrington, failure to display valid license plates, validation stickers (tabs) or permits within 30 days, \$90.  
 Jordan Andrew Courtney, Torrington, fail to provide proof of liability insurance, \$560.  
 Jasper Mac Naughton, Juneau, Alaska, vehicle exceed 30 mph in urban district (6+ mph over), \$181.  
 Mary Rivas, Torrington, vehicle exceed 30 mph in urban district (6+ mph over), \$174.  
**December 12**  
 Megan Eagle, Rapid City, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$145.  
 Ammar Alibrahim, Paterson, New Jersey, vehicle superintendent's speed zone (6+ mph over), \$170.  
 Dennis D. Church, Cheyenne, criminal trespass, \$220.  
**December 13**  
 Tyler J. Espinosa, Fort Laramie, valid driver's license, \$140.  
 Max Addante, Castle Pines, Colorado, vehicle exceed 70 mph on primary/secondary hwy (6+ mph over), \$135.  
 Janet G. Robertson, Torrington, seat belt: driver, \$25.

15:20 – Records entry – Officer initiated activity at E 22ND Ave, Torrington. Remove warrant from Wyoming warrants and enter into NCIC. Disposition: completed.  
 15:49 – Assault – Occurred on Road 55 F. Inmate assault on staff. Disposition: completed.  
 16:32 – Parking complaints – Occurred on Main St. RP has questions regarding vehicle from arrest this morning as it is parked in a handicap spot. Disposition: completed.  
 16:45 – Traffic complaints; speed, reckless etc. – Occurred on US Highway 85. Barn north bound toward Torrington/Red Ford dually pickup/left rear damage/RP advised individual driving very slowly and all over the road and then would flip people off when they went around driver. Disposition: completed.  
 17:23 – Found property report – Occurred on E 21st Ave. When locking up restrooms, found an iPhone in the restroom and locked it in the cleaning closet/ RP advised if no one comes to claim it in the morning, PR will bring it to the PD.

18:21 – Lost animal calls – Occurred on E J St. grey Pitbull with white patch on chest, is friendly to people but not other dogs. Disposition: completed.  
 19:13 – 911 call (abandoned, open line, etc.) – Occurred on US Highway 85. 911 hang up, called back and RP says RPS traveling south bound on hwy 85 unknown mile marker, accidental dial. Disposition: completed.  
 21:18 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at W C St, Torrington. Disposition: warning for any traffic or other.  
 21:30 – Dumpster fire – Occurred on E 17th Ave. dumpster is on fire. Disposition: completed.  
 22:03 – Assist the public – Occurred on E B St. RP wanted to know if anyone was flying a drone between Lingle and Ft. Laramie. Disposition: completed.  
 01:36 – Assist the public – Occurred on W C St. RP advising that an officer was around RPs house shining lights, RP is worried that RP has a warrant or is wanted for something, would like an officer to call RP back and speak with


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# Fire ban still in affect

## No moisture expected until 2025

BY JESS OAKS

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**GOSHEN COUNTY** – The Goshen County Commissioners held the second December meeting on Tuesday, December 17. The meeting was called to order by Michael McNamee, chairman, at 9 a.m. and he led fellow commissioners Justin Burkart and Aaron Walsh, along with clerk Mary Feagler as well as those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting began with a brief welcome address and opening comments from the chairman.

“Thank you all for coming and giving us one additional meeting. That’s what we all wanted for 2024 was one additional meeting,” McNamee joked. “This is typically a meeting that is canceled but, [we] felt that there were a couple of things that we needed to tend to, so we are going to conduct kind of an abbreviated schedule this morning.”

The commission approved the minutes from the previous meeting. There were no revisions to be made the current meeting agenda and the council moved on to the opening comments and reports.

“To the families, the resident of Goshen County, a Merry Christmas. We have had a great 2024. I think that we would all agree that we’ve had some challenges. I think due to lack of moisture, kind of what that’s meant to, what we have encountered with some fires and different things like that.”

With no clerk of court report, the commission moved on to the sheriff’s report. It was noted Kory Fleenor, sheriff, was unavailable and he provided his report to the commission prior to the meeting.

“As far as commissary report, the balance is \$21,203.44 and the earnings report, it shows total earnings of \$1,575,” McNamee said.

The sheriff’s report was quickly approved.



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**During the Goshen County Commissioners meeting, Bob Taylor of Benchmark, presented the commissioners with the Van subdivision information. Pictured from left to right, commissioners Aaron Walsh, Justin Burkart and Michael McNamee sit by and listen to Taylor’s proposal.**

“I don’t have a lot to add. It’s still dry,” Chris Stoddard, road and bridge superintendent said. “We’re doing everything we can to keep the roads as smooth as we can until we get some moisture and we can really start digging in and getting those things taken care of it’s going to be this way.”

“All that I have is a subdivision,” Bob Taylor, BenchMark President said. “A 21-acre track on the Lingle/Veteran highway about four miles southwest of town. This has been before everybody.”

Taylor noted there are no water rights on the land and the land is not farmable.

Burkart made a motion to approve the Van subdivision which carried by vote and the subdivision was approved and after a few additional comments, the motion was also made to accept the road and bridge report.

Feagler presented the updated warrant report, pay roll liability report and a mid-month voucher to pay the insurance company.

The commission quickly approved the clerk’s report and moved on.

Thomas Bozeman presented his reports to the commission, noting fire weather is still a threat in the area.

“As of right now, we are still in the

same moisture profile that we were. Still in drought even though we have had a lot of cloudy days and different things, but we have had no moisture actually hit the ground,” Bozeman explained. “Of the counties that are in a fire ban, all have lifted except for Hot Springs, Platte, Goshen, Laramie and Niobrara. All of those still tend to hold theirs to the first of the year.”

Bozeman noted the only “really good chances for moisture” are near the first of the year, according to the National Weather Service where the county has a 20% chance of precipitation.

Bozeman recommended leaving the fire ban in place in Goshen County until the drought conditions could be further evaluated in January.

A motion was made to accept the report, including the continuation of the fire ban, and the motion then carried.

Kevin Flock provided the commissioners with an update on various projects and concerns within the maintenance department report.

“Basically, on the control panel project, they sent their design engineer out to look at everything and kind of figure out what they were going to need parts-wise to do that project,” Flock

explained. “They had a plumber, one of the local plumbers, come over because they’ll be responsible for changing a lot of those the two three-way valves.”

Flock expressed when the company came and looked, they discovered more control valves. Flock noted the company would need to rebid the project in order to change the newly discovered valves. McNamee stated the repairs were clearly warranted and needed to be done, even though the costs were different than originally anticipated.

Flock also mentioned there were issues with a fire alarm system in one of the older buildings own by the county. Flock noted he did obtain a quote to install a system in the basement with a fire panel and an alert system to dial emergency services. Flock stated the quote for the system was just under \$10,000. Flock consulted the grant writers for the county who informed Flock there were possible grant funds available for the system. McNamee explained the county grant writer is very helpful for the county to obtain funds.

Flock noted there had been no updates regarding the sump pump project and he would provide an update after the first of the year.

Flock also spoke to the commission on the truck, which will be used to plow, the county will be having wrapped for the department. It was agreed Flock should have the company use a grey colored wrap for the truck and further investigation for the truck bed should be conducted.

After a brief discussion, the commission approved Flock’s report.

With no other reports to approve, the commission moved on to the remainder of the abbreviated agenda where they entered into an executive session. The meeting was adjourned thereafter to reconvene for the first meeting of 2025 on Tuesday, January 7 at 9 a.m.

# Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation honored

## Senator Cheri Steinmetz with leadership award

FOR THE TELEGRAM

**CASPER** – Wyoming State Senator Cheri Steinmetz was awarded the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation (WyFB) Leadership Award at the organization’s 105th Annual Meeting. Presented November 8, 2024 in Casper, the award is given to those who have devoted much time to the betterment of agriculture in Wyoming through their leadership in the Farm Bureau Federation and beyond.

“When Farm Bureau lobbies for something at the legislature, I know it comes from the grassroots people of this state and that’s why it’s so important to me,” Steinmetz noted on her deep respect for the Federation and its mission.

With a strong background in agriculture, Senator Cheri Steinmetz has a deep connection to Wyoming’s rural way of life, a passion for the land, and a love for the communities that make up her district and state.

“I’m a farm girl from Goshen County, so agriculture is near and dear to my heart, and I understand the battles we’re facing from the federal government and the fiscal challenges that face us right now,” Steinmetz said upon receipt of her award.

Senator Steinmetz proudly represents Goshen, Niobrara, and Weston counties in the Wyoming State Senate. Since her election in 2019, she has served on the Appropriations Committee, ensuring that Wyoming’s resources are carefully managed for the benefit of our communities and future generations. Her legislative career, however, began

long before the State Senate.

From 2015 to 2018, she represented House District 5, where she quickly became known as a principled and effective leader. Senator Steinmetz has served in the Wyoming Legislature since 2015 building a legacy of service.

In his nomination letter, Lane Hageman noted her tenure has not been without its challenges. Her district has faced multiple natural disasters, including a canal tunnel collapse, a canal breach, and devastating wildfires.

“She is a leader in efforts to protect and preserve agriculture and is a champion of private property rights and individual freedom. She has responded to these events with compassion for those affected and leadership to effectively and efficiently handle the problems at stake,” Hageman said.

Throughout her legislative career, Senator Steinmetz has contributed her skills and passion across numerous committees. She previously served on the Senate’s Agriculture, State and Public Lands and Water Resources Committee; the Transportation, Highways, and Military Affairs Committee; the Select Committee on Legislative Facilities, Technology and Process; the Travel, Recreation, and Wildlife Committee; and the Committee on Capitol and Finance.

She has chaired both the Agriculture, State and Public Lands and Water Resources Committee and the Select Water C o m m i t t e e .

Through her leadership in these roles, she has championed Wyoming’s agricultural industry, consistently defended private property rights, and protected the individual freedoms of her constituents.

Beyond her work in the legislature, Senator Steinmetz has been deeply involved in her local community. She has served as the secretary of the Goshen County Republican Women, on the Goshen County Farm Bureau Federation board, and as a precinct committee woman for the Wyoming Republican Party.

“Senator Steinmetz’s principles are grounded in a strong sense of faith, trustworthiness, and a genuine passion for doing what is right. Her unwavering dedication to her constituents has earned her deep respect, not only for her work in the Legislature but also for her personal integrity and commitment to the people of Wyoming,” Hageman said in his presentation of the award.

WyFB President Todd Fornstrom echoed Hageman’s comments and added “We are proud to recognize and thank Wyoming State Senator Cheri Steinmetz for her strong leadership for agriculture here in Wyoming.” “It is an honor to name Senator Steinmetz



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the 2024 WyFB Leadership Award recipient,” Fornstrom concluded.

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After I became a Christian, there were many years when I had no victory in my daily life. I was miserable because I still had wounds in my soul from being abused by my father as a child—a past that made me insecure, angry, suspicious of others, and hard to get along with.

Even though I loved God and went to church every week, I had no idea that there was power available to me to overcome the hurts from the past and the struggles of everyday life. And everything that came along that was hard to handle, defeated me.

But I was so grateful when I found out in God's Word that not only is He powerful, but He wants to fill us with His power. He promises in His Word that we can have abundant life in Christ because He has overcome the world! (John 10:10; 16:33.)

The truth is, as believers in Christ, we don't have to live weak, wimpy, pitiful, pathetic, barely-getting-by lives. We can have God's power working in us to enable us to do whatever we need to do in life!

Some people have the misconception that when they give their lives to Jesus, they will no longer have any problems. It would be nice if this were true, but in this world, we WILL have trials and tribulations. The good news is, we can cheer up anyway because Jesus has overcome the world.

In John 16:33 (AMP), Jesus says,

"...In the world you have tribulation and distress and suffering, but be courageous [be confident, be undaunted, be filled with joy]; I have overcome the world."

No one can promise you a problem-free life, but God promises that if you will put your trust in Him, He will give you a faith that enables you to rise above the problems you face. And when you get through them, you'll be stronger on the other side than you were before you had them.

Knowing you can have power from God to live in this world is one thing, but learning to believe this truth and walk in it is the key to having victory over the trials and suffering you face. I love Philippians 3:10 because it says we can actually experience the same power that raised Christ from the dead.

In this verse, the apostle Paul says his determined purpose was to "know Him [experientially, becoming more thoroughly acquainted with Him, understanding the remarkable wonders of His Person more completely] and [in that same way experience] the power of His resurrection [which overflows and is active in believers], and [that I may share] the fellowship of His sufferings, by being continually conformed [inwardly into His likeness even] to His death [dying as He did]" (AMP).

This is an amazing and encourag-

ing promise from God, because we all face problems and have weaknesses we can't overcome in our own strength or effort. But if we are determined to trust God in every situation, all the time, we can fight the good fight of faith by HIS grace.

Romans 8:37 (AMP) says: "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors and gain an overwhelming victory through Him who loved us [so much that He died for us]." I love this phrase "more than conquerors." But what does it really mean?

Being more than a conqueror means that before you ever have a problem, you are confident that you have whatever it takes to overcome it through your relationship with Christ. In other words, you know you have the victory before you ever get the problem.

Now, in order to "qualify" for the power of God, we must first come to the place where we recognize that in and of ourselves, we are weak and we have limitations without God. If we didn't have any weakness, we wouldn't realize we need Him. And one of the best prayers we can ever pray is "God, I need You, and I'm nothing without You!" (John 15:5).

It's so important for us to understand this, because if we wait until we have a problem that's too big for us to handle before we rely on God's strength, then we're setting our-

selves up to fail.

The best thing we can do to live this life in victory is to continually seek God with our whole heart, realizing we're desperate for Him all the time. Spend time with Him in prayer and studying His Word every day. Then, when the storms of life happen, you will be confident that in Christ, you already have everything you need to overcome them...and you'll experience the power of His resurrection as you rise above them!

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Fellowship.....10:00 a.m.  
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Sunday Worship .....11:00 a.m.

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Worship Service ..... 10:15 a.m.

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Sunday School & Bible Class.....10:30 a.m.

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Thursday ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday Worship .....10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer..... 6:30 p.m.

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

2101 East B Street  
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Sabbath Service.....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service .....11:00 a.m.

### Torrington Baptist Tabernacle

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Sunday Worship .....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.  
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# Pool: ‘These are major repairs and we need a pool’

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meeting of the year. Our first meeting in 2025 will be on Tuesday, January 7, 2025,” Doby said. “On behalf of myself, council, staff and the employees of the City of Torrington, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please enjoy then peace, excitement, joy and celebration of the Christmas season.”

Moving on, a motion was quickly made by Patterson to approve the consent agenda which included the December 3 council meeting minutes as published, which was seconded by Deahl. Next, the council moved on to approve the evening’s agenda. Viktorin motioned to accept the agenda which was seconded by Kelly.

There were no participants in the public forum which prompt the council to move on to the action items where the third reading of an ordinance relating to sanitation fees where the mayor called on Torrington City Attorney, Jim Eddington, to read the ordinance as presented.

The ordinance was then read and Doby turned discussion over to Jeff Harkins, director of public works.

“Thank you, mayor and council. We had no changes to this ordinance for the third reading. That’s what you guys passed on the second (reading),” Harkins said.

Mayor Doby opened the floor to the council for any questions for Harkins, Eddington or any other city stakeholder, where no questions were purposed.

“I just want to say, I’ve only been aware for, I’ll be going on two years, but I know this thing’s presented, two work sessions, a special meeting on Wednesday evening. Three readings, now we’re on third. So, this thing has been vetted with the public,” Doby said. “We’ve taken public input. We’ve taken suggestions from the public. And here we are, we’re on the third reading. So, I just wanted to say that.”

A motion was made by Patterson to accept the third reading in connection to sanitation fees and Deahl seconded the motion.

After no other discussion, the mayor called for a vote where councilmembers Deahl, Patterson and Kelly voted in favor of accepting the third reading while Viktorin remained against the ordinance.

Moving on to the second action item, the third and final reading of an ordinance relating to no extension of water, sewer or solid waste services where the mayor called on Harkins to provide additional information after

the ordinance was read as presented.

A motion was made by Viktorin to approve the third and final reading of the ordinances relating to no extension of water, sewer or solid waste services which was seconded by Kelly. Mayor Doby called for a vote where all councilmembers voted in favor of the third reading of the ordinance.

“As Mr. Eddington said, there have been no changes to this since the second reading. This was one of those ordinances that we had to make come in line with the sanitation ordinance that we just passed,” Harkins noted during discussion of the ordinance relating to no extension of water, sewer or solid waste services.

Under item three on the agenda, council heard the third and final reading of an ordinance relating to collection by city required where Doby called on Harkins after Eddington read the ordinance title aloud.

“There have been no changes to this ordinance since the second reading,” Harkins explained. “And again, this is basically to get all these ordinances to kind of mesh together and don’t contradict each other.”

After no further discussion, a motion was made by Deahl to approve the ordinance on the third and final reading which obtained a second by Kelly. Doby called for a vote and the motion to accept the ordinance carried.

Moving on to the fourth action item, the council approved an ordinance relating to burning of solid waste on the third and final reading as presented. Eddington read the ordinance by title and Doby called on Harkins once more.

“This ordinance, as we discussed last time, we were going to take out what was called the ‘brush slash tree piles’ and replace it with a ‘slash plie.’ That’s highlighted in your packet in this ordinance. So, that’s the only change since second reading,” Harkins said.

“My memory of that was, that is now the, for lack of a better word, the technical term for the pile that was accumulating down there,” Doby said. “It’s called a slash pile.”

A motion was made by Patterson and seconded by Viktorin to accept the ordinance on the third reading. The motion carried and the council approved the ordinance relating to burning of solid waste.

Under action item five, David Dent of Cottonwood Golf Course spoke to the council on the 2025 golf season.

Dent spoke on the yearly tournament schedule for the course,

noting the schedule presented had only minor changes. Dent also explained there would be an addition on the scheduled of the Wyoming State Golf Association on August 9 and 10.

“We welcome the Wyoming State Golf Association tournament,” Dent said. “That’s big for our community and our golf course and our reputation.”

Dent also noted there was a tournament listed on the schedule which had been requested to be located at a Nebraska golf course. Dent explained it was his belief, all games should be played at the Torrington course.

“So, in one particular tournament, that wants to take a day and move one of their first days to another golf course in another state,” Dent said. “I do not agree with that, so I am leaving it on the tournament schedule as it’s going to be played here with further conversation with that particular entity.”

After a short discussion with the council, the council approved the proposed golf schedule and Dent moved on to recognizing Debbie Curry.

Curry thanked the mayor and council for the continued support of the golf course, noting Chuck, Curry’s late husband, loved the golf course and walked it every morning. Curry also spoke to the council about her the many improvements made at the course and how the improvement tournament was a success to the Curry family. Dent presented Curry with flowers and a plaque during the meeting.

“Debbie, on behalf of the golf course, any of the players, the maintenance group, the people that played in the tournament, they loved Chuck Curry,” Dent said. “Chuck was probably the kindest guy I’ve ever met. On behalf of myself and everybody involved, thank you for your hard work. It’s made a huge difference.”

The council then moved on to action item six, resolution number 2024-12, amending the 2025 fiscal year budget for repairs to the swimming pool. The council heard from Eddington who read the resolution aloud and Doby called on Lynette Strecker, clerk/treasurer.

Eddington, reading the resolution, explained the repairs to the pool would be in excess of the 2025 fiscal year budget which would require a grand total budget adjustment of \$303,530.

“We did have a work session discussing the major repairs and the pool and where that funding would possibly be coming from. The budget adjustments here today do not reflect the grant amounts,” Strecker said. “I had heard that the grant, the two grants that we got, one from Rotary and the other one from the Community Healthcare Foundation. We are going to pay the contractor directly. Then I wouldn’t need to adjust the budget for if those happen. I will come in at a later date if that is not the case. But for right now, these are the adjustments to the budget including the amount coming out of reserve which, is at the very bottom.”

“These are major repairs and we need a swimming pool,” Strecker added as she asked for an update on the pool repairs from Dennis Estes, building and grounds superintendent.

Estes noted demolition work is near completion.

“There was a lot of plaster that was bad. There’s a lot more they’re going to look at. Their next phase is to finish that up and then do the structural crack injection. They found a couple more that we weren’t aware of. They’re not big, but they’re there,” Estes explained. “There is a pretty major crack that goes along the very north end of that wall, right at the bottom of that wall. That crack goes all the way down that wall.”

Estes also noted an additional problem had been found.

“So, the other issue they found that we didn’t know about was the gutter tiles that you stand on when you step in the pool. They took the tiles off. We’ve never had those off because they’re all glued and silicone down,” Estes said. “They took them all off and there was probably, those gutters are probably eight inches deep and it was half full of mud because we can’t get in there to clean them out.”

Estes noted provisions would be made to deal with the dirty gutters.

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# Torrington Cinemas brings Christmas classics and new adventures

BY AMBER WOLFINGTON  
Contributing Writer

**TORRINGTON** – Did you know that Christmas Day is often the busiest day for moviegoing in the United States? In fact, it is estimated that 5% of total box office receipts occur between December 24 and December 31 each year. This trend makes sense when you consider that many people may be hosting friends and family and looking for an activity that everyone can enjoy, especially something out of the house. Others may be searching for ways to entertain students on break from school. Regardless of the reason, Torrington Cinemas will offer something for every type

of moviegoer.

On Christmas Day, the theater will show the Christmas classic *Elf*, starring Will Ferrell, at 7:00 p.m. The showing is free, though the purchase of concessions is appreciated. In addition to this free screening, the theater will also show *Mufasa: The Lion King*, the newest Disney live-action adaptation of the animated classic, as well as *Sonic the Hedgehog 3*.

While many small-town theaters have closed, Torrington Cinema has operated continuously since 1927, largely due to community support and by keeping ticket prices reasonable. While the average ticket price nationwide is \$10.78, with many theaters charging extra for preferred

seats, Torrington Cinema has kept its ticket prices low, at only \$9 for adults. Considering that ticket prices are \$9.50 in Scottsbluff and \$11.50 in Cheyenne, there is truly no reason to leave town to enjoy a movie. Tickets for children and for matinee showings are just \$7.50.

Theater owner Marie Flanigan looks forward to 2025. She anticipates offering a greater variety of movies as Hollywood gets back to full steam. For those looking for an activity for the family during the Christmas holiday or a are finding a last-minute gift card stocking stuffer everyone will enjoy, Torrington Cinema is an important entertainment option for the Goshen County community.



AMBER WOLFINGTON/TORRINGTON TELEGRAM

**Torrington Cinemas on E 20th Street in Torrington, has been operating continuously since 1926 and continues to delight movie-goers.**

## Pool: Was optimistic about the pool repairs being completed

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Doby noted the weather had been pleasant for the repair crew. Estes, Doby and the council mentioned the pool was in great shape and well maintained considering it was constructed 50 years prior. Estes also noted changes were being made to the wading pool to comply with federal and state guidelines. Strecker mentioned the city was also working on grants to cover some of the repairs.

“All in all, when I have been talking to you, off and on during this process, you seem to be optimistic about what they’re doing, what they’re finding, what they’re able to repair all within our budget, pretty much, right?” Doby asked Estes.

Estes agreed, noted he was optimistic about the pool repairs being completed, on time, within budget.

After a brief discussion, Doby called for a motion which was made by Viktorin and seconded by Kelly. The motion to approve the resolution passed.

Moving on to item number seven on the agenda, performance evaluation and merit increase request where the council heard from Strecker.

“This is a great process that we do every year,” Strecker said. “It holds our department heads accountable. There were no changes to the process this year as far as any of the policies or the procedure. It went very well.”

A motion was made by Deahl which was seconded by Kelly to approve the performance evaluation and merit increase request. The motion was approved.

Moving on to action item eight, the council heard from Strecker regarding the policy handbook amendments.

Strecker explained there had been some changes made regarding the sick leave policy of employees who had given two weeks’ notice; compensation and performance evaluation; promotions, demotions and transfers, leave without pay; on-call policy; hiring process; pay periods/timesheets/preparation of payroll.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made to approve the block of changes by Patterson which was then seconded by Deahl. The policy handbook amendments were approved by vote.

The council moved on to item nine, policy handbook new policy, where Strecker spoke to the council on break and meal period policy.

“The wage committee has been working on this policy for a few years,” Strecker began. “It is a little bit controversial because every department’s a little different.”

Strecker noted the changes made to the policy would reflect the majority of city employees to take 15-minute breaks during the first half and last half of the eight-hour workday, which

would be paid time while the lunch break, during the middle of the day, would be 30 to 60 minutes of unpaid time for the employees. Strecker noted breaks could not be combined or used to clock out early.

The council, Strecker and Eddington had a brief discussion before Kelly made a motion to approve the new policy which was seconded by Patterson. The council approved the motion to approve the new handbook policy regarding breaks and meal period policy.

“Now, this will be a change and it’s going to take some getting used to,” Doby said during discussion. “But I think as it works itself out, people will get used to it. They’ll adapt, I think.”

Kelly motioned to accept the new policy which was then seconded by Patterson. The motion carried and the policy was approved by the council.

Next, the council approve the bills from December 4 to December 17, item ten, with a brief discussion, as presented.

A motion was made by Patterson to approve the bills as presented which was seconded by Kelly and after a brief discussion, the council voted to approve the bill as presented.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, where Ed Hawley, streets and sanitation superintendent, spoke to the council on trash pick-up. Hawley noted residents on the east

side of main street, who normally received pick-up on Tuesday, would receive pick up on Thursday (December 26) and the west side of main street trash pick-up will be Friday (December 27). Hawley noted a third truck would be doing business pick-up.

Estes provided an update regarding the walking path.

“The Rotary is putting in a new sidewalk and across Jirton Park over to the pool,” Estes explained.

Luis Correa, Torrington Fire Department Chief, spoke to the council on fire calls for the department. Correa noted there had been an increase in fire calls, including a few dumpster fires.

“We have kept ourselves busy. We helped out with the parade,” Correa said.

Correa also noted a few firefighters attended training on recruiting new members noting the department is currently under 40 members. Correa also noted the department was looking forward to helping with Shop with a Cop and the department enjoyed the parade.

Dick Keller and his daughter Suzanne Keller also spoke to the council on increasing the trash rate, applauding Viktorin for continuing to vote against the ordinance which was approved in the council agenda item one.

Doby also thanked Patterson for the five years of council service which

## Emergency: Continuation 12-4/12-6

FROM PAGE A2

RP. Disposition: completed.

03:41 – Medical aid – Occurred on W 14th Ave. having severe stomach pain, thinks it is appendix. Disposition: completed.

06:20 – Suspicious circumstances – Occurred on E D St. advised that the neighbors to the south have a trail camera in their back window pointing right into RPs kitchen. RP would like the officer to go in the backyard of the property to look at the camera. RP would also like a call back. Disposition: completed.

06:46 – Assist the public – Occurred on Campbell Dr. helicopter landing in about nine minutes and will need a standby. Disposition: completed.

07:34 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at W E St, Torrington. Disposition: completed.

07:42 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at E A St, Torrington. Disposition: completed.

08:12 – Log information – Occurred on Main St. RP advised they are doing a fire drill/alarm testing and will call when finished. Disposition: completed.

08:27 – Alarm – Occurred on Industrial Park Ave. water plant system intrusion alarm. Disposition: completed.

09:56 – Welfare check – Occurred on US Highway 26-85. Green truck and white car with dog kennel/spouse is diabetic and cannot get ahold of spouse/last heard from spouse eight hours ago, has three German Shepard/lab mix dogs. Disposition: completed.

10:06 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Silver Nissan. Disposition: citation issued.

10:22 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.

10:26 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at Main St, Torrington. Downtown walk. Disposition: completed.

10:51 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. White SUV. Disposition: citation issued.

10:56 – Community contact – Officer initiated activity at S Lacy St, Yoder. Disposition: completed.

11:28 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Silver GMC Yukon. Disposition: citation issued.

11:39 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Disposition: warning for any traffic or other.

12:19 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Disposition: citation issued.

12:25 – Lost animal calls – Occurred on E B St. lost dog/saw dog last at Bell Park Towers about 45 minutes ago/

tan colored chiweenie with a collar on. Disposition: completed.

12:27 – Animal call – Occurred at E B St/E 23rd Ave. black Pitbull loose running by PD/headed down 23rd. Disposition: completed.

12:30 – Assist the public – Occurred on E 22nd Ave. has general question about stop signs and school zones while driving. Disposition: completed.

12:39 – Traffic stops – Officer initiated activity at US Highway 26, Ft. Laramie. Ford Explorer. Disposition: citation issued.

13:07 – Motor vehicle accident – Occurred at W C St/W Valley Rd. RP advised that RP laid scooter down

trying to avoid a crash, RP is now at 28th Ave./W C St. Disposition: report required.

13:14 – Warrant – Occurred on E Valley Rd. attempt to serve a warrant. Disposition: completed.

13:23 – Any civil problem – Occurred on Road 74. RP is in the lobby of the sheriff’s office and would like to speak to a deputy. Disposition: completed.

13:55 – Follow-up on incident or case – Occurred on Hillcrest Dr. RP has questions regarding incident from November 19. Disposition: completed.

14:33 – Assist the public – Occurred on E 22nd Ave. paying on fine. Disposition: completed.

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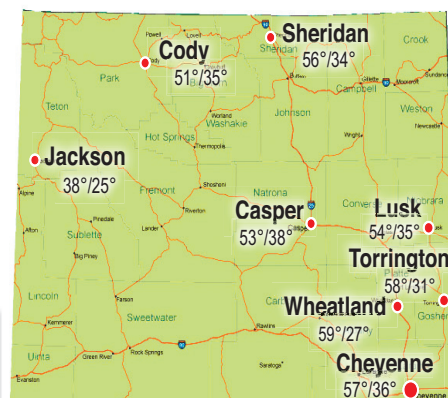
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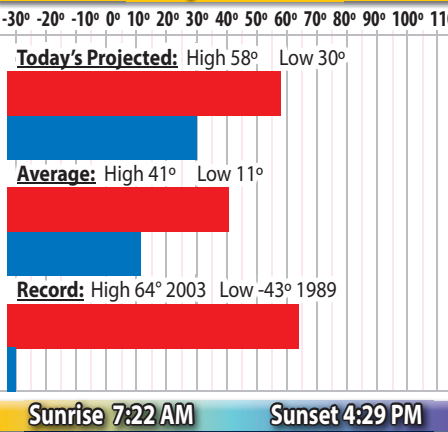
## Wyoming High/Low for Saturday



## 5 Day Local Forecast

Saturday 12/21		
<b>High</b> 58° <small>Real Feel 61°</small>	Sunny to partly cloudy and mild	Precipitation 0%
<b>Evening Low</b> 31° <small>Real Feel 29°</small>	Partly cloudy	0%
Sunday 12/22		
<b>High</b> 52° <small>Real Feel 50°</small>	Mostly cloudy and mild	Precipitation 3%
<b>Evening Low</b> 24° <small>Real Feel 21°</small>	Partly cloudy	3%
Monday 12/23		
<b>High</b> 53° <small>Real Feel 51°</small>	Partly sunny and mild	Precipitation 5%
<b>Evening Low</b> 29° <small>Real Feel 24°</small>	Partly cloudy	19%
Tuesday 12/24		
<b>High</b> 55° <small>Real Feel 54°</small>	Increasing cloudiness	Precipitation 54%
<b>Evening Low</b> 28° <small>Real Feel 27°</small>	Partly cloudy	10%
Wednesday 12/25		
<b>High</b> 53° <small>Real Feel 48°</small>	Clouds and sunshine	Precipitation 25%
<b>Evening Low</b> 28° <small>Real Feel 21°</small>	Cloudy with mixed snow and rain becoming snow or flurries	81%

## Temperature °F



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# Bullington: 'One of the most genuine'

FROM PAGE A1

"When I was in high school, just about everybody played football," Bullington explained in an earlier interview. "That was my love. I thought, 'Man, if I could coach football, I have to figure out what I'm going to teach.'"

Bullington attended Chadron State College where he continued his love of football and even wrestled, despite his lack of experience in being a grappler. He began his teaching career, after graduating, in Lyman, Nebraska where Bullington was coach of high school and junior high football and track in 1979. Through a track meet conversation, Bullington learned there was an opening at Southeast High School for a teacher and assistant high school football coach.

In 1982, Bullington joined the Cyclones, coaching under Barry Miller. Miller provided the coaching philosophy and guidance which led Bullington and the Cyclones to win multiple state championships and titles.

"Barry's main thing was to be happy for your teammates' success and never let them doubt your toughness. And have fun. High school is too short for kids not to have fun," Bullington explained in his 2023 interview announcing his retirement.

Bullington was inducted into the Wyoming Coaches Association Hall of Fame with a statistical record of nine state championships, 11 trips to the state championship, 22 playoff berths, a 2007 and 2020 undefeated season along with an all-time career record of 160 team wins.

"It's not just about the x-es and the o-s. It's about the Jimmies and the Joes. You have to build a relationship with those kids that you coach, so they'll trust you," Bullington explained in his late interview. "You've got to trust them."

The Cyclone community expressed Bullington's undeniable dedication to his students.

"Mark had a special way with students in his classroom and athletes on the field, mat, and track. His demeanor in the

classroom drew students to his classes, as they always knew he truly cared about them and their education," the Cyclone's post read.

Beneath the post, in the comment thread, members of the community, adults who remembered the humble and encouraging coach in school expressed their deep condolences.

"Coach B. will always be a legend. He always saw the best in his students and his athletes. He was one of the greatest mentors to the students and sports at Southeast," former student and athlete, Chance Warner responded.

Lessons taught by Bullington weren't always on the playing field, mat or track.

"Thank you, Coach, [for] all those lessons you taught me on and off the mat. Those lessons remain and are a part of me and who I am," Rick Benninghoven commented.

"You have had a huge impact on my life in the last few years so thank you for everything that you have done for all of us and for putting up with all of us," Angie Logsdon, Southeast senior said in an earlier interview for Bullington's retirement.

Through over 40 years of education and inspiration, Bullington left a lasting impression on his fellow coaches and school faculty.

"I went over to Southeast in '82 and have been there ever since," Bullington said in 2023.

"Mr. B was the kind of person that I loved being around. I will always cherish every minute I was able to spend with him as a player, colleague, and friend," Tim Williams, the school principal said.

"He never seemed to have a bad day; not sure how he did it. I have always appreciated how he treated others and the example that he set with the way he lived his life. Truly one of the greatest people I have ever had the pleasure of being around. One of my favorite memories (out of hundreds) will always be having him as one of my coaches and the time we spent 'attacking' him, only to have him chase us down and make us regret our decision with his nubs."

"This person donated 42 years

devoting time, sweat, and knowledge to the students, athletes, staff, parents and community. This goes all the way back to when a grass football field needed lines painted every season. He coached at all levels for 40-plus years. However, the sparkle that B. brought was being in kids' corners. He would find kids trying to find their way and guide them with his knowledge," Brandy Tighe, Southeast School Secretary said in February.

"The influence you have had on our students, staff and community is admirable," Renee Stoddard, school secretary, expressed in an earlier interview.

"Mark was one of the most genuine and kindest people that I have worked with. He was always glad to see you and had a kind word or something fun to tell you. We are all better because of his gracious and fun attitude," Lonna Schmick, Southeast Science Teacher said.

Throughout the high school football scene, area coaches expressed their gratitude for Bullington.

"Coach B. was one of a kind. As a young coach who didn't grow up in the SEWAC, he was one of the first guys to take me under his wing. There was a time when Pine Bluffs was a struggling football program, and Coach B. is one of the guys who helped our program become better," Pine Bluff High School Football Coach, Will Gray said. "It didn't matter that we were rivals, he was willing to help. He was always willing to take my phone calls and texts. Over time, we started to talk weekly about football, our families, and anything else under the sun. He became a true friend, and I will miss him dearly. Rest in peace, Coach B."

"Coach Bullington was always a guy I could rely on early in my coaching career for sound advice and he was always willing to listen. He was a very kind man who cared deeply for his players, his school and the community. Some of my best coaching memories were with him in the Shrine Bowl," former Torrington High School Head Football Coach, Mark Lenhardt said. "He was truly a great man and leader. He has impacted more people in his tenure at Southeast than we will ever know."

"Coach Bullington coached me in junior high football and then was my coach in high school. After my playing days were over, he took a chance and asked me to be one of his assistants back in 1999, when he took the head football coach," Shawn Burkart, Southeast High School Football Coach said. "So many memories that we had together coaching for 25 years. He was a great friend, mentor and leader of men. Words cannot express what he has meant to me. Thanks, Coach."

For many in the community who worked alongside the legendary coach, the students, faculty and fans of the Southeast Cyclones, Coach B. will be remembered for more than just the 'x-es and the o-s,' he will be remembered as a great friend, a leader and a mentor by all of the 'Jimmies and Joes' he has touched throughout the years.



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# Lady Blazers trounce Alliance in home-opener

## SCHEDULES

### Torrington Boys Basketball

The Blazers board the bus to play Sidney on Friday, December 20 at 5 p.m.

### Girls Basketball

The Lady Blazers travel to play Sidney on Friday, December 20 at 3:30 p.m.

### Wrestling

The THS boys' and girls' teams are on the road to compete at invitationals hosted by Wright and Sidney, Nebraska, on Saturday, December 21.

### Lingle-Fort Laramie Boys Basketball

The LFL Doggers co-host the Goshen County Basketball Classic on Friday and Saturday, December 20-21. The Doggers play HEM on Saturday at 1 p.m., followed by Kaycee at 5:30 p.m. On Saturday, LFL plays Encampment at 10:45 a.m. and Rock River at 2:30 p.m.

### Girls Basketball

The Lady Doggers co-host the Goshen County Basketball Classic on Friday and Saturday, December 20-21. The Lady Doggers play HEM on Friday at 11:30 a.m., followed by Kaycee at 4 p.m. On Saturday, LFL plays Encampment at 9:15 a.m. and Rock River at 1 p.m.

### LFL/SE Wrestling

The LFL/SE wrestling teams compete at the Hot Springs Invitational on Saturday, December 21.

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### EWC Lancers

### Men's Basketball

The Lancers return to the court following the winter holiday break for a home game against Northeastern Junior College on January 8 at 7:30 p.m.

### Women's Basketball

The Lady Lancers are back in action following the winter holiday with a home game against Northeastern Junior College on January 8 at 5:30 p.m.

BY ROBERT GALBREATH  
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**TORRINGTON** – An explosive first quarter between the Torrington High School Lady Blazers basketball team and Alliance saw the Lady Blazers go from an 8-2 deficit to a 17-9 lead in just four minutes during the home opener on December 17.

Torrington attacked the second quarter with even more intensity. An aggressive Torrington offense netted 21 points while an iron-clad Lady Blazer defense completely shut out Alliance for a 38-9 halftime lead.

Torrington widened its lead in the second half to 40 points and went on to post a 62-22 victory for the Lady Blazers' first home performance of the 2024-2025 winter season.

### Four fast and furious quarters

Torrington's defense hounded Alliance on the Lady Bulldog's first possessions as pressure by junior Natalie Long and senior Jaycee Hurley forced several turnovers.

Junior Kennedy Reinhardt opened scoring for the Lady Blazers with a jumper.

Alliance responded with a six-point run to pull ahead, 8-2, with three minutes remaining in the first quarter.

Alliance enjoyed the lead for less than a minute before Torrington battled back.

Long went 2-for-2 at the free-throw line and Rein-

hardt drained a 3-pointer. A steal by junior Kieana Gunhammer returned possession to the Lady Blazers.

Reinhardt followed with a close-range shot and Torrington captured the lead, 9-8, six minutes into the game.

Senior Olive Osmera found an opening in the perimeter to score. A steal by Osmera set up senior Madix McIntosh to score a layup.

McIntosh forced a turnover with a steal and Osmera and Reinhardt rounded out scoring in the first quarter with a free throw and inside shot, respectively.

Torrington found itself ahead, 17-9, as the second quarter began.

The Lady Blazers overwhelmed Alliance in the second quarter, tossing in 21 points while preventing Alliance from scoring.

Osmera set the pace offensively with a pair of outside shots. Reinhardt drained a trey and netted a jumper. McIntosh and Long each tallied four points while Hurley sank an inside shot.

Defensively, Torrington forced turnovers with pressure by Hurley, Osmera, Long, McIntosh and senior Teryn Stokes throughout the second quarter.

Torrington led by nearly 30 points, 38-9, at halftime.

The Lady Blazers outmaneuvered Alliance in the third quarter by an 18-8 mar-

see **LADY BLAZERS** page B3



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Junior Kennedy Reinhardt goes up for a shot against Alliance at the home-opener on Tuesday, December 17. Reinhardt led the Lady Blazers in scoring with 24 points.

# Logsdon signs with Chadron State for track

BY ROBERT GALBREATH  
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**YODER** – Southeast High School senior Angie Logsdon first attempted to pole vault when she was in eighth grade.

“My brother, Grant, was a junior and wanted to pole vault,” Logsdon said. “I said, ‘Well, if you’re pole vaulting, then I want to pole vault.’ It was a little thing we started.”

By her freshman year, Logsdon reached a height of nine feet in the pole vault – enough to win the 1A state title. Logsdon went on to snag the state championship in the pole vault as a sophomore.

“I felt like I was getting to where I needed to be in the pole vault (my sophomore year),” Logsdon said. “I was reaching my goals I set for myself. It’s going to go up from here.”

And up it went – Logsdon reached a personal record of 9 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault. During the 2024 outdoor track season, Logsdon clinched the regional title in the pole vault and placed second at state to earn her third all-state track award.

Logsdon's skill and experience in the pole vault caught the attention of college recruiters. On December 17, Logsdon signed to



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Southeast High School senior Angie Logsdon, front center, signed to continue her track career at Chadron State College on December 17. Also pictured in back, from left, are Southeast track coach Jeff Fullmer, brother Grant Logsdon and pole vaulting coach Robb Nicolay. In front, from left, are father Jeff Logsdon, Angie Logsdon and mother Theresa Logsdon.

compete for the Chadron State College Eagles indoor and outdoor track teams at a ceremony with coaches and family.

“I’m really excited about it,” Logsdon said of the commit-

ment. “It’s the best fit for me. It feels really good to have that pressure and weight off my shoulders, to know where I’m going next year and what coaches I’ll be working with.”

Logsdon will concentrate on the pole vault for the Eagles under the guidance of track coach Jake Gruver and his staff.

see **LOGSDON** page B3



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## Kid Scoop FIT & FUN

### Penguin Fitness

**Q: How thick is whale blubber?**  
 To find out, add the numbers along the correct path that leads the seal to the iceberg.

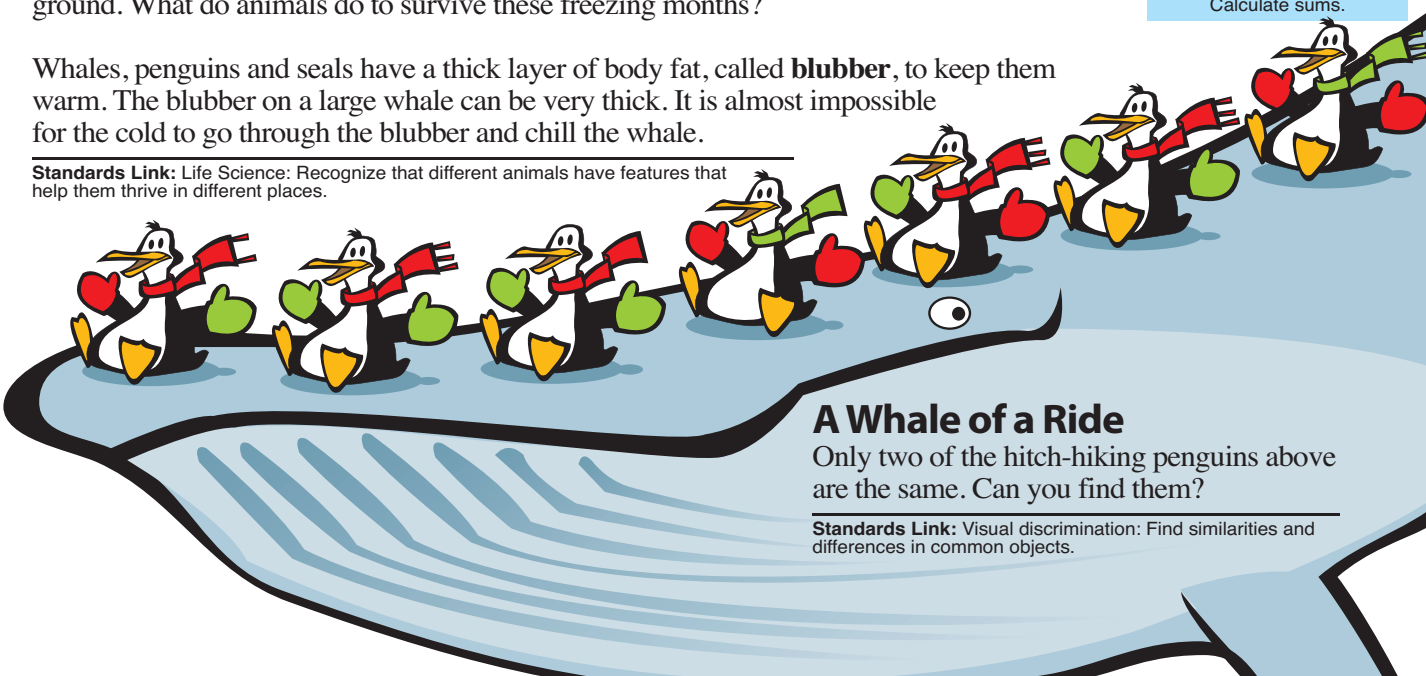
**Standards Link:** Math: Calculate sums.

## THE BEAUTY OF BLUBBER

Some places are very cold in the winter. Icy winds blow. Water freezes and snow covers the ground. What do animals do to survive these freezing months?

Whales, penguins and seals have a thick layer of body fat, called **blubber**, to keep them warm. The blubber on a large whale can be very thick. It is almost impossible for the cold to go through the blubber and chill the whale.

**Standards Link:** Life Science: Recognize that different animals have features that help them thrive in different places.



### A Whale of a Ride

Only two of the hitch-hiking penguins above are the same. Can you find them?

**Standards Link:** Visual discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

### How Blubber Works

To find out how blubber keeps animals warm, try making this blubber mitt and taking **The Blubber Test**. You'll need:

- ✓ 1 cup of solid shortening
- ✓ 3 zip-lock sandwich bags
- ✓ Water
- ✓ Large bowl or a bucket
- ✓ Ice
- ✓ Duct tape

- 1** Put the shortening in a zip-lock bag.
- 2** Put your hand in the empty bag.
- 3** With your hand in the bag, put it into the bag with the shortening.
- 4** Seal the tops of the bags together with duct tape.
- 5** Squish the shortening around until it surrounds your hand.
- 6** Fill a large bowl or bucket with ice and water.
- 7** Slip your other hand into an empty plastic bag and tape the top of the bag to your wrist.
- 8** Stick both hands into the water at the same time. Which hand can stay in the water longer?

## Now try: THE BLUBBER TEST

**Extra! Extra!**

### Hot Hunt

Look through the newspaper for:

- 3 ways to stay warm
- 4 words that describe the weather
- 5 numbers that add up to 100

**Standards Links:** Reading: Skim and scan reading. Science: Classification by common attributes. Math: Finding sums to 100.

**A:** Whale blubber can be inches thick.

Blubber experiment courtesy of The New England Aquarium. [www.neaq.org](http://www.neaq.org)

**Standard Link:** Science: Follow a set of written instructions for a simple investigation.

### Tummy Time

Penguins slide on their tummies to move across snow and ice.

Try holding this pose for 10 seconds at a time. It's not as easy as penguins make it seem!

### Iceberg Hop

Pretend you are a penguin and hop like a penguin does from one chunk of (pretend) ice to another.

Jump back and forth 20 times.

### Snow Angels

Lie on the floor and make imaginary snow angels by moving your feet and flippers—er, um, arms!

### Balance

Penguins don't stand on just one foot very often, but pretend penguins can!

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

I'm found in oceans all over the world, but especially in the coldest ones. To find out what I am, color each space that has a 1 in it **black** and each 2 space **blue**. Leave the blank spaces white.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

### Double Double Word Search

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

BLUBBER  
 WHALE  
 SQUISH  
 BODY  
 SLIP  
 PENGUINS  
 SEAL  
 CHILL  
 COLD  
 THICK  
 MITT  
 FREEZES  
 WATER  
 WARM  
 EMPTY

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**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word **WHALES** in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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#### Hot and Cold

Students can work in pairs to play this game. Have one partner secretly select a picture in the newspaper. The other player then asks questions that can be answered "Yes" or "No" to determine the secret picture.

**Standards Link:** Cooperative Learning: Make predictions based on patterns of listening and observation.

### Why don't fish swim near computers?

ANSWER: They don't want to get caught in the internet!

### Write On!

#### Wonderful Wiggly Walrus

Alliteration is when you use the same letter to start every word in a sentence. Write your own alliterations.

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# Lancer golfer signs to continue career at Doane College

BY ROBERT GALBREATH  
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**TORRINGTON** – Eastern Wyoming College (EWC) golfer Mathis Fortin has signed with Doane College in Crete, Nebraska, to further his golf career.

A sophomore mathematics major, Fortin said his decision to sign with Doane College was easy to make after looking at their math program and the golf team.

"I like what the [golf] coach is doing with the team," Fortin said. "Academically, it seems like a really good school for me to pursue the rest of [my degree]."

EWC is just the tip of the iceberg for his academics and growing as a golfer, as Fortin said he is excited to start his time at Doane.

EWC golf coach Zach Smith said Fortin's hard work on the team throughout the season has not gone unnoticed.

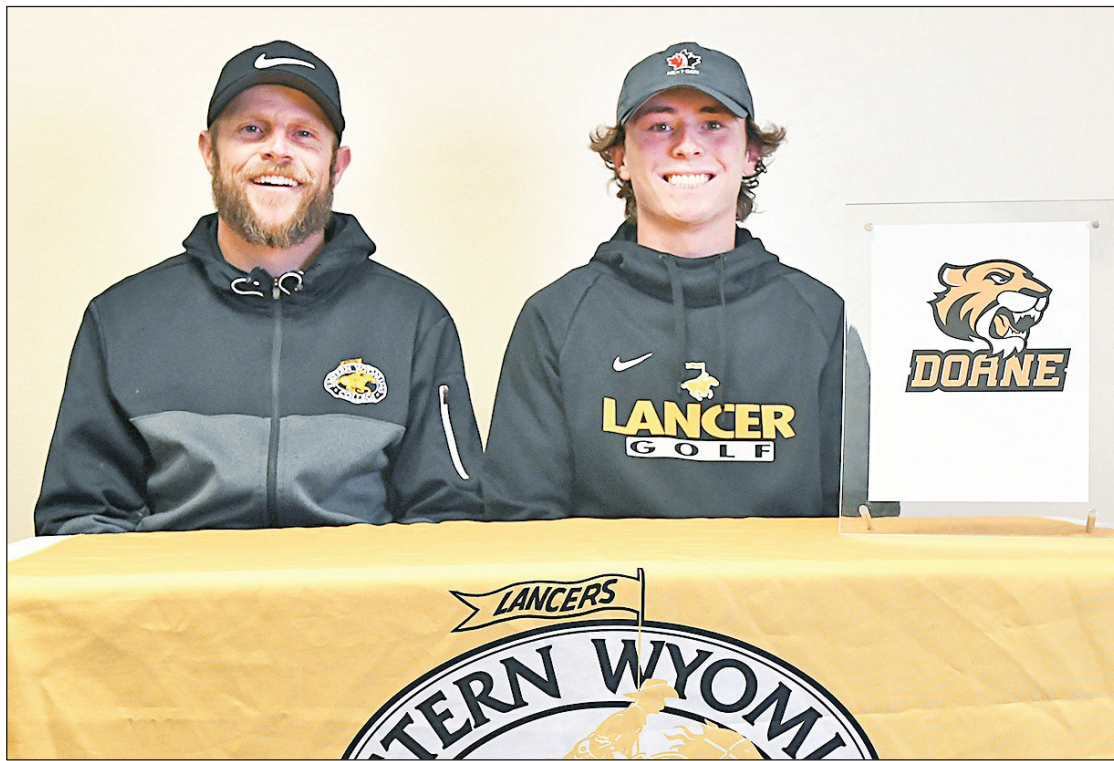
"Mathis worked really hard on his game this past year to take a huge leap forward with his overall game," Smith said. "He has been a huge contributor this year."

Smith said for Fortin to earn an opportunity to play golf at Doane is exciting for him as a coach, and is well-deserved on Fortin's part.

"I'm excited for this opportunity at Doane," Smith added. "I know they play some really great courses and tournaments. I'm looking forward to him finishing as a Lancer on a high note and moving on to pursue his bachelor's degree."

Fortin will stick to one goal with his golf strategy at Doane – hard work.

"I'm going to keep working as hard as I can and [continue] to set my goals as high as possible, and see where it ends up taking me," Fortin said.



EWC sophomore and golfer Mathis Fortin, right, signed to continue his athletic career at Doane College the previous week. Also pictured is EWC golf coach Zach Smith, left.

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## Lady Blazers: THS junior sets pace for offense

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gin. Reinhardt led the way offensively with four buckets for eight points. Long converted an and-1 and tossed in a close-range shot. Osmera swished a 3-pointer.

A buzzer-beater by Hurley placed the Lady Blazers up, 56-17, at the end of the third quarter.

Torrington's starting lineup scored six more points in the fourth quarter, including buckets by McIntosh and Reinhardt and a pair of

shots from the free-throw line by senior Teryn Stokes.

The Lady Blazers' second string stepped into the game in the fourth quarter and finished the game off with Torrington in possession and control of the scoreboard.

Reinhardt set the momentum for Torrington in scoring against Alliance, netting 24 points. Two additional Lady Blazers scored double digits – Osmera with 13 and Long at 11. McIntosh contributed eight points, Hurley four and Stokes two.



Junior Natalie Long catches the ball during the December 17 home-opener against Alliance. Long was one of three players to score in the double digits for the Lady Blazers with 11 points.

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## Logsdon: Thanks coaches

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Logsdon looks forward to taking her track career to the next level.

"It's going to be like family," Logsdon remarked. "We've all earned it to be there. In college, you still compete for a spot, but you know that you've all earned it to be on the team."

Reaching new heights in the pole vault involves both technique and strength.

"You need to have speed to get down the runway and have that power to be able to get yourself up there," Logsdon explained. "Then you also have to have your strength to help you get vertical and get over the bar."

The event also requires a mastery of "the basics," Logsdon said. If form and proper placement of the step are out of sync, the pole vault could result in "disaster from the start."

Jumping nine to 10 feet off the ground takes courage. Logsdon sets plenty of time aside to prepare for the pole vault at meets, both physically and mentally.

"I like to get my body warm before I do anything," Logsdon said. "While I do that, I listen to music just to get in the right mindset. And then I tell myself, 'You've done this a million times. You know what you're doing. Just trust

your training.'"

Logsdon is a multitasking athlete, and also competes in the triple jump, relays or "really wherever the coaches need me to be." Logsdon and her teammates on the 4x800-meter relay team bagged silver at state in 2024.

The pole vault is Logsdon's favorite event, though.

"It's all about the adrenaline," Logsdon said. "Knowing you're going to be flinging yourself up in the air, so high, over a pole. It feels like flying."

In addition to outdoor track at Southeast, Logsdon participates on the Torrington High School indoor track team and plays volleyball for the Lady Cyclones. She is also a member of the Southeast High School Student Council.

Logsdon plans to study to become an athletic trainer at Chadron State. She expressed gratitude to family and coaches, especially pole-vaulting coach Robb Nicolay.

"(Coach Nicolay) volunteered so much time for me," Logsdon said. "He's the Torrington coach, but he comes in during indoor track and during outdoor whenever we go into town. He's always helped me to get to the best of my ability. I also want to thank my family for coming to every event and supporting me."

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Unsheared sheep
- 5. Rock TV channel
- 8. Streetcar
- 12. Concerning
- 14. Exclamation
- 15. Greek goddess of youth
- 16. Popular type of device
- 18. Alcoholic beverage
- 19. Ancient Olympic Site
- 20. Sharpshoots
- 21. Tyrion Lannister was characterized as one
- 22. Pointed ends of pens
- 23. Measuring instruments
- 26. Midsection body part
- 30. Made a mistake
- 31. Adjusted
- 32. "Partridge" actress Susan
- 33. Yell
- 34. Civil rights city in Alabama
- 39. Young boy
- 42. Type of sea bass
- 44. To call (archaic)
- 46. Unfortunate
- 47. Separate oneself from others
- 49. Hero sandwiches
- 50. Spy group
- 51. Florida is famous for them
- 56. Irritating individuals
- 57. Luck
- 58. Hunting expedition
- 59. WWII diarist Frank
- 60. Peyton's younger brother
- 61. Type of wrap
- 62. Type of overseas tax or levy
- 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 64. Wake up

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Works of body art
- 2. Israeli politician Abba
- 3. Renowned desert
- 4. Eat greedily
- 5. She didn't make it through the Fr. Revolution
- 6. Beat
- 7. Bloodsucker
- 8. From a place already noted
- 9. Counted on
- 10. Alberta Assn. of Baccalaureate World Schools
- 11. Something one can make
- 13. One who abstains
- 17. Wild ox
- 24. Type of student
- 25. Bacterial infection of the skin
- 26. Expresses surprise
- 27. What engaged couples ultimately say
- 28. Crony
- 29. Where one begins (abbr.)
- 35. Architectural designation
- 36. "Matt Houston" actor Horsley
- 37. More (Spanish)
- 38. Autonomic nervous system
- 40. Indigenous peoples
- 41. Deflections
- 42. Circulating life force
- 43. Executes with a rope
- 44. Natives of an island nation
- 45. Girls
- 47. Logician and philosopher
- 48. Nocturnal hooved animal
- 49. Relaxing spaces
- 52. From a distance
- 53. Form of Persian language
- 54. Amounts of time
- 55. Mathematical designation

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Stay tuned to the next issue of the Torrington Telegram for this weeks answers!

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# Blazers battle Alliance in home-opener cliffhanger

BY ROBERT GALBREATH  
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**TORRINGTON** – The Torrington High School Blazers battled the Alliance Bulldogs through four point-for-point quarters at the home opener on Tuesday, December 17.

Torrington won the first quarter, 18-16. A back-and-forth fight for control of the scoreboard ensued in the second quarter with Alliance pulling up by a single possession, 31-29, at halftime.

Alliance managed to remain ahead throughout the second half. While Torrington repeatedly came within one possession of overtaking the Bulldogs, the Blazers ultimately came up short in matching Alliance in scoring.

A seven-point run by Alliance late in the fourth quarter sealed the 63-54 win for the Bulldogs.

#### Point-for-point battle

Torrington outscored Alliance, 18-16, in the first quarter. Senior Mac Hibben opened the game with a 3-pointer.

Sophomore Julian Stromski netted a layup while junior Landre Greiman drained an outside shot, placing Torrington up, 8-3.

Steals by Greiman and Hibben kept the ball on Torrington's side of the court. A four-point run by Hibben and senior Ryan Moorehouse widened Torrington's lead, 12-6.

Alliance responded late in the first quarter to tie the game at 16. Senior Weston Dyer took possession and tossed in a jumper to return the lead to the Blazers, 18-16.

Alliance won the second quarter by a single possession, 13-11. The game reached a 21-21 stalemate following a trey by Dyer.

Alliance netted five points to retake the lead, 26-21. A four-point run by Stromski whittled the Bulldogs' lead down to a single point, 26-25.

Alliance pulled back up by one possession. Despite a close-range shot from Hibben and a fastbreak from Greiman,

Alliance controlled the scoreboard by two points, 31-29, at halftime.

Early in the third quarter, Alliance widened its lead to 10 points, 41-31. Hibben swept in with a steal and scored on a fastbreak. Defensive pressure by Moorehouse and senior Brayden Hime resulted in a turnover.

Hime netted a jumper. Stromski followed with a layup and a free throw, making it a one possession game with Alliance ahead, 41-38.

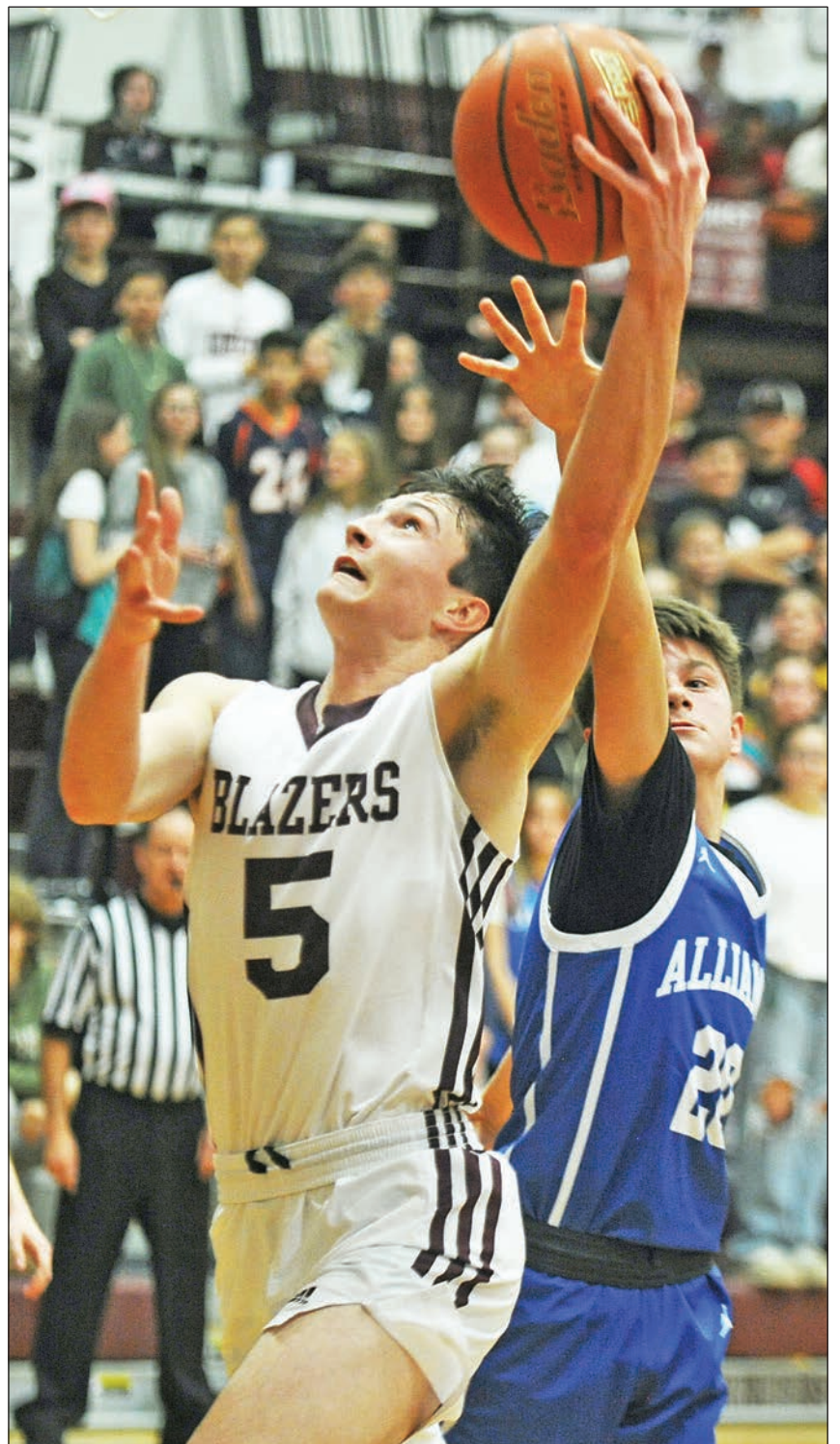
The Bulldogs tossed in a 3-pointer at the end of the third quarter to expand their lead, 47-41, as the fourth quarter commenced.

A jumper by Greiman briefly made it a one-possession game again in the final quarter with Alliance ahead, 47-45.

Torrington kept Alliance's lead to one possession with a pair of buckets by Hime. Dyer scored on a fastbreak and netted an outside shot, bringing Torrington within two points of overtaking the Bulldogs, 56-54.

Alliance responded with a seven-point run to clinch the win.

Four Blazers scored double digits against Alliance, led by Stromski with 13 points. Hibben and Greiman both tallied 11 points while Dyer netted 10. Hime contributed six points and Moorehouse three.



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Senior Mac Hibben goes up for a basket against Alliance during the home opener on Tuesday, December 17. Hibben scored double-digits for the Blazers with 11 points.

I'm Paige, a photo-snapping, golf-loving, mountain-exploring, family-adoring, nursing administrative assistant, and

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"A fun fact that people may not know about me is that I'm an Aunt to 15 nieces and nephews. I love being the "fun" aunt! When not working, I enjoy photography and spending time with my husband. In the summer, this includes a lot of golf, exploring the mountains, and time with family and friends.

Torrington is a great community. Everyone knows you by name and is so welcoming. It's fun seeing the people you've grown up with go through different life stages and being there to root them on.

From a young age I knew healthcare was for me. I love helping others and knowing I can have a positive impact on someone's life, whether that's a smile, a simple hello, or comforting them on their worst day.

I am currently finishing my degree in healthcare administration. Banner Torrington Community Hospital has provided scholarships, and my leaders are the best cheerleaders. They want to see me do well and they provide so much guidance to help me reach my goals.

At Banner I always feel valued, heard, and supported no matter what I do, and the staff and patients are always the top priority.

I'm Paige, and #IAmBanner."



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