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One Dollar

County declines to sell Shelter Park strip

By Joy Ufford

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SUBLETTE COUNTY – Sublette County commissioners turned down a woman’s offer to buy a parcel of county property even though she spent thousands to improve it and in doing so, her own.

Maura Guthrie, who built a home last year

at 154 E. Lake Road in the county’s Shelter Park, told commissioners Doug Vickrey, Tom Noble, chair Sam White, Mack Bradley and Dave Stephens that she relocated often for work but considers Pinedale her “forever home.”

She asked to be on their Sept. 19 agenda to buy a narrow strip “to save trees when building (her property line) fence” on Block

6, Lot 1 in Shelter Park.

Guthrie said she had to engineer a 165- by 25- by 4-foot swale and culvert to save 25 “beautiful” trees; she also worked with Rocky Mountain Power and Union Wireless to relocate a power pole and install underground wires for \$8,000.

She initially thought the trees in question were on her property because the county has

not maintained what appears to be an alley of “dead space.” She offered \$25,000, which “I thought was crazy, because the county is not going to build on it.”

Road & Bridge supervisor Billy Pape said he rarely plows or blades it and the county acquired it to alleviate easement problems from Lake Street to Valley Road.

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2023 Pinedale High School Homecoming Royalty!



CALI O'HARE PHOTO

The 2023 Pinedale High School Homecoming Royal Court. From left, Third Attendants Brycen Vrska and Kemmer Clause, Homecoming King Woody Green and Queen Fatima Valles Valenzuela, Second Attendants Josh Gosar and Katyana Dexter, and First Attendants Seren Noble and Waylon Williams. See additional photos from Pinedale’s Homecoming festivities on page 3.

County, citizens work to define new P&Z draft

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SUBLETTE COUNTY – A group of citizens involved in county planning issues joined the Board of Sublette County Commissioners at the Sept. 19 meeting to ask questions and offer comments.

The topic – the status and timeline of the revision and amendment of the county’s current planning and zoning regulations. Several pointed out that Bondurant, at the county’s northern boundary against Teton County, is already taking the brunt of Jackson Hole’s overflow of tourism and developers.

Backstory

The Sublette County Planning and Zoning Commission began the revision process many months ago with long meetings and debates about definitions and how they apply to respective chapters. The county did not have a definition for “commercial” as one example. “Conditional use permits” will have a chapter of its own.

P&Z Commission members Maike Tan (who leaves this month), chair Chris Lacinak, Blake Greenhalgh,

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Roosevelt Fire suit claims FS negligence, 32 seek damages

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SUBLETTE COUNTY – Almost exactly five years ago on Sept. 15, 2018, the Roosevelt Fire sparked from a hunter’s small campfire by the Upper Hoback River near Bondurant and quickly spread in several directions to burn 61,500 acres of forest and private lands.

In five days, the Roosevelt Fire had covered 32,000 acres of the Bridger-Teton National Forest and many residents of

Hoback Ranches and the Upper Hoback had evacuated to safety.

Three days later with “red flag conditions” of low humidity and fickle winds, NASA noted, the Roosevelt Fire had consumed 48,348 acres with the Forest Service issuing more evacuations for Rolling Thunder, Jim Bridger Estates and warnings to Bondurant residents.

Eight-hundred personnel were on duty that day with 17 helicopters, four “very large air tankers” or VLATs, 47 engines, six dozers

and 12 water tenders.

On Oct. 5, 2018, the Forest Service announced 100-percent containment after a reconnaissance flight, reopening the closed area and continuing to battle within GPS-recorded fire lines. Communities, students and other people continuously raised funds and collected donations, from much-needed storage sheds to cash.

Now, 32 Hoback Ranches’ homeowners are again taking the Forest Service to court.

“The Forest doesn’t comment on pending

litigation,” said BTNF public affairs officer Mary Cernicek.

Campfire

Hunter Steve Knezovich notified his wife of a small blaze in the distance on opening day. She called it in and gave the GPS coordinates where Knezovich and his son Dakota were near Grizzly Creek on the Bridger-Teton National Forest, 32 miles south of Jackson in steep, heavily treed slopes

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"If anything needs to go through there, we need the alley ... just in case."

"I eliminated the need for electric," Guthrie said. "I can't imagine any other useful purpose for it. ... What if I own the land, build a fence? Who's going to take care of the trees?"

"I would hate to give it up for the future. It would have to go on the open market and be advertised," Noble said. He didn't support selling it.

Stephens and White agreed. "We're not going to sell it at this time."

Bike paths, bridges

Pape and Rio Verde's Mark Eatinger told commissioners that painting stripes and installing delineators were not included in county road and bike-path repair projects, leading them to approve two resolutions for the projects.

The county does not include bike path maintenance in road-repair contracts and some have growing cracks from tree roots; a contractor could do an overlay while doing streets, they said.

"I'd like to put all bike paths on a maintenance schedule," White said.

Vickrey bemoaned seeing bicycle riders on the road instead of a bike path.

Pape said he occasionally replaces boards on wooden bridges "because no one else will."

He gets requests to plow some and also got a call asking for sweeping them before the Pinedale Half Marathon. "People think the county should be taking care of them."

No one was sure who was named in contracts as responsible for bike-path maintenance. Pape refers callers to the Sublette County Rec Board.

"The proper time to do it is when you are crack-sealing county roads," Eatinger said.

"Throw it in during highway construction and see which ones are used more and get grants from the state," Noble said.

White said commissioners could talk about hiring an engineer and maintenance issues at the next meeting, with county and town staff and the Rec Board – "anybody with a vested interest." He asked county administrator Jeness Saxton to review contracts to see who is responsible for maintenance.

Pape recounted another bridge issue in Kendall Valley, where a long tree was wedged across supports of a small bridge over the Green River. Emergency manager Jim Mitchell looked at it and said if it came loose, it could take out the bridge. However, there isn't access without trespassing to cut it in chunks and let it float downstream, Pape said.

"We don't own an easement or the bridge," Noble said. "It's their bridge – we can't even get a firetruck across it."

The answer was to let homeowners know it's their responsibility to remove the tree.

Boulder Fire Station

Sublette County Unified Fire Chief Shad Cooper said ML Baxley reviewed three bids for cleaning the fire stations with formal training rooms, Bondurant and Boulder do not have. Commissioners accepted the bid from Peace of Mind owner Carly Christensen for \$12,300 a year.

Commissioners then asked Rio Verde's Mike Jackson about cost comparisons to remodel the Boulder facility for new equipment on .65 acres, to build a new facility there or to build a new facility on a

new property.

Jackson said for \$39,000, his analysis called for only one bid package and he recommended looking at cost differences for all three options. White said the county budgeted \$50,000. Jackson had a site map and some well data.

The cost of the study would include putting it out to bid, Cooper said. Once it goes to bid, he assumed Rio Verde would continue engineering and additional costs would be addressed going forward. Jackson said using the platted lot might mean getting easements.

Vickrey said the Boulder Community Center might be willing to accommodate a larger size to expand the current site.

"They are adamantly opposed to moving the fire hall," he said. "The only one of the three options I prefer, expansion of the current site."

White preferred to see options and costs for all three; commissioners agreed to move forward.

"How can you come up with a value of we buy new property," Stephens asked.

Jackson and commissioners fine-tuned Jackson's "role" for a desktop analysis of the three options.

Ice is nice

The Sublette County Ice Arena is seeing a rise in regional hockey teams' use for practices with year-round ice, according to manager Grant Golden, who asked for another seasonal or part-time employee.

"We have people wanting ice time at 5:30 a.m.; we can't cover all the hours with three of us," he said. Local high school teams want to use the rink after school and weekend tournaments are added to the calendar, while public skating is the same or a bit lower.

Maintenance manager Andre Ireya said he was surprised how much the arena was used this past summer and an employee needs to be there at 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

County clerk Carrie Long said a budget transfer would pay for a seasonal employee.

Golden asked if they would like to give the old Zamboni to Buffalo if someone picks it up, which commissioners approved.

In other county business

- Linda Baker, for Western Wyoming College, informed commissioners of her office's resources and of National Adult Education & Family Literacy Week.

- Sublette County Hospital District administrator Dave Doorn said water and sanitary lines were completed at the critical access hospital site "with one small change order." The town of Pinedale required SCHD to install a stormwater facility at the site's southwest corner, Doorn said.

- Sublette County Extension's Dagan Montgomery and 4-H educator Tiera Bevilacqua said the fair went well and invited commissioners to a Nov. 29 ranch workshop. There are openings for 4-H leaders with the new season of Oct. 1.

- Human resources' manager Andrea Jean reviewed exempt employee policies.

- Under accounts payable, Vickrey questioned Tip Top Search and Rescue's payment of a hotel room after a climbing fatality. Long said manager Kenna Tanner could explain expense guidelines at the next meeting.

- Saxton agreed to develop commissioners' comments for a number of public lands' policy comment periods.



Weekly Weather Forecast

Pinedale, Wyoming • Sept. 28 - Oct. 3

Today

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m. **Sunset:** 7:31 p.m.

High: **65°** Low: **33°**

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Day: Partial sunshine.

Night: Partly cloudy.

Friday

High: **65°**

Low: **36°**



Clouds and sunshine, a passing shower.

Saturday

High: **67°**

Low: **40°**



Partial sunshine.

Sunday

High: **55°**

Low: **32°**



Morning showers, cloudy and breezy.

Monday

High: **61°**

Low: **35°**



Morning showers; clouds and sun.

Tuesday

High: **49°**

Low: **31°**



Times of clouds and sun.

BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIAL

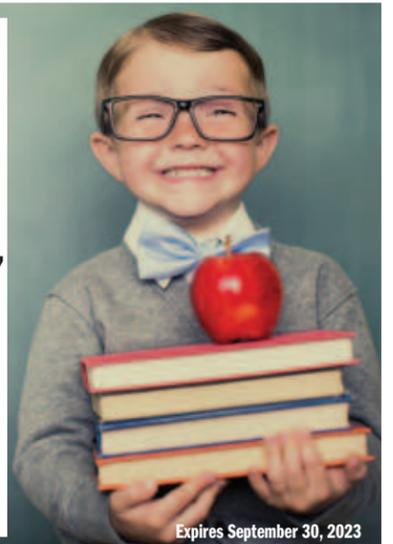
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2023 PHS Homecoming Week



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

PHS students celebrate Homecoming Week with the annual bonfire behind Sunny Korfanta Field at Gene Andrews Stadium on Monday, Sept. 18.



CALI O'HARE PHOTO

Freshman Amiya Call blows bubbles from atop the ninth-grade float during the Pinedale High School 2023 Homecoming Parade on Friday, Sept. 22.



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

PHS students create their own cheers during the Homecoming Pep Rally on Friday, Sept. 22. Pictured in front, from left, are Calida Rivezzo, Erica Seehafer, Emily Smith and Hailey Liske. Back row, from left, are Reuben Allen, Nolan Orm, Jamall Nelson and Branson Simmons.



CALI O'HARE PHOTO

Pinedale elementary and middle school students also come out to show support for their older peers during Friday's Homecoming Parade.



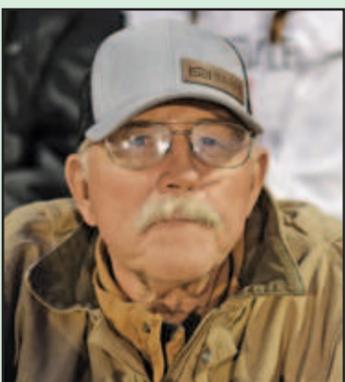
ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

The Pinedale High School cheerleading team braves 35-degree temperatures to put on an excellent halftime show during the Homecoming football game. Pictured, from left, are GraceLyn Thornton, Evelyn Shivers, Victoria Ramage, Madison Lyons, Delaney Day, Fatima Valles Valenzuela and Emily Smith.

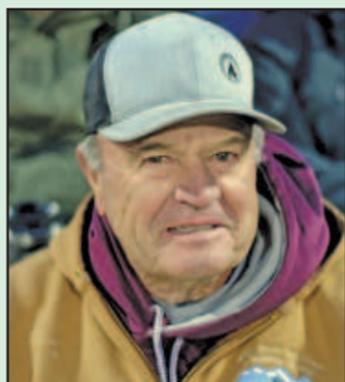
Street Talk

By Terry Allen

How long have you been going to Homecoming games?



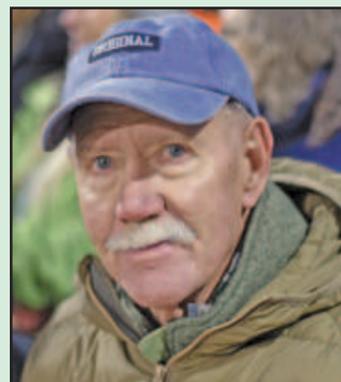
I played high school football here, so a long time.
Tom Jackson, Pinedale



Twenty years at least. My grandson is playing for the Bulldogs.
Ray Fink, Lovell



This is my first Pinedale Homecoming game. My son Ian is playing saxophone in the band.
Scott Campbell, Pinedale



I don't live here, but I do come to three Pinedale games a year.
Mark Thonhoff, Colorado



I'm 104 years old. I went to all my high school games. This is my second Pinedale Homecoming.
Allison Thrash, Big Piney

AG NEWS

Colorado River Basin ag water users surveyed

WYOMING – An in-depth survey of more than 1,000 farmers and ranchers in the Colorado River Basin has some startling implications for how water conservation in the drought-stricken region could come about.

The survey data and report, released Sept. 25 by Western Landowners Alliance and the University of Wyoming, suggest that while the vast majority of agricultural water users in the basin are concerned about water shortages and have already adopted some water conservation measures, recent state and federal efforts to fund conservation in the Basin need to be better targeted to be effective.

“Our findings point to a ‘trust gap’ between producers and federal and state agencies,” said study co-author Hallie Mahowald, chief programs officer for Western Landowners Alliance (WLA). “People overwhelmingly wanted water conservation and management programs to be collaborative and implemented by familiar local organizations.”

The survey, conducted between October 2022 and March 2023, also found a stark lack of awareness of federal and state funding options to support water conservation practices among farmers and ranchers.

Nearly 80 percent of respondents, for example, said they were unaware of the Bureau of Reclamation’s WaterSMART

program, which received a major boost in funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed in 2021, and which is designed to deliver funding to irrigation districts or other entities that deliver water to improve infrastructure.

The survey report, “Agricultural Water Users’ Preferences for Addressing Water Shortages in the Colorado River Basin,” was released by WLA and UW’s Ruckelshaus Institute. It is available for download at wla.social/agwater-survey. An interactive data dashboard that allows users to dig into the data by water user demographics is also available.

Unaware
Almost 90 percent of respondents said they were unaware or hadn’t heard of the Colorado River System Conservation Pilot Program (also known as the SCPP or the System Conservation Program), a flagship drought-response effort of the Upper Colorado River Commission (UCRC), representing Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico, to temporarily reduce water consumption and help refill Lake Powell.

“These programs are complicated, and the UCRC’s own analysis suggested the roll-out of the SCPP was rushed and water users need more clarity and transparency about the

details of the program,” said Drew Bennett, study lead from UW’s Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources. “Our data show a major need to provide farmers and ranchers with more information about these programs by working through trusted sources.”

Most survey respondents were unlikely to adopt water conservation practices as part of formal demand management or system conservation programs to address water shortages and were generally opposed to water transfers as a solution to shortages.

Only temporary transfers from agricultural water users to other agricultural water users had less than 50-percent opposition.

“Farmers and ranchers are concerned about the future of the communities they live in and the land they care for,” said Lesli Allison, WLA chief executive officer. “These survey results are in line with those concerns. But they also lay out a pathway to better aligning supply and demand in the basin: one that starts by working with landowners through trusted partners on win-win solutions.”

The study’s authors presented findings and key takeaways in a Sept. 26 webinar. To read the report and explore the data, go to wla.social/agwater-survey.

Gov calls for BLM’s Rock Springs RMP draft withdrawal

From the Governor’s Office

CHEYENNE – Gov. Mark Gordon announced Sept. 27 he sent a letter to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Director Tracy Stone-Manning requesting the BLM withdraw its Rock Springs Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) with its conservation-dominated Preferred Alternative. The draft RMP covers 3.6 million acres managed by the BLM’s Rock Springs Field Office. The governor is requesting the BLM withdraw the plan and resubmit a new preferred alternative that is based on cooperation with impacted communities.

According to the BLM, its preferred alternative is the “most restrictive” out of the four proposed alternatives. The governor said the draft represents a troubling and dramatic shift in the agency’s approach to the cooperative development of these management plans.

“Wyoming and local cooperators have worked long and hard to lead, build, and maintain partnerships for effective and responsible land management policies,” Gordon stated. “Over a decade’s worth of contributions from local stakeholders, cooperators, counties and state agencies are either falling on deaf ears or disingenuously being thrown by the

wayside with this decision.”

Gordon added that the BLM’s “preferred alternative” ignored the wishes of local communities in favor of a politically driven proposal that is destructive for cooperative federalism.

“The BLM’s RMP and Preferred Alternative threaten to eliminate all the hard work accomplished by bulldozing over state executive orders, stakeholder engagement and interagency agreements. Simply put, existing and future partnerships are in jeopardy. A federal fiat won’t run efficiently or well over such a bumpy road,” Gov. Gordon wrote.

The public comment period for the

BLM Rock Springs Field Office RMP is currently open through Nov. 16. The draft RMP and information on how to comment can be found at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/13853/510>.

Stay tuned –

In next week’s edition, the Pinedale Roundup will cover the BLM Rock Springs Field Office’s Sept. 26 public open house about this draft resource management plan held at Marbleton Town Hall on Sept. 26.

Prescribed burns planned near Bondurant

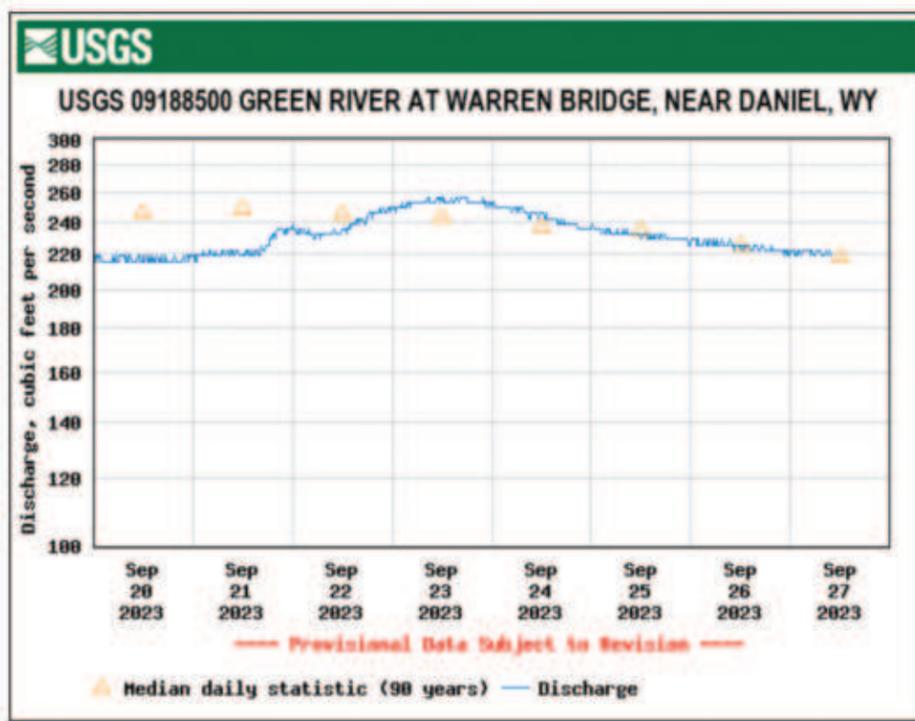
BONDURANT — The Big Piney Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest anticipates initiating the next phase of the Monument Ridge Vegetation and Recreation Management Project later this fall. The project area is located on the Big Piney Ranger District of the Bridger-Teton National Forest near the town of Bondurant in Sublette County. The habitat/fuels treatment area is situated within the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). Monument Ridge borders the western edge of the treatment area, and the residential area along the Hoback River borders the eastern edge.

The project, proposed by the Sublette County Collaborative, is multifaceted. It encompasses fuels reduction actions within the WUI, wildlife habitat enhancement activities and safety and access improvements for recreation.

A prescribed fire is scheduled the first week of October on 2,150 acres north of the Monument Ridge Lookout and Hoback Guard Station. The Forest Service prepared this area in 2020 by felling trees and allowing the fuels to cure during the intervening time, preparing an adequate fuel bed for the planned prescribed fire.

The Forest Service will implement the prescribed fire with weather and climate conditions in mind to meet prescribed fire objectives. The prescribed fire objectives are to treat the area in a mosaic pattern producing mixed severity results. These results create a complex mix of patches of different severity ranging from unburned patches to low severity patches, where only ground fuels burn, to high severity patches where canopy and ground fuels burn.

For more information, call Big Piney Ranger District at 307-267-3375 or visit <https://gacc.nifc.gov/gbcc/dispatch/wy-tdc/home/information/prescribed-fires>.



Market Report

Riverton Livestock Auction feeder cattle sales report for Tuesday, Sept. 26. This week: 1,388. Last sale: 683. Last year: 1,817. Compared to last Tuesday sale, on a calf and yearling special: slaughter cows firm, slaughter bulls not as attractive as last week, instances 1.00- 4.00 lower, with feeder cows mostly steady. Yearling steers uneven with instances lower undertones noted, yearling heifers steady with higher instances. Feeder calves good offering with reputation quality and calves with pre-con shots higher, higher prices noted. Good demand with good buyer participation. Supply included: 89 percent feeder cattle (51 percent steers, 49 percent heifers); 7 percent slaughter cattle (30 percent cows, 70 percent bulls); 4 percent replacement cattle (82 percent stock cows, 18 percent bred cows). Feeder cattle supply over 600 lbs. Was 33 percent.



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COMMENTARY



The Intrepid Explorer — Living – Life – Large

Chronologies, excerpts, fragments and reflections, words from the artistic journals of Dan Abernathy

Approximately 3 feet, give or take a couple inches, above the gluteus maximus, is the brain center, which is part of the central nervous system. This is the gray matter serving to control and coordinate mental and physical actions. The brain is the source of understanding, intellectual power and intelligence. It is not something that should freely be turned over to any proclaimed leader or planner.

The greater part of the population forfeits their freethinking mind and wanders from responsibility, preferring to be told what to do. This 65 to 70 percent of the population will no longer look up from bewilderment. When their material comforts and beliefs, which have been instilled in them from some hierarchy, are disturbed, they shiver with fear

and confusion, but will calm when told that everything is alright. This sector of society is perfectly happy and content to let itself be ruled by the small percentage that has not forfeited thought.

There is an ongoing quest that has been installed into self-importance that they must save something to feel good about themselves. They must be part of a cause that gets notoriety from the rest of the self-important society, in which they falsely participate. We must save this and we must save that and then, we must save the planet.

There is no possibility of saving the planet when we have lost the concept of saving ourselves. We have fallen into a captured mortality that we do what we are told. What will look right, and be accepted, without any

interest or importance of the impact on our neighbor.

We worry more about having enough bicycle paths than we do the polar caps melting. We are more concerned with the lives of celebrities than the air we breathe, which is filled with microscopic plastic particles that are causing issues that haven't even been determined yet. This way of being hidden from the truth has become so strong because of all the things happening now. Humans wait to be enlightened without being inconvenienced.

As I look to see what is being shown, if you look, so many people seem to have found contentment remaining in a developmental stage. A stage that is highly manipulated and void of critical thinking.

Critical thinking is the ability to effectively include an awareness of your bias and assumption when information is encountered. This thought process also provides consistent standards when evaluating sources. What hinders or blocks critical thinking is egoism, viewing everything in relation to yourself. This is a natural tendency and commonly leads to the inability to question our own beliefs and consider different perspectives.

These baffled and hindered populations only are concerned and find comfort with social and psychological factors as the ultimate reason for ideas and wishes. Gaining popularity within social acceptance is usually the higher point of achievement, rather than learning and understanding the truth.

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My hair gets no respect



LOCAL COMMENTARY
TRENA EIDEN

When I told a new client that I use so much hairspray the mop on my head is more hairspray than hair, she gave a hearty laugh, thinking I was jesting. Then she witnessed a fascinating, transfixing phenomenon. I was outside on hands and knees cleaning the garden and upon standing, a gust of wind surged, causing me to do a two-step to right myself. I looked up to see her standing in the window intently watching me. I gathered the water hose, fastened it to the lawn sprinkler and set it so the strong breeze would blow the water away from the house. When I came inside, she said, "Boy, that wind is awful."

I started to comment until she interrupted with, "But I was watching your hair and it never moved. It was mesmerizing."

The amount of hairspray I use could only be determined by a cost-analysis professional with experience in data. Having strong analytical skills and a great attention to detail he'd tell you, if not for my hair product addiction I could easily purchase a Ford F-150 Raptor F-Series truck. Ford states, "The Ford F-150 Raptor is like a regular F-150 on steroids and the most expensive truck we've ever built."

At \$109,145, it's almost exactly the same financial equivalent to a year's worth of the chemical I spray into the atmosphere to tame my locks. Side note: It's not that my hair product is expensive; it's the mass volume involved that's startling.

If you're wondering if you too use a lot of hairspray, there's a couple of ways to tell. Multiple times each summer, bugs fly into my curls and cannot extricate themselves. Case in point: Yesterday, standing outside chatting with a friend, a beetle with the

wingspan of a Volkswagen, nose-dived into one of my strands, causing itself what I'm sure was a concussion. Tipping my head upside down, I fluffed at it with my fingers to no avail. It could not on its own steam make a getaway. Gar, using a handsaw and a crowbar, pried my tresses apart enough that the insect could feebly fly off.

The other way to find out if you use a lot of hair product is by asking your significant other if he can breathe when you're together in a closed-in space. At home Gar and I don't share a bathroom, but at our kids' houses or at a motel we sometimes find ourselves in the same vicinity of the sink and mirror. When Gar sees me pull the lid off the hairspray he quickly covers his nose and mouth with a towel then closes his eyes. What a wimp. I take the full impact and can with all sincerity tell you, I've only went to the floor a handful of times.

Sadly, there's not enough hairspray in hairspray land to help me with humidity. Also, adding rain to air that's already saturated with muggy moisture, a glance at my unruly wig will send a seasoned sailor to his knees begging for a merciful escape.

One morning last spring we were in Lake Jackson, Texas, a town on the ocean that prides itself in using "condensation" and "perspiration" in every sentence. As we drove to church it began to rain a torrent, but by the time we arrived the downpour had slowed to a drizzle. Gar, wearing a baseball cap, got out and waited for me, closed-up umbrella in hand. I hesitated, thinking he'd realize he needed to open it up. Nope. Eyeing the sprinkles hitting the puddles, I motioned him around to my side of the

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GUEST EDITORIAL

BLM breaches local policies, trust with Draft RMP

From Reps. Jon Conrad, J.T. Larson, Tony Niemiec, Cody Wylie, Albert Sommers and Clark Stith; Sens. Fred Baldwin, Stacy Jones, John Kolb and Wendy Schuler

Recently, at the Wyoming Legislature's Joint Agriculture, State and Public Lands & Water Resources meeting, the legislative committee heard from the BLM staff about their current draft Resource Management Plan (RMP). The RMP, and its preferred alternative B, highlight a broken federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, a part of the larger national permitting process which is badly in need of reform.

NEPA was designed to ensure that environmental and socioeconomic considerations are weighed in the decision-making process. Unfortunately, Alternative B, the BLM's preferred alternative, will have catastrophic economic consequences should it move forward. Under the BLM's preferred alternative, nearly 1.8 million acres of the public land our community relies on will be designated as Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), rendering them dormant and unusable to thousands of citizens in southwest Wyoming who depend on those acres being available for multiple uses.

There is no doubt this sweeping land grab by the federal government will further the Biden Administration's environmental aims. It will also devastate a hardworking community of energy, agricultural users and recreationalists who depend on the ability to use these lands for productive uses.

As the draft RMP notes, "The socioeconomic study area had a 2010 Census population of more than 133,400, which is 23.6 percent of the total Wyoming population." A near-quarter of Wyoming's population will be impacted by this plan

that has been in development for more than a decade. And despite the lengthy planning process, we as citizens are afforded only 90 days to respond to a plan that could irrevocably change the future course of our community and state.

The impacts of Alternative B will be devastating. A few top-line numbers from the BLM demonstrate the following impacts on our important economic engines – energy, mining and agriculture:

- 1,993,908 acres would be pursued for withdrawal from mineral location;
- Approximately 2,186,218 acres would be closed to new fluid mineral leasing, ie Oil&Gas;
- The areas closed to oil shale leasing would increase to 2,122,282 acres;
- 49,224 acres would be closed to trona leasing and development;
- 2,581,741 acres would be closed to mineral material sales/disposals;
- 3,735,546 acres would be closed to coal exploration and development activities; and
- The number of Animal Unit Months (AUMs) available for grazing would likely decrease while expenses would increase, and require management practices alterations from operators.

Further, and importantly, the BLM process did not appropriately consider state and local government policies as required by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. The Sweetwater County Land Resource Use Plan and Policy is one of our local community's standing policies for governing the management of private, state and federal

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ABCs of preparing vegetable, flower gardens for winter

Barb Harper and Arlinda McLaughlin made this presentation Sept. 13 at the Bronx Club, which has been in existence for 100 years. It was originally a group of ranch women from the Daniel area, but now the membership is diverse. We thought the list might be helpful with what to do with stuff from the garden as fall weather approaches.

One of the biggest areas of discussion was the destruction to flowers, shrubs and vegetables by voles and ground squirrels this summer. One thing that we can do at the end of summer is to mow the grass short on the final mowing before winter and trim flowers and other plants close to the ground. We trim our ornamental grass close to the ground, too. Voles live under the snow very comfortably in winter. If you leave vegetation for them, they will come to dinner.

A – ASPARAGUS – Trim fronds to the ground, add fertilizer (10-10-10 or fish and kelp meal) and compost/aged manure; mulch with straw after ground freezes.

B – BEANS – Freeze or can beans; to reheat frozen beans I put them in the oven at 400° and roast lightly.

B – BEETS – Pull before a hard frost (in the 20s), wash and dry completely, store in fridge in a perforated bag, make pickled beets.

B – BROCCOLI – Harvest side shoots before hard frost (low 20s).

B – BROTH – Use immature corn cobs, celery leaves, winter onions, carrots to make vegetable broth.

B – BRUSSELS SPROUTS – Harvest sprouts before a hard frost (low 20s); they freeze well.

B – BULBS – Trim. Fertilize in spring with bone meal and blood meal as leaves start to emerge.

C – CABBAGE – Harvest, trim, dry completely to store in fridge; great for making kimchi and kraut.

C – CARROTS – Pull before a hard frost (in the 20s), wash and dry completely, store

in fridge in a perforated bag, can be stored in sand in a cold place (Butler Hilton), or can be stored in the ground until November covered with deep straw mulch (Cassy Johnston).

C – CELERY – Cut stalks, trim; use leaves for broth, chop and freeze celery stalks.

C – CORN – Harvest and can corn relish, trim kernels off cob, freeze kernels, make broth from cobs.

C – COMFREY – Trim and add comfrey leaves to compost (great source of potassium).

C – CUCUMBERS – Pick mature cucumbers and make bread and butter pickles; pick immature cucumbers to make mini refrigerator dill pickles.

C – COMPOST – Turn compost pile before winter; start a second compost (I start a new one in spring, too).

D – DAIKON – Make pickled Daikon.

E – EFFORT – Takes lots!

F – FENNEL – Pull, trim and refrigerate (does not store for very long).

F – FLOWERS – Trim perennial flowers (to discourage vole activity), fertilize with 1 tablespoon blood meal and 1 tablespoon bone meal around each plant.

F – FRUIT – Can and/or freeze peaches, berries, pears, plums from local fruit stands, Utah, Colorado.

G – GARLIC – Harvest garlic planted last fall, trim and store in cool place; use some of the largest cloves to replant garlic before October.

H – HERBS – Harvest annual and perennial herbs; dry or freeze harvest, trim chives and lovage and add trimmings to compost.

H – HORSERADISH – Trim leaves after digging roots for grinding; leave plants.

I – IF at first you don't succeed, try, try again!

J – JUST because it works for someone else, it may not work for you.

K – KALE – harvest leaves before frost

below 20 degrees, wash and dry, they store well in fridge for 2-3 weeks

K – KOHLRABI – Pull before a light frost (low 30s), trim, wash and dry completely; store in fridge in a perforated bag.

L – LEEKS – Pull before low 20s. Trim, chop and sauté with garlic and onion and freeze for winter soups – fresh leeks do not store for more than about a week.

L – LOVE the flowers.

M – MANURE – Add composted manure in the fall.

N – NOTES – Keep records of successes and changes to make.

O – ONIONS – Harvest storage onions, let them dry in cool place; trim leaves and end roots, store in a cool place; harvest winter onion bulbs and replant for spring scallions.

P – PEAS – Harvest peas before frost (pea pods are very frost sensitive), freeze leftovers.

P – PEPPERS – Harvest, can or freeze pickled peppers, pepper relish.

P – PLAN for next spring – keep records.

P – POTATOES – Dig potatoes before light frost (tubers are very frost sensitive); store covered completely in dry cool location.

Q – QUESTIONS – Check with local gardeners.

R – RASPBERRIES – DON'T TRIM CANES UNTIL SPRING! FERTILIZE WITH A 10-10-10 IN SPRING. REMOVE ONLY THE DEAD CANES IN SPRING.

R – RHUBARB – Trim plants, fertilize with 10-10-10 or compost/aged manure.

R – RUTABAGA – Pull, trim, wash and dry completely, store in perforated bag in

fridge.

S – SAGE AND SNOW GARDEN CLUB – 40 years old - \$10 annual membership – 112 members.

S – SPINACH – Trim plants, blanch, chop, freeze for winter casseroles.

S – STRAW – Get it from Matt David, use it to mulch, save it in spring and use it in the compost.

S – STRAWBERRIES – DON'T TRIM PLANTS UNTIL SPRING! FERTILIZE WITH A 10-10-10 IN FALL. Mulch with thick layer of straw after ground freezes.

T – TOMATOES – Completely trim plants back to only branches that have green or ripening tomatoes to force ripening, reduce water at the same time.

T – TURNIPS – Pull, trim, wash and dry completely, store in perforated bag in fridge.

U – USE fencing to keep away the critters and trim plants so voles can't nest.

V – VIOLAS – Arlinda's favorite flower in honor of her mother – first to emerge in spring and last to disappear in fall.

W – WORM CASTINGS – Make a note or let Arlinda know if you want to order them in spring.

X – XTRA SPECIAL GIFTS FROM OUR CREATOR – Gratitude for what we have.

Y – YOGA – Practice yoga and strength training to stay strong and flexible to continue gardening.

Z – ZUCCHINI – Harvest, make zucchini bread, cake, cookies, relish.

Z – ZZZs – Days get shorter and nights get longer.

ABERNATHY

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Especially if what is found to be the truth is deemed unpopular.

As we have the town crier yelling, "Step right up to this unbelievable bullshit," we have forfeited the concept of questioning what is happening. We have become accustomed and accepting to this mess we humans have made. We have lost the fear of not understanding and no longer run from it. Content has been taught to be what we are told is comfort. We freely wallow in ignorance without wondering why it is uncomfortable.

When you quote and repeat what is given to you from confused uncertainty, your voice becomes the echo of someone else's identity. You may be trying to understand the confusion and hide your non-understanding with repeated words, but this only becomes propaganda.

Propaganda is not the truth. You become a lie to your thoughts with uncertainty as your existence. Don't follow the words; let the words evoke your own personal thoughts. This is the product of your mental activity, which is active and should not be lying dormant.

We can free ourselves from justification and condemnation while holding tight to identification. By now, we should be aware that we are in a certain state of conditioning.

What must be regained when viewing and now living this particular state of manipulated circumstances is an astute mind and pliable heart.

What is constantly undergoing transformation, we, without thought of the destination, follow the swift movement of what is. Though we look away, deep within, we are aware without discussion, that there is a collective confusion in the individual and the masses. Our whole state of being, are mental objects of immediate awareness, which are being altered with the puzzlement of fallacy.

There is no longer any ring of significance. All our leaders, both political and religious, are failing us. The quality of truth has lost its once charming sound and has become faded words that are only glanced over with uncaring eyes.

I guess sometimes all that is needed, for nonsensical clarity and understanding, is a billion dollars to understand the complexity that half the world is starving and the other half is trying to lose weight. - dbA

You can find more of the unfiltered insight and the Art of Dan Abernathy at www.contributechaos.com.

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GUEST

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land and the rangeland, soil, water and wildlife resources.

The draft RMP flies in the face of our local policies that place great significance on protecting agricultural land, ensuring access to natural resources on federal and state lands, providing for reduced regulatory costs for small businesses, encouraging mineral and energy resource exploration development and recovery, protecting the rights of landowners and surface owners, and supporting beneficial mining efforts and their economic impacts.

The BLM is obligated to consider and incorporate, to the fullest extent possible, these local policies and their preferred Alternate B does almost the opposite on all accounts.

We must do all we can to fight against this harmful draft policy that forgets the people who live and work here each and every day. We encourage all citizens to provide their comments during the BLM's 90-day

public comment period, which closes on Nov. 16, 2023: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/13853/510>.

– Jon Conrad serves House District 19 (Uinta County), J.T. Larson serves House District 17 (Sweetwater County), Tony Niemiec serves House District 60 (Sweetwater County), Cody Wylie serves House District 39 (Sweetwater County), Albert Sommers serves House District 20 (Sublette, Lincoln County) and Speaker, and Clark Stith serves House District 48 (Sweetwater County) and Speaker Pro Tempore in the Wyoming House of Representative. Fred Baldwin Senate District 14 (Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Uinta), Stacy Jones serves Senate District 13 (Sweetwater County), John Kolb serves Senate District 12 (Sweetwater County) and Wendy Schuler serves Senate District 15 (Uinta County) in the Wyoming Senate.

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OBITUARY

Jo Ann Colerick
 Aug. 15, 1939 — Sept. 20, 2023

Jo Ann was born on Aug. 15, 1939, when her parents Dutch and Betty Olson were living at the Dew Place on the upper Gros Ventre. Horses were in her blood and her love of riding never diminished. Dutch and Betty parted and Betty moved with Jo Ann and her brother Ross to Pinedale. Jo Ann attended elementary school in Pinedale. When her mother met and married Lew Oviatt, the family moved to Jackson, where Jo Ann attended high school.

Jo Ann later married and had two children, Lane and Kelly. Jo Ann's marriage ended in divorce but she soon met the love of her life, Tom Colerick. They married and spent the next 50 years together.

Jo Ann was a member of the Backcountry Horsemen, enjoyed barrel racing and her ladies riding group.

Jo Ann passed away peacefully on Sept. 20.

Jo Ann is survived by her brother, Ross Olson of Prescott, Arizona, her husband, Tom, and her two children, Lane Raper (Millie Parks) and Kelly Ravner.



Wyo. SOS office admits providing incorrect directives to petitioners

By **Apollo Pazell**
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RIVERTON — In an email sent to organizers of the medical cannabis and decriminalization initiatives, the Wyoming Secretary of State's office has tacitly admitted that information given to initiative organizers was incorrect and that they only needed 29,730 signatures instead of the over 40,000 initially directed. Under the newly revised rules, the Wyoming cannabis petitions would have qualified for the 2024 ballot with 36,000 signatures.

The Secretary's office excused the error, depriving Wyoming voters of their rights, by saying in an email, "... We are a whole new election team, and we have undertaken a comprehensive review of the initiative process in recent months, primarily due to an initiative currently filed with our office."

The referenced initiative is a policy that the current Secretary of State has publicly favored, publishing a press release supporting the proposal on official government letterhead. Petition organizers were quick to characterize the Secretary of State's office response as unacceptable. "The people of Wyoming have the constitutional right to petition their government. The cannabis petitions should have been treated the same as the party affiliation initiative. Secretary Gray and his 'new' team should have provided the same deference and professionalism to the cannabis petition. Why did they not

undertake a 'comprehensive review of the initiative process' while there was a pending initiative on the table? Their behavior deprived Wyomingites of their rights," said Wyoming NORML executive director Bennett Sondeno.

Organizers are considering their political and legal options in the face of this new revelation, including submitting a second initiative or pursuing legal remedies.

Still, they are encouraged to know that the Wyoming Cannabis Petition successfully collected the required signatures and, but for the admitted actions of the Secretary of State, would have been on the ballot in 2024.

In addition to the incorrect information about the number of signatures, the Secretary of State's office also provided false information about the timing of signature submissions. It asserted that if the petitions were not verified, it would prevent the initiative from being certified again for five years.

"Either way, this fight is not over. Patients, veterans and Wyoming families succeeded at collecting the signatures. This measure will be law no matter how hard they try to refuse our rights," said Marshall Burt.

The cannabis petition organizers' last communication with the Secretary of State's office was on Feb. 4; on that date, their public website still listed the required number of signatures as 41,776. Organizers are asking members of the Wyoming public who signed the petition to go to omscampaigns.com/wyoming-cannabis to confirm their support for the initiatives.

EIDEN

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truck. He frowned, but came to me, umbrella remaining shut. I rolled the window down and through gritted teeth said, "Open it up."

Appearing perplexed, he shook his head and putting his hand out palm up, protested, "It's hardly raining."

I annunciated, "Open. The. Umbrella."

Realizing I meant business, he started fumbling with it as I got out. I stood a moment watching, then decided it would be safer for my hair to simply sprint for the entrance.

Seeing me actually run, Gar was stupefied and honestly who wouldn't be? Never getting the umbrella unfastened, he came to stand by me under the church awning, murmuring something about me being, "Kinda huffy."

Remaining deadly silent I pondered my range of possibilities. Sometimes women have to carefully weigh the decision, "Do I or do I not want to do 20 to life in maximum security?"

By **Trena Eiden**, trenaid@hotmail.com

Email obituaries to cohare@pinedaleroundup.com
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The auction date and time shall be Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 3 p.m. at the Pinedale Town Hall located at 205 Entertainment Lane, Pinedale, WY 82941.

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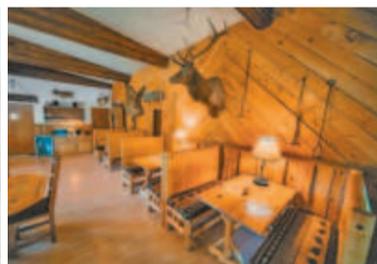
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Pinedale Half Marathon: Racing to raise money

By Cali O'Hare

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PINEDALE — More than 300 people participated in this year's Pinedale Half Marathon, 10K and 1-Mile Fun Run, held Saturday, Sept. 16.

The half-marathon course is an out-and-back race between Pinedale and Fremont Lake. The 10K course begins at the Fremont Lake Lookout north of Pinedale and follows a downhill decent back to town. The 1-Mile Fun Run followed town streets, with the start and finish lines at Rendezvous Pointe.

Top male and female overall finishers were recognized for both the Half Marathon and the 10K races in several age categories. A complete list of results is available online at <https://my.raceresult.com/250966/results>.

Half Marathon top three overall - men's division

Twenty-three people entered the men's division of the Pinedale Half Marathon. Michael Lutz, 36, was first over the finish line in 1:25:22, followed by Noah Kolis, 28, in second place with a time of 1:26:31 and Rob Murphy, 58, in third place with a time of 1:34:53.

Half Marathon top three overall - women's division

Twenty-six people entered the women's division of the Pinedale Half Marathon. Kathryn Heffron, 31, was the first female to cross the finish line, with a time of 1:47:09, followed by Kaycee Wagner, 35, in second place with a time of 1:52:15, and Amanda Margrave, 36, in third place with a time of 1:53:26.

10K top three finishers - men's division

Thirty men competed in Saturday's 10K race. Tyler Franklin, 20, in first place with a time of 40:56, followed by Kris Holmes, 38, in second place with a time of 41:11, and Brent Peacock, 61, in third place with a time of 41:38.

10K top three finishers - women's division

Fifty-three women competed in the 10K race on Sept. 16. Amber Robbins, 43, in first place with a time of 54:47, followed by Terry Cain, 63, in second place with a time of 56:57, and Valerie Boggs, 45, in third place with a time of 57:39.

1-Mile Fun Run - men's division

Seventy-seven people competed in the men's division of the One Mile Fun Run. Javier Pawlowski, 12, placed first with a time of 6:42, followed by Victor Filkins, 11, in second place with a time of 6:49, and Samuel Robbins, 13, with a time of 6:53.

1-Mile Fun Run - women's division

Ninety-nine people completed in the women's division of the One Mile Fun Run. Kendall Horrocks, 42, finished the One Mile Fun Run in first place with a time of 7:21. Valeria Pawlowski, 13, completed the fun run in second place with a time of 7:27. She



JOAN MITCHELL COURTESY PHOTOS

Twenty-six women crossed the finish line in the women's division of the Pinedale Half Marathon on Saturday, Sept. 16.

was followed by Tiffany Thomas, 35, in third place with a time of 8:04.

Following the races, the Pinedale Lion's Club and local chef Sue Eversull served up a free community bbq with delicious side salads and desserts.

The Pinedale Half Marathon and 10K races were first held in 2004 but in 2022, the focus of the event shifted from a one-day race into a three-month fundraising campaign for the many nonprofits of Sublette County. Today, this series of races is the culminating event of Foundation 23's Community Fundraiser, with \$5 from each entry fee donated to a local nonprofit of the racer's choosing.

Thanks to generous local sponsors, \$39,760 in matching funds were available for the 2023 fundraising efforts. Foundation 23's giving campaign began on July 1 and ended Sept. 23.

For more information or to get involved, visit <https://www.foundation23.org/>.



More than 300 people from Sublette County and across the region participated in the 2023 Pinedale Half Marathon, 10K and 1-Mile Fun Runs, the culminating events of the Foundation 23 Community Fundraiser.

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Kim Tanner is dressed as a sneaker during the 2022 Power in Pink Fun Run.

JOAN MITCHELL FILE PHOTOS

People of all ages participate in the annual Power in Pink Fun Run, held along the Big Piney-Marbleton pathways.

Power in Pink 5K coming up

By Cali O'Hare
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BIG PINEY — The annual Power in Pink 5K in Big Piney is fast approaching, planned for Saturday, Oct. 7, with a 9 a.m. start time at the Sublette County Fairgrounds. The event serves as a fundraiser for Kickin' Cancer in Sublette County and has historically raised thousands of dollars for the cause.

Registration is now open and will remain open until 8:45 a.m. on the day of the race. Forms can be picked up in advance

at Office Outlet in Pinedale and Big Piney, 307 Mercantile and downloaded from the Power in Pink Facebook page.

Participants are invited to come early to pick up their pink swag and take pictures in the pre-made photo booth at the fairgrounds. Refreshments will be provided.

Racers will compete for first, second and third-place prizes in the kids', women's and men's categories. One racer will be crowned as the event's "best dressed," so participants are encouraged to get creative with their outfits and costumes.

For more information, contact Natalie Strong 307-749-2791 or Neilou Sambrano at 307-231-9969.



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Town of Pinedale aces financial audit

By Robert Galbreath
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PINEDALE – The Town of Pinedale once again received an unmodified opinion on its financial audit – the highest rating a government entity can garner, announced Tim Fixter of Summit West CPA Group to the town council on Monday, Sept. 11.

Over the course of the town’s audit, accountants at Summit West CPA Group examined Pinedale’s financial statements with a fine-tooth comb, sifting through a “mountain of information” and processing hundreds of samples to “identify areas for improvement and provide a fresh set of eyes,” Fixter explained to the council.

At the conclusion of the audit, the accounting firm declared the town’s financial statements to be “correct and accurate” and that Pinedale’s internal controls worked well, Fixter said.

“By and large, the audit went very well,” Fixter added. “The town places high expectations on its staff, and the staff met those expectations. Pinedale has the right people in the right places – people who care about the town.”

Accountants made several “findings” – areas where the town can make improvements – in the audit, Fixter told the council. Findings consisted of “minor housekeeping items” like voided checks and the need to update employee files and software, Fixter continued.

Fixter emphasized that the findings were “relatively small items” that the town was able to quickly “square away and take care of.”

The audit also inspected the town’s use of federal dollars, particularly in the form of grants, and reported no findings,

Fixter announced.

Fixter praised the town for managing its budget and avoiding overspending while carrying out multiple projects during the previous fiscal year. Pinedale maintained “consistent” cash and revenue streams, made sound investments and was in a good position to grow its reserves, Fixter noted.

Fixter credited town staff for pursuing grants to fund projects and finding other “creative” means to save money.

The Pinedale Town Council set a positive tone, Fixter said, and was always willing to communicate with the auditors and provide “knowledgeable” answers to queries from accountants. Pinedale’s cooperation contrasted with some municipalities where governing bodies or staff were not forthcoming with financial information, Fixter added.

“I am always impressed with the (Pinedale Town Council’s) good ideas and ways to move the town forward,” Fixter remarked.

Federal audits are performed on the previous fiscal year and are triggered when the town reaches a certain threshold in spending federal dollars, Mayor Matt Murdock explained to the Roundup. Pinedale scheduled its audit earlier than usual to accommodate schedules for folks at Summit West CPA Group and to prepare the necessary paperwork to submit to the Wyoming State Loan and Investment Board (SLIB) for grants related to projects like the new airport fuel farm, Murdock added.

As a result of Pinedale’s willingness to complete the audit process early, the town received a 10-percent discount on the accounting fee charged by Summit West CPA Group, Fixter said.

Fixter delivered a “huge thank you” to town staff for

working well with accountants throughout the audit.

Mayor Murdock also expressed a “big thank you” to staff.

“It’s great to have staff who are concerned about the town’s finances and keep these things on their radar,” Murdock added.

Shallow water main replacement update

Council members unanimously passed a motion to submit a request for qualifications to select an engineer to carry out design work for the shallow water main replacement project in Pinedale.

The project encompasses the removal of existing main waterlines and service lines beneath Quartz Avenue and a portion of Jade Street and Shanley Avenue and the installation of new pipeline to reduce problems with freezing water lines and to conserve water.

The estimated cost for the project is \$1,258,000 and the town is pursuing a loan through SLIB to fund construction and engineering, said Abram Pearce, director of public works. If approved, the shallow water main replacement loan qualifies for zero-percent interest as a green project, said Pearce.

The town may also qualify for a 25-percent loan forgiveness, Pearce said. SLIB meets on Oct. 5 to consider the town’s loan application and determine whether the town will receive loan forgiveness, Pearce continued.

The deadline for engineers to submit requests for qualification for the waterline project is Sept. 29. Pinedale’s goal is to select an engineer this fall or early this winter and to put the construction phase out to bid over the winter with the hope to begin work during the 2024 season, Pearce said. He called the proposed timeline an “aggressive schedule.”

Musical comedy show in Pinedale tonight

PINEDALE — The Pinedale Fine Arts Council (PFAC) is proud to present The 3 Redneck Tenors on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Sheppard (Pinedale) Auditorium. This family-friendly show kicks off PFAC’s 2023-24 season and is sure to entertain.

The 3 Redneck Tenors are a new breed in the “tenor genre” – their musical comedy featuring classically trained veteran artists is like the Blue Collar Comedy Tour goes to Carnegie Hall - down home laughs with big city music! It has been said that if Larry the Cable Guy, Il Divo and Mrs. Doubtfire had a baby, that child would be The 3 Redneck Tenors. Written by opera-veteran Matthew Lord with music arranged by award-winning composer Craig Bohmler and starring Mr. Lord, Blake Davidson and Grace Lord, The 3 Redneck Tenors were top finalists on “America’s Got Talent” and have been thrilling audiences since 2006. Get ready for a side-splitting, family-friendly ride as The 3 Redneck Tenors delight audiences with their vocal prowess and a smorgasbord of songs, ranging from country to Broadway to classical, and everything in between!

Tickets for The 3 Redneck Tenors are available at pinedalefinearts.com and Nested West, The Cowboy Shop, Office Outlet, the Big Piney Office Outlet and at the door the night of the performance. Ticket prices are \$20 per adult and \$7 per student.

This event is presented by PFAC with support in part from the Wyoming Arts Council through funding from the Wyoming Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts which believes a great nation deserves great art, Sublette BOCES #1, the Sublette County Recreation Board, Pinedale Travel & Tourism, the Wyoming Community Foundation - Sublette, Tegeler & Associates, Jonah Energy, Purewest and the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation.

For more information, please visit www.pinedalefinearts.com or call 307-367-7322.



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

Deputy Brian Gardner discusses the importance of understanding the rights granted to U.S. citizens in the nation’s founding documents at a ceremony honoring Constitution Day hosted by Skyline Academy on Monday, Sept. 18. Gardner is also a decorated member of the U.S. Navy Reserve.



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Big Piney hears proposal for commercial lease

By Joy Ufford

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SUBLETTE COUNTY – A woman hoping to renovate and run her business from a room in a town-owned building brought her proposal to the Big Piney Town Council at its Sept. 19 meeting.

Cosmetologist Shelby Kumar presented Mayor Shane Voss and councilmembers Dalin Hughes, Tawnya Miller, Kinsey Voss and Sierra Banks with a sketch of her proposal to install plumbing and replace the floor in the town's adjacent building at 415 Budd Ave.

Kumar said she currently shares a station with Banks one day a week and would like her own space. She approached the mayor last week about possibly renting an office in the same building as the nonprofit SAFV, which pays nominal rent to the town, as have previous tenants such as High Country Behavioral Health and A Woman's Work.

High Country has in the past renewed the office lease for nominal rent. Kumar said, "It looks pretty deserted."

She said SAFV Director Mandi Moffat told her a hairdressing business would not interfere with SAFV's clients. The office in question needs running water piped through a wall and new flooring per state standards that Kumar would pay for.

Parks/ streets supervisor Kara Losik mentioned that in winter, snow and ice slide from the building roof into the courtyard and access could be difficult to keep clear.

Code officer Greg Eiden said the offices are generally leased to nonprofits and asked Kumar if she explored private commercial possibilities. He said the town might be unfairly enabling competition.

"What does it matter if she has," Banks said, adding she welcomes the competition. "It would be a lease to generate money for the town."

Eiden said local governments shouldn't be involved in competition, pointing to the Marbleton Senior Center's sales of meals that take business from local restaurants.

Mayor Voss said they "could make sure it's kosher with everybody."

Councilmember Voss double-checked that SAFV clients' confidentiality would not be disturbed.

"I'm already losing this battle," Eiden said. "Go ahead and vote for it."

Voss proposed tabling discussion until the October meeting; town attorney Doug Mason said the council could talk about "the concept" of terms and contracts in executive session, which was not on the agenda.

"Can we approve the concept tonight because I am all for the town generating money," Banks said.

The council approved Voss's agenda amendment for an executive session to discuss legal matters. They returned without taking action and adjourned.

In other Big Piney news, the town's ordinances went off to American Legal to be checked for consistency and updated, a 6-month process.

Eiden said if the current ordinances are "still standing" he will follow them until the new versions are returned. He suggested a large map of Big Piney's municipal street rights-of-way because homeowners have different setbacks. Many owners don't realize they are responsible for maintaining some of them, he added.

Eiden also asked how to proceed with eyesore properties that are not being cleaned up. "I need someone who can write citations; you decide what you want me to do. Is it the sheriff's office duty or not?"

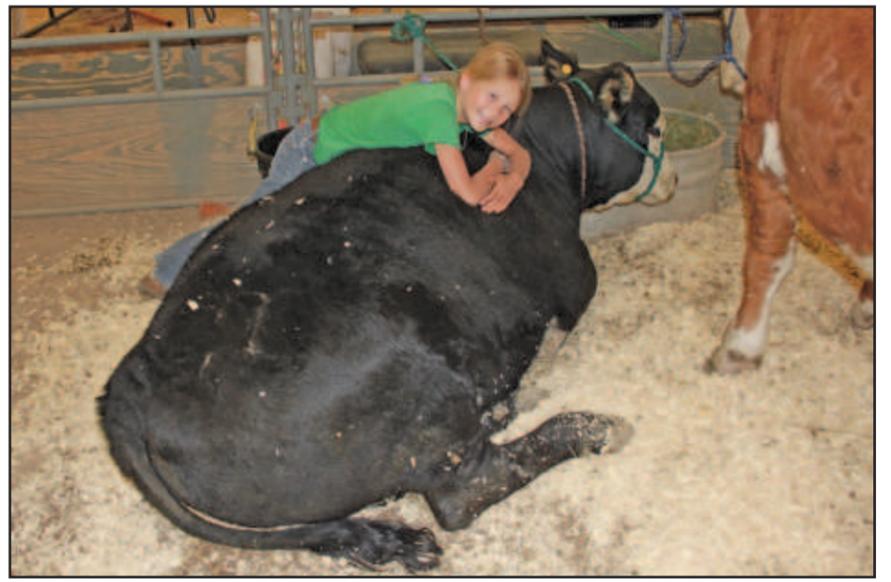
Miller advised contacting the Sublette County Sheriff's Office in Marbleton as "the next step in the process. I think we should do that."

Water/sewer supervisor Mike Wagstaff reported a final walk-through on the Nichols Street repair project. The town's sewer lagoons are closed and all wastewater is piped to Marbleton's wastewater facility.

Wagstaff toured Pinedale's wastewater treatment plant, working on the design phase of Big Piney's planned chlorine generation facility.

Losik reported repairs to snow-removal equipment that took a beating last winter; she leased a compressor trailer to blow out parks' sprinkler systems. At Centennial Park, work will begin to install power for RV towers, and Losik asked if she could swap projects to replace the park's sprinkler system instead of trying to patch it.

Digging for underground electric will be 24 inches deep; sprinkler lines 12 inches deep, she said. Cheeney Landscaping had estimated replacement at \$20,000 and Mason said projects over \$5,000 need to go out to bid so the town will prepare a notice.



JOY UFFORD PHOTO

It's that time of year for Sublette County youth to consider how local 4-H clubs fit with their interests – raise small poultry or super steers, train your cat, learn how to work with textiles, decorate a cake, sharpen or create an image, stamp leather designs, weld metal, take aim at a target or outer space or work with wood. The 4-H year begins Oct. 1 with next summer's Sublette County Fair as the grand finale. For kids, parents and potential leaders to learn what 4-H has to offer, Sublette County 4-H is having two open houses next week. The first is Wednesday, Oct. 4, 4 to 7 p.m. at the Sublette County Extension Office, 9660 Highway 191, Pinedale. The next is Thursday, Oct. 5, 4 to 7 p.m. at Marbleton Town Hall, 10700 Highway 189, Marbleton. Check it out and enter to win door prizes!

High school seniors encouraged to apply for Daniels Scholarship

WYOMING — The Daniels Fund is excited to announce the opening of the application for the Daniels Scholarship Program, providing a life-changing opportunity for students looking to pursue their higher education dreams. Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming high school seniors are encouraged to apply to become 2024 Daniels Scholars at DanielsFund.org/Scholarships by 4 p.m., on Oct. 15, to be considered for the scholarship.

The Daniels Scholarship Program provides the opportunity for motivated students to attend the college of their choice. The scholarship can be used at any two- or four-year nonprofit, accredited college or university in the United States. The Daniels Fund expects to award approximately 200 scholarships to the graduating class of 2024 in March. Since 2000, the Daniels Fund has provided more than \$250 million to over 5,000 scholars.

"Bill Daniels believed a great education can be game-changing for young people with great potential, strong character, and big dreams," said Daniels Fund President and CEO Hanna Skandera. "We look forward to supporting the next generation of leaders, and the positive impact they will make with this opportunity."

Eligibility requirements:

- Be a graduating high school senior.
- Be a resident of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah or Wyoming.
- Be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- Earn a minimum grade point average of 3.0 in high school (on an unweighted 4.0 scale).
- Earn a minimum SAT math score of 490

and a minimum evidence-based reading and writing score of 490, or a minimum ACT score of 18 in each category (writing score not required).

The applicant's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must have an adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or less on their 2022 tax return on which the applicant is claimed as a dependent. Additional income is allowed for additional dependents; visit the Daniels Fund website for specific details and examples.

Scholarship details

Daniels Scholars will receive a full ride if they attend a partner school within Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. A full list of partner schools is available at DanielsFund.org/partnerschools. Scholars who choose to attend a school outside the Daniels Fund's four-state region can receive up to \$100,000 over four years for educational expenses. Scholars attending schools within the four-state region outside of the partnership agreement can receive \$30,000 over four years for educational expenses.

All Daniels Scholars also receive a laptop computer, networking opportunities, leadership development opportunities and career development.

2024 Daniels Scholars will be announced in March 2024. To learn more about the Daniels Scholarship Program or to apply, please visit DanielsFund.org/Scholarships.

The Daniels Fund, established by cable television pioneer Bill Daniels, is a private charitable foundation dedicated to making life better for the people of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming through its grants program, scholarship program, and ethics initiative. Visit DanielsFund.org to learn more.

Forgotten firearm found in rental car

By Cali O'Hare

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SUBLETTE COUNTY — A Big Piney Hall of Fame inductee and her friends, dubbed the Ten-nessee Travelers, got more than they bargained for when they rented a vehicle at the Bozeman Yellowstone National airport. They intended to travel through Yellowstone National Park on their way to Big Piney for the annual Hall of Fame festivities.

Sublette County Sheriff KC Lehr said that

as the group passed through Jackson Hole, they re-ceived a text message from the rental car company stating that there may be a "very sensitive" item left by a previous renter inside the vehicle. The driver reached under the seat and located a loaded handgun in a holster.

Not wanting to return to Bozeman, the travelers contacted the Sublette County Sheriff's Office to take the firearm into safekeeping. The registered owner of the handgun was later contacted and arrangements will be made to return the firearm to its rightful owner.

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Ken Marincic and Pat Burroughs (not reappointed) worked steadily through the regulations over the past year; new members Chase Harber and Holly Roberts will finish it up.

The original board worked with county planner Dennis Fornstrom, associate planner Tess Soll and county attorney Clayton Melinkovich after regular monthly meetings and evening public workshops, including a special meeting on Sept. 19 where definitions were adjusted, scrapped or rewritten. Harber joined the meeting via Zoom.

The goal – to complete the draft, present it to county commissioners Doug Vickrey, Tom Noble, chair Sam White, Mack Bradley and Dave Stephens for review. The draft would go back to P&Z and at some point, possibly be shown to the public before commissioners make a final vote

When the P&Z commissioners expressed concerns about making sure their new rules were viable, Jeremy Grimm of Whiskey Rock Consulting was hired to work between commissioners and P&Z.

Timeline

However, the lack of a committed timeline “in writing” and doubts about the public’s ability to comment brought the contingent before county commissioners on Sept. 19. Burroughs, Dan Bailey, Dan Smitherman and other neighbors voiced these concerns – at first to little response from the five at the big table.

Smitherman asked commissioners to set up a public meeting with the consultant, to see the revised draft and requested the timeline.

“The board has not decided yet about public hearings,” White said. “We haven’t made any kind of plan; we don’t know what we’re going to do yet. ... Our plan right now is to get the rough draft. Then the five of us will come together to decide.”

Bradley said the public has had six to eight months to comment; Noble agreed.

Smitherman said White’s “lackadaisical response” seemed to indicate a lack of interest in public comment.

Stephens said, “I feel certain the public is going to get a chance, but we know as little as you do at this point. We’re not hiding nothing. It’s going to be out there.”

Other citizens said the county’s P&Z draft, meeting audio and even the special meeting notice required for the evening were difficult to find. Burroughs said the last minutes and audio were posted in May and June.

“That will be addressed,” White said.

Marilyn Filkins, John Carter and others said they don’t know if the P&Z office or commission ever received their comments, much less considered them.

“I’ve been submitting comments the past two years (about Joe Ricketts’ Jackson Fork Ranch) and we don’t know; our comments drop into a black hole,” Carter said.

Smitherman again requested a written timeline – “This is a complicated document. ... It may not be of community interest but it should be.”

Lisi Krall said they could have “a non-adversarial relationship” so citizens did not feel “disenfranchised and you feel less embattled.”

“I know every time this group comes before commissioners, (they) roll their eyes,” Burroughs said. “When people are impacted, they do stand up.”

She referred to Pinedale residents who successfully opposed the Doyle gravel pit.

Molly Nemetz asked commissioners to remember Sublette County’s wildlife habitats and migration routes. “I hope you can direct your consultant to look closely and make sure the draft makes recommendations for wildlife.”

Special meeting

Most citizens expressed concern at an apparent lack of notice about the Sept. 19 special meeting to discuss Chapter 1 definitions. Some attended in person or online to listen to discussions about how to define “guest ranch,” “landing strip” or “incidental.”

Should a “guest cabin” have a kitchen? Will it be limited to the same square footage as an accessory unit? Can agriculture use

diminish as others grow? Will people be required to install a landing strip for frequent aircraft landings?

Tan, Greenhalgh, Marincic and Harber, with Melinkovich, Soll and consistent attendees worked their way to just short of “public facility.”

And after Bailey and others requested the written timeline, Soll said, “Okay.”

No ranch needed

The Sublette County Planning & Zoning Commission met for its regular meeting Thursday, Sept. 21, at 6 p.m., in the commissioners’ meeting room to review an application and continue with Chapter 1 Definitions.

In the process, with realtor and Chase Harber present, the dynamic of defining a “guest ranch” lost the “incidental” association to agriculture the commission had previously considered essential, 3-2, with Tan – at her final meeting before resigning – and Lacinak voting to keep agriculture in the equation and Greenhalgh, Marincic and Harber voting to delete it, 3-2.

Bailey and Krall asked them to reconsider that decision, saying removing ag as a relevant use to acquire a guest ranch conditional use permit (CUP) goes against the Sublette County Comprehensive Plan, written in 1990. It takes away the traditional sense of a guest ranch without a focus on the “ranch” aspect.

“I woke up in the middle of the night,” Krall said. “Given the trouble that ‘guest ranch’ (for Jackson Fork Ranch on Bondurant) caused with the CUP last year. (The guest ranch definition) should read incidental and subordinate – what a guest ranch is supposed to be. A resort should be a rezone. You’re trying to make a fundamental change in the county. If you want resorts, rezone them. At least to get a resort on agricultural (A-1) land. Think about it. Help the whole process become clearer. If we can’t do this right, what are we doing?”

Instead of being a traditional guest ranch, Bailey added, these would become new hotels and motels away from town centers.

“Ag would lose its value as ranch land. ... I would like you to reconsider ‘guest ranch’ when we had two major contentious public hearings (for owner Joe Ricketts’ property).”

“Every time I hear a public comment, it is always insightful,” Tan said. “Honestly I don’t think Lisi could have said it better. ... Who decided it wouldn’t be a change of zoning?”

Fornstrom said it is up to the applicant to decide what approach to take. He could see the difference between a resort and a guest ranch.

“Moving forward there are two avenues here (rezone and CUP) with more discussion at that time,” he said.

Lacinak said he wanted to keep the “guest ranch” history, culture and use of ranching and agriculture. “I still have hope in the use of agriculture as incidental.”

“That language could change – the (county) commissioners could change it,” Greenhalgh said.

Cryptic crypto

Crypto-mining falls under a “home business,” Lacinak said, with huge vibrations from its computer-cooling fans. It isn’t included in “home occupations” because of the noise, Fornstrom said. It could call for a CUP where location and noise are addressed.

The county does not have a nuisance ordinance, and enforcement would be a problem, several members agreed.

“You can say you can’t have dust and noise,” Melinkovich said.

They decided to ask Grimm, who did not attend any of these reported meetings, for language to address complaints.

Landing

For now, the commission is keeping the county’s “landing strip” terms that allow 14 or fewer private aircraft landings a year.

Greenhalgh explained that historically, “commercial” meant an airport and flight tours and ag uses “could be hashed out as a CUP.” The current rule was developed many years ago to allow private pilots “to land once a month and twice for holidays.”

The commission debated how to limit landings on contiguous properties owned by

the same entity, such as the Upper Hoback, where Jackson Fork Ranch employees use a different property for its 14 potential landings – and takeoffs – in a very rural setting.

“My main thing is the wildlife migration corridors,” Tan said. “Because to me that’s more disturbing than (vehicle) traffic. There’s a major resort coming in and people are not going to drive and it’s a major disturbance to wildlife. Can we protect the neighbors?”

Harber, Tan and Lacinak agreed to limit landings to 14 or fewer within Sublette County. For more, the owner could seek a CUP.

And more...

Lacinak proposed defining a “public facility” as government supervised and open to the public; a “private facility” could provide services funded, leased or operated by a private entity. A “public utility is essential to the general public.”

The public and planning and zoning commission expressed concerns that more citizens aren’t involved in drafting new regulations.

To see the current and working draft P&Z regulations, audio files, calendar and agendas, go to <https://www.sublettecountywy.gov/123/Planning-Zoning>.



Joy Ufford Photo

FIRE

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Both said later they expected the Forest Service to begin fighting the fire; both were seriously burned as they tried to retreat from the blaze, according to news reports. They tried unsuccessfully to hold the Forest Service responsible for personal injuries, as did about 30 Hoback Ranches’ homeowners.

Of 153 homes there, 55 houses and outbuildings were consumed by the fire.

In 2020, the homeowners filed federal tort claims for personal damages that reportedly sought more than \$100 million total.

The two hunters seriously burned on Sept. 15, 2018, before the fire was actively managed, filed their own claim seeking damages on Sept. 12, 2020.

All were assisted by wildfire consultant Frank Carroll of Professional Fire Management in Pueblo, Colorado. Carroll assisted Montana attorney Quentin Rhoades and Hoback Ranches’ property owners with what he called “wildfire post mortems” to see whether Forest Service action – in this case during the Roosevelt Fire’s early days – “was appropriate ... or if (Bridger-Teton National Forest managers) were making a decision about private property (burning) for management purposes.”

Carried on

After the 2020 federal tort claims were denied, Hoback Ranches’ property owners and the Knezoviches filed a 2021 civil suit in Wyoming’s U.S. District Court that Judge Alan B. Johnson dismissed, agreeing with the Forest Service that the agency could not be held liable.

Their 2022 appeal went to the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals. On Sept. 15 of this year – exactly five years after the Roosevelt Fire was spotted – the judicial panel denied their attempt to overturn the judge’s ruling for the same reasons.

Return to court

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, the 32 homeowners filed a new civil suit against the Forest Service in U.S. District Court that claims the agency wrongly used the manmade fire to “reintroduce fire in its natural role” for wildlife habitat without considering its effect on private lands.

The complaint filed by Rhodes and Jackson attorney Bradley L. Boone seeks an advisory judicial verdict on claims

that the Forest Service was “negligent,” violating the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) and other federal policies.

“The use of unplanned fire to achieve natural resource benefits, which consists of major federal action, is not authorized by federal law because in deciding to use unplanned fire as a resource management tool, the Forest Service did not adhere to the (NEPA), did not consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under the Endangered Species Act and did not harmonize with the applicable forest plan as the National Forest Management Act requires,” it states.

The homeowners have exhausted their administrative remedies; thus this civil suit “is ripe and justifiable,” it says. The complaint places fault on Forest Service employees and seeks unspecified money damages for injuries or losses of property and personal injuries.

Their decisions to “monitor and inform the public ... and monitor fire activity” let the Roosevelt Fire burn during “red flag” weather conditions, the complaint says.

After the fire raged for four days, the Forest Service “had used Roosevelt Fire to restore fire to the landscape of more than 25,000 acres,” it says. The first Hoback Ranches’ home burned the next day and the rest through Sept. 23, 2018, it says.

It lists a count of “negligence” to exercise a degree of care and seeks compensation for personal property damages, loss of the property’s use and emotional distress.”

The second “trespass” count claims “the Forest Service’s Roosevelt Fire invaded the homeowners’ real and personal property ... and its physical condition,” seeking unspecified compensation for property values before and after the fire, loss of the property and emotional distress.

“... Plaintiffs respectfully request the Court enter its order granting a money judgment for special and general damages against (the Forest Service) in such amount as the (32 Hoback Ranches’ homeowners) and each of them shall prove at the trial of the action,” the complaint closes, including attorney fees and any appropriate relief determined in an advisory trial.

The Hoback Ranches’ lawsuit, 2023-CV-00167, is assigned to U.S. District Judge Scott W. Skavdahl; nothing more was filed as of Sept. 27.

SUBLETTE COUNTY

Sheriff's report

The Sublette County Sheriff's Office reported 184 calls from Sept. 18 to Sept. 24, including one death, a suicidal person, five fires, eight suspicious incidents, 21 citizen assists, three fights, three search-and-rescues, six livestock problems, 36 urinalyses and 21 vehicle identification number checks.

Sept. 18

At 5:25 a.m., a sorrel horse was hit in the highway near Bomgaars.

At 5:55 a.m., a second horse was hit in a second crash.

At 8:38 a.m., a woman was exposed to a bat.

At 8:49 a.m., a deputy transported a prisoner.

At 9:11 a.m., a deputy checked on someone who had died.

At 9:18 a.m., a rancher planned to move 70 cattle across Highway 191.

At 9:58 a.m., a caller was worried that birds died because of a gas odor.

At 11:36 a.m., a landlord asked a deputy to remove explosives a tenant left behind.

At 12:32 p.m., a controlled burn went out of control.

At 12:53 p.m., a person was found deceased.

At 1:37 p.m., a car broke down in a bad spot on the way to Soda Lake.

At 3:35 p.m., the school resource officer received information.

At 4:42 p.m., a juvenile problem was reported.

At 4:44 p.m., Fremont County passed along a hunter's call that an elderly woman broke her finger. Tip Top Search and Rescue was put on hold because the outfitter would try to bring her out.

At 6:36 p.m., SCSO and Lincoln County received the same 911 calls from LaBarge.

At 6:47 p.m., a person was having seizures.

At 6:56 p.m., a person who fell hurt their back.

At 7:21 p.m., a man thought someone from Big Piney was selling his hay without him knowing about it. It was unfounded.

At 8:23 p.m., two people were injured when a vehicle hit an animal.

At 9:12 p.m., a person had a blood clot in their leg.

At 9:30 p.m., Sublette EMS responded after a son received an SOS notification.

Sept. 19

At 3:27 a.m., a man and son were injured in an upside-down 2006 Duramax that rolled down a hill near Middle Piney.

At 4:59 a.m., Tip Top responded to assist with the accident near Middle Piney.

At 7:42 a.m., hikers parked at White Pine were not back yet; they parked there to avoid construction to Elkhart Park.

At 7:43 a.m., a juvenile problem was reported.

At 9:21 a.m., a woman reported a suspicious UPS package; it was a scam.

At 9:47 a.m., a woman said she left her things with a friend when she went to prison and now released, she wanted her computer and debit card back.

At 9:55 a.m., a school resource officer reported a juvenile problem.

At 10:11 a.m., a horse and four mules, one dragging a 40-foot rope, appeared in a woman's yard. She put them in a corral and watered them but hadn't heard from the hunters yet.

At 10:18 a.m., a man checked on a U.S. Census Bureau employee.

At 10:22 a.m., no one responded to a School Safe alert or a deputy's multiple calls. Administration was in a meeting.

At 12:08 p.m., a caller reported kids pulling a couch and lots of dirt bike traffic; it was for Homecoming.

At 12:46 p.m., a white tanker pulling two trailers passed unsafely and ran another driver off the road.

At 5:19 p.m., a caller provided information.

At 7:44 p.m., a hunter with an injured knee and no food or water got lost that morning near Miller Lake. Tip Top volunteers hiked up to help the man to his vehicle.

At 9:03 p.m., a cow was on the highway.

At 10:28 p.m., a suspicious incident was a family argument.

**Sept. 20**

At 1:44 a.m., a deputy responded to a domestic dispute.

At 2:50 a.m., a false burglar alarm went off in a business lobby.

At 7:35 a.m., a deputy transported a prisoner.

At 9:24 a.m., the school resource officer reported a tobacco problem; a juvenile was cited for having a vape.

At 9:57 a.m., a person got bucked off a horse and broke a hip.

At 10:40 a.m., SAFV acted on a deputy's information.

At 11:22 a.m., a man asked a deputy for a civil standby.

At 6:10 p.m., a frantic moose calf kept running across the highway.

At 9:39 p.m., a hunter helped pull out a UTV stuck in a mudhole on North Fork of Fisherman Creek.

Sept. 21

At 1:10 a.m., a Sublette Center resident fell.

At 6:40 a.m., a caller worried someone who lost their job was suicidal.

At 7:14 a.m., an agitated resident with dementia was making threats.

At 8:19 a.m., a detective ran a national instant check to release a firearm.

At 9:31 a.m., a deputy helped a citizen with a protection order.

At 9:34 a.m., a caller abandoned 911 after a family member passed out but then revived.

At 10:18 a.m., a deputy had information about a juvenile problem.

At 10:19 a.m., an abandoned vehicle caused a parking problem.

At 10:34 a.m., a woman reported a fraud.

At 10:36 a.m., a deputy reported a family dispute.

At 10:37 a.m., the school resource officer reported a juvenile-related controlled substance problem.

At 1:42 p.m., a white Ford with government plates did not have an inebriated driver, just a lost driver.

At 2:13 p.m., a citizen turned medicines over to the sheriff's office.

At 3:11 p.m., a student driver ran over a can of paint that sprayed another vehicle; the paint came off in the car wash.

At 3:38 p.m., a fire was reported in Bondurant after a lightning strike; it was a prescribed burn.

At 4:11 p.m., a speeding truck passed a vehicle and went off the road; it was towed away.

At 4:57 p.m., an employee reported a suspicious person who said he was a Census employee.

At 6:29 p.m., a white truck had a gas station's fuel hose hanging from the gas tank.

At 9:35 p.m., a man was stranded all evening on a Mormon Trail road and the tow truck from Lander wouldn't continue. A deputy picked up the driver and took him to a hotel.

Sept. 22

At 8:41 a.m., the Marbleton Clinic called a deputy about possible child abuse; it was unfounded.

At 9:08 a.m., a deputy helped a person who fell.

At 9:40 a.m., a county employee reported to the Homecoming Parade.

At 9:54 a.m., a person who does reverse mortgages was winterizing a home.

SUBLETTE COUNTY

Circuit Court

These new charges were filed in Sublette County Circuit Court from Sept. 18 to Sept. 24.

Brooklyn Traugher: Domestic battery, first offense; interference with emergency call.

The following fines and dispositions took place in Circuit Court from Sept. 18 to Sept. 24.

Carmel Kail, Pinedale: Unsafe backing, fine \$90.

Jeremy Jervis, Pinedale: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway, fine \$105.

Alysia Snell, Big Piney: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway, fine \$165.

Cody Karlsson, Pinedale: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway, fine \$160.

At 5:52 p.m., a possible leaking gas line was actually steam from a vent.

At 6:58 p.m., a Marbleton employee had information for an active investigation.

At 7:19 p.m., people were locked out of a house with an elderly mother inside. They finally got inside.

At 8:41 p.m., AAA reported a driver ran out of gas; people had already helped when the deputy arrived.

At 9:03 p.m., several juveniles who knocked down garbage cans were cited for vandalism, minor in possession of alcohol and open containers.

At 11:27 p.m., a ferret tried to get in a doggy door; it was returned to its owner.

Sept. 23

At 6:53 a.m., a GMC Sierra hit and killed a moose calf.

At 7:38 a.m., a suspicious man was slumped over the steering wheel of a white van; he was taking a nap.

At 7:58 a.m., a man asked for a civil standby so he could get his things.

At 8:09 a.m., a caller asked about construction equipment parked on private property.

At 10:13 a.m., a hunter wanted to check easements because he didn't want to trespass.

At 10:38 a.m., a person was choking.

At 11:33 a.m., two women called about seeing a man on probation with arrest warrants.

At 12:07 p.m., an older Dodge wasn't staying in its lane.

At 12:17 p.m., a woman said she would be home so a deputy could serve papers.

At 12:44 p.m., a gray horse was loose.

At 1:14 p.m., a woman flagged down a deputy and asked for a ride home.

At 1:33 p.m., a man reported his son's scam

calls about missing jury duty.

At 2:30 p.m., the son called to ask if he should turn himself in to the sheriff's office; he was told it is a scam.

At 5:03 p.m., a young girl was walking down the road with a suitcase, rolling bag and trash bag of clothes. She was taken home.

At 5:26 p.m., Wyoming Highway Patrol said a speeding silver BMW was headed south on Highway 189.

At 7:41 p.m., a man provided his Venmo account to pay for a scam.

At 11:50 p.m., an upset man left his cabin to walk back to Sweetwater County; his son was worried. His father came back.

At 11:59 p.m., a fight was about to break out at the Corral Bar.

Sept. 24

At 12:30 a.m., five or six people were fighting in front of the Stockman's. They left before a deputy arrived.

At 8:39 a.m., a citizen called about an active investigation.

At 10:02 a.m., a bloodhound that might have jumped from a vehicle was pacing in front of the clinic.

At 10:43 a.m., a man had questions about papers a deputy just served him.

At 2 p.m., a fire started under an SUV; Sublette County Unified Fire put it out.

At 3:19 p.m., a woman last heard from her hunter son the night before that he was lost in the dark. He made it back to his vehicle.

At 4:27 p.m., a caller smelled a fuel leak from a truck with a bucket under it.

At 7:14 p.m., a deputy helped a motorist with a house trailer and inflatable jacuzzi in back.

At 8:21 p.m., a gray truck and bicyclist were weaving in and out of traffic.

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SPORTS

Lady Wranglers battle Jackson through four sets

By Robert Galbreath
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PINEDALE – The Pinedale High School Lady Wranglers’ volleyball team gave non-conference 4A opponent Jackson a run for its money in an intense, head-to-head game that went into four sets on Thursday, Sept. 21.

A raucous crowd packed the Wrangler Gym to cheer on Pinedale for Homecoming Week, including an especially lively student section.

A scrappy fight by the Lady Wranglers pushed the first set beyond 25 points, with Pinedale ultimately edging Jackson out in a 26-24 victory.

Jackson won a tight second set. The lead volleyed back and forth across the court in a hard-fought third set that the Lady Broncos eventually won. Jackson maintained its momentum into the fourth set for the win, 3-1.

Senior Reagan Davis celebrated an impressive milestone in her volleyball career at Homecoming – achieving 1,500 assists over the course of four years with the Lady Wranglers.

Davis scored the opening point for Pinedale in the first set against Jackson with a block. Junior Mae McGuire delivered a kill, followed by a set from Davis.

Senior Trista Covill powered over a kill and served a point. McGuire, senior Ana Mika and sophomore Alyxis White made a block apiece.

The Lady Wranglers managed to close the gap with kills from White, junior Paiyzli



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

Senior Reagan Davis sets up the ball at the Homecoming game against Jackson on Sept. 21. Davis reached a milestone of 1,500 career assists over the week. Also pictured are junior Paiyzli Baker, center, and senior Trista Covill, right.

Baker, McGuire and Covill. A block by Mika tied the set at 18 points.

Junior Gabby Rogers aced a pair of serves, widening Pinedale’s lead, 20-18.

Jackson edged up and matched Pinedale in scoring at 22 points. Covill spiked over

a powerful kill for Pinedale to regain the initiative, 23-22. Baker broke a deadlock at 23 points with a kill.

The teams reached a stalemate at 24 points. Covill slammed over a kill for point 25. Jackson struck out returning a hit by

Rogers, and the Lady Wranglers scored game point, 26-24.

The second set proved equally close with the game deadlocked until the final 4 points. White tied the set at 5 points with a kill. Pinedale matched Jackson in scoring at 6 points following a kill by Covill.

A block from Mika resulted in gridlock at 8 points. Jackson pulled into the lead before White tied the set at 10 points with a kill.

The set again reached a stalemate at 15 and 18 points with hits by White and Covill, respectively. Jackson overshot its attempt to return a serve by Davis, and the set tied at 21 points.

The Lady Broncos then managed to take the lead and score game point, 25-21.

The Lady Wranglers scored early in the third set, with a block and kill from McGuire. Mika delivered a kill to tie the set at 5 points. Subsequent kills by White resulted in a deadlock at points 6 and 8. Covill matched Jackson in scoring at 10 points with a kill.

Senior Ashley Boulter aced a serve, tying the set at 12 points. Davis served up an ace to tie the set once more at 18 points.

Jackson followed up with a pair of 4-point runs to score game point, 25-17.

The Lady Broncos carried their momentum into the fourth set, winning 25-13.

Pinedale returns to conference action this weekend with crucial games against both Lyman and Mountain View. The Lady Wranglers travel to Lyman on Thursday, Sept. 28. Pinedale hosts Mountain View on Saturday with freshmen playing at 1 p.m., junior varsity at 2 p.m. and varsity at 3 p.m.

Wranglers demonstrate grit and class at Homecoming game

By Robert Galbreath
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PINEDALE – The odds seemed stacked against the Wranglers during the Homecoming game with Lovell on Sept. 22 – less-than-desirable wet and cold weather and a tough opponent with a senior- and junior-stacked starting lineup containing several players in excess of 6 feet.

Nothing that evening seemed to tip in the Wranglers’ advantage, including the final score heavily favoring Lovell, 51-6.

The athletes on both the Wrangler offense and defense kept on fighting down to the last second in spite of a worsening situation on the scoreboard. Regardless of the number of hits each Wrangler took, they stood back up and returned to the field, sometimes bruised or bleeding, to make positive gains, no matter how small those gains may have seemed.

Each athlete on that field played with grit, and more importantly, sportsmanship.

“The Wranglers fought hard in their loss to the Bulldogs on Friday,” said Head Coach David Thrash. “There are more signs each week of the improvement each young man is making and working to show on the scoreboard. The interception by (senior) Dustin Larsen, the runs by (sophomore) Cale Dauwen and conversion catches by (sophomore) Quincy Mika were great momentum starters for the team that ultimately led to (senior quarterback) Bodie



SANDY WANFALT PHOTO

Sophomore Cale Dauwen, No. 9, completes a touchdown pass from senior quarterback Bodie Jensen to score a Wrangler touchdown against Lovell on Friday, Sept. 22

Jensen finding Dauwen in the end zone.”

The Pinedale offense made significant gains in its first possession of the opening quarter. Sophomore Wylee Willson returned the ball to Pinedale’s 28-yard line. Jensen kept the ball, chewing up enough yards for a first down. Finding no options for a pass, Jensen once again put his head down and gained the yards for a first down.

Dauwen took a handoff, swept up the left

side of the field deep into Bulldog territory for another Wrangler first down.

The Wrangler offense continued to make progress on its first drive of the second quarter. Sophomore quarterback Ian Rigo completed a pass to Mika for a first down. Rigo kept the ball, churning enough yards for a first down. Rigo delivered another perfect pass spiraling to Mika.

On Lovell’s second drive of the second

quarter, the Wrangler defense ground the Bulldogs to a halt.

The Bulldogs attempted to pass the ball. Quick on his feet, Larsen sniffed out the play and intercepted the pass.

Lovell scored twice as the third quarter opened. The Pinedale defense responded on the Bulldog’s third drive of the second half with tackles by senior Jake Hammer, Mika and Dauwen. Junior Garrett Scobey made a sack in the backfield. Willson and sophomore Landon Fornstrom took down Lovell’s running back.

The Wranglers gained possession after recovering a fumble by Lovell. Dauwen drove forward for a first down.

Jensen took the snap, found Dauwen open in the end zone, and completed a perfect pass to Dauwen for a Wrangler touchdown.

The Pinedale defense made a solid stand on Lovell’s final drive in the fourth quarter. Hammer swept in to make a tackle. Senior Dodge Normington took down the Bulldog’s runner for no gain. Larsen followed up with a tackle for no gain.

The Wranglers travel to play Thermopolis on Friday, Sept. 29. Kickoff is scheduled for 6 p.m.

“This week we will clean up the mistakes to complete drives to put points on the board and not leave points on the field,” said Coach Thrash. “It is a continued process, and after another good week of practice, we will be ready to take on Thermopolis.”

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Junior Alexis Thompson speeds towards the finish line in the 200-freestyle.

Sublette girls' swim team dives into Homecoming at Pinedale

PINEDALE – The Sublette County combined girls' swim team hosted Rock Springs for a duel at the Pinedale Aquatic Center for Pinedale High School's Homecoming Week on Thursday, Sept. 21. Unfortunately, results from the meet were not available at press time and will be printed in a later edition of the Pinedale Roundup.

The Sublette County combined girls' swim team honored PHS senior Addysen Levitt for Senior Recognition Night as part of the Homecoming Week duel against Rock Springs on Sept. 21. Levitt competed on the girls' swim team all four years of her high school career. 'Celebrating our one and only senior Addy was great,' said Co-Head Coach Kursty Day. 'She is an amazing team leader and role model to our team.' At the Rock Springs Duel, athletes from the PHS football team opened the meet with a 50-meter sprint race against Levitt. Levitt beat the boys by at least 20 meters!

Robert Galbreath photos



Junior Maggie Walker dives into her leg of the 400-yard freestyle relay.



Junior KaLee Bohnet comes up for air in the 100-butterfly.



Junior Emma York paces herself in the 100-backstroke.

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SPORTS

Harriers post PRs in Boise

BOISE – Pinedale High School juniors Madison Antonino and Cora Koci both achieved new personal records in the 5-kilometer race at the Bob Firman Invitational XC Meet in Boise, Idaho, on Sept. 23.

Antonino and Koci both compete with the Jackson Hole High School (JHHS) cross-country team.

More than 6,000 people gathered at Eagle Island State Park for one of the largest cross-country meets in the region, a scene JHHS Head Coach Jeff Brazil described as “amazing.”

“At the height of the races, the main parts of the course are lined shoulder to shoulder and two people deep,” Brazil added. “There are team tents everywhere, food stands, shoe store tents and event swag tents. It is a really cool scene.”

Antonino competed in the elite girls’ division, racing against the top female cross-country athletes from Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Utah. Her strategy was to go out strong and stick with the lead pack, keeping a lookout for breakaways, said Coach Brazil.

“The start was pretty much a dead sprint for 200 meters before runners settled in,” Brazil explained. “Maddie pressed out with the top group of 10 to 20 girls.”

Antonino completed the first mile with an astonishing split time of 5 minutes, 32 seconds, only 4 seconds away from the leaders.

Antonino found a “safe spot” in the chase pack for the second mile and then kicked it in for the final leg of the race.

“Maddie passed me with 1,000 meters to go and made a good aggressive move to the front of her pack,” said Brazil. “She battled that last second of the race really well as it got more active and girls tried to make their own moves.”

Antonino crossed the finish line in seventh place, coming in ahead of 122 of the best runners in the region. The Pinedale junior posted a new personal record of 18:12.50, shaving more than 1 minute from her previous PR.

“Maddie’s race was a huge step forward,” Brazil noted. “She is such a solid character. Her progression has just continued in a predictable fashion that should continue through the season.”

Koci represented PHS in the girls’ junior varsity division and broke into the top 10 early in the race with JHHS teammate Aubrey Maestas.

“Like the other races, they nailed the start and first mile very aggressively,” said Brazil. “Aubrey and Cora are my favorite duo on the team right now. They support each other and push each other. They race each other to the finish – not holding hands or looking for a tie, but knowing that they do best for each other if they try to beat their teammate.”

Koci snagged eighth place with a new personal record of 23:02.50 – 0.3 seconds ahead of Maestas and 1:20 faster than her previous PR.

Koci’s achievement solidified her spot as a varsity runner for JHHS in coming weeks.

“Cora and her teammate will be key now in what we do at State as a team,” said Brazil. “Her hard work over the summer is paying off.”



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

Members of the PHS cheer team present the colors before the Homecoming football game between the Pinedale High School Wranglers and Lovell Bulldogs on Sept. 22. Pictured, from left, are Victoria Ramage, Evelyn Shiver and Fatima Valles Valenzuela.



SANDY WANFALT PHOTO

The Pinedale High School senior class celebrate their victory in Powder Puff volleyball during Homecoming Week on Tuesday, Sept. 19, as the junior class licks its wounds.



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

The Big Piney High School cheer team put on an impressive halftime show for the Homecoming football game on Sept. 16. Pictured, from left, are Natalie Davis, Jenny Montes, Helen Laughter (in back), Julia Hymas and Natalie Sullivan-Rua.

PINEDALE ROUNDUP

SPORTS

Lady Punchers take Kemmerer to four sets



ROBERT GALBREATH PHOTO

Junior Addison Losik sets the ball over the net against Wyoming Indian High School on Sept. 15. Losik and her teammates put up a fight against conference rival Kemmerer on Sept. 21. Also pictured are freshman Jada Banks, left, and sophomore Brylie Bailey, right.

By Robert Galbreath
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KEMMERER – Competition is heating up in the 2A Southwest Volleyball Conference, especially between the top two teams in the quadrant, the Big Piney High School Lady Punchers and the Kemmerer Lady Rangers.

The rivals pulled out all the stops in an epic four-set battle at Kemmerer on Thursday, Sept. 21.

Kemmerer won the first set. Undaunted, the Lady Punchers roared back in the second set to score a decisive victory. The Lady Rangers responded with a win in the third set.

In a closely contested fourth set, the Lady Punchers fought point-for-point to stay in the game, including a valiant 5-point run at the end of the set that came close to closing the gap.

Kemmerer managed to remain ahead, winning the fourth set by 2 points, 25-23, to claim victory, 3-1.

The grit displayed by the Lady Punchers against Kemmerer proved Big Piney possesses the ability to run with any rival in the 2A Southwest Conference.

On Saturday, the Lady Punchers traveled to play non-conference rival Mountain View, the No. 1 seed in the 3A Southwest Conference. Mountain View proved a tough opponent and Big Piney fell, 3-0.

Head Coach Kinsy Voss expressed pride in the Lady Punchers' efforts.

"The game against Kemmerer was well played," she added. "We kept fighting til the end, although we had a few errors on our end and we need to clean up. Mountain View is always a good team. By the third set, we got our defense to speed up and put up more of a fight."

Kemmerer

Big Piney hit the ground running in the first set with powerful kills from junior Micah Strong, freshman Jada Banks and sophomore Kodee Greene.

Junior Addison Losik made two blocks and delivered a kill, placing Big Piney ahead, 7-3.

Kemmerer found its footing and tied the set at 9 points. A dig by sophomore libero Lizzy Brandt resulted in a point for the Lady Punchers. Greene slammed over a pair of hits and Banks spiked a kill. Junior Charleigh Smith set over a point.

The Lady Rangers managed to hold onto the lead and scored game point, 25-17.

Turning the tables in the second set, the Lady Punchers refused to yield. Losik shut down Kemmerer's 3-point run with a kill. Greene aced her serve and Banks made a block to tie the set, 5-5. Greene served up a second ace, pulling the Lady Punchers ahead, 6-5.

Kemmerer briefly retook the initiative. The Lady Punchers served the ball out of bounds and Losik struck with a kill. Strong followed up with a hit and Kemmerer sent the ball into the net.

A dig by sophomore Kaity Shreve kept the ball alive. Shreve passed the ball to Brandt, who powered it over the net, bringing the set to a 13-13 stalemate.

The Lady Punchers edged ahead with a block by Greene. Junior Kendra Willoughby aced a serve. Strong set over a point and Losik powered up another kill. Greene aced a pair of serves and Banks made a block for game point, 25-19.

Kemmerer edged ahead early in the third set and held onto the lead through game point, 25-14.

The game came down to the fourth set and the Lady Punchers gave it their all to bridge the deficit and force Kemmerer into a tiebreaker.

Big Piney established an early lead with hits from Greene and Shreve. Kemmerer pulled ahead and slowly widened the lead to 7 points.

Undeterred, Big Piney battled back with a 5-point run. Sophomore Brylie Bailey slammed over a kill. Strong reached up for a block and Banks aced two serves. The Lady Rangers managed to score 2 points to retain a razor-thin lead, including game point, 25-23.

Big Piney travels to compete at the Bobcat Invite hosted by Thermopolis on Sept. 29-30.

"We have our favorite tournament this weekend in Thermopolis and have that time to make adjustments that are needed," said Coach Voss.

Punchers edged out in close game

By Robert Galbreath
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PAVILLION – Despite a determined effort by the Big Piney High School Punchers to close the gap in a neck-and-neck game against conference rival Wind River on Thursday, Sept. 21, Big Piney ultimately fell, 28-21.

Following a halftime score favoring Wind River by a single point, 8-7, the Panthers went on to score two touchdowns early in the third quarter, pulling ahead, 22-7.

Digging deep, the Punchers battled back with a touchdown as the third quarter progressed. Big Piney matched Wind River in touchdowns during a physical fourth quarter, though in the end, the Punchers came up short in bridging the 7-point deficit.

"It was a tough loss in Wind River," said Head Coach Jeromy Moffat. "It was a week of adversity with sickness and injuries and a quick turnaround from the Saturday game with Greybull. That being said, we made too many mental mistakes that ended up costing us the game."

The Puncher offense managed to outgun Wind River in rushing yards, 306-156.

"We had a lot of success on the ground and in the air, but three missed red zone chances will cost you in a competitive game like this," said Coach Moffat. "The game had a playoff feel and we knew five or six plays would dictate the outcome."

Moffat praised the Big Piney defense for making a strong stand.

"Defensively, I am very proud of our effort and toughness," said Moffat. "Minus a pass play, we held Wind River in check."

Taking defeat as an opportunity to grow, Big Piney is looking forward.

"A loss can fuel a team and we plan on learning from this defeat and will come out



JOAN MITCHELL PHOTO

Senior quarterback Champ Snively waits for the snap from senior center Zack Murphy during the Sept. 22 game against Wind River. Also pictured is junior Caden Clifford, No. 11.

stronger mentally for that second half of the season playoff push," Moffat added. "The kids are even more hungry now and we are encouraged heading into this week."

The Big Piney defense shut down Wind River's first drive in the opening quarter,

including tackles by seniors Karsyn Gurr, Preston Bennett, Dylon Woodward and Roger Young and junior Ben Ferguson. Senior Zach Murphy pushed Wind River's running back behind the line of scrimmage, forcing the Panthers to punt.

Taking possession, the Puncher offense steadily moved the ball into Panther territory with runs by senior Seth Stoutenburg, junior Caden Clifford and Gurr.

Stoutenburg grabbed a handoff from senior quarterback Champ Snively and dashed up the field for Puncher touchdown number 1. A good kick by Young placed Big Piney ahead, 7-0.

The Puncher defense hounded Wind River on the Panthers' subsequent drive. Clifford and Young made a sack in the backfield and Young recovered a fumble.

Wind River scored in the second quarter, resulting in a near stalemate favoring the Panthers, 8-7, at halftime.

Wind River made a pair of touchdowns early in the third quarter, widening their lead, 22-7.

Big Piney responded with a touchdown of its own. Snively completed a perfect pass from Wind River's 48-yard line to Gurr, who rushed 15 yards into the end zone.

Wind River reached the end zone again midway into the fourth quarter. Refusing to throw in the towel, Big Piney scored on the following possession.

Senior Jerrett Fear returned Wind River's kickoff to the Puncher 40-yard line. Freshman Zavier Clifford rushed 12 yards for a first down. Snively completed passes to Woodward and Gurr.

Snively then kept the ball and charged into the end zone. Young planted a perfect kick.

A solid Puncher defense forced Wind River to punt on the Panthers' final possession, including tackles by Zavier Clifford, Murphy, Woodward and Bennett.

Big Piney travels to play Evanston's junior varsity squad this Thursday and returns to conference play at home against Shoshoni on Thursday, Oct. 5.



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PAW urges continued oil and natural gas permitting during government shutdown

CASPER — The Petroleum Association of Wyoming (PAW), representing Wyoming’s primary economic driver, has urged the Biden Administration to ensure the uninterrupted flow of necessary permits for oil and natural gas production in the event of a government shutdown. This appeal comes on behalf of the thousands employed within the industry in Wyoming, the hundreds of thousands of Wyoming residents who depend on its vitality and the millions of Americans concerned about escalating fuel prices.

Wyoming’s natural gas and oil industry, from exploration and production to processing, transportation and businesses services have contributed more than \$2.7 billion in tax revenues to the state of Wyoming – including \$1.3 billion directly to Wyoming’s K-12 education system.

“As the second-largest source of revenue to the federal government after the IRS, the federal mineral program can fully fund its staffing and operation costs,” said PAW President Pete Obermueller. “Permitting successfully continued during the 2019 shutdown and any attempt to shutter the program now would be nothing more than Washington political theater that would harm Wyoming communities.”

As the second-highest producer of crude oil on federal lands in the nation, Wyoming plays a pivotal role in ensuring that the United States maintains an adequate supply of crude oil. This is especially crucial given the challenges posed by foreign cartels and the effects of supply shortages in the global oil market. With rising fuel costs for transportation, home heating and cooking, largely attributed to limited global supply and U.S. government policies, it is imperative that domestic crude oil production remains unimpeded, even during periods of political gridlock resulting in government shutdowns.

PAW’s letter to Interior Secretary Deb Haaland and BLM Director Tracy Stone-

Manning follows below and is also posted online at <https://pawyo.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/PAW-Letter-to-DOI-permits-in-shutdown-FINAL-9.25.23.pdf>.

Representing Wyoming’s primary economic engine, the Petroleum Association of Wyoming is the voice of the oil and gas industry. Our members produce 90 percent of Wyoming’s oil and gas, generating over \$5 billion in economic activity and employing more than 16,000 of Wyoming’s hardworking men and women. PAW strives to foster mutually beneficial relationships with Wyoming’s landowners, businesses and communities while promoting the sustainable production of Wyoming’s abundant resources.

Dear Secretary Haaland and Director Stone-Manning:

On behalf of the thousands of people who work in the natural gas and oil industry in Wyoming, the hundreds of thousands of people in Wyoming that rely on the industry’s vibrancy, and the millions of people in the United States concerned about rising fuel prices, we write you today to request that necessary permits for pending production of oil and natural gas continue to flow in the event of a government shutdown.

The Petroleum Association of Wyoming (PAW) represents companies involved in all aspects of responsible oil and natural gas development in Wyoming, including upstream production, oilfield services, midstream processing, pipeline transportation and essential work such as legal services, accounting, consulting and more. Collectively, the natural gas and oil industry provided \$2.7 billion in tax revenue to the State of Wyoming, with over \$1.3 billion directed towards Wyoming’s K-12 school children. The industry is responsible for over \$8 billion in state GDP and careers for more than 19,000 men and women.

As the nation’s second-highest producer

of crude oil on federal lands, Wyoming plays an important role in ensuring that the nation produces sufficient quantities of crude oil to offset the decisions of foreign cartels and the impacts of supply crunches in the oil market. Americans face increasing costs of fuel for transportation, home heating and cooking in response to limited global supply and U.S. government policies. It is critically important to ensure that maximum amounts of domestic crude oil are produced and processed even during political gridlock resulting in a government shutdown.

Given that the Bureau of Land

Management’s federal mineral program is the second-largest source of revenue to the federal government, the program more than covers the costs associated with staffing and resources necessary to approve permits. The program can operate self-sufficiently, and did so during the last shutdown in 2019 to the great benefit of the American people and the State of Wyoming. The program should be allowed to do so again in the event of a shutdown this year.

Sincerely,

Pete Obermueller,
President

Petroleum Association of Wyoming

BLM announces oil and gas lease sale in Wyoming

CHEYENNE — The Bureau of Land Management Wyoming State Office recently announced an oil and gas lease sale scheduled for Nov. 28, to offer 47 oil and gas parcels totaling 46,250.57 acres in Wyoming.

The BLM completed scoping on these parcels in April and held a public comment period in June on the parcels, potential deferrals and the related environmental analysis. A 30-day public protest period to receive additional public input is now open and will close Oct. 19.

The parcels the BLM has analyzed, as well as maps and instructions on how to submit a protest are available on the BLM’s ePlanning website at <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2023811/510>.

As authorized under the Inflation Reduction Act, BLM will apply a 16.67 percent royalty rate for any new leases from this sale. More information about the Act is available at https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2022-11/Fact%20Sheet_Oil%20and%20Gas%20Leasing%20Guidance_%2011.21.22.pdf.

Leasing is the first step in the process to develop Federal oil and gas resources. Before development operations can begin, an operator must submit an application for permit to drill detailing development plans. The BLM reviews applications for permits to drill, posts them for public review, conducts an environmental analysis and coordinates with State partners and stakeholders.

All parcels leased as part of an oil and gas lease sale include appropriate stipulations to protect important natural resources. Information on current and upcoming BLM lease sales is available through the National Fluid Lease Sale System.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR SUBLETTE COUNTY, WYOMING
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
In the Matter of the Estate of)
ALISON ROXANNE KROEGER,)
Deceased.)
Probate No. 2023-CV-8999

NOTICE OF PROBATE

TO ALL PERSON INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that on the 28th day of August, 2023, the estate of the above named decedent was admitted to probate by the above named court, and that Matthew David Kroeger was appointed as Personal Administrator thereof. Any action to set aside the probate shall be brought within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of the notice or thereafter be barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent or to decedent's estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at: c/o Douglas J. Mason, P.O. Box 785, 26 S. Lincoln Ave., Pinedale, WY 82941.

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 this day 25th of August, 2023.

Matt Kroeger
Personal Representative

Notice #9423 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WYOMING)
)ss.
COUNTY OF SUBLETTE)
IN THE DISTRICT COURT)
NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE)
OF FRED FINDLAY, a/k/a)
FRED L. FINDLAY)
Deceased.)
PROBATE NO. 2023-CV-9000
NOTICE

AO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE: You are hereby notified that, on 9/5/23, the estate of the above named decedent was admitted to probate by the above named court, and that ERROL BLAKE FINDLAY was appointed Personal Representative thereof.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent or to his Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at ERROL BLAKE FINDLAY c/o P.O. Box 130, Pinedale, Wyoming 82941.

Creditors having claims against said Decedent or the Estate are required to file them in duplicate with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of the District Court, on or before three (3) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed, 1tr paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 5th day of September, 2023.

RALPH E. WOOD
Attorney For Estate
WOOD LAW OFFICE
P.O. Box 130, Pinedale, WY 82941
(307) 367-4301

Notice #9426 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

The Town of Pinedale will sell the real property described as:

Lots One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4) and Five (5), Block Four (4) of the Original Townsite of Pinedale, Sublette County, Wyoming as set out on the official map or that plat map recorded in the Office of the County Clerk of Sublette County, hereinafter referred to as the Property;

At public auction on the following terms:

A. The auction date and time shall be Octo-

ber 12, 2023, at 3 p.m. at the Pinedale Town Hall located at 205 Entertainment Lane, Pinedale, WY 82941. The auction shall be a descending or reverse auction. An opening price shall be set by the Town's representative. After a period of one minute, the price shall be reduced by \$10,000. The price will continue to be lowered in steps until a Bidder accepts the current price offered or the Town declares the auction ended. The Bidder that accepts the current price offered while the auction is still ongoing wins the auction and the right to purchase the Property at the price offered. Any dispute shall be resolved by the decision of the Town.

B. All persons or entities wishing to participate and bid must register with the Town no later than 4 p.m. on October 10, 2023, by presenting a completed registration form to the Town Clerk. Registration forms will be included in a related Informational Sale Packet which may be acquired at the Town Hall or by contacting the Town Clerk, Amy Sturman at:

205 Entertainment Lane
P.O. Box 709
Pinedale, WY 82941
Phone: (307) 367-4136

Email: amysturman@townofpinedale.us

C. Bidders must be physically present at the auction or represented by authorized agents. No electronic bids shall be accepted.

D. The successful Bidder must enter into a Contract for Sale within five (5) banking days of the auction date. The general form of the Contract for Sale will be included in the Informational Sale Packet.

E. The successful Bidder must tender a Cashier's Check in the amount of \$5,000 made payable to the Town within five minutes from the time the bid is announced as accepted by the Town. This amount will be applied to the purchase price if the transaction closes or refunded to the successful Bidder if the transaction does not close as allowed by the terms of the Contract for Sale described in Section D above, otherwise the amount shall be non-refundable and retained by the Town. If a successful Bidder does not tender the required Cashier's Check within the required time limit, such bid shall be declared void and the bidding process shall be resumed.

F. The successful Bidder must deposit 5% of the bid amount, in addition to the \$5,000 described in Section E above, with First American Title within ten (10) banking days of the auction date. This amount shall be an earnest money deposit under the terms of the Contract for Sale described in Section D above. If a successful Bidder does not tender the required 5% within the required time limit, the related bid shall be declared void and Town released from all obligations under the bidding process or the Contract for Sale described above.

G. Closing shall be at First American Title - Sublette County, Pinedale, Wyoming on or before 11/2/23.

H. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to disregard any irregularities in the bidding or sale process, to cancel the proposed sale prior to the sale date and time, to set a reserve minimum price, to terminate the auction at any time once the auction commences, and to resolve all questions of procedure or irregularity at its sole discretion.

I. The Property shall be conveyed subject to various deed restrictions on use. These restrictions are included in the Informational Sale Packet described in Section B above.

Notice #9429 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 14, 21, 28, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

BID NOTICE

The Town of Marbleton is accepting sealed bids for one (1) new maintenance pickup.

Specifications:

- 2020 or newer
- White or Silver ¾ or 1 ton
- If used under 20,000 miles
- Extended cab preferred- no single cab
- Flat bed or no bed is ok
- Automatic transmission with 4WD
- No Dually
- Gas motor only

The Town of Marbleton reserves the right to reject any and or all bids.

Questions concerning the bid specifications can be directed to Todd Brown at (307)260-

6214.

Bids are to be sent to: Town of Marbleton 10700 Hwy 189, Marbleton WY 83113, clearly marked with "Maintenance Truck Bid". Sealed bids will be accepted until 5pm, October 6, 2023. Sealed bids will be opened during the Regular Marbleton Town Council meeting at 5 p.m., October 9, 2023 at the Marbleton Town Hall.

Notice #9434 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

ABANDONED VEHICLE NOTICE

MAKE: MACK
MODEL: Dump Truck
YEAR: 1998
VIN#: 1M2P264C5WM025148
PRICE: \$200

LOCATION/ADDRESS: 332 Dell Creek Road, Bondurant, WY 82922

DATE/TIME OF SALE: Oct. 11, 2023, 9:00 AM

Notice #9435 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 21, 28, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

ENGINEERING REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Town of Pinedale, Wyoming

Shallow Water Main Replacement Project

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Pinedale is soliciting Statements of Qualifications for engineering services for the Shallow Water Main Replacement Project in Pinedale, Wyoming. The project is to provide engineering services for the evaluation, design, and construction of a water distribution system consisting of approximately 2,400 linear feet of water main, associated service lines, and reconstruction of disturbed surfaces.

The Request for Qualifications packages may be obtained at Town Hall or by email. Proposals

will be received at the office of the Town Clerk, Town of Pinedale, located at 205 Entertainment Lane;

Pinedale, Wyoming 82941 (Town Hall) until Friday, September 29, 2023, at 12 p.m. Proposals shall be

delivered according to the Request for Qualifications. For more information, please call Town Hall at 307-367-4136 or email abrampearce@townofpinedale.us.

The Town of Pinedale reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive all informalities, and may accept any proposal which in its opinion best serves its interests.

Notice #9438 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 14, 21, 28, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF FINAL COMPLETION OF CONTRACT

To all persons, firms, or corporations who have any claim for any work being done, or any material furnished to, Titan Construction, LLC, 530 Canal Street, Pinedale, WY 82941 for the S. Nichols Street Waterline Project, Sublette County, Wyoming.

You are hereby notified that the Town of Big Piney has accepted final completion according to the Contract Documents and rules set forth in the contract between the Town of Big Piney and the aforesaid Contractor of the work in connection with the S. Nichols Street Waterline Project, and that said Contractor is entitled to final settlement thereof.

You are further notified that upon the first day of November, 2023, being the 41st day after the first publication of the notice, said the Town of Big Piney will pay Titan Construction, LLC. the full amount due under said contract; and in the event your claim is not filed with the Town of Big Piney prior to said first day of November, 2023, same shall be waived.

This notice is given pursuant to Section 16-6-116, Wyoming Statutes, 1982.

Dated this 21st Day of September, 2023

By: Mayor

Town of Big Piney

Notice #9441 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of principal and interest has occurred under the terms of a Promissory Note (the "Note") dated December 20, 2021, executed and delivered by Don A. Urquhart and Ellna S. Urquhart ("Mortgagors") to AmeriSave Mortgage Corporation, and a real estate mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for AmeriSave Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns, as Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on December 27, 2021, at Reception No. 0418760, in Book 322, at Page 776-793 in the public records in the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Sublette County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was assigned for value as follows:

Assignee: AmeriSave Mortgage Corporation
Assignment dated: August 16, 2023

Assignment recorded: August 24, 2023

Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 0436011, in Book 353 MIX, at Page 592

All in the records of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Sublette County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgage declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage as of September 22, 2023 being the total sum of \$201,447.66, plus interest, costs expended, late charges, and attorneys' fees accruing thereafter through the date of sale;

WHEREAS, the property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

WHEREAS, if the foreclosure sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of his/her/its money paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, Mortgagor, Servicer or their attorneys;

NOW, THEREFORE AmeriSave Mortgage Corporation, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Sublette County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon on October 27, 2023 on the Courthouse steps for the Sublette County Court located at 21 South Tyler Ave., Pinedale, WY, for application on the above described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

Tract Thirty-Three, Fourth Filing, Jim Bridger Estates.

With an address of 56 Beaver Ridge Road, Daniel, WY 83115 (the undersigned disclaims liability for any error in the address).

Together with all improvements thereon situate and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto.

Mortgagee shall have the exclusive right to rescind the foreclosure sale during the redemption period. In the event that the sale is rescinded or vacated for any reason, the successful purchaser shall only be entitled to a refund of their purchase price and/or statutory interest rate.

Dated: September 15, 2023

AmeriSave Mortgage Corporation
By: Shelly M. Casares
Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C.
376 East 400 South, Suite 300
Salt Lake City, UT 84111
801-355-2886
HWM File # WY21307

Notice #9442 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 2023

See 'NOTICES' on page **A20**

NOTICES

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PUBLIC NOTICE

County of Sublette)
State of Wyoming)ss
Receipts and Disbursements of the County of Sublette in the State of Wyoming, for the Period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 Prepared under the provisions of W.S. 18-3-515
FUND BALANCES

Period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023	
RECEIPTS:	
Property Taxes-county share	41,065,622.49
22 & 23 mineral taxes collected	2,510,175.55
Interest collected on taxes	24,172.47
Tax costs	2,160.00
Motor Vehicle taxes	702,028.46
PILT	1,091,908.00
Forest Reserve	448,625.58
Federal Aid	2,119,021.34
Royalty and Gas Taxes	1,438,657.53
State Reimbursements	1,070,865.60
Sales and Use Tax Reimb	4,228,955.20
Collected for other agencies	8,345.00
County Offices collections	1,518,406.11
Interest collected	4,862,374.61
Misc	185,524.21
	61,276,842.15

DISBURSEMENTS:	
County warrants paid	35,538,205.79
Library	1,252,284.44
Hospital district	12,356,560.83
Fair Board/Ag Center	192,139.22
Museum	380,441.64
Recreation	426,302.69
Weed & Pest	1,595,364.32
Cemetery Boards	4,560,246.51
Special Districts	589,749.84
Towns	467,002.49
Fire Districts	
Predatory Animal	12,329.10
Airport Boards	276,106.62
Motor Vehicle-State	1,110,437.25
Sales Tax-State	2,014,003.48
Taylor Grazing #5	14,248.00
12 mill Foundation	49,353,186.01

DIRECT EXPENDITURES

F-66 (WY-1A) County Clerk's Abstract Statement

Item Description	Wages/Salaries	Operations	Construction	Capital	Total
Board of county county commissioners	168,062	86,721			254,783
County clerk	338,233	20,461			358,694
County treasurer	329,772	21,713			351,485
County assessor	412,356	95,791			508,147
County sheriff	3,648,627	1,500,548		431,907	5,581,082
County attorney	476,098	26,699			502,797
County planner	153,256	8,897			162,153
County surveyor	36,561			212,340	248,901
County coroner	34,675	23,940			58,615
Agricultural Department	57,216	25,522			82,738
District court	225,456	107,286			332,742
Circuit court/Drug court	66,614	80,048			146,662
Courthouse	1,310,547	1,071,302			2,381,849
Jail	1,706,871	302,791			2,009,662
Road and bridge	2,243,178	4,084,472	5,727,156	317,209	12,372,015
Water commissioner					
Sewerage					
Civil defense/ emergency management	94,174	30,188		37,563	161,925
Elections	35,659	35,530			71,189
Health (other than hospitals)	170,276	368,290			538,566
County hospital					
Libraries			748,105		748,105
Fair	235,853	351,343		54,326	641,522
Protective inspection and regulation					
Trash collection/landfill	539,165	815,184	179,861	113,150	1,647,360
Natural resources		815,427			815,427
Parks/Recreation/Museums	210,602	149,498	8,210	206,638	574,948
Financial administration	99,500	392,306		157,111	648,917
Juvenile probation					
Social services - Welfare		891,665			891,665
Social services - Other	54,463	597,606	109,538		751,607
County administration	97,050	7,992,541	345,869	1,000,000	9,435,460
Miscellaneous Expenditures					
Garage Fire		126,069			126,069
Misellaneous Total		126,069			126,069
Total EXPENDITURES	13,295,014	20,665,087	7,405,487	3,639,571	44,995,159

Notice #9443 published in the Pinedale Roundup on Sept. 28, 2023

School Dist #1	110,950,743.66
School Dist #9	24,068,227.30
	245,157,579.19

FUND BALANCES	
General County	\$ 946,220.17
Cash Reserve	\$ 10,000,000.00
Reserves/investments	\$218,116,290.45
Paid Under Protest	\$
Fire District	\$
Library	\$ 806,546.94
Fair/Ag Center	\$ 83,741.33
Airports	\$
Museum	\$ 241,210.34
Recreation/Ice Arena	\$ 91,313.67
Weed & Pest	\$ 85,523.07
Sublette County Hospital District	\$
668,148.81	
Cemetery Districts	\$ 253,203.82
12 mill School Foundation	\$
2,672,595.18	
School Dist #1	\$ 6,246,817.44
School Dist #9	\$ 1,071,995.67
Towns	\$ 17,630.71
Mosquito Abatement Districts	\$ 1,549.72
Improvement Districts	\$ 1,109.72
Irrigation Districts	\$ 1,196.12
Predatory Animal	\$ 504.83
Taylor Grazing #5	\$ 105,943.50
Abandoned Vehicles	\$
Motor Vehicle-state	\$ 19,114.52
Motor Vehicle-county	\$ 70,967.36
Sales/Use Tax	\$ 197,937.68
	\$241,699,561.05

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDED INDEBTEDNESS AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

District #1 outstanding	\$
District #9 outstanding	\$
Balance on Checking Accounts July 1, 2023	\$ 989,241.36
CD's, Time accounts, Investments	\$ 218,116,290.45
Federal securities, State and Local Government securities	
Balance of Cash/Investments on hand	\$ 219,105,531.81

Bids from Avail Valley Construction and HK Contractors were received with HK having the lowest bid at \$5,710,769.00. Commissioner Bradley made a motion to accept the bid from HK, Commissioner Stephens seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Eatinger, Rio Verde Engineering, updated the Board on the Chip Seal Project.

Brian Woody, Union Wireless, Updated the Board on fiber installation in the county.

Andre Irey, Maintenance, updated the Board on activities and projects. He stated he sent an email with the Golf Course Building Proposal to the Board and asked them what they wanted to do. There was no decision.

Dennis Fornstrom, Planning & Zoning, presented a Change of Zoning District Boundary and a Minor Subdivision proposal, both by Burleigh D. Binning, Jr.

Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve the Change of Zoning District Boundary to reclassify 10.25 acres from A-1, Agricultural Zoning to (RR-10) Rural Residential 10 Acre Zoning. The parcel is located along Binning Ranch Rd. and being part of Lot 1, Sec 6, T34N, R109W (PIDN: 34090520000500). Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Vickrey made a motion to approve a Minor Subdivision for the creation of a One Lot, Binning Minor Subdivision located along Binning Ranch Rd. and being part of Lot 1, Sec 6, T34N, R109W (PIDN: 34090520000500). Commissioner Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tess Soll, Planning & Zoning, met with the Board to discuss her appointment to the Public Lands Steering Committee. The consensus of the Board was for Soll to finish the year in her current role and then transition the appointment to the County Administrator, Jeness Saxton.

Laila Iloway, Assessor, presented two Tax Roll Corrections to the Board. Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve an abatement in the amount of -\$183.38 for EOG Resources, Inc., and an abatement in the amount of -\$10,276.37 for Hilcorp Energy Company. Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve accounts payable as presented. Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SUBLETTE CO PAYROLL ACCT 200,000.00 / SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL 4,069.43 SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL ACCT 2,600.00 / GREAT-WEST TRUST COMPANY, LLC 10,910.00 SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL ACCT. 443.75 / SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL 6,015.53 MEDICAL AIR SERVICES ASSOCIATION 15,029.00 / 056-NCPERS WYOMING 128.00 NEW YORK LIFE 1,168.81 / SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL ACCT 376,458.63 SUBLETTE CO PAYROLL ACCT 54,555.00 / SUBLETTE COUNTY 1,000.00 / VALIC 58.82 SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL ACCOUNT 1,462.50 / SUBLETTE COUNTY PAYROLL 189,768.64 307 MERCANTILE CO. LLC 155.50 / ALL AMERICAN FUEL COMPANY, INC. 1,701.00 AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 1,030.67 / AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES 3,840.29 APPLIED CONCEPTS INC. 9,925.00 / ARCHANGEL DEVICE,LLC 199.98 TIERA ARNDORFER 256.16 / ARTISTIC SIGN DESIGN 114.48 / A TO Z HARDWARE 11.56 AT&T MOBILITY 4,912.68 / TRAVIS BINGHAM 158.00 / BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC. 172.16 BOMGAARS 574.57 / BUCKY'S OUTDOOR, L.L.C. 3,101.87 C & B OPERATIONS, LLC 1,041.30 / CENTURYLINK 13,830.82 / CENTURYLINK 3,440.96 CENTRAL WYOMING COLLEGE 1,860.00 / CIVIL AIR PATROL MAGAZINE 255.00 COMMERCIAL TIRE 670.00 / CONTINENTAL WESTERN GROUP 289.00 / MICHAEL COONEY 85.53 CUMMINS INC 2,197.72 / REBECCA CROWE 1,105.90 / CASSIE CRUMPTON 717.78 DAMON DEBERNARDI 250.00 / DEX IMAGING 801.47 / DIRECTV 159.24 DJ'S GLASS PLUS 250.00 / DOMINION ENERGY 192.54 DEPT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES 21,781.03 / DUST-BUSTERS, INC. 93,674.66 ENGO EQUIPMENT SALES INC 2,400.00 / FASTENAL COMPANY 2,547.56 F.B.MCFADDEN WHOLESALE 133.35 / FREMONT COUNTY CORONER 1,925.00 FERRELLGAS 1,222.50 / HAILEY FINCK 60.00 / FIRST CHOICE FORD 851.94 FLEETPRIDE 72.59 / FLOW RIGHT PLUMBING & HEATING 1,421.10 FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER 3,461.12 / FREMONT MOTOR ROCK SPRINGS INC 786.86 FREEDOM FIGHTERS 93.00 / FRONTIER ELECTRIC INC. 165.48 / GALLS, LLC 311.44 GARMIN SERVICES, INC. 19.95 / GEN-

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PUBLIC NOTICE

OFFICIAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Sublette County Courthouse on this date at 9:00 a.m. with Sam White, Doug Vickrey, Dave Stephens, Mack Bradley, Jeness Saxton, and Carrie Long, County Clerk, present. Commissioner Tom Noble was excused. Chairman White led those present in the

Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was approved on motion by Commissioner Vickrey, seconded by Commissioner Bradley.

The minutes of the previous regular Commissioner meeting held on August 15 were approved and ordered filed on motion by Commissioner Stephens, seconded by Commissioner Vickrey.

Billy Pape, Road & Bridge, updated the Board on activities. Eric Sackett, Rio Verde Engineering, informed the Board the bids for the North Piney project were opened last week.

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Payroll, in the amount of \$1,143,557.21 was approved on motion by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Stephens. Motion carried.

Catering Permits for the Boulder Store for 8/26/23 at the TY Ranch, 9/9/23 at the Boulder Community Center, and 9/13/23 at the Pitchfork Fondue were approved on motion by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Stephens. Motion carried.

Surety Bonds for Kellie Sellers (Treasurer, Weed & Pest Board) and Ashely Jones (Deputy Clerk, Town of Marbleton) were approved on motion by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Vickrey. Motion carried.

Carrie Long, Clerk, requested a line item be added to the Election Department budget for training. She stated she had an estimate from ES&S for approximately \$8000 to train staff for the 2024 election. Chairman White instructed Long to add the line item and fund with a future budget transfer.

Damon Debernardi, Deputy County Attorney, met with the Board to present a contract with the Hospital District for Inmate Medical Care. Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve the contract, Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Emily Paravicini, Treasurer, presented a Resolution to Enact Statement of Investment Policy. Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve the Resolution, Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jeness Saxton, County Administrator, updated the Board on department activities.

Old Business: Commissioner Vickrey stated someone should investigate the door issue for Public Health at the Sublette Center.

No Public Comment.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SUBLETTE COUNTY, WYOMING

/s/Sam White, Chairman

Attest:

/s/Carrie S. Long, County Clerk

Notice #9444 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 28, 2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL SETTLEMENT

FOR THE SOUTHWEST SUBLETTE COUNTY PIONEER SENIOR CENTER INTERIOR REMODEL AT 429 E. 1ST STREET, MARBLETON WYOMING 83113.

Notice is hereby given that the County of Sublette has accepted as complete, according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same, the work performed under this certain owner's project: Southwest Sublette County Pioneer Senior Center interior remodel, between the County of Sublette and Premier Building Site Development LLC whose address is PO Box 455 Boulder, WY. 82923 for the work performed, materials, equipment or tools furnished or used, and services rendered for the completion of the Southwest Sublette County Pioneer Senior Center interior remodeling project. The contractor is entitled to final settlement; therefore, that the County of Sublette will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due to him under said contract the day after the Commissioner's meeting on November 7th, 2023.

Notice #9445 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 2023

Rocky Mountain Power blasted over proposed 29-percent rate hike

By Sarah Elmquist Squires

Lander Journal
Via Wyoming News Exchange

LANDER — It was unanimous Monday night among politicians and residents: Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) – and parent company PacifiCorps' – proposed near 30-percent rate hike for Wyoming energy users should be rejected by the state commission charged with its oversight.

RMP has pointed to increases in the cost of fossil fuels as driving its request for about \$190 million in combined new rates.

In two separate filings, the company has asked for an average 21.6-percent rate increase to cover an annual \$140.2 million in additional payments, along with an average 7.6-percent hike to recoup just over \$50 million of around \$90 million in extra few costs and power overruns last year.

The company also wants to move from its current cost-share agreement – from ratepayers currently responsible for 80 percent of the bill for fuel overruns – to 100 percent.

But those who gathered at Central Wyoming College and online during a public hearing on the rate increases on Monday, Sept. 25, were not convinced of the company's justification for the rate hikes.

They pointed to PacifiCorps' spending on renewable energy projects and transmission lines to send the power to other Western states, coupled with what they said was a failure for RMP to lock in on competitive MCF natural gas rates as it moves away from fossil fuels.

"It's the green energy policy that drives this whole debate," said former state legislator Eli Bebout, adding that RMP made a "conscious decision" not to lock into a better rate for oil and natural gas. "They made that decision. Why is it the responsibility of us, the consumer, to pay for their mistake?"

Kristen McClelland of Riverton told the members of the Wyoming Public Services Commission that the rate increase would nearly put the small oil company she works for out of business.

"There is no safety net for the citizens, for the working man," she said. "We don't get a safety net when we make bad business decisions. ... When the oil prices crash and everybody around here loses their jobs, there's no safety net for those families. There's nobody coming for someone to save the day for us. We should get the first benefits off our coal and oil and natural gas. ... There are people in this room that that rate increase will break their families. We cannot sustain this."

State Rep. Lloyd Larsen told the commission that the drive for the rate increases stems from the company's spending on

renewable energy projects and transmission lines to carry the energy into markets like Oregon, Washington and Northern California. If they want Wyoming's wind, he said, we're happy to provide it.

"My problem with that is, it's not Wyoming residents that are demanding that type of generation. ... If that's what they want then let their rate payers pay the burden of those assets."

He said RMP's failure to lock into better fuel rates was a bit "self-inflicted," and a gamble that didn't pay off. "They made the wrong calculations, and I think that they need to bear the burden of those costs, and not the ratepayers."

Several commenters said the increases would be an unbearable burden to small business owners in Wyoming, including oil and gas companies, and would exacerbate an already volatile market.

And every household budget that's already strapped by inflation will hurt if the increases are passed as is, they said.

"This may be the straw that breaks the camel's back," State Rep. Sarah Penn said. "At what point do we say, 'Enough is enough'?"

Sam Shumway, state director for AARP of Wyoming, questioned what might happen if the commission were to deny the company's rate hike request.

"It looks like the only negative impact to them will be that their shareholders will make less money," he said.

"I think this is a grab to enrich Warren Buffet and shareholders at the expense of Wyoming citizens," added Greg Findley of Lander. "Many of us are struggling to put food on the table."

Dan Adelman said he's raising four children in Wyoming, and said all the negative things on the horizon don't bode well for businesses or families.

"I want my kids to be here, but if they can't find jobs, there is no future," he said.

There's still time to provide feedback to the Wyoming Public Services Commission on RMP's rate hike request. One more public meeting is being held to gather comments, planned for Thursday, Oct. 12, in Casper at the Thyra Thomson State Office Building, 444 W. Collins Drive, Roundhouse conference room # 3024, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

The meeting may also be attended by Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9933449233>, or by telephone by dialing 1-669-900-9128 or 1-253-215-8782 (Meeting ID: 993 344 9233).

Comments may also be submitted via email at wpsc_comments@wyo.gov or mailed to 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, WY 82002.

Man faces four child porn charges



Gabriel M. Gregg

SUBLETTE COUNTY – Pinedale resident Gabriel M. Gregg was charged on Sept. 14 with four felony counts of sexual exploitation, possession of child pornography, after a "cybertip" and searches revealed alleged videos of very young female children.

He allegedly possessed the videos from April 26 to June 5, according to court records.

On June 5, Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation agent Drew Cotton received a report from a cloud-storage server that a "known image of child pornography" was uploaded to a Verizon wireless phone.

Cotton investigated for the DCI's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and contacted a Homeland Security Investigations Task Force officer, who sent Verizon a federal summons, according to his affidavit.

On July 10, Cotton initiated a search warrant for Gregg's wireless account and interviewed Gregg, who reportedly said he was addicted to watching child pornography on the Internet and social media.

Gregg waived his Circuit Court preliminary hearing. His bond was set at \$20,000 cash only; he is ordered to restrict internet use and have no contact with anyone under the age of 18, records show.

Gregg's case will be bound over to 9th District Court for an arraignment before Judge Kate McKay.

Email legal notices to eallgood@pinedaleroundup.com

Deadline: Monday 12 p.m. the week of publication.

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

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CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

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- Byproduct of fire
- Talked
- Unique skill
- Unembarrassed
- Where teenagers go
- Boxing's GOAT
- Used to anoint
- Reproductive structure found in rust fungi
- Auburn great Newton
- Some are for Christmas
- Dried, split pulses
- Self
- Where to get your mail
- High schoolers' test
- Flightless bird
- Expectorated
- Practice of misrepresenting the truth
- Type of patch
- French river
- Told on
- Hillside
- Peyton's little brother
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- Progressive country musician
- Witness
- Brews
- Yellowish-brown
- Arctic explorers (abbr.)
- Mexican agave
- Type of "cast"
- Popular breakfast food
- Atomic #52
- Position north or south of the equator
- Gadget
- Another recording

- Irregular bulges in cell membranes
- Dark brown

CLUES DOWN

- Licensed for Wall Street
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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

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| 24. Unhappy | 46. Sports broadcaster Ian |
| 27. Trims away | 47. Electroencephalograph |
| 29. Full of tears | 49. Phenyl salicylate |
| 32. Touch softly | 51. Web of Things |
| 34. Former OSS | 54. Ship goods as cargo |
| 35. A person's chest | 59. The bill in a restaurant |
| 36. Came from behind | 60. Young female |
| 39. Fall back | 61. OJ trial judge |
| 40. Nellie ___, journalist | 62. One's grandmother |
| 43. A part of a river where the current is very fast | 64. West Siberian river |

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horoscopes

aries

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Aries, a project you thought would be done quickly is taking more time than expected to be completed. Don't fret over it too much, as things will work out in the end.

taurus

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

There are just a few obstacles that you need to get past before it is smooth sailing for a bit, Taurus. Use these roadblocks as learning opportunities as you go along.

gemini

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Gemini, when someone approaches you saying they have a good deal for you, there are certain questions you should ask before moving ahead. It's important to get all the facts.

cancer

JUNE 22 - JULY 22

Others might start asking questions about your whereabouts if you take too many days off from your job, Cancer. While you don't necessarily have to explain yourself, it's helpful if you do.

leo

JULY 23 - AUGUST 23

Leo, if someone already has made up their mind about something, it's unlikely that you will be able to change their way of thinking in one day. Keep at it if it means that much to you.

virgo

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 22

Virgo, if you really ponder how you have been interacting with others, have you been completely honest? You might think you're getting away with something, but others see the truth.

libra

SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 23

Libra, money is a major driving force behind a lot of decisions, but it shouldn't be the only one. You may be taking on too much if you are working yourself to the point of exhaustion.

scorpio

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Scorpio, you continue to roll with the punches, despite things not going your way just yet. Don't worry, your break is out there. The timing is just off for now.

sagittarius

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 21

Sagittarius, you might be the topic of conversation this week, as others are all figuring out what they can do to be in your good graces. Try not to play favorites in this instance.

capricorn

DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 20

No one knows which side of you they will get during an interaction, Capricorn. That can make business or family interactions challenging. Try to be more open.

aquarius

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 18

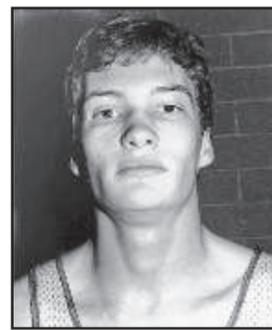
Aquarius, you have been managing a lot of extra tasks and could be feeling the added stress from the work. Tune out for a few days to rest yourself and restore your mind to calm.

pisces

FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20

Pisces, you want to be everyone's friend and go along with any plan that comes your way, but you might have to be a little bit more firm in your choices moving forward.

Mystery Photo



Who's this Big Piney athlete in this undated photo?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER



Tracy Hoover and Cat Hyde recognized Sandy Kirkpatrick Wanfelt last week.

Send us your 'mystery photo' to jufford@pinedalroundup.com and we'll be happy to share it!

POWERBALL
SEPTEMBER 25 WINNING NUMBERS
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ESTIMATED JACKPOT:
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CALENDAR CORRAL

Upcoming Events

Submit calendar items to Joy Ufford
at jufford@pinedaleroundup.com or call 307-367-2123.

Thursday, Sept. 28

Stacked Book Club returns on last Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. with a special Zoom conversation with author Ron Franscell and his adult nonfiction book "Deaf Row." Meets the last Thursday in the Pinedale Library Living Room.

"Three Redneck Tenors," 7 p.m. in the Pinedale High School's Sheppard Auditorium. Tickers at local vendors and pinedalefinearts.com.

Not Your Mother's Book Club meets for a special evening, 5:30-6:30 p.m., with a Zoom conversation with author Ron Franscell and his adult nonfiction book "Deaf Row" at the Big Piney Library.

Friday, Sept. 29

High Altitude Farmers Market, 2-6 p.m. in the Pinedale Library's Lovatt Room.

Weekly Storytime at the Big Piney Library, kids 0-5, 11-11:10 a.m. in the Big Piney Children's Room.

DIY Stickers free event, 3-4 p.m. in the Pinedale Library's Young Adult Room.

"Since Then" art show by Susan Moldenhauer continues at Mystery Print Gallery, 221 S. Sublette Ave., Pinedale.

Saturday, Sept. 30

Get firewood permits from Fremont Lake Campground hazardous-tree

cuttings at the Pinedale or Big Piney Ranger District offices. Firewood is first come, first serve. Limbed and stacked in decks to 4 feet tall at several locations in campsites 9-13 and 29-35 for the first phase and sites 13-28 in the second phase.

Tin Can Wall Pockets, adult crafting with Starla, noon in the Big Piney Library Community Room.

Sunday, Oct. 1

National 4-H Week runs through Oct. 7!

Monday, Oct. 2

Beginning Yoga Series through Nov. 6, with Jennifer Ricupero. Register at subletteboces.com.

Thank a 4-H Volunteer Day with a card and appreciation for local leaders.

Tuesday, Oct. 3

S'Cool Kids Club returns for elementary kids, 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Big Piney Library.

Color Me Calm, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5:30-7 p.m. in the Pinedale Library's Western Americana Room to add color to your life! Free; supplies provided.

Sublette County Public Health offers flu and COVID vaccines, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at its Marbleton Senior Center office. Schedule an appointment at 307-367-2157.



COURTESY PHOTO

These are the corrals at the Boulder Lake trailhead. The Mountain Man Back Country Horsemen group just recently completed the project that involved replacing most of the poles and installing gates. The trailhead is busy as hunting season is up and running.

Wednesday, Oct. 4

Sublette County 4-H Open House, 4-7 p.m. at the Sublette County Extension Office, 9660 Highway 191, Pinedale.

The Music Man Preview, 7-8 p.m. with sample of songs, popcorn and soda in the Pinedale Library Lovatt Room. After director Anne Mason and Karen Moulton will discuss the show's background, life in 1912 Sublette County and libraries' historical relevance.

Thursday, Oct. 5

Sublette County 4-H Open House, 4-7 p.m. at the Marbleton Town Hall, 10700 Highway 189, Marbleton.

Writers of the Winds meets first Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. at the Pinedale Library.

Mindfulness Meditation, 6:30-7:30 p.m. free 6-week class with Dr. Rafael Hasteley for techniques. No registration; walk-ins welcome.

Sublette County Public Health offers flu and COVID vaccines in the Museum of the Mountain Man parking lot in Pinedale. Senior 65+ high-dose flu: 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Community clinic for all ages, 2-6 p.m. Schedule an appointment at 307-367-2157.

Ongoing Meetings

Sundays

AA meetings in Pinedale Sunday at 7 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m., at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 512 N. Tyler (across from PAC).

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at the Community Church Hall, 410 Black Street, Big Piney at 7 p.m.

Mondays

Marbleton Town Council, meets second Mondays at 5 p.m. at Marbleton Town Hall.

Pinedale Town Council, second and fourth Mondays, 5 p.m. Lovatt Room at the Pinedale Library. Doors open on the Charles Street entrance.

VFW Post 4801, third Monday, at VFW Club, Pinedale.

Pinedale Planning and Zoning first Mondays, 1 p.m., Public Works Shop, 61 S. Pinedale Road.

Upper Green River Cemetery District first Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office at the Pinedale Cemetery.

Tuesdays

Pinedale Aquatic Center monthly board meeting on second Tuesdays, 6 p.m. in the PAC Classroom, 535 N. Tyler Ave., Pinedale.

American Legion Post, second

Tuesday, 7 p.m. at VFW Club, Pinedale.

Big Piney Town Council, meets on third Tuesday, 6 p.m., Big Piney Town Hall.

Sublette County Fair Board, fourth Tuesday, 7 p.m. at the Sublette County Fair Office in Big Piney.

Franklin Lodge No. 31, first Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Pinedale Masonic Hall, 23 N. Tyler.

The Community Food Closet is open for food distribution second Tuesday monthly 5-7 p.m. at 111 Rakestraw Ave. in Marbleton

Women's Advocacy Group meets 6 p.m. second Tuesday at the Pinedale Library, 155 S. Tyler Ave. Meeting room may change. Follow the Facebook page for updates.

Sublette County Treasurer at Marbleton Sheriff's Office to help with vehicle registration every fourth Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Wednesdays

Pinedale Travel & Tourism Commission, third Wednesday, noon, call for location.

Pinedale Airport Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at 4:30 at the Pinedale Airport conference room.

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Sublette County Hospital District, the board will meet on the fifth Wednesday, Nov. 30. Sublette Courthouse or Marbleton Town Hall.

Thursdays

Mountain Man Back Country Horsemen, second Thursday of every month, 5:30 p.m. at the

Lovatt Room, Pinedale Library. The Pinedale Lions Club meets every first and third Thursday 6 p.m., Rendezvous Pointe.

NA meets Thursdays & Saturdays at 7 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Pinedale, downstairs.

Sublette County Prevention Coalition, second Thursday, 12 p.m. at Public Health. Contact Becky Crowe at 307-749-5004.

Alanon Support Group starts Oct. 24 and meets every Thursday, 8 p.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 521 N. Tyler, Pinedale.

American Legion Auxiliary has its quarterly meetings the first Thursdays of March, June, September and December. Call Nancy Shaffer at 307-859-8862 for locations and membership.

Order of Eastern Star, Pinedale Chapter No. 39, second Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Pinedale Masonic Hall, 23 N. Tyler.

Bingo at the VFW Club, every other Thursday at 7 p.m.

High Meadow Ranch Water District, third Thursday, 6 p.m., at New Wellhouse. Visit www.hmrwater.com.

Sublette County Conservation District, third Thursday, 6 p.m., SCCD conference room, 217 Country Club Lane.

Sublette County P&Z, third Thursday, 6 p.m., Sublette Courthouse.

Sublette County School District No.1, second Thursday, 6:30 p.m., at Administrative Office, 655 N. Tyler Ave.

Saturdays

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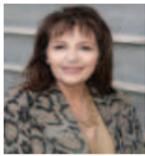
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