

LOCAL

Officials provide wolf investigation update

See A4

LOCAL

Medal of Honor recipient coming to Pinedale

See A10



Pinedale Roundup

Newspaper of the Upper Green River Valley, Est. 1904

April 25, 2024

\$1.25

White Pine Ski Resort now owned by Joe Ricketts

By Cali O'Hare

cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

PINEDALE — It's official, White Pine Ski and Summer Resort has formally traded hands with owners Alan and Robyn Blackburn announcing on April 22 that they have completed the transaction with Joe Ricketts. The 363-acre property now belongs to the Bondurant billionaire.

"Selling White Pine is bittersweet for us," said Alan Blackburn. "I'll miss being such a big part of the heart of Sublette County, but feel tremendous peace with transferring ownership to Joe because I know he shares my ultimate goal of keeping the resort as such a strong and dependable part of the community. I have total faith in his vision."

The property had been on the market for four years. It was announced on Thursday, Feb. 22, that Ricketts would take ownership of the ski hill at the end of the 2023-2024 season, which concluded on April 6.

General Manager Katie Lane is staying on

See 'RESORT' on page A3

More than 1,900 voters purged in Sublette County

Changes to election laws take effect

By Cali O'Hare

cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

SUBLETTE COUNTY — If you did not vote in the 2022 General Election and did not respond to notices from the Sublette County Clerk's Office, then you might want to double-check your voter registration status ahead of the upcoming 2024 Primary and General Elections.

Sublette County Deputy Clerk Tanya McNeal told the Pinedale Roundup on April 23 that 1,903 voters were purged from the system after the 2022 General Election. Currently, there are 3,726 registered Republicans and 157 registered Democrats in Sublette County.

Changes to how and when you can vote
Qualified voters who want to register to

See 'VOTERS' on page A3



CODY MCKINNEY COURTESY PHOTO

Members of the Tip Top Search and Rescue team set off on snowmobiles in cold, windy conditions to rescue a sick skier in the backcountry near Downs Mountain on April 15-16. The team had to obtain special permission to utilize air and ground assets in the Bridger-Teton National Forest wilderness where motorized vehicles are prohibited.

Sick skier saved in high-elevation, backcountry search and rescue

By Cali O'Hare

cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

SUBLETTE COUNTY — A female skier amid a multi-week trek across the Wind River Mountain Range became severely ill near Downs Mountain and needed to be rescued from an elevation of 13,355, deep within the Bridger-Teton wilderness. The call came into Sublette County dispatch just past sunset on Monday, April 15.

A Garmin spot-activated, with a man advising that his 29-year-old skiing partner was experiencing pain.

Because all motorized vehicles are prohibited in wilderness areas, Tip Top Search and Rescue (TTSAR) first had to obtain special permission from the Bridger-Teton Pinedale Ranger District to utilize both air and ground assets to respond to what TTSAR

See 'RESCUE' on page A3

Pinedale student wins first in 2024 Letters About Literature contest

PINEDALE — Pinedale Middle School student Delaney Edwards won first place in the 2024 Letters About Literature statewide contest hosted by the Wyoming Center for the Book and Wyoming Humanities. Wyoming students in grades fourth through twelfth were invited to write back to the author of a book that inspired them and changed their lives.

Edwards was inspired by the book Star of Light and chose to write to its author Patricia St. John. The novel, set in North Africa, follows the story of Hamid and his little sister, Kinza, who is blind, as they escape from their mountain village to avoid their stepfather selling Kinza to a beggar.

Edwards will receive a \$150 gift card to bookshop.org for her first-place win in the statewide contest. Edwards beat out Cheyenne's Evangeline Schon, who took second place, and Maile Lovato, who snagged third. Second-place winners receive a \$100 gift card and third-place winners receive a \$50 gift card.

For more information about the Wyoming Center for the Book, visit thinkwy.org/programs/center-for-the-book.

Two injured when gun goes off in safe

By Cali O'Hare

cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

SUBLETTE COUNTY — Two people are recovering after sustaining superficial injuries from an accidental discharge of a firearm last week. The pair presented at the Pinedale Clinic with reported "gunshot wounds" at around 6:50 p.m., on Monday, April 15. Sublette County Sheriff's Office Public Information Officer Sgt. Travis Bingham told the Roundup that the owner of the gun was retrieving a .22 from his safe when the firearm discharged into the safe. The gun owner and another individual nearby suffered only minor injuries as a result of shrapnel from the blast. Both were treated at the Pinedale Clinic and are now recovering at home.



Need More Room?

You Need Our Wide-Bore MRI.

We offer a more comfortable MRI for most shapes and sizes
Big or small, short or tall.

Call 307-362-6472 (MHSC) to schedule your MRI. For more info, go to sweetwatermemorial.com



Memorial Hospital
OF SWEETWATER COUNTY



pinedaleroundup.com

Official newspaper of Sublette County and the town of Pinedale.

THE ROUNDUP,
ROUNDED UP

Commentary.....A5-6

Obituaries..... A7

Circuit Court Roundup A8

Sheriff’s ReportA8 and A11

PureWest donates to hospital A9

Meet a Medal of Honor recipient .A10

Smokey Bear’s 80th birthday.....A12

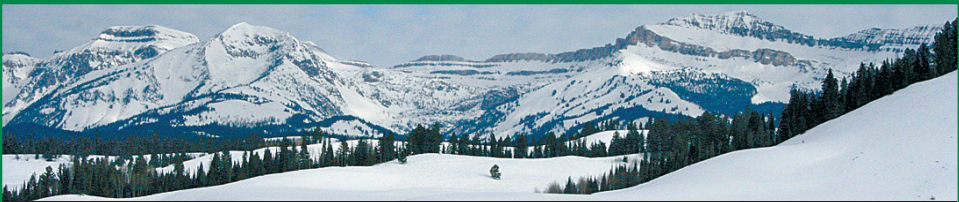
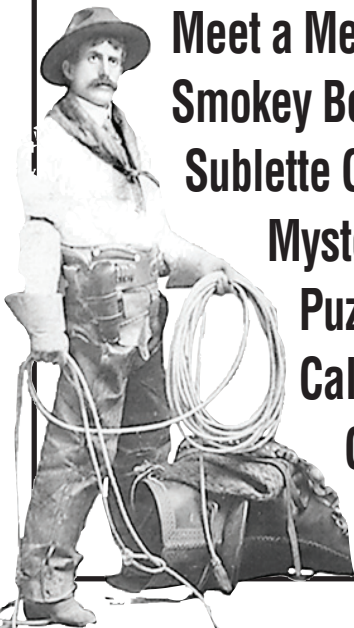
Sublette County sportsA13-14

Mystery PhotoA18

PuzzlesA18

CalendarA19

G&F blasted over wolf case
.....A20



Weekly Weather Forecast

Pinedale, Wyoming • April 25 - April 30

Today

Sunrise: 6:21 a.m. Sunset: 8:14 p.m.

High: 55° Low: 32°

RealFeel® 57° 28°

Day: Some sun, cloudy with showers.

Night: Partly to mostly cloudy.



Friday

Cloudy with
afternoon showers.

High: 52°
Low: 28°



Saturday

Cloudy.

High: 47°
Low: 28°



Sunday

Windy, rain, snow,
changing to all rain.

High: 47°
Low: 29°



Monday

Morning showers;
clouds and sunshine.

High: 58°
Low: 29°



Tuesday

Clouds and sun with
a couple of showers.

High: 52°
Low: 31°



PUNCHER
Poetry
Corner



BIG PINEY — In an effort to encourage young writers and poets in Sublette County, the Pinedale Roundup has partnered with Big Piney High School English teacher Tracy Hughes and her students to feature the work of a budding poet each week.

I am a City

I am a city, just trying to make a living.
I try my hardest to make the best for my people.

There may be theft, there may be death, but we’re
Here to make money. There is a new beginning here,
As they say. There is a lot of good here, but I try to
Hide the violence and keep the poor isolated.

There is no nature here. I keep it away; what can I say,
The odors are too much. I’m a gloomy guy because of
The exhaust. Electric cars could help my asthma; whereas,
People going to Mars would cure me.

My people wouldn’t understand living anywhere else.
So, here I am breaking through the flesh of our earth,
Creating mesh for my people to stay. I’m sorry, but this is
Me, and no one can stop he or she from getting what they want.

Earth, I wish you the best for years to come, but for right
Now, I will trek on. People continue to populate, and to be honest,
I love my popularity. There are many great things coming in
The future. All it takes is one of my great minds to expand.

The human race is expanding, and so am I. There is no one
Stopping me for that reason. I shall build up and shine like
My others, and one day we will meet. The day we meet together
Will be the dawn of death. Until then, here I go!

I am a city, until I crumble. By the end of time, I will be everywhere
To raise the real problems of the world... I am the problem.

Kaleb Miller,
Big Piney High School



CAMP INVENTION COURTESY PHOTO

Camp Invention, coming to Pinedale July 15, challenges youth in kindergarten through sixth grade to embrace their natural curiosity and creativity to solve problems. Through hands-on activities, Camp Invention promotes science, technology, engineering and mathematics, builds confidence, leadership, perseverance and resourcefulness and encourages entrepreneurship.

Summer STEM Camp coming to Sublette BOCES

PINEDALE — Camp Invention®, a nationally recognized, nonprofit summer enrichment camp program, is coming to Sublette BOCES in Pinedale the week of July 15.

A program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame® in partnership with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Camp Invention challenges children in grades K-6 to tap into their natural curiosity and use their creativity to solve problems. Through hands-on activities, Camp Invention promotes STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) learning; builds confidence, leadership, perseverance and resourcefulness; and encourages entrepreneurship — all in a fun and engaging environment.

Each year, the program features a new curriculum inspired by some of our nation’s most world-changing inventors — the National Inventors Hall of Fame Inductees. This year’s Illuminate program encourages children to have confidence in their ideas and explore their innovativeness through hands-on experiences, including:

• Let’s Glow™: Creativity radiates as campers explore the science of light through illuminating inventions and the genetic code of glowing animals.

• Prototyping Studio™: Children star as contestants on a game show where they mold, shape and transform their ideas into amazing inventions.

• In the Game™: As campers create their own light-up game board, they team up to tackle athletics, design, business and invention.

• Operation: HydroDrop™: Children embark on a global operation to help solve water challenges around the world.

All local Camp Invention programs are facilitated and taught by qualified educators who reside and teach in the community. Camp Invention serves 122,000 students every year and partners with more than 2,500 schools and districts across the nation. For more information or to register, visit invent.org/camp.

About Camp Invention

Camp Invention is the only nationally recognized summer program focused on creativity, innovation, real-world problem solving and the spirit of invention. Through hands-on programming, Camp Invention encourages children entering kindergarten through sixth grade to explore science, technology, engineering and mathematics curricula inspired by some of the world’s greatest inventors. Camp Invention is a program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame. This nationwide, nonprofit organization is committed to the curious minds and innovative spirits of the past, present and future. Since 1990, our education programs have served more than 2.6 million children, and 309,000 teachers and Leadership Interns. For more information, visit invent.org/programs/camp-invention.

RESCUE

Continued from 1A

coordinator Kenna Tanner called, “an increasingly life-threatening situation” and to “beat an incoming weather event.”

A plan was put into place for early the next morning: Teton County Search and Rescue would provide air assistance while TTSAR volunteers responded on the ground using snowmobiles via the Upper Green River Valley.

At 7 a.m., on April 16, Teton County Search and Rescue launched its helicopter with a plan to fly straight to the skier’s camp but inclement weather and low-lying cloud coverage ultimately prohibited access by air. The helicopter returned to its hangar in Jackson to await a potential break in the weather.

Meanwhile, TTSAR’s volunteer snowmobile team continued the long trek to the skier’s campsite deep in the wilderness.

Hours later, as the snowmobile team neared the area, a much-needed break in the weather allowed Teton County Search and Rescue’s helicopter to launch a second time and make a successful landing near the sick skier at 10:25 a.m. on April 16. She was transported by air from the mountain to St. John’s Medical Center in Jackson. The snowmobile team reached the campsite at 11:30 a.m., where they loaded up all of the skiers’ gear and brought the other skier back to Pinedale. From Pinedale, the man was able to get a ride to Jackson and reunite with his partner as she underwent necessary medical care.

Tanner said, “This was a time-critical mission and wouldn’t have been successful without the partnership with our neighboring agencies and the knowledge and skills of



JOE HARRELL COURTESY PHOTO

The five-person snow machine team reaches the sick skier’s campsite where they load up all of their gear and transport it, plus the skier’s partner, to Pinedale.

our volunteer members. Many thanks to all involved in getting this female out of the mountains and to medical help.”

A total of five volunteers assisted in the field while three people operated the Incident Command Center in Sublette County.

For more information about Tip Top Search and Rescue, volunteer opportunities or to donate, visit <https://www.tiptopsar.com/>.



CODY MCKINNEY COURTESY PHOTO

Fremont and Gannett peaks are visible in the Wind River Mountain Range behind the team of snowmobilers en route to rescue a critically ill backcountry skier at an elevation of 13,355 feet.

RESORT

Continued from 1A

through the transition and said White Pine’s cabins, campground and trails will be open this summer, with the venue already booked for a wedding and another event in June.

According to the Blackburns, Ricketts is “committed to investing in and improving the Sublette County Ski Resort” and is actively exploring snow-making capabilities to increase the longevity of the ski season.

A source close to White Pine said work is being done to obtain snow-making equipment and have it in place for the upcoming 2024-2025 ski season, but because of all the necessary steps, like obtaining proper permits from the United States Forest Service and groundwater testing, it’s more likely that the snowmaking capabilities will be up and running for the 2026-2027 season.

As always, the upcoming ski season is dependent on snow conditions. White Pine’s ski hills usually open the first weekend of December but during good powder years, pass holders have been able to shred the slopes as early as Thanksgiving. Lane said, “The hope is that the snowmaking will ensure a guaranteed opening date rather than waiting on Mother Nature.”

Lane told the Roundup that 2024-2025 season passes for White Pine will be on sale soon.

Sarah Rothman, a spokesperson for Ricketts and Lede Company, declined to discuss the costs associated with the purchase and operation of snowmaking equipment such as internal- and external-mix snow guns and snow fans. According to Snow Brains, new technology like low-energy pumps and valves allow ski resorts to reduce the energy spent on making snow by up to 50 percent, but a facility can spend anywhere from \$200 to \$1,000 per inch of artificial snow on a given day, not including manpower. An older report from 2013 by ESPN estimated ski resorts at that time spent anywhere from \$500,000 and \$3.5 million a season, with a cost of \$1,000-\$2,000 to cover one acre with a foot of snow. The largest costs associated with snowmaking are labor and electricity, according to Snow Brains.

White Pine Ski and Summer Resort is one of Wyoming’s oldest ski areas. It’s nestled within Forest Service land in the Wind River Mountain Range about 10 miles north of Pinedale. The resort, home to the

Pinedale High School Alpine and Nordic Ski teams, features two lifts, nearly 30 runs with a 1,100-foot vertical, a tubing hill, rustic accommodations and miles of Nordic trails for winter skiing and summer hiking. White Pine has been a mainstay for local Sublette County residents for years and it has been voted the No. 1 Resort in Wyoming for beginner skiers. “My hope is to ensure that White Pine remains a strong part of the community and continues the tradition of serving local residents,” said Ricketts.

Ricketts has assembled a Board of Advisors “to strategically guide the business, ensuring its success in both the short-term and long-term.”

The board includes community members Roy DeWitt as chairman, Derek Schupp as president, Dave Jensen as vice president, Brad White as secretary, Ryan Persinger as treasurer and Robin Schamber, Kari DeWitt, Adam D’Illard, Marie McGuire, Alan Blackburn, Steve Christensen, Travis McNiven and Ricketts as advisory members.

The Pinedale Roundup has an immediate opening for a dedicated reporter/photographer.

Our award-winning weekly newspaper focuses on local coverage of government and agencies, the oil and gas industry, high school sports, education, wildlife and the environment. We will challenge you to write every size and type of story on a variety of beats and meet interesting people in a unique part of Wyoming. You will also have the opportunity to cultivate your photography skills.

If you have a sharp eye for stories and front-page photos, we want you. The *Pinedale Roundup* offers competitive pay, health insurance, mileage reimbursement and a 401(k) plan after a year.

Please send resume, 3-5 clips of different writing styles and samples of photos to Rob Mortimore, email rmort@wyomingnewspapersinc.com.

Pinedale Roundup

41 S. Lake Ave., Pinedale, WY 82941 • 307-367-2123
www.pinedaleroundup.com

VOTERS

Continued from 1A

vote in the 2024 elections can do so anytime between now and Election Day. In previous years, voters were permitted to change party affiliation at any time, including on the day of the election. Effective in 2024, voters are prohibited from changing their party affiliation during the 96 days leading up to Primary Election Day and in conjunction with the candidate filing period. In other words, a voter who wishes to change their affiliation must do so no later than May 15 in order to vote for their preferred party on Aug. 20, Primary Election Day.

Folks who are unaffiliated with a major party will not have a ballot in Sublette County’s Primary Election because there are no non-partisan races.

People are encouraged to register to vote in the 2024 elections in advance by visiting the Sublette County Clerk’s Office, 21 South Tyler Avenue in Pinedale, in order to avoid long lines at the polls on Election Day.

The Sublette County Clerk’s Office reminds voters to bring their current government-issued ID with them when casting their votes.

Voters who take advantage of “mail-in,” “early voting” or absentee voting now have a shorter window of just 28 days to cast an absentee ballot before each election — a timeframe reduced from the previous 45-day period. The only exception is for uniformed and overseas citizens (UOCAVA) who are still authorized under federal law to vote 45 days prior to each election. Absentee ballots for the Primary and/or General Elections can be requested now with no excuse. Primary ballots will be mailed out July 23 and July 5 for UOCAVA voters and General Election ballots will be mailed Oct. 8 or Sept. 20 for UOCAVA.

Voters who return their ballot by mail should contact the Sublette County Clerk’s Office by calling 307-367-372 to verify it’s been received.

Officials provide updates on wolf investigation, tip line hours

By Cali O'Hare
cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

PINEDALE — Despite operating a tip line seeking valuable information to aid in the Sublette County Sheriff's Office's ongoing investigation into Cody Roberts' alleged treatment of a wild wolf pup, "Regrettably, no actionable tips pertinent to ongoing investigations" were received over the past two weeks. That's according to an April 23 press release issued by the SCSO.

The release goes on to encourage witnesses or others who may have credible information related to the alleged capture, torture, torment and killing of a wild gray wolf pup by Roberts "to come forward with information" and contact the tip line by calling 307-212-5108.

New tip line hours

Effective April 24, the tip-line is staffed Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. The SCSO urges people "to utilize this resource to provide any credible information from witnesses that may assist ongoing investigations." For those who prefer electronic communication, emails to the SCSO can be sent to sherifinfo@sublettecountywy.gov.

Rewards for credible evidence

Multiple organizations, including Animal Wellness Action, Center for a Humane Economy and Wolves of the Rockies have set up reward funds, totaling more than \$20,000 in cash for any individual who provides additional evidence to police and prosecutors about Roberts resulting in his being sentenced to prison for animal cruelty. The organizations plan to share any substantial evidence they receive with the Sublette County Sheriff's Office.

Investigation updates

The investigation into the Feb. 29 incident which occurred in and around Daniel and the Green River Bar began on April 10 and continues

with no charges filed against Roberts as of press time. Sublette County Attorney Clayton Melinkovich said in his latest prepared statement, "While it is possible that some or all of these allegations could ultimately be verified through a lawful investigation, a news report or a picture found online cannot be used as the basis for any criminal charge unless and until it has been vetted and supported by foundational information required by the Wyoming Rules of Evidence."

Investigation ongoing

Melinkovich said he "cannot and will not prosecute any individual for which sufficient evidence does not exist." Melinkovich noted, "While I understand requests and demands for quick action, speed and quality rarely mix. ... an investigation is underway and your patience is appreciated while this process takes its course."

People locally and around the globe are questioning whether Roberts should be charged with other crimes for discharging a firearm within municipal limits in an area where residences and businesses are present, discharging a firearm while under the influence of alcohol, allowing his minor child to accompany him into a bar and bringing a wild animal into a food and beverage establishment.

Petitions not considered

Melinkovich also reminded the public about the oath of office he swore to uphold, "I simply cannot charge a person with a crime because a lot of people have asked me to do so." He emphasized: "The ever-increasing number of signatures on the change.org petition and emails and telephone calls to my office will not be considered in any charging decision as doing so would violate my oath and Mr. Roberts' due process rights."

As of press time, the change.org petition to "Demand Felony Charges Against Cody Roberts for Animal Cruelty" had garnered 184,231 signatures since it was launched on April 6.



STILL IMAGE FROM LEAKED FOOTAGE

In this screenshot from a video shot inside the Green River Bar on Feb. 29, Daniel man Cody Roberts, 42, is seen with the gravely injured gray wolf pup whose suffering he is accused of exacerbating and prolonging. An investigation into his alleged actions is ongoing.

DISTRICT Retirement PARTY

In Honor of

Vern McAdams Amy Warren Melanie Daniel

Join us

May 3, 2024 at 2 PM

Board Room - Admin Building



COURTESY IMAGE

In this still image from leaked footage, Cody Roberts, 42, of Daniel, kisses the dying female wolf he ran over with his snowmobile and brought to the Green River Bar as the two lay on the floor of the tavern.

SnoTel Report — Wednesday, April 24

Basin Site Name	Elev. (ft)	Snow Water Equivalent			Total Precipitation		
		Current	Average	% Avg	Current	Average	% Avg
UPPER GREEN RIVER							
Big Sandy Opening	9080	11.2	12.6	89	15.3	14.1	109
Blind Bull Sum	8650	24.5	25.0	98	17.0	19.2	89
East Rim Divide	7930	0.3	9.2	3	11.5	11.8	97
Elkhart Park G.S.	9400	8.5	12.4	69	12.8	13.7	93
Gros Ventre Summit	8750	10.6	13.3	80	14.1	13.6	104
Gunsight Pass	9820	11.9	13.0(22)	92	15.5	15.4(22)	101
Indian Creek	9425	20.9	24.0	87	20.7	20.8	100
Kendall R.S.	7740	3.6	7.1	51	13.3	14.0	95
Larsen Creek	9000	3.3	6.7(10)	49	15.0	15.2(10)	99
Loomis Park	8240	7.8	12.6	62	15.5	17.4	89
New Fork Lake	8340	2.7	7.9	34	-M	11.4	*
Pocket Creek	9360	-M	N/A	*	-M	N/A	*
Snider Basin	8060	4.7	10.0	47	13.0	14.7	88
Spring Creek Divide	9000	23.1	25.8	90	22.7	24.8	92
Triple Peak	8500	17.7	20.1	88	25.2	27.2	93
Basin Index (%)				76	95		



COMMENTARY

The Intrepid Explorer — Living — Life — Large

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

Chapters in living will always include a paragraph that will stage a sequence of events at which the trend of all future events will be determined. This crisis is the condition of instability and perhaps danger. This point of course may feel like you're losing your mind as it evokes questioning everything around you.

This catastrophic moment may arrive once, or it may become a frequent confrontation. Don't worry about these impasses. There is a way out. When you feel the discomfort of uneasiness and hurt, observe. Listen to what is happening. Perhaps life is trying to show you something in your story of living.

While we all seemingly are seeking joy in the confusion we have stumbled into, we have become receivers, receiving distortions that have clogged our filters. We have found ease in diminishing the positive and over generalizing the negative. Seeking a false reasoning, we take all that is projected, sift through it and quickly strain it until we carelessly find a fragmented piece that can be manipulated into offensive possession. We then engage in it endlessly.

We've all been hurt by the actions or words of another. These abrasions can leave lasting feelings of resentment, bitterness and anger. If you hold on to this discomfort, you might be the one who pays the most. Embracing forgiveness can diminish all of this aching anxiety.

Forgiveness means different things to people, but in general, it involves an intentional decision to rid yourself of resentment and anger. The act that hurt or offended you might always be with you, but working on forgiveness can lessen its grip. It will help to free you from the control of the situa-tion

that harmed you.

Forgiveness doesn't mean forgetting or excusing the harm done. It also doesn't necessarily mean making up with a person who has caused harm. Forgiveness brings a kind of peace that allows you to focus on yourself and helps you go on with life.

Without forgiveness you will not depart from anger. It involves an intentional decision to willfully put aside feelings of resentment and anger towards someone or something that has committed a wrong. Forgiveness is not accepting what happened, it is just letting it move on so you cease with angry and lessen that act's grip.

Psychologists generally define forgiveness as a conscious, deliberate decision to release feelings of resentment or vengeance toward a person or group who has harmed you, regardless of whether they actually deserve your forgiveness.

The 18th century English poet, Alexander Pope, gave us, "to err is human, to forgive divine." But finding a way to forgive without giving up our principles is often no easy task.

Forgiveness is a complex concept and embodies three different things, each applying to different situations and provides different results. The three types of forgiveness are: exonerat-ion, forbear-ance and release.

Exonerat-ion is wiping the slate entirely clean and restoring a relationship to the full state of innocence that it had before the harmful action took place. There are situations in which exonerat-ion applies. For instance, when the harmful action was a genuine accident for which no fault can be as-signed.

Another situation for exonerat-ion is when the person who hurt you is truly sorry. When they take full responsibility,

without excuses, for what they did and ask forgiveness. In this setting you find confidence that they will not knowingly repeat their transgression in the future.

In these circumstances you accept their apology and offer them the complete forgiveness of exonerat-ion. It will clear the air, but to not offer forgiveness in these circumstances could be harmful to your own well-being.

The second type of forgiveness is forbearance. Forbearance applies when the offender makes a partial apology and mingles their expression of sorrow with blame that you somehow caused them to behave badly. An apology is offered but it's bogus and unauthentic.

While you should always reflect on whether there was a provocation on your part, you should exercise forbearance, if the relationship matters to you. You must discontinue dwelling on the particular offense and remember to forgive but not forget. By using forbearance you are able to maintain the ties with the people who are not perfect, but are still important to you.

The third type of forgiveness is release. Release does not exonerate the offender. Nor does it require forbearance. It doesn't even demand that you continue the relationship. However it does ask that instead of continuing to define much of your life in terms of the hurt done, you release your bad feelings and your preoccupation with the negative things that have happened.

Release does something that is critically important: it allows you to let go of the burden that is eating away at your

See 'ABERNATHY' on page **A6**

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Why did the commission cut us off from speaking? The commission meeting ended with a huge stack of public comment requests unheard, silencing many voices, including mine. This disregard left concerns unaddressed at a time when all commissioners and the public were available to engage.

- Why didn't the commission act on anything at the meeting? They had the perfect opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to responsible wildlife management. They could have revoked Cody Roberts' hunting privileges, pushed for a ban on snowmobile hunting, recommended the expansion for Trophy Game status for wolves, or initiated felony animal cruelty charges. Their inaction not only shows a lack of determination to end the culture of wolf torture in Wyoming but also suggests a disturbing level of tolerance for such behavior.

- The commission's apparent indifference to this horrific incident is a glaring example of the deficiencies in our regulatory framework. Opting to let the issue fade into obscurity reflects a troubling pattern of neglect that only strengthens our push to have wolves re-listed as endangered. Despite the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's most recent claim that this incident does not indicate a failure of wildlife policy, the reality speaks otherwise. Similarly, State Sen. Larry Hicks' dismissal of this event as an "aberration" overlooks the likely underreporting of such brutal acts.

- For years, conservation groups have warned about the dangers of snowmobile hunting. Representative Mike Yin's 2019 proposal to criminalize running over wolves and coyotes with snowmobiles was inexplicably killed in committee. Why was this measure dismissed, and why has it not been reintroduced? Claims by Wyoming Game and Fish of being the "gold standard in wildlife management" ring hollow without concrete action, revealing an approach that favors control and extermination over true stewardship.

- The assertion that 85 percent of Wyoming is an "unsuitable habitat for wolves" smacks more of political expediency than scientific reasoning. The wolf predator designation severely undermines proper wolf management and protection.

- Why does Wyoming insist on categorizing animals as predators at all? The rules and regulations concerning predator control on the Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board's (WADMB) website mention "livestock" 73 times. The WADMB was established to defend the livestock industry, funneling millions annually into lethal predator control methods. In the last two years, Gov. Mark Gordon allocated \$1.48 million for predator management, with the vast majority of these funds being used for lethal control. What does this tell Wyoming residents about how the state devalues predator species? We urge everyone to participate in the next meeting of the Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board on May 15 and 16 to voice their concerns about the lack of value placed on predator lives in Wyoming.

- Testimonies at the commission meeting from people who traveled from as far as South Carolina, veterinarians who spoke of the signs of the wolf's evident suffering, psychologists who noted the disturbing implications of such cruelty, and Wyoming residents casting light on the widespread, ingrained culture of wolf hatred in the state, all indicate that this is not an isolated incident but part of a broader, deeply troubling pattern.

Sincerely,

Dagny Signorelli,

Wyoming Director with Western Watersheds Project

Dear Editor,

This is a response to the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's (April 16-17) comments that Cody Roberts does not represent the Commission's values for wildlife

and that Wyoming implements the gold standard of wildlife management. That is completely false! What occurred very much fits within Wyoming's stated goals and "gold standard" of eliminating wolves. Wyoming's "management" of wolves is not based on scientific wildlife research!

To provide some personal context, I grew up on a ranch in Texas, first moved to Wyoming in 1982, and later trapped in Montana and Alaska, although I no longer live in any of those states I still visit frequently and have spent a lot of time around Pinedale and in the Wind River Mountain Range. I do still live in the mountains, in wolf territory, and was tracking a wolf just last week. I understand the problems that wolves can have on livestock operations. However, I also understand the benefits that they have on ecosystems. As an outdoorsman, with environmental ethics, I also respect the wildlife that I have hunted, tracked and trapped.

Your policy of allowing, and even promoting, the killing of as many wolves as possible is not wildlife management. Wyoming does not manage wolves or coyotes; your policy is just to allow them to all be killed in whatever manner anyone decides. Even the fine assessed by Wyoming, on Roberts, shows that what Roberts did in Daniel is allowed and acceptable by the state's laws and policies. That is not management! Allowing wolf and coyote bashing. That is your "state's proven track record," definitely not a "gold standard." Allowing unlimited killing of wolves and other predators in 85 percent of your state is not management. Your "management" definitely allows the torture of wildlife as occurred in Daniel.

I hope that the silver lining to Roberts' torturing of the wolf is that Wyoming residents, the Commission, government officials, politicians, policymakers and wildlife biologists will create and support policies that do actually manage wildlife, not just exterminate them.

Kirk Beckendorf,
North Central, Wash.

Pinedale Roundup

P. O. Box 100, Pinedale, WY 82941
email: cohare@pinedaleroundup.com
(307) 367-2123

Volume 120, Number 16 ©2024
The Pinedale Roundup.
All rights reserved.

Founded in 1904 by C. Watt Brandon. The Pinedale Roundup is published weekly by Wyoming Newspapers, Inc at 41 S. Lake Ave., Pinedale, WY 82941. Periodicals postage paid at Pinedale, Wyoming (USPS 433420) and additional locations. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Pinedale Roundup, P.O. Box 100, Pinedale, WY 82941.



Subscribe!

	13 Weeks	26 Weeks	1 Year
In County	\$19.99	\$39.99	\$59.99
Out of County	\$24.99	\$44.99	\$74.99

Call 307-367-2123 to pay with credit card

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Send Check To: Pinedale Roundup, P.O. Box 100, Pinedale, WY 82941



Rob Mortimore
Publisher



Cali O'Hare
Managing Editor



Cortney Reed
Advertising



Eunice Allgood
Office Manager



Trena Eiden
Columnist



Dan Abernathy
Columnist



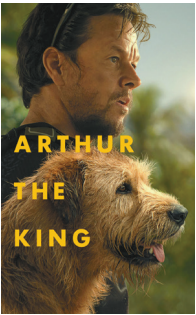
Sue Bruynes
Graphic Designer





April 26th - May 2nd

Unsung
Hero
PG



Arthur
the King
PG-13

Call, check online or
find us on Facebook for
showtimes.

Call (307)276-4061
(during business hours)
Movie Line: (307)276-4062

www.flicksnpins.com



PINEDALE ROUNDUP

COMMENTARY

Animal welfare, conservation groups to sue in wake of wolf’s killing in Wyoming

From Animal Wellness Action and the Center for a Humane Economy

WASHINGTON, D.C. — On the heels of the recent drawn-out torture of a captured and bound gray wolf, a coalition of organizations has filed a 60-day notice of intent to sue the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) for its refusal to restore Endangered Species Act (ESA) protections to the Western gray wolf. The Notice of Intent may be viewed at www.pinedaleroundup.com.

In July 2021, this coalition — Animal Wellness Action, the Center for a Humane Economy, Project Coyote, Kettle Range Conservation Group, Footloose Montana and Gallatin Wildlife Association — along with dozens of other organizations filed a petition with the FWS requesting federal ESA protections for gray wolves in the Western United States.

The FWS released an initial 90-day finding in September 2021 that relisting the Western gray wolf as endangered “may be warranted.” The agency then inexplicably reversed course on Feb. 7, when it found in its final decision on the petition that the Western gray wolf is not entitled to ESA protection.

Three weeks after this decision, on Feb. 29, Cody Roberts, 42, of Daniel, Wyo., ran down a gray wolf with a snowmobile, captured her, taped her muzzle shut, paraded her in a local bar while subjecting her to extended abuse — including going so far as to kiss the dying wolf while being filmed, the wolf too weak to do anything but bare her teeth — and finally killing her. While Animal Wellness Action argues that these actions are punishable under Wyoming criminal law, and numerous veteran law enforcement professionals have called for felony charges, Roberts was required only to pay a \$250 fine for live possession of wildlife.

“States have proven they cannot be trusted to sustain the wolf species,” said Jessica Karjala, executive director of Footloose Montana, based in Missoula, Mont. “They not

only allow but endorse bounties on wolves. They have encouraged increased hunting and quotas on wolves, spotlighting, baiting, trapping, snaring, hound hunting. Here, Wyoming is turning a blind eye to the heinous acts of Cody Roberts. The delisting of wolves has led to the failure of state wildlife agencies to protect wolves.”

“It is so disappointing to see one of our nation’s federal agencies, the only agency that has the responsibility to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plants in their native habitat, become so disengaged from their mission and from reality on the ground,” said Clint Nagel, president of the Gallatin Wildlife Association, based in Bozeman, Mont. “Our nation’s wildlife deserve so much better.”

“It was illegitimate for the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to continue to deny gray wolf relisting protection under the ESA for our small population of state-listed endangered gray wolves in Washington state,” said Timothy Coleman, director of Kettle Range Conservation Group, based in Republic, Wash. “Outside of Northeast Washington, just a couple of wolf packs exist, and there are no packs in the entire southern Cascade and Pacific Coast wolf recovery region that includes high-quality habitat in Olympic National Park. Slaughter of gray wolf source population stifles migration from Idaho and Montana and will likely delay wolf recovery for decades across Washington state.”

The biggest threat facing the gray wolf is human-caused mortality. Since 2021, Rocky Mountain states have liberalized the legal killing of wolves and removed discretion from their fish and wildlife agencies in favor of letting lawmakers use wolves as a political cudgel. Unlawful killings, including poaching and poisoning, are on the rise too. Higher mortality rates will result in further loss of genetic diversity and connectivity between wolf populations across the Western U.S. And worse, in their refusal to list the wolf, the FWS is relying heavily on highly suspect data on wolf populations from states that use population-estimate methodologies that have been criticized by scientific experts.

“Despite having admitted that Rocky Mountain states use means and measures ‘at odds with modern professional wildlife management,’ the FWS has still failed to properly account for the impact of the uptick in human-caused mortality on Western

wolf populations, as they are required to do under law,” said Kate Chupka Schultz, senior attorney with the Center for a Humane Economy, who prepared the notice. “Compounding that error, FWS is also failing to apply best available science to the analysis—ignoring the good science and instead relying on the bad. These are just two of the multiple ways the FWS is violating federal law.”

Now, this coalition of conservation organizations has formally sent their notice, arguing that the FWS’ failure to list the Western gray wolf violates both the ESA and the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). This notice is the third filed in recent months by various organizations against the FWS for failing to protect the gray wolf.

“The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is continuing to allow the same unlimited and unregulated killing practices that nearly wiped wolves off the landscape in the 20th century,” said Renee Seacor, carnivore conservation director with Project Coyote. “Time and time again, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has lost in court when challenged over gray wolf protection. We fully expect the same with this deeply flawed decision.”

The coalition is now awaiting the expiration of the 60-day notice period before filing its lawsuit in federal court.

Animal Wellness Action is a Washington, D.C.-based 501(c)(4) whose mission is to help animals by promoting laws and regulations at federal, state and local levels that forbid cruelty to all animals. The group also works to enforce existing anti-cruelty and wildlife protection laws. Animal Wellness Action believes helping animals helps us all. X: @AWAction_News

The Center for a Humane Economy is a Washington, D.C.-based 501(c)(3) whose mission is to help animals by helping forge a more humane economic order. The first organization of its kind in the animal protection movement, the Center encourages businesses to honor their social responsibilities in a culture where consumers, investors, and other key stakeholders abhor cruelty and the degradation of the environment and embrace innovation as a means of eliminating both. The Center believes helping animals helps us all. X: @TheHumaneCenter

https://animalwellnessaction.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/USFWS_Intent-to-Sue.pdf

ABERNATHY

Continued from A5

chance of happiness. If you do not release the pain and anger and move past dwelling on old wounds and betrayals, you will be allowing the ones who hurt you to live in your mind. Here forever, you will relive the persecution that the original incident started.

Release liberates you from the oppression of living in a traumatic past when the other forms of forgiveness, exoneration and forbearance, are not possible. To forgive may be divine, but when we understand its dimensions we find that it is within our ability to do it.

Complete forgiveness is a three-step procedure that when consciously implemented will achieve the right result for you, the forgiver. Forgive yourself and don't blame yourself any longer. Forgive the other person who doesn't even need to be present or aware of your forgiveness. The final step is to forgive the situation. Let whatever happened go, to be part of the past and no longer in the moment.

The Eastern concept of forgiveness means giving up all hope for a better past and to move on. It's a way to end suffering and to bring back dignity and harmony into your life. The Dalai Lama advo-cates that all major religious traditions carry basically the same message. The important thing is that love, compassion and forgiveness is part of our daily lives.

With the knowledge gained from time spent, it's not about trying to understand more. It's not about losing empathy and not caring. It's more about needing to know progressively less about the unim-portance of what so many deem important. You don't always need to have a point, change a mind, have the last word or give your side of the story. You are comfortable with what you've gained and not mentally or emotionally roused into disorder about the other sides of anything.

“When a deep injury is done to us, we never heal until we forgive.” - Nelson Mandela.

- dbA

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

The opinions expressed on the editorial pages are not necessarily those of the Pinedale Roundup. Letters will be run and edited at the discretion of the Pinedale Roundup. Letters to the editor should be limited to 350 words, be signed, state the town/city you live in and include a phone number for verification. Letters are due Tuesdays by noon. No thank yous. Write to: P.O. Box 100, Pinedale, WY, 82941 or email: cohare@pinedaleroundup.com. Published weekly, at 41 S. Lake Ave., Pinedale, Sublette County, Wyoming, 82941 by Wyoming Newspapers, Inc.


Church DIRECTORY

 **Your Community Church SERVICES**

Pinedale Community United Church of Christ
113 South Maybell Ave.
Pastoral Leadership: Jono Majhanovich
Worship is 10:00 am every Sunday morning
To contact the pastor or for current updates, call: 307-264-0418
Email: communitychurchpinedale@gmail.com
“We are seeking to love and welcome all people in worship, song, and community service”

 **Church of the Resurrection**
Hope that in God ALL things are possible
PO Bx 2144, Pinedale WY 82941
Join us for Sunday Morning Services at
10 a.m. at 41 S. Lake Ave.
Sunday School is available for children.

First Baptist Church 
Pastor Ted York
SUNDAY SERVICE
Sunday school.....9:45 a.m.
Morning worship 11 a.m.
646 N. Tyler Street • 307-367-4567

 **Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church**
112 S. Sublette Ave
Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.
Holy Day of Obligation: 7 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Monday: 9 a.m. at Church
Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. at Church
Wednesday-Friday: 7 a.m. at Church

“Come to Me all who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest.”
-Jesus Christ
 **Pinedale Bible Church**
Sunday School Service
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Livestream of worship service
10:30 a.m.
Come visit us at
219 Industrial Site Rd. • 367-4168
Pastor Jim Silvey

PINEDALE ROUNDUP

OBITUARIES

Kenny Hartman July 16, 1951 — April 18, 2024

"I wish I had my paints." This was a regular saying from Kenny Hartman as he admired the beauty of nature. Kenny loved the mountains, hunting, and spending hours on the lake fishing. Kenny passed away peacefully on April 18, in Pinedale, Wyo.



Kenny was born in Lander, Wyo., to Raymond and Mary Hartman on July 16, 1951. He was the youngest of four children. As a child, Kenny lived in Lander and Crowheart, where his family ran various businesses. He graduated from Lander Valley High School and soon after married Debra Widick. The two raised four daughters: Tana, Kari, Jennifer and Kelli. While he loved his girls, he was regularly heard saying "spread out" in public to not let anyone know they all belonged to him.

Kenny spent many years in Wyoming and worked in the construction field. He had a special gift for understanding numbers, staying on budget and ensuring job completion. His work can be seen across the state. In his mid-years, he moved to New Mexico, Arizona and then to Texas, where he continued work in construction; he was a valued asset.

In 2014, days short of his 63rd birthday, Kenny's life and independence were forever changed when he suffered a massive stroke, leaving him paralyzed on one side. Kenny spent months in the hospital and then moved back to Wyoming where he learned to walk again at Elk Horn Rehabilitation in Casper. With a desire to live to his fullest, he then transitioned to QLI in Omaha, Neb., where he learned independent living skills. In 2015, his girls moved him to Pinedale where he could enjoy the beauty of the mountains, see wildlife and keep his girls in line. His stubborn attitude and drive to do it "his way" allowed

him to live independently for a few years. In 2020, he transitioned to the Sublette Center, where he could live as independently as possible, wearing shorts on winter days and driving his motorized wheelchair to the brewpub for a "cold one" regularly. While at the Sublette Center, when asked how he was, he would jokingly say, "It's just another day in Paradise." While he would have rather been in Texas or Mexico, Kenny was blessed with the love of many at the Sublette Center and had a particular fondness for Lara Hayward and Micaela Kirk, and took many opportunities to see his buddy, Molly Landers (clinic) when he could; these ladies embraced his personality and appreciated his character. They made his life as close to paradise as possible.

Kenny was supported endlessly by those who loved him through his final days. He is especially loved by his four daughters, Tana (Troy) Schatz of Cody, Wyo., Kari (Tony) Parker of Pensacola, Florida, Jennifer (Andrew) Zook of Pinedale and Kelli (Sean) of Pinedale; and grandchildren Josh Schatz, Emily Garner, Tyler Willford, Gaige Zook, Madison Zook, Daxton Zook, Kolten (Annie Birth) Hansen, Kialeen Hansen and Tucker Hansen and great-granddaughter, Skylar. Kenny was close to his ex-wife Debby, sister Joanne and cousin Clinton until his final days.

He is survived by his daughters and their families, siblings Carol Laurich, Joanne Smith and Danny Hartman, cousins and those who became family at the Sublette Center.

Go enjoy a "cold one, dad!"

In honoring his wishes, cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, the families suggest donations be made to the Sublette Center. The family will be honoring him privately.

Richard Allen Anderson March 2, 1959 — March 24, 2024

Rich was born March 2, 1959, in Trinidad, Colo., to Eugene and Frances Anderson. They later moved to Gunnison, Colo., where he graduated from high school. Rich attended SDSU in Brookings, S.D., where he earned a degree in forestry and wildlife management. After graduating he moved to Big Piney, Wyo., for a job with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department managing the elk and moose feed grounds in Sublette County. He met his first wife Barbara Anderson and together they raised their two children Heath and Cori. He was involved with the search and rescue and became very involved with the Emergency Medical Services. He eventually left the



G&F to obtain his degree as a Physician's Assistant (PA) from the MEDEX program in Yakima, Wash. He continued his career as a PA for the next 25 years, during which he touched the lives of many. Rich was predeceased by his father Gene Anderson. He is survived by his mother Fran Anderson, Fort Collins, Colo., brother Mike (Karla) Anderson, Denver, Colo., sister Nancy Tafoya, Fort Collins, Colo., wife Karen Zahn-Anderson, Smoot, Wyo., former wife Barb Anderson, Big Piney, Wyo., Heath (Ashley) Anderson of Bozeman, Mont., Cori (Zach) Wenz of Big Piney, Wyo., as well as three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Death Notice:

Jason Stott June 16, 1979 — April 10, 2024

Jason Stott passed away on April 10. He was born on June 16, 1979. A full obituary and service details will follow at a later date.

Email obituaries to cohare@pinedaleroundup.com
307-367-3203

Deadline is Wednesdays before noon. \$99 for photo and up to 250 words with a standard fee of .40 cents per word thereafter.
Death notices less than 75 words are free of charge.

TOWN OF PINEDALE

Pinedale Travel & Tourism Grant Proposals are now being accepted.

Pinedale Travel & Tourism (PTTC) offers grants to qualified applicants. To be considered, applicants will host events that bolster local participation, but more importantly, will bring in travelers and visitors to our area. Such events to be considered are for trade show space, projects, visitor friendly events, sporting events, and similar events. Events must take place July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 to be qualified for the 2024-25 grant cycle.

Applications must be received no later than 4 p.m. on May 10, 2024. A complete proposal must be submitted by email to maureenrudnick@townofpinedale.us by the deadline to be considered.

Grant requirements may be found at <https://www.townofpinedale.us/documents>

205 Entertainment Lane
PO Box 709, Pinedale, WY 82941 • www.townofpinedale.us
307-367-4136 • 307-367-2578 Fax



Wyoming Artists' Assoc Presents

ART QUICK DRAW

Friday May 3rd at 7PM
Community Hall, Sublette Co. Fair Grounds

Artists Complete a
Painting in one hour
sold at live auction
following

Art Sale

Open to the Public
Friday May 3rd 7pm -10pm
Saturday May 4th 2pm- 5pm
Sunday May 5th 9am-12pm

Cinco De Mayo

MLS#24-719

11 PHILLIP ROAD BOULDER, WY

Offered at:
\$425,000

3 bedrooms 2 bathrooms 10 acres 2 shops 1904 sqft

Room for your horses, goats or large toys. This 10+ acre parcel has irrigation rights, and that portion of the land is in pasture production now. The home has had a high-quality update inside and out. Beautiful hickory kitchen with quartz countertops, 36-inch 5 burner gas stove and many special features including vegetable sink and workstation. New windows, updated bathrooms, flooring and a full metal roof.

Outside it gets even better. 30X40 garage with oil change pit and large storage loft. Then look again and see the 42X60 Cleary building which would be great for your barn or turn into a shop. Call us to see it today!



Call us today!



Dawnita Griffith
307.231.2311



Ali Applin
307.413.6724

SUBLETTE COUNTY

Sheriff’s report

The Sublette County Sheriff’s Office reported 153 calls from April 15 to April 21 — down 7.8 percent from the prior week — including an assault, a search and rescue, two threats, 11 suspicious circumstances, 10 citizen assists, two instances of trespassing, three animal problems, six sets of fingerprints, 29 urinalyses and 39 vehicle identification number inspections.

April 15
At 8:43 a.m., the Sublette County Clerk’s Office received a threat.
At 8:48 a.m., an active investigation into a fraud was launched.
At 9:13 a.m., a person reported fraud.
At 10:04 a.m., a person reported a suspicious person/circumstance.
At 10:12 a.m., the Sublette County Circuit Court reported a suspicious person/circumstance.
At 11:05 a.m., a TikTok influencer who “did a video on the wolf incident” was contacted by someone and “threatened legal action.”
At 11:24 a.m., dispatch returned a 911 hangup call but received no answer.
At 11:29 a.m., a person traveling to the Pinedale Library accidentally dialed 911.
At 4:49 p.m., a person was weak and nauseous.
At 6:07 p.m., an intrusion alarm was activated but unfounded.
At 6:47 p.m., a person fell and had two concussions.
At 6:49 p.m., two patients with gunshot wounds from an accidental shooting were at the Pinedale Clinic.
At 7:22 p.m., a Garmin device advised that a skier was sick and in pain.
At 8:13 p.m., a caller reported her neighbor was yelling.
April 16
At 8:15 a.m., a citizen requested assistance related to an ongoing investigation.
At 8:45 a.m., a caller at work reported her coworker’s significant other “just tried to bear her.”
At 9:13 a.m., a person had ingested edible marijuana.
At 9:15 a.m., a juvenile problem was reported.
At 9:29 a.m., a possible stroke was reported.
At 10:22 a.m., a person who thought he



fixed a fraud case a year ago needed a police report as part of the process.
At 10:32 a.m., a person in the lobby wanted to report a scam.
At 11:16 a.m., a person was experiencing a possible reaction to their new medication.
At 12:25 p.m., a fire alarm was activated when an item on top of the microwave melted.
At 12:59 p.m., a controlled substance problem was reported.
At 1 p.m., a German shepherd was running around, “terrorizing chickens and cats.”
At 3:11 p.m., a caller said there was a “creepy guy” hanging out at Veterans Park. Deputies were unable to locate the man.
At 4:25 p.m., a 911 open line came through with dead air.
At 6:35 p.m., two, a red Ram TRX and white Ford with appliances in the bed, were speeding headed southbound.
At 11:35 p.m., Wyoming Highway Patrol requested backup.
April 17
At 11:41 a.m., an information report was taken.
At 12:16 p.m., a smoke alarm was activated.
At 1:52 p.m., a prisoner was transported.
At 2:47 p.m., deputies started a special assignment.
At 3:39 p.m., a person was in the lobby to report a fraud.
At 5:54 p.m., a person received five phone calls from a scammer.
At 6:21 p.m., a 911 call with an open line

SUBLETTE COUNTY

Circuit Court

These new charges were filed in Sublette County Circuit Court from April 14 to April 21.
Andrew S. Dewitt: Fishing without license by a person 14 years or older.
Kimberly Anagnostopoulos: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Samuel Cotton: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
John Cummins: Driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked.
Fernando Dasilvagomide: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Emily E. Fox: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Carl Husen: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Shane Unrau: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Milford Kunz: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Larissa Luthge: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Brenley Woodfield: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Matthew Michael Evans: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway, valid certificate of title, registration and license plates/temporary permit required, no compulsory auto insurance.
Mohamedal Farhat: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Kayleigh Hofer: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Otis Leniger: Exceeding 65 mph on a paved roadway.
Phillip Pham: Superintendent’s speed zone.
Brenden Taylor: Superintendent’s speed zone.
Olvin Umanaflores: Superintendent's speed zone.
James Winkelkotter: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Tyler Barker: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
Sabin Barto: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway.
The following fines and sentences were imposed in Circuit Court from April 14 to April 21.
Bodie Jensen, Boulder: Exceeding 70 mph on a highway, fees and fines \$160.
Joshua F. Adams, Pinedale: Superintendent’s speed zone, fees and fines \$145.
Caleb Brown, LaBarge: Failure to back safely and without interfering with traffic, fees and fines \$100.

came through to dispatch.
At 7:11 p.m., a suspicious package was delivered to a person’s residence.
April 18
At 12:51 a.m., an activated burglar alarm was unfounded.
At 6:35 a.m., agency assistance was requested.
At 9:02 a.m., a person was sick and throwing up.
At 11:52 a.m., a person reported Facebook took money from their account and blocked all of their access to their social media account.
At 12:17 p.m., a probation/parole violation was reported.
At 1:03 p.m., an information report was opened.
At 3:48 p.m., a grey sports car with a black stripe up the middle of the hood was traveling 100 mph south toward Pinedale.
At 4:08 p.m., a 2010 or 2011 bronze Dodge 2500 truck with a temporary plate was passing unsafely.
At 4:19 p.m., a person went to the clinic to report an assault. The suspect was arrested.
At 4:31 p.m., the Sublette County Planning and Zoning Office reported a threat.
At 5:03 p.m., a caller’s husband reported a scam from someone claiming they had done something illegal and asked them to stay on the line while they drove to turn themself in to police.
At 6:36 p.m., a dog wearing a shock collar was running loose near Burnt Lake.
At 7:42 p.m., threatening related to an active case was reported.
At 7:45 p.m., a black and white dog was chasing deer.
At 7:45 p.m., a person had pain in their lower right abdomen.
At 8:47 p.m., a person driving a semi was nearly run off the road and then brake-checked by the driver of a blue SUV.
April 19
At 9:35 a.m., an information reported was requested.
At 12:05 p.m., a caller discovered a deceased golden eagle near the west side of the highway.
At 1:57 p.m., a false alarm was reported.
At 3:29 p.m., a struggling semi truck was blocking the lane in front of the Best Western.
At 4:19 p.m., a citizen assist was requested related to a juvenile.
At 5:04 p.m., a calf moose was in the ditch.
At 5:45 p.m., a caller who sold a car to a friend before he moved out of town had some questions.
At 7:32 p.m., the back door of a house that

See ‘SHERIFF’S’ on page A11

CAMDEN BENNETT
BROKER
801.910.6528
CAMDEN@LIVELYWYOMING.NET

CHAUNCEY GOODRICH
ASSOCIATE BROKER
307.231.1862
LIKE2FISHINC@GMAIL.COM

LEVI LOZIER
SALES ASSOCIATE
307.231.2540
WYOMINGFORLIFE@GMAIL.COM

SARA TRULLUCK
SALES ASSOCIATE
307.231.4089
REALTORSARATRULLUCK@GMAIL.COM

BLAKE COBLE
SALES ASSOCIATE
307.343.0413
BLAKECOBLE@WYOMING.COM

ISIE MCLOUGHLIN
ASSOCIATE BROKER
307.360.8219
MCLOUGHLINREALTYSTATE@GMAIL.COM

JEN DAVIS
SALES ASSOCIATE
307.749.8067
JENDAVIS.REALTOR@GMAIL.COM

DARREN HULL
SALES ASSOCIATE
307.231.0387
DARRENHULLREALTOR@GMAIL.COM

CARRIE BOLLOCK
TRANSACTION COORDINATOR
307.920.1975
CARRIEBOLLOCK@GMAIL.COM

WWW.PINEDALEPROPERTIES.COM
431 W Pine St | Pinedale, WY 82941 | 307.367.6683

~We are closed
for the season. Please
contact our office at
307-537-5400
for 2024 inquiries.~

Come Get Western With Us out at Boulder Lake Lodge!

**Fishing • Horseback Riding • Lodging
Pack Trips • Gear Drops • Day Rides**

Boulder Lake Lodge
48 Bridger Dr. Boulder, WY 82923
Phone 1-307-537-5400
Email: info@boulder-lake-lodge.com

PureWest Energy pledges more than \$200,000 toward hospital construction

From PureWest

PINEDALE – In an effort to address the urgent health care needs of Sublette County, PureWest Energy, in partnership with the PureWest leadership team, announced a donation of more than \$200,000 towards the construction of the planned medical facility in Pinedale to provide efficient, high quality and patient-centered care.

Sublette County is currently the only county in Wyoming without a hospital. With the nearest facility more than 80 miles away, the community often faces challenges accessing essential care – challenges that are exacerbated during times of emergency. In 2020, the community voted to approve the formation of the Sublette County Hospital District. With construction already underway, the hospital is expected to open in March 2025; however, additional financing is required to improve emergency room equipment and ensure the community can benefit from comprehensive health services at the medical center.

To help Sublette County build a better future and because this is where so many of us call home, PureWest and its leadership team have donated more than \$200,000 towards the buildout of this much-needed hospital. This collective effort underscores a shared commitment to the well-being and betterment of the community.

“We are honored to be able to support the communities where we live and work. This donation represents PureWest’s unwavering commitment to Sublette County and the importance of comprehensive access to quality health care,” said Kelly Bott, Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs of PureWest. “Safety is nonnegotiable at PureWest, and the construction of this facility provides essential services – not just for our employees, but for our entire community.”

The Sublette County Health Foundation will serve a wide variety of needs, including providing blood transfusions, nursing services, memory care units, mental health support for those in crisis, and dietary and maintenance facilities. “The establishment of the hospital



SUBLETTE COUNTY HEALTH FOUNDATION COURTESY PHOTO

PureWest Energy recently announced a donation of more than \$200,000 toward the development of a critical access hospital in Pinedale. In addition to an emergency department like the one pictured in this rendering, the new facility will provide services such as blood transfusions, memory care, mental health support for those in crisis and more.


will be transformative for the community, providing essential health care services and saving the lives of residents,” explained Sid Stanfill, Board Chair of the Sublette County Health Foundation. “PureWest Energy’s generous donation is truly commendable and highlights its continued dedication to the well-being of our community. Together, we are building a better future for Sublette County.”

This donation will provide timely access to lifesaving health care services for residents, reduce the burden on families who currently have to travel long distances for medical care and ensure that senior citizens can continue living within their community.

To learn more about the Sublette County Health Foundation, visit www.sublettecountyhealthfoundation.org.

[sublettecountyhealthfoundation.org](http://www.sublettecountyhealthfoundation.org).

PureWest Energy, LLC is a private energy company focused on developing its long-life gas reserves in Wyoming’s Green River Basin where the Company operates more than 108,000 net acres in and around the prolific Pinedale Field. For more information about PureWest, which was recently honored with



PUREWEST
Essential Energy. Responsibly Produced.
the “Best Place to Work” distinction by the Denver Business Journal, please visit <https://purewest.com/about-us/>.



WIND RIVER CABIN COMPANY

DESIGN-BUILD CUSTOM HOMES
STEEL BUILDINGS
REMODELS

TAKING NEW CLIENTS

www.windrivercabincompany.com
307-360-9459

Thank you to this year’s “CLC Bowl Day” Sponsors!



GOLD SPONSOR



PUREWEST
Essential Energy. Responsibly Produced.

SILVER SPONSORS



ROCKY MOUNTAIN
POWER



JORGENSEN



JONAH
ENERGY LLC



ExxonMobil

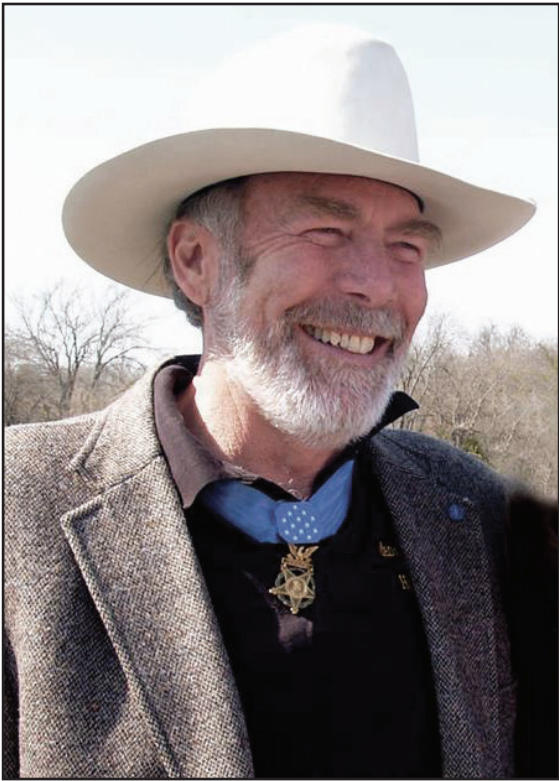
BRONZE SPONSORS

Pinedale Auto Supply, NAPA, BMO Bank,
Plumbumm Plumbing & Heating, SOS Well Services,
China Gourmet, M & M Transfer, Bank of Jackson Hole,
Harber Construction, Elevation Tax & Accounting Inc. ,
Jak Tanner - Farm Bureau Insurance, First Western Trust,
Tegeler & Associates, First Bank of Wyoming,
Peter Scherbel - State Farm Agent, Greylock Energy, Inc.

Thank you to Turquoise Buffalo Coffee, Flicks N’ Pins,
Nested West, Ridley’s Family Market and
White Bear Creations for donating wonderful prizes!

*A special thank you to Brandy Kosmann
and the staff at Flicks N’ Pins!*

Congressional Medal of Honor recipient coming to Pinedale



COURTESY IMAGE

Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient Major Drew Dix is coming to Sublette County on Tuesday, April 30, to give presentations to students, have lunch with veterans and first responders and speak with community members. Dix received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the Vietnam War.

High School will begin at 9:30 a.m., in the Wrangler Gymnasium in Pinedale. Seating for veterans will be reserved. After the assembly concludes, each student in attendance will receive a copy of Medal of Honor “Quotes,” a book of inspiration from America’s military heroes.

Following the assembly, Major Dix will host an 11:30 a.m. lunch with veterans and first responders at the Pinedale Library’s Lovatt Room. The lunch is free of charge for veterans and first responders.

A community reception with Major Dix will take place from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. at the Lovatt Room where light refreshments will be served. Copies of Dix’s book, The Rescue of River City as well as the Medal of Honor Quote book will be available for purchase at both events.

The public is encouraged to come out and listen to this American hero speak at any of the events on April 30.

PINEDALE — Sublette BOCES has partnered with Marathon Petroleum, Jonah Energy, PureWest and Mike and Tami Crosson to bring Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient Major Drew Dix to Pinedale on Tuesday, April 30.

Major Dix is one of only 62 living Medal of Honor recipients alive in the United States today. A decorated military veteran and retired major in the United States Army, Dix received the Medal of Honor for his actions in the Vietnam War. He was the first enlisted Special Forces soldier to receive the medal.

Through his vision and deep commitment to America, Major Dix co-founded the Center for American Values headquartered in Pueblo, Colo., in 2010. The Center’s mission is to honor the extreme sacrifices made to help sustain America’s values and to ensure that extraordinary actions are preserved forever. The Center is launching a state-of-the-art K-12 Civics-Based Education Program in Wyoming, based on the core values of honor, integrity and patriotism.

There will be several public events featuring Major Dix on Tuesday, April 30.

A presentation to Pinedale Middle School, Pinedale High School, Skyline Academy and Big Piney



Nominate Your Nurse by April 29th

We are proud to partner with the DAISY Foundation to honor excellence in nursing

Nomination forms are available at the Library, either Clinic or Sublette Center



DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER WHO:

- HAS LONG-TERM PAIN THAT IS AFFECTING LIFE’S ENJOYMENT?
- ACCEPTS PAIN AS INEVITABLE?
- FEELS LIMITED TO RISKY PAIN MEDS?
- SEEKS A SAFE, NATURAL RETURN TO NORMAL ACTIVITIES WITHOUT MEDS OR SURGERY?

GIVE THEM THIS COUPON FOR A FREE 20-MINUTE DISCOVERY VISIT

NO PHYSICIAN REFERRAL REQUIRED!



TO SEE IF PHYSICAL THERAPY IS RIGHT FOR THEM!



1100 W. Wilson St. Ste. 8 Pinedale, WY

307-367-3452

FourPinesPT.com

START BUS

AIRPORT SHUTTLE

PILOT PROGRAM

Traveling this spring break?

The START airport shuttle is a convenient, low cost option to get to and from JAC.
- Service ends April 14, 2024 -



Download the Transit App to purchase fares, check schedules, and track routes:



Complete the survey for riders & non-riders to help stakeholders learn more:



Scan the QR code to learn more

Brought to you with support from the

JACKSON HOLE Travel & Tourism Board



SHERIFF'S

Continued from A8

has been vacant for years was wide open. Deputies clear and secured the property.

At 8:23 p.m., a caller observed an elderly male stumbling toward the Jackalope Motel from Ridley's. He was soon after let in by someone at one of the rooms.

April 20

At 8:20 a.m., a 911 open call came through to dispatch. The call was cleared.

At 10:02 a.m., a person had questions about reporting a fender bender on private property.

At 10:56 a.m., a caller reported a possible dead bear.

At 12:27 p.m., a caller reported people trespassing on O Bar Y Ranch in a grey flatbed truck and a white Suburban.

At 12:29 p.m., a person had information related to an active investigation.

At 4:18 p.m., a kid playing Call of Duty accidentally dialed 911.

At 7:20 p.m., a person drove through someone's property in a grey and white four-

door Jeep.

At 8:32 p.m., a driver crashed into a deer.

April 21

At 12:04 a.m., a traffic stop on E. Magnolia resulted in the driver being arrested for DUI.

At 12:05 a.m., a person choked on food.

At 6:33 a.m., a red sedan with a hatchback parked and running with lights on. The vehicle was parked on public land and the driver was taking a nap.

At 7:11 a.m., a special assignment was requested for a funeral procession.

At 10:33 a.m., a person driving a blue Toyota Tacoma hit a deer. She called a tow truck.

At 10:34 a.m., a caller felt like she was taken advantage of because she gave money to someone as a "loan."

At 4:08 p.m., a caller involved in a verbal family argument requested law enforcement.

At 5:50 p.m., a truck and vehicle were stuck in the snow. The vehicles were gone when the deputy arrived.

Need More Room?
You Need Our Wide-Bore MRI.



Big or Small,
Short or Tall.

We offer a more comfortable
MRI for most shapes and sizes

Call 307-362-6472 (MHSC) to schedule your MRI
For more info, go to sweetwatermemorial.com

BUSINESS & SERVICES DIRECTORY

GREEN TURF
LAWNSCAPES, INC.

is a tree and turf healthcare organization. We offer free property evaluations consisting of a complete tree & lawn evaluation.

LET US PUT YOU
IN THE GREEN!



Established 1984 • Free Estimates
greenturf.org 800-727-9227
info@greenturf.org



PROUDLY SERVING ALL THE
COMMUNITIES OF SUBLETTE
COUNTY, AND BEYOND

58 S. TYLER AVE
PINEDALE, WY 82941
307.367.6548
WWW.JORGENSEN.COM

Civil Engineering | Structural Engineering | Geotechnical Engineering
Land Surveying | Land Planning | Transportation Engineering | Water Rights
Materials Testing | Construction Administration | GIS | Asbestos Testing



Together
let's drive™



Scan here to find the value
of your trade in 60 seconds.

2200 Foothill Boulevard
Rock Springs

www.whislerchevy.com

Call
307-362-5677



Your choice for a
cleaner community.

Providing excellent service as part of
your neighborhood for over 30 years.

Contact us for more details:

307.733.2615

www.westbanksanitation.com

Residential • Commercial • Roll-Off

Great service with surprisingly great rates
I'm here to help you save



Peter Scherbel Ins Agency Inc
Peter A. Scherbel, Agent
Pinedale, WY 82941
307-367-7008
Se habla Español



All American Fuel Co. locally operated

Serving & Supporting Sublette County/Western WY since 1995



- Bulk Fuel Deliveries
 - All lubricant & chemical needs
 - DEF available in case, drum or tote
- 91 Octane Ethanol Free Premium available

Same day service if needed
Call Travis 307-367-6311

Fun Fact: The Benz Patent-Motorwagen ("patent motorcar"), built in 1885 by the German Karl Benz, is widely regarded as the first practical modern automobile.

We now offer bedliners,
windshields and detailing.



639 Pine St, Pinedale, WY
307-367-7526

Call or text Tony or Doug at
307-231-4717 or 385-394-9154

2022 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD



Stock #T824

ONLY \$54,999

2015 Nissan Altima 2.5 S



Stock #C546

ONLY \$7,988

2021 Maverick Trailer



Stock #C552

ONLY \$11,995

2004 Audi A8 Luxury



Stock #T808

ONLY \$4,995

2011 Ford F-150 FX4



Stock #T791

ONLY \$11,900

2012 Chevrolet Colorado Work Truck



Stock #T825

ONLY \$12,995

2014 Chevrolet Impala Limited LTZ



Stock #C540

ONLY \$9,995

1994 Isuzu Trooper LS



Stock #C549

ONLY \$5,250

www.ynotautosales.com

Locals read with Smokey Bear, view historical paintings

By Cali O'Hare
cohare@pinedaleroundup.com

PINEDALE — In celebration of Smokey Bear's 80th birthday, the Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF) displayed 19 historical paintings by Rudy Wendelin at the Sublette County Library in Pinedale from April 8 through April 19. The Pinedale Ranger District held an opening night reception on Tuesday, April 9, where staff and friends of Smokey Bear were on hand to interact with guests.

On Tuesday, April 16, children had an opportunity to read with Smokey during story time at the Pinedale Library, with nearly 50 people in attendance. Participants who completed the scavenger hunt challenge by identifying certain images within the historical paintings won a commemorative Smokey Bear 80th Birthday pin.

The BTNF was just one of 14 locations across the United States, including National Forests and Grasslands, to host the painting collection during the 2024 birthday celebration event. The artwork is on loan from the Special Collections section of the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Library in Washington, D.C.

The paintings were completed from 1977 through 1995 and remain the most famous depictions of Smokey Bear. Painter Rudolph 'Rudy' Wendelin worked for the U.S. Forest Service as an illustrator beginning in 1933 and retired in 1973. Thanks to Wendelin's art, Smokey's message "Only YOU can prevent wildfires" has prevailed for decades.



Painter Rudolph 'Rudy' Wendelin sits at his easel surrounded by his drawings of Smokey Bear. Wendelin worked for the U.S. Forest Service as an illustrator beginning in 1933 and created some of the most famous depictions of the Forest Service's iconic mascot.



USDA FOREST SERVICE COURTESY PHOTOS

Local youth seize the opportunity to read with Smokey Bear during a special story time held at the Pinedale Library on April 16.



People of all ages stop by the Pinedale Library's gallery wall from April 8-19 to view the 19 historical paintings of Smokey Bear created by Rudy Wendelin from 1977 through 1995 and on loan from the Special Collections section of the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Library.



A group of girls analyze several of the 19 historical Smokey Bear paintings on display at the Pinedale Library as part of a scavenger hunt held during Smokey's 80th birthday celebration.

INSURANCE | DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH



April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Thousands of people are killed and hundreds of thousands are seriously injured in distracted driving crashes each year. April is a good time to regroup and take responsibility for the choices we make when we are on the road.

Wyoming crash data from 2017 – 2021 report that distracted driving is suspected in around 6.5% of all traffic crashes. Male drivers are more likely to be distracted (59%) than female drivers (41%) and 58% of distracted drivers were aged 34

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

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

entertainment or navigation system, anything that takes your attention away from the task of safe driving.

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

- Other distraction inside the motor vehicle (43%)
- Other distraction outside the motor vehicle (31%)
- Electronic communication device (21%)
- Other electronic device (5%)

Texting is the most common electronic device distraction. Sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed. Using a cell phone while driving creates an enormous potential for deaths and injuries. In 2022, on average nine (9) people are killed a day in the United States by distracted drivers.

1. Recognize the risks. Using an electronic device, drowsiness, eating and drinking, focusing on other passengers in the vehicle are among the riskiest driving distractions. Driving while

texting became illegal in Wyoming in July 2010. In addition, some cities in Wyoming have laws regarding handheld devices.

2. Turn off the phone. Power off cell phones and other mobile electronic devices until you reach your destination or pull over in a safe and legal place if you cannot wait to talk or text.

3. Keep Calm. Stay calm in stressful driving situations and don't respond in kind to another driver's erratic or aggressive driving.

4. Prepare for your trip. Preprogram music and navigational systems.

5. Identify distracted drivers. Look out for motorists who are drifting from their lanes, driving at inconsistent speeds, or are preoccupied by other distracted behaviors.

The serious consequences to you and others on the road are not worth texting or talking on the phone. Wait until you safely arrive at your location.

This public service announcement is presented and paid for by the insurance companies licensed to do business in Wyoming in cooperation with the Wyoming Insurance Department. For more information on the state's insurance companies, including financial information, visit the Insurance Department website's "Company Financial Information" section.



Wyoming Department of Insurance
<http://doi.wyo.gov> • 1 (800) 438-5768

PINEDALE ROUNDUP

SPORTS

BPHS track – ‘huge PRs and great performances’ at Shoshoni meet

By Robert Galbreath
rgalbreath@torringtontelegram.com

SHOSHONI – Big Piney High School tracksters pulled out all the stops at the Shoshoni Invitational on Friday, April 19, where twenty-one schools gathered for one of the largest meets in the region.

The Lady Punchers beat 19 other squads to place second as a team, posting 89 points. The Puncher boys secured seventh place with 39 points.

Junior Micah Strong garnered hardware in three girls’ events. Clocking the 400-meters in at 1 minute, 0.67 seconds, Strong captured gold in the event. The race for the top two spots came down to several hundredth of a second, with Strong pulling ahead of Lander’s Ellie Kaufman to win by 0.08 seconds.

Strong went on to clinch second place in the 800-meters, timing in at 2:33.27. The junior rounded out the meet with a fourth-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.83 seconds.

Junior Jolynn Jones snagged gold in the girls’ 1600-meters, timing in at 5:38.11. Jones battled Lander’s Ameya Eddy in a neck-and-neck race for the top spot that Jones won by 1.66 seconds.

Jones also placed eighth in the 400-meters, posting a time of 1:06.29.

The girls’ 4x800-meter team – sophomores Addalee Cunningham, Kaydence Guest and Kamia Runyan and senior Julia Hymas – scooped up first place with a time of 12:36.48.

“The Punchers had an amazing meet in Shoshoni,” head coach Jess Nugent said. “We had lots of competition as we competed against 21 other schools. We had huge PRs and some great performances. The results speak for themselves. Our kids are working hard and are right on track to achieve our goals this season.”

Top eight – girls
Timing the 1600-meters in at 5:54.09, junior Emma York earned third place in the event. York went on to garner fourth place in the 800-meters at 2:37.90.

Sophomore Lizzy Brandt captured fifth place in the 800-meters, posting a time of 2:40.77.

In throwing events, junior Charleigh Smith picked up third place in the shot put with a toss clearing 30 feet, 6 inches.

Hymas snagged bronze in the pole vault, hitting a mark of 8-00.

Sophomore Ahbreanna Nunn came in eighth place in the 100-meter hurdles, clocking in at 18.83 seconds.

Representing Big Piney in the 4x100-meter relay, sophomore Tilly Evans, sophomore Kodee Greene, junior Addison Losik and freshman Myka Wicks pulled into second place at 55.16 seconds.

The 4x400-meter relay team – Jones, Strong, York and Brandt – also crossed the finish line in second place, timing in at 4:36.25.

Freshman Jada Banks, Nunn, sophomore Clairee Bingham and freshman Reba Penfield placed eighth in the 1600-meter sprint medley relay at 5:31.30.

Top eight – girls
Two Punchers advanced to the top eight in the 200-meters. Junior Kelby Staley led the Big Piney pack with a fourth-place finish at 24.05 seconds. Senior Karsyn Gurr came in seventh place, clocking in at 24.36 seconds.

Staley also snagged hardware in the 300-meter hurdles, placing third at 42.98 seconds.

Gurr snapped up sixth place in the 100-meters with a time of 11.80 seconds.

Freshman Zach Ferguson captured bronze in the high jump, hitting a mark of 5-06.

In the 110-meter hurdles, freshman Gerardo Galvan secured seventh place, timing in at 18.67 seconds.

Representing Big Piney in the pole vault, sophomore Nate Brown tied for seventh place with a mark of 9-00.

In throwing events, sophomore Zef Zuniga achieved sixth place, clearing 38-03 ½.

The 4x100-meter relay team – Caden

See ‘TRACK’ on page A14



WRANGLER BOOSTER CLUB FACEBOOK PHOTO

The Pinedale High School boys’ soccer team huddles up during a weekend away game against conference rival Cody.

Soccer teams fall to Cody and Powell

PARK COUNTY – Both the Pinedale High School boys’ and girls’ soccer teams squared off against conference rivals Cody and Powell in a pair of away games over the weekend.

The action opened with Pinedale playing Cody on Friday, April 19. The Lady Wranglers came up short against Cody, 10-0. The Wrangler boys also fell to Cody, 4-0.

On Saturday, Pinedale boarded the bus to play Powell. The Lady Wranglers dropped the game against Powell, 6-0, with the Wranglers falling, 5-0.

Conference play continues to heat up as the Lady Wranglers and Wranglers travel to play Lander on Thursday, April 25. Kickoff for girls’ varsity is scheduled for 3 p.m. with the varsity boys playing at 5 p.m.

THANKS TO OUR ATHLETIC SPONSORS


Team up and support these local sponsors who support our student athletes!


Good Luck!

Whisler

 **FIND NEW ROADS** 

307-362-5677
2200 Foothill Blvd.,
Rock Springs
www.whislerchevy.com

“We do business one way, your way” 

 **JORGENSEN**

**SUBLETTE COUNTY SPORTS.
ENGINEERED FOR GREATNESS!**

58 S. TYLER AVE.
PINEDALE, WY 82941
307.367.6548 | WWW.JORGENSEN.COM

Civil Engineering | Structural Engineering | Water Rights
Geotechnical Engineering | Construction Administration
Transportation Engineering | Materials Testing
Land Surveying | Planning | GIS

Supporting our
Sublette County
athletes to
**BUILD a
strong season**

 **PINEDALE
LUMBER**
307-367-2330


167 Industrial Site Road
PO Box 746 Pinedale, WY
www.pinedalelumber.com



2024
HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS
Pinedale Roundup

Great sports teams deserve great sports coverage
41 S. LAKE ST, PINEDALE • 307-367-2123 • WWW.PINEDALEROUNDUP.COM

NAPA PROUDLY SUPPORTS THE PINEDALE
WRANGLERS AND BIG PINEY PUNCHERS!

 **KNOW HOW**

PINEDALE AUTO SUPPLY
Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 5:30 pm • Sat 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

Pinedale 865 West Pine Street Pinedale, WY 82941 307-367-4141	Marbleton 10692 Hwy 180 Marbleton, WY 83113 307-276-5266
---	--

www.napaonline.com

**RIDER**
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC

**RIDER**
HOME SOLUTIONS

“Sublette
County
Rental
Experts”

Whether you’re a tenant looking for a place
to live or a homeowner looking for a way to
maximize your return on investments,
Rider Property Management is here to help.

CALL 307.367.8373 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
riderpropertymanagement.com

FOR ALL YOUR HOME NEEDS
**CALL US FOR ANY CLEANING OR MAINTENANCE
NEEDS YOU MAY HAVE**
— WE HAVE THE SOLUTION FOR YOU —
VISIT OUR WEBSITE
CALL 307.367.8373 riderpropertymanagement.com

**GOOD LUCK
WRANGLERS
AND PUNCHERS!**

 **PUREWEST**
Essential Energy. Responsibly Produced.

SPORTS

PHS tracksters capture hardware at Star Valley

By Robert Galbreath
rgalbreath@torringtontelegram.com

STAR VALLEY – Wyoming’s unpredictable spring weather cooperated for Star Valley High School to host the first Dave Draney Memorial Meet in several years on Thursday, April 17.

Both the Pinedale High School Lady Wranglers and Wranglers filled their bags with medals and new personal records at the invitational.

The Lady Wranglers took sixth place as a team with 62 points. A younger, smaller Wrangler boys’ team placed ninth with 12 points.

Senior Katyana Dexter won the girls’ throwing events by overwhelming margins over her rivals. Hitting a mark of 42 feet, 3 inches in the shot put, Dexter garnered gold and beat the runner-up, Mountain View’s Kate Walker, by six feet.

In the discus, Dexter snagged first place with a mark of 140-11, more than 16 feet further than the best mark of the second-place finisher, Jackson’s Sienna Anderson.

Junior Madison Antonino left the competition for the girls’3200-meters in the dust. Antonino captured first place in the event with a time of 11 minutes, 25.44 seconds, crossing the finish line more than 1 minute, 10 seconds ahead of the runner-up, Gracie Visser, of Star Valley.

The Wranglers and Lady Wranglers host the annual Mountain Man Invitational in Pinedale on Friday, April 26. The first events are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

Top eight – girls

Junior Isabelle Rigo snapped up second place in the pole vault, hitting a mark of 8-00. Fellow junior Matazi Landers placed seventh in the event at 6-06.

In the 400-meters, two Lady Wranglers advanced to the top eight. Freshman Bethany Vrska led the pack in sixth place, timing in at 1:07.88, with Rigo in seventh at 1:08.58.

Junior Mae McGuire achieved fourth place in the 300-meter hurdles, clocking in at 53.22 seconds. Sophomore McKinzie Mortensen took seventh place in the event at 54.66 seconds.

Timing the 100-meter hurdles in at 18.78 seconds, junior Candice Goodrich placed eighth.

Relay highlights included a fourth-place finish by Goodrich, Landers, Mortensen and Vrska in the 4x400-meters with a time of 4:47.47.

Goodrich, senior Anna Lehr, McGuire and junior Claire Thonhoff secured fifth place in the 4x100-relay at 55.85 seconds.

Top eight – boys

Representing Pinedale in the 4x100-meter relay, sophomore Cale Dauwen, sophomore Sergio Duarte Villa, freshman Reed

Morningstar and junior Ian Obod snagged fourth place at 47.72 seconds.

The 4x400-meter relay team – sophomore Brayson Boyer, Dauwen, Morningstar and junior James Tolson – secured fifth place with a time of 3:50.45.

In the triple jump, sophomore Boeh Gamble captured seventh place, hitting a mark of 37-09 ½, with Boyer in eighth place at 37-09 ½.

Additional girls’ top 20

- 100-meters: Lehr in 19th place at 14.12 seconds.
- 200-meters: McGuire in 10th place at 29.38 seconds, Lehr in 12th at 29.59, Rigo in 17th at 30.12 and Chyauna Dodge in 19th at 30.18.
- 400-meters: Roxanne Melinkovich in ninth place at 1:10.23.
- 800-meters: Landers in 12th place at 2:52.25.
- 100-hurdles: McGuire in 11th place at 19.64 seconds.
- 300-hurdles: Goodrich in 13th place at 58.29 seconds.
- Long jump: Vrska in 16th place at 14-01 ½.

Additional boys’ top 20

- 100-meters: Dauwen in 17th place at 12.15 seconds and Obod in 19th at 12.30.
- 200-meters: Dauwen in 17th place at 25.11 seconds.
- 400-meters: Morningstar in ninth place

- at 57.17 seconds, Tolson in 10th at 57.54 and Gamble in 17th at 1:00.49.
- 3200-meters: Michael Casebolt in 12th place at 12:46.16.

- High jump: Caleb Parks in 15th place at 5-00.
- Long jump: Boyer in 17th place at 17-05 and Morningstar in 19th at 17-03 ¾.



TRACK

Continued from A13

Clifford, junior Dominic Sanchez, Gurr and Staley – pulled into third place with a time of 46.20 seconds.

Staley, junior Karsyn Busby, junior Ben Ferguson and freshman Xavier Clifford placed sixth in the 4x400-relay at 4:01.17.

In the 4x800-meter relay, freshman Cactus Chrisman, sophomore Judah Farrington, freshman Josh Scherbal and sophomore Scotty Ring placed eighth at 11:11.79.

Rounding out top-eight finishes, Galvan, Xavier Clifford, senior Jackie Meador and Ben Ferguson took eighth place in the 1600-sprint medley relay, timing in at 4:29.60.

Additional girls’ top 20

- Discus: Smith in 12th place at 79-07 ½.
- Long jump: Smith in 15th place at 12-00.
- 100-hurdles: Banks in 18th place at 20.43 seconds.
- 100-meters: Greene in 17th place at 14.07 seconds.
- 1600-meters: Hymas in 11th place at 6:42.74 and Runyan in 16th at 6:53.
- 400-meters: Brandt in ninth place at 1:06.62, Greene in 16th at 1:08.89 and Wicks in 17th at 1:09.34.
- 300-hurdles: Banks in 11th place at 54.82 seconds, Nunn in 15th at 57.80 and Bingham in 16th at 57.89.
- 200-meters: Wicks in 10th place at 28.78 seconds and Greene in 12th at 29.05.

Additional boys’ top 20

- 110-hurdles: Meador in ninth place at 18.76 seconds and Christian Dennis in 19th at 30.33.
- 100-meters: Caden Clifford in ninth place at 11.90 seconds and Sanchez in 20th at 12.32.
- 400-meters: Zach Ferguson in 14th place at 58.27 seconds and Xavier Clifford in 15th at 58.28.
- 300-hurdles: Galvan in 15th place at 49.06 seconds and Meador in 20th at 50.55.
- 800-meters: Ben Ferguson in 12th place at 2:21.40.
- 200-meters: Xavier Clifford in 15th place at 24.98 seconds and Caden Clifford in 20th at 25.20.






We buy, sell and trade used guns!

SPORTSWORLD Since 1990

524 Front Street, Evanston, WY • 307-789-6788

Follow us on Facebook @evanstonSportsworld





Resolve to Stay Informed

Get the latest headlines and local news every week!

Your Community. Your Newspaper.

Pinedale Roundup

307-367-2123 • www.pinedaleroundup.com

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE DEADLINE: Monday at 12 p.m. Rate \$18.75 per column inch. Legals submitted via hard copy will be charged a typesetting fee of \$10.00 per typed page. To place an ad, call (307) 367-2123 or e-mail: eallgood@pinedaleroundup.com

VERIFYING YOUR AD: please read your ad on the first day of publication. If there are mistakes, notify us immediately. We will make changes for errors and adjust your bill, but only if we receive notice on the first day the ad is published. We limit our liability to you in this way, and we do not accept liability for any damages which may result from an error or omission in an ad.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SUBLETTE COUNTY, WYOMING NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In the Matter of the Estate of)
JOAN S. MITCHELL,)
Deceased.)
Probate No. 2024-CV-0009023

NOTICE OF PROBATE
TO ALL PERSON INTERESTED IN SAID ES-TATE: You are hereby notified that on the 22 day of March, 2024, the estate of the above named decedent was admitted to probate by the above named court, and that Ronnie Brian Knotts was appointed as Personal Administra-tor 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 in-debted to the decedent or to decedent's es-tate 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 dece-dent 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 publica-tion of this notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 22 day of March, 2024.
Personal Representative
Notice #9661 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT, NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUBLETTE COUNTY, WYOMING

In the Matter of the Estate of)
Gene Harmon Pfisterer,)
also sometimes known as)
G. Harmon Pfisterer, and)
Harmon Pfisterer)
Deceased.)
PROBATE NO. 2024-CV-0009024)

NOTICE OF PROBATE ADMINISTRATION
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on March 27, 2024, an Order Admitting Will to Probate and Appointing Personal Representative was entered in the above Court and matter and that Sandra Marie Pfisterer was appointed as Per-sonal Representative thereof.

Any action to set aside the Order Admitting Estate to Administration and Appointing Per-sonal Representative or the issuance of Let-ters Testamentary must be filed with the above Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all per-sons indebted to said Decedent or to said Es-tate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned at the offices of Prehoda, Edwards and Rampulla, LLC, 1273 North 15th St., Suite 101, Laramie, Wyoming 82072.

Creditors having claims against said Dece-dent or the Estate are required to file them with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of said Court, on or before three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, and if such claims are not filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED April 11, 2024
Sandra Marie Pfisterer
Personal Representative
Notice #9666 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 11, 18, 25, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS
Sale of Surplus Equipment & Property
Town of Marbleton, WY

The Town of Marbleton is seeking sealed bids for the sale and removal of surplus equip-ment & property. All bids must be received by 12 p.m. on May 10, 2024 in the Clerk's Office, 10700 Hwy 189, Marbleton, WY 83113. Bids received after this date and time will be re-

turned unopened to the bidder. Bid opening will be held at 2pm at the Marbleton Town Hall on Friday, May 10, 2024. Bids will be awarded at the Town Council meeting at 5pm on Mon-day, May 13, 2024.

Please contact the Town Hall to obtain a bid sheet to be used for this sale. Bid sheets can also be emailed when requested.

Each submitted bid should be in a sealed envelope marked, Town of Marbleton, Sale of Surplus Property. If mailed, the bid submis-sion should be in a similarly marked separate sealed envelope to protect against the bid being opened in error.

Items offered for sale, unless otherwise noted, may be viewed during business hours or upon request at the Marbleton Maintenance Shop at 601 Taylor Avenue in Marbleton.

**The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids if deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

**All bids will be evaluated separately. Col-lective bids will be rejected.

**All surplus property will be sold "as-is". The Town of Marbleton makes no express or implied warranties on the items.

**The winning bidders will be notified and be required to submit full payment prior to remov-ing any property. Bank checks, credit cards, and cash will be accepted. When payment has been received a Town official will authorize the release of the purchased property. Success-ful bidders must pick up their items within one week of the items release by the Town, or the item and the bid will be forfeited.

Items Available:
One (1) 2005 Ford F-250, 91,002 miles, 5.4-liter V8 gas engine, 5 speed w/ overdrive manual transmission, 4WD, extended cab, long bed, silver paint, comes with toolbox and head-ache rack. Estimated value \$5,000.00.

One (1) John Deere 4310 tractor, 2195 hours, diesel motor, comes with bucket and plow attachments. Estimated value \$7,500.00.

One (1) John Deere zero turn riding lawn-mower, 831 hours, 27 HP, 60" mowing deck, comes with bagger and bags. Estimated value \$2,500.00.

One (1) Sweepster road sweeper, model P96C3B, tow behind, driven by Wisconsin motor on sweeper, V4, gas.

One (1) Sweepster road sweeper, model TP60HCDIN, hydraulic driven by PTO, has bin to capture items from sweeping, has plugin for power, tow behind.

One (1) Warren sand spreader, fits on pick-ups, model AC1410A-8, comes with INTEK 344 cc 13.5 HP engine mounted on rear of sander.

One (1) Hiniker V-plow snowplow, fits on hardware for mid-2000's Ford F-250 and F-350 pickups, comes with mounting hardware and all wiring components, some damage to plow.

Misc. used playground equipment.

Notice #9673 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 18, 25, May 2, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Ser-vice Commission's (Commission) Rules, the Commission hereby gives notice of the Appli-cation of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) for authority to cancel tariff Sched-ule 197, 2017 Federal Tax Act Adjustment, as more fully described below.

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Or-egon corporation, engaged in the business of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, includ-ing Wyoming. RMP is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.

2. On April 8, 2024, RMP filed its Applica-tion, requesting authority to cancel tariff Sched-ule 197, and remove credits related to the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) to customers due to the excess deferred income tax being fully amortized, effective July 1, 2024.

3. RMP recorded the difference between the federal income tax liability in effect on De-cember 31, 2017, and January 1, 2018, per Commission Order in Docket Nos. 20000-510-EA-17, 90000-134-XO-17, 20000-536-ER-18, 20000-560-EA-19, and 20000-578-ER-20. This was done with the intention of returning the benefit to customers under Commission specified terms, which included returning TCJA

benefits over a period of 3 years. RMP states it has returned the TCJA benefits to customers, and as of July 1, 2024, the Company expects the remaining tax balance to be fully amortized, rendering Schedule 197 unnecessary.

4. This is not a complete description of the Application. The complete Application is avail-able at the Commission's offices or online at https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx (Enter Record No. 17539), or RMP's web-site at www.pacificorp.com.

5. Anyone desiring to file a statement, in-tervention petition, protest, or request for a hearing must do so in writing, on or before May 16, 2024. Public comments should be submitted to wpsc_comments@wyo.gov. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed in-tervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please be sure to mention Docket No. 20000-661-ET-24 in all correspondence with the Commission.

6. If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communica-tions impaired persons may contact the Com-mission through Wyoming Relay by dialing 711.

Dated: April 16, 2024.
Notice #9684 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on Apr 25, May 2, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF WYOMING, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SUBLETTE, NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Marlene Lucie Beebe, Deceased.
Probate No.: 2024-CV-0009026

NOTICE OF PROBATE
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that on April 15, 2024, the Estate of the above named Decedent Marlene Lucie Beebe was admitted to probate with administration by the above named Court, and Chad Marlowe was appointed as Admin-istrator thereof. Any action to set aside the probate shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons in-debted to the decedent or to her estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Estate of Marlene Lucie Beebe, C/O the Ma-jors Law Firm, P.C., P.O. Box 2922, 125 S. King Street, Suite 2A, Jackson, WY 83001-2922.

Creditors having claims against the dece-dent 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 publica-tion of this notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

Dated April 15, 2024.
M. Jason Majors
Majors Law Firm, P.C.
P.O. Box 2922
125 S. King Street, Suite 2A
Jackson, WY 83001-2922
(307) 733-4117
(307) 733-4117 Facsimile
Wyoming Bar Registration # 6-3789
Attorney for Administrator
Notice #9685 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, May 2, 9, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, the Com-mission hereby gives notice of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Com-pany) for authority to Establish Final Low-Car-bon Energy Portfolio Standards pursuant to the provisions of Wyoming Statute § 37-18-102 and Chapter 3, Section 38 of the Commission's rules, as more fully described below.

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Or-egon corporation, engaged in the business of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, includ-ing Wyoming. RMP is a public utility subject to

the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.

2. On March 29, 2024, RMP filed this Ap-plication, requesting authority to establish Final Low-Carbon Portfolio Standards pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 37-18-102, Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 38, and Docket No. 20000-616-EA-22 (Record No. 17032). It ad-dresses Dave Johnston Unit 4 and Jim Bridger Units 3 and 4. These units are utility owned, coal-fired generation facilities.

3. RMP states it has completed the submis-sion and evaluation phases of the Carbon Cap-ture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS) Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP was issued in November 2022, and later supplemented with a Request for Information (RFI) in February 2023. The Company received one proposal in the RFP, and seven information packages as a result of the RFI. RMP proposes in this Applica-tion that the Commission approve a feasibility study (with expectation of progressing into a pre-front-end engineering and design (FEED) or pre-FEED study) for a solids fuel-fired Allam Fetvedt Cycle (AFC) project located at either the Dave Johnston or Wyodak facility; a FEED study for an amine-based carbon capture retrofit at Jim Bridger Units 3 and 4; and that the Commission decline to require a specific low-carbon portfolio standard at this time.

4. This is not a complete description of the Application. The complete Application is avail-able at the Commission's offices or online at https://psc.wyo.gov (Hot Topics), or https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx (Enter Record No. 17536), or RMP's website at www.pacificorp.com.

5. Anyone desiring to file a statement, in-tervention petition, protest, or request for a hear-ing must do so in writing, on or before May 16, 2024. Public comments should be submitted to wpsc_comments@wyo.gov. Any interven-tion request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this pro-ceeding. Please be sure to mention Docket No. 20000-660-EA-24 in all correspondence with the Commission.

6. If you wish to participate in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communica-tions impaired persons may contact the Com-mission through Wyoming Relay by dialing 711.

Dated: April 16, 2024.
Notice #9686 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, May 2, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

OFFICIAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 2, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session in the Lovatt Room of the Sub-lette Count Library on this date at 9:00 a.m. with Sam White, Tom Noble, Doug Vickrey, Dave Stephens, Mack Bradley, Jeness Saxton, Clayton Melinkovich, Cali O'Hare, represent-ing the Pinedale Round-up, and Carrie Long, County Clerk, present.

The agenda was approved on motion by Commissioner Noble, seconded by Commis-sioner Bradley.

The minutes from the previous meeting on March 19, 2024, were approved and ordered filed on motion by Commissioner Vickrey, sec-onded by Commissioner Bradley.

Billy Pape, Road & Bridge, updated the Board on department activities. He also pre-sented a pro-posal for construction of sand sheds (not including flooring) in the amount of \$340,500 each. Pape was instructed to get es-timates for the removal of the current structure and discuss at the next meet-ing.

In accordance with public notice published in the Pinedale Roundup on March 28, 2024, public hearing was held for the transfer of funds in the amount of \$698,512.56 from the following ac-counts: Equipment Reserve, \$621,926.00; Unanticipated Revenue, \$8,469.00; Bud-get Shortfall Re-serve, \$9,510.44; Elections Depreciation, \$18,554.00 and Tax Refunds Depreciation, \$40,053.12 to supplement the following accounts: Heavy Equipment Pur-chase, \$621,926.00; Courthouse – Insur-ance

See 'NOTICES' on page **A16**

NOTICES

Continued from A15

on Buildings, \$9,510.44; Sheriff’s Office – Equipment Purchase, \$5,000.00; County Clerk – Election Training, \$3,469.00; County Clerk – Election Annual Dues, \$18,554.00; and Charitable Relief Program, \$40,053.12. It was moved by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Noble, to approve Resolution 23-100480W.

Andre Irey, Maintenance – updated the Board on department activities. He stated the Kismet gen-er-ator is still not running properly.

Commissioner Noble made a motion to ap-prove a Catering Permit for the Eagle Bar, LLC for the LaBarge Mt. Bash on April 13, 2024, and a Malt Beverage Permit for WYLD Dance Com-pany for a Fundraiser Banquet at the Boulder Community Center on April 20, 2024. Commis-sioner Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Surety Bond for Mosquito Abatement Dis-trict #1 was approved on motion by Commis-sioner Brad-ley, seconded by Commissioner Noble. Motion carried.

Payroll, in the amount of \$1,167,906.11 was approved on motion by Commissioner Noble, second-ed by Commissioner Bradley. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable was approved on mo-tion by Commissioner Noble, seconded by Commissioner Stephens. Motion carried with Commissioner Bradley recusing himself from the vote.

Grant Golden, Ice Arena Manager, updated the Board on department activities. He in-formed the Board that a Junior League had inquired about using the Pinedale Ice Arena as a base with a pro-posal to lease ice time and space for activities. Golden was instructed to move forward with the conversation and come back to the Board with more details.

Clayton Melinkovich, County Attorney, pre-sented contracts for Board approval. The first was a Modification Agreement with the US Forest Service for an additional contribution of \$15,000 for non-suppression / prescribed burn activities. Commissioner Vickrey made a mo-tion to approve the agreement, Commissioner Stephens seconded the motion. Motion car-ried.

Melinkovich also reviewed the S.I.R.S. maintenance contract. Commissioner Bradley made a mo-tion to approve a five-year con-tract, Commissioner Noble seconded the mo-tion. Motion carried. Signatures to be added later.

It was moved by Commissioner Noble, sec-onded by Commissioner Bradley to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to W.S. 16-4-405(a)(iii) – Litigation. Motion carried.

Open Session reconvened with no action from the Executive Session.

It was moved by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Stephens to ad-journ to Execu-tive Session pursuant to W.S. 16-4-405(a)(ix) – Confidential Information. Mo-tion carried.

Open Session reconvened. Chairman White stated the scholarship recipients have been se-lected and will be notified.

Jeness Saxton, County Administrator, met with the Board, along with representatives from the Towns of Marbleton, Big Piney, and Pinedale regarding Consensus Funding. Com-missioner Noble made a motion to approve the Joint Resolution. Commissioner Bradley sec-onded the motion. Mo-tion carried.

Saxton also updated the Board on depart-ment activities.

Commissioners updated on Old Business.

Dennis Fornstrom, Planning & Zoning, pre-sented items for Board consideration. The first item was an application from Judith Roye c/o Henry Roye, requesting a Minor Subdivi-sion, creating two 19.5 acre lots at 52 Bartec Rd. Commissioner Noble made a motion to approve the application with the proposed con-dition of wildlife friendly fencing. Commissioner Vickrey seconded the motion. Mo-tion carried.

The next item was an application from K Cross Properties, LLC requesting a Change of Zoning Dis-trict Boundary for property located at 44 Snowshoe Trail that would reclassify 5.0 acres from A-1, Agriculture Zoning to RR-5, Rural Residential 5 Acre Zoning. Commis-sioner Noble made a motion to approve the application. Commissioner Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fornstrom presented an application from K Cross Properties, LLC proposing a Minor Sub-division of Lot 25 of the Forty Rod Ranches Subdivision, located at 44 Snowshoe Trail. Commissioner No-ble made a motion to ap-prove the subdivision as presented. Commis-

sioner Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fornstrom presented an application from the Jackson Fork Ranch, LLC requesting a Condi-tional Use Permit for a Parking Facility to be lo-cated within NW, NW of Sec 34, T37N, R113W, 6th PM for accommodation of a portion of the required parking for the Jackson Fork Resort project.

Fornstrom instructed the Board that the first question to be answered before the C.U.P. could be ap-proved was whether the Resort Parking Facility is a similar use as currently defined as ‘Industrial Transportation Parking Facility’.

Steve Christiansen, representing the Jack-son Fork Ranch, gave a presentation on the proposed park-ing facility.

Public comment: Chris Lacinak, Lisa Krall, Tyler Maxfield, Pat Burroughs, Bill Tanner, Mar-ilyn Fil-kins, Dave Burnett, Rick Melby, Chad Mitchell, Dan Smitherman, Paul Ulrich, John Carter, Mack Rawhouser, Alan Blackburn, Dan Bailey, Joy Ufford, Mike Crosson, Mark Prus, Gary Darlick and Ken Konichek.

Commissioner Vickrey made a motion to deny the request that the proposed parking fa-cility was a similar use as an industrial parking facility. Commissioner Stephens seconded the motion. Motion failed, 2 to 3, with Commis-sioners Noble, White and Bradley voting nay.

Commissioner Noble made a motion to ac-knowledge that the parking facility is a similar use as an industrial parking facility. Commis-sioner Bradley seconded the motion. Motion carried, 3 to 2 with Commissioners Vickrey and Stephens voting nay.

Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve the conditional use permit with no conditions at-tached. Commissioner Noble seconded the motion with a condition of dust mitigation during the construction of the facility and no construction activity before 7:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m. on the facility or the road. Commissioner Bradley was favorable to the amendment. Commissioners White, Noble, and Bradley stated they have considered the necessary criteria and arrived at a favor-able conclusion. Motion carried, 3 to 2, with Com-missioners Vickrey and Stephens voting nay.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.
Notice #9687 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF WYOMING

COUNTY OF SUBLETTE

OFFICIAL BALLOT

DANIEL MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2024

.....

Shall the Daniel Mosquito Abatement District be established?

FOR

☐

AGAINST

☐

.....

In the event that the Daniel Mosquito Abatement District is established, vote for one director of each term set forth. To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, mark the square immediately to the right of the name of the person for whom you desire to vote. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write or paste his/her name in the blank space provided for that purpose and mark the square immediately to the right of the name of the person.

Three Year Term

Jean H Hayward

Four Year Term

Kathy J Rouse

Five Year Term

Nannette McKeough

Vote for One

☐

☐

Vote for One

☐

☐

Vote for One

☐

☐

.....

WARNING

The criminal laws regulating the conduct of elections contained in Chapter 26 of the Wyoming Election Code of 1973, as amended apply with equal force to elections conducted by mail.

Notice #9688 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, 2024

General Service	
Schedule 25	9.7%
Scheduled 28, 29	12.1%
Large General Service	
Schedule 33	9.5%
Schedule 46	13.1%
Schedule 48T	15.3%
Irrigation	
Schedule 40	10.7%
Lighting Schedules	
Schedule 15	7.7%
Schedule 51	4.9%
Schedule 54	15.1%
Schedule 58	16.8%
Overall	12.3%

4. This is not a complete description of the Application. You may review the Applica-tion at RMP’s Wyoming offices and at the Commis-sion’s offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours or online at <https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (Enter Record No. 17547) or RMP’s website at www.pacificcorp.com.

5. Anyone desiring to file a public com-ment, statement, protest, intervention petition, or request for a public hearing in this matter must file with the Commission in writing on or before May 24, 2024. Petitions shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

6. If you wish to intervene in this matter and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communica-tions impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyom-ing Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 20000-664-EM-24 in your communications.

Notice #9690 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, May 5, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHAPTER 6, SECTION 2 OPERATING PER-MIT - Department of Environmental Qual-ity, Division of Air Quality

PUBLIC NOTICE: In ac-cordance with Chapter 6, Section 2(g) of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regula-tions, notice is hereby given that the State of Wyoming, Department of Environmental Qual-ity, Division of Air Quality, proposes to approve a request by XTO Energy Inc. for a Chapter 6, Section 2 permit to operate one (1) 46 hp Gas-Jack GJ230 injection pump engine (ENG001) at various wellsites in Lincoln, Sublette and Sweetwater Counties, Wyoming.

For the duration of the public notice period, the permit application, the agency’s analy-sis, and the public notice are available for public inspection online at <https://openair.wyo.gov>, utilizing facility ID F031023 and permit number P0037583 under permits. This material may also be viewed online, at the above URL, uti-lizing a public computer at the Sublette County Li-brary, Pinedale, Lincoln County Library, Kemmerer, Sweetwater County Library, Green River, Wyoming. The public notice period will end on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. Para español, vis-ite deq.wyoming.gov. Americans with Dis-abilities Act: special assistance or alternative formats will be made available upon request for individuals with disabilities. Please provide at least four-teen (14) days before the close of the public comment period for such requests.

Notice #9691 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WY-OMING IN AND FOR SUBLETTE COUNTY

Docket No. 2024-CV-0009027

In the Matter of the Estate of)
Donald Edward Westbrook,)
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF ESTATE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

See ‘NOTICES’ on page **A17**

PINEDALE ROUNDUP

CLASSIFIEDS

HAPPENINGS/ MISCELLANEOUS

MASSIVE CERTIFIED AUTOGRAPH SPORTS MEMORABILIA & MORE AUCTION. Located in Green River Wy, VRK Auctions, LLC Bid at www.vrkauctions.com

SERVICE/ MISCELLANEOUS

PORTABLE OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR MAY BE COVERED BY MEDICARE! Reclaim independence and mobility with the compact design and long-lasting battery of Inogen One. Free information kit! Call 866-896-3528.

DONATE YOUR CAR, TRUCK, BOAT, RV AND MORE TO SUPPORT OUR VETERANS! Schedule a FAST, FREE vehicle pickup and receive a top tax deduction! Call Veteran Car Donations at 1-855-703-1906 today!

JACUZZI BATH REMODEL CAN INSTALL A NEW, CUSTOM BATH OR SHOWER IN AS LITTLE AS ONE DAY. For a limited time, waving ALL installation costs! (Additional terms apply. Subject to change and vary by dealer. Offer ends 6/30/24.) Call 1-866-718-1194.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Advertise statewide! REACH THOUSANDS with a WY Classified Advertising Network. Services, for sale, wanted to buy, recruitment, and more! Only \$150. Contact your local newspaper.

NOTICES

BE IN THE KNOW. 86% of Wyoming Adults cite local newspapers and their websites, as their most trusted sources for public notices vs. government and related sources. Wyoming citizens can monitor the actions of local governments from hearings, minutes, salaries, bids, elections, zoning, foreclosures and so much more! You can search all public notices printed and posted statewide with Wyoming community newspapers, in one place, online for FREE at wyopublicnotices.com.

GET THE HELP you need in the Classifieds. Call 307-367-2123.

HELP WANTED

CLASS A CDL DRIVERS

Must have experience driving 10 Wheel dump, Tractor trailer. Lowbed experience required. Clean driving record a must. Westwood Curtis Construction offers competitive pay and strong benefits Package.
Apply in person, fax 307-733-3263, or online at www.westwoodcurtis.com.

Westwood Curtis Construction is hiring for an entry level mechanic position.

This position will perform preventive maintenance, diagnostic checks, and repair work on company automotive equipment and machinery. Routine operational and preventative maintenance inspections will include inspecting, cleaning, lubricating, and as necessary, repairing or replacing defective parts of equipment. Mechanically inclined with experience in basic vehicle maintenance and electrical necessary.
Westwood Curtis Construction offers competitive pay and benefits.
Apply online at westwoodcurtis.com or in person at 3350 S HWY 89, Jackson, Wyoming. (307) 733-4586

HELP WANTED



COME WORK WITH US

Ridgeline Excavation Inc. is now hiring for the following positions in both Big Sky, Montana and Jackson, Wyoming:
- Project Managers, Project Foremen, Heavy Equipment Operators
Pay DOE and competitive. Health insurance (paid by employer), life insurance, dental & vision and matching retirement. Housing Allowance (Big Sky Location only)

EARTH WORK SOLUTIONS

WE ARE HIRING!!

GREAT PAY-DAVIS-BACON WAGES
GREAT BENEFITS
GREAT TEAM ENVIRONMENT

LOOKING FOR EXPERIENCED OPERATORS
DOZERS • SCRAPERS • BLADES • LABORERS

CONTACT PAT JENNER
307-680-3424
WWW.EARTHWORK.US.COM



PROJECT COORDINATOR needed

Westwood Curtis is looking for a Project Coordinator for a full time year round position. The ideal candidate will have experience in job submittals, quality assurance and quality control, safety, and job transmittals. Must be able to multi task and be very organized. Must have computer experience especially with Microsoft office. The ability to read plans and specifications and as built are required. Experience in underground utilities preferred.
Apply in person, fax 307-733-3263, or online at www.westwoodcurtis.com

GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE

April 27th & 28th
10 AM until 2 PM
1300 Willow Lake Rd.,
Pinedale, Wyoming

98 STS Cadillac, New Samsung digital top load electric washer and dryer, music equipment, furniture, patio, beach, camping gear, ect! We have a little bit of everything, most everything is NEW!
SERIOUS BUYERS ONLY PLEASE!!!!!!
Look for the balloons!

FOR SALE

FOR SALE

4X4 TON HAY FOR SALE



Alfalfa and grass alfalfa mix.
307-413-4080
(Star Valley)

WWW.PINEDALEROUNDUP.COM

NOTICES

Continued from A16

You are hereby notified that on the 19th day of April, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Donald Edward Westbrook was admitted to probate by the above-named Court, and that James L. Westbrook was appointed Personal Representative thereof. Any action to set aside the Will shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to said decedent or to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to Long Reimer Winegar LLP, 724 Front Street, Suite 200, Evanston, Wyoming, 82930.

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 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.

James L. Westbrook
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Notice #9692 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, May 2, 9, 2024

Legal Notice Deadline:

Monday 12 p.m.

the week of

publication.

Email: Eallgood@pinedaleroundup.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF WYOMING IN AND FOR SUBLETTE COUNTY
2024-CV-0009028

In the Matter of the Estate of)
Karen Ann Westbrook,)
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF PROBATE OF ESTATE
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that on the 19th day of April, 2024, the Last Will and Testament of Karen Ann Westbrook was admitted to probate by the above-named Court, and that James L. Westbrook was appointed Personal Representative thereof. Any action to set aside the Will shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to said decedent or to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to Long Reimer Winegar LLP, 724 Front Street, Suite 200, Evanston, Wyoming, 82930.

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 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.

James L. Westbrook
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Notice #9693 published in the *Pinedale Roundup* on April 25, May 2, 9, 2024

8 out of 10

Wyoming adults agree that minutes and financial information from school boards and government meetings should be published in local newspapers.

Source: *The Wyoming Market Study, 2022; by Coda Ventures*

WYOMING PRESS ASSOCIATION



To learn more, contact your local newspaper or the WPA at:
307.635.3905 • wyopress@wyopress.org

What's missing??

Your ad!

Get seen & get your products and services SOLD!
Contact us today.

Pinedale Roundup
307-367-2123 • www.pinedaleroundup.com

Sudoku

	7			3		6	5	
		3			6			
2	6		9		7			
1	4	2	8					
9								
6							9	3
			4		9	3		
					8	1		9
			7				4	

ADVANCED

			1	4	2			7
				7				
	2	5		9				3
8			9	5	3			
3				1	6	5		4
9					7		8	6
	8			3	9			
5		3				2		
1	6	7				9		

BEGINNER

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

6	3	7	8	4	1	5	2	9
4	2	8	9	5	7	3	6	1
9	5	1	3	2	6	4	7	8
2	9	5	7	8	3	6	1	4
7	4	6	5	1	2	8	9	3
8	1	3	6	9	4	7	5	2
1	8	2	4	7	5	9	3	6
3	7	4	1	6	9	2	8	5
5	6	9	2	3	8	1	4	7

BEGINNER

2	3	5	7	6	8	9	1	4
4	7	9	5	1	2	6	8	3
8	6	1	3	9	4	7	2	5
1	8	4	6	3	9	5	7	2
6	2	7	4	8	5	3	9	1
9	5	3	1	2	7	4	6	8
5	4	2	8	7	6	1	3	9
3	9	6	2	4	1	8	5	7
7	1	8	9	5	3	2	4	6

ADVANCED

CROSSWORD

CLUES ACROSS

- Excessively theatrical actors
- Footwear
- A way to disfigure
- Exchange rate
- Hawaiian wreaths
- North-central Indian city
- Bungle
- Extremely angry
- A short note of what's owed
- Criminal organization
- Mimic
- Try to grab
- U.S.-born individuals
- Some are covert
- Order of the British Empire
- Don't know when yet
- Payment (abbr.)
- Winged angelic being
- Variety of Chinese
- A way to be anxious
- Famed wrestler Hulk
- Partner to cheese
- Slang for sergeant
- Canadian flyers
- Actress Ryan
- Highly unpleasant vapor
- Body part
- Halfway
- Cool!
- Consume
- Salts
- Upper bract of a floret of grass
- Housepet
- Cavalry-sword
- Symbol of a nation
- Frocks
- Used to carry food
- Portuguese folk song
- Sharp mountain ridge
- Ireland
- Where golfers begin
- Greek mythological sorceress
- Fluid suspensions

CLUES DOWN

- "Mad Men" leading man
- Water (Spanish)
- Annoy
- Bulgarian capital
- Japanese title
- Capital of Zimbabwe
- Giraffe
- A mixture of substances
- Midway between south and southeast
- Staffs
- Turkish title
- Type of acid
- Thin, flat strip of wood
- Russian river
- Ribonucleic acid
- Partner to flow
- Airborne (abbr.)
- Earthy pigment
- Genus of earless seals
- "Key to the Highway" bluesman
- By or in itself

	S	S	E		P	E	R		A	B	N	
	P	I	X		A	R	E		C	O	A	
F	R	A	N	C		A	D		A	S	H	E
A	B	S	C	I	S	E			C	O	N	S
N	E	M	E	S	I	S			O	P	T	I
			R	E	T	E			A	A	H	S
G	E	N	E	S	E	S			T	H	I	M
A	K	A								A	A	R
P	E	G	A	S	U	S			B	O	U	R
			B	U	R	Y			A	R	N	E
I	M	P	A	N	E	L			S	A	D	N
S	C	A	N	D	A	L			E	N	R	A
M	I	S	D	O					A	M	E	E
			H	O	W				B	E	E	
			A	N	N				I	N	N	

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

- Hot fluid below the earth's surface
- Partner to trick
- British Air Aces
- Ammunition
- Supervises flying
- Health care for the aged
- Flanks
- Millimeters
- Where wrestlers perform
- Not around
- Flightless bird
- Bell-shaped flowers of the lily family
- Expressed concern for
- Satisfies
- Flew off!
- Wings
- Load a ship
- Vigor
- British title
- Whiskeys
- ___ Adams: founding father
- Body of water

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13
14					15						16			
17					18						19			
20				21		22				23				
			24		25				26					
27	28	29		30				31				32	33	34
35			36				37				38			
39						40				41				
42					43				44					
45				46				47				48		
			49				50				51			
52	53	54				55				56		57	58	59
60						61			62		63			
64						65					66			
67						68					69			

horoscopes

aries

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

You can get your spark back with some help from friends, Aries. You may have been struggling in one form or another, but others can provide the perspective needed.

taurus

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Taurus, you are a dependable rock and that comes with a lot of responsibility. Sometimes you may feel overwhelmed, and in those instances feel free to delegate some tasks.

gemini

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Too much joking around may strike a nerve of someone close to you, Gemini. Feel out every situation before you start communicating in such a laid back and jovial way.

cancer

JUNE 22 - JULY 22

Cancer, like it or not, you have to stand by a promise or a commitment you made to someone, even if you no longer feel like doing so. Once it is finished, you can go your separate ways.

leo

JULY 23 - AUGUST 23

Leo, if others have underestimated you or written you off in the past, you will have an opportunity to prove them wrong this week, even if you already know the truth.

virgo

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 22

Your keen eye for detail has you pointing out a mistake that may have cost someone a lot of money, Virgo. Your reward could be a promotion or another commendation.

libra

SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 23

Making room for your needs right now is challenging as others seem to require all of the attention, Libra. You will have a chance to balance the scales soon enough.

scorpio

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Right now you may be reluctant to commit or comment on an issue that is affecting some in your circle, Scorpio. You can get involved once you dig further and do your own research.

sagittarius

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 21

Sagittarius, when you hang out with friends, you may be tempted to spend more than is in your budget at the moment. Set a limit, and perhaps leave your credit cards at home.

capricorn

DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 20

Capricorn, you are ready to move forward, but others in your orbit may be holding you back. Know when to cut loose and do things according to your bigger vision.

aquarius

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 18

Thinking about all of the things in your life that may not be going to plan could have you feeling down, Aquarius. Flip the perspective and start focusing on the right things.

pisces

FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20

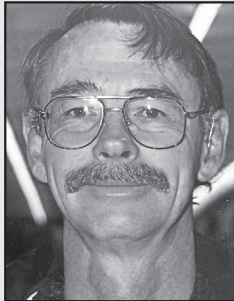
Pisces, you are known for being a dreamer, but right now you have to come down from the clouds and develop a solid plan of action. There will be time for fanciful ideas later.

Mystery Photo



Who is this woman carefully comparing prices for a cost of living report?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER



Ron Wilson, Mike Davis, Laurie Hartwig and Bob (we couldn't hear your last name on the voicemail) all recognized Ken McLaughlin in the April 18 Roundup.

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

POWERBALL APRIL 22 WINNING NUMBERS

12 16 33 39 52 1

ESTIMATED JACKPOT:

\$129,000,000

MEGAMILLIONS APRIL 23 WINNING NUMBERS

11 17 33 39 43 14

ESTIMATED JACKPOT:

\$228,000,000

CALENDAR CORRAL

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 25
Stromboli making class with Fran Pici-Halligan from 5-8 p.m. Cost is \$30. To register visit www.subletteboces.com or call 307-367-6873.

Friday, April 26
Main Street Pinedale's High Altitude Market is 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the Pinedale Library's Lovatt Room.

Pinedale High School Choir Concert, 7 p.m. in the Sheppard Auditorium.

Saturday, April 27
Introduction to Spinning Yarn at Sublette BOCES from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Sublette BOCES. Cost is \$50. To register visit www.subletteboces.com or call 307-367-6873.

Soaphole Fence Raising with the Winter Range Foundation. Meet at the Daniel Junction at 10 a.m. Be sure to bring gloves and protective eyewear. This 1.5 mile section of fence is raised in the spring and lowered in the fall. It is a vital area for mule deer, pronghorn and sage grouse.

Pinedale Snow Explorers/Altitude Off-Road hosts the Cora Snocross-Wind River Youth Snocross at White Pine Resort. For more information, call or text Kendra at 702-830-1742 or Tiffany at 307-248-1168.

Tuesday, April 30
Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient

Major Drew Dix will give a presentation to the Pinedale Middle School, Pinedale High School, Skyline Academy and Big Piney High School beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the Wrangler Gym in Pinedale. At 11:30 a.m., Major Dix hosts lunch with veterans first responders at the Pinedale Library's Lovatt Room. Lunch is free for any veteran or first responder. From 4:30 to 5:45 p.m., the public is invited to attend a community reception with Major Dix at the Pinedale Library's Lovatt Room. Light refreshments will be served. Copies of Dix's book, The Rescue of River City, as well as a book of Medal of Honor recipient quotes will be for sale.

Wednesday, May 1
Mazzi Massage and Spa grand opening at the Pinedale Hotel and Suites, 1424 W. Pine Street in Pinedale, beginning at 9 a.m. Free 15 minute massages to the first 20 customers.

Thursday, May 2
Mother's Day Vase and Flowers creation with Hayley Ruland from 5-8 p.m., at Sublette BOCES. Cost is \$30. To register visit www.subletteboces.com or call 307-367-6873.

Friday, May 3
Main Street Pinedale's High Altitude Market is 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., at the Pinedale Library's Lovatt Room.

Wyoming Artists' Association presents the Art Quick Draw beginning at 7 p.m.,



CALI O'HARE PHOTO

A buck mule deer, still sporting his antlers, stares straight into the camera as he crosses over Pine Creek on a sunny April afternoon. Mule deer typically shed their antlers in mid-winter, around January and February, but it's not uncommon for a buck to retain his antlers into April.

at the Sublette County Fairgrounds Community Hall in Big Piney. Artists have one hour to complete a painting that will be sold at a live auction to follow. An art sale takes place from 7 to 10 p.m. Open to the public.

Intro to Long Range by the Wind River Armory, LLC begins at 208 Fayette Pole Creek Road in Pinedale. Receive approximately four hours of classroom style instruction detailing best practices, setup and ballistic calculations on Friday.

Saturday, May 4
Wyoming Artists' Association Art Sale from 2-5 p.m., at the Sublette County Fairgrounds Community Hall in Big Piney. Open to the public.

Intro to Long Range by the Wind River Armory, LLC continues today at 208 Fayette Pole Creek Road in Pinedale. Receive four to five hours of verifying zero and establishing data out to 1,000 yards on Saturday.

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 at 5 p.m. at the Pinedale Town Hall, 205 Entertainment Lane.

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

Pinedale Planning & Zoning Commission, first Monday at 5 p.m., at the Pinedale Town Hall, 205 Entertainment Lane.

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

Tuesdays
Marijuana Anonymous (MA) meets Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m. at St. Andrews of the Pines, 524 W Pine Street, Pinedale.

Pinedale Airport Board, first Tuesday at 4:30 p.m., at the Pinedale Town Hall, 205 Entertainment Lane.

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 at

noon, at the Pinedale Town Hall, 205 Entertainment Lane.

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 Community Church Hall, 410 Black Street, Big Piney at 7 p.m.

Sublette County Hospital District board meetings are the fourth Wednesday of the month.

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 meets regularly in Pinedale and Big Piney/ Marbleton. Call the prevention specialist at 307-749-5004 for a meeting schedule. Anyone interested in Substance Abuse prevention and Suicide prevention is welcome to attend.

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.

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.

Fridays
Bingo at the VFW Club at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of the month.


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



**Podcast Station
Photo Lightbox
Video Production**

Get free resources
at your local
library

library.wyo.gov/business

Funding provided by 

ESTATE SALE LOG HOMES
PAY THE BALANCE OWED ONLY!

4 LOG HOME KITS SELLING FOR BALANCE OWED, FREE DELIVERY

1) MODEL #103 WACO	\$22,780 BALANCE OWED \$14,500
2) MODEL #202 TOPEKA	\$34,050 BALANCE OWED \$16,000
3) MODEL #403 AUGUSTA	\$42,450 BALANCE OWED \$16,500
4) MODEL #502 SANTE FE	\$44,950 BALANCE OWED \$20,500

BEFORE CALLING: VIEW at www.americanloghomesandcabins.com Click on House Plans

NEW - HOMES HAVE NOT BEEN MANUFACTURED

- Make any plan design changes you desire!
- Comes with Complete Building Blueprints & Construction Manual
- Windows, Doors, and Roofing not included
- NO TIME LIMIT FOR DELIVERY!

Offer not available to American Log Home Dealers*

**AMERICAN**
LOG HOMES & CABINS

SERIOUS ONLY REPLY. Call (704) 602-3035 ask for Accounting Dept.

‘The world is watching’

WGF Commission blasted over wolf case

By Sarah Elmquist Squires
The Ranger via Wyoming
News Exchange

RIVERTON — State troopers and regional law enforcement agents staged barricades and a decontamination unit at Riverton City Hall and stood poised to intervene if the dozens of death threats lodged against state wildlife officials were realized.

And while speakers filed up to the podium and zoomed into the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission’s meeting in Riverton Wednesday with decorum, the topic of the day was one of violence – what’s been described as the torture of a young female wolf allegedly run down by Cody Roberts earlier this month, its mouth then bound by tape as it was paraded to a Daniel bar before being taken out back and put out of its misery.

The story – along with images and video – has garnered international attention.

But the brunt of the matter has been the state’s response: a \$250 fine and officials lamenting that’s all that can be done.

The April 17 public comments spanned hours and included people from across the country, many of whom said they would no longer support Wyoming tourism until regulations are changed that would prohibit running down wolves and other wildlife with motorized vehicles and cruelty against them.

“I traveled 1,800 miles to be here from South Carolina because I’m devastated from what has occurred here,” said Lorraine Finazzo, who said she and her family frequently visit Wyoming but would not support tourism in the state until something changes.

“We come to see wildlife. We love wolves and grizzlies. Knowing the state permits snowmobiles to run over animals as a wildlife management tool is appalling ... We love spending time here, however this incident has tarnished the beauty. The laws must

change,” she said, echoing many: “The world is watching.”

Jim Laybourn, who described himself as a third-generation Wyoming hunter, said many hunters feared that the actions of Roberts will affect hunting rights for everyone, and that he’s decided he won’t “give another dime” to Wyoming Game and Fish until something changes.

“What happened down there in Daniel is just so disgusting I can’t stop thinking about it,” he said. “If nothing happens Wyoming hunters will forever be associated with the likes of the wolf torturer ... It’s a disgrace. It’s a disgrace to Wyoming. It’s disgusting and it has to end.”

The regulations – or lack thereof

After Game and Fish investigated the incident, Roberts was fined \$250 for violating a law prohibiting the possession of wildlife. The agency remained tight-lipped about the case, and details slowly emerged following open records requests – which sparked further outrage.

In several videos and images, Roberts appears to have taken the female wolf who was allegedly severely injured after being run down by a snowmobile both to a residence and to the Green River Bar, where he posed with the animal, beer in hand.

The wolf was killed in a “designated predator zone,” which encompasses about 85 percent of the state. Within the zone, there’s no requirement for a license to kill a wolf and no restrictions on how the animals may be killed.

Because of that, officials have said they’re hamstrung to bring animal cruelty or other charges against Roberts.

Wolves were previously under federal protection in Wyoming, but that was lifted a handful of years ago; similar efforts are underway to delist grizzlies in the greater Yellowstone area from endangered species protections.

Many at the hearing called for specific reforms in Wyoming: First, they called for state leaders to prohibit running down animals with motorized vehicles – which is currently

legal for dispatching predators like red fox, coyotes and wolves within the predator zone. Second, they called for animal cruelty provisions to be applied to predators.

Many of the demands fall outside the Game and Fish Commission’s authority and would require legislative action.

Dave Stalling, founder and executive director of Hunters and Anglers for Wildlife Management Reform, said gray wolves and the way they are managed aren’t based on science, but on negative views about the animals.

“There is this culture of hatred for wolves throughout the hunting community,” he told the commission. “The way we manage wolves isn’t based on science, it’s based on politics driven by fear, lies and hate ... It violates the public trust.”

Keith Nelson likened the Daniel incident to a PR disaster, one that, had it happened in the private sector, would have prompted changes and action to handle it.

“Here, I see finger pointing,” he added. “We need all hands on deck ... Protect these critters.”

Jackson Hole Wildlife Safaris guide Jocelyn Stokes said wolves and grizzly bears are some of the most prized animals for visitors who travel from all over the world to see in Wyoming, and those tourists bring the state billions.

“The whole world is now looking at us to see how we’re going to actually protect our apex predators in a sustainable, thoughtful and moral way,” she said, adding, “This is not a one-time thing. This has been happening; this is going to continue to happen if we don’t address it seriously.”

“This happened on public land,” noted



THE RANGER PHOTO

Lorraine Finazzo, who traveled 1,800 miles from South Carolina, addresses the Game and Fish Commission at its April 17 meeting stating, ‘Knowing the state permits snowmobiles to run over animals as a wildlife management tool is appalling ... We love spending time (in Wyoming), however this incident has tarnished the beauty.’

Nick Gevock, Sierra Club Northern Rockies field organizer. “This is everybody’s land, everybody’s wildlife.”

More blowback

The Wyoming Office of Tourism’s Facebook page is normally peppered with colorful photos and videos of wildlife and landscapes that tourists flock from near and far to see.

But lately, comments there fall into two categories: Those demanding heavier prosecution for the alleged wolf torturer, and those vowing not to set foot here.

“Do your research before traveling to Wyoming,” one poster advises. “There is no way I will set foot in your state until that psychopath is prosecuted for animal abuse,” states another.

The Daniel incident has produced headlines and memes shared across the globe, and tourism officials fear the story may impact an industry that brings more than \$2 billion to the state’s economy annually.

During the April 17 meeting, Jack Bales warned the commission that the uproar was far from over.

“This will be the event that defines Wyoming for a generation,” he said, adding that officials can expect outrage plastered to “every billboard coming into Wyoming.”



Farewell Sublette County



Dear Friends, Valued Customers, and Community Members,

We regret to inform you that, after careful consideration, Rocky Mountain Yeti in Pinedale will be closing its doors on April 30, 2024. Starting April 22, we will no longer be able to accommodate new parts and service requests at our Pinedale location. Our sales department will remain open until April 30th to assist with any inquiries.

We understand that this news may come as a disappointment or inconvenience to many. Our team in Jackson, located at 665 W Elk Ave, is ready to assist with any future sales or service and warranty work. You can reach them at (307) 733-5337.

We extend heartfelt gratitude to our Pinedale employees, and the Sublette County community and surrounding areas for your support and patronage over the years. It has been our privilege to serve you, and we are deeply grateful for the relationships we have built along the way.

Please reach out with any questions. We hope to make this transition as smooth as possible for everyone involved. Thank you for your understanding and continued support. Please keep our employees in mind as they re-enter the workforce.

Sincerely, The Rocky Mountain Yeti Pinedale Crew