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EMT volunteers Tia Pinter and Kris Bacheller were on hand to help with the Pine Street Bash, held Saturday, Aug. 17, at Kemmerer's Triangle Park. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Rana Jones)

# Rain does not dampen spirits at inaugural Pine Street Bash

**By Rana Jones**
*Gazette Reporter*

**KEMMERER —** Despite the rain on Saturday, Aug. 17, volunteers and staff helped set up the Pine Street Bash in Kemmerer to raise money for the South Lincoln Hospital District, marking the inaugural fundraising event organized through a partnership between the South Lincoln Hospital Foundation (SLHF) and the Green River Valley Health Foundation.

Proceeds from the event will support the services at South Lincoln Hospital District (SLHD) with equipment purchases such as a new ultrasound probe sterilizer for SLHD's radiology department.

The foundation aims to improve access to healthcare in southwestern Wyoming and hopes the fundraiser event will benefit the hospital district and people in the community.

Caitlyn Howard, SLHD marketing and foundation strategist who organized the event, wiped rainwater off the tables during a break in the weather.

South Lincoln Hospital Foundation Vice President Kelly Blue holds up a shirt offered at the Pine Street Bash last week. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Rana Jones)

"We made it through," she said. "It's going to be good."

SLHF Vice President Kelly Blue chuckled about the weather conditions, while emphasizing that it wasn't going to stop them. Blue acknowledged the Green River Foundation's significant role in organizing the event and connecting them with the bands.

**BASH, A12**

A yard in Opal is flooded after heavy rainfall last week. Community members and residents from neighboring towns came together with Diamondville workers to fill and distribute sand bags to mitigate damage. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Sheri Paulson)

# Heavy rain causes flooding in Opal

**AFTON (WNE) —** Portions of southern Lincoln County flooded Monday due to heavy, sustained rains.

Lincoln County Commissioner Kent Connelly said eastbound Highway 30 was closed Monday, Aug. 12 near Opal for a period of time due to mudslides, stating that WYDOT was using snowplows to clear the mud. By 7:20 p.m. WYDOT reported on the Wyoming 511 App that the road was open in both directions.

Connelly also stated that some homes in Opal were flooded. Lincoln County Emergency Management and

**FLOODING, A12**

Volunteers and Town of Diamondville workers came to the rescue on Wednesday, Aug. 14, after the area received heavy rainfall two days in a row. The crews filled sand bags for residents to use in the fight against flooding. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Sheri Paulson)

# *As school begins, let's get to know local educators*

**By Rana Jones**
*Gazette Reporter and*
**Sheri Paulson**
*Gazette Office Manager*

**KEMMERER —** Linda Lewis, the dedicated secretary of New Frontier High School, has been a cornerstone of the district for 21 years, with the past eight years focused on her role at New Frontier. Lewis' enthusiasm for the new school year is palpable, as she eagerly anticipates meeting the incoming students and welcoming them into the school community.

Her preparations for the academic year are comprehensive, involving scheduling, conducting interviews with new students, and coordinating with parents to ensure a smooth transition. While Lewis treasures the excitement of these preparations, she admits the hardest part is saying goodbye to summer.

Among her fondest memories is when New Frontier held its own graduation ceremony. Lewis said she finds immense pride in guiding students through their coursework and witnessing their success at graduation. And when it comes to school cafeteria fare, she can always be counted on to enjoy a plate of chicken fajitas.

Amanda Aimone, a passionate social studies teacher at Kemmerer Junior-Senior High School, now has 12 years of teaching experience and said she is thrilled to reconnect with her students as the new school year begins.

Her excitement shines through in her dedication to finding innovative ways to present lessons, making each classroom experience engaging and memorable. However, transitioning back to a structured bedtime and wake-up schedule remains a challenge as summer comes to a close.

One of Aimone's favorite memories is the creative flair of the seventh-grade class of 2020, and came to school dressed as historical figures, bringing history to life in a fun and engaging way. She takes immense pride in the achievements of the swim team, which has consistently ranked in the top six in the state for the past nine years, as well as the high school's placement in the top five statewide.

Aimone's school spirit is unmistakable — just watch her on the pool deck, where her enthusiasm and support for her students are on full display. When it comes to cafeteria favorites, Aimone said she can't resist the chili, pork noodles, and the ever-popular potato and salad bar.

Cody Hartung, who dedicated 17 years to teaching science and has now served as the principal of New Frontier High School for the past four years, said he is eagerly anticipating the start of a new school year.

His excitement lies in reconnecting with returning students and discovering the dynamics of new ones.

For Hartung, the best part of preparing for the school year is the thrill of "just getting started," and he often arrives early to ensure every detail is meticulous-

**EDUCATORS, A6**

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**Today:** Mostly sunny skies with 10-20 mph winds.

**Tonight:** Mainly clear overnight with some clouds later.

**High:** 82 **Low:** 53
**Chance of Precip:** 10%

*For a full weather outlook, see page A2.*

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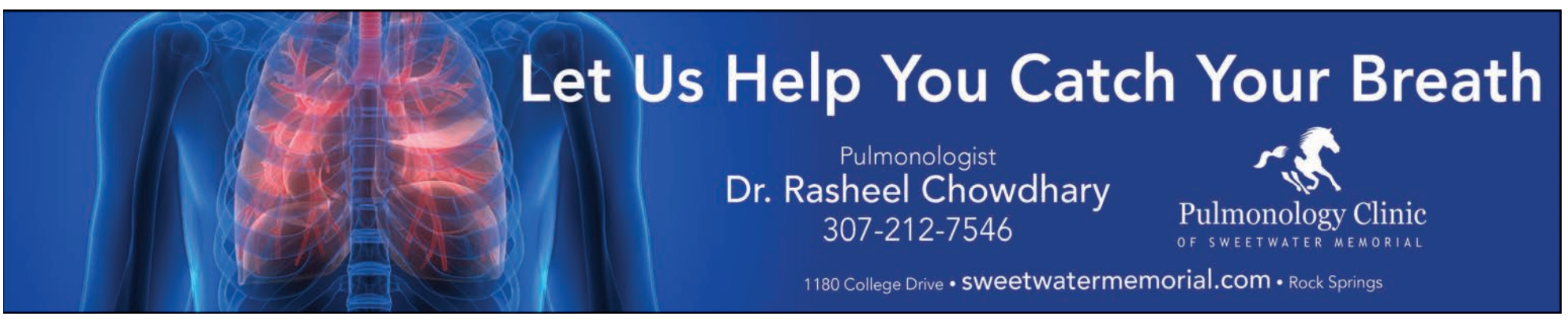


# Community

## Book Nook

# Save all the dogs on National Dog Day

**By April Corwin**
*Kemmerer Branch Library*

August is National Dog Month and National Dog Day is Monday, Aug. 26. The reason for National Dog Day is to raise awareness of shelter dogs. Colleen Paige, a pet lifestyle expert, founded the day in 2004. Her mission is to create awareness days to save millions of unwanted pets.

The idea of this day is that all dogs deserve a safe, abuse-free life. Dogs are not only good companions, but many provide safety for their owners — some aid those in need of a service animal and others give hours of play.

I'm a big advocate of animal adoption. More than 6.5 million animals each year end up in shelters. Dogs of all ages and breeds are in these shelters, sometimes because people can't take care of the dogs' needs.

It is a big commitment to adopt a dog. They need shelter, food, exercise, training and veterinary care. Educating people on proper pet ownership is key to finding the right homes for these dogs. It would be a great day in our country if every dog had a home.

On Aug. 26, you can celebrate National Dog Day by taking your dog for a walk and posting pictures of your dog on social media. If you don't have a dog, take your neighbor's dog for a walk, volunteer at a shelter or become a foster parent. I have done all of these things. Some of my favorite memories are from volunteering at shelters where I walked dogs and played with them. I just love all the dogs

I have had two shelter dogs. My current dog, Ruby Sue, came from a puppy mill in California. The person breeding the dogs got tired of them and was going to kill them with rat poison. A dog rescuer stepped in and saved the yard full of Chihuahua-mix dogs.

Ruby was the last dog to be rescued; she was so scared she wouldn't come to anyone. She had never had human contact nor real food. The dogs were fed table scraps. It took two hours for the rescuer to get Ruby in a basket. Ruby made it to Kemmerer, where I adopted her from Paws and Claws.

She is living her best life. She gets walks, treats, toys and plenty of love.

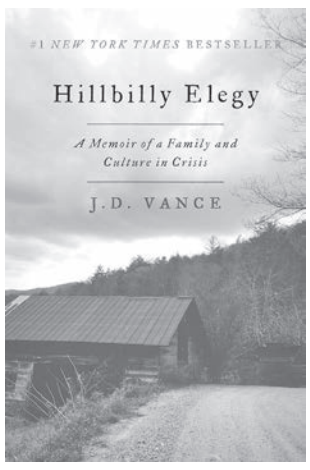
We have so many books at the library about dogs, including dogs who were in the service during WWII or in the Middle East. We have books about dogs who made incredible journeys. We have books on how to care for your dog and train them. We even have books on traveling with your dogs.

Some of these books are: "Hero Dogs; How a Pack of Rescues, Rejects, and Strays Became America's Greatest Disaster Search Partners," by Wilma Melville; "The Dog Who Could Fly: The Incredible Story of a WWII Airman and the Four-Legged Hero Who Flew at His Side," by Damien Lewis; "Second Chances: A Marine, His Dog, and Finding Redemption," by Craig Gross; and "Understanding and Training Your Dog," by Kath Rayson.

Remember to celebrate the dogs in your life on National Dog Day. Give them plenty of treats and attention. They deserve it!

# Reviewing Vance's 'Hillbilly Elegy'

**By Missy Harris**
*Lincoln County Library*




Having grown up in the foothills of Appalachia, I found J.D. Vance's "Hillbilly Elegy" to be a strikingly accurate portrayal of life in rural, poverty-stricken areas. Vance's memoir is a brutally honest account of his tumultuous upbringing and the challenges he faced in escaping the cycle of poverty and dysfunction that gripped his family and community.

This book resonated deeply with me, as it mirrors many of my own experiences growing up in rural southwestern Pennsylvania.

Vance's story is one of resilience and determination. Born into a chaotic family plagued by addiction, instability, and violence, Vance's journey from a troubled childhood in Middletown, Ohio, to graduating from Yale Law School is nothing short of remarkable.

His candid reflections on the cultural and social dynamics of the white working class in Appalachia offer valuable insights into a demographic often overlooked in mainstream discussions.

One line from the book that particularly struck me was, "Where we come from is who we are, but we choose every day who we become." This sentiment encapsulates the essence of Vance's narrative and resonates profoundly with my own life. Growing up in an area where opportunities were scarce and the odds were stacked against us, this idea of personal agency and the power to shape one's destiny is both inspiring and empowering.

Vance's ability to weave personal anecdotes with broader social commentary makes "Hillbilly Elegy" a compelling read. He delves into the complexities of identity, family, and the sense of belonging, painting a vivid picture of the struggles faced by many in rural America. While his experiences are unique, the themes he explores are universal, making the book accessible and relatable to a wide audience.

I found "Hillbilly Elegy" to be a powerful memoir that sheds light on the often-misunderstood world of Appalachian life. Vance's raw and unflinching portrayal of his journey offers hope and insight, reminding us that while our past shapes us, our future is ours to define.

You can find this book across the Lincoln County Library System and on the Libby app.

## Weather outlook

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny skies. Becoming windy during the afternoon. Clear skies and windy overnight.

**High:** 82 **Low:** 47 **Chance of Precip:** 15%

**Thursday:** Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. Some clouds at night.

**High:** 78 **Low:** 48 **Chance of Precip:** 10%

**Friday:** Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. Some clouds at night.

**High:** 75 **Low:** 47 **Chance of Precip:** 25%

**Saturday:** Partly cloudy skies with 15-25 mph winds. Partly cloudy overnight with 10-20 mph winds.

**High:** 70 **Low:** 42 **Chance of Precip:** 15%

# State employment and payroll: Job growth continues in 1st quarter

**CHEYENNE (WNE) —-** The Research and Planning section of the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services reported Friday that from first quarter 2023 to first quarter 2024, total employment in the state rose by 3,429 jobs, and total payroll increased by $163.8 million.

Laramie County added 834 jobs, and its total payroll expanded by $49.4 million. Job gains were seen in construction, health care and social assistance, local government, state government and federal government.

Natrona County gained 462 jobs, and its total payroll grew by $33.4 million, while employment in Sheridan County rose by 335 jobs, and its total payroll increased by $18.3 million. Sweetwater County added 260 jobs, and its total payroll rose by $388,865.

Teton County gained 260 jobs, but its total payroll fell by $7.6 million. Employment rose in construction, local government, and administrative and waste services, but fell in finance and insurance, transportation and warehousing, and information. The decrease in total payroll was largely the result of significant bonuses paid in management of companies and enterprises and finance and insurance in first quarter 2023, but not repeated in first quarter 2024.

Employment in Albany County increased by 216 jobs, and its total payroll rose by $8.8 million. Campbell County added 203 jobs, but its total payroll fell by $2.8 million. Uinta County lost 84 jobs, but its total payroll rose by $1.7 million. The largest job losses occurred in accommodation and food services, construction, local government and information.

## Senior Center Menu

**Wednesday, Aug. 21**
Chicken cordon bleu, toast, caprese salad, chocolate delight, and one percent milk

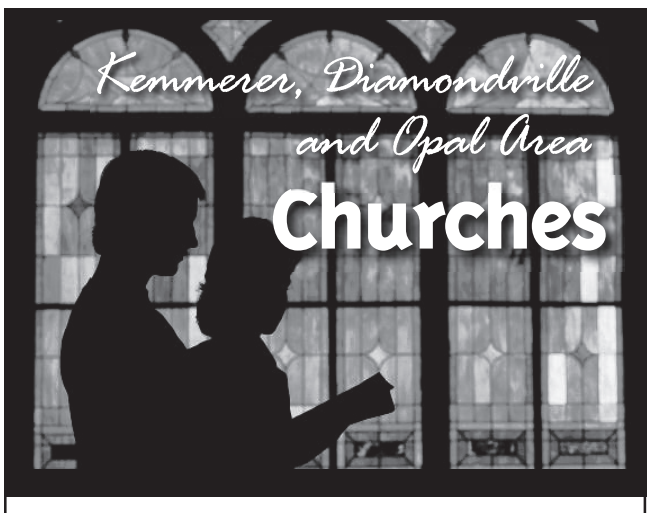
**Thursday, Aug. 22**
Philly cheese steak, French fries, pasta salad, mixed fruit, and one percent milk

**Friday, Aug. 23**
Papa Murphy's pizza, bread sticks, tossed salad with garbanzo beans, desert pizza, and one percent milk.

**Monday, Aug. 26**
Grilled cheese and tomato soup, chips, pea salad, German chocolate cake, and one percent milk

**Tuesday, Aug. 27**
Chicken Parmesan, garlic bread, cherry cheesecake bars, and one percent milk.

*Kemmerer Senior Center is located at 105 J. C. Penney Dr., Kemmerer. Please call before 9 a.m. for home delivered meals. Senior meals are $4; non-senior meals are $6. Call 877-3806 with questions. All meals are subject to change. Every Thursday the senior center sells cinnamon rolls, eat in or take out for $5.*


***Berta Penney Memorial United Methodist Church***
Sage and Garnet Streets
307-800-2087
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.

***Valley Evangelical Free Church***
Sage and Sapphire Streets
877-9305
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church and Nursery provided

***Living Water Community Church***
619 Pearl Street
307-248-0852
Paster Alan Bella
Sunday..... 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.

***St. Paul's Lutheran Church***
Missouri Synod
Sage and Opal Streets
727-7095
Rev. Jonathan Lange
Sunday School.....8:00 a.m.
Divine Services.....9:00 a.m.
Matins Services.....Wed.-9:00 a.m.

***Grace Baptist Church***
*Independent Fundamental Baptist*
905 Pine Avenue
871-3214
Pastor Richard Hartman
Sunday School ..... 9:45
Sunday Worship..... 11 a.m.
Prayer & Bible study
Wednesday evenings ..... 7 p.m.

***Opal Baptist Church***
140 Chrisman, Opal
307-389-9436
Pastor Robert Chapin
Sunday Worship..... 4 p.m.

***St. James Episcopal Church***
Cedar and Pearl, Kemmerer
307-723-3292
Sunday Worship..... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School/Youth Group .....
..... 9:00 a.m.
on the 1st and 3rd Sundays
Facebook: St.JamesKemmerer

***St. Patrick's Catholic Church***
65 McGovern, Diamondville
877-4573
Father Dave Erickson
Weekday Mass
Monday, Wednesday - Friday
.....7:00 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass ..... 5:30 PM
Sunday Mass .....9:00 AM
Confessions -- by appointment

***Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints***
Elk Mountain Ward
Dell Rio Drive, Kemmerer
Sacrament ..... 9:30-10:30am
Primary..... 10:30-11:30am
Sunday School (1st and 3rd Sundays)..... 10:30-11:30am
YW/YM/EQ/RS (2nd and 4th Sundays)..... 10:30-11:30am

Oyster Ridge Ward
Antelope and Third West, Diamondville
Sacrament ..... .9:00am-10:00am
Primary..... 10:00-11:00am
Sunday School (1st and 3rd Sundays) . ..... 10:00-11:00am
YW/YM/EQ/RS (2nd and 4th Sundays)..... 10:00-11:00am

Fossil Butte Ward
Antelope and Third West, Diamondville
Sacrament .....11:00am-12:00pm
Primary..... 12:00-1:00pm
Sunday School (1st and 3rd Sundays..... 12:00-1:00pm
YW/YM/EQ/RS (2nd and 4th Sundays..... 12:00-1:00pm

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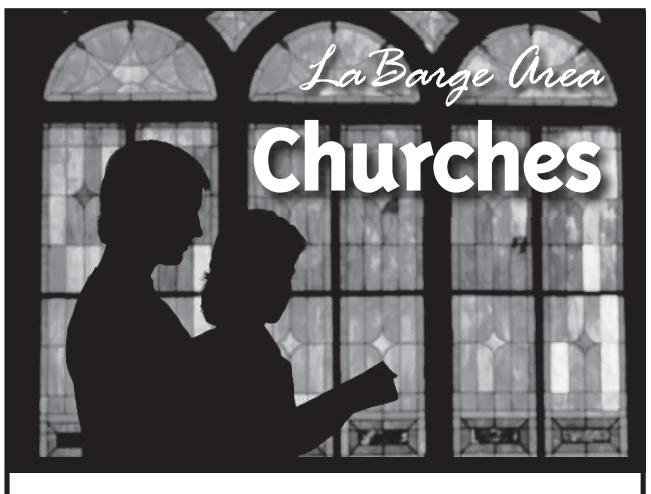


***Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints***
*171 LaBarge Street*
*386-2201*
Sunday School.....11:20 a.m.
Priesthood and R. S. .....10:30 a.m.
Sacrament Meeting .....12:20 p.m.
Youth Classes (Primary and Nursery) .....10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays:
Young Men .....7 p.m.
Young Women.....7 p.m.
*Everyone is invited to attend each week*

***The Potter's House***
*On Calpet Road*
*386-2420*
*Co-Pastors*
*Tony and Gwenette Portera*
Sunday Worship.....11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Home Fellowship.....6 p.m.

***Fellowship Baptist Church***
*Located on Main Street*
*120 West 3rd Ave (along HWY 189)*
*386-9252*
*Pastor Paul Nittler*
*Adult & Children's .....Sunday School....10:00 a.m.*
*Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.*
*coffee and nursery provided*
*Youth Meeting groups for ages K thru 12*
*1st and last Wednesday of each month (dinner provided).....6:30 p.m*

***LaBarge Catholic Church***
*373 N. Wildcat (SOS Building)*
*(307) 877-4573*
*Rev. Dave Erickson*
2nd and 4th Sundays
Mass .....11:30 a.m.

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***Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints***
*725 East Main Street*
*279-3266*
1st Ward .....279-3268
Meeting time.....9:00 a.m.
2nd Ward .....279-3267
Meeting time.....11:30 a.m.

***St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Community Church***
*220 Pine Street, Cokeville*
*307-279-3366*
Sunday Worship Services.....10:00 a.m.
Adult & Children's Sunday School
Refreshments & Fellowshipping every Sunday
*"We enter to worship and exit to serve."*

***Grace Community Church***
*Pastor Steve Johnson*
*307-248-3717*
*Where God is love!*
Sunday worship.....11 a.m.
Tuesday nights.....6:30 p.m.

***New Beginnings Fellowship***
Sunday Services .....6 p.m.
*For more info, call 390-8453*

***Cokeville Community Church Bible Study & Fellowship***
Sunday Worship Service..... 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday Night Bible Study . 6:30 p.m.
*Call 307-279-3366 for more information*
*Come and join us in studying God's Word.*

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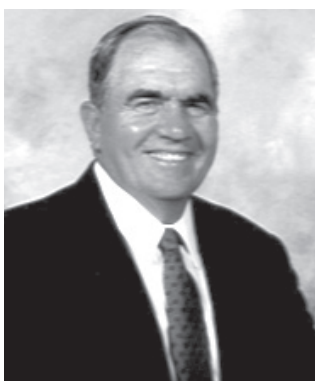
# Records/News

## Obituaries

### Robert Nelson Petersen
### May 29, 1937 — Aug. 12, 2024



Robert Nelson Petersen, 87, passed away Monday, Aug. 12, in his home, surrounded by his loving family. He was born May 29, 1937, in Bingham, Utah, to Raymond Shelby Petersen and Afton Bennion Dimond Petersen. His twin brother, Raymond (Pete), was born 15 minutes earlier.

Robert lived in Granger, Utah, on a dairy farm for his first 10 years where, at a very young age, he learned to work. He attended Granger Elementary. In 1947, his parents bought a ranch and moved to Cokeville. He gained a love for ranching, working cattle and became a skilled horseman.

As a young teenage boy, Robert was very strong, athletic and involved with school sports. He was a talented football player with quick speed and agility. He also enjoyed basketball, where he was scrappy and aggressive.

He played the baritone in the high school band and was a member of the FFA (Future Farmers of America). Each year, he would raise a steer to take to North Salt Lake to be judged.

At the end of his sophomore year at Cokeville High School, he became interested in Lois Carol Dayton. Their relationship continued through high school. After a year at Utah State University, they were married in the Salt Lake Temple, Sept. 5, 1956, sealed by Elder LeGrande Richards.

Following another year at Utah State, they moved to Cokeville, where Robert continued ranching. There they raised their family of three sons and three daughters. He had a strong work ethic and wanted his family to do the same — expecting a job well done.

Robert's community service included the Lincoln County Conservation District and mayor of Cokeville in 2001-2002.

Robert is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His church callings included ward clerk, first counselor in the Bishopric, member of the High Council, Young Men's presidency, and Elder's Quorum presidency.

He and Carol served in the Dublin, Ireland, mission for two years and served a Temple Square mission for 18 months. They also served at the Logan Temple for a total of five years and the Star Valley Temple for two years.

He loved his family, which includes his wife; six children: Steven and KayeLani Petersen, Stewart and Chemene Petersen, Scott and Holly Petersen, Jerre and Diane Holmes, Chuck and Suzanne Reynolds and and Etuate and Julie Tonga; his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; his brother, Raymond Petersen; sisters, Shirley Deromedis, Kathy Jenkinson and Dorothy Colwell; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Jane Petersen and Afton Jean Petersen; and his brothers, Lannie Petersen and Richard Petersen.

A viewing will be held at the Cokeville LDS Ward on Friday, Aug. 23, from 6-8 p.m. and again Saturday, Aug. 24, from 9-10:30 a.m., followed by funeral services at 11 a.m. Interment will follow services at the Cokeville Cemetery, in Cokeville.

For those friends and loved ones who cannot make it to the funeral services, there is a scheduled livestream of the funeral services for Robert at https://v2.forever.link/j/yt/13726.

## Diamondville Police Stats

*Editor's note: Information contained in this report is compiled from a daily activities log and arrest record maintained by the Diamondville Police Department from Thursday, July 25, through Wednesday, Aug. 7.*

**Thursday, July 25**

3:17 p.m. fraud, insufficient funds check on Frontier St.

6:37 p.m. Electrical problem, fuse on power pole blew. Repaired by RMP on Susie Ave.

**Friday, July 26**

11:03 a.m. animal problem, loose dog on HWY 30 mm55, unable to locate

2:57 p.m. public assistance, VIN inspection on Susie Ave

4:03 p.m. public assistance, VIN inspection on Glenco St.

**Saturday, July 27**

12:33 p.m. suspicious activity on Lincoln St.

2:11 p.m. public service, public assist on US HWY 30

4:39 p.m. traffic stop for speeding, citation issued on US HWY 189

8:36 p.m. assist other agency on Pine Ave.

**Sunday, July 28**

1:51 p.m. public peace on US HWY 30

7:23 p.m. E911 other public service on US HWY 189

**Monday, July 29**

9:55 a.m. assist other agency on McGovern Ave.

5:39 p.m. public peace, harassing communication on US HWY 30

**Tuesday, July 30**

12:53 p.m. medical alarm on Canyon Rd.

7:09 p.m. public service on Paper Collar Row

**Wednesday, July 31**

10:23 p.m. Traffic stop on Paper Collar Row

10:34 p.m. traffic problem, traffic hazard on US HWY 30

**Thursday, Aug. 1**

12:20 a.m. public service on Sapphire ct.

12:28 p.m. traffic stop on US HWY 189

2:47 p.m. public service VIN inspection on Twin Creek ST.

4:47 traffic accident vehicle damage on Susie Ave.

10:42 p.m. miscellaneous incident on US HWY 189

**Friday, Aug. 2**

11:43 a.m. mental subject on US HWY 30

11:31 p.m. property crimes on Paper Collar Row

**Monday, Aug. 5**

8:31 a.m. E911 on Garnet St.

1:42 p.m. public service, VIN inspection on US HWY 30

2:00 p.m. Public Service, VIN inspection on US HWY 30

3:52 p.m. animal call on Garnet St.

**Tuesday, Aug. 6**

10:50 a.m. public service, public assist on Garnet St.

12:49 p.m. suspicious activity on US HWY 30

8:31 p.m. traffic problem, traffic hazard on US HWY 30

**Wednesday, Aug. 7**

9:18 p.m. Traffic Stop on US HWY 189

10:23 p.m. Liquor Law on Coral St.

# Federal funds to help fuel 'next-gen' WY nuclear plant

**By Kathleen Shannon**
*Wyoming News Service*

Recent investments in clean energy from the Biden administration are hitting the ground in Wyoming. Engineering company TerraPower, founded by Bill Gates, recently broke ground in Kemmerer on what the company calls a "next-gen" nuclear reactor that it says will create energy more efficiently and safely.

The company aims to have the $4 billion project operational by 2030. TerraPower's project and others are getting federal boosts from the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and 2022 Inflation Reduction Act, which provide billions of dollars for clean-energy projects through grants, loans and other incentives.

Shannon Heyck-Williams, associate vice president, climate and energy with the National Wildlife Federation, said Wyoming is slated to receive a good chunk of that funding.

"In Wyoming, $3.5 billion in private sector commitments and $4.1 billion in public investments in clean energy, infrastructure and manufacturing have all happened largely due to the passage of these two big pieces of legislation," she explained.

The U.S. Department of Energy is funding part of TerraPower's project to the tune of $2 billion. The laws also provide for projects at community and home scales, including investments in electric vehicles and charging stations, electric school buses and credits for homeowners transitioning to clean energy.

TerraPower estimates the project will generate enough power for up to 400,000, while creating 1,600 construction jobs and 250 careers. That's critical for communities such as Kemmerer.

"Every time a new manufacturing facility is created or retooled, that means new jobs for people, especially important in certain areas of the country that maybe have a declining economy related to fossil fuels or other sorts of older manufacturing," Heyck-Williams said.

The construction site is near a coal-fired electricity plant owned by Pacificorp and slated for retirement in 2036, according to the company's 2023 plans.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WYOMING CONSTITUTION TO BE VOTED ON AT THE GENERAL ELECTION NOV. 5, 2024**

*Underlined words would be added to existing law. Words stricken through will be removed.*

A JOINT RESOLUTION to amend the Wyoming Constitution by providing for the assessment of residential real property as a separate property class for the purpose of taxation.

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING*, two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

**Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 15, Section 11 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

**Article 15, Section 11. Uniformity of assessment required.**

(a) All property, except as in this constitution otherwise provided, shall be uniformly valued at its full value as defined by the legislature, in ~~three (3)~~ four (4) classes as follows:

(i) Gross production of minerals and mine products in lieu of taxes on the land where produced;

(ii) Property used for industrial purposes as defined by the legislature; ~~and~~

(iii) Residential real property; and

(iv) All other property, real and personal.

(b) The legislature shall prescribe the percentage of value which shall be assessed within each designated class.

All taxable property shall be valued at its full value as defined by the legislature except agricultural and grazing lands which shall be valued according to the capability of the land to produce agricultural products under normal conditions. The percentage of value prescribed for industrial property shall not be more than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for residential real property or more than forty percent (40%) higher nor more than four (4) percentage points more than the percentage prescribed for all other property other than minerals.

(c) Except as provided in this subsection the legislature shall not create new classes or subclasses or authorize any property to be assessed at a rate other than the rates set for authorized classes. The legislature may create a subclass of residential real property for owner occupied primary residences.

(d) All taxation shall be equal and uniform within each class and subclass of property. The legislature shall prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation for taxation of all property, real and personal.

**Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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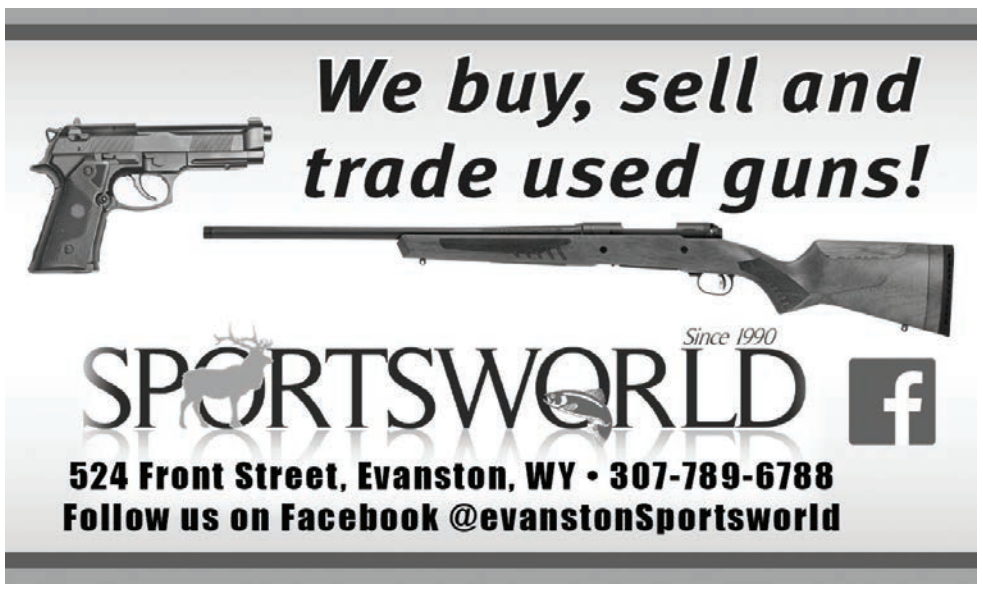

## HOROSCOPES

**ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20**
You are the master of leaping before looking, Aries, and this week is no different. You are not satisfied with hanging back and assessing the situation before acting. You're right in the mix.

**TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21**
Taurus, do not pretend to be a neutral party when two people come up to you seeking advice. You are too loyal to avoid taking sides, but it could affect the relationship with the other person.

**GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21**
Gemini, it may be time to step in and help a loved one refocus their energies. Rather than let them dwell on a difficult situation, work to offer them a new perspective.

**CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22**
Use the past as motivation to make some serious changes in your life, Cancer. This is the week to begin plotting a few ideas that can have a large impact.

**LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23**
Leo, there may be some room in the budget for a few splurges this week. As long as you do not go too overboard, you can snag that item that you have had your eyes on for some time.

**VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22**
Don't be so sure that you've examined every detail and checked them multiple times, Virgo. Your plan has to be foolproof for it to work. Run it by another set of eyes.

**LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23**
Libra, if no one is asking for advice right now, it's best to leave your life coach tendencies on the side. If and when someone needs your help, you can believe they'll come calling.

**SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22**
Scorpio, you have big news and you're ready to tell the world. Hold it in a little longer so that your audience will be chomping at the bit to hear what you have to say.

**SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21**
Sagittarius, it can be challenging for you to avoid the soap opera that is seemingly unfolding around you right now. Do your best to stay out of the fray for the time being.

**CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20**
Capricorn, if someone in your social circle is in need of a new perspective, you may have to speak up and help get them on a better path. Take this responsibility seriously.

**AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18**
You have come a long way in a short time, Aquariuss. Keep up the hard work and you will continue to see results you can be proud of.

**PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20**
Pisces, you will have to try to tune out the static all around you this week and concentrate on the things you need to accomplish. There is no wiggle room for distractions right now.

**FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS**

**AUGUST 18**
Madelaine Petsch, Actress (30)

**AUGUST 19**
John Stamos, Actor (61)

**AUGUST 20**
Demi Lovato, Singer (32)

**AUGUST 21**
Usain Bolt, Athlete (38)

**AUGUST 22**
Dua Lipa, Singer (29)

**AUGUST 23**
Andrew Rannells, Actor (46)

**AUGUST 24**
Chad Michael Murray, Actor (43)

# Opinion

## I love summer

By Trena Eiden

I love summer, and I know you'll find this hard to believe, but in summer I rarely whine. Clarifying … I rarely whine about mosquitos. Some places, like Jackson, don't have mosquitos, but they're green-thinking, so they don't give out trade secrets.

Do they put pellets in the water? They aren't saying. They aren't even hinting. But we know they're doing something because the Teton County old timers reminisce about the days of hordes of mosquitos. We, on the other hand, are living the old days. We have biting pests galore, forcing us to bundle up for flower watering, or to turn on a garden hose or sit on the veranda. I still love summer.

We try to stay home during our warm months since our summers are so short with so few really warm days, but sometimes we end up traveling to see one or more of our offspring in the hot south. You've never really felt heat until you're in Texas, on pavement, in August.

Our Texas kids live a couple of miles from the ocean on the Gulf Coast. One afternoon it was over 90 degrees with 100% humidity. I was dumb enough to be outside sweeping the patio and sweating like it was my only job, except I wasn't being paid.

Earlier, the girls, Pen and Avy, at age 5, helped me move their toys, then wisely disappeared under the trees' shady canopy, to airily swing in the relative coolness. As I worked, they quietly watched and possibly wondered how they got stuck with a Grammy who, since she was working in the sweltering temperatures, was quite possibly the dimmest person to come down the pike.

In fact, I'm certain this was their thought because their Great Granny Yvonnie came out, took note of the situation and admonished the twins, "Girls, Grammy is working so hard and it's hot." The little girls, still gently swinging, nodded in the affirmative. Not the slightest ashamed or embarrassed, Pen agreed, "Yeah, we're not working 'cause it's hot." Duh, Grammy. Catch a clue.

Our Colorado kids came to stay for a few days and, when any of the grands come, I always ask what they want to eat. This time Dane asked for sourdough pancakes and asked if could he take some starter home.

My starter goes back to the days of my summer just after high school graduation. Ray Lewis was a sweet old man working for the Forest Service and putting up with my shenanigans. We built fence and planted trees, and he made sourdoughs every morning.

I was too lazy to get out of bed at sunrise, so he'd make mine, put butter on them and a sprinkle of sugar and roll them up in a paper towel. When I finally made it up, he'd have them by the wood stove staying warm.

My starter came from his starter which makes it ancient, but I've been telling the kids I'm only 39. I have offspring older than me — and they'd tell you they're aware.

Dane's little sister, Quinn, asked for a strawberry pie, even though, according to her mom, she'd never had strawberry pie cross her lips. We compromised and had a strawberry pound cake whipped cream trifle. Quinn didn't know the difference, and I didn't have to work very hard, so it was a win.

Then our daughter, Lunny, came and we camped. I'd say we relaxed, but only I relaxed. She climbed a mountain to 10,000 feet in a little over an hour with a 45-degree vertical. I'm only guessing, because to be accurate I'd have to use trigonometry, and we all know where that would get us.

As for Lunny, why does she feel the need to make me look bad? Probably because it's easy since I was content to sit eating s'mores. I fixed her wagon. I arranged chilly weather. It was freezing mountain mornings and daily highs were in the 60s. Then she got me back when we left the house at 3

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## Wyoming job creators need IRS to do its job

By Ryan Taylor

As someone who works in Washington, D.C., I see a lot of government dysfunction firsthand. But there are few things I find more frustrating than when bureaucrats get in the way of job creators and their livelihoods.

Case in point: we're seeing a regulatory red tape rodeo with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) right now, screwing up the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) and leaving many Wyoming small businesses in the lurch.

Congress set up the ERC benefit in March 2020 as part of the bipartisan Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, to help businesses retain workers during the pandemic.

The federal government has been using the ERC program since Hurricane Katrina in 2005 as a practical way to help employers keep their employees on the payroll during crisis and natural disasters.

In Wyoming and throughout America, the ERC program has been a lifeline for millions of Americans and has kept restaurants, hardware stores, childcare centers, homebuilders, and other key businesses and industries open.

Unfortunately, the IRS is mishandling ERC claims processing, and communities are paying the price. There are currently tens of billions in unclaimed funds and over 1.4 million claims pending, with some business owners waiting years for the support they were promised.

Instead of using its vast resources to deliver tax relief to American job creators, the IRS announced a moratori-

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## Have you hugged an engineer lately?

By Danny Tyree

I'm sure the summer break will fly by faster than the drone my son Gideon has been maneuvering.

Gideon recently received his bachelor's degree in mechatronics engineering and — after a short breather — will plunge into the graduate program in engineering management.

My wife and I are proud of his achievement, especially since our involvement grew to be more about food, lodging and grant applications and less about homework assistance. Yes, his oppressive courses in calculus, linear algebra and statistics were soon "above our pay grade."

Sure, I was probably the fourth-best math student in my high school class, but since college, my skills have atrophied to the point that I require a cheat sheet just to sing "99 Bottles of Beer on the Wall."

Since grade school — even before he discovered reruns of "My Three Sons" (featuring Fred MacMurray as widowed aeronautics engineer Steven Douglas) — Gideon has unswervingly declared engineering to be his future. And I must admit that the goal has made a dandy conversational icebreaker. People either make corny jokes about cabooses or blurt out, "What in the

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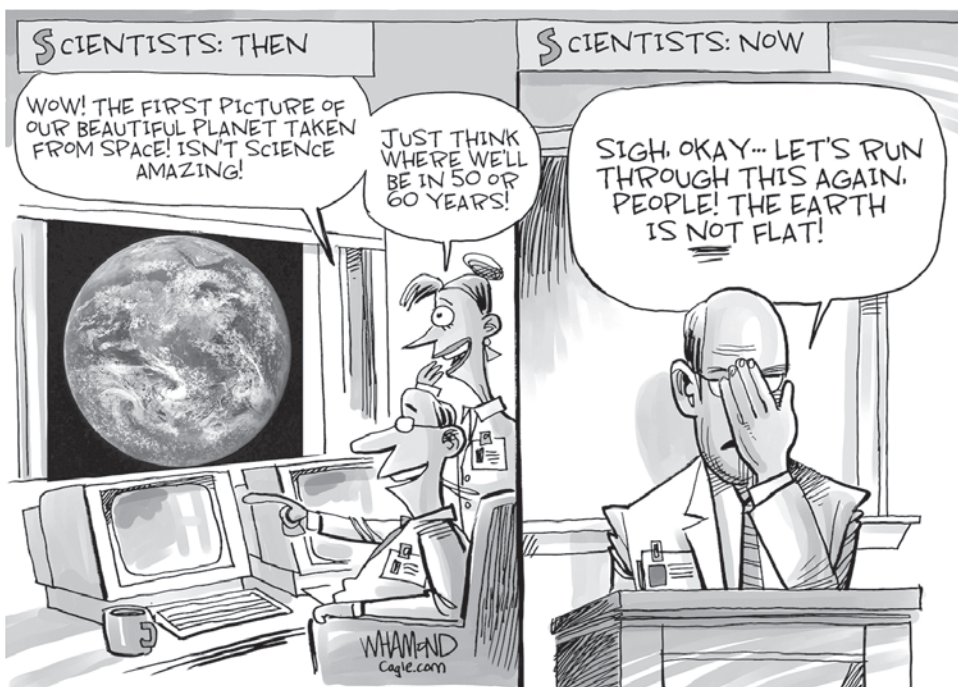


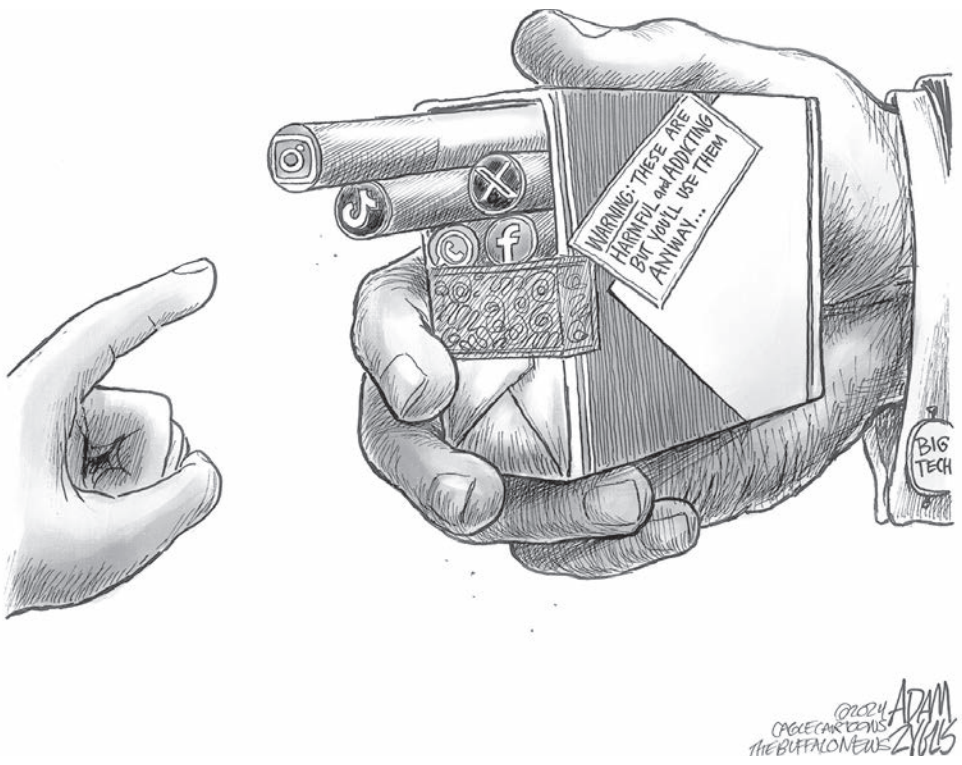


## For the love — and hate — of Donald Trump

MAKING SENSE

BY MICHAEL REAGAN

For Democrats this historic election is about only one issue — Trump.

Whoever wins the White House, it won't be because of issues like high inflation, trillion-dollar annual budget deficits or the humiliation of Afghanistan.

It's going to come down to one simple but big thing — how many Americans love Kamala Harris and how many hate Donald Trump.

Democrats know that if they can convince voters to hate Trump more than they hate high interest rates, higher taxes and the open border, Harris will win.

It won't matter if she makes a fool of herself in a future interview with Jake Tapper, has a disastrous TV debate with Trump or never says an unscripted word to a journalist between now and election day.

Republicans, meanwhile, know that if they can convince more voters to love Trump, he wins.

Trump is strong on the core Republican issues, and he already has the MAGA Nation solidly in his corner.

But to defeat Harris he needs to get millions of other non-Republican voters to love him.

He has to win over the independents, the suburban women and the conservative Democrats who've had their fill of Biden-Harris failures at home and abroad.

Only Trump can capture the hearts of the noncommitted. But to do it, he needs to make some serious changes.

He needs to stop arguing like a teen-age boy over his crowd sizes. It's stupid — and no one but him cares anymore.

He has to stop calling Kamala Harris dumb. It may be true, and it may get the people who already love him excited.

But nicknaming Harris "Lyin' Kamala" is not the best way to endear yourself to voters who are still uncommitted.

Trump should let his 30-second campaign ads deliver the dirt and the insults, not him.

He should concentrate on tying her to all the policy failures of the last four years — everything from cancelling college loan debts to the war on COVID.

He should hit her on how she blew it as the Border Czar.

And he should constantly remind people how Harris lied to the public by pretending Biden was sharp as a tack — right up until he proved he was no longer capable of running for re-election.

But to win more love and affection, and the election, Trump has to tone down, lift up, soften and streamline his campaign style and his core message.

He needs to realize it's 2024 — not 2015. His rambling, jokey, folksy, 90-minute speeches no longer cut it.

Instead of feeding his addiction to his followers' applause, he should be delivering punchy, 30-minute speeches that discuss the dinner-table issues people care about and talk about — inflation, illegal immigration, schools, war and taxes.

Nobody cares about tariffs. Nobody. Most people don't even understand what they are.

He needs to find a great speechwriter like Peggy Noonan or Ted Sorensen and become more like Reagan or JFK and less like Trump.

It may still make him feel good to be speaking to adoring crowds of 40,000 like it's 2016 again.

But if the uncommitted voter at the dinner table isn't clearly hearing his message today, and isn't deciding that Trump deserves a little love, Trump is going to lose.

He needs someone to write him a short, sweet but powerful stump speech targeted at Republicans and the uncommitted voters the GOP needs. He should deliver it over and over again — and he should stick to what is written on the teleprompter.

Democrats had problems when Biden went off script. He would say things that would even make Nancy Pelosi cringe and force the White House to clean up his weekly gaffes.

Well, Trump's no different. When he goes off script, he makes a lot of faithful Republicans cringe. The uncommitted voters he'll need to win in November are much less forgiving.

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# News

## Western announces 65th anniversary celebration

Western Wyoming Community College (Western) recently announced its 65th anniversary celebration for Sept. 7, from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. As a cornerstone of education in southwest Wyoming, Western has been empowering students for over six decades.

In celebration of this milestone, Western invites our communities to join in on the celebration and day of fun. The day will include a roller rink, live music, pickleball and cornhole tournaments, food trucks, fireworks, and more.

Those wanting to participate in the pickleball tournament will need to register by Sept. 3, the entry fee for pickleball is $25 per person. All proceeds go toward the cost of the tournament and any additional dollars will be donated to Western Wyoming College Foundation for scholarships.

Winners will receive cash prizes. All players must be eighteen years of age or older. For further information about the tournaments and to register visit westernwyoming.edu/65anniversary.

The day offers a variety of events for attendees to enjoy. Event highlights also include a neon roller rink with equipment checkout available, face painting by theater students, free use of Western's aquatic center, carnival games, fireworks, and more.

Western Pres. Dr. Kirk Young will serve a treat to the first 65 people in Western Commons from 2-3 p.m. Various local food trucks will be onsite for the event along with a beer garden in Western Commons for those 21 years and older.

Live music will take place throughout the day with Phony Stark Industries DJ-ing through the afternoon and Atlas Falls playing from 6:30-9 p.m.

## ENGINEER / from A4

world is mechatronics?" Well, an article from Spiceworks.com describes mechatronics as "an interdisciplinary career path where technical professionals combine their mechanical engineering and electronics knowledge to design and develop new products, systems and hardware."

Mechatronics engineers participate in all stages of product development, from conception to testing to manufacture to "Well, if nobody wants the hunk of junk at the garage sale, we'll program a robot to leave it and a bushel of zucchini on a neighbor's doorstep after midnight."

Mechatronics engineering requires a tremendous amount of teamwork, and Gideon has seen the good, the bad and the forgot-to-wear-a-pocket-protector of that reality. Isn't it great to have a job where you get to design the bus that your teammates throw you under?

But let's not heap all the attention on mechatronics. We should salute all the branches of engineering. Bridges, roads and dams keep civil engineering top of mind, but let's not forget chemical, petroleum, aerospace, biomedical, computer, industrial and other subdivisions of engineering.

I know TV's favorite physicist Sheldon Cooper looks down upon "mere" engineers; but engineers are problem-solvers who accentuate innovation, efficiency and sustainability. And the secret ingredient is love. Or, in the case of "Lefty" Llewellyn, three fingers that really would have appreciated proper safety protocols.

Engineers are indispensable to modern society. Without our engineers, the world would be a much harsher, more primitive place. ("Supper will be ready an hour after a lightning bolt sets a log on fire.")

Mind you, I'm glad there were humanities students in Gideon's graduation line. As a writer and history buff, I know that the world is much richer for having artists, actors, sociologists, philosophers and others with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Not everyone has to be a STEM major.

Still, there's only a finite need for folks who debate, "How many angels can dance on the head of a nuclear reactor that's melting down?" or for grads who announce, "Here's my interpretive dance about cattle dying because no one thought to construct a reservoir."

Anyway, the next time you encounter an engineer, be sure to give them a big hug. That will distract them as you slip zucchini into their back pocket.

Start with six, which is one less than… than … well, never mind, math nerd!

*Danny Tyree welcomes email responses at tyreetyrades@aol.com and visits to his Facebook fan page "Tyree's Tyrades."*

## IRS / from A4

um on processing new ERC claims in September 2023.

While the IRS is sitting on between 180,000-300,000 valid claims, they have decided to prioritize issuing denial letters for potentially fraudulent claims. The result is that small businesses who were promised the tax credit continue to languish.

Compounding the problem is the fact that 70% of small businesses nationwide have less than four months of operating cash on hand, according to a recent study conducted by OnDeck.

This is important because of the trickle-down effect this has on the rest of the economy. Small businesses owners who are facing a cash crunch are less likely to consider expanding their business, buying new equipment, or hiring new staff.

I'll be the first to say that instances of fraud and abuse should not be tolerated. Fraud should be rooted out and prosecuted wherever it exists in government programs.

But the IRS cannot simply disregard legitimate, low-risk ERC claims and subvert the will of Congress by focusing exclusively on invalid claims. After all, the IRS' workforce of 78,000 employees is more than capable of processing these low-risk claims in a timely manner.

I grew up in Wyoming, and I know that small businesses are the engine of Wyoming's economy, driving innovation, creating jobs, and serving as the backbone of the state's communities. These job creators are our family, our friends, and our neighbors.

Let's stand together and demand that the IRS be held to account and made to do its job. If the IRS doesn't follow the law, it is breaking it.

*Ryan Taylor is CEO of 440 Strategies and was raised in Rawlins. He serves as the spokesman for the Coalition to Preserve American Jobs (CPAJ), a national group comprised of associations representing small businesses and responsible tax professionals.*

## SUMMER / from A4

a.m. to get her to the airport for her 6 a.m. flight. The things we do for those we love. That's the mantra the kids use whenever they come for a visit.

It's interesting, people often say, "Lunny looks just like you." Please, she has no wrinkles — and she's nice.

Then I snapped a few photos around the campfire when smoke got in her eyes. As she squinted, scowled and grimaced, I realized she does resemble me — judgmental, inflexible, doubting and snarky. A chip off the ol' block.

**NOTICE:**

**Change of Meeting Date**

South Lincoln Hospital District
Regular Monthly Meeting
**Tuesday, September 3**
at 6 p.m. in the Hospital Board Room

**BOARD VACANCY**

Due to the resignation of a current member, the Board of Trustees of South Lincoln Hospital District will be accepting letters of intent from local area residents wishing to serve on the Board. Interested persons must reside within the boundaries of the district. The term of office will be from September 2024 until the next election in November 2026.

Letters of interest may be addressed to President, Board of Trustees, c/o Tori Nielson, Administrative Assistant, South Lincoln Medical Center, 711 Onyx Street, Kemmerer, WY 83101.
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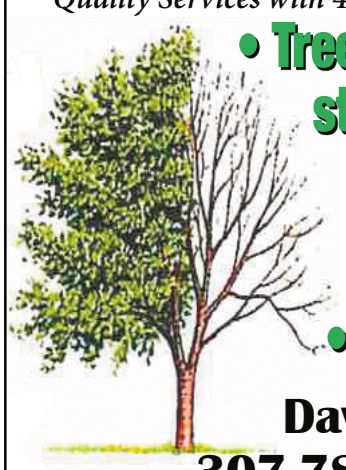

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If you or a loved one is suffering from addiction, or are suffering because of a loved one's addictions, there is hope, help, and healing. Recovery Meeting: Sundays 6:30 PM. Spouse and Family Support: Sundays 6:30 PM. Location: Kemmerer Stake Center, 1584 3rd West Ave, Diamondville, Wyoming. Anonymous Phone Support Recovery Meeting 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 97288584831 ## Sundays: 5:00 PM. Anyone 18 years of age and older is welcome.

**Kemmerer Rotary Club**
Club Officers: President-Amy Schaffarzick, President-Elect-Jaycee Romrell, Secretary-Traci Countryman, Treasurer-Anne Bluemel. Meets at Noon every Wednesday at the Hospital.

**Fossil Basin Promotion Board for Tourism**
will meet the second Thursday of the month, at Diamondville Town Hall and/or Zoom at 6 pm. Call 916-718-9535 for the Zoom link or cornerpethealth@gmail.com. For updates and our newsletter, please search info@fossilbasin.org

**United Mine Workers of America Local #1307**
Meets the 3rd Friday of every month at the Search & Rescue building in Diamondville at 4:30 p.m.

**American Legion Post 55/Kemmerer, Wyoming**
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at Wyoming Fossils, 921 Pine Avenue. For more information contact Robert Bowen at 254-223-3204.

**Fossil Basin Chamber Of Commerce**
For information on meetings and joining the Chamber, please email fossilbasinchamberofcommerce@outlook.com. For more information contact Nichole Anderson (307) 429-0440 or Jessica Lozier at (307) 679-0626.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**
AA meets every Thursday at 6 p.m.at St. James Episcopal Church on the corner of Pearl & Cedar.

**Kemmerer Masonic Lodge #33 AF & AM**
Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month except July and August. Coffee social at 7 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM. Located at 607 Pine Ave, across from Ridleys, all members and sojourners are invited to attend. For more information -Charlie Custer 307-723-2626 or Seth Snyder Senior Warden 307-460-1463.

**Kemmerer Food Bank**
Open the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month from 1-3 p.m. Located on the corner of Pearl & Cedar in the basement of the Episcopal Church. For more information call 307-723-7960.

**Kemmerer Eagles-F.O.E and Auxillary**
Men's meeting the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, Women's meetings the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at the Aerie Hall on Klondyke St. Call 307-877-4712 for more information. Joint meetings the 2nd Monday of each month.

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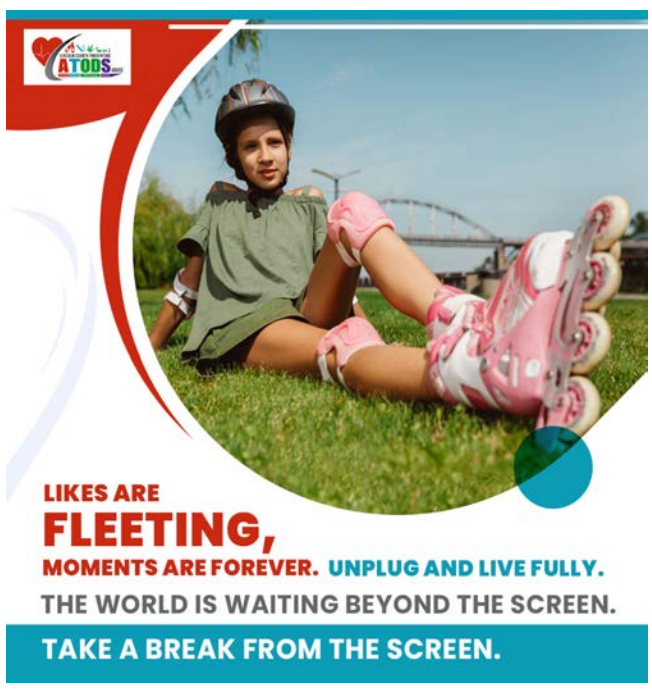

The graduated KHS Classes of 1960 thru 1966 plus 1969 had a very enjoyable joint reunion enhanced by support from some local establishments.

We want to give a big thanks to the following: City of Diamondville for the use of the City Park and Pavilion, the Opera House Store for their terrific catering of meals for the reunion, Willow Springs Natural Artesian Spring Water for providing the water for the event, Kemmerer High School for the memorable tours, Hamsfork Museum for the guided tours of the newly renovated facility, Senior Center for the use of their coffee urns, and all the other local folks who made us feel "back at Home."

***Thank you all!***

# News

## EDUCATORS

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ly attended to. The most challenging aspect of his preparations is the concern of potentially overlooking something crucial.

A cherished memory of his is the memorable rope course adventure with staff and students, which highlighted the strong community spirit at New Frontier. He said he takes great pride in witnessing his students' growth and achievements, and his support for their programs and activities reflects his deep commitment to their success.

When it comes to cafeteria favorites, Hartung has a soft spot for the chili and cinnamon rolls that bring a touch of comfort to the school day.

Melissa Soelter, a dedicated Title I teacher for K-6th grade with a decade of experience, is eagerly anticipating the new school year, driven by her enthusiasm for utilizing new resources. For her, the best part of preparing for the year ahead is the opportunity to start fresh, embracing the potential for new beginnings and growth.

She diligently prepares by sourcing new materials and making early plans to ensure a smooth transition. The hardest part of the preparation process is managing the feeling of never having quite enough time to accomplish everything.

Soelter takes great pride in completing her trainings for Orton-Gillingham and LETRS, accomplishments that have significantly enhanced her teaching practice. Her school spirit shines through her active participation in student council days, and when it comes to cafeteria favorites, she delights in the classic straw hats.

Suzanne Johnstone, a devoted kindergarten teacher with a decade of experience, is brimming with excitement for the new school year as she anticipates the fresh opportunities and new students she'll encounter.

Amanda Aimone

Melissa Soelter

Cody Hartung

Nikki Stewart

Linda Lewis

Suzanne Johnstone

The most rewarding part of preparing for the year is the prospect of guiding a new group of young learners and watching them grow, even though she will miss her previous students. Johnstone's preparation routine involves backwards planning, decorating, and setting up her classroom to create a welcoming and engaging environment.

The hardest aspect of getting ready for the new school year is readjusting to an early morning schedule. Johnstone said she cherishes the moments when she forms meaningful connections with her students and witnesses their eagerness to learn.

She takes great pride in helping each child reach their highest potential. Her school spirit is evident in her enthusiastic participation in spirit days and morning cheers, and she delights in the salad bar when it comes to cafeteria fare.

Nikki Stewart, an enthusiastic tech para at Canyon Elementary School, is gearing up for her fourth year in the role with palpable excitement, particularly about meeting the new kindergarten students.

For Stewart, the most enjoyable part of preparing for the school year is exploring and implementing all the fresh ideas that come with it. To ensure she's ready for the bustling start of the academic year, she takes a well-deserved vacation to rest and recharge.

The busiest part of her preparation involves making sure all the pieces are in place. Among her favorite memories are the engaging reading days that bring joy and learning to her students. An accomplishment that fills Stewart with immense pride is being recognized as "the world's greatest aunt" and her active involvement in student council.

Canyon Elementary staff said they're excited for the new school year. Pictured are resource room teacher Sarah Herrera, lunchroom worker Diana Hunter, administrative assistant Kelsey Miller and administrative assistant Courtney Eisenbarth. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Rana Jones)

Her school spirit shines through her participation in dressing up for events, helping to plan spirit days, and consistently being present to support her school community. When it comes to cafeteria favorites, Stewart enjoys the classic straw hats, a treat that adds a touch of comfort to her school days.

At Canyon Elementary School, a dedicated team of staff members brings a wealth of enthusiasm and commitment to the new school year. Sarah Herrera, a resource room teacher with nine years of experience, is eagerly anticipating the chance to meet new students and leverage her master's degree in special education to make a meaningful impact.

Diana Hunter, who has been an integral part of the lunchroom team for three years, and Courtney Eisenbarth, a secretary who has been with the school for four years, share a similar excitement about welcoming fresh faces to the school.

Eisenbarth fondly recalls the joy of celebrating the end of COVID protocols and the excitement of assembly celebrations, while Kelsey Miller, the school's other secretary with four years at Canyon, cherishes the memorable mother-son date night events.

Despite the thrill of starting anew, the team acknowledges that adjusting to early alarm clocks and reestablishing routines can be challenging. Their school spirit is evident in their participation in sporting events and their tradition of wearing Rangers gear on Fridays.

When it comes to cafeteria favorites, they all enjoy the comfort of Frito pie, Malibu chicken, and the ever-popular salad bar, adding a touch of enjoyment to their busy school days.

Phil Thatcher, a seasoned educator embarking on his 22nd year, is shifting his focus entirely to teaching Physical Education at KJSHS this year, though he has also taught social studies in the past.

He is thrilled about the opportunity to deepen his involvement in fostering student leadership and reinforcing the school culture. Thatcher said the best part of preparing for the new school year is witnessing how his students have grown since the previous year and building new relationships with them.

His meticulous preparation includes reviewing the curriculum, ensuring all PE equipment is in top shape, staying physically fit to actively engage with students, and managing his extensive coaching responsibilities. While he acknowledges that the hardest part is the significant reduction in time spent with his family, he finds comfort in knowing they likely enjoy the quieter home.

Thatcher said his favorite moments come from watching students surpass their own expectations, whether in sports or academics, and celebrating team successes like the football state titles in 2005 and 2007 and the recent girls' track state title.

His deep commitment to school spirit is evident in his extensive collection of Rangers gear and his presence at various school events. Among his cafeteria favorites, Thatcher has a soft spot for straw hats, a dish he could happily enjoy in large quantities.


INSURANCE | HEALTH INSURANCE 101- TIPS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Becoming an adult can be intimidating. There's paying bills, living on your own, and setting up your own health care for the first time. After years of going to a doctor chosen by your parents, it can be confusing to know what to do when it is time to take charge of your own health. If you are looking at signing up for health insurance through an employer or looking for a plan on your own, the amount of options can be overwhelming.

First, let's discuss some terms. The following terms will be important to know when comparing plans and prices.

**Deductible-** the amount you owe for health care services before your health plan starts to pay.

**Premium-**the amount you pay for your health insurance every month.

**Copay-** a fixed amount you pay for a covered health care service.

**Coinsurance-** is the percentage you will pay for covered health services after you have met your annual deductible.

**Provider-** a licensed health care facility, program, agency, doctor or health professional that delivers health care services.

**In-network providers-** are providers that have a contract with your insurer to provide services for plan members at a certain cost.

**Out of network providers-** are providers that are not contracted with your insurer to accept negotiated prices. This means that you may have to pay more or the full amount for services received from an out of network provider.

**Out of Pocket Maximum-** is the total amount of deductibles/coinsurance that you will be responsible for before the plan pays 100% of eligible charges.

**Affordable Care Act (ACA)-** The ACA was a law enacted in 2010 to increase health insurance coverage for the uninsured.

**Marketplace-** the Health Insurance Marketplace, is a federal government service that helps people, families and small businesses compare and enroll in ACA health insurance plans.

**Qualified Health Plan (QHP)-** is an insurance plan that meets the requirements of the ACA and is certified by the Health Insurance Marketplace, provides essential health benefits (EHBs), follows established limits on costs sharing, and meets other requirements outlined within the application process.

**Major Medical Plans-** are plans that are typically offered through the Marketplace or employers. This type of insurance covers the majority of health care services and procedures you might encounter in a given year. It includes preventive care, emergency room and urgent care.

**Supplemental Care Plans-** are plans that can help pay for healthcare costs that aren't covered by your primary health insurance. Some examples of supplemental plans would be vision, dental, disability, long-term or short-term care. Supplemental plans must provide a disclosure saying it is not major medical and will not cover all health costs.

Now, how do you find the right coverage? You may have an employer that offers health care coverage. In these instances, meet with your Human Resources Representative to discuss what is offered. You should specifically ask about coverage related to the terms above. For instance, what will be your deductible? What is the monthly premium? Do they have a list of in-network providers? A lower deductible may result in higher premiums, so can you afford a higher deductible? Your employer HR representative can help you with all of these questions.

Maybe you are turning 26, and no longer qualify for coverage under your parent/guardians plan and you don't have the option of an employer plan. In this situation, it is good to discuss options with an individual that specializes in health insurance. In Wyoming, you can reach out to Enroll WY. They can help you understand what marketplace insurance is and why it is the best solution for those who qualify. They can also help you get a quote on what insurance will cost and navigate the marketplace application process. ***https://enrollwyo.org/***

Perhaps Medicaid is an option. Medicaid is based on your household income, family size and other factors. You can reach out to the Wyoming Department of Health for more information on the Medicaid program. Call ***1-855-294-2127*** to apply for these benefits.

Other health insurance options maybe coverage directly from an insurance company. There are many agents and brokers in Wyoming that could assist you with finding coverage. The Department of Insurance has a health insurance shoppers guide and a "what to ask when shopping for health insurance" guide. You can find these at ***https://doi.wyo.gov/consumers***

Most importantly, not all plans are the same. Do not assume that all insurers offer the same coverage. There are many different plans that cover many different health issues and situations. The most important thing you can do is READ THE PLAN. If you do not understand the plan, ask questions and keep asking until you are sure you understand the coverage.

You may also come across information that sounds like a health plan, but it is not insurance. An example would be Health Care Sharing Ministries. They offer coverage through membership. When health care expenses arise you can request that the ministry or other members share part of the cost. However, the ministry is not legally obligated to pay for your health care costs.

Finally, going for the cheapest plan may seem like a good idea, but if it doesn't cover what you need, it can be premium payments wasted. If you have a high deductible you should be prepared and able to pay that amount. The shoppers guide at the DOI link above can help you walk through and determine what you need for healthcare coverage.

Shopping for insurance can be a bit overwhelming. However with some help from the resources available to you, you can find a plan that will provide the right coverage when you need it.

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# News

# BLM taking final comments on multi-billion dollar project

## *Pacific Soda wants to build trona mine near Green River*

**By Zak Sonntag**
*Casper Star-Tribune*
*Via Wyoming News Exchange*

**CASPER —** A multi-billion dollar trona production project in Sweetwater County is nearing the finish line.

Pacific Soda LLC's Dry Creek Trona Mine Project would produce approximately 440 metric tons of sodium bicarbonate (baking soda) and 6 million metric tons of soda ash annually. Soda ash is a highly marketable commodity with applications ranging from glass manufacturing to metallurgy and cosmetics.

The project, first proposed in 2020, is in a race against the clock to win approval before the Bureau of Land Management updates its Rock Springs Resource Management Plan, which could prioritize conservation in a way that makes large scale developments like the Dry Creek project harder to pursue, local officials believe.

The proposal is now in its final 45-day public comment period with the BLM, and if approved would significantly increase the state's trona output. Wyoming is currently the nation's top supplier of trona, and industry investment could soon make it top in the world.

The globe's largest supplier of natural soda ash, London-based We Soda, is also nearing approval for its Project West development in Green River, which could add up to three million tons of Cowboy State trona to international markets each year.

Different from conventional hard rock trona mining, both Green River proposals would employ "solution mining" technology in which water cocktails are injected into mineral beds as deep as 2,300 feet below the surface, where trona is dissolved into solution and pumped back to the surface for processing.

The company estimates there are more than 200 million metric tons of trona in reserve across the Dry Creek project area, which would yield output for decades at the expected extraction rate.

The project would disturb approximately 3,369 acres of private land, 2,947 acres of BLM-administered lands, and 9 acres of land administered by the U.S. Forest Service, all within Sweetwater County.

(COURTESY PHOTO/Wyoming Mining Association)

The company initially proposed co-locating mining and processing facilities, but the BLM's preferred alternative would see many of the processing facilities — including a refinery, purge pond, landfill, stormwater pond and utility co-generation infrastructure — moved to an area north of I 80, approximately 8 miles west of Green River and connected to the mine site by a pipeline.

The public comment period is expected to raise questions about wildlife impacts, including threatened fish species, sensitive wetland ecosystems and vegetation. The project also invites questions about water apportionment at a time when drought and increased demand is shifting the way states think about water in the west.

Green River trona projects are designated junior water rights holders, so in the event of "calls," or rations, on the Colorado and Green Rivers, trona operations would be among the first to lose rights.

"If there is a call on the river, they're going to be the one first to have to shut off their taps. They're going into this [knowing] that could happen," said Rep. JT Larson, R-Rock Springs, who also serves on the Sweetwater County Chamber of Commerce.

The company estimates it will need up to 4,796 gallons per minute, 24 hours a day and 7 days a week, during operations. The water right obtained by Pacific Soda allows for up to 14,500 acre-feet of water from Wyoming's Green River allotment.

Sweetwater County officials have high confidence the project will materialize and bring opportunity with it.

"We're really excited… to see our trona industry expand. It means more good paying jobs for our community, and these opportunities in our communities only come around every so often," said Larson.


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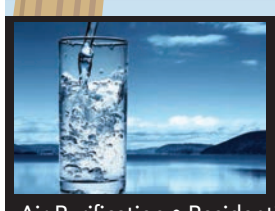

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### LINCOLN COUNTY, WYOMING

**GENERAL ELECTION DAY:** Tuesday, November 5, 2024
**AUGUST 1ST THROUGH AUGUST 22, 2024** - Candidate filing period for Kemmerer Senior Citizen Service District (file with County Clerk)
**AUGUST 7TH THROUGH AUGUST 26, 2024** - Candidate filing period for School Board Trustee (file with County Clerk) and for other Special District Director (file with Secretary of the Special District)
**LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE: Monday, October 21, 2024**
**VOTER REGISTRATION WILL BE PERMITTED AT THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY - MUST BRING ID**

**PARTISAN OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED**

| NO. | TITLE | TERM |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | President & Vice President of the United States | 4-year |
| 1 | U.S. Senator | 6-year |
| 1 | U.S. Representative | 2-year |
| 1 | State Senator SD #14 | 4-year |
| 1 | State Senator SD #16 | 4-year |
| 1 | State Representative HD #18 | 2-year |
| 1 | State Representative HD #20 | 2-year |
| 1 | State Representative HD #21 | 2-year |
| 1 | State Representative HD #22 | 2-year |
| 1 | County Commissioner | 4-year |
| | **NON-PARTISAN OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED** | |
| 2 | Retention of Supreme Court Judges | 8-year |
| 2 | Retention of Circuit Court Judges - Third Judicial Dist. | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Afton | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Alpine | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Cokeville | 4-year |
| 1 | Mayor, Town of Cokeville | 2-year (unexpired term |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Diamondville | 4-year |
| 1 | Mayor, City of Kemmerer | 4-year |
| 3 | Councilpersons, City of Kemmerer | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of LaBarge | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Opal | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Thayne | 4-year |
| 2 | Councilpersons, Town of Star Valley Ranch | 4-year |
| 3 | Trustees, School District #1 | 4-year |
| 1 | Trustee, School District #2 - At-Large | 4-year |
| 1 | Trustee, School District #2 - Residence Area #1 | 4-year |
| 1 | Trustee, School District #2 - Residence Area #3 | 4-year |
| 1 | Trustee, School District #2 - Residence Area #4 | 4-year |
| 3 | Trustees, School District #9 (Sublette County) | 4-year |
| 1 | Director, South Lincoln Cemetery District | 4-year |
| 3 | Directors, South Lincoln Cemetery District | 2-year |
| 3 | Directors, Cokeville Cemetery District | 4-year |
| 1 | Supervisor, Lincoln Conservation District - At-Large | 4-year |
| 2 | Supervisors, Lincoln Conservation District - Rural | 4-year |
| 2 | Supervisors, Star Valley Conservation District - Rural | 4-year |
| 2 | Trustees, South Lincoln Hospital District | 4-year |
| 3 | Trustees, North Lincoln Hospital District | 4-year |
| 3 | Trustees, Cokeville Hospital District | 4-year |
| 3 | Directors, South Lincoln Fire District | 4-year |
| 1 | Director, Bear River Fire District | 4-year |
| 1 | Director, Upper Valley Fire District | 4-year |
| 1 | Director, Mid-Valley Fire District | 4-year |
| 2 | Directors, Kemmerer Senior Citizen Service District | 4-year |

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT A:**
The adoption of this amendment would separate real property into its own class of property for purposes of property tax assessments. The amendment would authorize the legislature to createa subclass of owner occupied primary residences.

**LODGING TAX OPTION:**
Shall the City of Kemmerer, Lincoln County, State of Wyoming, continue to impose an additional 2% lodging tax upon the sales price paid for lodging services for the primary purpose of promoting local travel and tourism? This tax will be imposed for four (4) years.

Shall the Town of Diamondville continue to impose an additional 2% lodging tax upon the sales price paid for lodging services, the primary purpose of which is for the promotion of local travel and tourism? This tax will be imposed for four (4) years.

Shall the Town of Cokeville continue to impose an additional 2% sales tax upon the sales price paid for lodging services, the primary purpose of which is for the promotion of local travel and tourism? This tax will be imposed for four (4) years.

Shall the Star Valley Ranch Town Council, Governing Body for the Town of Star Valley Ranch, be authorized to enact a two percent (2%) lodging tax imposed on hotels, motels, campgrounds, dude ranches, bed and breakfasts, and similar establishments providing quarters or space for transient guests for the primary purpose of promoting travel and tourism in the Town of Star Valley Ranch? This tax will be imposed for four (4) years.

**MILL LEVY OPTION:**
Shall the South Lincoln Hospital District increase the District's Mill Levy from the current (4) mills to (6) mills to continue to provide funding to support the South Lincoln Hospital, Nursing Center, and Emergency Ambulance Services? This tax will be imposed for four (4) years.

**SPECIFIC PURPOSE ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES AND USE TAX:**
Shall Lincoln County, Wyoming, be authorized to adopt and cause to be imposed a one percent (1%) specific purpose sales and use excise tax within the County, the proceeds from which and the interest earned theron to be used and applied for funding acquisition of land (if necessary), the planning, engineering, constructing, remodeling, furnishing, equipping and supplying; and, to the extent allowed by law, the payment of operation and maintenance, debt service, federal and/or state grant funds or revenue streams as leverage or a match and/or or lease payments, in the following specific principal amounts for the following specific purposes:
For the following Projects in the amount of $23,354,078 and interest earned theron:
1. $4,000,000 to the Town of Afton for Canyon View Park improvements n the south side to include a new Bathroom, Pickleball Courts, and All Abilities outdoor playground space;
2. $1,665,000 to the Town of Alpine for the Palisades Riverwalk Feasibility and Design Project, Alpine Greenbelt Pathway Design and Construction Project, and Alpine Civic Center Backup Power Project.
3. $3,833,727 to the Town of Cokeville to Repave West Main Street and Collette Street, build a new ADA-accessible bathroom for Town Park, and replace the Main Water Line East from Highway 30 to well number 3 and the water line from Main Street north along Highway 30 to city limits.
4. $1,155,175 to the Town of Diamondville for the Town of Diamondville road resurface, repairs, and improvements to West Lincoln Street, Susie Ave, and W Hillcrest Ave. Replace a Truck Sander (Material spreader) for winter road maintenance.
5. $4,483,238 to the City of Kemmerer street/road projects as follows:
1) Repaving and rehabilitation of the following streets and roads: Elk Street (5th West Ave. to Canyon Road); Berry Drive (9th West Ave. and South to Del Rio Dr.); Canyon Road (Del Rio Dr. N. to Patch S. Side Antelope); Del Rio Drive (Canyon Road thru 9th West Ave. intersection); Canyon Road (Del Rio Drive South to 2016 patch); and 2) Reinforce retaining wall with Block Facing for MSE Wall on Sage Ave for safety purposes.
6. $1,647,938 to the Town of LaBarge for Back-up generators for the Town Hall, Fire Hall/ Clinic, and Water Treatment Plant. Replacement of non-compliant air masks (SCBA) for the fire department. A new fire engine to replace a portable rink for summer/winter entertainment for our community.
7. $169,000 to the Town of Opal for Town of Opal backup power for the water system, including the Town Hall, and upgrade backup power for the wastewater system;
8. $3,300,000 to the Town of Star Valley Ranch for Walking Paths that lead to forest trails, development of Town commons, and pavement of major arterial roads within the Town of Star Valley Ranch.
9. $3,100,000 to the Town of Thayne for Sports Complex (Indoor pickleball Courts, Indoor Soccer Fields, Office, Kids play area, and other recreation facilities)

**CAMPAIGN FILING REQUIREMENTS**
**October 29, 2024** - Candidates, candidate committees, PAC's are required to file a report before each election. **General Election Statement of Contributions and Expenditures due. EVERY** candidate, whether successful or not, must file a campaign report. ***This includes candidates who neither receive nor spend any money during the campaign.*** Candidates, committees, PACs etc. who fail to file the required report within the the stipulated time are subject to civil and other penalties. Any person who fails to file a report within the time required shall have their name printed on a list drafted by the appropriate filing office that will be made available to the public. In addition, that person has twenty-one (21) days from the date of notice to comply or be subject to civil penalties of $500 for failure to file a report with the secretary of state and $200 for failure to file a report with the county clerk. If you require assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability or inability to read or write, you may be given assistance by a person of your choice (other than the elector's employer or an agent of that employer or an officer or agent of the elector's union). If you have questions regarding the accessibility of your polling place, please contact the County Clerk's Office.
Absentee ballots may be requested through **November 4, 2024**. A ballot may be obtained by contacting the County Clerk's Office in writing or in person at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 925 Sage Ave., Ste. 101, Kemmerer, WY 83101, or by calling **307-877-2027** or or by e-mailing **april.brunski@lincolncountywy.gov**
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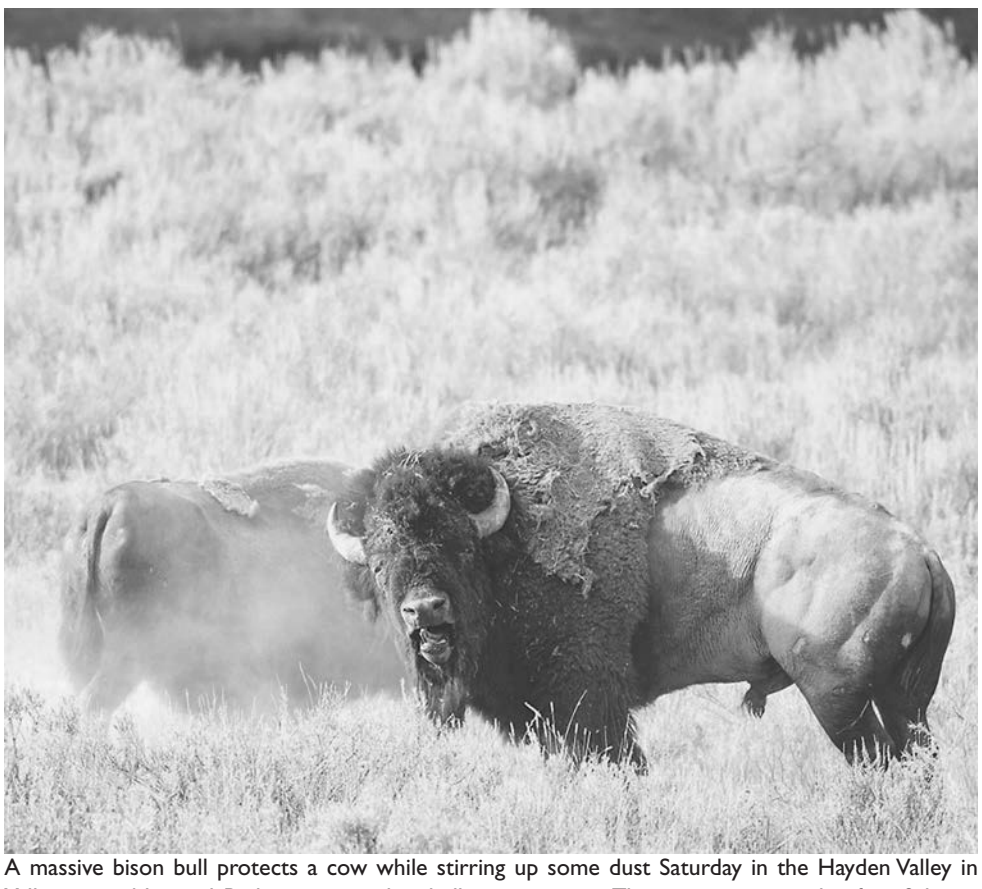
# Outdoors



A massive bison bull protects a cow while stirring up some dust Saturday in the Hayden Valley in Yellowstone National Park, warning other bulls to stay away. The massive mammals often fight — sometimes to the death — for the right to breed with cows that are ready to mate. The rut will likely continue in the park into September. (POWELL TRIBUNE/Mark Davis)

## The rut is on

**By Mark Davis**
*Powell Tribune*
*Via Wyoming News Exchange*

**POWELL —** While not intended for their human audience, the reverberating guttural warnings from massive bull bison during the rut in Yellowstone National Park should be enough to let visitors know these powerful wild animals are not to be challenged.

The rut lasts from mid-July through September, according to park officials.

Bulls will mate with multiple females over the course of a single season; however, female bison (cows) will mate with only one bull.

"It's important to remember that during the rut, bulls are on high alert and can get aggravated easily and the fights are not limited to off-pavement areas," park officials said in a recent post on social media.

Those living in or near the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem know better than to challenge the massive beasts. Yet, of the millions of visits to the park a year, there are a few who are willing to get within range of the unpredictable animals — especially during the rut.

Most of those who do have a physical encounter with the one-ton behemoths come to regret their decisions as they're being toted to the nearest hospital — often in an extremely expensive trip by helicopter.

On average, there are one to two reported incidents of bison injuring visitors annually.

The most in recent history was five injuries in 2015.

According to the U.S. Geological Survey, over the history of the national park (dating back to 1872) two people have been killed as a result of bison encounters.

Last June, shortly after the park opened all its gates for the year, an 83-year-old woman from South Carolina was gored and seriously injured by a bison that was defending its space, park officials said at the time.

Incidents are so frequent that a Cody pizza restaurant is named Tossers and features a logo of a tourist being tossed by a bison.

When viewed from the relative safety of a vehicle or the minimum distance of 25 yards (75 feet) prescribed by park regulations, the bison rut is one of the most memorable and accessible events at the nation's first national park. Of course, it's never close enough for those armed with cellphone cameras.

Few realize the animals are agile, can spin around quickly, jump high fences, are strong swimmers and can run at a top speed of 35 mph.

"Bison are unpredictable and can run three times faster than humans," according to a publication by Yellowstone Public Affairs Officer Morgan Warthin, recently released after a bison encounter resulted in serious injuries.

## G&F accepting nominations for hall of fame and youth conservationist award

**From the Wyoming Game and Fish Department**

**CHEYENNE —** The Wyoming Game and Fish Department is currently accepting nominations for the Wyoming Outdoor Hall of Fame and the newly created Youth Conservationist of the Year award. These initiatives aim to honor individuals who have made significant contributions to the state's outdoor heritage.

The Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made significant and lasting lifetime contributions to the conservation of Wyoming's outdoor heritage. The 2025 nominations are being accepted until Sept. 13.

"The Wyoming Outdoor Hall of Fame celebrates the many conservationists and sportspeople across Wyoming who work to ensure the wildlife resources in Wyoming remain for future generations," said Brian Nesvik, director of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. "As chair of the Outdoor Hall of Fame committee, I invite you to submit a nomination this year to honor a person who has given his or her life's work to Wyoming's outdoors."

Since 2004, the Outdoor Hall of Fame has recognized individuals who have worked consistently over many years to conserve Wyoming's natural resources through volunteer service, environmental restoration, educational activities, audio/visual and written media, the arts and political and individual leadership.

Nominees have the opportunity to join well-known inductees such as Curt Gowdy, Olaus and Mardy Murie, President Theodore Roosevelt and Bill Cody.

In addition to the Hall of Fame, the department is also seeking nominations for the Wyoming Youth Conservationist of the Year award, which honors a Wyoming resident 18 years or younger who has shown leadership and achievement in conservation. Anyone can nominate a young person for the award.

"Wyoming youth are making fantastic contributions to our state's outdoors and wildlife," said Nesvik. "This award recognizes young individuals already making a difference and encourages others to undertake conservation projects."

The induction ceremony for the Outdoor Hall of Fame and award presentation for Youth Conservationist of the Year will take place in Cody at the Buffalo Bill Center for the West in March 2025. Tickets will be available for the public to attend.

Nomination packets for both awards are available on the Game and Fish website. A selection committee comprising Game and Fish personnel, conservation organizations and community members committed to Wyoming's conservation will choose the inductee and Youth Conservationist of the Year.

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# KHS golfers shine at Green River Fall Invite

## *Wagner wins medalist honors; Christen, Benson Top 10*

**By Don Cogger**
*Gazette Sports Editor*

While Kemmerer High School may have had among the fewest number of golfers competing at the season-opening Green River Fall Invite last week, those that made the trip ensured that their school was well-represented.

Of the four KHS golfers who competed, three finished in the Top 10, including one golfer — freshman Tazlyn Wagner, playing in her first high school tournament — earning medalist honors. Senior Austin Christen finished seventh, while freshman Trevon Benson finished ninth.

"Unfortunately, we weren't able to field a full team this week, but I'm extremely happy with each golfer's individual performance," said KHS head coach Jonathan Willoughby. "All three possess a great deal of talent, so to be able to witness them compete at a high level was exciting."

Kemmerer's lone representative on the girls' side, Wagner — who's had a busy spring and summer competing on the regional tournament circuit — opened play Thursday at Rolling Green Country Club with a 78. She followed that Friday with a 73, giving her a two-day total of 151 — 10 strokes ahead of runner-up Jordan Horsley, of Star Valley.

"Tazlyn is a young golfer that shows she has put the work in from an early age," Willoughby said. "I was able to see her compete in the spring in our middle school division, and I was blown away. She had an amazing performance in Green River. There were moments where she took a step back, but she kept her head down and put together a wonderful two days. I expect her to compete at a high level each tournament, and work toward getting better and stronger each day this season. If she does that, she'll have a great season."

Though she's played in some big tournaments this summer — including the WSGA State Amateur in Evanston, the Junior World Championships at Torrey Pines and the 2024 Junior Golf Championship at the Trump National Doral Resort — she admitted to being a little nervous leading up to the first tee at Green River.

"There were some nerves going into the tournament, because this was the first time representing my school, and being at a tournament with no family," she said. "But the course played really well. It had amazing greens, which were a little challenging."

Wagner said she also enjoyed the opportunity to play with other girls from around the state — something she doesn't get to do very often.

"I play in Utah quite a bit, so I don't see many people from Wyoming," she explained. "It felt really good to win the tournament."

**GOLF, A10**

KHS golfers Austin Christen, Tazlyn Wagner and Trevan Benson had outstanding performances at the Green River Fall Invite last week, with all three placing in the Top 10. Wagner finished first, Christen was seventh and Benson was ninth. (COURTESY PHOTO)

# Shae Suiaunoa named to Butkus Award watch list

The 40th annual collegiate Butkus Award® selection process to identify the top linebacker in the country began today with release of the preseason watch list. Wyoming linebacker Shae Suiaunoa was named to the list as one of 51 players. (UW MEDIA-ATHLETICS)

## *Award goes to most outstanding linebacker in college football*

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Candidates for the collegiate Butkus Award represent 44 colleges and universities from across the country. The list includes two returning semi-finalists from 2023; Deontae Lawson of Alabama and Jay Higgins of Iowa. The watch list by conference includes; Big Ten (16), SEC (12), ACC (7) and Big 12 (7), along with candidates from four other conferences and an independent program. Seven schools are represented by teammates, including Alabama, Iowa, Kentucky, Ohio State, Oklahoma State, South Carolina and Utah.

Suiaunoa appeared in and started all 13 games for the Cowboys last season. He was named third team All-MW by Phil Steele. He ranked second on the team with 93 total tackles. He also added 5.5 tackles for loss, 2.5 sacks and an interception. He ranked tenth in the MW with 7.2 tackles per game. he had 10 or more tackles in three games last season.

He recorded a career-high 12 tackles for the Cowboys in the win over Texas Tech. He added 13 tackles against another ranked opponent in Fresno State and added 11 against Boise State. Suiaunoa recorded an interception against Colorado State. He recorded a season-high 1.5 tackles for loss in the win over Portland State.

Award semi-finalists are expected to be named November 4, with finalists named November 25 and the winner named by December 10. Appearing on the watch list is not a requirement to win the award. The 2024 Butkus Award winners at the high school, college and pro level will be honored at an event planned for early 2025 at Memorial Stadium at the University of Illinois as part of the Big Ten Network television special.

The 51-person Butkus Award selection committee comprised of coaches, scouts and journalists guides the selection process emphasizing qualities that defined Dick Butkus' career: toughness, on-field leadership, com

**AWARD, A10**

# Soccer Commences 2024 Season with 0-0 Draw at Washington

The University of Wyoming soccer team opened the 2024 regular season Thursday. The Cowgirls battled Washington to a 0-0 draw at Husky Stadium.

"This was another quality road opponent that tested us," head coach Josh Purdum said. "They were very physical, well sized and very athletic. They tested our backline right off the bat."

The result gives Wyoming an 0-0-1 beginning to the Purdum Era. And even though the Cowgirls failed to score, they weren't devoid of chances.

The two teams matched one another with 15 shots. The majority of those – a total of 19 – occurred during the second 45 minutes.

"What I'm most pleased with is how we didn't really lose focus on what we were trying to do," Purdum said. "We made some adjustments in the second half, played more like ourselves, and that created a more threatening presence against them. They had to adjust against us, which is a good feeling."

Wyoming's Alyssa Glover owned one of the game's prime scoring opportunities in the final 10 minutes, but her shot sailed just high. Maddi Chance drove a couple balls

**COWGIRLS, A10**

# Adversity built character for soccer seniors

**LARAMIE** — Alyssa Bedard is entering her fifth and final season playing for the Cowgirls.

The battle-tested senior forward from Rock Springs is also playing for her third head coach at Wyoming.

Bedard has been on a bumpy ride during her career.

Her true freshman season was delayed and shortened due to the pandemic. Then there was a coaching change.

Two years ago, she experienced the thrill of a Mountain West regular-season championship. Last fall she dealt with an agonizing 11th-place finish after the team was picked to win the conference. Then there was another coaching change.

"I think going through that, it was up and down and all these changes were a roller coaster," Bedard said. "There were definitely some hard times. I think the one thing that came out of it is the collective bond we have as a team. It brought us so close and that's going to show on the field this year."

UW athletics director Tom Burman hired Josh Purdum to take over the program on April 10. The new head coach immediately leaned on Bedard and the rest of the

**SENIORS, A10**

Fifth-year senior Alyssa Bedard is playing in her final season for the Cowgirls, under her third head coach in Josh Purdum. The Cowgirls opened the 2024 season Thursday at the University of Washington with a 0-0 draw. (UW MEDIA-ATHLETICS)

# Sports

Ranger senior Austin Christen and freshman Trevan Benson notched Top 10 finishes in the first tournament of the season last week, setting the stage for what will hopefully be a memorable season for both. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## GOLF/from A9

On the boys' side, Christen opened with a 75, and followed that with a 79, giving him a two-day total of 154, good enough for seventh place. Benson carded a 78 on Day 1, then shaved a stroke on Day 2 for a 77, finishing with a 155 to place ninth.

Bowman Sandall rounded out the Rangers contingent, carding a 108-105-213 to finish 77th.

"Austin, Trevan and Bowman had two great days," Willoughby said. "They took care of themselves. Made great decisions out there, and were able to put together two consistent rounds of golf. I expect each golfer to work hard and continue to improve throughout the season."

Kemmerer's JV golfers were in Afton Monday for a tournament, while the varsity will head to Pinedale Thursday and Friday for the Pinedale Invite.

"We will be able to be at full strength, and hopefully put together two competitive days," Willoughby said.

Lady Ranger freshman Tazlyn Wagner won the Green River Fall Invite last week, her first-ever high school tournament. Wagner carded a 78-73-151, and won the tournament by 10 strokes. (COURTESY PHOTO)

## SENIORS/from A9

seniors to help with the quick transition to the 2024 campaign.

It started off with a bang as the Cowgirls beat No. 3 BYU 1-0 in an exhibition match last Friday in Provo, Utah.

"Adversity builds character and there's a lot of character in this senior group," said Purdum, who was an assistant at rival Colorado State before crossing to the other side of the Border War for an opportunity to lead UW. "It's another reason why I wanted to take this job. The seniors have come in with a chip on their shoulder. They want to leave on a high note, they want to leave their careers with this season in mind. We're excited they're in a good spot to potentially push this program forward."

The Cowgirls open the regular season against Washington at 8 p.m. tonight in Seattle. The match will stream on B1G+.

Purdum inherited a daunting non-conference schedule that continues with at Colorado next Thursday before UW's home opener against South Dakota State on Aug. 25 at the Madrid Sports Complex.

The result against BYU, a team coming off an appearance in the national semifinals, gave the Cowgirls a confidence boost to begin the Purdum era.

"I'm excited for how the season is going to play out," junior defender Lily Brongo said. "Coming off of BYU, now we just have to show everybody that it wasn't just a one-time thing."

Senior Gabby Clutter's goal stunned the near capacity crowd of over 4,000 at South Field and sophomore goalkeeper Haley Bartel played with swagger while making nine saves shutting out the talented Cougars.

"It was special for all of us. I wanted to bust out in tears," Maddi Chance, the senior forward from Lander, said of Clutter finding the back of the net for the first time at UW. "I know how hard she has worked for that moment and just to finally be rewarded in some sense was special. …

"(Bartel's performance) honestly lifts all of us up. She's only a sophomore, so having her be able to be a leader on the field and on the team is incredible. I can't wait to see what she does in the next two years in college."

Purdum is focused on the present.

There is still a strong nucleus of seniors, including Bedard and Chance, who were integral pieces in the Cowgirls earning the top seed at the 2022 Mountain West Tournament where they lost in the championship game to San Jose State on penalty kicks.

"It has left us motivated to know we were right there, and we know what it took to get there," Bedard said. "That core group of us have kind of been able to lead everybody else and motivate everybody to try to get to that spot again."

## COWGIRLS/from A9

into a dangerous spot, thereafter, but neither cross found the foot it needed.

Chance ended the contest with a team-high four shots, half of which were on target. Glover had three shots, and one was on frame, while Hadley Linder and Jazi Barela each chipped in two shots and one apiece tested Washington goalkeeper Olivia Juarez.

Wyoming goalkeeper Haley Bartel logged a shutout, the second of the sophomore's career. Taking into account the exhibition last week at BYU, and Bartel has now boasted 180 straight minutes of scoreless soccer.

"For Haley and the backline to play 90 minutes against that team and keep them off the board is fantastic," Purdum said.

Bartel completed the game with four saves. Juarez managed to turn away six shots for the Huskies.

Washington's Tatum Thomason recorded a game-high five shots. Two of those were on frame.

The Cowgirls have now earned a tie against their last two power-four foes. They drew, 2-2, at Louisville last season.

Wyoming remains on the road next week. It travels to Colorado on Aug. 22 for a 7 p.m. match at Prentup Field.

## AWARD/from A9

petitiveness, football character and linebacking skills. The Award is increasingly focused on recognizing linebackers who consistently play off the ball on their feet in a two-point stance in traditional form.

**About the Butkus Award:** Founded in 1985, the Butkus Award honors linebackers at three levels while supporting causes important to the Butkus family. Causes include Butkus Takes Heart™ initiative encouraging early cardiovascular screening among adults, and the I Play Clean® initiative encouraging athletes to train naturally without performance-enhancing drugs. A 51-member expert panel of coaches, scouts and journalists guides the selection process. The Butkus Foundation has presented the high school and professional awards since 2008. The collegiate award is now in its 40th season.

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### 103 Announcements

**NOTICE OF MEETING**
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### 104 public notices

**The Kemmerer Senior Citizens Mill Levy Board meeting** will be **Wednesday, Aug. 21st,** at **4:15 p.m.** at the **Oyster Ridge BOCES building**

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### 221 help wanted

**Lincoln County School District #1**
11 Adaville Drive
P.O. Box 335
Diamondville, WY 83116
**Phone:** (307) 877-9095
**FAX:** (307) 877-9638
**E-mail: bbackman@rangers1.net**

Lincoln County School District #1 has the following vacancies. These positions function as a member of the District's staff and will work under the personal supervision of the building Principal and/or Special Education Director:

**K-12 Special Education Teacher**

**K-12 Paraprofessional**

**Qualifications:**
High School Diploma
Background Check

**Salary & Conditions:**
Full benefit package offered. Salary range will depend on training and experience.

Base Salary/Wages: **Teacher:** $55,000/yr
**Paraprofessional:** $17.00/hr

**Application Procedure:**
Interested persons should apply online at: https://www.applitrack.com/rangers1/onlineapp/

Lincoln County School District No. 1 does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, or religion in its programs and activities. Inquiries concerning Title VI, Title IX, Section 504, and ADA may be referred to Lincoln County School District No. 1 Civil Rights Coordinator, PO box 335 Diamondville, Wyoming 83116, (307) 877-9095, or the Office for Civil Rights, Region VIII, U.S. Department of Education, Federal Building, Suite 310, 1244 Speer Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80204-03582, (303) 844-5695 or TDD (303) 844-3417, OCB.Denver@ed.gov.

**HELP WANTED**

**POSITION:** Event and Program Assistant

**DIVISION:** City of Kemmerer, Events and Recreation Department

**DESCRIPTION:** The City of Kemmerer is taking applications for a full-time Event and Program Assistant for the South Lincoln Training & Event Center and Kemmerer Recreation Center. The position will maintain the physical facilities at SLT&EC and Kemmerer Rec Center and provide customer service at SLT&EC and Kemmerer Rec Center. A complete job description can be found on the City's website at www.kemmerer.org.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must be available to work various shifts, including weekdays, evenings and weekends. Requires standing, sitting and climbing stairs; lifting and carrying up to 50 lbs. Requires basic computer and math skills. Requires frequent interaction with the public.

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**Applications are available** at Kemmerer City Hall, 220 State Highway 233, Kemmerer or the City website. Applications and resumes must be returned to City Hall offices. The City of Kemmerer is an Equal Opportunity Employer. This position is open until filled. First review of applications and resumes will be on August 26, 2024.

### 221 help wanted

**Lincoln Self Reliance, Inc.** is currently seeking employees to work as **Direct Support Professionals** to support adults with disabilities. Experience is not required; we will provide all the training. The right candidate will be dependable and flexible with their work schedule. Pay begins at $15.00 per hour. Our company also offers a great benefit package that includes health insurance, 401k, PTO and sick time. If you are motivated to work in a caring environment and help others, then LSR is the place for you. To apply today or for more information, **contact Shirley Deason at 307-877-1321, ext 100**

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**POSITION:** Maintenance Laborer

**DIVISION:** City of Kemmerer, Public Works Department

**DESCRIPTION:** Under general supervision, undertakes and performs a variety of duties related to maintenance and repair of City of Kemmerer streets, sidewalks, storm drainage, signs and markings and the rights of way, parks, facilities, equipment, and garbage collection. A complete job description can be found on the City's website at www.kemmerer.org.

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# Public Notices

**CHAPTER 6, SECTION 2 CONSTRUCTION/ MODIFICATION PERMIT - Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality**

## PUBLIC NOTICE:

In accordance with Chapter 6, Section 2(m) of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations, notice is hereby given that the State of Wyoming, Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, proposes to approve a request by HK Contractors, Inc. to modify Air Quality Permit RE-55 (P0028350) by replacing the existing drum burner and wet scrubber with a new drum burner and baghouse. Initially located in Lot 50L of Section 26, T22N, R116W, approximately five (5) miles north of Kemmerer, in Lincoln County, Wyoming, the portable hot mix asphalt plant will be used at various locations throughout Wyoming to support construction projects. Maximum production for the portable hot mix asphalt plant is reported at 636,000 tons per year (tpy), 400 tons per hour (tph) and will use a maximum of fifty percent (50%) Recycled Asphalt Pavement (RAP).

For the duration of the public comment period, the permit application, the agency's analysis, and the public notice are available for public inspection online at https://openair.wyo.gov, utilizing facility ID F001639 and permit number P0037911 under permits. This material may also be viewed online, at the above URL, utilizing a public computer at the Lincoln County Library, Kemmerer, Wyoming. Additionally, for the duration of the public comment period a copy of this public notice is available for public inspection at the Lincoln County Clerk's Office, Kemmerer, Wyoming.

Written comments may be directed to Nancy Vehr, Administrator, Division of Air Quality, Department of Environmental Quality, 200 West 17th St., Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 or by fax (307) 635- 1784. Please reference A0016603 in your comment. Comments may also be submitted electronically through the Division's website (http://aq.wyomingdeq.commentinput.com). Comments submitted by email will not be included in the administrative record. All comments received by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 19, 2024 will be considered in the final determination on this application. A public hearing will be conducted only if in the opinion of the administrator sufficient interest is generated or if an aggrieved party so requests. Para español, visite deq.wyoming.gov. Americans with Disabilities Act: special assistance or alternative formats will be made available upon request for individuals with disabilities. Please provide at least fourteen (14) days before the close of the public comment period for such requests.

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## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Kemmerer/Diamondville Joint Powers Board Large Meter Replacement Materials

Separate sealed bids for construction for the Kemmerer/Diamondville Joint Powers Board – Large Meter Replacement Materials will be received by the Kemmerer/Diamondville Joint Powers Board from bidders.

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 224 Wyoming Highway 233, Kemmerer, WY, 83101.

The work to be performed under this project shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials and equipment required to construct the facilities and features called for by the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and as shown on the DRAWINGS.

** THIS BID IS FOR METER REPLACEMENT PARTS ONLY**

Replacement materials for approximately 30 water meters ranging from 1.5 inch to 6 inch.

This project is funded by the Kemmerer/Diamondville Joint Powers Board and ARPA Funds.

Specifications have been prepared by Sunrise Engineering and will be available after Tuesday, August 20, 2024 on their website plan room at http://www.sunrise-eng.com. Click on "Plan Room" at the top of the homepage. Bidders must register and sign-in and choose to become a plan holder to obtain access to CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. Notices regarding changes/amendments to the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS will be sent to the e-mail address associated with the bidder's registration. Bidders are responsible to maintain current and correct contact information and check the plan room often to receive updates or additional documents/changes/amendments. The ENGINEER for this Contract will be Sunrise Engineering, Incorporated and they will be represented by Ryan Erickson, P.E. as Project Engineer.

The Contract shall be let to the responsible certified resident making the lowest bid, if the certified resident's bid is not more than five percent (5%) higher than that of the lowest responsible nonresident bidder and the resident bidder does not propose to subcontract more than thirty percent (30%) of the work to nonresident contractors (Wyo. Stat. 16-6-101, et seq.). Resident for this purpose means a person, partnership, limited partnership, registered limited partnership, registered limited liability company or corporation certified as a resident by the Department of Employment prior to bidding upon the Contract and meeting the further criteria in W.S. 16-6-101, et seq. A resident bidder shall submit a copy of its certificate of residency with its bid.

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# Public Notices

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of South Lincoln County Fire Protection District will be accepting applications for the upcoming election on November 5, 2024. The following vacancies will be filled:

Two (2)/four-year terms

Any qualified elector residing within the boundaries of the South Lincoln Fire District wishing to run in the election must complete an application between August 7, 2024, and August 26, 2024. No application will be accepted after 5:00p.m. on August 26, 2004.

Applications can be picked up and must be returned to the office of (CAS / Pro Tax Services) Danny Griff at 71 US Hwy.30.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Kemmerer Diamondville Water & Wastewater Joint Powers Board will hold a special meeting on Wednesday August 28th, 2024, at 6:00pm to award the contract for Miners Park ARPA Grant 1198 Project. The special meeting will be held in the Kemmerer City Hall Council Chambers, 220 Wyoming Highway 233, Kemmerer, WY.

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## NOTICE:

August 15, 2024

The South Lincoln Fire District is actively seeking to acquire between 3 to 5 acres of land dedicated specifically for fire training purposes. This initiative aims to enhance the district's training capabilities by providing a dedicated space for firefighters to conduct essential drills and simulations. The proposed training grounds will accommodate various scenarios, including structural firefighting, search and rescue operations, hazardous materials handling, and emergency response simulations. Securing this land will enable the district to better prepare its personnel for real-life emergencies, ensuring they maintain the highest standards of readiness and proficiency in serving the community.

Please contact Danny Griff / CAS Pro Tax Service LLC
Ph: (307) 877-2274 Email: casprotax@gmail.com

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STATE OF WYOMING ) In The DISTRICT Court Of
THE 3rd Judicial District
COUNTY OF LINCOLN ) LINCOLN COUNTY Wyoming
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )
Bradford George McMillan )
Probate No. 2024-CV-97 )

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 2nd day of August, 2024, Jere S. McMillan and Jodi L. Vilos, filed their Application for a Decree Establishing Right and Title to Real Property, seeking an establishment of all the Decedent's right, title and interest in and to certain real property located in Diamondville Lincoln County, Wyoming, and more particularly described as follows:

LOTS NUMBERED NINETEEN (19) AND TWENTY (20) OF BLOCK NUMBERED TWENTY-SIX (26) IN THE HILL ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF DIAMONDVILLE, COUNTY OF LINCOLN, STATE OF WYOMING.

Any interested party may file objections thereto in writing with the Clerk of the District Court, Third Judicial District, in and for said County of Lincoln, and State of Wyoming, on or before the 5th day of September, 2024. If no objections are filed, a decree will be sought as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

DATED this 2nd day of August, 2024.

Kenneth D. Roberts, Clerk of District Court
By: Jenny Clarke. Deputy

PUBLISHED: August 13, 20, 2024 23277

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
## July 22, 2024

The Kemmerer City Council met in regular session this 22nd day of July, 2024, at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Kemmerer, Wyoming. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present on roll call were Mayor William Thek, Councilmember Marlin Batista, Councilmember Robert Bowen, Councilmember Dale Hicks, and Councilmember Bill Price. Councilmember Mark Quinn and Councilmember Jamie Thornock were absent.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to excuse the absence of Councilmember Quinn and Councilmember Thornock; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bowen to approve the agenda as amended to include Potential Litigation and Personnel to the Executive Session; seconded by Councilmember Hicks and unanimously approved by council present.

**VISITOR'S COMMENTS**:

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to approve the items on the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present. Those items were:

(a) Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2024;

(b) approval of the payment of the bills as presented;

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| 17454 Circuit Court of Lincoln Cty. | $387.01 | 17455 NCPERS | $64.00 |
| 17456 Ace Hardware | 422.28 | 17457 Auto Inn Repair, Inc. | 1,382.45 |
| 17458 Centurylink | 890.09 | 17459 Centurylink Communications | 14.74 |
| 17460 Dex Imaging LLC | 345.36 | 17461 Dominion Energy | 1,274.88 |
| 17462 FBPB | 19,585.79 | 17463 GCSAA | 465.00 |
| 17464 Gunter's Service | 4,326.45 | 17465 Gunter's Tire & Lube | 405.00 |
| 17466 Kemmerer Gazette | 1,036.47 | 17467 Lincoln Cty Sheriff Office | 2,360.00 |
| 17468 Netwize | 6,219.20 | 17469 Norco | 14.70 |
| 17470 One-Call of Wyoming | 132.75 | 17471 Outlaw Supply, Inc. | 3,302.04 |
| 17472 Pacific Fitness Products | 18,900.00 | 17473 Peavler, Barb | 1,216.99 |
| 17474 Peterbilt of Wyo | 708.69 | 17475 Shums Coda Associates | 1,960.00 |
| 17476 Skaggs, Russell | 64.00 | 17477 The Hartford | 836.06 |
| 17478 Turf Equipment | 185.34 | 17479 Uinta Appraisal Company | 300.00 |
| 17480 UMB Card Center | 19,482.87 | 17481 Upper Case Printing | 103.74 |
| 17482 Verizon Wireless | 1,118.53 | 17483 Wagner & Wagner | 107.25 |
| 17484 WAMCAT | 75.00 | 17485 WAM-WCCA | 758.00 |
| 17486 Wells Fargo Financial | 385.00 | 17487 Wex Bank | 1,990.34 |
| 17488 Xerox | 257.00 | 7/17/24 Federal Tax Deposit-ACH | 15,266.91 |
| 7/17/24 Payroll Direct Deposit-ACH | 55,956.34 | 7/17/24 Orchard Trust-ACH | 675.00 |
| 7/17/24 ExtPay/Child Support-ACH | 357.47 | 7/17/24 AFLAC-ACH | 12.24 |

(c) Authorize the mayor to sign the 24-Hour Malt Beverage Permit for the Pine Street Bash on August 17, 2024.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

(a) Motion was made by Councilmember Bowen to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement with Ritter Family for the Hamsfork Shoot; seconded by Councilmember Hicks and unanimously approved by council present.

(b) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize the mayor to sign the contract for planning services with JUB Engineering in an amount not to exceed $15, 000 without permission; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.

(c) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize the mayor to sign the interim contract with K-D Joint Powers Board for Accounting and Clerical Services; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present.

**COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Hicks made comments. Brian Muir, city administrator, made comments. Mayor Thek made comments.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to adjourn the regular meeting and go into executive session for real estate, pending litigation, and personnel; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present; 7:13 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to convene into executive session; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present; 7:17 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to adjourn the executive session; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present; 8:23 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bowen to convene into regular session; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present; 8:24 p.m.

City Administrator, Brian Muir, gave a update on weeds to the council.

There being no further business before the Council, Councilmember Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present; 8:29 p.m.

CITY OF KEMMERER, WYOMING
BY: WILLIAM J THEK, MAYOR

ATTEST: NATASIA DIERS
CITY CLERK-TREASURER

PUBLISHED: August 20, 2024 23284

COUNTY OF LINCOLN ) IN THE DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF WYOMING ) ss. 3RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE ) Probate No.
OF JOHN PATRICK SHERIDAN ) 2024-CV-0000099
Deceased. )

## NOTICE OF PROBATE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 5th day of August 2024, a Verified Application Pursuant to WS. § 2-1-205 for Decree of Summary Distribution for the Estate of John Patrick Sheridan, deceased, was filed in the Third Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, Wyoming by Petitioner Gail Ann Sheridan. The Application requests that a Decree of Summary Distribution be entered in this State and that the Decedent's assets in this State be administered according to those proceedings.

Any objections regarding the issuing of a Decree of Summary Distribution should be filed in the office of the Clerk of District Court on or before thirty (30) days after the date of first publication of this notice, and if such objections are not filed, unless otherwise allowed, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 7th day of August, 2024.

Remi A.Bullock, WSB #8-7069
1252 N. 22nd St. Suite A
Laramie, Wyoming 82070
307-218-6504
remi@corelegalwy.com

PUBLISHED: August 13, 20, 2024 23281

## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES
## June 12, 2024

The Kemmerer City Council met in a special session this 12th day of June, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Kemmerer, Wyoming. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present on roll call were Mayor William Thek, Councilmember Marlin Batista, Councilmember Robert Bowen, Councilmember Dale Hicks, Councilmember Bill Price, Councilmember Mark Quinn, and Councilmember Jamie Thornock.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Quinn and unanimously approved by council present.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to adjourn the regular meeting and go into executive session for litigation; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council; 6:01 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Price to convene into executive session; seconded by Councilmember Thornock and unanimously approved by council; 6:04 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to adjourn the executive session; seconded by Councilmember Quinn and unanimously approved by council; 6:59 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to convene into regular session; seconded by Councilmember Quinn and unanimously approved by council; 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business before the Council, Councilmember Thornock made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present, 7:00 p.m.

CITY OF KEMMERER, WYOMING
BY: WILLIAM J THEK, MAYOR

ATTEST: NATASIA DIERS
CITY CLERK-TREASURER

PUBLISHED: August 20, 2024 23283

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) requesting authority to increase its retail electric service rates by approximately $123.5 million per year, or an average overall increase of 14.7 percent with rates effective on and after June 1, 2025; establish an Insurance Cost Adjustment (ICA) rider; revise the Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism (ECAM); implement a Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP); and implement a voluntary Renewable Energy Credit (REC) program, as more fully described below:

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, engaged in the business of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, including Wyoming under certificates of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission. RMP is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-l-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.

2. On August 2, 2024, RMP submitted an Application, together with supporting testimony, exhibits and revised tariff sheets, requesting the Commission approve the Company's proposal to implement an increase in its Wyoming retail electric utility service rates of $123.5 million per annum, or an average overall increase of 14.7 percent; establish an ICA rider to recover excess liability insurance premium costs and support a future self-insurance mechanism; revise its ECAM to develop separate cost categories and implement a symmetrical sharing band of 85/15 for defined Category 1 costs and 95/5 for defined Category 2 costs; implement a WMP; and implement a voluntary REC program which permits the Company to retire Renewable Energy Credits on behalf of industrial customers. The Company requests this be effective for service rendered on and after June 1, 2025, with the exception of the proposed revisions to the ECAM, which the Company requests to become effective January 1, 2025.

3. RMP requests a return on equity of 9.65 percent resulting in an overall cost of capital and return on rate base of 7.45 percent based upon a capital structure consisting of 50 percent debt, 50 percent equity, and a cost of debt of 5.25 percent. The Company states this reflects market circumstances for the twelve months beginning January 1, 2023, adjusted to a forecast test period of calendar year 2025.

4. RMP states the requested rate increase is primarily driven by: (1) capital investments including the Gateway South and Gateway West Segment D-1 transmission lines, and the Rock Creek II Wind project; (2) operations and maintenance expense increases; and (3) insurance costs related to rising wildfire risk.

5. RMP's proposed percentage increase in price changes, by rate schedule, are:

| Customer Class | Proposed Percentage Change |
|---|---|
| ***Residential Schedules*** | |
| Schedule 2 | 17.5 |
| General Service | |
| Schedule 25 | 11.2 |
| Schedule 28 | 16.7 |
| ***Large General Service Schedules*** | |
| Schedule 33 | 18.0 |
| Schedule 46 | 14.0 |
| Schedule 48T | 12.1 |
| ***Irrigation Schedules*** | |
| Schedule 40 | 0.9 |
| ***Lighting Schedules*** | 16.4 |
| **Overall** | 14.7 |

The Company states that due to rate design and individual customer load factors and usage characteristics, the percentage rate change to individual customers within each rate schedule may be higher or lower than the average for the customer class or rate schedule.

6. This is not a complete description of RMP's Application. You may review the Application and its supporting testimony and exhibits at RMP's Wyoming offices or online at: https://www.rockymountainpower.net/about/rates-regulation/wyoming-regulatory-filings.html and at the Commission's office or online at: https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx (enter Record No. 17659).

7. Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so, in writing, on or before September 3, 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. The Commission encourages the public's participation and comments will be received throughout the entirety of this proceeding. The opportunity to present verbal comments will be available to anyone appearing, either in person or remotely, during future public proceedings related to this matter. Submitting written comments to the Commission by the deadline set forth above may allow for resolution of issues and/or concerns identified therein. Please mention Docket No. 20000-671-ER-24 in all correspondence with the Commission.

8. 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 write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make necessary arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: August 2, 2024.

PUBLISHED: August 13, 20, 2024 23278

# News

## FLOODING
from A1

other volunteers are on scene to coordinate sandbagging efforts.

"It's been raining here for roughly four hours," said Commissioner Connelly at roughly 7 p.m. "We may have to open a shelter."

Stephen Malik with Lincoln County Emergency Management provided additional details.

"Storms went through the area between 4 and 5 p.m. causing runoff from higher elevations. Water and mud flowed through parts of the town with the worst of it along Soliday and Coyote streets, which received roughly six inches of water," said Malik. "Four to five homes have basement flooding. Emergency Management coordinated with town officials and local volunteers to work on sandbagging and cleanup. Water is subsiding and the situation is stable. We are continuing to monitor the weather situation for the next couple of days as there is a decent possibility of more storms tomorrow in the area."

An Opal home's driveway is shown flooded on Wednesday, Aug. 14. Thanks to workers and volunteers, sand bags were made available to help mitigate water damage. (GAZETTE PHOTO/Sheri Paulson)

Rocky Mountain Power also reported a large power outage Monday afternoon in the Kemmerer area, impacting over 900 customers. While the timing coincides with the storm, it is unclear if the outage was directly due to weather conditions. Power has since been restored, according to Rocky Mountain Power.

More rainfall came Tuesday, Aug. 13, and community members teamed up with those from neighboring towns and Town of Diamondville employees — including Mayor Clint Bowen — to fill and distribute sand bags to help mitigate any damage caused by the flooding.

# Kemmerer community booth 'Best of the Best' at county fair

The Kemmerer community booth won first place at the Lincoln County Fair, held in Afton from Aug. 3 to Aug. 10. (COURTESY PHOTO/Renee Hunzie)

# Wyoming state parks see second highest visitation ever in 2023

**CHEYENNE (WNE) —** With Wyoming boasting the fourth fastest growing outdoor economy in the nation, 2023 visitation numbers at State Parks and Historic Sites reflect that upward trend.

Last year's total visitation of nearly 5.3 million was the second largest in history and reflected an increase of approximately 54,000 over 2022.

Those numbers are only surpassed by visitation registered during 2021, when outdoor recreation exploded due to the COVID19 pandemic.

Overall, visitation to both state parks and historic sites saw an increase of 1% over 2022 numbers and a 2% increase over the five-year average. The continued growth of state park visitation during the past several years is an indicator that the efforts of staff to implement infrastructure improvements and new programming are working.

The Cowboy State's park system continues to provide innovative recreational and educational programming during recent years that have proven to be extremely popular. These programs, ranging from hikes to bird and wildlife presentations to stargazing events, and many others, continue to draw both local and out-of-state visitors to the parks.

"Wyoming's outdoor recreation and tourism economies continue to play a critical role in the state's economic vitality and quality of life of our residents and visitors," said Patrick Harrington, manager of the Wyoming Office of Outdoor Recreation, in a news release. "We are fortunate to live in a state that recognizes these benefits and that continues to inspire folks from around the world to experience and enjoy Wyoming's great outdoors."

During 2023, nine out of 15 state parks registered an increase in visitation compared to 2022, while 13 of 16 historic sites saw an increase.

Hot Springs State Park once again led the way in overall visitation with more than 1.5 million.

To learn more about Wyoming State Parks and Historic Sites and/or to view visitation statistics, visit wyoparks.org.

## BASH / from A1

She also commended Howard for her dedication and hard work, saying, "Caitlyn has been amazing. Our goal is to make a difference for the hospital."

With the foundation just starting this year, Blue expressed their commitment to improving local health services, so people don't have to travel for quality care.

"If we are going to grow," she said, "it is essential."

EMT volunteers were on hand to assist, including Tia Pinter and Kris Bacheller. Bacheller has been a volunteer EMT since 1982, serving in Kemmerer for a decade. Not only do they play a vital role in the community, providing essential support in critical situations, but they also dedicate their free time to rigorous training required for the job.

Their steadfast dedication is essential to their challenging work, and the services they provide to the community.

Country artists Clayton Smalley, Jesse Cornett and the Revolvers, and Jared Rogerson and the Rodeo Wreck performed on stage at the Triangle.

Along with the concert was a silent auction, cornhole tournament, food trucks, drinks and a bounce house for kids to enjoy.

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With the TerraPower Natrium™ Nuclear Plant under construction, *the Historic Kemmerer Downtown Triangle* is bustling and ready for a bright future. The City of Kemmerer has sold three of its four downtown properties and is soliciting proposals for purchase and sale of its **last lot available**. This parcel is located between the *Historic J.C. Penney Golden Rule Store* and *Grumpies Bar* on South Main Street. Proposers must demonstrate how their business will provide economic development benefit to the City and complete their building within a term agreed upon with the City.

For a copy of the appraisal and proposal requirements, contact City Administrator Brian Muir at bmuir@kemmerer.org or 307-828-4061.

Proposals will be received by e-mail or mail (City of Kemmerer, Attn: Brian, 220 State Highway 233, Kemmerer, WY 83101) until **September 30th, 2024.**

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# LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

# Welcome BACK to SCHOOL

## Lincoln County School District #1

# General Information

**School Website: www.rangers1.net**

### Board of Trustees

Doug Hunter, Chairman; Brad Grandy, Vice Chairman;
Bob Peternal, Treasurer;Kristi Dearden, Clerk; Aarika Walker, Trustee.

Central Office (877-9095)
11 Adaville Drive, P.O. Box 335, Diamondville, WY 83116

Teresa Chaulk, Superintendent/Special Education Director
Christy Killian, Payroll Clerk
Brianna Backman, Executive Administrative Assistant
Kim Zuniga, Business Manager
Jenna Moore, Special Education Administrative Assistant

| School | Phone | Office |
|---|---|---|
| Canyon Elementary School (Grades K-6) | 877-2286 | Brad Meyer, Principal |
| 1310 Antelope Street | | Kelsey Miller, Courtney Eisenbarth, Administrative Assistants |
| Kemmerer Jr-Sr High School (Grades 7-12) | 877-6991 | Shawn Rogers, Principal |
| 1525 3rd West Avenue | | Bart Jernigan, Assist Prin. |
| | | Tara Hysell, Administrative Assistant |
| New Frontier High School | 877-5819 | Cody Hartung, Principal |
| 1401 Lincoln Heights | | Linda Lewis, Administrative Assistant |
| Transportation Director | 877-6330 | Kim Zuniga |
| | | Jamie Walker, Administrative Assistant |
| Activities Director | 877-6991 | Cody Hartung |
| | | Bobbee Rudy, AD/Attendance Secretary |
| Counselor | 877-6991 | Cynthia Platt |

### Student Class Times

Kemmerer Jr-Sr High School: Start Time: 8:00 a.m. End Time 3:26 p.m.
New Frontier High School: Start Time 8:00 a.m. End Time 3:26 p.m.
Canyon Elementary Start Time: 8:00 a.m. End Time 3:15 p.m.

First Day of School for students: Wednesday, August 22, 2024
Last Day of School for students: Friday, May 28, 2025 Early Release @ 1:00
Graduation: Saturday, May 31, 2025 @ 1:00

## Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year!

*Hello everyone!*

Can you believe how fast summer has flown by? We hope you've had a blast spending time with family and friends, and maybe even sneaking in a little getaway for some well-deserved relaxation.

We're absolutely thrilled to kick off another fantastic school year, eagerly awaiting the return of our wonderful students and staff, all ready to light up our halls with their bright, shiny smiles.

**Exciting News and Initiatives**

We're keeping the momentum going with two awesome initiatives that began last year. First up, we're diving into the second year of the RIDE project. Mark your calendars for August 15th, as we'll be hosting a special training session for all staff, featuring Lachelle Brant from the Governor's office. We can't wait to welcome her into our community!

Our second exciting initiative is the THRIVE program. This year, we'll be rolling out the curriculum to our students and continuing to nurture our staff wellness program. It's all about growing together and making our school an even better place to learn and work.

**New Faces and Warm Welcomes**

We're delighted to welcome some new staff members to our district this year. Let's give them a big, warm welcome and help them feel right at home in our fantastic community. Change can be a bit daunting, but with a positive attitude, we can make it an exciting adventure for everyone.

**Back-to-School Fun**

Back-to-school season is always a whirlwind of fun and excitement. Our administrators have been hard at work since August 5th, and our teachers are back in action as of August 15th. Don't forget to check out the school supply lists on our website and all the latest sports info on our activities' Facebook page. If you need any help finding information, just give us a call—we're here to help!

**Ready for an Amazing Year**

I am so looking forward to this school year and am truly honored to serve you and your children. If there's anything I can personally assist you with, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can reach me at 307-877-9095.

Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with learning, growth, and lots of fun!

If you have any questions that I can personally help you with, please do not hesitate to call. I can be reached at 307-877-9095.

**Canyon Elementary 877-2286**
**Kemmerer Junior/Senior High 877-6991**
**New Frontier High School 877-5819**

**WELCOME BACK**
**Teresa Chaulk**
**Superintendent of Schools**

# Back to school with Superintendent Teresa Chaulk

**By Rana Jones**
*Gazette Reporter*

**KEMMERER** — Teresa Chaulk, Lincoln County School District No. 1 Superintendent and Special Education Director, said she is looking forward to the new school year and that she loves witnessing the joy and enthusiasm of teachers and students as they return to school.

"Students make it fun. I'm happy when they show back up to school," Chaulk said.

Chaulk is also excited about the RIDE program, which is now in its second year after last year's pilot program.

"We are embracing the RIDE initiative, and all of our certified teachers will be participating this year," she told the Gazette.

Teachers who participated last year gave positive feedback and will provide additional support for the newcomers this year.

"Last year we had great feedback from parents and teachers that it was an engaging and effective way for learning," Chaulk said.

The program aims to incorporate a more student-centered and competency-based curriculum, and Chaulk said it makes learning more engaging for students. She said they are embedding the profile of a graduate in the curriculum.

"We are taking small steps and making it manageable," she said.

Other benefits that make the program worthwhile, Chaulk said, include reduced classroom management which allows for a greater focus on teaching. While every district in the state had the opportunity to apply, Kemmerer School District was an early adopter.

Chaulk said she is also excited to continue the THRIVE initiative for staff and students which focuses on mental health and well-being. Two school counselors will be heading up the THRIVE program.

"We have to take care of our people," she said.

While the Wyoming Department of Education is working on grants for more mental health programs, Chaulk said it would be ideal if the legislature would look at funding it in ways that would make it more sustainable.

Chaulk expressed deep appreciation for the dedication and hard work of teachers and recognized their crucial role in shaping students' futures and enhancing the educational experience.

"Teaching is the hardest job in our country and should get the respect it deserves," Chaulk said.

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# Welcome from Canyon Elementary

August 5, 2024

***Dear Parents and Guardians,***

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the final days of summer with your families. As we prepare to embark on a new school year, I am thrilled to welcome you back to Canyon Elementary for the 2024-2025 academic year.

I am pleased to announce some important dates and events to mark on your calendars as we kick off the school year:

Supply Drop-Off - Date: August 15 - Time: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Kindergarten Meet and Greet:**

- Date: Monday, August 19
- Time: 6:00 pm; meet in your teachers' classroom

**1st through 3rd Grade Meet and Greet:**

- Date: Tuesday, August 20
  - 5:30 pm: 1st Grade - Meet Mr. Meyer in the gym; 6:00 pm move to classroom
  - 6:00 pm: 2nd Grade - Meet Mr. Meyer in the gym; 6:30 pm move to classroom
  - 6:30 pm: 3rd Grade - Meet Mr. Meyer in the gym; 7:00 pm move to classroom

**4th through 6th Grade Meet and Greet:**

- Date: Wednesday, August 21
  - 5:30 pm: 4th Grade - Meet Mr. Meyer in the gym; 6:00 pm move to classroom
  - 6:00 pm: 5th Grade - Meet Mr. Meyer in the gym; 6:30 pm move to classroom
  - 6:30 pm: 6th Grade - Meet with Mr. Meyer and Teachers in the gym

First Day of School - Date: August 22- Full day of school

Friday Early Release - Date: August 23 - School will release at 12:50 pm (Please note that we will no longer have full Fridays this year)

We are excited to welcome our students back to Canyon Elementary and to continue our journey of learning, growth, and achievement together. Our dedicated team of educators is committed to providing your children with a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment where they can thrive academically and personally.

As we begin this new school year, I encourage you to stay connected and involved in your child's education. Your partnership and support play a crucial role in the success of our students, and we value the collaboration between home and school.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. Together, let's make the 2024-2025 school year a memorable and rewarding experience for all.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact our school office. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

***Warm regards,***

***Brad Meyer, Ph.D.***
***Principal***
***Canyon Elementary School***

METRO PHOTO

# Parental involvement is a key factor in students' performance

Success in school can carry over to successful experiences later in life. That underscores the benefits of developing skills in the classroom. Students learn in their own way, and at times there may need to overcome various obstacles.

The job of education does not fully fall on educators and administrators.

**INVOLVEMENT continued on page 6**

## Annual Public Notification of Nondiscrimination

Lincoln County School District #1 does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission to its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of their operations. Lincoln County School District #1 Career and Technical Education department does not discriminate in enrollment or access to any of the programs available, including but not limited to, Construction, Manufacturing Production Process Development (Welding), Facility and Mobile Equipment Maintenance (Auto Mechanics), Support Services (Foods and Nutrition), Business Information Management, Teaching/Training. The lack of English language skills shall not be a barrier to admission or participation in the activities and programs. The Lincoln County School District #1 also does not discriminate in its hiring or employment practices. This notice is provided as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Questions, complaints, or requests for additional information regarding these laws may be forwarded to the designated compliance coordinator(s). Title VI, Title IX, Section 504, and ADA may be referred to Lincoln County School District No. 1, Civil Rights Coordinator, PO box 335 Diamondville, Wyoming 83116, (307) 877-9095, or the Office for Civil Rights, Region VIII, U.S. Department of Education, Federal Building, Suite 310, 1244 Speer Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80204-03582, (303) 844-5695 or TDD (303)-844-3417, OCR.Denver@ed.gov.

# Study tips for a strong start in school

Studying is vital to academic performance. At the dawn of a new school year, students get a fresh start to improve upon or continue strong their study habits. Teachers will be rolling out their curricula, and that may feel overwhelming. However, optimizing study skills can boost confidence in school and in areas outside of the classroom. These study tips can put students on a path for success.

• Find your optimal study space. The ideal study spot varies from student to student. Some need a quiet nook in the library, while others may prefer the sounds of nature while seated on a park bench. There's no one-size-fits-all study location, so students may need to experiment with what works best for them. Also, The Princeton Review says that a student doesn't need just one study space. He or she may find a change of scenery can prompt the brain to retain information better.

• Devise a study plan. Setting goals and a plan of attack allows students to space out their studying over several days. This can reduce stress and make the task seem less cumbersome.

• Avoid cram sessions. Devising a study plan is better than cramming the night before a test. The American Psychological Association says students may perform well on a test for which they've crammed, but that doesn't mean they've truly learned the material. Studying with a goal of retaining the material long-term is important.

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## Welcome Back KJSHS

***Dear Students and Parents:***

The summer has flown by and we are excited to get the school year started after a much needed break. Our activity participation rate increased last year and we want to see that continue to grow. School spirit is a big part of a positive school culture and we are working hard to grow our school spirit and would love everyone's help. One of our focus areas for this school year is that our graduating students will be able to hit proficiency marks in at least one or more readiness areas. These marks and indicators are set by the state of Wyoming in the following areas, military ready, career ready, and college ready. We want to have our students ready for the world after high school in whatever path they decide to take. We look forward to having a great school year and can't wait to get started.

As we hit the ground running, there are a few important dates to have in your calendar.

**August 19th** 6:30pm 7th Grade Orientation-HS Auditorium
**August 19th** Fall Sports Practice Starts-High School
**August 19th** 4:00pm Fall Sports Practice Starts-Middle School
**August 14th** 6:00pm Fall Sports Booster Club BBQ
**August 22nd** First Day of School Full day

Schedules, locker assignments, informational forms, and computer use agreement forms are being mailed out. Please bring all forms back, signed, on the first day of school. If you are a new student, please stop by the school and enroll. It is recommended that 8th grade students and above purchase a TI-84 graphing calculator for their math classes. Each student will have their own calculator that will be used their entire school career. Check with your math teacher for recommendations on brand, style and need. If you have any questions, please feel free to stop by the school during business hours or call us 1-(307) 877-6991. Please make sure to check our school website www.rangers1.net and our Facebook page. Don't forget to get your physical and sign up for those activities. Let's have a great year!

**Go Rangers,**

***Mr. Rogers***
***Kemmerer Junior Senior High School Principal***

## Lincoln County School District #1 Home School Policy

1. The School District Form of reporting the Basic Education Program of a Home-Based School must be submitted to the superintendent of schools by the parent or guardian prior to the beginning of the school term or within 10 days of withdrawal from school attendance, whichever is applicable.
2. Failure to submit the Basic Educational Program of a Home-Based School is a prima facie evidence that the Home-Based Educational Program does not meet the requirements of the state law.
3. The Superintendent's receipt of the Basic Educational Program and curriculum is not to imply that Home-Based School Program is comparable in any way to the educational program of the public school.
4. Consultation between the Home School and the district's teachers during the school day is not permitted.
5. Specialized testing of some school students may be administered by school district personnel with prior approval by the Superintendent of Schools.

# INVOLVEMENT

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Education begins at home. Research has found that kids benefit significantly when parents and other caregivers are strongly involved in a child's education. A 2020 study published in the Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community found that parental involvement in a child's education is associated with improved academic performance. Specifically, children whose parents are more involved in their educations have higher levels of academic performance than children whose parents were not as involved.

A 2005 study from researchers at the Johns Hopkins University Center of School, Family and Community Partnerships showed that school practices that encourage families to support their students' math learning at home led to higher percentages of students scoring at or above proficiency on standardized math tests. Additional research indicates the benefits also extend to other subjects and areas of learning, including language comprehension and expressive language skills.

With so much to gain from parental involvement in students' educations, parents can embrace these strategies to get more involved.

• Develop a partnership with the teacher. Open communication with the teacher(s) can help parents stay up-to-date on what is going on in the classroom and learn early on where a student may need extra support. Then parents can offer extra guidance if it is feasible, or look into an experienced tutor.

• Be firm but supportive. Too much academic pressure may cause a child to pull back or even test boundaries, and that can lead to students falling behind in school. Parents must find the right level of involvement and guide their kids without sounding like good grades are "make or break" the relationship.

• Attend school functions. Parents can go to open houses, back-to-school nights, conferences, and other events held at school to show support and interest in their children's education. Involved parents also build school-based networks this way, which can be called upon if their student needs additional support in the future.

• Establish a schedule at home. Students can benefit from a schedule, with regular bedtime, homework time and opportunities to relax. Knowing what to expect and when to expect it can take some of the stress out of learning and studying, according to Nemours health.

Parents working in concert with schools and their children can lead to better academic outcomes.

**Hello to our incredible community!**

As the Special Education Director of our wonderful district, I am delighted to welcome you all back for the 2024-2025 school year! I hope you've had a fantastic summer filled with joy, relaxation, and memorable moments with loved ones.

**Embracing New Beginnings**

The start of a new school year is always a time of excitement and anticipation. It's a fresh beginning, a chance to set new goals, and an opportunity to continue growing together. Our dedicated staff has been hard at work preparing to create an inclusive, supportive, and enriching environment for every student. We are committed to ensuring that each child has the resources and support they need to thrive.

**Welcoming New Faces**

We are excited to welcome new staff members to our district. Change brings new perspectives and ideas, and we are thrilled to have these new additions to our team. Let's all join in making them feel at home and part of our caring community.

**A Collaborative Effort**

Education is a collaborative effort, and we are fortunate to have the support of our dedicated parents and guardians. Your involvement and partnership are crucial to the success of our students. Together, we can create a positive and dynamic learning environment.

**Looking Ahead**

As we embark on this new school year, I am filled with optimism and enthusiasm. Our goal is to make this year one of growth, achievement, and joy for all our students. If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out. I am here to support you and your children every step of the way.

***Here's to a fantastic school year ahead!***

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! If you have questions, please give me a call at 307-877-9095.

***Sincerely,***
***Teresa L. Chaulk***
***Director of Special Education***

NEW FRONTIER HIGH SCHOOL

***Dear Students and Families,***

Welcome back to New Frontier High School! We hope you had an enjoyable summer break. As we embark on a new academic year, we are excited to see familiar faces and welcome new ones to our school community. The first day of school is Thursday, August 22nd. This will be a full day of school. There will be a 1pm release on Friday, August 23rd.

At New Frontier High School, we will continue to work towards individual growth and achievement for all students. Students will accomplish these goals through active engagement in the learning process and a commitment to being respectful, responsible, and resilient young adults.

We will be hosting a "Back to School Night" for NFHS students and parents on Monday, August 19th at 6pm. During this time, you will have an opportunity to check out our school and meet our staff. We also plan to provide information regarding the upcoming school year, the NFHS handbook, opportunities available for NFHS students, and handout student schedules.

We are excited to work with all NFHS students and parents this upcoming school year and look forward to seeing you on August 19th. If you have any questions or would like more information about New Frontier High School, please call us at (307) 877 – 5819.

Thanks,
***Mr. Cody Hartung, Principal***
***New Frontier High School***

# STUDY

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• Learn how to actively study. Some students think that studying requires reading over the material or highlighting text. Active studying involves engaging with the material and constructing meaning from the text. One way to engage with the material is to try acting as the teacher and explaining concepts to another person. Creating a study guide or even concept maps also helps one actively study.

• Balance intensity with laid-back study approaches. Students may procrastinate with their studying because they don't want to devote a lot of time to the task. Instead, they can do shorter sessions mixed with longer sessions of studying. In fact, The Learning Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill says shorter, intensive study time can be more effective than drawn-out studying.

• Ask for help. Asking a teacher or another student for help is not a sign of weakness. It's a good strategy to develop early on. The longer one waits, the more difficult it may be to catch up on material. Asking for help goes hand-in-hand with setting up a buddy system for studying. Study groups enable students to go over material together, which can provide different perspectives and help the material resonate more effectively.

Students will spend a lot of time studying while in school. Learning how to do it effectively is vital to fulfilling one's academic potential.


## KCDC Preschool

**Located at 1208 Elk Street will start school on August 28th.**

**Stop by to sign up your 3 to 5 year old.**

**PRESHOOL for CHILDREN 3-5 YEARS**

**Experience "Hands-on" Learning**

that includes:

- ✓ Certified Teacher
- ✓ Speech/Language Therapy
- ✓ Trained Educational Assistants
- ✓ Occupational Therapy
- ✓ Great Child-Staff Ratios
- ✓ Nutritious Snacks

**2½ Hour Program 2 Days per Week**

**All Material Provided Nationally Accredited**

**Sponsored by Lincoln County School District #1 & Lincoln-Uinta Child Development Association**


Lincoln County School District #1 complies with the Federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001. If your student is or becomes homeless, please inform the school.

A Homeless Student, as defined by the act, is anyone who…

- Lacks a regular, fixed and adequate nighttime residence (substandard housing)
- Is sharing housing due to economic struggles
- Is living in a shelter, hotel or motel
- Is living in a public place not designated for sleeping (cars, parks)
- Is an unaccompanied youth
- Is a child or youth awaiting foster care placement
- Is a child or youth abandoned in a hospital
- Is a migrant child who qualifies under any of the above

## *To the Ranger Community,*

Welcome back to another school year! The Activities Department is excited to get started with the start of school and Fall Activities. Participation in school activities is a great way for students to develop lifelong skills and get involved in the Ranger community. We encourage all students to get involved and participate in the activities that Kemmerer Junior Senior High School offers.

All student athletes must have a completed physical signed and turned in before they can practice. Forms are available online at rangers1.net, at the medical clinic, and the KJSHS activities office. This can be turned into the activities office or to the coach on the 1st day of practice.

High School Fall sports will begin with Golf on Aug 12th. High School Football, Volleyball, Girls Swimming and Diving, and Cheer start on August 19th. Middle School Football and Volleyball will also start on Aug 19th . More information on practice times and locations will be sent out on Parent Square and posted on the LCSD#1 Facebook page.

The Booster Club and the KJSHS Activities Department will host the Fall Sports Kickoff on Wednesday, August 14th at 6pm in the KJSHS Cafeteria/Commons. Students in grades 6-12 participating in a Fall Activity and their families are invited to attend. There will be presentations from the Booster Club, the Activities Department, and drawings for free Ranger gear! Dinner will be provided. Individual sport parent meetings will be held following the whole group meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the activities department at (307)877-6991 ext. 4039 or email at chartung@rangers1.net.

We are excited to get started and look forward to your continued support this year.

**GO RANGERS!**

***Cody Hartung***

***KJSHS Activities Director***

Back-to-School

# Bus Schedules

# Lincoln County School District #1 Bus Routes 2024-2025

**Bus #9 Hamsfork, Lower Diamondville**

**AM**

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | **Hamsfork: HWY 233** | |
| Stop 1 | 7:04 | 10283 Hwy 233 | 9:04 |
| Stop 2 | 7:06 | 9255 Hwy 233 | 9:06 |
| Stop 3 | 7:13 | 4182 Hwy 233 | 9:13 |
| Stop 4 | 7:14 | Wood Tick Lane | 9:14 |
| Stop 5 | 7:15 | 2594 Hwy 233 | 9:15 |
| Stop 6 | 7:16 | 2596 Hwy 233 | 9:16 |
| Stop 7 | 7:17 | 2435 Hwy 233 | 9:17 |
| Stop 8 | 7:17 | 2158 Hwy 233 | 9:17 |
| Stop 9 | 7:18 | 52 Hot Iron Rd | 9:18 |
| Stop 10 | 7:19 | Airport Rd | 9:19 |
| Stop 11 | 7:20 | 908 HWY 233 | 9:20 |
| Stop 12 | 7:20 | Midway & Frontier | 9:20 |
| Stop 13 | 7:20 | Scroungy Moose | 9:20 |
| | | **Lower Diamondville** | |
| Stop 14 | 7:21 | 1421 Central | 9:21 |
| Stop 15 | 7:22 | Little Canyon Rd | 9:22 |
| Stop 16 | 7:23 | 119 Paper Collar Row | 9:23 |
| Stop 17 | 7:24 | Paper Collar Row & Brillant | 9:24 |
| Stop 18 | 7:25 | 17 Frontier St. | 9:25 |
| Stop 19 | 7:26 | Frontier & Dmville Ave | 9:26 |
| Stop 20 | 7:26 | Cumberland & Dmville Ave | 9:26 |
| Stop 21 | 7:27 | Conroy & Dmville Ave | 9:27 |
| Stop 22 | 7:27 | Conroy & Susie | 9:27 |
| Stop 23 | 7:28 | Brilliant & Susie | 9:28 |
| Stop 24 | 7:28 | Blazon & Dmville Ave | 9:28 |
| Stop 25 | 7:30 | Burgoon Drive | 9:30 |
| Stop 26 | 7:31 | 1326 Central Ave | 9:31 |
| | 7:37 | CES | 9:37 |
| | 7:44 | KJSHS | 9:44 |

**Bus #9 Hamsfork, Lower Diamondville**

**PM**

| Stop # | Stop Name | Full Day | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | CES | 3:15 | 12:55 |
| | | 3:26 | 1:10 |
| | **Lower Diamondville:** | | |
| Stop 1 | 1421 Central | 3:34 | 1:19 |
| Stop 2 | Little Canyon Rd | 3:36 | 1:21 |
| Stop 3 | 119 Paper Collar Row | 3:37 | 1:22 |
| Stop 4 | Paper Collar Row & Brillant | 3:38 | 1:23 |
| Stop 5 | 17 Frontier St. | 3:39 | 1:24 |
| Stop 6 | Frontier & Dmville Ave | 3:40 | 1:25 |
| Stop 7 | Cumberland & Dmville Ave | 3:40 | 1:25 |
| Stop 8 | Conroy & Dmville Ave | 3:41 | 1:26 |
| Stop 9 | Conroy & Susie | 3:41 | 1:26 |
| Stop 10 | Brilliant & Susie | 3:42 | 1:27 |
| Stop 11 | Blazon & Dmville Ave | 3:43 | 1:28 |
| Stop 12 | Burgoon Drive | 3:43 | 1:28 |
| Stop 13 | 1326 Central Ave | 3:43 | 1:28 |
| | **Hamsfork HWY 233** | | |
| Stop 14 | Scroungy Moose | 3:49 | 1:34 |
| Stop 15 | Midway & Frontier | 3:50 | 1:35 |
| Stop 16 | 908 HWY 233 | 3:51 | 1:36 |
| Stop 17 | 52 Hot Iron Rd | 3:53 | 1:38 |
| Stop 18 | Airport Rd | 3:53 | 1:38 |
| Stop 19 | 2158 Hwy 233 | 3:55 | 1:40 |
| Stop 20 | 2435 Hwy 233 | 3:55 | 1:40 |
| Stop 21 | 2594 Hwy 233 | 3:57 | 1:42 |
| Stop 22 | 2596 Hwy 233 | 3:58 | 1:42 |
| Stop 23 | Wood Tick Lane | 3:58 | 1:45 |
| Stop 24 | 4182 Hwy 233 | 3:59 | 1:47 |
| Stop 25 | 9255 HWY 233 | 4:05 | 1:52 |
| Stop 26 | 10283 Hwy 233 | 4:08 | 1:57 |

**Bus #10- Rolling Hills, Del Rio, 9th West**

**AM**

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| Stop 1 | 7:15 | Super 8 | 9:15 |
| Stop 2 | 7:18 | 2022 Del Rio | 9:18 |
| Stop 3 | 7:19 | Sunlight/DelRio | 9:19 |
| Stop 4 | 7:20 | S. Sunlight/Ridgmont | 9:20 |
| Stop 5 | 7:22 | 1673 S. Sunlight Dr | 9:22 |
| Stop 6 | 7:23 | 2031 Basin Dr. | 9:23 |
| Stop 7 | 7:24 | 2022 Rolling Hills | 9:24 |
| Stop 8 | 7:24 | 1666 S. Sunlight | 9:24 |
| Stop 9 | 7:25 | North Pass/Del Rio | 9:25 |
| Stop 10 | 7:26 | 1657 South Pass Ct | 9:26 |
| Stop 11 | 7:26 | 2003 Del Rio | 9:26 |
| Stop 12 | 7:26 | 2000 Del Rio | 9:26 |
| Stop 13 | 7:27 | Berry & Del Rio | 9:27 |
| Stop 14 | 7:29 | Del Rio & 9th West | 9:29 |
| Stop 15 | 7:29 | Nations & Del Rio | 9:29 |
| Stop 16 | 7:30 | Troy Ct & Del Rio | 9:30 |
| Stop 17 | 7:31 | 1801 Holland | 9:31 |
| Stop 18 | 7:31 | 1511 9th West | 9:31 |
| Stop 19 | 7:32 | 1315 9th West | 9:32 |
| Stop 20 | 7:33 | 1127 9th West | 9:33 |
| Stop 21 | 7:34 | 1801 Garnet | 9:34 |
| | 7:38 | Canyon | 9:38 |
| | 7:45 | KJSHS | 9:45 |

**Bus #10- Rolling Hills, Del Rio, 9th West**

**PM**

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 3:15 | CES | 12:55 |
| | 3:26 | KJSHS | 1:10 |
| Stop 1 | 3:39 | 1801 Garnet | 1:19 |
| Stop 2 | 3:40 | 1127 9th West | 1:20 |
| Stop 3 | 3:41 | 1315 9th West | 1:21 |
| Stop 4 | 3:42 | 1511 9th West | 1:21 |
| Stop 5 | 3:42 | 1801 Holland | 1:22 |
| Stop 6 | 3:43 | Troy Ct & Del Rio | 1:22 |
| Stop 7 | 3:43 | Nations & Del Rio | 1:22 |
| Stop 8 | 3:44 | Del Rio & 9th | 1:23 |
| Stop 9 | 3:45 | Berry & Del Rio | 1:24 |
| Stop 10 | 3:45 | 2000 Del Rio | 1:26 |
| Stop 11 | 3:46 | 2003 Del Rio | 1:26 |
| Stop 12 | 3:47 | 1657 South Pass Ct | 1:27 |
| Stop 13 | 3:48 | North Pass/Del Rio | 1:28 |
| Stop 14 | 3:48 | Sunlight & Del Rio | 1:28 |
| Stop 15 | 3:49 | 1666 S. Sunlight Dr. | 1:29 |
| Stop 16 | 3:49 | S Sunlight & Ridgmont | 1:29 |
| Stop 17 | 3:50 | 1673 S. Sunlight Dr | 1:30 |
| Stop 18 | 3:51 | 2031 Basin Dr. | 1:31 |
| Stop 19 | 3:52 | 2022 Rolling Hills | 1:31 |
| Stop 20 | 3:53 | 2022 Del Rio | 1:35 |
| Stop 21 | 4:00 | Super 8 | 1:40 |

**Bus #11- Kemmerer**

**AM**

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | **Kemmerer** | |
| Stop 1 | 7:17 | Moose and 2nd West | 9:17 |
| Stop 2 | 7:19 | Ash & Topaz | 9:19 |
| Stop 3 | 7:19 | Ash & Sapphire | 9:19 |
| Stop 4 | 7:20 | Ash & Emerald | 9:20 |
| Stop 5 | 7:21 | Ash & Pearl | 9:21 |
| Stop 6 | 7:22 | 410 Upper Sunset | 9:22 |
| Stop 7 | 7:23 | 413 Beech | 9:23 |
| Stop 8 | 7:24 | 513 Beech | 9:24 |
| Stop 9 | 7:25 | 514 Pearl | 9:25 |
| Stop 10 | 7:26 | 510 Sage | 9:26 |
| Stop 11 | 7:27 | Sage & Quartz | 9:27 |
| Stop 12 | 7:28 | Ceder & Ruby | 9:28 |
| Stop 13 | 7:30 | Ceder & Carbon | 9:30 |
| Stop 14 | 7:31 | Ceder & Pearl | 9:31 |
| Stop 15 | 7:32 | 601 Cedar | 9:32 |
| | 7:37 | CES | 9:37 |
| | 7:45 | KJSHS | 9:45 |

**Bus #11- Kemmerer**

**PM**

| Stop # | Stop Name | Full Day | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | CES | 3:15 | 12:55 |
| | KJSHS | 3:26 | 1:10 |
| | **Kemmerer** | | |
| Stop 1 | Moose and 2nd West | 3:39 | 1:18 |
| Stop 2 | Ash & Topaz | 3:40 | 1:19 |
| Stop 3 | Ash & Sapphire | 3:40 | 1:20 |
| Stop 4 | Ash & Emerald | 3:41 | 1:21 |
| Stop 5 | Ash & Pearl | 3:42 | 1:22 |
| Stop 6 | 410 Upper Sunset | 3:43 | 1:23 |
| Stop 7 | 413 Beech | 3:44 | 1:24 |
| Stop 8 | 513 Beech | 3:45 | 1:25 |
| Stop 9 | 514 Pearl | 3:46 | 1:26 |
| Stop 10 | 510 Sage | 3:47 | 1:27 |
| Stop 11 | Sage & Quartz | 3:48 | 1:28 |
| Stop 12 | Ceder & Ruby | 3:49 | 1:29 |
| Stop 13 | Ceder & Carbon | 3:50 | 1:30 |
| Stop 14 | Ceder & Pearl | 3:51 | 1:31 |
| Stop 15 | 601 Cedar | 3:52 | 1:52 |

**Bus #12 Opal, Oakley, Upper Diamondville**

**AM**

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| Stop 1 | 6:35 | Mile Marker 80 | 8:35 |
| | | | |
| | | **Calhoun Road (Hwy 233)** | |
| Stop 2 | 6:48 | 1288 Calhoun Road | 8:48 |
| Stop 3 | 6:50 | 815 Calhoun Road | 8:50 |
| | | **Opal** | |
| Stop 4 | 6:56 | 819 N Front St. (Loghouse) | 8:56 |
| Stop 5 | 6:57 | 705 N Front St. | 8:57 |
| Stop 6 | 6:59 | Big Horn | 8:59 |
| Stop 7 | 6:59 | Coyote St. | 8:59 |
| Stop 8 | 6:59 | Fox | 8:59 |
| Stop 9 | 7:00 | Muledeer | 9:00 |
| Stop 10 | 7:00 | Wapiti | 9:00 |
| Stop 11 | 7:00 | Middle Exit (N Front & Chrisman) | 9:00 |
| | | **HWY 30** | |
| Stop 12 | 7:10 | Red Hill | 9:10 |
| | | **Oakley** | |
| Stop 13 | 7:14 | 205 Oakley | 9:14 |
| Stop 14 | 7:15 | Cottonwood & Elm | 9:15 |
| Stop 15 | 7:16 | 47 Oakley | 9:16 |
| | | **Upper Diamondville** | |
| Stop 16 | 7:23 | Spring Valley & Southland | 9:23 |
| Stop 17 | 7:24 | Oakley & West Hillcrest | 9:24 |
| Stop 18 | 7:25 | 102 West Hillcrest | 9:25 |
| Stop 19 | 7:26 | 50 East Hillcrest | 9:26 |
| Stop 20 | 7:27 | 86 East Hillcrest & Oakley | 9:27 |
| Stop 21 | 7:28 | Lincoln & Diamondville | 9:28 |
| Stop 22 | 7:29 | Susie & Gomer | 9:29 |
| Stop 23 | 7:30 | Gomer & Sublet | 9:30 |
| Stop 24 | 7:31 | Sublet & Glencoe | 9:31 |
| Stop 25 | 7:31 | 11 Glenco | 9:31 |
| | 7:38 | CES | 9:38 |
| | 7:45 | KJSHS | 9:45 |

**Bus #12 Opal, Oakley, Upper Diamondville**

**PM**

| Stop # | Stop Name | Full Day | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | CES | 3:15 | 12:55 |
| | KJSHS | 3:26 | 1:10 |
| | **Upper Diamondville** | | |
| Stop 1 | Spring Valley & Southland | 3:37 | 1:15 |
| Stop 2 | Oakley & West Hillcrest | 3:38 | 1:16 |
| Stop 3 | 102 West Hillcrest | 3:38 | 1:16 |
| Stop 4 | 50 East Hillcrest | 3:39 | 1:17 |
| Stop 5 | 86 East Hillcrest & Oakley | 3:40 | 1:18 |
| Stop 6 | Lincoln & Diamondville | 3:42 | 1:20 |
| Stop 7 | Susie & Gomer | 3:43 | 1:21 |
| Stop 8 | Gomer & Sublet | 3:44 | 1:22 |
| Stop 9 | Sublet & Glencoe | 3:44 | 1:22 |
| Stop 10 | 11 Glenco | 3:45 | 1:23 |
| | **Oakley** | | |
| Stop 11 | 205 Oakley | 3:50 | 1:28 |
| Stop 12 | Cottonwood & Elm | 3:51 | 1:29 |
| Stop 13 | 47 Oakley | 3:52 | 1:30 |
| | **HWY 30** | | |
| Stop 14 | Red Hill | 3:56 | 1:34 |
| | **Opal** | | |
| Stop 15 | Big Horn | 4:04 | 1:42 |
| Stop 16 | Coyote St. | 4:04 | 1:42 |
| Stop 17 | Fox | 4:05 | 1:43 |
| Stop 18 | Muledeer | 4:05 | 1:43 |
| Stop 19 | Wapiti | 4:06 | 1:44 |
| Stop 20 | Middle Exit (N Front & Chrisman) | 4:07 | 1:45 |
| Stop 21 | 705 N Front St. | 4:08 | 1:46 |
| Stop 22 | 819 N Front St. | 4:09 | 1:47 |
| | **Calhoun Road (Hwy 233)** | | |
| Stop 23 | 1288 Calhoun Road | 4:21 | 1:58 |
| Stop 24 | 815 Calhoun Road | 4:21 | 1:58 |
| | | | |
| Stop 25 | Mile Marker 80 | 4:31 | 2:08 |

**Pickup and drop off times are subject to change.**
**Pickup times listed are bus departure times. Be at the bus stop 5 minutes prior.**

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# Bus Schedules

# Lincoln County School District #1 Bus Routes 2024-2025

Bus #14 Pomeroy Aspen Springs, Foothill, Willow Flat

AM

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | **Pomeroy** | |
| Stop 1 | 6:45 | Lupine Lane | 8:45 |
| | | **Willow Springs** | |
| Stop 2 | 6:53 | 44110 US HWY 189 | 8:53 |
| Stop 3 | 6:53 | 43837 US HWY 189 | 8:53 |
| Stop 4 | 6:54 | 43369 HWY 189 | 8:54 |
| Stop 5 | 6:55 | 43131 HWY 189 | 8:55 |
| | | | |
| Stop 6 | 7:00 | 315 Fox Farm Road | 9:00 |
| Stop 7 | 7:01 | 848 Fox Farm Road | 9:01 |
| | | **Aspen Springs** | |
| Stop 8 | 7:09 | 1688 Aspen Springs | 9:09 |
| Stop 9 | 7:11 | End of Apsen turnaround | 9:11 |
| | | **Foothill & Willow Flat** | |
| Stop 10 | 7:19 | 1st Row, N End (18-33) | 9:19 |
| Stop 11 | 7:19 | 2nd Row, N End (34-49) | 9:19 |
| Stop 12 | 7:20 | 3rd Row N End | 9:20 |
| Stop 13 | 7:20 | 3rd Row S End | 9:20 |
| Stop 14 | 7:21 | 2nd Row S. End (34-49) | 9:21 |
| Stop 15 | 7:22 | 1st Row S. End (18-33) | 9:22 |
| Stop 16 | 7:23 | Spinal & Fir | 9:23 |
| Stop 17 | 7:24 | Mica & Fir | 9:24 |
| Stop 18 | 7:25 | Emery & Fir | 9:25 |
| Stop 19 | 7:26 | Beryl & Fir | 9:26 |
| | | **Kemmerer** | |
| Stop 20 | 7:29 | Pine & Agate | 9:29 |
| Stop 21 | 7:30 | 601 Lignite | 9:30 |
| Stop 22 | 7:31 | 831 Klondyke St | 9:31 |
| Stop 23 | 7:32 | Pine & Opal | 9:32 |
| | | | |
| | 7:37 | CES | 9:37 |
| | 7:45 | KJSHS | 9:45 |

Bus #14 Pomeroy Aspen Springs, Foothill, Willow Flat

PM

| Stop # | Stop Name | Full Day | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | CES | 3:15 | 12:55 |
| | KJSHS | 3:26 | 1:10 |
| | **Kemmerer** | | |
| Stop 1 | Pine & Opal | 3:35 | 1:20 |
| Stop 2 | Pine & JC Penny Ave | 3:36 | 1:21 |
| Stop 3 | Pine & Emerald | 3:37 | 1:22 |
| Stop 4 | Pine & Agate | 3:38 | 1:23 |
| | **Foothill & Willow Flat** | | |
| Stop 5 | Spinal & Fir | 3:44 | 1:29 |
| Stop 6 | Mica & Fir | 3:45 | 1:30 |
| Stop 7 | Emery & Fir | 3:46 | 1:31 |
| Stop 8 | Beryl & Fir | 3:48 | 1:33 |
| Stop 9 | 1st Row S. End (18-33) | 3:49 | 1:34 |
| Stop 10 | 2nd Row S. End (34-49) | 3:50 | 1:35 |
| Stop 11 | 3rd Row S End | 3:51 | 1:36 |
| Stop 12 | 3rd Row N. End | 3:52 | 1:37 |
| Stop 13 | 2nd Row, N End (34-49) | 3:53 | 1:38 |
| Stop 14 | 1st Row, N End (18-33) | 3:54 | 1:39 |
| | **Aspen Springs** | | |
| Stop 15 | 1688 Aspen Springs Rd. | 4:03 | 1:53 |
| Stop 16 | End of Apsen Rd turnaround | 4:04 | 1:55 |
| | | | |
| Stop 17 | 848 Fox Farm Road | 4:11 | 2:00 |
| Stop 18 | 315 Fox Farm Road | 4:13 | 2:02 |
| | | | |
| | **Willow Springs** | | |
| Stop 19 | 43131 HWY 189 | 4:18 | 2:03 |
| Stop 20 | 43369 HWY 189 | 4:19 | 2:04 |
| Stop 21 | 44110 US HWY 189 | 4:20 | 2:05 |
| Stop 22 | 43837 US HWY 189 | 4:21 | 2:06 |
| | **Pomeroy** | | |
| Stop 23 | Lupine Lane | 4:35 | 2:15 |

Bus #15 Twin Creek, Kemmerer

AM

| Stop # | Full Day | Stop Name | Late Start |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | **Twin Creek** | |
| Stop 1 | 6:58 | 358 S. Twin Creek | 8:58 |
| Stop 2 | 6:59 | 836 S. Twin Creek | 8:59 |
| Stop 3 | 7:01 | 1396 S. Twin Creek | 9:01 |
| Stop 4 | 7:03 | 1210 S. Twin Creek | 9:03 |
| | | | |
| | | **Antelope Ridge** | |
| Stop 5 | 7:16 | 206 Hamsfork Drive | 9:16 |
| Stop 6 | 7:18 | Hamsfork & Bluegrass | 9:18 |
| Stop 7 | 7:19 | 112 Blue Grass Lane | 9:19 |
| | | | |
| | | **Kemmerer** | |
| Stop 8 | 7:23 | Sage & Sapphire | 9:23 |
| Stop 9 | 7:24 | Sage & Topaz | 9:24 |
| Stop 10 | 7:25 | Sage & Garnet | 9:25 |
| Stop 11 | 7:25 | Sage & Opal | 9:25 |
| Stop 12 | 7:26 | Sage & Onyx | 9:26 |
| Stop 13 | 7:27 | 514 Moose | 9:27 |
| Stop 14 | 7:28 | Ceder & Onyx | 9:28 |
| Stop 15 | 7:29 | Ceder & Opal | 9:29 |
| Stop 16 | 7:30 | Ceder & Garnet | 9:30 |
| Stop 17 | 7:30 | Ceder & Topaz | 9:30 |
| Stop 18 | 7:31 | Ceder & Sapphire | 9:31 |
| Stop 19 | 7:31 | Cedar & Emerald | 9:31 |
| | 7:35 | CES | 9:35 |
| | 7:42 | KJSHS | 9:42 |

Bus #15 Twin Creek, Kemmerer

PM

| Stop # | Stop Name | Full Day | Early Release |
|---|---|---|---|
| | CES | 3:10 | 12:55 |
| | KJSHS | 3:26 | 1:10 |
| | **Kemmerer** | | |
| Stop 1 | Sage & Sapphire | 3:33 | 1:18 |
| Stop 2 | Sage & Topaz | 3:34 | 1:19 |
| Stop 3 | Sage & Garnet | 3:35 | 1:20 |
| Stop 4 | Sage & Opal | 3:36 | 1:21 |
| Stop 5 | Sage & Onyx | 3:37 | 1:22 |
| Stop 6 | 514 Moose | 3:38 | 1:23 |
| Stop 7 | Ceder & Onyx | 3:39 | 1:24 |
| Stop 8 | Ceder & Opal | 3:41 | 1:26 |
| Stop 9 | Ceder & Garnet | 3:42 | 1:27 |
| Stop 10 | Ceder & Topaz | 3:43 | 1:28 |
| Stop 11 | Ceder & Sapphire | 3:44 | 1:29 |
| Stop 12 | Cedar & Emerald | 3:45 | 1:30 |
| | | | |
| | **Antelope Ridge** | | |
| Stop 13 | 206 Hamsfork Drive | 3:49 | 1:34 |
| Stop 14 | Hamsfork & Bluegrass | 3:51 | 1:36 |
| Stop 15 | 112 Blue Grass Lane | 3:53 | 1:38 |
| | | | |
| | **Twin Creek** | | |
| Stop 16 | 358 S. Twin Creek | 4:05 | 1:50 |
| Stop 17 | 836 S. Twin Creek | 4:07 | 1:52 |
| Stop 18 | 1396 S. Twin Creek | 4:11 | 1:56 |
| Stop 19 | 1210 S. Twin Creek | 4:11 | 1:56 |

*** Pickup and drop off times are subject to change.**
*** Pickup times listed are bus departure times. Be at the bus stop 5 minutes prior.**

## Bus Route for Remediation Fridays

| Stop # | Location | Stop # | Location |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Kemmerer** | | **Antelope Ridge** | |
| Stop 1 | Moose & 2nd West | Stop 13 | Bluegrass & Hamsfork Dr |
| Stop 2 | Ash & Topaz | Stop 14 | 210 Hamsfork Dr |
| Stop 3 | Ash & Emerald | **9th, Del Rio** | |
| Stop 4 | Ash & Upper Sunset | Stop 15 | 1131 9th West |
| Stop 5 | Cedar & Ruby | Stop 16 | 9th & Antelope |
| Stop 6 | Pine & Agate | Stop 17 | 9th & Del Rio |
| Stop 7 | Pine & Saphire | Stop 18 | Del Rio & Canyon |
| Stop 8 | Cedar & Opal | **Upper Diamondville** | |
| Stop 9 | Cedar & Emerald | Stop 19 | W. Hillcrest & Radiant |
| **Willow & Foothills** | | Stop 20 | Gomer & D'vill Ave |
| Stop 10 | Emery & Willow | **Lower Diamondville** | |
| Stop 11 | Foothill Park 1st Row middle | Stop 21 | Frontier & Diamondville Ave |
| Stop 12 | Foothill Park 3rd Row middle | Stop 22 | Conroy & Diamondville Ave |

**Remediation Bus will run to Rolling Hills, Twin Creek, Aspen Springs, Hamsfork, Oakley and Opal on a needed basis.**

# 7th & 8th Grade Supply List 2024-25 School Year

**Math**
- 3 or 5 - subject notebook
- Pencils
- 8th Grade-Highly Recommend TI-84 Graphing Calculator (Will be used for HS career also).

**7th Grade Science Supply List**
- Composition or spiral bound 1 subject notebook-NOT part of a multi-subject notebook
- Colored pens or pencils (at least 6 colors)
- Highlighters (at least 2)

**8th Grade Science Supply List**
- Colored pens or pencils (at least 6 colors)
- Composition or spiral bound 1 subject notebook-NOT part of a multi-subject notebook
- Highlighters (at least 2)
- Folder or binder

**7/8 Grade Language Arts**
- 1 subject notebook AND a 3 ring binder
- 1 Expo Marker (any color)
- 4 different colored highlighters
- Multiple colored pens
- Multiple pencils
- 100 pack lined notecards
- Wireless mouse (optional)

**7/8 Grade Social Studies**
- Book covers for textbooks-the covers can be store bought or homemade
- Three-ring binder with paper
- Colored pencils
- Highlighter
- Pencils and/or blue or black ink pen

**7/8 Grade PE**
- Composition book or notebook
- Combination lock
- Gym shirt, shorts, and non-marking athletic shoes

# TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT LOOKS FORWARD TO ANOTHER GREAT YEAR

The Lincoln County School District #1 Transportation Department would like to welcome our school bus riders for the 2024-2025 school year. The drivers are preparing to meet their students at their bus stops again this year. Be sure to check the bus schedules **as some stops and times have changed**. The pickup and drop off zone at KJSHS will continue to be behind the school building instead of the front. If you are dropping off your student, please stay in front and do not go behind the school as this road is only for the buses. If you are picking up or dropping off K-6 grade students at CES please use the top parking lot as the bottom lot is for **buses only.**

Students will need to have a **"STUDENT BUS PASS"** upon entering the bus if the student is a non-bus rider, the student needs to ride a different bus, or the student needs to get off at a different stop from their scheduled stop. The respective building office must fill out this **"PASS"** so that the driver has all the information necessary to transport the student to the correct location. This is to insure the safety of the student.

The Transportation Department will be using ParentSquare to distribute important bus information and updates such as delayed bus arrival. If you are new to our school district, please be on the lookout for a registration email from the District.

We look forward to transporting your children. Here are a few tips to help your student to get to school safely on the bus:

1. Wear bright clothes so the bus driver easily sees you.
2. Be at the bus stop at least **"5"** minutes before the bus is due. (The times listed in the Bus Schedule are the bus ***DEPARTURE*** times from the stop.)
3. Wear clothes & shoes appropriate for our Kemmerer weather. As there may be delays for bad roads.
4. Line up quietly in single file away from the road.
5. Stay out of the ***DANGER ZONE***, which is 10 feet around the bus on **ALL** sides.
6. Use handrails to get on and off the bus.
7. Pay attention to the bus driver. Cross the road when they motion you to cross. Be sure to look both ways—vehicles don't always stop for the red lights on the school bus.
8. Keep the aisles clear, and everything inside your seat-especially YOU!
9. Never stick your hands, head, or ***ANYTHING*** out the window.
10. Talk quietly and stay seated on the bus.
11. Go directly to your bus after school is dismissed as to not hold up bus departure.

Please remember when the yellow lights are flashing, the bus is getting ready to stop and when red lights are flashing a child or children are getting on or off the bus. **WHEN THE RED LIGHTS ARE FLASHING, BOTH DIRECTIONS OF TRAFFIC MUST STOP!!**

If you have a new student that is concerned about riding the bus and you take them to school the first day, be sure they know where they live and where their bus stop is. It would help to send with them their home address, phone number and bus stop, so the driver can help if they become lost or confused. It is also a good idea to have this information written on their backpack.

Please be patient the first three to five days of school. We do our best to keep our schedules, but things are always hectic and sometimes confusing for our students and it may take a little longer.

**School Bus Safety is up to A-L-L of Us!**

# Kemmerer Rangers

# FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES 2024

## FOOTBALL

### VARSITY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Friday, Aug. 30 | @ Cokeville HS (Scrimmage) | 4:00PM |
| Thursday, Sep. 05 | @ Moorcroft HS (@ Shoshoni ) | 4:00PM |
| **Friday, Sep. 13** | **Pinedale HS** | **7:00PM** |
| **Friday, Sep. 20** | **Thermopolis HS/MS** | **6:00PM** |
| Saturday, Sep. 28 | @ Mountain View HS | 1:00PM |
| Friday, Oct. 04 | @ Lyman HS | 1:00PM |
| **Friday, Oct. 11** | **Cokeville HS (Homecoming)** | **7:00PM** |
| **Friday, Oct. 18** | **Lovell HS (Sr. Recognition)** | **6:00PM** |
| Friday, Oct. 25 | @ Worland HS | TBA |
| Friday, Nov. 01 | @ OPEN (1st Round Playoffs) | TBA |
| Friday, Nov. 08 | @ OPEN (Semi Finals-FB Playoffs) | TBA |

### JUNIOR VARSITY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Monday, Sep. 09 | @ Mountain View HS | 4:00PM |
| **Monday, Sep. 16** | **Lyman HS** | **5:30PM** |
| **Monday, Sep. 23** | **Mountain View HS** | **5:00PM** |
| Monday, Oct. 07 | @ Cokeville HS | 4:00PM |
| Monday, Oct. 21 | @ Pinedale HS | 4:00PM |

## VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Friday, Aug. 30 | @ Cokeville HS (Cokeville Invite) | TBA |
| Saturday, Aug. 31 | @ Cokeville HS (Cokeville Invite) | TBA |
| Thursday, Sep. 05 | @ Big Piney HS | 6:00PM |
| Friday, Sep. 06 | @ Evanston Schools (Border Wars) | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 07 | @ Evanston Schools (Border Wars) | TBA |
| Friday, Sep. 13 | @ Big Horn HS (Big Horn Invite) | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 14 | @ Big Horn HS (Big Horn Invite) | TBA |
| Friday, Sep. 20 | @Thermopolis HS/MS (Conference Duals) | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 21 | @Thermopolis HS/MS (Conference Duals) | TBA |
| **Tuesday, Sep. 24** | **Lyman HS** | **6:00PM** |
| **Friday, Sep. 27** | **Wind River HS/MS** | **6:00PM** |
| **Saturday, Sep. 28** | **Wyoming Indian HS** | **1:00PM** |
| Friday, Oct. 04 | @ Mountain View HS | 6:00PM |
| **Thursday, Oct. 10** | **Farson-Eden HS** | **6:00PM** |
| Saturday, Oct. 12 | @ Green River HS | 12:00PM |
| **Thursday, Oct. 17** | **Big Piney HS (Sr. Recognition)** | **6:00PM** |
| Friday, Oct. 25 | @ Wind River HS/MS | 6:00PM |
| Saturday, Oct. 26 | @ Wyoming Indian HS | 1:00PM |
| Thursday, Oct. 31 | @ Lander Valley HS (Regional VB) | TBA |
| Friday, Nov. 01 | @ Lander Valley HS (Regional VB) | TBA |
| Saturday, Nov. 02 | @ Lander Valley HS (Regional VB) | TBA |
| Thursday, Nov. 07 | @ OPEN (State VB @ Casper) | TBA |
| Friday, Nov. 08 | @ OPEN (State VB @ Casper) | TBA |
| Saturday, Nov. 09 | @ OPEN (State VB @ Casper) | TBA |

## COED VARSITY GOLF

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Thursday, Aug. 22 | @ Pinedale HS | TBA |
| Friday, Aug. 23 | @ Pinedale HS | TBA |
| Thursday, Aug. 29 | @ Rock Springs HS | TBA |
| Friday, Aug. 30 | @ Rock Springs HS | TBA |
| **Friday, Sep. 06** | **Lyman HS** | **TBA** |
| **Friday, Sep. 13** | **Thermopolis HS/MS** | **TBA** |
| Friday, Sep. 20 | @ Big Horn HS (2A State Big Horn/Tongue River) | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 21 | @ Big Horn HS (2A State Big Horn/Tongue River) | TBA |

### JUNIOR VARSITY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Tuesday, Aug. 27** | **JV Invite Kemmerer** | **TBA** |
| Tuesday, Sep. 03 | @ Pinedale HS (Pinedale JV Invite) | TBA |

## GIRLS VARSITY SWIMMING

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Friday, Aug. 30 | @ Lander Valley HS (Lander Invite) | TBA |
| Saturday, Aug. 31 | @ Lander Valley HS (Lander Invite) | TBA |
| Friday, Sep. 06 | @ Green River HS (Green River Invite) | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 07 | @ Green River HS (Green River Invite) | TBA |
| **Thursday, Sep. 12** | **Invite w/Sublette, Lyman, Evanston** | **5:00PM** |
| Saturday, Sep. 14 | @ Powell HS | TBA |
| Friday, Sep. 20 | @ Riverton HS | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 21 | @ Green River HS | TBA |
| Saturday, Sep. 28 | @ Evanston Schools | TBA |
| Saturday, Oct. 05 | @ Pinedale HS | TBA |
| **Wednesday, Oct. 09** | **Lyman HS (Sr. Recognition Homecoming)** | **5:00PM** |
| Saturday, Oct. 12 | @ Rawlins HS | TBA |
| Friday, Oct. 18 | @ Lyman HS | TBA |
| Saturday, Oct. 19 | @ Evanston Schools | TBA |
| Friday, Oct. 25 | @ Lander Valley HS (Conference) | TBA |
| Saturday, Oct. 26 | @ Lander Valley HS (Conference) | TBA |
| Thursday, Oct. 31 | @ Green River HS (Last Chance Meet) | TBA |
| Thursday, Nov. 07 | @ OPEN (State GSW @ East HS Cheyenne) | TBA |
| Friday, Nov. 08 | @ OPEN (State GSW @ East HS Cheyenne) | TBA |

Schedules are subject to change.

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# Get schooled on vocational training

High school graduates or individuals looking to explore continuing education at any age have various options. Among the most popular options is enrolling in a college or university. Studying a trade in a vocational school is another popular option.

**What are vocational schools?**

Vocational schools are sometimes referred to as career or trade schools. Vocational schools tend to offer certificate programs that are much shorter in duration than traditional college degree programs, and train students for skilled jobs. Vocational programs prepare individuals for careers in electrical work, hairstyling and cosmetology, certified nursing aids, automotive work, and HVAC services, among others.

**Cost of attendance**

Cost of education is an important factor when choosing a career, and the cost of vocational school is no exception. The College Board says trade school costs between $5,000 and $15,000 on average for a three- to 18-month program. By comparison, the national average for a two-year degree program at public and private colleges can range from $3,621 to $15,333 per year. The cost to attend a four-year college is considerably higher, though it varies widely by institution.

NerdWallet reports that, as of 2021, total student loan debt in the United States exceeded $1.61 trillion. Vocational school can be a much more affordable option than attending college, without the specter of large amounts of debt looming once the training is over.

**An obvious job path**

Many higher education concentrations are confronting low enrollment, while vocational programs are doing quite well, according to The Hechinger Report, which covers innovation and equality in education. The reason may be that vocational training presents a clear career path, and a more secure way to a solid job. Mechanic and repair trade programs had an enrollment increase of 11.5 percent from spring 2021 to 2022, indicates the National Student Clearinghouse.

"America is lending money it doesn't have to kids who can't pay it back to train them for jobs that no longer exist," says Mike Rowe, television personality and founder of the Mike Rowe Works Foundation, which offers scholarship money to those who are pursuing the trades. Rowe feels that America has convinced people that the best path for most people is an expensive

education. Meanwhile, the Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates there are more than seven million jobs available across the U.S. that do not require a four-year-degree.

**Advantages to vocational schools**

Trade school students can look forward to some benefits.

- hands-on learning
- more rigid schedule
- efficient time usage
- faster class pace
- small class sizes
- ability for licensure, where needed
- lower costs of attendance compared to other types of schooling
- instructors who are experts in their fields

Vocational schools are an option for students right out of high school or those returning to school later in life. Such schools provide access to millions of rewarding and lucrative jobs that can offer financial security.

# How families can get ready for a new school year

Children will soon be trading in the chimes of neighborhood ice cream trucks for the bells of school as summer vacation gives way to the start of a new academic year. August through September is prime back-to-school season, with children all across the country stocking their backpacks and shopping for new school wardrobes.

There is more to getting ready for the start of school than making sure pencils are sharpened and tablets are charged. Parents and children can work together to ensure the transition back to the classroom is as seamless as possible.

**Adjust sleep and wake times**

Summer vacation often means letting loose of schedules for a while, and that may translate into later-than-normal bedtimes and rising a little later in the morning. Everyone in the household will have to reacquaint themselves with schedules that ensure kids get to school on time. A few weeks before the first day of school, start incrementally going to bed at an earlier time and start waking up earlier each morning. Try to plan out the increments so that by the time the last few days of summer vacation wind down, the family is on target with a waking schedule that mirrors the school schedule.

**Acclimate to being around people**

Although summer vacation may involve trips that bring children in contact with other people, it may have been some time since they've spent five or more hours per day around 20 to 30 people their age. It may take a transition period to get used to being around a bunch of peers, so families can visit places where there tend to be crowds of kids, such as zoos, aquariums, parks, and trampoline centers. These can be low-pressure locations to dust off social skills.

**Know the route or plan for school transportation**

Students may be driven independently, ride the school bus, walk or bike, or carpool with others to and from school. Families can establish plans so that getting to and from school is not something kids need to worry about. Practice routes and timing, taking into consideration that when schools open there will be much more traffic. Parents can reassure children that there will be a learning curve, but all of the kinks generally get worked out during the first week.

**Avoid "summer slide"**

Most students don't want to think about studying, homework and testing while on summer break, but it can be beneficial to stay current on some lessons. Summer slide refers to the loss of some of the learning achieved during the previous school year over the summer break. Some experts say summer slide is overstated, but it can't hurt for students to refresh their memories on some math, science and language arts concepts over break so that they will be ready to hit the books when the new school year begins.

**Prep for school lunches**

Children and adults can work together to map out healthy eating options for school lunch. Many school districts have lunch plans that can be purchased through an online account. Participating students simply enter a number or swipe a code at checkout. School lunches are built to be nutritionally diverse and have options that even picky eaters will like.

School is right around the corner, and families should get ready for the routine and needs that go with the academic year as the first day draws closer.

# Canyon Elementary Supply List 2024/2025

**Physical Education/Health:**

- Students must have separate non-marking gym shoes for PE, to be left at school, that are not worn for normal or outside wear. Cleats or turf shoes are not acceptable for use in the gym. Must be a tie or strap one shoe.
- Health: Grades 5 & 6: Spiral Notebook

**Third Grade:**

- 20 standard #2 yellow pencils-wooden not plastic coated (Ticonderoga Brand)
- 5 small glue sticks
- 1 set of colored pencils
- 1 package of 8 count washable markers
- 1 pair of pointed end scissors
- 1 large box of Kleenex
- Water bottle
- 1 package of highlighter markers
- 10-12 fine point dry erase markers
- 3 pocket folders
- Mr. Clean magic eraser
- 3 ring binger (2 inches)
- 1 package wide rule loose leaf paper
- 1 containers of Clorox wipes
- $20.00 Classroom Supply Fee

*(Supplies replenished as needed throughout school year)*

**Fourth Grade:**

- Water Bottle
- 10 #2 pencils (replenish as needed)
- 2 colored correcting pens (any color)
- 1 set of colored pencils
- 1 set markers
- 1 pkg large pink erasers
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 6 fine tip dry erase markers (replenish as needed)
- 1 box magic erasers (replenish as needed)
- 2 highlighter
- 4 glue sticks (replenish as needed)
- 1 large box Kleenex
- 1 small hand sanitizer
- 2-1 subject spiral notebook
- 5 pocket folders
- $20 Classroom Supply Fee
- Teton Science School payments need paid separate from lunch and music fee charges.

**Fifth Grade:**

- (Replace all supplies as needed during school year)
- #2 Pencils
- Pink eraser
- Pencil top erasers
- College rule loose leaf paper
- Dry erase markers
- Pencil box
- Scissors
- Colored pencils
- 1 Glue Stick
- 1 box of Kleenex (beginning of year)
- Highlighter
- 3 (1-subject) notebooks. One used for each subject
- $20.00 Classroom Supply Fee

**Sixth Grade:**

- (12) #2 Pencils
- (1) 2-inch Zipper 3 ring binder or 2 inch 3 ring binders
- (1) set of 8 insert dividers WITH POCKETS, hole punched for 3 ring binder or 8 folders with pockets, hole punched for 3 ring binder
- (3 packages) 150 Count WIDE RULED Loose-Leaf Paper, hole punched for 3 ring binder
- (1) Scissors
- (1) pencil pouch, NO pencil boxes
- Black Dry Erase Markers (several)
- (2) Yellow Highlighters
- 12 count colored pencils
- (1) Large Pink Erasers
- (1) Glue Stick
- (3) Bottle Clorox Wipes
- Water bottle
- (1) box tissues
- $20.00 Chromebook Fee
- $20.00 Classroom Supply Fee

**Fifth & Sixth Grade Band:**

- Pencil to keep in their case or folder
- Instrument (5th grade we will choose/rent at the beginning of the year so wait to buy unless you contact me ahead of time to approve)
- Instrument Supplies:
  - Woodwinds: Reeds
  - Brass: Oil, Slide Grease, cleaning snake
- Required music books (below)
  - Essential Elements Book 1 (5th/6th Grade)
  - Essential Elements Book 2 (6th Grade)
- Music Folder for Band (around 11 3/4" x 13 7/8")
- Black and White Dress clothes/shoes for concerts

## Canyon Elementary Contact Info

Phone 307.877.2286 Fax 307.877.3365
1310 Antelope Street, Kemmerer, WY 83101
Principal • Brad Meyer

## Canyon Elementary Bell Schedule

Warning Bell: 7:50 a.m. School Begins: 8:00 a.m.
Lunch - Kindergarten: 10:55–11:30 a.m.
Lunch - First Grade: 11:05–11:35 a.m.
Lunch - Second Grade: 11:10–11:40 a.m.
Lunch - 3rd grade: 11:45am–12:15 p.m.
Lunch - 4th grade: 11:40–12:10 p.m.
Lunch - 5th grade: 11:50 a.m.–12:20 p.m.
Lunch - 6th grade: 12:15–12:45 p.m.
School Ends: 3:15 p.m.
Early Release – Students released at 12:50 p.m.

## Transportation Department & Buses

Jamie Walker @ Bus Barn 307.877.6330
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# August Breakfast and Lunch Menus

## CES Breakfast August 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Nutrients |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 22 Biscuit GRAVY CEREAL FRUIT MILK | 23 CHEF'S CHOICE CEREAL FRUIT MILK | Cal 409<br>T.Fat 9.89 G<br>S.Fat 5.3 G<br>Chol 13.8 Mg<br>Sodm 647.10 Mg<br>Carb 67.44 G<br>Fiber 1.7 G<br>Prtn 13.18 G<br>Iron 6.15 Mg<br>Calc 396.94 Mg<br>Vit A 17.86 RE<br>Vit C 18.81 Mg |
| 26 FRENCH TOAST CEREAL FRUIT MILK | 27 EGG PATTY SAUSAGE AND HASHBROWNS CEREAL FRUIT MILK | 28 PANCAKES SAUSAGE FRUIT CEREAL MILK | 29 Biscuit GRAVY CEREAL FRUIT MILK | 30 CHEF'S CHOICE CEREAL FRUIT MILK | Cal 447<br>T.Fat 12.18 G<br>S.Fat 4.6 G<br>Chol 47.0 Mg<br>Sodm 593.84 Mg<br>Carb 70.66 G<br>Fiber 1.9 G<br>Prtn 14.67 G<br>Iron 7.24 Mg<br>Calc 354.58 Mg<br>Vit A 16.27 RE<br>Vit C 22.16 Mg |

***REDUCED PROGRAM for our district:***
Breakfast is $0.50
Lunch is $1.00

## CES Lunch August 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Nutrients |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 22 HOT DOG SALAD BAR POTATO CHIPS BAKED BEANS FRUIT MILK | 23 FRITO PIE CHEESE SAUCE SALAD BAR BABY CARROTS FRUIT MILK | Cal 393<br>T.Fat 18.86 G<br>S.Fat 4.5 G<br>Chol 47.0 Mg<br>Sodm 877.90 Mg<br>Carb 41.30 G<br>Fiber 4.6 G<br>Prtn 11.88 G<br>Iron 2.01 Mg<br>Calc 317.82 Mg<br>Vit A 11.61 RE<br>Vit C 11.94 Mg |
| 26 CHICKEN BURGER SALAD BAR TATOR TOTS CUCUMBER SLICES FRUIT MILK | 27 MACARONI AND CHEESE SALAD BAR WHEAT ROLL STEAMED PEAS FRUIT MILK | 28 Nachos beef NACHO CHEESE SAUCE SALAD BAR REFRIED BEANS W/ CHEESE VEGGIES, ASSORTED FRUIT MILK | 29 CHICKEN NUGGETS SALAD BAR MACARONI SALAD STEAMED CORN FRUIT MILK | 30 HAMBURGER SALAD BAR FRENCH FRIES Celery FRUIT MILK | Cal 579<br>T.Fat 20.33 G<br>S.Fat 5.5 G<br>Chol 45.1 Mg<br>Sodm 614.93 Mg<br>Carb 75.92 G<br>Fiber 5.2 G<br>Prtn 23.22 G<br>Iron 3.48 Mg<br>Calc 339.03 Mg<br>Vit A 16.22 RE<br>Vit C 13.42 Mg |

## KJSHS Lunch August 2024

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Nutrients |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 22 HOT DOG SALAD BAR POTATO CHIPS BAKED BEANS FRUIT MILK | 23 FRITO PIE CHEESE SAUCE SALAD BAR BABY CARROTS FRUIT MILK | Cal 393<br>T.Fat 18.86 G<br>S.Fat 4.5 G<br>Chol 47.0 Mg<br>Sodm 877.90 Mg<br>Carb 41.30 G<br>Fiber 4.6 G<br>Prtn 11.88 G<br>Iron 2.01 Mg<br>Calc 317.82 Mg<br>Vit A 11.61 RE<br>Vit C 11.94 Mg |
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***KJSHS Breakfast 2024-25***
Every day the students will be offered:
One hot breakfast item (main line)
Cereal, Fruit and Ala carte items/drinks.
All items are priced individually

# Lincoln County School District #1 Calendar for 2024-2025

### August 2024

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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### September 2024

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### October 2024

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### November 2024

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### December 2024

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### January 2025

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### February 2025

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### March 2025

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### April 2025

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### May 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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### June 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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Student Days: 175
Teacher Days: 185

- Start of School/ End of qtr
- No School
- WIN/PLC

CES 12:50 Early Release
KJSHS 1:00 Early Release

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|---|---|
| Aug 12-13: New Staff Days | Jan 17: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Aug 14-21: Teacher Work Days - Staff Development | Jan 24: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Aug 22: First day of school - Full Day | Jan 31: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Aug 23: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Feb 7: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Aug 30: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Feb 14: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Sept 2: Labor Day - No School | Feb 17: No School - President's Day |
| Sept 6: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Feb 21: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Sept 13: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Feb 28: Potential Snow Day |
| Sept 20: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Mar 7: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Sept 27: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Mar 14: End of Qtr 3 Early Release |
| Oct 4: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Mar 20: PTC 4:00pm to 8:00pm |
| Oct 11: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Mar 21: PTC 8am-12pm NO SCHOOL |
| Oct 18: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Mar 24-Mar 28: Spring Break No school |
| Oct 25: Early Release - End of Qtr. 1 | Apr 4: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Nov 1: Early Release - WIN/PLC | Apr 11: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Nov: 7: PTC 4pm to 8pm | Apr 18: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Nov 8: PTC 8am to 12pm NO SCHOOL | Apr 25: Early Release -WIN/PLC |
| Nov 15: Early Release - WIN/PLC | May 2: Early Release - WIN/PLC |
| Nov 22: Early Release- WIN | May 9: Early Release- WIN/PLC |
| Nov 27 - 29: Thanksgiving Break - No School | May 16: Potential Snow Day |
| Dec. 6: Early Release - WIN/PLC | May 23: Potential Snow Day |
| Dec 13: Early Release - WIN/PLC | May 26: Memorial Day No School |
| Dec 20: Early Release | May 29: Last day of school |
| Dec 23 - Jan 3: Christmas Break - No School | May 31: Graduation |