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Mystery solved



Photos by Erik Gantt

Above right, around 50 people participated in the Saratoga Museum's "Who is Joe Pickett?" trivia night event. In the photos to the left, top to bottom, Virginia Parker was co-MC of the event and enjoyed many a good laugh. C.J. Box clarifies the answer to a question as MC's Liz Wood, left, and Virginia Parker, right, listen. Trivia judge Dennis Healey makes sure the team tallies are correct.

Saratoga council approves \$4 million budget

Citizens share concerns about expenditures

By Mike Dunn

The Saratoga Town Council passed the 2014/2015 budget on the third reading at their June 17 meeting.

Ordinance 826 provides the income necessary to finance the 2014-2015 fiscal budget, which will raise \$4,186,002.80 for the town of Saratoga.

The budget shows an 84 percent increase in expenditures from this fiscal year to last year. Most notably, the sewer department increased from \$232,701.00 to \$1,561,200.00 this year. The 571 percent increase in expenditures for the sewer department is due to the outfall transmission line project,

which increased expenses by \$1,050,000.00.

According to the town of Saratoga's budget, there is an expected \$3,241,445.50 in expenditures with a \$58,426.50 expected loss in general funds.

The town of Saratoga is expecting a \$528,278.38 increase in revenues for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. A large portion of that money arrives from grants for projects.

Local resident Leon Hetherington asked why the Recreation Administration department saw an increase of \$50,000 this year. Recreation Department director Lisa Burton said the large increase was

due to the transfer of an employee from streets to recreation. The funds were transferred out of the streets department to the recreation administration.

Saratoga resident Greg Cooksey said he was not happy with the increased expenditures in the town's budget. He said the town should be happy with the extra income they are receiving, and stop raising fees.

"Instead, you are raising the cable franchise fee 3 percent, you are raising the franchise fee (for Carbon Power and Light) ...," he said. "We are your employers; you do not, should not be able to dictate to us. You should live within the budget that you

have, and if you can't, be like a business: cut expenses."

Cooksey said the franchise fees the town is imposing on Carbon Power and Light are taxes to residents.

The town council or mayor John Zeiger did not respond to Cooksey's comments. The town passed the ordinance unanimously, with Wilcoxson absent from the meeting.

Pest problems

The wind has created problems for town of Saratoga crews and their battle with the mosquitoes.

Town engineer Chuck Bartlett said his crews fogged for

mosquitoes on June 12, but strong winds have made fogging impossible.

"We could try to fog in the morning, but at 35 degrees, that doesn't do us any good," Bartlett said.

Several residents have complained the mosquitoes are becoming a nuisance. The town has since fogged for mosquitoes late last week, and plans for additional sprays this week.

Pending Litigation

The Saratoga Town Council voted 3 to 1 in favor of denying

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 25, 4-6 p.m.

Meet & Greet with Pete Illoway
Candidate for Wyoming Secretary of State
West Lobby

June 28, 10:30 a.m.

Carbon Power & Light, Annual Meeting
Theater, Great Hall, Lobbies

June 30 - July 3, 8-4:30 p.m.

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June 30, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Farmer's Market
PVCC parking lot

July 3, 7 p.m.

Collin Raye Concert
Theater

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VALLEY NEWS

12 years of DKRW

Medicine Bow public meeting announced

By Liz Wood

DKRW Advanced Fuels LLC, the parent company for Medicine Bow Fuel and Power LLC will be making a presentation from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday night at Medicine Bow Community Center in Medicine Bow. The purpose of the meeting to update the public on progress of the time line for the coal-to-liquefaction plant near Elk Mountain. The public meeting will include "a timeline with critical path key dates and significant events leading to the recommencement of construction for the project," according to the public notice that has been running in the *Saratoga Sun*.

Medicine Bow Fuel and Power LLC was directed by the Industrial Siting Council to make a presentation every six months of the progress as a condition of their 39-month extension.

This will be the first meeting since the Industrial Siting Council met with Medicine Bow Fuel and Power LLC in December.

DKRW has faced scrutiny and criticism, as well as support and votes of confidence from residents of Carbon County. The plant, which has been in the planning stages since 2004, has yet to come to fruition. Economic downturns, low prices in natural gas, and delays in permits, requests for Department of Energy loans and requests for bonds from Carbon County and the state of Wyoming have stunted its development.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has been working on an environmental assessment based on a right-of-way grant requested by DKRW in 2013.

In February 2014, BLM sent a letter to DKRW requesting a payment of \$10,000 to cover expenses in processing the application. BLM sent another letter on May 9, 2014 stating they had not received payment by the deadline date. The deadline was extended to May 30, 2014.

Here is a summarized list of what has happened in the last 12 years:

2002 - Robert Kelly co-founds DKR Development LLC, the predecessor company of DKRW Energy LLC

2004 - Kelly helps secure an option agreement for 180 million

tons of coal in the Carbon Basin in Wyoming from Arch Coal

DKRW came up with its names from the partners involved - Jon C. Doyle is "D"; Robert Kelly is "K"; H. David Ramm is "R" and Thomas E. White is "W".

2005 - DKRW announces intent to bring coal-to-liquid operation to Carbon County.

Oct. 2007 - The Wyoming State Engineer's Office (SEO) releases its Final Opinion of the Water Supply and Yield Analysis for DKRW Advanced Fuels LLC, the parent company for Medicine Bow Fuel & Power LLC.

March 4, 2009 - Wyoming Department of Equality (DEQ) issued a permit to Medicine Bow Fuel & Power LLC approving construction of an underground coal mine.

Nov. 27, 2009 - The Department of Energy published a notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a proposed loan guarantee to support the construction and startup of the Medicine Bow Fuel & Power Coal-to-Liquid Facility in Carbon County, Wyo. (Deadline was Dec. 28, 2009)

Dec. 2009 - Jason A. Lillegraven, an emeritus professor from the Department of Geology/Geophysics and Zoology/Physiology at the University of Wyoming, writes a critical review of the SEO's Final Opinion for the U.S. Department of Energy.

March 16, 2011 - DKRW announces they have entered into a purchase contract with Denbury Onshore, LLC to purchase 100 percent of the carbon dioxide captured from Medicine Bow Fuel and Power LLC plant.

Dec. 1, 2011 - DKRW announces they have entered into a contract with Vitol, Inc. in which Vitol would purchase 100 percent of the gasoline produced by the Medicine Bow Fuel and Power LLC.

Dec. 20, 2011 - DKRW makes a formal request for support in applying for two revenue bonds to the Carbon County Commissioners

One bond is a tax exempt

bond of \$245 million and the other is for \$300 Industrial Development Bond.

In the same meeting, Gary Jones, of Hanna, asked Bob Kelly, of DKRW, that a promise of breaking ground was made in 2007 and 2008. Jones pushed to ask if the project would happen in 2012. Kelly replied "We want you to love us."

Kelly also stated in the same meeting that the EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) lump sum turnkey contract should be done in two months

Jan. 3, 2012 - The Carbon County Commissioners put a week hold on the resolution to support DKRW's bond request.

Jan. 17, 2012 - Carbon County Commissioners approve a letter of support for DKRW to start seeking revenue bonds. The bond request is required to go through the state legislator and governor for approval.

May 2012 - DKRW - submits an updated construction schedule that stated the underground mine development is scheduled for 2013 and that commercial operations are to begin June 1, 2016.

September 2012 - DKRW signs a fixed price Lump Sum Turn Key Engineering Procurement and Construction contract.

March 20, 2013 - Medicine Bow Fuel and Power withdraws the proposed schedule for construction of the Medicine Bow Fuel and Power coal-to-liquid facility scheduled to be heard by the Industrial Siting Council meeting on April 1, 2013.

December 2013 - Wade Cline, Executive Vice President and Construction Council of DKRW Advanced Fuels LLC, requests a 30-month extension at the Industrial Siting Council meeting in Saratoga. The Industrial Siting Council gives the company a 39-month extension.

March 7, 2014 - DKRW Advanced Fuels LLC advises the Industrial Siting Council that they have terminated their contract with Sinopec - the Chinese company that was in charge of the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC).

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Stantec to delay data presentation

Staff Report

Saratoga residents will have to wait a little longer to see the preliminary findings for the Upper North Platte River Restoration Project.

Several engineers who are

working on the project are tending to family matters, and were unable to give the presentation originally scheduled for Monday, Saratoga mayor John Zeiger said.

Stantec Consulting Ser-

VICES and Wildland Hydrology will present their findings on July 18. Zeiger said there will be a meeting about two weeks after the July presentation, but an exact date has not been set.

X-Country starts conditioning

Staff Report

Middle school and high school athletes wishing to join cross country next season are invited to begin weekly cross country summer conditioning practices beginning Thursday,

June 26.

Any student entering the 6th grade through 12th grade is welcomed.

Practices will be held Thursdays throughout the summer at 6:30, meeting at the Veter-

an's Island parking lot. Anyone interested in joining that cannot make it to practice is asked to contact Rex or Mary Hohnholt at 307-326-5179.

Master plan moves forward

By Mike Dunn

The town of Saratoga will receive a grant to develop a master plan.

Mayor of Saratoga John Zeiger said they received a \$49,000 from a community development block grant. Community development block grants come from the state of Wyoming. The money has not yet been given to the town of Saratoga, but Zeiger said "the check is in the mail."

The town of Saratoga will have to contribute around \$16,000 towards the master plan project, and Voices of the Valley is contributing an additional \$2,500.

The money will go toward the hiring a consultant who will draft a master plan de-

sign for the town.

A steering committee will be formed to work with the consultant, and the town is seeking four letters of interest for that committee. The idea behind the committee, Zeiger said, is so neither the town nor the planning commission will have the final say on what is included in the master plan.

The letters of interest will be reviewed by the Saratoga planning commission. The town council will then take input from the planning commission on who should be on the committee. There will likely be a member of the planning commission as an advisor on the board.

The idea behind imple-

menting a new master plan is to update the dated town plans. Several of the plans for the town of Saratoga date back to the late 1970s, Zeiger said.

The new plan will also assist with the rise in workers expected to arrive from the Chokecherry-Sierra Madre wind farm project. Zeiger said he does not want to get in a position where Saratoga is not ready for a population boom.

"We can take a lesson from a town like Pinedale and get ahead of the game instead of behind the game," Zeiger said.

The town is expected to receive the grant itself within the next few weeks.

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the governmental claims act filed by former Saratoga town treasurer Lynda Healey.

Healey, who was the treasurer from 2009, was terminated from her position in 2012. Her attorney, Jonathan Schnal, said the claim the town council voted on was with the Equal Employment Oppor-

tunity Commission (EEOC). The EEOC had previously decided in favor of the town of Saratoga. Schnal said Healey was steered through the wrong channels.

"The matter will proceed," Schnal said.

Schnal said they have submitted a claim for wrongful

termination and denial of due process in accordance of state statutes.

Saratoga Town Attorney Tom Thompson declined to comment because the matter is still in litigation.

The next town council meeting will take place 6 p.m. on July 1 at Saratoga Town Hall.

Good luck Ryan and Tate in the 6-man Shootout All-Star Game!



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Malone
and
Mom & Dad
Stinson

"The news?"

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VIEWS OF THE SUN

Getting in to getting out the vote

So you're running for office. Congratulations.

No, really.

I commend your effort and desire to make things better.

There are a few things you should know though.

People are going to start giving you their "Here's what you need to do ..." speech.

I won't be doing that here.

Folks will be telling you to "Go door to door", "Get out and knock on some doors" and the like.

The reason I never did that when I ran two years ago is that A.) I'm basically lazy and B.) I don't like it when people come to my door trying to sell something (or anything), so why would I do that to *other* people?

GREASING THE WHEEL

If you are serious about winning you will have to spend some money. I am not just talking about newspaper ads (obviously I think that's a good way to go—voters DO read), there is radio to consider along with signs, flyers, cards, bumper stickers and the like.

Now that you've filed, there are *plenty* of companies that will get your name from the list of those running and will start deluging you with your political advertising options.

Campaign spending adds up pretty quick, and even though I said I wouldn't be telling you what needs to be done, there is one thing you should most definitely do: **KEEP YOUR RECEIPTS!** It is also quite helpful

to keep them in ONE place.

You will have to report campaign expenditures along with any donations that you get for your cause.

You will have to file these monetary transactions before the primary, after the primary and (if you make it that far) both before and after the general election too.

It is dreary to start with, but if you don't keep a pretty tight handle on it it can become downright frustrating.

Consider it a primer to actually getting elected ... the tedium train is just leaving the station.

Retro Blog



By Keith McLendon

TALKING THE TALK

Now comes the fun part.

You will be interviewed.

It is possible you will be taken out of context.

I felt satisfied with the radio interview I did ... except that when the announcer said something along the lines of "... and Keith plans on using the newspaper as his soapbox". That was incorrect and actually one of the reasons I decided not to run again. While running I no longer had the freedom to

write about whatever I wanted to write about.

I didn't bother to respond to the very slight slight. I like to think intelligent people listen to what is actually being said by the candidate and filter out most of any editorializing that gets added.

Being interviewed is intimidating though.

I was even a little nervous when the guys here at the *Sun* interviewed me for the primary and general election sections—and those were friends of mine (Unbiased and professional—as it should be. But still friends).

It helps if you know the issues and what is going on. Umms and Uhs don't sound very good as part of an answer.

Now that you have studied the issues you will be asked to come tell the public about your views during at least one Meet the Candidate Forum.

I, like a lot of people, am scared of public speaking.

Fortunately, I got over all that long enough to get past the night fairly well (or so I was told).

I think getting through that helped me be a little less shy though.

Quit laughing.

THICKEN THAT SKIN

So, you've won.

I didn't, but still think I can help with some advice since I follow politics a bit.

You will now be doing a very tough, and mostly thankless, job.

It will be boring.

It will require homework.

You will have to deal professionally with people you do not like.

You will have to *listen* to those same people.

It will basically suck your will to live ... and you will be called names for your troubles.

You will have to learn to separate your elected position from your private self.

This is extremely hard to do.

Please try though.

We don't need a grumpy mayor or grumpy councilperson.

Every governor, senator or representative I have ever met seems to be almost abnormally giddy to meet me even though they are surely being grilled for something somewhere.

We don't want Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, just some equilibrium.

I'm sure it takes practice ... or at least the right personality.

For example: I might rabidly take issue with something an elected official does in their official capacity, but can still be friendly to the person outside the dilemma.

Here's a good way to think about it. When someone cuts you off or does something stupid while driving around here, I automatically cuss and scream at the offender. When I see that it is someone I like driving the car, I start to calm down. I still don't like the action that occurred (and may give them grief for it later), but I still like the person.

I hope I have helped you learn *some small part* of what you are getting yourself into.

At least you can do something very few people can claim to have done ... vote for yourself on an actual ballot.

Good luck.



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National Weather Service

Wednesday Mostly sunny, mainly after noon. Partly sunny, with a high near 75. with a high near 80. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming west southwest in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 50. West wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south southeast after midnight.

Thursday Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. South southeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon.

Thursday Night Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Friday A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms,

Friday Night A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 46.

Saturday Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

Saturday Night Mostly clear, with a low around 47.

Sunday Sunny, with a high near 78.

Sunday Night Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Monday Sunny, with a high near 80.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Defending the mayor

Editor,
First I want to all the people who were involved in the effort to keep the river out of Saratoga: the military, the volunteers, the town staff, and the local businesses and employees who supported those who were doing the work of filling and placing sandbags. Thanks to Mayor Zieger for making it all work smoothly. It is my understanding that some people think it is up to you to get the river work done and that you have the money to do that. Please write a letter to the Sun explaining what all is needed to make that project a reality. I think people are being misled that the flooding could be avoided if you made that happen. And next they will also want you to walk on water. Please let me know when you plan to do the latter so I can be present.

Second, I tried to read the letter from Leon, but it was so disrupted with poor sentence structure, misspellings, and false statements that I kept getting lost in the process. Suffice it to say that the ramblings of my old friend didn't seem to suggest much of anything worth my time. But I did realize that he is upset because of the lawsuits that the town is involved in. Thought it was hilarious that the person he wants you to defer to is one of the people suing the town and the reason for one of those infamous lawsuits. She is also running for mayor! Now that makes real sense, Leon. Whose side are you on? As a former judge and attorney, I am amazed that you would find fault with attorney fees as I'm sure you charged plenty in your day and those fees are providing you with a great retirement in wild, wonderful

Saratoga and sunny Florida. Third, I don't think that people actually realize what it takes to be a mayor or council member of a municipality like Saratoga. The laws and statutes change regularly as does the amount of funding that comes from various sources. These elected officials spend many hours in meetings other than council meetings, and in workshops and seminars learning not only about changes, but about possible sources of grant funding. And these hours are on their own time without pay or compensation other than gas and an occasional meal. Qualifications for these positions require more than just getting the most votes. They require intelligence and capabilities to do the job they are elected to. They require compassion for all the citizens of the town and not just an elite few. It is a thankless job and lately has been one of stress and accusations that are unfounded and unnecessary in a civilized society. We are a small community, and the upcoming election can make or break the projects that are needed to be completed for the betterment of the town. While I live outside the city limits and cannot vote in town elections, I have friends who do live in town and they will all be impacted by the outcome of those upcoming elections. Please don't make them into a mud slinging, ugly experience for Saratoga and create wounds and separations that may never heal. Our valley deserves better.

*Sincerely,
Judy Loudin*

Editor's note: In the spirit of fairness, we do not publish letters from candidates.

Town spends too much

Editor,
And the Three Ring Spending Circus came to Town again last night! And the Un-Thrifty Mayor who won't Resign was in Center Ring and prevailed again to over-spend next year's budget (2014-15) by \$89,000.00 on top of this year's budget (2013-14) over-spending of \$659,000.00. This Three Ring (2 Council Members and Mayors yes vote and one sane no vote) in spite of Citizens objections to another unbalanced budget. Saratoga Jonny Homeowner's must balance their budgets to avoid bankruptcy or negative Credit Ratings. No consideration was given to suggestions to balance the budget by reducing the bloated police department

personnel or the un-necessary Recreation Department costs. Just criticism of "Yours Truly" for not attending all the budget work sessions (Town Clerk would not provide a complete Draft Budget to examine till 10 days ago when Citizens asked for copies). And, the Un-Thrifty Mayor's 2 minute maximum Citizens time to comment stifles healthy budget debate. Oh well, we know the Un-Thrifty Mayor and Board Members plan. In 6 weeks they plan to ram down the Citizens and Businesses gullible throats a major personal and business new monthly bill for Carbon Power (a non-profit co-op

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Sawyer Brown comes to town

Valley Strong brings popular country group to PVCC

By Liz Wood

A handful of representatives from the Platte Valley non-profit organizations attended a meeting sponsored by Brush Creek Ranch on June 17 at the Platte Valley Community Center. Michael Williams, with Brush Creek Ranch announced that Valley Strong, a non-profit organization is bringing Sawyer Brown to Saratoga to perform at 8 p.m., July 20 at the PVCC and that local non-profit organizations will benefit from any tickets sales they make.

Williams explained three tiers of ticket sales to the representatives, which include \$50, \$200 and \$500 tickets.

The \$50 tickets are for the back rows, the \$200 tickets include middle rows, hors d'oeuvres and an open bar. The \$500 tickets include front rows, hors d'oeuvres, and open bar and a meet and greet with Sawyer Brown after the concert.

The tickets went on sale Monday at the PVCC. When people purchase the tickets they make the check out to whomever they want to donation to go to. If paying by credit card, the buyer will need to tell the PVCC which non-profit they want the money to go to and the money will be distributed accordingly after the concert.

Dulcie Schalck is contacting the other non-profit organizations in the Valley to let them know of the opportunity.

"We are thrilled to have the opportunity to bring Sawyer Brown to Saratoga to support the local community and its charities," said Williams, COO and Executive Vice President of The Lodge & Spa at Brush



Courtesy Photo

Sawyer Brown will appear July 20 at the PVCC.

Creek Ranch. "Last year's concert benefited 13 organizations and we are excited as this year's event continues to grow to raise money for even more causes while becoming known as a memorable evening of top name entertainment for all to enjoy together."

Williams said that the White family, which owns and operates Brush Creek Ranch sponsors several programs, including the Valley Strong program.

Brush Creek Ranch books the band and then the non-profit organizations promote the ticket sales. The non-profit organization keeps the money for the tickets they sell.

This year the checks will be made directly to the non-profit the ticket buyer wants to promote. The change is that tickets will only be purchased at the Platte Valley Community Center.

Greg Bush, the Community Center assistant, explained that each non-profit organiza-

tion will have a file. The process will help with ensuring that tickets are not oversold, explained Williams.

With only 407 seats, including wheelchair access, there will not be a bad seat in the house, Williams said.

Williams added that the culinary staff at Brush Creek Ranch will be making and serving the hors d'oeuvres and the Ranch is also sponsoring the open bar.

Sawyer Brown is an American country music band that was founded in 1981. The band has released more than 20 studio albums and 50 charted singles including 10 singles to make the top five in the charts. Most recently, the band released their newest single in May, "Walk Out Of The Rain".

For more information, contact your favorite non-profit organization to see if they are participating or call the PVCC at 307-326-7822.

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It ain't just a river in Egypt: West Nile Virus, don't be in Denial

By Erik Gantt

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that there were 2,469 cases of West Nile Virus (WNV) in the United States in 2013, resulting in 119 deaths. In Wyoming last year, 41 cases of WNV leading to one death were reported. Since 1999, there have been 722 documented cases of in Wyoming. Nationally, the peak incidence WNV cases occur during August.

A wet spring and standing water left by the flood is going to make for a banner year for mosquitoes. Those blood-sucking nuisances are the number one vector spreading West Nile, and there have been cases in the Valley before. Mosquitoes carry the disease from infected birds to humans, horses and other mammals which are "dead end" hosts. Other modes of transmission include blood transfusions, organ transplants, exposure in laboratory settings, and from mother to baby during pregnancy, delivery or breastfeeding.

According to the CDC, 70-80 percent of people who are

infected with WNV will not develop any symptoms. About 20 percent of those infected have symptoms including fever, body aches, joint pains, vomiting, diarrhea and possibly rashes. These symptoms are the result of a febrile illness which most people recover from completely, although fatigue and weakness can last for weeks or even months. Severe neurologic symptoms, including meningitis or encephalitis, present in less than 1 percent of the infected population, but can be life threatening.

Those with medical conditions including cancer, diabetes, hypertension and kidney disease, are more prone to neurological cases of WNV. Neurologic symptoms include high fever, headaches, neck stiffness, tremors, seizures, paralysis, disorientation and coma. Full recovery from the severe symptoms may take months and some effects may be permanent. Approximately 10 percent of the population who develop neurological infections will die.

There are no human vaccines or antiviral treatments available for WNV. According to a

2013 paper in the journal "Viruses," efforts are being made to develop a vaccine based on an attenuated measles virus vaccine. For now, prevention measures include limiting contact with potential vectors by wearing long sleeves and pants, using insect repellent, having properly maintained screen doors and window screens, using air-conditioning and draining standing water around your house and work areas. Insect repellents with DEET, picaridin, IR3535 and some oil of lemon eucalyptus and para-menthane-diol provide longer-lasting protection.

Christina Bobaugh, RN, who is in charge of Infection Prevention and Employee Health at Memorial Hospital of Carbon County, suggests homeopathic repellents, but people should research the active ingredients before you believe the claims.

Bobaugh said that testing for WNV involves taking blood or spinal fluid samples and looking for antibodies to the virus. Results can take up to a week to come back from the lab.

Bobaugh said it is important to protect yourself from

dusk to dawn, and stay away from stagnant water. If you or your child develop flu-like symptoms during the summer months, and you have been around mosquitoes, it is a good idea to see a doctor "A lot of people don't think about it, they think it's just a mosquito bite, but we get a lot of diseases from mosquitoes. A mosquito bite just isn't a mosquito bite anymore."

Steve Hays, DDS, of Saratoga, and Virginia Parker, of Encampment, can attest to this. Both have had WNV.

Parker was diagnosed with West Nile in August 2011 after a fishing trip on the Sweetwater River in Fremont county. She went to the Platte Valley Medical Clinic in Saratoga with flu-like symptoms. After a week of rest, she ended up at the emergency room, where they tested a blood sample that came back positive for WNV.

Parker contracted the febrile type of WNV, but more than two years later she still suffers from headaches which she attributes to the illness. It took her about two months to feel relatively healthy after being diagnosed with West Nile.

Parker feels lucky though, as she knew two people from Lander who died of the disease.

Hays was 61 years old in September 2013 when he was diagnosed with WNV. It was the Friday after Labor Day when he started to feel tired and have flu-like symptoms. While on a trip to Fort Collins, Colo., he went to Urgent Care after he started to lose cognitive abilities and couldn't finish answers to questions he had been asked. He ended up at the Medical Center of the Rockies in Loveland where they performed a spinal tap and tested his spinal fluid for WNV. After developing symptoms of encephalitis they "pumped him full of everything," and kept him hospitalized for four days. For the first three days of his hospitalization he was so incoherent that he could not hold a conversation although he could recognize people. Five days after the spinal tap, after he had been released from the hospital, the results came back and showed he had WNV. His recovery was "dramatic," and he is doing well today which

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Planning board member resigns

By Mike Dunn

Town of Saratoga planning commission board member Bob Thrasher submitted his letter of resignation at the June 10 meeting.

In his letter, Thrasher said after the May Saratoga planning commission, he has "had to really think about what the planning commission can actually accomplish."

Thrasher's letter listed several reasons why he was leaving the board. The letter said the present board has no power to act or enforce the zoning ordinances, and the double-vote situation by councilman and planning board member Steve Wilcoxson prohibits a unanimous decision from the planning board making it to town council.

The letter says though he believes the planning commission has dedicated their time to help the town, he feels the public thinks the board cannot make decisions and does not act as a unified part of the town. He said the board has tried to make changes, but with little success to overcome any obstacles.

Thrasher said in his letter he has gone away after each meeting thinking for every variance and special use permit, the zoning ordinances have not been utilized.

Additionally, another member of the planning commission may soon be leaving his position.

Rod Weinman has not been present at a planning commis-

sion meeting for several months, and has been at half of the meetings according to the board members. Board member Chris Shannon said having Weinman on the board is not in the best interest to the town of Saratoga.

However, town engineer Chuck Bartlett said Weinman has been occupied with work, and was planning on submitting his resignation soon.

The board elected to wait until Weinman submits his letter of resignation. Weinman had yet to submit his letter at press time.

The planning commission went back to work on their bylaws.

The planning commission members engaged in various heated debates concerning unnecessary language. The debate escalated when Shannon questioned having a councilman on the board.

Shannon was not sure if having a councilman on the board was based on tradition, but he feels the council person would have enough duties with their positions to be sitting on individual boards.

"They should be getting information from all of the boards," he said.

Shannon added not having a councilman would lead to more involvement from the public. There are currently council members on most boards in Saratoga, and all of the council people are voting members.

Chairman Rory Grubb said

he thought it is "an asset" when council members are present at the meeting, but was against a council person voting.

Wilcoxson said even if he is not a voting member, he still has right to sit in on the meetings as a councilman and make recommendations to the council.

"I ran on the deal that I personally don't believe in a lot of regulations," Wilcoxson said. "When I see things are aren't best for the community, that's the way I vote ... you guys cannot show me one time where my vote has made a difference and has carried one thing."

After group discussion, Wilcoxson added, "I believe that the council, whether it's me or somebody else, should have as much input on this board as they can. They are the final ones that catch the flak. They are the ones that adopt what is recommended."

Shannon said the proposal was not personally directed at Wilcoxson. However, Shannon stressed having a councilperson on the board was unnecessary and has not seen the benefits of having one on the board.

The planning commission voted to have a councilperson as an eighth member of the board, as an advisor, but not a voting member. The motion was passed, with Wilcoxson and Karl Smith dissenting.

The next planning commission meeting will be 5:30 p.m. on July 8 at Saratoga Town Hall.

Author reflects on Platte Valley

By Mike Dunn

Wearing his signature cowboy hat, award-winning author C.J. Box was back in Saratoga on Friday to sign books, meet with fans and participate in the first ever C.J. Box Trivia Night.

Box said the trivia night, put on by the Saratoga Museum, was the first of its kind. The event was attended by more than 50 people, and raised nearly \$1500 for the Saratoga Museum.

Though Box said he was honored by the trivia night, he was nervous he might not know the answers to the questions about his books.

"With some of the questions about the early books, especially when it comes to the names," he said. "I tend to insert the names at the end of the book not the beginning, so some of the names don't resonate."

Box has strong ties to the

Platte Valley. His first job out of college was working as a journalist for the *Saratoga Sun*. He said his job interview was anything but typical; consisting of a float trip down the North Platte River with former owner of the *Saratoga Sun* Dick Perue.

"By the time we pulled into Saratoga, I would have paid him for the job," Box said referring to Perue. "And he didn't pay me much either."

Working at the *Saratoga Sun* was a great first newspaper job, Box said. Being involved in the community helped him meet many interesting people, and would lead to inspiration for characters in his books.

He says he also pulls from experiences working as a reporter and with the Chamber of Commerce in Saratoga. It is because of this, Box said his fans in Saratoga relate to his books so well.

"The people around here, I think, get the books more so than anywhere else, because so much of it is locally based," he said.

When he left for a job in Cheyenne, he said he and his wife talked about eventually moving back to the Platte Valley. As his books became more popular, he eventually purchased a cabin on the Encampment River. Box said he still makes several trips to the Platte Valley every year to go fishing.

"I can fish right off the front lawn," Box said about his cabin. "That's my dream. I always thought if I lived in a place where I never have to break my fly rod down, that would be heaven. And this is the place."

C.J. said he always enjoys his time in the Platte Valley, and would be interested to see if the C.J. Box trivia night becomes an annual event.

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PEOPLE OF THE PLATTE

Cancer in the Platte Valley

Part one: Getting the call

By Mike Dunn

Editor's Note: Over the next few weeks, the Saratoga Sun will share the story of Michelle McWain. She is a wife, a mother, a Carbon County School District No. 2 employee and a breast cancer survivor.

Michelle McWain led an ordered life.

Her house had to be clean. Her job in human resources and accounts payable at the Carbon County School District No. 2 office had to be precise.

To Michelle, everything had its place. If something was not right, she would drop everything and take care of it.

But, two years ago, her outlook on life had changed forever.

On March 12, 2012, Michelle was at work when she received the call.

The person on the other line was Jennifer Oiler, a nurse practitioner at the Platte Valley Medical Clinic. Oiler suggested Michelle bring herself and her husband down to the clinic.

Michelle could not wait that long -- she's not a person who let's anything go to chance.

"I said 'Jennifer I want to know: is it cancer?'"

Oiler had repeatedly advised Michelle to come in to the clinic, but to no avail. Michelle said she had to know at that moment. If there was something growing inside of her, she had to know immediately.

Oiler finally confirmed Michelle's worst suspicions: Michelle had been diagnosed with breast cancer.

All it took was one phone call, and her life had changed forever.

"It was just a whirlwind from that moment on," Michelle said. "Just the decisions you had to make, whether you saw the oncologist first— just the whole gamut of what step do you take next?"

Fortunately for Michelle, she took her first step several months before she got the call.

Since fall of 2011, Michelle's body did not feel right. She felt a pain in her breast when she was coaching volleyball. It was probably nothing, she thought.

Her last mammogram was two years prior to then, Michelle said she simply had been putting it off. She and her mother finally decided to go in for a mammogram. Michelle's grandmother is a breast can-

cer survivor, and susceptibility increases with a family history of the disease.

Michelle first underwent an analog, or film, mammogram procedure. While analog mammograms have been used for upwards of 30 years, according to the National Cancer Institute, the picture it takes is limited as it cannot be altered by radiologist. She then underwent a digital mammogram, of which the results differed from the analog

Once it was suggested to Michelle to do an ultrasound for a second opinion she knew something serious was happening.

"I knew right away," she

... an estimated 1.6 million people in America, both men and women of all ages, will be diagnosed with some type of cancer this year.

said. "I just kind of had this inkling that something is not right."

Michelle's doctor was not concerned, but did confirm "there was something in there." She then underwent a fine-needle biopsy, a procedure which takes a cell sample from under the skin for examination.

"About one week later, I got the call. It was cancer," Michelle said.

According to the American Cancer Institute, an estimated 1.6 million people in America, both men and women of all ages, will be diagnosed with some type of cancer this year. Sadly enough, more than 500,000 people will die from cancer by the time 2014 is over.

Malignant tumors can grow inside anyone; from the 24 year-old marathon runner, to the 80 year-old chain smoker. Cancer can spread anywhere inside a person's body at any time. There is no certain way of predicting who will have cancer, when they will have it and what type they will have.

Cancer awareness movements have been around since the 1930s, and was popularized by the Woman's Cancer

Institute.

Since then, millions of dollars are raised by hundreds of organizations each year to help fund research and awareness.

And still, there is still no cure.

But what is it about cancer that makes it so deadly?

Dean Bartholomew, M.D., local physician at the Platte Valley Medical Clinic said cancer is a process by which normal cells, already inside a person, start growing and lose the ability to shut themselves off.

"[All cells] are programed to grow a certain amount, then they shut off stop growing," he said.

For example, if one examines the cells in any person's hand, the normal cells in a finger are programed to stop growing once it reaches a certain length. But for a cancerous cell, it keeps growing.

If the cells are not stopped from growing, the abnormal growth and tissue takes over. The area in the body where the growth is located prohibits growth of normal cells that are trying to do their job.

"Now you have a non-functional tissue that eventually leads to death or other major problems," Bartholomew said.

One of the common misconceptions about cancer, Bartholomew said, is that cancerous cells arrive externally from one's body. The potential for cancer cell growth is always there. All it takes is just a few, microscopic cells to continue to keep growing, and a person's life is instantly changed.

Michelle had a scheduled appointment on April 10, 2012, but one month without a doctor visit was not an option for her. Take care of it right away, she thought. Michelle started to make phone calls and scheduled appointments. She was able to see someone about her cancer within a week. She saw an oncologist within six weeks.

If there was a cancerous cell growing inside of her, she wanted it out.

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Public Notice



The Board of Carbon County Commissioners will hold a meeting **Wednesday, July 2, 2014**, beginning at **6:00 p.m.** at the Jeffrey Center, Rawlins, WY to discuss formation of a fire protection district. The public is invited to attend or you may submit written comments to Gwynn Bartlett, P.O. Box 6 or 415 W. Pine St., Rawlins, WY, 82301, via e-mail to gwynnbartlett@carbonwy.com or fax to (307) 328-2669.

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Preserving quaking leaves in the Valley

By Erik Gantt

The health and ecological study of aspen communities is important to the North Platte River Valley for several reasons, and Paul Rogers PhD, director of the Western Aspen Alliance explained why at the Platte Valley Community Center Thursday night. According to Dr. Rogers, aspen systems are economically important because they support water conservation, forage for wildlife, can be used as fire breaks, create wildlife habitat, are important to recreation (think ski areas and leaf tours in the fall), are harvested for timber and are hot spots for hunting and wildlife viewing. Members of the public, and representatives from the Platte Valley Habitat Partnership, US Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Division of Wildlife (DOW), Wyoming Game and Fish (WGAF) and Wyoming Wildlife Foundation attended Platte Valley Aspen Days. The two-day event included a lecture entitled "Lessons from the Aspen Bush: Diversity Breeds Hope" on Thursday by Dr. Rogers and a field trip on Friday to aspen stands on both private and federal lands.

There is only one species of aspen in North America (*Populus tremuloides*), and it is the most widespread species on the continent, Rogers said.

In the Platte Valley, the slopes of the Sierra Madres and Medicine Bow mountains, there are large and small stands of aspen which cover the gamut from healthy to dying or dead. One of the main goals of the Platte Valley Habitat Partnership, which contributed support to Aspen Days, is to manage aspen resources in order to support wildlife habitat.

Aspen dependent wildlife include elk, mule deer, moose, beaver, a variety of rodents, raptors, owls, songbirds, insects and arachnids, Rogers said. The canopy created by aspen support grasses, flowers and shrubs, which in turn provide food and shelter for many of the animals already listed.

Some of the proposed methods for treating unhealthy stands of aspen include prescribed burns, mechanical thinning of conifers, dispersal of thinned and fallen trees to make natural barriers and fencing, according to Rogers. After the initial treatment of aspen stands, monitoring of the relative health of the forest will be conducted.

Most aspen trees in North America are 100 to 120 years old, although the stands, or clones, can be much older. Aspen stands are often a single



Photo by Erik Gantt

Paul Rogers, PhD, director of the Western Aspen Alliance and a professor at Utah State University discusses potential treatment options for an aspen stand on the Big Creek Ranch.

living organism where new trees form from suckers on the root system of the entire colony. Dr. Rogers expressed disdain with reports that date clones with any specificity, such as claims that some aspen clones are as much as 80,000 years old. While he said that age range is possible, there is no valid way to date the age of a clone.

Historically, aspens have been shown to regenerate more easily during periods of increased moisture and especially after fire. In general, 20th century climates have been characterized as warmer, wetter and with reduced fire because of human management which has resulted in an increase in conifers and decreased aspen. Another significant impact to aspen systems has been the introduction of sheep; which browse on the young saplings and seedlings, wiping out the next generation of trees. In a healthy aspen forest there are a variety of different aged trees ranging from young saplings, to recruits (those trees which have survived long enough to grow taller than the browsing height of local ungulates), and mature trees. In a severely over-grazed forest there are no saplings or recruits, and the bare trunks of the mature trees are visible.

One promising line of research involves the natural diversity of aspen and genetic lines that are not as appealing to herbivores because of their taste. The chemical compounds found in some stands, or clones, are unpalatable to elk, deer and sheep. Some research in Arizona has shown success in planting

"bad tasting" trees, which have not been decimated by local ungulates. It is important to note that the research is still ongoing and Dr. Rogers' preferred model invokes monitoring, experimentation, documentation of the experiment's results, and more monitoring. There is no global solution to insure the success of aspen systems, treatment of unhealthy stands will vary by regional and site specific localities, Rogers said.

During the field trip, participants were asked to remember that forests move in succession and all change is not bad. Natural processes need to be preserved, young saplings and recruit-age aspen need to be protected. Katie Cheesbrough, Terrestrial Habitat Biologist with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, explained that the proposed treatment areas are intended to be classroom-like settings where appropriate management strategies for the Platte River Valley can be determined. The hope is to begin working on private lands where intensive review processes, such as National Environmental Policy Act compliance which is required on federal lands, are not necessary.

Throughout the tour it was emphasized that cooperation between private citizens and agencies will be critical to a timely management plan for aspen systems in the valley. Hope for this was evident as agency experts in fire and wildlife biology contributed to discussion of treatment plans for aspen stands on the privately owned Big Creek Ranch.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Citizen supports lodging tax

Editor,

I am writing to express support for the Lodging Tax, it's Board of Directors and to clear up some apparent misinformation submitted by Leroy Stephenson in his letter to the editor on Thursday, June 19th. (*Editor's note: the letter was submitted to the Rawlins Daily Times and the Saratoga Sun. Since Stephenson is a candidate for mayor in Riverside, the Saratoga Sun is not printing the letter.*)

Before I begin, let me first disclose that I have previously served on the Carbon County Visitors Council (CCVC) Board of Directors (from mid-2008 to mid-2012); and this past winter, I helped out temporarily and part time in the CCVC office when the previous executive director quit without notice.

The CCVC Board has been studying the issue of whether to raise the 2 cent Lodging Tax to 3 cents in the upcoming general election and the thrust of the article in the paper on Saturday, June 14, was to raise awareness that the Board was (wisely) seeking the input of taxpayers before making a decision. In speaking with a board member today (Thursday, June 19th), I was told that the CCVC Board, during their regular meeting on Wednesday, June 18th, had decided not to ask for an additional one cent.

However, the CCVC Board of Directors will ask voters to once again approve the Two Cent Lodging Tax that is levied on transient visitors to Carbon County. The revenue raised by this tax has allowed the promotion of Carbon County as a whole, and has also provided funding for many local events that draw visitors to our beautiful and diverse County. Without this funding for advertising, prize money, museum events, organization events, etc., many of the things that draw visitors from out of state might not be possible. These events fill up hotels, motels and campgrounds, not to mention restaurants, bars and stores.

While Mr. Stephenson is correct that cities or towns can assess their own Lodging Tax, it is only the largest communities in the state that do so on a "city or town basis." If a county wide lodging tax is in place, you cannot have a community tax, per state statute W.S. 39-15-203(a)(ii)(A).

"City lodging tax revenues are administered by the city and not by a joint powers board. Most cities set up an advisory board of interested parties or in some cases, establish a non-profit corporation to administer the

lodging tax revenue. .. If you are a member of a city-wide board, you will need to check your board's authorizing ordinance and bylaws for specific guidelines. These documents must still follow the intent of the statute authorizing the lodging tax. Expenditures must be used to promote travel and tourism and a majority of the board must represent the travel and tourism industry." ~ WTIC Lodging Tax Manual, Chapter 3.

Because of the small population of Carbon County's ten incorporated communities, (which are signatories to the current Joint Powers Agreement governing the tax) it was determined that the best way Carbon County could compete with the larger cities and towns for tourists would be to pool our resources and promote the wonderful diversity of Carbon County. Riverside and Encampment combined do not generate enough lodging tax revenue to meet the grant needs of the organizations and entities in those communities.

The article in Saturday's Daily Times was somewhat misleading in the way it expressed how and where money is spent. When Executive Director Leslie Jefferson said "We spend about one-third of our budget going out to marketing events, which try to bring people into our county," she was referring to the amount of money awarded in grants to fund local events. This is apparent because in the next sentence, she explains that non-profit entities seeking grants can receive either \$2,000 for a one day event or up to \$4,000 for a two day event and up to \$4,000 for general advertising. She was not referring to the expenses of attending travel/trade shows, but to the amount of money awarded via grant applications to local organizations. Another third is spent for overall marketing of Carbon County through the Visitors Council, via internet, web page, ad purchases for general promotion of the county.

Yes, Board members and staff do travel as part of their duties or for continuing education and are reimbursed for travel, meals and lodging. The reimbursement rates are in accord with rates established by the IRS. Board members are unpaid volunteers and receive no payment for donating their time and talent to serving on the board. Attendance at trade/travel shows, especially those in conjunction with the Wyoming Travel and Tourism Board, is a cooperative effort between the state agency and local visitors boards. Each contributes to the overall expense and it is the opposite of what

Mr. Stephenson alleges, "an expensive duplication of effort." It is, in fact, a cooperative effort among all tourism agencies and the increase in Carbon County lodging tax revenues proves that marketing efforts are successful. However, the expense of attending those shows is minimal in the overall budget.

Yes, the Board decided to charge for making hard copies of documents. It is time-consuming and takes staff away from regular duties. Anyone can go into the CCVC office and examine public documents on the premises without charge, however. I think charging for copies is standard practice in most cases.

The CCVC Board and it's executive director meet monthly. Yes, tax monies are spent to provide a meal during a day-long meeting, which many of the board members must sacrifice wages to attend, I will note. The December meeting has been held in the evening, so the meal is dinner instead of lunch. No alcoholic beverages are purchased with tax monies, nor do the spouses of board members or staff receive a "free meal," but purchase their own. Bonuses are awarded in December to the staff for their good work throughout the season. These are minimal, but very important to the staff because they know their hard work is appreciated. I hardly think it qualifies as abusive as implied by Mr. Stephenson's letter.

It's always easier to be an "armchair quarterback," and to second guess the decisions made by others. Mr. Stephenson is certainly free to vote no on the renewal of the 2 cent lodging tax that is assessed on visitors to our county. However, I would remind him that one of the reasons his campground does so well is because of the successful marketing efforts of the Carbon County Visitors Council and the hard work of the staff. He wasn't here in the lean years, when tourism was an after-thought, instead of the second largest industry in the state.

I will be voting YES on the 2 cent lodging tax renewal because tourism is great for my business and the businesses in my community. I love the events that are co-sponsored by the 2 Cent Lodging Tax. I hope anyone who likes to attend our local events, or who belongs to an organization that benefits from the 2 Cents tax will also vote YES and express their support for it.

Sincerely,
 Connie Patterson
 Saratoga, Wyoming

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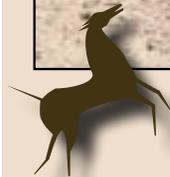


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by
Erik Gantt

And the race is on!
Competitors in the Pee Wee Western Equitation competition try to keep their horses on the rail.



Suzann Page floors it during the Senior Barrels event.



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Cale Mowry is rounding the barrels in the Junior division event.



Ace Arnold stands with his horse after competing in the Pee Wee Showmanship event.

Girls rule the day at horse show

By Erik Gantt

The Saratoga Lions Club hosted their 2014 Youth Horse Show on Saturday. Thirteen boys and girls entered the competition. Events included Showmanship, Western Equitation, Western Riding and Barrels. Four classes of competitors including Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Pee Wee. Girls at the show won or tied for all Hi Point places and took first place in 16 out of 19 events.

Chuck and Melody Harris organized the show and handed out the awards, which included buckles for the Hi Point winners in each age class, halters for Reserve winners and a variety of horse care items third place and specific event awards. Melody said she and

her husband are looking for someone to take over the show next year since their kids are grown and not participating in the event anymore.

The competitors, without exception, were good sports and demonstrated the ability to enjoy each others company while showing off their skills. Brothers Daynon and Cale Mowry did throw a few good-natured jests at each other during the course of the day. When asked if he and his brother were competitive with each other, Cale Mowry responded "No, we just don't like each other." Rusty Arnold, father of 5-year-old Ace, said he loves to ride and train, but the horse shows are really about having fun.



Saratoga Lion's Club Youth Horse Show Results:

<p>SENIOR CLASS Hi Point - Karlee Moon Reserve- Suzann Page</p> <p>INTERMEDIATE Hi Point - Sami Moon Reserve Riley Little</p> <p>JUNIOR Hi Point Tie - Savannah Suttee, Cale Mowry Reserve - Isabella Danford</p> <p>PEE WEE Hi Point - Josie Little Reserve - Ace Arnold</p> <p>Showmanship SENIOR 1st - Karlee Moon 2nd - Suzann Page 3rd - Courtney Dilworth</p> <p>INTERMEDIATE 1st - Sami Moon 2nd - Mychaela Jackman 3rd - Riley Little</p> <p>JUNIOR 1st - Isabella Danford 2nd - Cale Mowry</p>	<p>3rd - Savannah Suttee</p> <p>PEE WEE 1st - Josie Little 2nd - Ace Arnold 3rd - Chloe Shumaker</p> <p>Western Equitation SENIOR 1st - Karlee Moon 2nd - Kelsie Stevens 3rd - Daynon Mowry</p> <p>INTERMEDIATE 1st - Alamar Rice 2nd - Sami Moon 3rd - Riley Little</p> <p>JUNIOR 1st - Savannah Suttee 2nd - Cale Mowry</p> <p>PEE WEE 1st - Josie Little 2nd - Ace Arnold 3rd - Chloe Shumaker</p> <p>Western Riding SENIOR 1st - Daynon Mowry</p>	<p>2nd - Karlee Moon 3rd - Kelsie Stevens</p> <p>INTERMEDIATE 1st - Sami Moon 2nd - Riley Little 3rd- Alamar Rice</p> <p>JUNIOR 1st - Cale Mowry 2nd - Savannah Suttee</p> <p>Barrels SENIOR 1st - Karlee Moon 2nd - Courtney Dilworth 3rd - Suzann Page</p> <p>INTERMEDIATE 1st - Mychaela Jackman 2nd - Riley Little 3rd - Sami Moon</p> <p>JUNIOR 1st - Savannah Suttee 2nd - Cale Mowry</p> <p>PEE WEE 1st - Josie Little 2nd - Ace Arnold 3rd- Chloe Shumaker</p>
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REFLECTIONS FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT HERALD

Transportation company sells out to prominent Cripple Creek parties

Reprint of this story from the June 27, 1902 issue of *The Grand Encampment Herald* brought to you courtesy of *Grandma's Cabin, Encampment, Wyoming. Preserving History - Serving the Community.*

Transportation Company Sells out to Prominent Cripple Creek

Parties.

Fred G. Grube and associates, of Cripple Creek, have purchased the entire holdings of the Encampment Improvement and Transportation Company, including the local barns, the transfer barns, teams wagons, sawmill, etc. The Transporta-

tion company has been operating here nearly three years, during which time the extent of the property and the volume of business have been increased from a modest beginning to immense proportions.

Among some of the big contracts handled by this company

was the transportation of the material for the building of the smelter, the hauling of ore from the New Rambler, Ferris-Haggarty and the Doane, and the furnishing of timber and the hauling of freight for the construction of the aerial tramway. In fact, the Transportation company has

been connected in a large measure with all the great enterprises and undertakings in the camp.

With the purchase of the company's property, Mr. E. W. Hud retires from the position of manager. Mr. Grube will personally manage the affairs of the company, and will be assisted by C.H. McKee, of Cripple Creek. W. E. Donaghoe will remain in charge of the local office.

The company will hereafter be known as the Encampment Lumber and Transportation Company.

Proclamation

The following proclamation has been issued by Mayor Henry:

All persons are hereby warned against discharging or setting off squibs, crackers, or fireworks of any description on the third, fourth, and fifth days of July, 1902, in the town of Grand Encampment, Wyoming, within the district bounded on the east by the alley between McCaffrey and Lomax avenues, on the west by the alley between Rankin and Winchell avenues, on the north by Fourth street, and on the south by Eighth street. Any person so offending will be liable, under the provisions of the town ordinances, to a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Proclamation made by authority of the Mayor and Council of Grand Encampment.

W.C. Henry, Mayor.

Minor Notes:

Messrs. Merle and Earl Wolfard have returned from Laramie, where they have been attending the University for the past two years. These boys are earning their way through the school and are making excellent progress in the work.

Ed H. Parkison has arranged his stock of dry goods, etc., in the new part of the store building, and calls special attention to the public to this new department. Since the enlargement of the store, the stock in all departments has been increase, making one of the most complete stocks of general merchandise in the state.

A big forest fire in the neighborhood of Elk Mountain has been attracting the attention of the residents of the valley for several days past.

Surveyor Seeley A. McCoy received yesterday a fine new transit, which he will use in his work the instrument is an exceptionally fine one.

The grand ball on the evening of the July 4 will be under the management of the fire department. Music will be furnished by the Rawlins orchestra.

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Wednesday, June 25, 2014

5:45 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
8 a.m., Water Aerobics, Saratoga Municipal Pool
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
8 a.m.-9 p.m., Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
9 a.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
9 a.m., Low Impact Fitness, Saratoga Fitness multipurpose room
9:30 a.m., Prayer Shawl Knitters, Presbyterian Fellowship Hall
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
1:30 p.m., Overeaters Anonymous, PV Lutheran Church, 326-5917
5:30-6:30 p.m., Middle School Girls Volleyball, Saratoga Fitness gym
6-7 p.m., 4-H Shooting Sports, Saratoga Fitness multipurpose room
7 p.m., Saratoga Volunteer Fire Dept. Training Meeting, Firehouse
7 p.m., Rebekah's, Odd Fellows Hall
7-9 p.m., Men's Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness gym
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center

Thursday, June 26, 2014

8 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
8 a.m.-9 p.m., Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
9:15 a.m., Tai Chi, Saratoga Fitness gym
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library

Noon, Valley Service Organization Meeting, Saratoga Resort & Spa
5:30-7:30 p.m., Family History Center at LDS Church, 950 Hugus
6 p.m., Water Aerobics, Saratoga Municipal Pool
7 p.m., Knitting Group, Saratoga Library
7 p.m., Beginning Yoga, Saratoga Fitness gym
7 p.m., ALANON, Building next to St. Barnabas Church
7 p.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
7:30-10 p.m., Co-ed Volleyball, PVCC

Friday, June 27, 2014

5:45 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
8 a.m., Water Aerobics, Saratoga Municipal Pool
8 a.m.-4 p.m., Weight Room, Saratoga Fitness
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
9 a.m., Low Impact Fitness, Saratoga Fitness multipurpose room
11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
5:45-6:45 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center

Saturday, June 28, 2014

9-Noon, Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
9-Noon, Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness Gym
10-11:30 a.m., Platte Valley Food Pantry, 116 E. Bridge, Rm. E
10:30 a.m., Carbon Power & Light Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 29, 2014

9 a.m., Narcotics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center
5-8 p.m., Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
5-8 p.m., Dodge Ball, Saratoga Fitness Gym

Monday, June 30, 2014

5:45 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
8 a.m., Water Aerobics, Saratoga Municipal Pool
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
8 a.m.-9 p.m., Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
9 a.m., Low Impact Fitness, Saratoga Fitness multipurpose room
9 a.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
4:30 p.m., Cycling, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
5:45-6:45 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
6 p.m., AA Meeting, Saratoga Senior Center
7 p.m., OddFellows, OddFellows Hall
7-9 p.m., Men's Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness gym

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

8 a.m., Cycling, Saratoga Fitness Cycling room
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
8 a.m.-5 p.m., Weight room open, Saratoga Fitness
9:15 a.m., T'ai Chi, Saratoga Fitness gym
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
4-5:30 p.m., Platte Valley Food Pantry, 116 E. Bridge, Rm. E
6 p.m., Saratoga Town Council, Town Hall
6 p.m., Water Aerobics, Saratoga Municipal Pool
For information on ALANON, call 326-8405 or 326-8723

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Encampment/Riverside Community Events

Wednesday, June 25, 2014

1-6 p.m., Encampment Library
4 p.m., Story Time, Encampment/Riverside Branch Library
4:30 p.m., Beading Group, Enc./Riv. Branch Library

Thursday, June 26, 2014

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Encampment Library

Saturday, June 28, 2014

7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Encampment Library

Monday, June 30, 2014

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library
1 p.m., Knitting group, Enc./Riv. Branch Library

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library

Email saratogasun@union-tel.com with events for the community calendar.

Breakfast on Thursday

There were six here for bingo Tuesday. Two-dollar winners were Berneil McCord, Sue Howe, and Madeline Forbes. The \$4 blackout winner was Darlene Willis.

There were two-and-a-half tables for Duplicate Bridge on Monday. High winners were Mariel O'Grady and Barb Wise. Second place went to Pat Bailey and Vivien Campbell.

I now have the forms for the elderly and disabled tax returns. So stop by and get one or call and I will help you fill them out and get them sent back. You have until Aug. 31 to get the forms in. Qualifications are you have to be at least 65, if you are single you can make up to \$17,500 per year. Married couples can make up to \$28,500.

We did have a breakfast here on Thursday. We had a pretty good turnout for that. We will be having another breakfast on June 26 at 8 a.m. Please call and come and join us. It will be bacon and pancakes and fruit.

We had our birthday anni-



Saratoga Senior Center

By Sue Howe

versary dinner Friday. Those having birthdays this month are Betty Dean, Richard Rakness, June Spencer, Teense Willford, Lila Worden, Lyle Makinen, Pat Rust, Pat Sims, and Barbara Youngberg. Richard Rakness won the birthday tree. This month anniversaries are Bob and Grace Johnston, Gary and Judy Babel, Richard and Gloria Rakness, and Delman and Lucille Stanley.

It was great to have Sandy Willford and her dad Keith Annan here with us. Keith has gone into the nursing home up here and would like friends to stop in and visit. Teense was our entertainment again this month and we enjoyed him as always. Thank you Teense for always being here for us. We really do appreciate it.

Activities director gets training

Games throughout the week provided fun and laughter. On Sunday afternoon, five residents played Dominoes with Dora Martin winning. On Monday afternoon, six residents played Yahtzee with Charlotte Gibbons winning. On Tuesday morning, four residents played Dominoes with Charlotte Gibbons winning. On Wednesday afternoon, 13 residents played Bingo, and Friday afternoon, 10 residents played Bingo. Frank Jereb, Truth Karstoft, Dora Martin, Charlotte Gibbons, and Pat Rust won Four Corners. Janet Kennaday won Blackouts. Our Bingo helpers were Lila Worden, Dawna Erickson, Gloria Rakness, Michaela Jackman, Kennison Spiering, Elder Christiansen, Elder Pineranda, and Joni Johnson. Six kids from Big Brother/Big Sisters helped residents with Bingo also on Friday.

During evening every day, resi-

dents watched the Turner Classic Movies Channel on television. On Sunday morning, four residents watched the DVD movie, "Somewhere in Time". On Saturday morning, residents watched the DVD movie, "It Takes Two".



Deseret Health & Rehab

By Tom Mansfield

On Sunday afternoon, Pastor Stinson of the Saratoga Missionary Alliance Church led at our church service. Doris Davis assisted on the keyboard, and Joe Gaspari assisted with hymn singing.

For Lunch Out at the Saratoga Senior Center, three residents had baked ham on Monday.

On Wednesday morning, Lynda

Healey, Georgia Schroer, Kathy McMorrow, and Janice Kerpan gave Hair Care to 11 residents and Nail Care to 10 residents.

On Thursday afternoon, the Awana kids from the Saratoga Missionary Alliance Church hosted our monthly birthday party. We celebrated the birthdays of Russell Cox, Pat Rust, and Charlie Bartlett with ice cream and cake.

On Thursday and Friday, I attended a workshop in Lander with the Wyoming Activity Coordinators Association with learning sessions on one to one activities with low functioning and dementia residents, arts and crafts, teamwork, and sensory stimulation activities.

The Activities program relies on the assistance of volunteers to enhance the lives of residents. If interested in being a volunteer, please call Tom Mansfield, Activity Director, at 326-8212.

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June birthdays and anniversaries



Celebrating birthdays and anniversaries at the Saratoga Senior Center Friday were, *first row, left to right*, Lila Warden, Richard Rakness (he celebrated his birthday and his 60th anniversary) Betty Dean and Teense Willford. *Back row*, June Spencer, Gloria Rakness, celebrating her anniversary with Richard and Grace and Bob Johnston celebrating their anniversary.

MENUS

Carbon County Senior Centers	
<p>Wednesday – Pork roast, lettuce, au gratin potato, green beans, wheat bread, applesauce, chilled milk.</p> <p>Thursday – Salmon patty,</p>	<p>wild rice blend, squash blend, wheat bread, peach crisp, milk.</p> <p>Friday – Hot hamburger sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, beets, mandarin oranges, chilled milk.</p> <p>Monday – Beef tacos, lettuce,</p>
<p>tomato, cheese, refried beans, carrots, cherries, chilled milk.</p> <p>Tuesday – Swedish meatballs, noodles, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, grapes, chilled milk.</p>	

POLICE REPORT

From June 16, 2014 to June 22, 2014, the Saratoga Police Department responded to 124 calls including the following classifications:

911 hang up (1); animal problem (2); bar check (9); business checks (35); destruction of property (1); barking dog complaint (1); lost dog (3); dog tag (2); fight (2); hot pool check (16); hot pool violation (1); intoxicated person (1) lost property (3); loud noise complaint (2); paper service (3); parking problem (1); probation or parole violation (1); record check (3); suspicious person, circumstances (3); threatening (1); traffic hazard (1); traffic stop (8); insecure premises (1); VIN serial

number inspection (3); welfare check (1).

A total of 35 homes are currently on our House Watch program and one person is on the Home Alone program.

Warnings, citations and arrests:

June 18

Diaz Manuel, of Roberts, ID, was given a warning for illegal parking.

Karen Benner, of Westminster, Colo. was given a warning for Headlight.

Rusty Killion, of Saratoga, was given a warning for Headlight and a citation for Expired vehicle

Registration.

June 19

Brian Hegg, of Rawlins, was given a citation for a truck route violation, first offense.

June 21

Jerod Allen, of Saratoga, was arrested and given a citation for public drunkenness.

Dylan Mitchell, of Saratoga, was arrested and given a citation for MIP.

June 22

Michael Sawyer, of Saratoga, was arrested and given citations for DWUI, speeding, No Vehicle Insurance, Driving while Suspended/Revoked/Canceled.

Correction

Jack James was identified as Curtis "Jack" James on page 10 of the June 18 edition of the *Saratoga Sun*. He should have been identified as Cecil "Jack" James. The *Saratoga Sun* staff apologizes for the error.

Correction

It was reported on page 7 of the June 18 edition of the *Saratoga Sun* that Heidi Sifford was the SCWEMS director. Sifford is ambulance coordinator for SCWEMS. The *Sun* apologizes for this error.



LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, June 3, 2014 County Courthouse Rawlins, Wyoming

A full report of the proceedings as taken by the County Clerk is attached to the Official Minutes after approval. The report is available at www.carbonwy.com, via e-mail to kathyturner@carbonwy.com or by calling the County Clerk's Office at (307) 328-2718 or 1-800-250-9812.

The regular meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners (BOCC) commenced Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at the County Courthouse in Rawlins, Wyoming. Attending the meeting were; Chairman Leo Chapman; Commissioners Lindy Glode, Sue Jones and John Johnson. Vice Chairman John Espy was absent.

Chairman Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS

Commissioner Johnson moved to amend the agenda to delete the Agreement for Services for the Public Health Officer and Lincoln Highway Project and include a Memorandum of Understanding for the Wyoming Guardian Ad Litem Program and add an executive session for potential litigation and finally to pull the May 15 minutes from the consent agenda. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VOUCHERS

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the report of expenditures in the amount of \$512,340.16. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve bills to Rawlins Automotive for \$37.32, Shively Hardware for \$301.90 and True Value of Rawlins for \$1,021.95. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried with all voting for the motion except Commissioner Glode who abstained due to personal conflicts.

Vendor, Detail Line Description, Total, ALSCO, AMERICAN LINEN DIVISION, TOWELS/SOAP/MATS, \$379.08, AMERIGAS, PROPANE SERVICES, \$1,159.56, API SYSTEMS INTEGRATORS, INSP/COMMUNICATOR INSTALLATION, \$2,409.00, AV-TECH ELECTRONICS, LIGHT BAR/SIREN/FLASHERS, \$1,909.90, BANK OF COMMERCE (ACH), LEASE PAYMENT, \$8,327.64, BOB BARKER COMPANY, INC., SUPPLIES, \$1,260.10, BUILD RITE LUMBER SUPPLY, SUPPLIES, \$25.98, BURKHART, CINDY, POSTAGE/SUPPLIES/MILEAGE, \$46.14, CANDY MOUNTAIN, WATER, \$15.00, CARBON COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES, MAY HEALTH SUBSIDY, \$2,000.00, CARBON COUNTY TREASURER, VARIOUS CASH ITEMS, \$641.96, CASPER WINNELSON CO, COUPLINGS, \$61.28, CATHEDRAL HOME FOR CHILDREN, 2ND QTR OJJDP GRANT, \$16,934.86, CBM FOOD SERVICE, JAIL MEALS, \$3,767.10, CDW GOVERNMENT, INC., IT EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE, \$59,846.28, CENTURY LINK, TELEPHONE SERVICES, \$2,940.31, CESKO FAMILY MED-

ICINE, PC, MEDICAL SERVICES, \$345.00, CHARM-TEX, INC., SUPPLIES, \$89.86, CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, CABLE SERVICES, \$32.20, CRAIG, CATHY, 4-H GARDEN ACTIVITY SUPPLIES, \$73.96, CXTEC, NETWORK PATCH CABLING, \$943.64, DAVIDSON FAMILY DENTAL, DENTAL SERVICES, \$113.00, DELL MARKETING L.P., IT EQUIPMENT, \$2,388.01, DIRTY BOYZ SANITATION, INC, GARBAGE SERVICES, \$376.00, DIXON, TOWN OF, WATER SERVICES, \$130.00, EASTMAN, PATRICK, MILEAGE, \$20.10, ELK MOUNTAIN, TOWN OF, SERVICE AGREEMENT, \$1,000.00, ENCAMPMENT STUDENT COUNCIL, SPORTS CALENDAR AD, \$105.00, FARMER BROTHERS COFFEE, COFFEE, \$109.70, FRUDE, CANDICE, STEP UP TEACHING SUPPLIES, \$51.94, GERMAN, JENNIFER, MILEAGE/MOTEL, \$390.80, GRAINGER, SUPPLIES, \$156.38, HANNA, TOWN OF, WATER SERVICES, \$110.22, HERRING, ROS, MOW & TRIM, \$115.00, HETTGAR, BRIDGET M RN, MEALS/MILEAGE, \$202.84, HIGH PLAINS POWER, ELECTRICAL SERVICES, \$376.51, HIGH PLAINS VISION CENTER, VISION SERVICES, \$565.00, HILLTOP CONOCO, FUEL, \$36.44, INDEPENDENT TABULATION, INC., ELECTIONS SUPPLIES, \$274.16, ISC, INC, MONITORING/SUPP/SWITCHES INSTALL, \$21,350.00, J H KASPAR OIL COMPANY, FUEL, \$6, 147.53, JACKALOPE PRINTING, SUPPLIES, \$252.62, JACK'S BODY & FENDER REPAIR, TOW CHARGES, \$185.00, KENCO SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY, LICENSE UPGRADE/ALM MONITORING, \$336.00, KILBURN TIRE COMPANY, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE, \$109.21, KINETIC LEASING, LEASE PAYMENTS, \$149,839.00, KIRSCH, ARCHIE P, COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER, \$700.00, L & L ELECTRIC, ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE, \$97.50, LANDER FAMILY DENTAL CENTER, DENTAL SERVICES, \$125.00, LARAMIE PHYSICIANS FOR WOMEN, MEDICAL SERVICES, \$106.00, LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPT, SHIPPING COSTS, \$19.55, MERCK SHARP & DOHME CORP., PH HEALTH VACCINE, \$213.56, MOORE MEDICAL CORP., SUPPLIES, \$183.62, MY OFFICE ETC., OFFICE SUPPLIES, \$383.86, NEUTRON INDUSTRIES, SUPPLIES, \$308.27, NORTH PARK PROPANE, LLC, PROPANE SERVICES, \$255.75, PATTON, ROBERT L., MILEAGE, \$12.00, PERKINS OIL CO, FUEL, \$369.74, PINNACLE PUBLIC FINANCE, INC, HVAC/DOOR & WINDOW PROJECT, \$158,740.93, PITNEY BOWES, POSTAGE MACHINE RENTAL, \$271.00, PLATTE VALLEY MEDICAL CLINIC, MEDICAL SERVICES, \$126.00, PRAIRIE DOG ELECTRIC, LLC, LIGHT BULBS, \$129.44, PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER, INC, SHERIFF UNIFORMS, \$754.16, PURCHASE POWER, POSTAGE, \$638.81, QUESTAR GAS, GAS SERVICES, \$62.66, QUILL CORPORATION, SUPPLIES, \$1,023.75, RAWLINS AUTOMOTIVE, BELTS, \$37.32, RAWLINS FIRE EXTINGUISHER, \$165.00, RAWLINS, CITY OF, WATER SERVICES/UNION PLAN REVIEW, \$3,599.89, RICOH USA INC, IT COPIERS, \$8,208.88, ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER, ELECTRICAL SERVICES, \$3,726.33, ROSS' AU-

TOMOTIVE SERVICES, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE, \$313.42, RYAN ELECTRONICS INC, SUPPLIES/RADIO, \$1,168.89, SARATOGA AUTO PARTS, INC., SUPPLIES, \$101.58, SARATOGA SUN, NEWSPAPER ADS, \$134.50, SHIVELY HARDWARE, SUPPLIES, \$301.90, SHOPKO PHARMACY, PRESCRIPTIONS, \$812.05, SNAKE RIVER PRESS, PLANNING SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL, \$30.00, SOURCE GAS, GAS SERVICES, \$11,174.43, STAPLES ADVANTAGE, OFFICE SUPPLIES, \$961.54, STATE OF WYOMING A & I, MAINFRAME ACCESS, \$8.79, STEPHENSON, LEE ANN, MILEAGE, \$46.80, STODDARD, CURTIS T., DENTAL SERVICES, \$249.99, TERMINIX, PEST CONTROL, \$688.00, TRUE VALUE OF RAWLINS, SUPPLIES, \$1,021.95, TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC, ITAX/IDOC WEB HOSTING, \$275.63, UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY, TELEPHONE SERVICES, \$2,467.93, UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, HORSE MANUELS, \$20.00, V-1 PROPANE, PROPANE SERVICES, \$2,292.67, VALLEY OIL COMPANY, FUEL, \$2, 897.10, VAN'S WHOLESALE LLC, SUPPLIES, \$1,285.97, WARRIOR SERVICES, LLC, PEST CONTROL, \$60.00, WELLS, JACQUELIN, MEALS, \$21.72, WEST PAYMENT CENTER, INFORMATION CHARGES, \$491.31, WIMPENNY, ROBERT G DDS, DENTAL SERVICES, \$339.00, WRECK-A-MEND, STRIPES & DECALS, \$796.00, WY BRAND INDUSTRIES, FLOOR CLEANER, \$288.00, WY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S ASSOC, 2014-2015 DUES, \$13,098.00, WY MACHINERY COMPANY, PARTS, \$3, 383.74, YAMPA VALLEY ELECTRIC, ELECTRICAL SERVICES, \$451.09, YOCUM, LEO, MILEAGE, \$36.00, YOUNG, CHARLES MD, MEDICAL SERVICES, \$275.00, GRAND TOTAL, \$513, 701.33

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The following items were on the consent agenda. May 20, 2014 regular meeting minutes; May 21, 2014 special meeting minutes; a bond for De Bari T. Martinez, Treasurer for the Carbon County Museum Board for \$1,000.00; Planning & Development receipts for \$2,050.00; Attorney receipts for \$64.60 and \$153.30; and Clerk's receipts for \$32,499.59.

MINUTES

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the May 15 special meeting minutes. Commissioner Glode seconded and there was discussion from Commissioner Johnson that the motion about elected officials' salaries should state that rather than a set percentage there would be a 1% raise in 2017 rounded down to \$71,700.00 then a 2% raise in 2018 rounded down to \$73,100.00. The Clerk agreed to make the corrections. The motion carried unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS/ DEPARTMENT HEADS

Clerk: Commissioner Glode moved to ratify the Chairman's signature on a Disaster Declaration for flooding. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jones moved to ratify the Chairman's signature on an Asbestos Abatement Agreement at the Hugus/Ferguson Building. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to set the election judges' wages at \$10.00 for regular judges and \$12.00 for head election judges. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Wyoming, Wyoming Guardian Ad Litem Program, a Division of the Office of the State Public Defender and Carbon County, Wyoming, effective July 1, 2014 until June 30, 2016. Commissioner Jones seconded and Deputy Attorney Kelly noted that the fees are not less than 25% and that the county needs to send a letter telling them they can continue to use the office they currently occupy. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney: Commissioner Johnson moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on a comment letter for the Transwest Express project using the Tri-County preferred route and basically repeating the recent comments. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on the GRMR Oil and Gas Lease. Chairman Chapman relinquished his Chairmanship to Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Chapman seconded and the motion died with Commissioners Chapman and Johnson voting for the motion and Commissioners Jones and Glode voting against the motion.

Chairman Chapman resumed his duties as Chair.

Buildings Manager: Commissioner Glode moved to approve the agreements with Fremont Electric for \$420,162.00; US Mechanical, LLC for \$1,719,000.00; and a change order with Shepard Construction reducing their original bid by \$58,700.00 for a final total price of \$214,720.00 including the contract in this amount. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to extend LM Olson's contract for the windows at the Carbon Building for 5 days under the excused absence portion of the project and after which the county would assess the liquidated damages per the contract. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried with all commissioners voting for the motion and Chairman Chapman voting against.

Planning: Commissioner Glode moved to authorize Sid Fox to authorize a temporary use permit for Phase I of Elk Mountain Diesel's site construction plan for 6 months conditional upon signature on an affidavit that the company is proceeding at their own risk. Commissioner Jones seconded and Mr. McDonald reported this is adequate for him and this will allow his company to get vehicles off the road safely

to satisfy Highway Patrol and that no junk vehicles would be stored on the site but rather hauled to Rawlins. Bill Nation asked them to be mindful of wind and snow buildup on buildings or other items. The motion carried unanimously.

IT: Commissioner Johnson moved to waive the procurement policy and accept proposals from ISC for a Cisco ASA system totaling \$7,876.78 and InfoBlox in the amount of \$8,766.50 to be paid from E911 funds. Commissioner Jones seconded. Mr. Webster stated he did not solicit any other quotes because of our existing arrangement with ISC to provide 24/7 monitoring of the county's systems. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to waive the procurement policy on the IT Director's recommendation and approve the quote from ISC for a 10 Gig Switching in the amount of \$65,352.40 and approve carrying this over to the FY 14-15 budget. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

E911 Bids: Commissioner Johnson moved to accept a bid from Grabar in the total amount of \$38,738.50 for the E911 equipment to be paid from E911 funds. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners: Commissioner Jones moved to authorize a letter to the South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Services, Hanna and the current South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Services members offering Hanna an ex-officio membership for one year. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Johnson moved to go into executive session at 11:45 a.m. with Mike Kelly and Clerk Bartlett for litigation and other matters considered confidential by law. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jones moved to come out of executive session at 11:57 a.m. noting no action was taken and that the minutes be signed and sealed. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING & ZONING

Public Hearing - Z.C. Case File No. 2014-03: Commissioner Glode moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-10, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning and Zoning Commission regarding Z.C. Case File No. 2014-03, Daniel and Christine Carnine's request for a Zone Change on Lot 16 of Tract "A", Ryan Park, Carbon County, Wyoming. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing - P.U.D. Case File No. 2014-01: Commissioner Jones moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-11, A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming adopting the recommendation of the Carbon County Planning and



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COUNTY TOWN

Zoning Commission regarding P.U.D. Case File No. 2014-01, Cody Resources LP's request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Planned Unit Development (P.U.D.) on 196+/- acres, the "A Bar A Guest Ranch P.U.D.". Commissioner Johnson seconded and asked if the additions from the Planning & Zoning Commission needed addressed. Mr. Fox replied these are part of the resolution. The motion carried unanimously.

Certification

Commissioner Glode moved to accept the Certification of Recommended Action from the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission for Z.C. Case File No. 2014-04 - James Frank Gould, IV and Luz Erin Gould's request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining to Rural Residential Agriculture and schedule a public hearing for July 1, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at the County Courthouse in Rawlins, Wyoming. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT LAND NORTH SIDE OF TOWN

Commissioner Glode moved to authorize the Chairman's signature on a letter to the Rawlins City Council copying Anadarko and adjacent landowners regarding cattle coming into Rawlins and invite council members to a future meeting after all Commissioners have read and approved it. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENT FY 2014

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-12, FY 2014 Budget Amendment Number One. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Johnson moved to reappoint David Cesko to the Memorial Hospital Board for a five-year term expiring July 2019. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to appoint KayCee Alameda to the Platte Valley Community Center Joint Powers Board for a three-year term expiring June 2017. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson moved to reappoint Dawnessa Snyder as the Attorney's Office representative and appoint Archie Roybal representing the Sheriff's Office and Jackie Wells representing Public Health to the Carbon County Community Juvenile Services Board for three-year terms expiring June 2017. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Glode moved to reappoint De Bari Martinez to the Museum Board for a three-year term expiring July 2017. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Johnson moved to appoint Tara M. Cliff to the Jeffrey Center Board for a current unexpired term expiring November 2014 plus a full five-year term

expiring November 2019. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

DIXON AIRPORT BIDS

Commissioner Jones moved to accept the low bid from American Road Maintenance in the amount of up to \$115,320.70 for the Dixon Airport Crack Seal and Striping project and subject to them confirming in writing they can comply with Title 49 USC Section 50101(a) and if they can not the bid would be awarded to the next lowest bidder Straight Stripe Painting, Inc. in the amount of up to \$123,711.21 and that the entire project is contingent upon grant award and contract from the Federal Aviation Administration. Commissioner Johnson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:22 p.m. Commissioner Jones seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

A regular meeting of this Board will be held July 1 at 9:00 a.m. at the County Courthouse, 415 W. Pine St., Rawlins, WY. The public is invited to attend or you can listen online at the website listed below. To get on the agenda, call the Clerk's Office by the Thursday before the meeting. Per Wyo. Stat. §18-3-516(f), access to county information can be obtained at www.carbonwy.com or by calling the Clerk's Office at (307) 328-2668 or 1-800-250-9812.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Approved this 17th day of June 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Leo Chapman, Chairman

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BUDGET MEETING Tuesday, June 10 and Wednesday, June 11, 2014 County Courthouse Rawlins, Wyoming

A full report of the proceedings as taken by the County Clerk is attached to the Official Minutes after approval. The report is available at www.carbonwy.com, via e-mail to kathyturner@carbonwy.com or by calling the County Clerk's Office at (307) 328-2718 or 1-800-250-9812.

A budget meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners (BOCC) commenced Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at the County Courthouse in Rawlins, Wyoming. Attending the meeting were Chairman Leo Chapman; Vice Chairman John Espy; Commissioners Lindy Glode, Sue Jones and John Johnson; County Clerk Gwynn Bartlett; and County Treasurer Cindy Baldwin.

Chairman Chapman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

RECESS

There being no further business, Chairman Chapman recessed the budget meeting at 4:24p.m. and declared the budget meeting will reconvene at 9:00 a.m. June 11, 2014.

RECONVENE

The budget meeting of the Board of Carbon County Commissioners reconvened at 9:00 a.m. June 11, 2014 at the County Courthouse in Rawlins, Wyoming. Attending the meeting were Chairman Leo Chapman; Vice Chairman John Espy; Commissioners Lindy Glode, and John Johnson; County Clerk Gwynn Bartlett; and County Treasurer Cindy Baldwin. Sue Jones was absent but joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 p.m. Commissioner Glode seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Approved this 17th day of June 2014

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING

-s- Leo Chapman, Chairman

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL HELD JUNE 3, 2014, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE SARATOGA TOWN HALL

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Councilman Mike McWain, Councilman Steve Wilcoxson, Councilwoman Susan Howe and Councilwoman Judy Welton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the acceptance of the Mosquito Bid and the acceptance of the Airport Project Bid. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Councilwoman Howe made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2014 meeting as presented. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Councilwoman Welton read the following bills for approval: Accounts Payable: \$34,386.98; Payroll and FICA for 6/02/14 in the amount of \$72,888.36; and manual checks and April liabilities in the amount of \$49,055.57, for a total of \$156,330.91.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pay the Prairie Dog Electric bill in the amount of \$354.16. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried.

Councilwoman Howe declared a conflict and abstained.

Councilwoman Welton made a

motion to pay the remaining bills in the amount of \$155,976.75. Councilman McWain seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS: Town Hall: Mayor Zeiger requested council ratification of his appointment of Samuel Flohr as Treasurer for the Town of Saratoga. Mayor Zeiger apologized to the councilmembers for neglecting to ask for their support in appointing Mr. Flohr when he was introduced at the last council meeting.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the appointment of Samuel Flohr as the Town Treasurer. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance 826 an ordinance to provide income necessary to finance the 2014/2015 fiscal year budget for the Town of Saratoga and subject to taxation for the purpose of raising the sum of a portion of the appropriation of the total of the enterprise funds on second reading.

Mayor Zeiger asked Clerk Suzie Cox if there had been any changes to the enterprise funds from the first reading and Clerk Cox responded that there had been a change to the Water fund and the Specific Purpose Tax fund. The total changed from \$82,794,047.28 to \$2,954,874.41 and the budget will be reviewed again by the department heads and council prior to the third reading.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve Ordinance 826 with those changes on second reading. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded the motion.

Glee Johnson asked if a discussion could be held and asked if these changes were the only changes at this time and also asked if another budget workshop would be held.

The council will be holding a budget hearing on Thursday June 12, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Glee Johnson asked if there would be a line item budget for the public to review. Clerk Cox reported that the budget is done in an excel spreadsheet to be provided to the council and department heads and then when all the requested changes have been made the figures will be put into the Caselle program. The public can come in at anytime and review the spreadsheets but they will not be offered to the public until approved on third and final reading. Tom Thompson explained that they are not a public document until after passage on third reading.

Leon Hetherington explained that he did not understand why the public could not have copies to review. Mr. Hetherington questioned the Community Center budget that he had reviewed and asked if at the June 12th meeting the public will be allowed to have a copy of the budget for review and discussion with the council. Mayor Zeiger attempted to move the conversation on to the Airport Bid rather than continuing with the budget discussion.

Brad Cary addressed the council and explained that he had been looking at the town web site and was impressed with web site and asked if it would be possible to post the proposed budget on the web site for review by the public. Tom Thompson stated that if it is labeled as a draft document so the public is aware that it is not the final document. Clerk Cox was directed to post the draft budget on the town web site at her earliest convenience.

Jennifer Johnson was asked if she would like to report on the Airport Taxi-Way Taxi-Lane Project bid opening held at 3:00 p.m. this afternoon. With additional input and clarification from Chuck Bartlett it was reported that two bids were received for the project;

1) A bid from 71 Construction in the amount of \$914,336.25 for Alternate I; and \$839,060.00 for Alternate II; and 2) A bid from STC Construction Company in the amount of \$611,262.50 for Alternate I with no bid proposal for Alternate II.

There are two items that may be deleted from the project to reduce the cost; 1) the deletion of the prime coat; and 2) the delineation of the sewer sleeve under a taxilane. The prime coat is a low viscosity asphalt that is applied over a granular base in preparation for a layer of asphalt. WYDOT no longer requires the prime coat, however FAA still does. Dave Shultz will be contacting FAA to see if this can be deleted, which would save an additional \$16,000.00 on the project. The sewer sleeve is for installation of a sewer line in the future without disruption of the taxilane. The sleeve can be bored at a later date. Deletion of this item would save an additional \$16,000.00 on the project for a total of \$32,000.00 which will get the project back to the original projections. Dave Shultz will contact FAA to see if additional funding is available that would allow the project to include these two items.

Mr. Bartlett asked for permission to award the contract to STC contingent upon the additional information to be received through Sage Engineering in the amount of \$611,262.50. The town's portion of the project would be 2% of the total project.

Councilman McWain made a motion to approve the bid from STC Construction in the amount of \$611,262.50 contingent upon additional information being received from Sage Engineering. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Bartlett reported that one bid for mosquito spraying had been received from Circle S Aviation, the same company that had provided services last year. The bid was for \$1.85 per acre for larvacide and \$1.30 per acre for adulticide, slightly up from last year when larvacide was \$1.70 and adulticide was \$1.15. The grant for the project was approximately \$29,475.00.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to award the mosquito bid to Circle S Aviation. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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Chuck Bartlett added that the spraying should begin in about two weeks.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilwoman Welton to adjourn, however the council was called back to take action on the motion to approve Ordinance 826 which was forgotten due to the discussion that had taken place following the motion and a second. The council so approving, Ordinance 826 was passed on second reading.

The meeting was then adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on June 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

Mayor John Zeiger
ATTEST: Suzie Cox, Clerk

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**Town of Saratoga
Tuesday, June 17, 2014
Manual Checks and Liabilities**

Manual Checks	
Child Support Services	\$96.46
Child Support Services	\$134.77
Total	\$231.023
Payroll for 6/16/14	
FICA for	\$12,935.75
above payroll	
Total	\$67,244.95
Accounts Payable	
Manual Checks	\$81,344.76
Total	\$231.23
Total	\$81,575.99
Total	
Total	\$148,820.94
Platte River Pizza	
Total	\$51.00
Total	\$148,769.94

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**Town of Saratoga
Cash Requirements Report
Check Issue Date 6/14/2014**

Saratoga Do It Best Lumber	\$222.74
Carbon Power & Light, Inc.	\$16,622.50
Caselle Inc.	\$565.00
Casper Star Tribune	\$417.88
CNA Surety	\$500.00
Dana Kepner Co.	\$6,867.78
Erickson & Roberts	\$1,098.41
Hach Company	\$246.39
Herold Iron Works	\$131.33
Hilltop Lube & Automotive	\$25.00
J H Kaspar Oil Co	\$5,384.01
Source gas	\$1,215.55
Lane's Plumbing & Heating	\$270.90
Macpherson, Kelly & Thompson	\$5,554.73
MPM	\$910.00
Normont Equipment Co.	\$1,079.52
One Call of Wyoming	\$20.25
PMPC	\$60.00
Perue Printing	\$1,060.48
Pitney Bowes	\$339.94
Platte Valley Medical Clinic	\$100.00
Postmaster	\$72.00
Saratoga Auto Parts	\$1,498.66
Saratoga Feed and Grain	\$99.30
Saratoga Sun, Inc	\$2,964.00

Shively Hardware	\$4,071.06
Upper Platte River Valley Solid Waste District	\$25,685.50
Valley Foods	\$778.45
Valley Oil Company	\$1,683.65
Van's Wholesale LLC	\$683.76
WCS Telecom	\$118.15
Wolf Hotel	\$176.10
Wy Assoc. of Sheriffs & Chiefs	\$50.00
Xerox Corp	\$174.82
Platte River Pizza Company	\$51.00
Candy Mountain	\$61.00
Richard Rideout, P.C. Attorney	\$262.90
C&D Fabrication	\$220.00
Grand Totals	\$81,344.76

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ORDINANCE NO. 826

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE INCOME NECESSARY TO FINANCE THE 2014-2015 FISCAL BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SARATOGA, CARBON COUNTY, STATE OF WYOMING.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF SARATOGA, CARBON COUNTY, WYOMING:

Section 1: The amount of general revenue necessary to be raised for municipal purposes and to meet current expenditures of the Town of Saratoga, Carbon County, State of Wyoming during the Fiscal Year July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 is hereby fixed at the suitable levy on the Town of Saratoga assessed valuation.

Section 2: That for the General Fund of said Town, there be levied a suitable tax of eight (8) mills on all real and personal property in the Town of Saratoga, subject to taxation for the purpose of raising the sum of a portion of the appropriation \$ 4,186,002.80

Section 3. That for the Enterprise Funds of said Town, there be levied a suitable tax of eight (8) mills on all real and personal property in the Town of Saratoga, subject to taxation for the purpose of raising the sum of a portion of the appropriation of

the total of the enterprise funds.

Section 4: That the sum of money shall be raised by this levy for general revenue purposes, upon all real and personal property located within the corporate limits of the Town of Saratoga and the levy and collection shall be made as provided by the laws of the State of Wyoming.

Section 5: The Mayor of the Town of Saratoga, and the Town Clerk are hereby authorized and instructed to certify this ordinance and to make application to the Board of County Commissioners of Carbon County, Wyoming, for suitable levy to provide the Town of Saratoga with monies for general purposes, provided, however, that said levy shall not be in excess of eight (8) mills on the dollar.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTE THIS 17th day of June, 2014.

Town of Saratoga
John Zeiger, Mayor
ATTEST: Suzie Cox, Clerk

Name	Revenues	Expenditures
General Fund:	\$ 4,186,002.80	\$ 4,186,002.80
Airport Fund:	\$ 736,537.50	\$ 736,537.50
Water Fund:	\$ 559,700.00	\$ 559,700.00
Sewer Fund:	\$ 1,561,200.00	\$ 1,561,200.00
Landfill Fund:	\$ 367,000.00	\$ 367,000.00
Weed & Pest:	\$ 146,200.00	\$ 146,200.00
911:	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 12,200.00
Medical Clinic:	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Bridge St.:	\$ 63,570.00	\$ 63,570.00
Community Ctr:	\$ 303,000.00	\$ 303,000.00
Specific Purpose Tax:	\$ 24,977.46	\$ 24,977.46
Specific Purpose Tax:	\$ 394,617.84	\$ 394,617.84
(Bond/Lease Interest Payment)		

FIRST READING this 20th day of May, 2014
SECOND READING this 3rd day of June, 2014
THIRD READING this 17th day of June, 2014

Legal #6387 *Published in the Saratoga Sun June 25, 2014*

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES, RESORT LIQUOR LICENSE, RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSES AND MALT BEVERAGE PERMITS

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that on or about the 2nd day of June 2014, applications for renewal of Retail Liquor Licenses, Resort Liquor License, Restaurant Liquor Licenses and Malt Beverage Permits were filed in the Office of the Carbon County Clerk for the following individually described places and premises, to-wit:

RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES:
Cody Resources LP dba A Bar A Ranch: 12'x30' room on the north side of the building located at 820 A Bar A Ranch Road, Encampment,

Wyoming; **Rendezvous Lodge LLC dba Rendezvous Lodge:** 10'x10' room in the northwest corner of the building located at Hwy 130 and Ryan Park Road #9, Saratoga, Wyoming; **Three Forks Lodge Inc. dba The Lodge at Three Forks:** 14'x15' room located on the main level of the lodge and an additional 35'x30' room in the northwest corner of the lodge located at 1445 Carbon County Road 710, Savery, Wyoming; **Whistle Pig Inc. dba Whistle Pig Saloon/Beaver Liquor:** 23'x34' room in the northwest corner of the building located at 2000 South Hwy 130, Saratoga, Wyoming;

RESORT LIQUOR LICENSE: Old Baldy Corporation dba Old Baldy Club: 22'x24' room in the central part of the clubhouse located at 1 Pic Pike Road, Saratoga, Wyoming;

RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSES: **White Lodging Services Corporation dba Brush Creek Saloon:** 27'x23' room on the second floor of the lodge and an additional 8'x7' room on the first floor of the lodge located at 66 Brush Creek Ranch Road, Saratoga, Wyoming; **Ailport C Stores LLC dba Rocky's Quik Stop:** 4'x3' room in the center of the building located at 1455 N. Penland, Baggs, Wyoming;

MALT BEVERAGE PERMITS: **Brush Creek LLC dba Brush Creek Ranch:** 60'x20' room in the northeast section of the building located at 66 Brush Creek Ranch Road, Saratoga, Wyoming; **Michael Allen Konrath dba Elk Mountain Conoco:** 42'x50' room entire building located at I-80 and Hwy 72, Elk Mountain, Wyoming; **Seminole Boat Club Inc. dba Seminole Boat Club:** 10'x20' room entire building located 27 miles north of Sinclair on Seminole Reservoir, Wyoming; **Ken and Kimberly Thyne dba Ten Mile Inn:** 35'x50' room in the southwest corner of the building located at 5651 Hwy 130, Saratoga, Wyoming; **The Place at Ten Mile, Inc. dba The Place at Ten Mile:** 8'x20' room on the west end of the building located at HC 63, Box 6A, Saratoga, Wyoming; **Manjeet Inc. dba Three Forks Muddy Gap Service:** 30'x32' room in the northeast corner of the building located at Junction Hwy 287 and WY 220, Rawlins, Wyoming; **Robert F. Konrath dba Walcott Service:** 40'x52' room in the northeast corner of the building located at the Junction of I-80 and Hwy 130, Walcott, Wyoming.

Protests, if any, against the issuance of any of the listed licenses or permits will be heard at **11:15 a.m. on the 15th day of July 2014, in the Commissioners Room at the Carbon County Courthouse, 415 West Pine Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.**
Dated this 2nd day of June 2014.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett, Carbon County Clerk

Legal #6370
Published in the Saratoga Sun June 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A NEW RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of June, 2014, D's Bar and Grill, Inc., filed an application for a new a retail liquor license in the office of the Town Clerk, Encampment, Carbon County, Wyoming,

for the following described place and premises, to wit: a room 8' X 16' in the southwest portion of the building located on Lots 5-12, Block 25, Town of Encampment, Wyoming. Any protest, if any there be, against the issuance of such license, will be heard at the hour of 8:00 p.m., or as time allows, on the 10th day of July, 2014 in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall located at 614 McCaffrey Avenue, Encampment, Carbon County, Wyoming.

Doreen Harvey, CMC
Clerk/Treasurer

Legal #6379
Published in the Saratoga Sun June 11, 18, 25 and July 2, 2014

**Public Notice
Medicine Bow Fuel & Power, LLC
Notice of First 2014 Public Biannual Meeting Concerning Permit DEQ/ISC 07-01**

Medicine Bow Fuel & Power, LLC has a permit from the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality/ Industrial Siting Council to construct a coal to liquids fuel plant in Carbon County, Wyoming. As part of the permit process, it is required to host biannual public meetings starting in June 2014. These public meetings will include a progress report including a timeline with critical path key dates, and significant events leading to the recommencement of construction for the project.

Pursuant to Condition #18 of Permit DEQ/ISC 07-01, Medicine Bow Fuel & Power, LLC is providing public notice of the First 2014 Biannual Public Meeting scheduled on June 26, 2014 at the Medicine Bow Community Center, 221 Pine Street in Medicine Bow, Wyoming from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Dated this 5th day of June 2014
Medicine Bow Fuel & Power, LLC

Legal #6380
Published in the Saratoga Sun June 11, 18 and 25, 2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIMITED RETAIL (GOLF CLUB) LIQUOR LICENSE

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that on or about the 13th day of June 2014, application for a Limited Retail (Golf Club) Liquor License was filed in the Office of the Carbon County Clerk for the following individually described place and premises, to-wit:

Sinclair Golf Club LLC dba Sinclair Golf Club: 20'x30' room in the south end of the first floor of the building located 6 miles northeast of Sinclair, Wyoming.

Protests, if any, against the issuance of the listed license will be heard at 11:15 a.m. on the 15th day of July 2014, in the Commissioners Room at the Carbon County Courthouse, 415 West Pine Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.

Dated this 13th day of June 2014.

-s- Gwynn G. Bartlett
Carbon County Clerk

Legal #6381
Published in the Saratoga Sun June 18, 25 and July 2 and 9, 2014



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It's also important to meet with your insurance agent to make sure your personal items are properly covered. Coverage limits under most policies for jewelry, furs, watches and related items may total only \$1,000. You should know those limits so you can purchase extra coverage if necessary. Items with limited coverage under your homeowner's policy may include art, musical instruments, money, guns, silverware, jewelry and valuable papers.

The following tips can help you put together your home inventory checklist:

1.) Choose a method. Compile a list of your possessions room-by-room. Remember to include your attic, storage areas, garage and outbuildings. You could combine your list with a video of each room. A comprehensive home inventory should include information such as the make, model, serial number, value and purchase date for each item.

2.) Document thoroughly. Your home inventory list has to support the claims process for events ranging from the total loss of your home to the theft of a few items. Thoroughly documenting your belongings will ensure proper coverage and make that process easier. Pay special attention to your most valuable items such as antiques, art, jewelry, collectibles and electronic equipment.

3.) Keep your home inventory safe. Don't let your home inventory become part of your property loss. It's important to keep a copy in a bank safe deposit box or other secure location away from your home.

If you have any other questions, you should discuss them with your insurance company or agent.



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ACROSS

1. Mosque officials
6. H in HMS
9. *J. Edgar Hoover, e.g.
13. Dugout vessel
14. Australian flightless bird
15. Fairytale baby carrier
16. Irregular or jagged
17. Any doctrine
18. Baskerville's scare
19. *He crossed the Rubicon
21. *Darwin's watercraft
23. Small dog's bark
24. Two quarters
25. ___-cha-cha
28. Miami Heat star
30. Go ashore
35. Red ink amount
37. Sophia Lauren's "bye"

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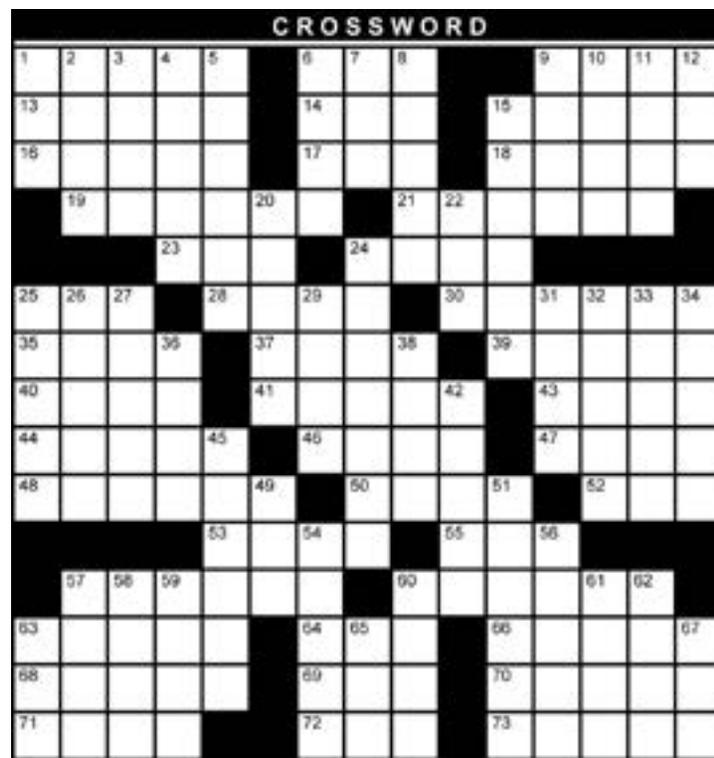


39. *She ran for VP
40. Yorkshire river
41. Brings home the bacon
43. Pro ___
44. Milk-Bone biscuit, e.g.
46. Render speechless
47. Largest organ of human body
48. *Third Reich mastermind
50. Biblical birthright seller
52. Message in a bottle
53. Small municipality
55. Boiling blood
57. *Author of "95 Theses"
60. *The Black Death
63. Hungarian wine
64. U.N. working-conditions agency
66. Crows' homes
68. Addicts
69. Feather's partner?
70. *The New York Times' first one came out in 1851
71. Midterm or final
72. Farm female
73. Courtyards

DOWN

1. Berg matter
2. Painter ___ Chagall
3. Dwarf buffalo
4. Promenade gait
5. Plaything for two
6. *Edward VI to Henry VIII, e.g.
7. Ambulance crew
8. Dance of Castro's land
9. Hot rum drink
10. Sledgehammer
11. *Mother of Queen Elizabeth I
12. Flanders of "The Simpsons"
15. Rubs
20. Rapidly
22. A late time of life
24. Embolden
25. Used for cleaning
26. Alluring maiden
27. Portfolio content
29. *First European to round Cape of Good Hope
31. In front of criminals
32. Middle Eastern vodka, pl.
33. 4:1, e.g.
34. *Kublai and Genghis
36. Navy commando
38. Blame
42. Creepy one
45. Aquatic goddess
49. * ___ v Wade
51. Muse of astronomy, descendant of Uranus
54. What scribes do
56. Opposite of digest
57. *Germany did it in WWI and WWII
58. Hawaiian strings, pl.
59. Queen of Hearts' pastry
60. Minute opening
61. *Communist threat, 1922-1991
62. Small ornamental case
63. *New Kingdom's boy-pharaoh
65. *Hammurabi's concern

67. Last word of "America, the Beautiful"



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Thank you to all our families and friends for making our **60th Anniversary** a most memorable and cherished occasion.

Richard & Gloria Rakness

The Town of Saratoga would like to thank the SER Conservation District for the donation of the trees and shrubs for the Arbor Day project at Saratoga Lake on May 30.

Thanks to Joe Parsons, Garrett Pantle, Jean Runner and Rebecca Burton for participation and educating the Saratoga Elementary students on tree care.

The Saratoga Museum would like to thank all those that helped make the CJ Box Trivia Night a success!

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Congratulations to Randy Raymer for having the winning bid for a name in CJ's next book!

Saratoga Lions Club YOUTH HORSE SHOW

would like to thank the following for making our horse show a success

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ALL of the volunteers
ALL of the parents
ALL of the participants

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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for 70 years) electricity charges to the tune of around \$150,000.00 or so. Guess what? After three blinks of the eye, last night as a perfect example of their Money Tree philosophy, the Rec. Director asked for a new appropriation of \$3,500.00 total tax money to purchase "Portable Bleachers" to watch Town events such as January Ice Fishing, March Chariot Races, June River Sand Bagging, Summer Swimming and Baseball games, maybe the big Mud Hole Truck competition and the Brew Fest and Pavilion

events (lawn chairs not good enough anymore, I guess). So, the Un-Thrifty mayor called for a Motion after asking Chuck if there was a place to store these portable bleachers and in 5 minutes the deal was done and passed. No common sense monetary discussion of the total annual man hours cost to dismantle, load, transport, unload, assemble, dismantle again, and restore these "Portable Bleachers" for the next event plus employee Benefits, Insurance, trucks overhead and replacement costs, etc. etc. 6 to

10 events per year. Maybe another \$75,000.00 or who knows? Just pass another "Sucker" tax on to citizens. I propose a new Ordinance that all Board Members who vote for negative budgets share the loss from their own rich pockets. Mr. Mayor, it is still time to resign before Saratoga is another Detroit!

Sincerely, Leon R. Hetherington, Senior Citizen, who won't go away until you do.

*Leon R. Hetherington,
Saratoga*

Why is flooding still an emergency?

Editor,

It is no secret every spring we have high water and potential flooding in the North Platte River Valley!

This year we had our second Hundred Year Flood in the last four years. This is maybe six or eight since I moved here in 1937. My question is, why is this still an emergency?

Why haven't the residents of the river bank done some landscaping to prevent the situation?

This year, Right Now you have a perfect example of what needs to be done for each property along the river. The

folks laying the sandbags got it just about right to keep the river within its banks and out of your house. Why not follow Their lead?

Some topsoil some grass seed some water is all you need. You do the dirt spreading, grass planting and watering. You get a drier house, a nicer yard and a lot less stress in the Spring. What have you got to lose? Oh yea, that ugly fat thats making your pants too tight.

Just one old man's opinion. But it's a good one.

*Bob McCargar
Saratoga*

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is better than many who have progressed as far with WNV.

Dr. Steve Hays is very confident that he got WNV from a mosquito bite while hiking in the Snowy Range near Mirror Lake. Nine months later, Dr. Hays, still struggles with mental fatigue; especially in the afternoon. Hays says he can work for several hours and be at the top of his game, but then is totally wiped out at the end of the day. He has also experienced some short term memory loss.

In spite of this, Hays says "I'm lucky, I have a pretty normal life. Where I'm at a year is probably where I'm going to be for the rest of my life. I've talked to people who have been just devastated." Hays attributes his recovery to being in good physical shape at the time he contracted WNV. Just three weeks prior to being hospitalized, he passed a complete physical with flying colors. Dr. Hays says "I no longer feel invincible...it can happen to you."



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