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Photo by Mike Dunn

Russell Carrell shows Hot Springs County Commissioner Mike Baker how to sharpen a band saw blade during a tour of the Saratoga Forest Management Sawmill.

Commissioners convene at community center

Visits from Mead, Lummis highlight State Commissioners meeting

By Mike Dunn

Visits from the Governor and congresswoman Cynthia Lummis highlighted the three-day Wyoming State Commissioners Association (WCCA) Spring Meeting.

Over 90 County Commissioners from all corners of the state met at the Platte Valley Community Center (PVCC) to collaborate and hear from organizations.

"This meeting is not so much where we do business like our legislative meeting, which takes place in every other year at a winter meeting," Bob Rolston, WCCA president and Sheridan County Commissioner said. "This is more of a resource meeting where we bring in industry folks and governmental folks to talk about issues that we share in common and just that we can learn from those presentations and have the interface – be it with the federal government or

our legislative delegation." The meetings featured presentations from Western Governors Association Executive Director James Ogsbury, the Administrator of the Mineral Tax Division of the Department of Revenue Craig Grenvik along with several other events to enlighten the commissioners.

Rolston said that presentations "really open the eyes" of the commissioners.

"Each of us have a very unique situation in each of the 23 counties, but that unique situation carries out through the state."

Several commissioners said that they enjoyed bouncing ideas off each other and networking during the meetings. Forrest Chadwick, a commissioner from Natrona County, said sharing ideas helps all the commissioners.

"It's nice to be able to see what [commissioners] are doing in their county and maybe see

how it can help your county," Chadwick said.

Events for the commissioners included a tour of the Saratoga Forest Management's sawmill April 23, where owner Gary Ervin explained the economic impacts of its re-opening in 2012. Several commissioners said they were impressed the mill employs around 150 people; most of whom are residents of the Platte Valley.

Politicians come to Town

Thursday was highlighted by the arrival of Congresswoman Cynthia Lummis (R) and Governor Matt Mead (R). Lummis, who had just announced her candidacy for re-election the previous day, said that she felt like she was "among friends" at the commissioners meeting.

"I actually have more to learn from you [the commissioners]

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HEM senior chosen as FFA president

By Doug Radunich

Hanna-Elk Mountain-Medicine Bow senior Quade Palm was selected as the new Wyoming Future Farmers of America (FFA) Association President for 2014-2015.

Palm, who is from Medicine Bow, is the first Carbon County student to receive the honor in 32 years. The last recipient from the county was Jim Hinkle, who became president as a senior at Little Snake River Valley High School and member of the LSRV FFA Chapter. Hinkle now resides in Saratoga.

Palm will serve as president until April of 2015, and said he was surprised to be chosen as president at the Wyoming State FFA Convention in Cheyenne April 7-10.

"Honestly, it's still pretty surreal, and I'm still surprised that it even happened at all," Palm said. "You're always hoping and thinking it would be cool to be president, but I was at the point where I thought it would be cool just to get state office. We've never even had a state officer from our chapter before. It was a shock and something you hope for, but you're not sure if that hope is realistic or not."

Palm said there are several requirements that go into being chosen, and there is a two-year window for when one is eligible to run.

"The first requirement is that everyone has their State FFA Degree, and for that you have to do an SAE project, which is essentially a summer job or something you log hours for," he said. "It's also based off of community service work, and then you apply and show up and do the interviews. You don't apply for any specific position, you just apply for office in general. You can run your senior year, and can serve your senior year and freshman year of college; but you can also run the end of your freshman year of col-

lege, and serve the end of your freshman year in college to your sophomore year in college."

Palm said he applied toward the end of March, which is when he had to have his application turned in.

"The nominating committee, which is essentially who the association has appointed to represent their views, is who appoints you" he said. "The nominating committee is made up of three or four adults, and three FFA members who are seniors in high school."

Palm said the nominating committee interviews the candidates at the State FFA Convention in Cheyenne, and interviews can run for three or four days. He said all who are interested come from across the state, and that one must apply two or three weeks before the convention.

"If the interviews span three days, then they go on to a fourth day," Palm said. "They decide essentially which office you'd be best suited for, and see what you'd do best. There can be any number of people who apply, and this year we had 22 candidates who were interviewed."

With several other office positions to fill, including parliamentarian, sentinel, treasurer, secretary, reporter and three vice presidents, Palm said nine of the 22 applicants were chosen for the various positions. He said the president is the top head office position for the team, and that the eight other officers chosen are from all across Wyoming.

Up next for Palm and the eight other officers is an officer training at the beginning of June, where Palm said he will learn about his regular duties. He said his relaxed nature during interviews helped him get chosen for the president position.

"A lot of people worry about

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 30, 5:30 p.m.
Forest Service Wildland Fire Training
White Room

May 1, 7:30 a.m.
Wyoming Business Alliance - Economic Outlook
Sponsored by the Platte Valley Chamber of Commerce
Great Hall

May 3, 2 p.m.
Laura Nell Ellis Memorial
Theater

May 3, 3 p.m.
Eastern Star - Tea and Dinner
Great Hall

May 7, 6 p.m.
**Bark Beetle Video Series - Our Future Forests:
 Beyond Bark Beetles**
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 University of Wyoming Ruckelshaus Institute*
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 click on calendar of events or call 326-7822.*

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parker James and Brady Patrick McKinney

Parker James McKinney and Brady Patrick McKinney were born April 10, 2014 in Cheyenne. Parker weighed 6 lbs 2 oz and was 19 inches long, and Brady weighed 7 lbs and 20 inches long. Proud parents are Chad and Anndee McKinney.

Maternal grandmother is Pam Meyer, of Saratoga.

Paternal grandparents are Jimmy and Sandy McKinney, of Encampment.

Chad and Anndee both grew up in the Platte Valley. Chad graduated from Encampment



High School, and Anndee graduated from Saratoga High School.

Chad and Anndee now live in

Cheyenne, where Chad owns a financial securities practice and Anndee is a teacher and coach at South High School.

Tylie Anne Christen

Tyler and Marie Christen are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Tylie Anne. Tylie was born in Steamboat Springs, on April 15, 2014 at 5:58 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Thomas and Theresa Christen, of Waunakee, Wis. Maternal grandparents are Peter Tran, of Placentia, Calif., and Anne Nguyen, of Plano, Texas. Paternal great-grandparents are Dorothy Christen, of Monticello, Wis., Lucy Barman, of Waunakee, Wis. and Alfred Barman of Waunakee, Wis. Maternal great-grandparents are Truyen Bui, of Racine, Wis. and Hau Nguyen, of Westminster, Calif.



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

Public comment accepted on proposed Invasive Plant Species Management.

The Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland (MBRTB) is proposing to treat non-native and invasive plants using a variety of methods in the future. Possible alternatives for those actions have been crafted into an Invasive Plant Management Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which is now available for public review and comment. The Draft EIS is online at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/mbr/landmanagement/projects>.

Specific written comments on the proposed project will be accepted for 45 calendar days after the notice of availability is published in the Federal Register.

The comment period closes May 7, 2014

River Restoration 101

**Wednesday, May 14, 6-9 p.m.,
 Platte Valley Community Center.**

Join Christina Barrineau, Aquatic Habitat Biologist for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and Jeff Streeter, North Platte River Project Manager for Trout Unlimited, for an introduction to river restoration techniques as they apply to the North Platte River through Saratoga. Together the group will explore why the island between the bridges keeps coming back, why the riverbanks keep eroding, and what can be done to allow more water to flow past Town during runoff, and provide better fishing.



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OBITUARIES

Laura Nell Ellis

Laura Nell Ellis, 74, of Saratoga passed away at her home on April 24, 2014 surrounded by her loving family after a courageous battle with cancer. Laura Nell was born on Oct. 31, 1939 in Laramie, to Orval and Nellie White Wallis.

She lived on various ranches in and around the Laramie area and moved to Saratoga in 1956 when her parents purchased the Campbell Ranch on Pass Creek.

In 1956 she met the love of her life, Don Ellis, at a dance in Valley Station. They were married in Laramie on Nov. 10, 1957. They lived on the Ellis Ranch on Difficulty Creek until 1960, when they purchased the Matson Ranch, where they ranched together until 1969, when they moved to Saratoga. While in Saratoga they owned and operated several businesses over the years including a motel, earth construction business and a John Deere Ag dealership. She went to work at the Platte Valley Medical Clinic and worked there for 24



years as the office manager. She retired in 2008.

Laura Nell was an incredible person who touched the lives of many people in her walk through life. Words are inadequate to describe her many talents and just how special she really was. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who was devoted to caring for all. She will be missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing her.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Don, daugh-

ters Sue Jones (Wiley), of Encampment, and Linda Platts (Scott), of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Sons Mike (Rita) Ellis, of Medicine Bow and Joe Ellis, of South Pass City. Grandchildren Hazel Platts (Torrey Winfrey), Max Platts, Sam Platts, Emily Ellis, Jon Ellis, Jacob Ellis, Patrick Ellis, Elizabeth Ellis and great-granddaughter Tiana Winfrey. Brother Dan (Nancy) Wallis, of Saratoga, and numerous nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Patrick Thomas Ellis.

Services will be held May 3 at 2 p.m. in the Platte Valley Community Center in Saratoga. Honorary pallbearers for the service will be Rodney Bennett, Powd Boles, Wiley Jones, Scott Platts, Steve Rose, and Terry Rummell.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Corbett Medical Foundation, PO Box 343, Saratoga, WY 82331 or the Meredith & Jeannie Ray Cancer Center, 255 N. 30th Street, Laramie, WY 82072.

OBITUARIES

Ginny Riddick

Ginny Riddick passed away April 24, 2014. A memorial service will take place at a later date. Ginny was born March 2, 1939 in Erie, Pa. On Jan. 20, 1965 she married Jack Riddick. A full obituary will appear in a later edition of the *Saratoga Sun*. Condolences can be sent to Jack at PO Box 754, Saratoga, WY 82331 or you can visit him at 1011 W. Farm St. in Saratoga.

John Glode

John Glode passed away April 29, 2014. A rosary is planned for Monday at 7 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church. The funeral service is planned for Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. A complete obituary will appear in next week's *Saratoga Sun*.

Jeff Goolsby

Jeff Goolsby passed away April 29, 2014. Services are pending. A complete obituary will appear in the *Saratoga Sun* at a later date.

VALLEY NEWS

River project forum set for May

By Mike Dunn

Stantec, the company in charge of the North Platte River Restoration Project, will be in Saratoga this week. On May 4 and 5, representatives from Stantec will arrive in the Platte Valley for a site visit, and could potentially start assessing the river given water flows are high enough. Jeff Streeter, North Platte River Restoration Project Manager, said regardless whether or not Stantec will survey the river, he and aquatic habitat biologist Christina Barrineau will be hosting a public meeting concerning the project itself. Streeter said the meeting is going to cover the basics of the river project, so the public can know what has been done and what will be done with the project. "We want to make sure people are informed and have their questions answered," Streeter said. The meeting will take place from 6 to 9 p.m., on May 14 at the Platte Valley Community Center.

Clean-up Days are coming

by Mike Dunn

Saratoga residents will have an opportunity to make their town even more beautiful this weekend with the Saratoga Clean-up Days. Held annually the first weekend in May, Clean-up Days allows residents to dispose of their long-accumulated waste. "It's just an attempt to clean up our town," Randy Raymer, Chairman of the Upper North Platte River Solid Waste District said. "It's an organized effort that the community participates in." Residents are allowed to dispose of recycling, trash and other waste for free this weekend, given that they are registered with the landfill. "We do it over the course of two days," Raymer said. "It takes quite a bit of dedication from the landfill workers and the volunteers." Clean-up Days also signify the beginning of regular hours at the landfill, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Clean-up Days will take place May 3 and May 4.



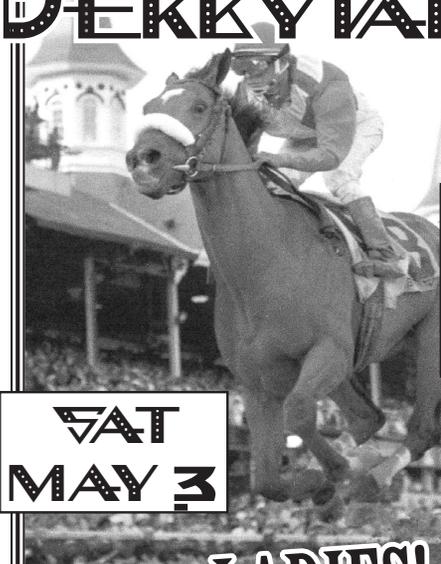
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VIEWS OF THE SUN

Could it maybe be *your* problem?

Our life in the Valley is what some folks like to call bucolic. It could also be termed sedate, leisurely, and even just plain slow.

Several restaurants around the valley boast a sign that says "If you are in a hurry, you are in the wrong place."

People who are in a hurry here are more than likely to be a little frustrated.

I remember when I moved here my bosses at the time would take me out to lunch. While I was anxious that this was regularly taking longer than an hour, my employers didn't seem to bat an eye.

This reminds me of a Douglas Adams quote from *Hit-chiker's Guide To The Galaxy*: "Time is an illusion, lunchtime doubly so."

Over the years, sometimes I got my midday meal finished within 60 minutes ... sometimes not.

Eventually, I quit worrying about it and life became easier and much more pleasant.

Occasionally, you will find that getting certain services might take longer than in a larger town.

This too can happen.

My rude advice is: "Deal with it".

When your neighbor down the road *can* get to your project, I have found that said project gets taken care of in the best fashion possible (even if not entirely within your favored timeframe).

If you are new to town and grouse about it too much, not only are you unnecessarily twisting your own panties, you are quite possibly ticking off the person whose service you wanted *and* all the people he or she knows too.

People talk around here.

Before long, you can find yourself at the business end of some less-than-friendly looks.

You might find yourself asking "What did I do to them?"

Be a jerk and, like throwing a warped rubber ball, it will come back to you from strange directions.

I like to call it "Valley Karma".

Retro Blog

By Keith McLendon



People here are, as a whole, nicer than any I have met anywhere in my travels. Cross them though and you can find out how quickly your acceptance disappears.

That's just human nature. Wyoming rarely tolerates fools.

Sometimes, we just elect them.

There is one thing we can't get enough of from newbies though.

Please, please, *puh-leeze* ...

tell us "how you did it where you're from".

Oh, wait.

I'm pretty sure we really hate that.

This is not just a Valley thing. This is not just a Wyoming thing.

Being from Texas, I heard the term "carpetbagger" breathed in hateful tones any time someone let us know "how we did it in (insert Yankee territory)".

For those of you that don't know, a carpetbagger was someone who came to the south after the Civil War seeking to profit from the financial and governmental instability. The term itself referred to the carpet bags (the era's trendy luggage) that these individuals carried. The derogatory term is a still used today to refer to an outsider who uses fraud or manipulation to achieve their goals.

I am willing to bet this is fairly universal.

People from New York most likely don't want to hear how it is done in Los Angeles.

Folks in Keizer, Oregon don't care how it was done in Lady Lake, Florida¹.

And *everyone* outside of the U.S. is sick to death of hearing how we do things in America.

You really like how it was done "back there"?

Go back there ...

... and don't let the doorknob hit you where the good Lord split you.

Don't get me wrong. Folks

from *anywhere* are welcome in Texas (or Wyoming for that matter) as long as you are willing to make the small, and what should be effortless, effort it requires to fit in.

As much as I am a son of Texas, I have lived in the Valley for over 20 years now without anyone making me feel alienated. Probably because I like people and try to fit in where possible and know to find someone else to talk to when it's not.

I have called myself Wyomingite (and possibly more importantly, Saratogan) for so long now that I might even be tempted to tell someone in Texas, "Hey, that's not how we do it in Wyoming".

Then again ... no.

We're nice folks here. We watch out for our own and often go out of our way to help strangers.

We wave at each other (and even folks we don't know).

We stop to let pedestrians cross.

We visit with each other at the Post Office, the store, when voting and any other handy place (like the middle of the road).

If you haven't gotten the main theme of this little tirade though, here it is again in as crystal-clear a form as I can put it:

If you are not fitting in here, it's probably *your* fault.

1. Odd town choices, I know. But hey, I have relatives in those towns and I don't think it hurt my point to let them know I think of them occasionally.



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Wednesday Night Partly cloudy. Low around 27. West wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight. Gusts as high as 35 mph.

Thursday Mostly sunny. High near 53. Breezy.

Thursday Night Partly cloudy. Low around 32. Breezy.

Friday Mostly sunny. High near 60.

Friday Night Partly cloudy. Low around 36.

Saturday Chance of showers. Mostly sunny. High near 58.

Saturday Night Chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy. Low around 32.

Sunday Chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy. High near 47.

Sunday Night Chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy. Low around 30.

Monday Chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy. High near 46.


WEATHER



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interviews, but they don't bother me too much," Palm said. "The biggest tip I heard is to be yourself, and instead of make it an interview, make it more of a conversation. I tried to do that, instead of sit there and answer the question, and I made it more back and forth, and more relaxed and comfortable. I can't say whether or not any other kids did that, or what their perks were and my perks were compared to them, but it's one thing I really tried to do that might have helped."

Palm said relating with the interviewer was also an important of the interview process.

"I tried to relate them back to them, and most of the questions I had to relate back to were personal experiences that they asked about," he said. "I tried to do that as much as I could, relate it and give an example."

Palm said he has been involved with FFA since seventh grade. Some of his accomplishments include being FFA Camp president for two years, out of the three summers he attended the camp, and competing at the National FFA Convention.

"I've gone to all the different FFA functions available, and competed at state conventions in high school and junior high," Palm said. "I've also gone on different chapter trips, like to the stock shows, and my CDE team also won the state

agriculture mechanics contest. It's so awesome being in FFA because it changes so much and changes you so much. There's meeting all the people and having all the different experiences you wouldn't have the chance to get anywhere else."

In addition to becoming the new president, Palm is also the recipient of the \$1,000 AGCO Dealer scholarship funded by Shively Hardware. The scholarship, 2013-2014 National FFA Collegiate Scholarship, is awarded every year to a Carbon County School District No. 2 senior.

Starting at Casper College this year, Palm plans to major in Animal Science with a career in ranching. He said it will be a challenge, yet fun, to balance school and traveling around the state for his state officer duties.

"It will be a good test and a ton of fun, and what better way to see the state than representing FFA?" Palm said. "We'll see all the younger members and the way they do it around the state. I'm used to how we do things here, but things could be different in Powell, Evanston or someplace like that. It will be neat to see how things work, and quite a few of my fellow officers have gone to banquets around the state. I haven't been able to make any yet, but I plan to make a couple."



NO EXTRA TRASH FEES MAY 3 & 4, 2014

'Keep the Valley Clean Days' May 4th & 5th allows district, non-commercial residents paying on a regular monthly basis access to the Encampment/Riverside transfer station or the Saratoga Landfill with no extra charges for:

- Household and yard refuse
- Two appliances per household (refrigerators and air conditioners must be tagged "freon free")
- Four standard tires (18" or smaller with rims removed)
- Junk cars or pickups (ALL fluids drained and wheels removed. Limit 1 per household.)
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Do the spring cleaning and even stop to pick up that piece of trash beside the road. It won't cost you a single, thin dime!

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Saratoga	May 8, 2014	Saratoga Elementary, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. <i>(please call school office for an appointment at 326-8365)</i>
Encampment	May 13, 2014	Encampment School, 8:00 a.m. to Noon <i>(please call school office for an appointment at 327-5442)</i>
Elk Mountain	May 14, 2014	Elk Mountain Elementary, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. <i>(please call school office for an appointment at 348-7731)</i>
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VALLEY NEWS

Governor Mead talks platform, Valley

By Mike Dunn

As he wrapped up his speech and finished shaking hands with county commissioners at their Spring Meeting Thursday, Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead (R) took time to sit down with the *Saratoga Sun* to answer questions about Saratoga, the upcoming election and controversial issues in the Platte Valley.

Re-election

Gov. Mead, who will be up for re-election in November, said though he has a tough battle ahead of him, his record speaks for itself.

"When I first came to office, unemployment was at about 6.4 percent, now it's at 4 percent," Mead said. He added that Wyoming was recognized as the state with some of the lowest taxes in the nation and Wyoming's economy always ranks in the top-five.

"We were just ranked, in a Gallup Poll in all states, as the state with the second most trust in state government — we were one point behind North Dakota," Mead said. "We were ranked, for the third year in a row, by Wall Street 24/7 as the best-run state in the county. Our 'rainy-day savings' have gone up, we have addressed infrastructure in local government, we are diversifying our economy. So I will say that I will run on my record of what I have accomplished, I will run on the good things that I have done, and I will run on the mistakes that I have made."

Mead's largest opponent for the governorship this year is Wyoming State Superintendent of Schools Cindy Hill. Hill, who was temporarily removed from her position because of Senate File 104 (SF 104), has recently been reinstated in her position and looks towards the governor's seat in 2014.

When asked what he has to offer as governor over Cindy Hill, Mead said "for the superintendent [Hill], the question you want to ask her is do you want her to bring to the entire state, what she brought to the Department of Education."

Mead, said one of his greatest achievements in his first term was pushing a budget increase for local governments. The 175 million dollar budget was approved in March, and would be given to local municipalities and counties.

"When you first get into of-



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Governor Matt Mead, right, listens to Joel Dousman, Sublette County Commissioner at the state meeting of county commissioners Thursday.

... fice, you right away get into what is the appropriate budget for local government and which municipalities and counties," Mead said. "What I found was ... at times, the counties and the municipalities would be at odds with each other."

Mead said that early in his governorship, he worked with counties and municipalities and told them "we have to get on the same page with this — towns, governor's office, let's see if we can come to consensus on this and find out what the appropriate amount of funding on this is."

Providing to local governments has always been a "high priority" the governor said, stating that the 2012 budget session, he pushed a 135 million dollar budget for local governments.

"At that time, with revenue, was a lot of money. And then we got 20 million more in supplemental," Mead said. "And that process worked."

Endangered Species Act

Often known as an outspoken critic of the federal government, Mead said that he will continue his fight against federal regulations in the Environment. Gov. Mead said he sees some "major problems" with the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

"The management of federal lands that are going on in the county's backyard, that is an issue that is front and center in every county," Mead said. "The discussion on the Endangered Species Act was that I reached, with the legislature, an agreement on wolves. The message was, 'Hey the state of Wyoming can do a better job,

has a greater vested interest in managing wildlife, and it is our wildlife.'"

Though the State of Wyoming got a deal with wolves, Mead said, federal regulations on grizzly bears and sage-grouse have been imposed in Wyoming. Mead said he believes the federal government is over-stepping its (rule).

"The federal government can't do it nearly as well as the state, and they shouldn't because it is our wildlife," Mead said.

Mead said that his administration is "working hard" on ensuring the sage-grouse is not listed under the ESA.

"The state has done a better job [protecting wildlife] than our federal government could ever do," he said.

Logging

Governor Mead said he remembers the re-opening of the Saratoga Forest Management Sawmill as "the only ribbon cutting ceremony I have ever been to in my life where I got to use a chain-saw," and would like to keep pushing initiatives in order to see that mills throughout the state stay open.

"I have pushed the Federal Government, and state agencies ... as recognizing that we have beetle-kill in the state of Wyoming that continue to get worse," Mead said. "There is not a solution that I think is acceptable that says 'we are going to keep going down this path, and we are going to have a catastrophic fire, say in the Medicine Bow [National Forest], that not only wastes a natural resource but kills off wildlife and loses livestock,' but is a fire of a magnitude that

causes pollution in our streams that sterilizes the soil. Who benefits from that?"

He says that the timber and logging industry must continue in order to prevent wildfire disasters but helps promotes jobs and tourism.

"It not only serves the logging industry, but it serves (agriculture), it serves tourism, it serves our wildlife," Mead said. "That is my message to the federal government is that you go into the Medicine Bow and look where wildlife is, you look where the livestock are, you look where the best trees are, it's places where they have logged."

Tourism

Mead said that he has been promoting tourism at the state level as well. Saying that the Platte Valley's and Wyoming's tourism "doesn't happen by accident," Mead said he continues to ask for "big dollars" to promote one of Saratoga's, and Wyoming's, largest industries.

"If you look at tourism, I think it's for every dollar you put in, you get \$8 in return. Now that is a good investment. I wish I had a private investment like that," Mead said jokingly. "And in addition to that, it's not just tourism, it's money that I have asked for, for everything from airports, to projects like funding the [University of Wyoming] Rodeo Team."

Mead said any events which draw people into the state are always beneficial to the economy.

"I have been a big proponent for tourism, and I have asked continually for more money for that," Mead said. "It seems like a great investment, not

only in terms of tourism. But when you see what tourism does, it's not just the dollars, it brings people into Wyoming. And how many people you have met have said 'you know, I came here on my honeymoon or we used to vacation here with Mom and Dad, or I came hunting and fishing here, and this is where I want to be, so I opened up my small business here ...' and that is a wonderful story."

Flooding

While Mead was in the U.S. attorney's office, he said he learned an important piece of advise: "You can't prepare after the disaster." That is why Mead said it is important to prepare before the disaster — especially with the North Platte River.

"When the floods hit, I said that we are going to have a command center. And we are to make sure that we are putting sandbags out as much as we can before the water hits rather than after the water hits," Mead said. "We are going to, as vigorously as we can, be extremely aggressive and make sure the resources are there for the locals. We are going to make sure that when we show up at the door of the county emergency management folks, that is not the first time they have met us."

Mead said that with the unpredictable water flows, preparing for floods is a year-round process.

"Our homeland security, our [National] Guard, are just 'hey, now we have to react. It is a total time throughout the calendar year of how we prepare."

Gov. Mead will be in the State-wide Primary Elections, which will be held Aug. 25.



Governor Mead visits with Carbon County Commissioner John Espy at the Platte Valley Community Center theater.

Community sets for day of prayer

Staff Report

Community members can unite as one voice in prayer this week, in honor of the 63rd annual observance of the National Day of Prayer.

At noon tomorrow, community members can join Rev. Susan Dyer of St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church at Saratoga's Community Meditation Garden, to participate in "One Voice, United in Prayer". The garden is located next to the church and across from the Saratoga Post Office.

One Voice, United in Prayer is this year's theme for the National Day of Prayer, and, according to the National Day of Prayer Task Force, emphasizes the need for individuals to join together in corporate prayer, calling

upon the unfailing character of God.

"This 63rd annual, national observance on May 1 will have profound significance for our country," said John Bornschein, National Day of Prayer Task Force Vice Chairman. "By joining together in prayer, we have an unprecedented opportunity to see the Lord's healing and renewing power made manifest as we call upon citizens to humbly come before His throne."

The Task Force stated that millions will assemble at thousands of local National Day of Prayer events across America, where they will take time out of their daily schedules to intercede on behalf of their communities, nation and leaders.

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than you do from me," Lummis said in her speech.

"The County Commissioners are among my most trusted and important advisors," she added.

Lummis and the County Commissioners spent 40 minutes discussing the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and its impact on Wyoming agriculture and energy. Lummis is currently co-chair on a committee attempting to target reforms to ESA.

"The endangered species act was passed in 1973 — the last time there were any statutory reforms to it was in, I believe, 1989," Lummis said, "It's a very hard act to reform because of the powerful influences of certain environmental groups that are benefiting financially with the status quo with the Endangered Species Act."

Some of the bills to reform the ESA Lummis is proposing include increased authority to local governments.

"The bills include giving counties, local governments and tribes more say and, hopefully, earlier in listing decisions and implementation of listing decisions," Lummis said.

Lummis said she has been a strong supporter of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) while in Washington. PILT provides payments to local governments in order to compensate for potential tax revenue loss on federal lands,

Only a few hours later, Gov. Matt Mead made an appearance at the County Commissioners Spring Meeting. Mead said he has strong roots with county commissioners, as several of his family members used to be a commissioners.

"My grand-dad always said that the real power in Wyoming is in the county commissioners," Mead said. "And I always thought it was remarkable for him to say that after he'd been governor, he would continue to



Photo by Mike Dunn

Congresswoman Cynthia Lummis addresses county commissioners Thursday.

say that. But I think I know now as governor, and more importantly working with all (the commissioners), as true ... my fundamental belief is that the government working closest to the people is the best government."

In March, the Wyoming legislature approved Mead's 175 million dollar budget request to go towards local towns and counties. Mead said the budget, which provides a 45 million dollar increase to local governments from 2013, will breed success locally and statewide.

"We have had success with 135 million, and we certainly will have success with 175 million," Mead said.

Rolston said having both Lummis and Mead make appearances at the meeting meant a lot to him and the other county commissioners.

"To have Congresswoman Lummis come by and spend some time with us and have some interface with us is big," Rolston said. "Since I've been president, and I am now in my second year, I can't remember a meeting [Gov. Mead] wasn't at, or we have been invited to the Governor's Mansion to have breakfast with him and the first lady.

Women's meeting

The Spring meeting on Friday started with a first, as many of the women commissioners

held the first ever Women of Wyoming County Commissioners breakfast. Carbon County Commissioner, and Saratoga resident, Lindy Glode said the breakfast was a great way for women in politics to share their ideas and potentially grow their numbers.

"It's just a network for women to share ideas, issues, education," Glode said. "We kind of just had a round-table with discussions. Out of 90 county commissioners in Wyoming, 12 of them are women, and we would like it to be half."

Guests at the breakfast were Representative Elaine Harvey (R) with House District 26 and Melissa Turley, Commissioner of Teton County, who shared her experiences in several women's leadership organizations throughout the state.

The final meeting Friday, ended with their general session. Rolston said it was an opportunity for the commissioners to express their philosophies with each other.

"It's a round-table so that everyone from each county has an opportunity to stand up and share with the rest of the counties some of the things they've seen or might see coming down the road that we have to have a heads up for," Rolston said. "Or if there is something they've been able to find a solution to a problem, they share it with everyone. To me, that is sort of the main focus on the Spring Meeting."

Glode said having the meetings in her home town was not only great for Platte Valley businesses, but was an honor for the Carbon County Commissioners.

"I was very proud to be one of the hosts. Everyone who came said they just love it here, and they love (the PVCC)" Glode said. "Bringing people to town and showing them what we have is really important."



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PEOPLE OF THE PLATTE

Jarrett, Miller earn spots in scholarship program

By Doug Radunich

Two Encampment High School seniors received four-year college scholarships from the Daniels Scholarship program, which awards students for their character, leadership and commitment to giving back to the community.

Out of around 2,500 applicants, Matt Jarrett and Brett Miller, both of whom will attend the University of Wyoming this fall, earned a place in the Daniels Scholarship Program for their exceptional traits. The two students interviewed for the position with business leaders in Laramie, and heard

they received the scholarship in mid-March.

Miller said the two applied for the scholarship last fall, and that the program covers expenses that remain after all other scholarships and financial aid have been applied. He said leadership skills played a big part in the consideration process.

"A lot of it is leadership skills and community service, so being involved in high school is a big one for that," he said. "You have to be a senior in high school to apply for it, but you don't get nominated or anything like that for it. It's an 'all-unmet-needs' scholarship,

so other scholarships received count and the Daniels Scholarship pays the rest. Eventually once you get through the application process, it asks you send in a letter of recommendation from a teacher."

According to the Daniels Fund Scholarship fund's website, Daniels Scholars may attend any accredited non-profit college or university in the United States. Funding covers all or part of a student's required college expenses, such as tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies and other educational expenses, and students receive a laptop.

Jarrett said he and Miller were the only two from Carbon County to receive the scholarship. He said anyone may apply, and that community service plays a big part in being chosen.

"Your grades aren't a huge deal with this, it's mostly what you've accomplished and if you've shown you're interested in helping your community," Jarrett said.

Miller said he felt urged to try for the scholarship this year after Waddie Love, who was an EHS senior last year, received it.

"Waddie Love got it last year,

so we kind of said we'd apply and see what happens," he said. "Really you weren't out anything if you didn't get it, but it was awesome if you did. We were at a basketball game when we got emails telling us we were selected as finalists for it. Matt and I couldn't get our street clothes back on fast enough to tell everyone we were finalists."

From the eligible states of Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico, there were around 2,500 total applicants, 560 interviews conducted and 250 scholarships given out to students from the four states.

Tiger teacher top three

By Doug Radunich

Encampment K-12 School English teacher Leslie McLinskey made the top three for Wyoming Teacher of the Year award.

McLinskey was named Carbon County School District No. 2 Teacher of the Year last year, after being nominated by Pam Kraft, former art teacher at Encampment K-12 School. McLinskey began teaching at Encampment K-12 School in 2002, and attended Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, where she received degrees in English and education.

After receiving District Teacher of the Year, McLinskey said she was surprised to make it into the top-three for state, out of many nominated teachers from several participating school districts.

"It was pretty phenomenal and flattering to be one of the top three up for State Teacher of the Year, and being District Teacher of the Year helped put me into the running for State Teacher of the Year," she said. "It's a three-step process in the way they choose Wyoming State Teacher of the Year. We had to write several essays and have a phone interview, and then they narrowed it down

to maybe only 10 of us after reading the essays. From there they picked the top three, and a group from the state also observed me teaching and filmed me."

McLinskey said she was notified of her top-three ranking from Cindy Hill.

"Cindy Hill called me and said very nice things to me, including that the whole committee was excited by my energy and the great things I was doing," she said. "I took that as a high compliment. It was shocking but also satisfying, and the whole experience was very validating."

McLinskey said the other two finalists were veteran teachers, and that Mick Wiest was the winner for State Teacher of the Year. Wiest is an English teacher from Fort Mackenzie High School in Sheridan.

"Mick has taught for more than 25 years, and had actually given me tips on how to teach senior English," McLinskey said. "I've only been teaching for 11 years, but I am excited about what I'm going to continue to do. This has been my first real teaching job and I haven't left yet. That's how much I love my job here."

Art Club earns ribbons

Staff Report

Last weekend's Wyoming State Art Symposium was quite eventful for Saratoga High School's Nouveau Art Club, which earned two blue ribbons and a University of Wyoming art scholarship.

Winning out of more than 4,000 submitted art pieces, the club's blue-ribbon earners were Kaleah McClain, for her piece titled "Tribal Gathering", and Ben Falk, for "Hummingbird Haven". Club president Aubree Neville connected with the University of Wyoming's art professors at the event, and applied for and won a scholarship for studies in the art department next fall.

Neville also learned how to register Saratoga's 27 artworks, register for the WSAE art Scholarship, and donate Saratoga Middle/High School art teacher Linda Fisher-Perue's two art pieces for the teacher's scholarship donation and silent auction. Other club members who attended the symposium were Vice President Shawn Ingleby, Riley Sandilands and Haley Soles.

Thursday evening, while the art was being judged, Saratoga's team ran the "Spontaneous Sculpture" activity surprising the statewide competitors with the theme, "Earth without Art is just EH". School teams who competed had one hour to represent the theme with 15 recycled items they carried in, and use of a hot-glue gun.

Fisher-Perue, Saratoga Middle/High School's Nouveau Art Club sponsor for the past 21 years, acknowledges that art students work all year creating pieces that express themselves using media of their choice. She said they also prepare art to be hung or set at the show.

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From Bow ties to exotic animals

By Mike Dunn

Each student at Medicine Bow Elementary was given bright teal shirts with the words "Earth Day" written across the front. They wore those shirts while they spent the day cleaning up their town.

To the student's dismay, they couldn't keep the shirts just yet. So they handed their shirts to teachers Shelley Cooper and Heather Booth, who gave it to the secretary Courtney Priest.

"If we let the kids keep them, we might not get them back," Priest said jokingly. "They will wear these shirts to school every day, until the day that we head down to the Zoo."

On May 30 of this year, staff at Medicine Bow Elementary will take all 23 students down to the Denver Zoo; a three-hour drive. They will be wearing their vibrant teal shirts so teachers can keep track of their students in the midst of the Zoo's crowd.

But the Earth Day shirts cost money. A trip to Denver isn't cheap. And the school's activity fund was running low.

"We do little fundraisers [for the activity fund]," Priest said. "Generally, because we realize that a lot of the families around here are on fixed incomes, we only get a dollar or two here and there ... we usually make \$25 to \$40 dollars with each of these fundraisers, and that was how we were feeding the activity fund."

They had reached \$100 with a fundraiser (one month), but it still was not enough to do all of the activities they wanted. The school only had an estimated \$400 in the fund.

When people attended a Medicine Bow Community Educational Organization (CEO) meeting,

the opportunity to increase their coffers was discussed.

The Fundraiser

"I came to one of their meetings, I was listened to some of the things that were going on, and they were talking about their activity fund," Mayor of Medicine Bow and volunteer fireman Kevin Colman said. "We saw (the fund) was not growing."

Kevin had an idea: they were going to raise money for their town's only school.

"Between the Lions Club, the Fire Department and the American Legion, our fundraisers bring anywhere between \$500 a pop. So I figured if we get all three together, that takes the burden off one small group of people," Kevin said.

Kevin Colman first contacted members of the fire department, which included his parents Kenda and James, and his wife Stephanie.

"They were an easy sell," Kevin said. "When you are related to 40-percent of the fire department, it's easier to twist their arms a bit."

"He came back to the fire department and he said 'I think we should do something. And I'm going to approach some other organizations,'" Stephanie Colman said.

Kenda said they wanted to do a community breakfast of some kind to raise money.

"We talked about doing pancakes, but no one had a grill big enough to cook pancakes in a large enough quantity," Kenda said. "So we decided on sausage and gravy, then we decided to also cook eggs and bacon."

While the menu expanded, so did donations. Members of the Order of the Eastern Star and American Legion Auxiliary

helped set up the breakfast and made financial contributions. Businesses in Carbon County and Laramie, along with Medicine Bow residents, donated gifts to start a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle.

"It was one of those things that started out small and just blossomed," Kenda said.

On the day of the fundraiser, there was an estimated 60 people in attendance, many of whom hailed from all over the region. Items like candy and jars of jelly sold for upwards of \$30 at the silent auction, thanks to generous bidders. The winner of the 50/50 raffle donated his winnings back to the activity funds.

"The gifts were astronomical," Kevin said. "A pound of Jelly Belly's went for \$25.50 ... we actually did very well with the small gifts we had donated from businesses in Laramie as well as local businesses. I was amazed how well we actually did."

Both Cooper and Booth said they were incredibly grateful for the donation.

"They really took the bull by the horns with this fundraiser," Cooper said.

Kevin said they were still collecting the money from donors, but they estimate they raised anywhere from \$1,000 to \$1,200 for the student's activity fund.

Med Bow ties

All of the fundraiser organizers have strong ties to Medicine Bow. Not only are they residents of the tight-knit community with a small population of 284, many are Medicine Bow High School graduates, or had children who went to Medicine Bow.

Of the seven organizers who were interviewed, there were two Medicine Bow graduates and three parents of former students.



Photo by Mike Dunn

Breakfast fundraiser volunteers, from left, James, Kevin, Stephanie and Kenda Colman, with Karol Maddox and Don Mayfield.

None of them have a child currently enrolled at Medicine Bow Elementary.

Lions Club member and 1952 Medicine Bow High School Graduate Don Mayfield said that didn't matter. The fundraiser was about the the community, not just themselves.

"That is the one thing about this school is that when we had the high school here, community support was always a great thing," Kenda said. "They've always been great to support the school, and that showed again with this breakfast. People here are ready to help you out if you have a reason to do so."

When Medicine Bow High School closed in 1998, local residents were no longer able to support their community through sports. For long-time residents like the Colmans, supporting their school, in any capacity, is something that Medicine Bow residents still desire.

"I think that's something

that the community misses is coming out and supporting their school, give them something to rally around," Stephanie said.

Kevin said he remembered being a student at Medicine Bow, that feeling of being away from the rest of the state. He figured anything he could do to help these kids experience the world was well worth it.

"Really, I think because of the activity fund, and you look around at some of the kids here, it gives them the opportunity to go do a lot of things," he said. "A lot of these kids may not get that opportunity [to go to the Zoo] otherwise."

But now, Medicine Bow Elementary students will make the long bus trip to Denver and back. They will get to go to a city nearly 2,000-times larger than their hometown. They will get to see exotic animals.

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In step at the Panther Prom



Left to right, Nikki Pacheco and Ryan Malone; Heather Oxford and Emmanuel Pattishall-Baker; Kelsie Samson and Seth Harrison; front row, Burris Berger and Audrey Schwerdt make up the Saratoga High School Prom Court.



Teense Willford takes his granddaughter, Harley Klemola, for a spin around the floor.



Marshal Hill treats his mom, Jane, to a graceful slow-dance.



Nikki Pacheco and Ryan Malone look happy as the Senior Prom Queen and King.

Students dance with moms, dads, grandpas and grandmas during the "parent dance" portion of the prom.



Male prom-goers get down with their smooth moves.



The dance floor at the Platte Valley Community Center is packed with kids dancing the night away.



The ladies look on as the boys show off their sleek dancing power.

Panthers gain more state qualifiers



Photo by Doug Radunich

Andrew Oiler cleared a height of 11'06" in the boys pole vault, which earned him a second place and qualified him for state.

By Doug Radunich

Saratoga High School's track team boasted several state qualifiers last weekend, according to meet results from the Carbon County Invite at Rawlins High School.

All three of Saratoga's boys' relay teams managed to break into the top three Friday, and the 4x100 team, which received third place, was the one to qualify for the Wyoming State Track and Field Championships. The

team, made up of Seth Harrison, Hunter Mason, Tate Stinson and Kyle Bartlett, qualified with a time of 46.28.

Individually, Andrew Oiler qualified for state from his second-place ranking in the boys' pole vault. Oiler vaulted the bar at a height of 11'06".

Cameron Collamer snagged first place in the boys' 800 meter run, for a time 2:07.70, and Kelsie Samson made third in the girls' 800 meter run, from a time

of 2:53.64. Out of the relays, the 4x400 boys' team earned its third-place from a time of 4:06.48, while the 4x800 boys' team aced second with 10:15.66.

"For the first week out of spring break they did pretty well, and we had a good week of practice," said head coach Rex Hohnholt. "I was excited about the competitiveness of the kids and the improvement they showed, even after a two-week span of no competition. I

was pleased that the weather held out, even if it was a little windy."

Up next for the Panthers are Cheyenne's South Twilight Invite tomorrow; Casper's Wyoming Track Classic Friday; and the Saratoga Invite, held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Saratoga Middle/High School.

"It will be exciting to head our own meet this week, and see the kids in events they'll be successful in," Hohnholt said.

Saratoga's top 10 results from the Carbon County Invite are listed below:

Girls Results:

Kelsie Samson- Girls 800 meter run- 2:53.64 (third place), girls 1600 meter run- 6:33.29 (fifth place)

Katie Loose- Girls 3200 meter run- 14:42.70 (fifth place)

Meredith Lincoln- Girls 100 meter hurdles- 19.11 (fifth place), girls 300 meter hurdles- 1:00.95 (ninth place), girls long jump- 13-08.00 (seventh place)

Alicia Zaragoza- Girls 800 meter run- 3:01.11 (seventh place), girls high jump- 4-03.00 (sixth place)

Girls Team Ranking - Eighth place, 22 points

Boys Results:

Hunter Mason- Boys 100 meter dash- 12.11 (fourth place), boys 200 meter dash- 25.23 (fourth place)

Kyle Bartlett- Boys 100 meter dash- 12.17 (sixth place), boys 200 meter dash- 25.81 (ninth place)

Seth Harrison- Boys 100 meter

dash- 12.26 (seventh place), boys long jump- 18-10.50 (eighth place)

Tate Stinson- Boys 100 meter dash- 12.39 (ninth place), boys pole vault- 9-00.00 (10th place)

Marshal Hill- Boys 200 meter dash- 25.77 (seventh place), boys pole vault- 9-06.00 (fourth place)

Matthew Lincoln- Boys 400 meter run- 59.61 (10th place), boys high jump- 5-04.00 (eighth place)

Cameron Collamer- Boys 800 meter run- 2:07.70 (first place), boys triple jump- 36-08.00 (10th place)

Andrew Oiler- Boys 110 meter hurdles- 20.56 (fifth place), boys 300 meter hurdles- 49.67 (sixth place), boys pole vault- 11-06.00 (second place)

Morgan Rempel- Boys 300 meter hurdles- 53.03 (seventh place), boys pole vault- 9-00.00 (sixth place)

Bradley Bifano- Boys high jump- 5-04.00 (eighth place), boys pole vault- 7-00.00 (ninth place)

Ryan Malone- Shot put- 35-02.00 (ninth place)

Boys 4x100 meter relay (**Stinson, Mason, Bartlett, Harrison**)- 46.28 (second place)

Boys 4x400 meter relay (**Collamer, Alex Ziegler, Mason, Bartlett**)-4:06.48 (third place)

Boys 4x800 meter relay (**Bifano, Aaron Kerbs, Lincoln, Cristian Soles**)- 10:15.66 (second place)

Boys Team Ranking - Fourth place, 76 points

Lady Tigers race to top-three in Rawlins

By Doug Radunich

With four top-three placings, two young Lady Tigers showed great effort at the Carbon County Track and Field Invite.

Sophomore Alyssa Barkhurst, who earned two first-placements at state last year, proved her power with three top-three earnings from the Friday invite, which took place at Rawlins High School. She received first in the 100 meter dash, second in the long jump and third in the 100 meter hurdles.

Freshman McKenzie Powell came up close with second place in the 300 meter hurdles, and three other top 10 placings for the 100 meter dash, 200 meter dash and triple jump. Powell already pre-qualified for state

from her first-place 400-meter-dash time of 1:03.90, recorded at the Wheatland Invite earlier this month.

Next for the Tigers are the South Twilight Invite in Cheyenne, held at 1 p.m. tomorrow, and the Saratoga Invite, held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Saratoga High School.

Encampment's top ten results from the Carbon County Invite are shown below:

Girls Results:

Alyssa Barkhurst- Girls 100 meter dash- 13.66 (first place), girls long jump- 15-11.00 (second place), girls 100 meter hurdles- 18.20 (third place)

McKenzie Powell- Girls 100 meter dash- 14.69 (eighth

place), girls 200 meter dash- 29.96 (sixth place), girls 300 meter hurdles- 18.20 (second place), girls triple jump- 29-07.50 (eighth place)

Girls team ranking- Sixth place, 37 points

Boys Results:

KeeGan Johnson- Boys high jump- 5-04.00 (ninth place)

The boys team did not rank inside the top 10.

McKenzie Powell clears a hurdle on her way to second place in the girls 300 meter hurdles.

Photo by Doug Radunich



REFLECTIONS FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT HERALD

Properties look promising for precious metals

Reprint of this story from the May 2, 1906 issue of The Grand Encampment Herald brought to you courtesy of Grandma's Cabin, Encampment, Wyoming. Preserving History - Serving the Community.

ON BEAVER CREEK

News of the Promising Properties in the Vicinity of Downington

The town of Downington, Wyo., ten miles east of Grand Encampment, is considerably stirred up over the recent discoveries in Beaver Creek Canon, a couple

of miles from town. Mineral has been uncovered in a number of places showing good values in copper and gold. One group consisting of six claims owned by Foster Kearns of Downington shows mineral on the surface of each claim. Native copper and sulphides are found at very little depth, while carbonates and oxides are everywhere on the surface. The mineral lies in quartzite and diorite contacts and granite fissures. The discovery of a free milling gold quartz is also reported a short distance up the

canon, the gold pan showing several colors from a small piece of crushed rock. It appears that but little development work on these late discoveries will add several producers to the district.

Prospectors are following the snow line back and a general feeling of confidence prevails. Unusual activity may be looked for all along the line this season from the hustling town of Grand Encampment to the prosperous town of Pearl, Colo. The Beaver country forms the link between the two and those interested in

that section are proud to acknowledge their connection with two camps which through mineral discoveries and general hustle so creditably represent their respective states.

The Bay Horse has worked continuously all the winter. It is reported in pay ore. Big things may be looked for from this promising property at an early date. Work on the Beaver is going right along. As soon as the crosscut tunnel reaches the vein this property may be depended upon to give a good account of

itself. The management intends to hustle it through.

The Evening Star has just had a hundred foot contract in the lower tunnel completed and another contract has been let. This property will be pushed into pay as fast as possible. The ore cut in the upper tunnel runs high in copper and gold values.

The Kearns Consolidated is steadily moving to the front. A station has been cut out and other preparations made for the installment of a plant of machinery which will be placed on the ground as soon as the roads get in condition. Winze is now being sunk on the vein. This is considered one of the most promising properties in this section and will become an early shipper.

Arrangements are being made for the commencement of work on the Aetna, Newsboy and several other properties close to the late discoveries. Every day property owners move toward the hills to look after their properties and prospectors to hunt locations. Already the town lots of Downington feel the effects of the recent discoveries and the Kearns supply store is doing a thriving business furnishing prospecting outfits and mine supplies.

TROUT FISHING ON THE PLATTE

A party of old timer fishermen started out Wednesday night for the Platte River to commence trout fishing as soon as the first break of day came on the morning of May first, the day when the "law ran out." The party was composed of the following well known anglers:

Horace Nichols, champion fisherman of Wyoming, the man who lost his voice.

J. F. Anderson, official fisherman of the city council.

Carl Ashley, who won the Henry W. Britt prize last season.

W.F. Hopka, the man who carries the bait necessary to the success of the trip.

H.E. Fee, a cook of no mean accomplishments.

And Judge Leo Davis, who was taken along to prevent trouble and to see that no misrepresentations were given to the press regarding the catches made.

The party visited the Platte at the mouth of the Encampment River, which place it is said is a favorite haunt of the finny tribe. The result of this expedition may be announced in a special edition of the Herald, and then again it may not. "Twill depend on how generously the pen pusher and his bachelor friends are remembered when it comes to dividing the spoils.

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Wednesday, April 30, 2014

- 6 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 8 a.m., Yoga, Saratoga Fitness gym
- 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
- 2-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
- 4-7 p.m., 4-H Shooting Sports, Saratoga Fitness multipurpose room
- 4-7 p.m., Utah Jazz games, Saratoga Fitness gym
- 4:30 p.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 5:45-6:45 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
- 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, May 1, 2014

- 8 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 8 a.m.-8 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
- 1 p.m., SHS Track at South Twilight in Cheyenne
- 2-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
- 7 p.m., Trout Unlimited meeting, Saratoga Resort & Spa
- 7 p.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 7 p.m., Knitting Group, Saratoga Library
- 7 p.m., ALANON, Building next to St. Barnabas Church
- 7:30-10 p.m., Co-ed Volleyball, Saratoga Fitness gym

Friday, May 2, 2014

- SMS Track at Snake River Invite
- 6 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Weight Room, Saratoga Fitness
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
- Noon, Saratoga Museum meeting, Hotel Wolf
- Noon-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
- 5 p.m., SHS track at Wyoming Track Classic
- 5:45-6:45 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
- 6-7:30 p.m., Boots to Heels United Way Fundraiser, Hotel Wolf Restaurant
- 7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center

Saturday, May 3, 2014

- 9-Noon, Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
- 9-Noon, Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness Gym
- 9:30 a.m., SHS Track - Saratoga Invite
- 9:30 a.m., SMS Track - Saratoga Invite

Sunday, May 5, 2014

- 8-11 a.m., Odd Fellows Pancake Breakfast, Odd Fellows Hall
- 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, May 6, 2014

- 6 a.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 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
- 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
- 2-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
- 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., Odd Fellows, Odd Fellows Hall
- 7-9 p.m., Men's Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness gym

Tuesday, May 7, 2014

- 8 a.m., Cycling, Saratoga Fitness Cycling room
- 8 a.m.-8 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
- 2-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
- 4-5:30 p.m., Platte Valley Food Pantry, 116 E. Bridge, Rm. E
- 5:30 p.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room
- 6 p.m., Saratoga Town Council, Town Hall
- 7 p.m., Cycling Class, Saratoga Fitness cycling room

For information on ALANON, call 326-8405 or 326-8723

Did you know Farm Bureau has living benefits?**Encampment/Riverside Community Events****Wednesday, April 30, 2014**

- 1-6 p.m., Encampment Library
- 4 p.m., Story Time, Encampment/Riverside Branch Library

Thursday, May 1, 2014

- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library
- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment School Art Display
- 11 a.m., EJHS Track at Snake River Invite
- 1 p.m., EHS Track at South Twilight in Cheyenne
- 7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Encampment Library

Saturday, May 3, 2014

- 9:30 a.m., EHS Track at Saratoga Invite
- 9:30 a.m., EJHS Track at Saratoga Invite
- 7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Encampment Library

Monday, May 6, 2014

- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library
- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment School Art Display
- 1 p.m., Knitting group, Enc/Riv. Branch Library
- 3:30 p.m., Encampment Cub Scouts, Encampment School Cafeteria

Tuesday, May 7, 2014

- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment Library
- 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Encampment School Art Display
- 4:30 p.m., Beading Group, Enc./Riv. Branch Library

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

April Birthdays



Celebrating April birthdays at the Senior Center are Dick "Scoop" Perue and Betty Larsen.

Preparing for spring

At Deseret Health and Rehab, residents enjoyed many activities throughout the week. The Activity Department offers a wide variety of activities each week to meet the residents' interests, as well as the physical, mental and psychological well-being of each resident.

With spring nearly here, we are going to get the facility's garden going again. If anyone from the community is interested in assisting in this project to prepare the ground and then plant seeds, please call Brenda Eaton, our Director of Nursing.

Games throughout the week provided fun and laughter. On Sunday afternoon, five residents played Dominoes with Charlotte Gibbons winning. On Monday afternoon, five residents played Yahtzee with Frank Jereb winning. On Tuesday morning, four residents played Dominoes with Margery McAuley winning. On Wednesday afternoon, 12 residents played Bingo, and Friday afternoon, 11 residents played Bingo. Elaine Burge, Pat Rust, Kenny Hoagland, and Nadine Caleb won Four Corners. Marion

Lansdown and Frank Jereb won Blackouts. Our Bingo helpers were Lila Worden, Joy Hamilton, Dawna Erickson, Joannie Johnson, Nancy Facciani, Elder Ramirez, Elder Hallam, and Gloria Rakness.



Deseret Health & Rehab

By Tom Mansfield

On Saturday afternoon, residents played Blackjack.

During the evenings throughout the week, residents watched the Turner Classic Movie channel. On Sunday morning, five residents watched the VCR movie, "The Rescue". On Tuesday afternoon, five residents watched the VCR movie, Pollyanna. On Saturday morning, residents watched the VCR movie, "Tall in the Saddle".

For Lunch Out at the Saratoga Senior Center, four residents had BBQ ribette on Monday, and

four residents had roast beef and birthday cake on Friday.

On Sunday afternoon, Pastor Stinson of the Saratoga Missionary Alliance Church led our church service for eight residents. Doris Davis assisted on the keyboard.

On Tuesday morning, Reverend Arlen Hughes offered Bible Study to residents.

On Wednesday morning, Lynda Healey, Georgia Schroer, and Kathy McMorrow gave Hair Care to nine residents and Nail Care to 10 residents.

On Thursday morning, residents assisted Kathy Morrow in decorating our bulletin boards for May in Arts and Crafts.

Thursday afternoon, residents went on a Van Ride around the valley with Sue Morawski and Kathy Morrow.

On Saturday residents enjoyed ice cream sandwiches.

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

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Want to teach Hunter ed?

Staff Report

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) is in need of volunteer instructors to teach hunter education throughout Wyoming.

The need for hunter education classes and instructors is magnified this time of year, with spring and summer classes filling quickly, according to Jim Dawson, Hunter Education coordinator. Each spring sees volunteers offering the greatest number of classes, followed by the big rush of last minute interest for classes in August and September.

Some communities occasionally experience low numbers of class offerings due to too few instructors or when an active instructor moves away, or personal demands reduce the amount of time an instructor has to donate to volunteer service.

In 2013, more than 300 volunteer hunter education instructors donated 6,630 hours of community service time conducting 251 classes and certifying 5,866 new hunters. Instructors come from a variety of backgrounds and include game wardens, volunteers and professional educators.

Volunteer instructors are not paid to conduct classes, but rewards come when looking at the faces of those obtaining a hunter education certification. Volunteer instructors under-

stand their work is essential in meeting the hunter education program goals of reducing hunting related accidents and violations; promoting safe, responsible and knowledgeable hunting; and enhancing hunting traditions and values.

Those interested in becoming a certified volunteer hunter education instructor need to complete a few simple steps:

- Must have completed a hunter education certification.
- Complete the hunter education application.
- Attend the entire class of a mentoring instructor and teach a lesson under the direction of the mentor.
- Submit a lesson plan and the completed Instructor Worksheet with the help of the mentor.
- Submit the WGFD Wild Work Volunteer and Screen Forms.
- Attend the new instructor orientation within 2 years of application.

The orientation academy is conducted at no charge to the new instructor, with the 2014 New Instructor Academy scheduled for July 25-27.

If you are interested in becoming a hunter education instructor, contact Jim Dawson at james.dawson@wyo.gov, or 307-473-3439. All hunter education forms are available on the WGFD webpage, <http://gf.state.wy.us>.

POLICE REPORT

From April 21, 2014 to April 27, 2014, the Saratoga Police Department responded to 105 calls including the following classifications:

Agency assistance, (1); alarm (3); ambulance (1); assist business (1); bar check (15); business checks (35); citizen assist (1); dog at large (2); barking dog complaint (1); lost dog (2); dog tag (1); hot pool check (11); hot pool violations (1); larceny (1); lockout (1); lost property (1); parking problem (1) traffic accident with damage (2); record check (1); recovered stolen property (1); school zones (7);

suspicious person circumstance (2); traffic complaint (1); traffic stop (6); utility problem (2); VIN serial number inspection (4).

A total of 43 homes are currently on our House Watch program and two people are on the Home Alone program.

Warnings, citations and arrests:

April 21

William Robinson, of Saratoga, was given a verbal warning for no registration or insurance on a ATV.

Caleb Newton, of Saratoga,

was given a verbal warning for dog at large.

April 23

A juvenile, of Saratoga, was given a verbal warning for parking in a handicap zone.

Marie Paulson, of Rawlins, was issued a citations for unsafe backing, damage to unattended vehicle and failure to report accident.

April 27

Josiah Perue, of Saratoga, was cited and arrested for DWUI

Hirving Espinoza, of Saratoga, was given a verbal warning for stop sign.

MENUS

Carbon County Senior Centers

Wednesday- Chicken enchilada, salsa/sour cream, Spanish rice, zucchini, Mandarin oranges, chilled milk

Thursday- Lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, melon cup, chilled milk

Friday- Egg salad sandwich, vegetable soup, pickle pear, fruit cup, chilled milk

Monday- Salisbury steak, baked potato, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, peaches, chilled milk

Tuesday- Ham Au Gratin, potato casserole, zucchini, cheese/onion roll, purple plums, chilled milk

Carbon County School District No. 2 Saratoga

Wednesday- Sloppy Joe/bun, potato wedges, fruit and vegetable bar, fruit cocktail, milk

Thursday- Chicken nuggets, BBQ sauce, broccoli, fruit and vegetable bar, applesauce, cinnamon roll

Monday- Flatbread pep-

peroni pizza, green beans, fruit and vegetable bar, pineapple, milk

Tuesday- Oven roasted chicken, pasta salad, fruit and vegetable bar, peaches, hot roll, milk

Encampment

Wednesday- French toast, turkey ham, hash browns, orange halves, 1 percent low-fat milk

(May dates not available at press time)



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The Governing Body of the Town of Saratoga will be conducting a budget workshop Thursday, May 1, 2014 at 5 p.m.

in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall for the purpose of discussing the FY 2014/2015 fiscal year budget.



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VALLEY SPORTS



Golf season tees off

Photo by Doug Radunich

Chaze Wiant tees off at the Rawlins Invitational Friday morning. Wiant shot a 119 at Rawlins and 121 at the Cheyenne Invitational April 11. Only two boys are on the golf team this spring.

Saratoga High School golf results

Rawlins Invitational, Friday, April 25

Braxton Schwartzkopf - Shot 83, seventh place • Chaze Wiant - Shot 119

Cheyenne Invitational, Friday, April 11

Braxton Schwartzkopf - Shot 80 • Chaze Wiant - Shot 121

Saratoga High School Spring Golf schedule

May 2	Lander Invitational
May 10	Lusk Invitational
May 16-17	2A Conference tournament in Evanston

LEGAL NOTICES

CCSD#2

CALL FOR BIDS

Carbon County School District No.2 is calling for sealed bids for Propane Delivery and Service at Encampment School. Bid specifications may be obtained at the Central Administration Office, 315 North 1st Street, P. O. Box 1530 Saratoga, WY 82331.

All Bids must include the following: Any cost or lease required for the equipment needed to fulfill this contract. Any cost for maintenance or service plans. Any cost for the replacement of the current gas lines and regulators, if needed. Propane Floating Bulk Price for two (2) years, from the contract start date. Please include any

freight charges in the markup.

All bids must be plainly marked "Encampment Propane" and must be received no later than 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 21, 2014, by:

Larry Hepner
Facilities Manager
Carbon County School District No.2
315 North 1st Street
P. O. Box 1530
Saratoga, Wyoming 82331

Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., Wednesday, May 21, 2014 and read aloud at the Central Administration Office, 315 North 1st. Saratoga, WY.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least thirty (30) days. The Board of Trustees of Carbon County School District No.2 reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive irregularities and informalities in the bidding, and to accept the bid they feel best meets the needs of the School District.

By Order Of:
Tonya Bartholomew, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Carbon County School Dist. #2
Saratoga, Wyoming

**Legal #6344
Published in the Saratoga Sun
April 30, 2014**

LEGAL NOTICES LIQUOR COUNTY CCSD#2 SERCD

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given on the 14th day of April 2014, Toni M Dunham, dba as Mangy Moose Saloon, filed an application for renewal for a retail liquor license in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Riverside, for the following described place to with Lots 6, 7, 8, Block 64, Riverside, Wyoming. Any protests, if any there be, against the issuance of such license will be heard at the hour of 6:00 p.m., or as time allows, on the 12th day of June 2014 at the Riverside Town Hall. Jana C Cook, Clerk/Treasurer Town of Riverside

Legal #6339
Published in the Saratoga Sun April 23, 30, May 7 and 14, 2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE

Notice is hereby given on the 14th day of April 2014, Encampment Hospitality, Inc. dba as The Bear Trap Cafe, filed an application for renewal for a retail liquor license in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Riverside, for the following described place to with Lots 4 & 5, Block 64, Riverside, Wyoming. Any protests, if any there be, against the issuance of such license will be heard at the hour of 6:00 p.m., or as time allows, on the 12th day of June 2014 at the Riverside Town Hall.

Jana C Cook, Clerk/Treasurer Town of Riverside

Legal #5340
Published in the Saratoga Sun April 23, 30, May 7 and 14, 2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A RENEWAL OF A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE TOWN OF ENCAMPMENT

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of March 2014, Chez Booze, Inc. filed an application for renewal of a retail liquor license in the office of the clerk of the Town of Encampment for the following described place and premises to wit; a 25'x 40' room in the NW portion of first floor of building located on lots 23 & 24 of Block 54, 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 8th day of May, 2014 in the Council Room of the Town Hall, Encampment, Carbon County, Wyoming.

Doreen Harvey, CMC Clerk/Treasurer

Legal #6332
Published in the Saratoga Sun April 16, 23, 30 and May 7, 2014

PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on the following case file on **Monday, June 2, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., Carbon Building, Room 368, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.**

Z.C. Case File #2014-04: Request for a Zone Change from Ranching, Agriculture, Mining (RAM) to Rural Residential Agriculture (RRA-22.47) on approximately 22.47 acres. The RRA Zone is intended to be applied in areas of the County which are

particularly suited to large lot development that allow both agricultural and residential uses.

Land Owners & Applicants: James Frank Gould, IV and Luz Erin Gould

Location: Approximately 2 miles south of Saratoga and approximately 1.5 miles west of HWY 130 off Carbon County Road #387 (Spring Creek Road)

Rural Address: 81 County Road 387

Legal Description: All that portion of the NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 26, Township 17 North, Range 84 West of the 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming. Lying Southerly and Easterly of the centerline of Spring Creek Road, said Spring Creek Road Right of Way easement granted by instrument recorded June 26, 1956, in Book 360, Page 545, Records of Carbon County, Wyoming, together with all buildings and improvements thereon situate and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

For additional information, please call the Carbon County Planning and Development Department at (307) 328-2651.

-s- James Frank Gould, IV and Luz Erin Gould (Land Owners & Applicants)

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NOTICE

The Board of Trustees of Carbon County School District No. 2, in accordance with Section 21-13-103 of the Wyoming Statutes, canceled the following warrants which have been issued and outstanding for a period exceeding twelve months to wit:

FUND #	PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHECK NO.
01	ANONG'S	\$ 9.50	107817
01	MCDONALD'S RIVERTON #6769	\$182.24	107898
01	TACO BELL LARAMIE	\$11.79	109061
01	CHINA KING BUFFET	\$332.85	109324
01	DESERT CAFE	\$7.50	109531
50	ASPEN OLSON	\$2.00	5407
49	LILA JACKSON	\$14.70	4609
49	MONGOLIAN GRILL	\$78.85	6556

By Order of:
Joe Gaspari, Treasurer, Board of Trustees
Carbon County School District #2

Legal #6341 Published in the Saratoga Sun April 30, 2014

NOTICE TO CALL FOR BID

The Saratoga-Encampment-Rawlins Conservation District, a political subdivision of the State of Wyoming, is requesting bids on the installation of 4 miles of fence in the North Platte valley. The Chad allotment fence will consist of approximately 4 miles +/- of new fence construction. The fence will be a 3-wire wildlife friendly fence built to BLM specifications. All new material will be provided.

Prospective bidders must contact Joe Parsons at the SER Conservation District (307-326-8156, leave a message if no answer) for more information. The **mandatory pre-bid site inspection will be held on Friday May 9th with an alternative date TBD.**

Bids must be mailed or hand delivered to: SER Conservation District, PO Box 633, 101 Cypress

Street, Saratoga, WY 82331. All bids must be sealed and be received by 4:00 pm on or before Wednesday May 14th. Bids will be opened after that time and the successful bidder will be notified within 48 hours by telephone.

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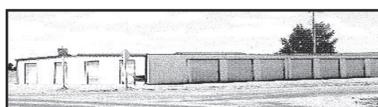
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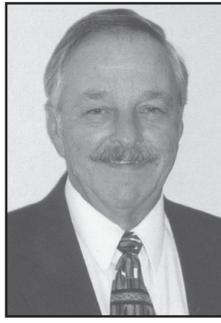
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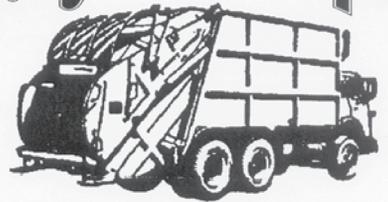
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6. Hot springs
9. Nerd
13. ___ International Airport, Kyrgyzstan
14. *It ended in 1945
15. *Peninsula, location of El Shatt WWII refugee camps
16. March celebrants
17. "Much ___ About Nothing"
18. Bond
19. *Russian soldiers, en masse
21. *Ribbentrop's co-signer
23. ___-tzu
24. Absorbed
25. "Yakety ___"

28. Short skirt
30. Geo-spacial positioning system, for short
35. Genesis man
37. Cell phone button
39. Wynonna Judd's mother
40. Mischievous Scandinavian god
41. Dress up or deck out
43. Elegant and stylish
44. ___-la
46. Russell Crowe's 2014 role
47. Comedy Central's "___O"
48. One of the founders of scholasticism
50. Box office failure, e.g.
52. One of Five Ws
53. Bread portion
55. Corn spot
57. Entertain, as in idea
61. *WW II consequence
65. Love intensely
66. Snake-like fish
68. Open-mouthed
69. *He defeated Max Schmeling before enlisting
70. In the past
71. In the buff
72. Formerly
73. Rin tin tin, e.g.
74. Done for success

7. Mouse turf
8. Enophile's sensory concern
9. Drunkard
10. "Get ___!"
11. *Post WWII military alliance
12. *Battle of ___, encirclement of Russian troops
15. Arabic ruler
20. Damp
22. Operations, as in military
24. Hang up the phone
25. *Churchill/Roosevelt/Stalin meeting site
26. Bedazzle
27. New Zealand parrots
29. Type of sign
31. Boors lack this
32. In no manner
33. American Mennonite
34. *Like France under Pétain
36. Eight furlongs
38. Involving two parts
42. Selfie
45. *Axis opponents
49. "Word" in French
51. *Germany's invasion target
54. Beforehand
56. J. ___ Hoover
57. Tall one is a lie
58. Carbon monoxide lacks this
59. Y'all
60. Court order
61. Heidi's shoe
62. Boat track
63. "Planet of the ___"

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DOWN

1. Gulf V.I.P.
2. Filly's mother
3. Blyton or Bagnold
4. Primary
5. Hindu retreat
6. Go to and fro

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Inspiring audiences through dance



Photo by Doug Radunich

Ballet Emmanuel dancers Alyssa Schneider, left, and Saratoga Sherlock leap high during their performance of "All Things New", an original Christian ballet combining classical and contemporary styles.

By Doug Radunich

Ballet Emmanuel, a Colorado Springs, Colo.-based Christian Ballet company, treated an audience to the world of inspirational dance at the Platte Valley Community Center Sunday evening.

The night began with three Christian-themed choreographed dance performances featuring local Platte Valley children aged 4 and up. The girls, separated into three age groups, learned their dances during special workshops earlier that Sunday.

The Ballet Emmanuel dancers, Erin Benson, Alyssa Schneider and Sarah Sherlock, then engaged in "All Things New", an original Christian ballet concert combining classical and contemporary styles.

The event was sponsored by the Platte Valley Arts Council, which received a grant from the Carbon County School District No.

2 Recreation Board to provide free registration for children attending the workshop. The council also paid Ballet Emmanuel's performance fee.

Schneider said she was pleased to see how quickly the children learned the dances taught.

"I love working with the kids, because it's so rewarding to see the kind of progress they make even within a day," she said. "It's crazy how much they pick up and retain, and we get calls from parents who say they've practiced the dance for a whole week after we left."

Sherlock said she was happy to see such enjoyment from the child dancers during practice, and the audience members during performance.

"For me the best part was just seeing the joy on their faces while we're teaching them, and when we perform, just seeing the eyes of the audience," she said.

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Laura M

Not many people know Laura M has family ties to the Valley, having a great-grandfather who homesteaded at Pathfinder in 1906. Raised in Jeffery City, Glenrock, Medicine Bow and then finishing in Cheyenne, where her journey to be a designer began. In 1976 Laura's love for fashion, people and life began with a \$186 sewing machine and an idea.

In the first few decades of designing, manufacturing and merchandising, the Laura M Collection in Cheyenne grew to be sold in 100 stores across 25 states. During these years, Laura was active in manufacturing at her location, doing fashion shows for benefits, volunteer work with the Cheyenne Socialites (local can-can volunteer group), became Downtown Development Activities Coordinator and more. Laura did her first craft show in Saratoga at the Fourth of July Art show back in the 1980s.

One of the first trunk shows was in Rawlins with Della Vivian at the Cedar Chest. Della

convinced Laura to show her collection in Saratoga as well.

Laura also showed her collection at the Denver Merchandise Mart and had a permanent showroom there.

It has not always been easy as all long-time businesses know. After having her business for almost 10 years, Laura qualified for a \$10,000 Small Business Association (SBA) loan. Excited to finally get a good start on her collection, she purchased fabric for her fall 1985 Collection. Mother Nature had other plans for the people in Cheyenne though. That year a 100-year flood hit, wiping out all of her fabric and coming inches from her machines. Well, what do you do? Pick up the pieces and move on. To keep going, the SBA gave her a disaster loan of \$8,000 and the business again began to soar. As all business people know, you have to have capital to continue, and even though the line and popularity of the Laura M Collection was growing, the debt was still there from the flood. "There was only

one thing I could do, pay off the debt and see where it led me," Laura said.

Finally in 1989 she closed her doors in Cheyenne — not knowing where she would go or what she would do

After closing in Cheyenne, Laura moved to Oregon, where she worked in retail management at Maurice's. She kept that job until 1994, when she moved back to her roots in "Good Ol' Wyoming".

Missing design, Laura again began to design and produce her line. In May 1996, Saratoga became her creative base. The Laura M name was known in the region from the many shows and benefits she had done, and stores that carried the Laura M name. Over the past years living in Saratoga, the Laura M name has become a destination for fashion and a fun place to shop.

The love has grown between Laura M and Saratoga, being active in the chamber, farmer's market and community.

In 2008, Laura downsized for a few years. Being active in the Tres Islas Orphanage fund, she spent a few winters in Mexico volunteering with the children and thinking about a new career or new location. In May 2010 Laura called Gwen



Laura M rings up another happy customer.

Gorton, manager of Blackhawk Gallery, and asked what was going on for the Fourth of July that year. Laura's present location on Bridge Street was available, so back on Bridge Street Laura went. The loyalty of her customers over the years has been wonderful and Laura feels she has the perfect-sized store in the perfect little town.

"I love making people happy and to be able to do it where I love and have my customers

happy when they leave and want to come back. They are not customers when they leave Laura M; they become friends. "It is always so wonderful to help them in a special dress, or sadness of the loss of a loved one and nothing to wear," Laura said.

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Additionally, Jonathan served as the Director of Planning and Economic Development for Carbon County, and as the Director of Planning and Development and Chief Building Official for Plumas County, Calif.

His current law practice focuses on general civil matters, with an emphasis in land use law and planning; commercial law and litigation; real estate; business formation and governance; construction law; government, municipal and administrative law; and, natural resources and environmental law.

Jonathan received his Juris Doctor, *cum laude*, with a certificate in Natural Resources and Environmental Law from the Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore. He earned his Bachelor of Arts in history, and Master of Arts in social science from Humboldt State University.

During law school Jonathan clerked for one of the West's most notable environmental litigation law firms, which focused on water law and water rights. Following law school he practiced law in Seattle, Wash., and Northern California.

Jonathan is admitted to the state bars of Wyoming, California and Washington state (presently inactive), is nationally certified in land use planning and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP).

In November of 2012 Jonathan opened his law office in Saratoga. He then became a member of the Saratoga/Platte Valley Chamber of Commerce and in January 2014, Jonathan was elected to the chamber board.



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Wiley and Sue donate time and services to the annual

fundraising event at the Platte Valley Community Center. They are annual sponsors of the Summer Concert Series there, and Sue volunteers along with Janice Fiedor in organizing this musical event. They are also members of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

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When Michael "Hack" Patterson opened his fishing business 21 years ago, he had no idea he would still be in business years later, or that it would have grown to be the business that it is.

Hack's business sits along the North Platte River in a building that has been around for a long time. It used to house restaurants and a drive-in eatery. About 20 years ago, the restaurant business that occupied what is now Hack's (the Family Diner), wanted to expand their restaurant business, and construction began on what is now Hugus LLC Restaurant and Caterers.

Valle Evans owns the lot and both buildings, and Valle was in the process of moving the smaller building to the side when Mike Patterson stopped to ask what he had planned for the building. Valle said he didn't have plans and asked if Hack wanted to rent it. Hack said yes and then had to tell his wife, Connie, that he had rented a building and planned to open a "part-time" fishing business, running it after he finished his shift at the Louisiana Pacific sawmill.

Hack's first inventory order was \$1,300, which didn't buy much even 21 years ago. He had his

personal wooden flat-bottom boat and his pick-up truck, and Hack's Tackle was born. Mike and Connie's children were Hack's first employees, with daughter Lori helping out in the shop while twin sons Pat and Paul helped with the guiding aspect of the business. Hack acquired more wooden boats and more inventory as business improved.

One of his initial business decisions was to build his own lures. He purchased the components and painting equipment, and spent time painting the bodies, baking them in Connie's oven and then twisting them into lures that resembled a Panther Martin. He then packaged them and hit the road to distribute them in fishing stores around the state. It was labor intensive and not very lucrative, so he eventually had to quit lure manufacturing. To this day, however, he still has customers ask for the blue spinner with red spots that has become legendary in its ability to attract fish.

Over the years, Hack has made changes to his business, adapting as all businesses must to meet their customers' needs. Although Hack loved his wooden boats because of the stability

and the way they float, customers increasingly demanded the McKenzie style drift boats that allow them to stand up with their knees braced when fishing. Hack eventually gave up on his beloved wooden boats and purchased Clackacraft drift boats. Additionally, Hack also offers canoe and raft rentals and shuttles for the folks who prefer to do their own trips, a decision that was made to meet a need in the area.

He also increased his inventory and now offers items for fishermen of all genres, from expert fly-fisher to novice worm-dunker. He has a love of fishing that he likes to share with all his customers, and tries to accommodate anyone who wants to go fishing, whatever their preference.

Hack has been fortunate in the quality of employees he has employed over the years. For 15 of the years Hack has been in business, Mary Pigg was Mike's office manager, and he couldn't have done it without her. He also has been fortunate that he comes from a large family and has employed nieces and nephews as well as siblings and in-laws at various times. Hack's current guides have been with



Connie and Mike "Hack" Patterson in their shop along the North Platte river.

him for years and are the best in the Valley. They should be ... they spend most of their off-time fishing.

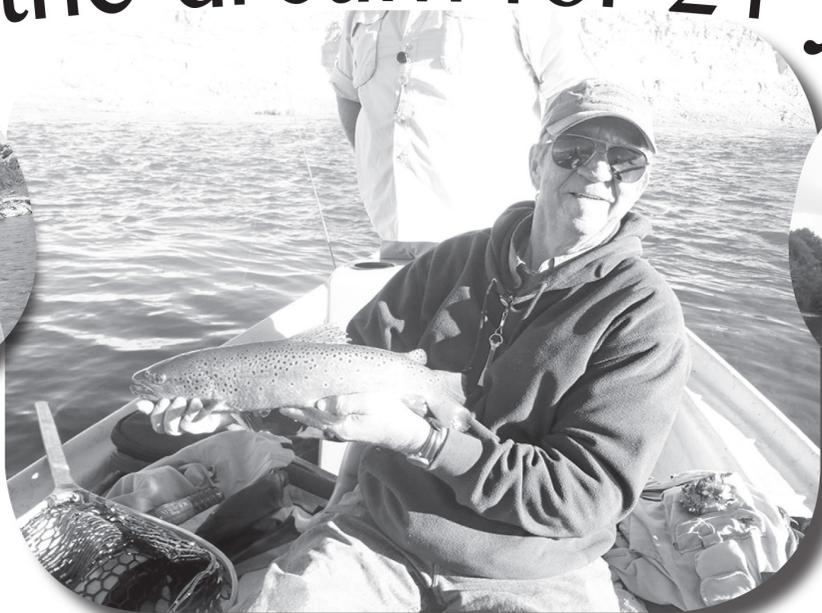
Hack continued to run his business part-time for a year or so, but realized he would much rather be working for himself in his own business than in the sawmill, and took the leap into full-time business ownership. He has never regretted it. His wife, Connie, joined him full-time in running the business in 2008, after Mary Pigg's retirement. Mike jokingly says, "I'm the only person who has ever hired a boss."

Customer service, honesty and

fun have been the key to Hack's success. Clients return year after year to fish the North Platte River and the Encampment River with Hack and his expert crew of guides. Hack is a member of the local Chamber of Commerce and was the Business of the Year in 2005. Michael Patterson was also awarded the Carbon County REALTORS Business Person of the Year in 2010.

Hack and Connie plan to work as long as they are able. Hack says he plans to quit when he turns 80 and then he plans to be a shuttle driver, the most coveted position in the business.

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Carbon County Visitors' Council

The Carbon County Visitors' Council (CCVC) was formed in 1987 by a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA). The members of the JPA are: the Carbon County Commissioners; the Mayors of Baggs, Elk Mountain, Encampment, Hanna, Medicine Bow, Rawlins, Riverside and Saratoga. Each member may appoint one Carbon County resident as a representative serving a three-year term on the CCVC Board of Directors. The CCVC mission is to promote events, tourism and the hospitality industry in Carbon County with a vision of striving to be a destination of choice and diversity for those in search of quality activities year-round.

The Carbon County Visitors' Council is funded through the Lodging Tax, which is a tax paid on overnight stays at hotels, campgrounds and Bed & Breakfast establishments. The tax is paid by visitors who stay in Carbon County lodging establishments. This tax is not new to Carbon County. The Lodging Tax was first approved by Carbon County voters in 1987 and has been renewed in each general election since. The Carbon County Lodging Tax is up for renewal this November.

Carbon County is one of the lodging boards in Wyoming that contributes the statutorily allowed 10 percent back to the municipalities, which is distributed by the Carbon County Clerk's office each month. Of the remaining Lodging Tax receipts, CCVC's promotes tourism in Carbon County by purchasing state-wide, national and international advertising, print and internet (www.WyomingCarbonCounty.com), maintaining a seasonal visitor center in Riverside, and supporting the visitor center in Baggs. Locally, CCVC offers financial support to many Carbon County organizations by providing grants for advertising, increased prize monies and other items to promote and support local events, which will encourage and increase visits to Carbon County.

According to Dean Runyan and detailed

in the 2013 Wyoming Travel Impacts Report, travelers spent over 3.2 billion dollars in Wyoming, more specifically 171.5 million dollars in Carbon County last year. These dollars were not only spent on lodging but on dining, groceries, transportation, entertainment and shopping as well. Travelers pay sales and gas taxes which provide for local schools, roads and other government services. Carbon County travelers pay approximately 10 percent of our sales taxes. Without these tax dollars our county, communities and individuals would see a reduction in government services.

Tourism supports recreational and retail opportunities that area residents enjoy year-round. For example, SummerFest, Woodchoppers Jamboree & Rodeo, King Coal Days, Saratoga Ice Fishing Derby, Little Snake River Rodeo, BullFest, and the Platte Valley Open Pool Tournament, just to name a few. Additionally, the CCVC has fulfilled over 15,000 information requests since July 1, 2013, as well as attended the International Sportsmen's Expo in Denver and Salt Lake City, the Wyoming Governor's Conference on Hospitality and Tourism, participated in the Rawlins Tourism and County United committees, and much more.

The bottom line is that the Carbon County Visitors' Council utilizes a tax that Carbon County residents do not pay but reap the benefits of. The CCVC not only helps attract tourists and travelers into the county, which boosts our local economy and tax base, it gives back to the communities. The Carbon County Lodging Tax allows us to compete in larger markets for tourists and travelers. This allows the County to get noticed through national print and internet advertising. Please be aware the Lodging Tax Renewal will be on the November 2014 ballot.

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Laurie Forster has been a Wyoming Real Estate Broker since 1998, and a highly regarded Sales Associate since she began in 1995. She grew up in Saratoga and is always accomodating when it comes to giving back to the area. In 2000, she received her GRI (Graduate Realtor Institute) and CRS (Certified Residential Specialist) designations. She is one of only four agents in Carbon County with the CRS designation. In 2005, she received her WCR (Women's

Council of Realtors) designation and in 2007 received her RSC (Residential Sales Council) designation. Laurie was honored by her peers as Carbon County Realtor of the Year in 2003. She has served on the Carbon County Board of Realtors Board of Directors (2001-2009); performing as President in 2003 and 2004, Treasurer in 1997 and Legislative Chair in 2000. She served as Budget Chair in 2000, 2003-2009, and was Chair of the WYPAC/RPAC (Wyoming Political Action Committee/Realtor Political Action Committee) in 2009 and 2010. She has also served on many other committees throughout her years with the organization. Laurie has a lot of experience in all kinds of real estate transactions, and shared that knowledge serving on the Town of Saratoga Planning & Zoning Committee from 2004-2011. Since 2008, she has served on the Carbon Power & Light Board of Directors.

Marcy Cooley has been in the real estate profession since 1994, and a Wyoming Associate Broker since 2001. She has grown up in the area, having graduated from Encampment, and knows the people and community in the county. In 2000, she was honored as Carbon County Realtor of the Year by her peers. In 2001, she received her GRI, and in 2004 she

received her SRES (Senior Real Estate Specialist) designations. Marcy has served on the Carbon County Board of Realtors Board of Directors from 2001-2008 serving as President in 2000, President Elect 2007-2008 and Multiple Listing Service (MLS) Chair from 2007-2008. She has served on multiple committees over the years with the Realtor organization including Events Committee Chair in 2010 and 2011 and Chair of the WYPAC/RPAC (Wyoming Political Action Committee/Realtor Political Action Committee) in 2012. Marcy was also active in the Wyoming Association of Realtors serving as Vice President from 2003-04, Association Operations Co-Chair from 2000-2001, Association Operations Chair from 2002-2003, Vice President of the RDS Board in 2001 and Southeast District Vice President 2001-2002. Leadership does not stop there, she has also served on the National Association of Realtors Risk Management Committee in 2004. She gives back to her communities, including Co-Chair of the Encampment All-School Reunion in 2010 and has been a Volunteer Fundraiser for the Cowboy Joe Club since 2003.

Reginald "Reg" Forster received his real estate license in 2009. Partnering with the team

at Town & Country, Reg can assist you in all your real estate needs. He knows the area, having grown up in the Platte Valley and Carbon County. Reg gives back to the community as a member of the Encampment-Riverside Search & Rescue since 2009, and volunteered with the organization on countless occasions prior.

Deanna "Dee" Reisch has had her license in real estate since 2011, and began her Wyoming real estate career with Town & Country in 2013. Dee's previous career gave her a vast experience in the lending field, having worked in both commercial and residential mortgage lending. In the winter she lives in Mesquite, Nevada where she is an active Realtor with ERA Brokers Consolidated. Dee is a Wyoming native, having lived most of her life in Sheridan.

Linda York is our Office Manager. She has been in the real estate business since the early 1980s and has been with Town & Country Realty since the beginning in 1997. Linda's knowledge of the profession is boundless. She is also civic-oriented, volunteering her time serving on the Carbon County Wyoming 4-H Scholarship Board since its inception in 2003 and is one of the founding members of the Encampment Beef Committee.

Mary Martin has been the Administrative Assistant since the beginning in 1997. She has been a staff member for real estate

offices since the early 1990s. Mary has lived in Encampment since 1980. She is very service-oriented and spends her spare time volunteering with the local Grand Encampment Opera Company, and serving her 16th year on the Encampment Town Council. She was instrumental as Chairwoman of the Grand Encampment Opera House Committee (2008-2011). Mary is a life member of the Grand Encampment Museum and served on the Board of Directors of the Grand Encampment Museum (Secretary 2008-2009, 2000-2003, President 2004-2005). Some other events and organizations include the Encampment All-School Reunion (2010), Wyoming Congressional Youth (2010 and 2005), Green Mountain Cabin Association (Secretary/Treasurer 1995-2005) and the Encampment Centennial Committee (1995-1997).

Sarge Forster has been the official Greeter shortly after his birth in 2000. On most days he takes his duties very seriously, and before any real estate is completed, a pat or "hello Sarge" are in order. Sarge is half Golden Retriever and Black Lab.

Lucy York has been the part-time Greeter since 2011. She was taught the greeting ropes by Sarge and is slowly getting the hang of it. Lucy is full Dachs-hund with the rare black & brown spots on her white frame.

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One of the things Tim Monroe likes best about working at Deseret Health and Rehab is the people who work there.

"They are hometown people taking care of hometown people," Tim says.

Most of the people who work at Deseret Health and Rehab could move to a larger city and earn more money, but they choose to stay in the Platte Valley and work.

Deseret, formerly known as Valley View, has many long-time employees, despite change of management, change of name or change of owners. One person in particular has been at the home since it opened its doors - Jeanette Goodro.

Jeanette began working at what is now Deseret Health and Rehab since the building was built.

Jeanette, who is now a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), started out working for Kendall McBride and Caroline Vyvey as a nurses aide when the building opened in September of 1974. She was planning to attend Mortuary Science School and work as an apprentice with Kendall at the mortuary.

Nurses Aides are now called Certified Nurses Assistances (CNA). Jeanette said the name change came in 1975.

When Jeanette left for school at the Laramie Vocational School for her nursing degree, she came home and worked weekends. It took her

14 months to complete the course. She moved for a couple of years, but returned in 1980, and returned to her job at the center.

Jeanette said since working at Deseret, she has taken care of three generations of people. One of the people she took care of at Deseret, she had babysat as a child.

She likes the residents and working with residents' families.

Jeanette said she was a single parent and had to work, and working as an LPN provided her with a good income to raise her family.

The residents are happy at Deseret Health and Rehab, Tim said. The proof is in the residents themselves.

When Kendall McBride built the building in 1974, it was for independent living. Eventually, the building was sold and it became a nursing home. People of all ages come to Deseret for care or rehabilitation, Tim says.

The people who work at Deseret believe it is important for Deseret to look like a home. Director of Nursing Brenda Eaton is one of those people. Brenda, her husband Mike and their son Patrick Severns, and Brenda's sister Patsy Robinson.

For the last several months, Brenda and her family have been turning the dining room, which was described as a institutional dining room, into a beautiful dining room with soft lights, new

paint, new flooring and pleasing artwork on the walls.

"It feels like a real dining room," Activities Director Tom Mansfield said.

"Brenda and her family did a lion's share of the work," Tim said, "and even paid for some of the improvements themselves."

Tim has more plans for Deseret. Years ago, the lounge area for the residents was where offices are now, near the entrance. The windows in the office face Kathy Glode Park and have a great view.

A view that both Omie Blocker and Tim believe the residents should be able to enjoy.

Currently the residents' lounge area is in the center of the building before going into the dining room, and there is only room for a handful of people.

On any given day, residents will be in the lounge relaxing and visiting with friends and family, but if more than six or eight people are in the lounge, it gets crowded and blocks the hallways to the rooms and the dining area.

Omie has been working at the building that houses Deseret Health and Rehab for 26 years. Omie said she works in the nursing home because of the satisfaction it gives her. She has worked in nearly every department, as a CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant), in dietary, social services, business office, laundry/housekeeping, and is now working in admissions in the business office. Omie has been in that position for seven years.

"It gives me great satisfaction (to work here)," Omie said.

Omie said she thinks Tim is one of the best administrators that Deseret has had, and that the residents know him better than any administrator that has worked at the building before.

"They like him even more, since he has been bringing Callie," Omie said. Callie is a two-year-old Scottie who often comes to work with Tim.

"Callie is the perfect dog for this setting," Omie said. Callie goes from room to room to visit the residents, as Tim walks down the hall. "She doesn't jump on people or anything," Omie said.

Tim said that residents love to see pets and babies at the home, and for that reason, he brings Callie. It is not uncommon for nursing homes to have therapy dogs as residents.

Tim said he encourages people who have pets, as long as they are clean, healthy and behave in the home to visit the residents.

Tim also encourages people with babies and young children to visit the home. That is one of the reasons that Deseret hosts the Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Carnival, so the residents have an opportunity to see the young people in the community.

Omie said the center has a lot of volunteers who come in and help, but they could use more readers.

Omie said the residents prefer to have someone reading rather than listening to the audio books

because they have someone to interact with.

The residents love to have visitors. "The (residents) we have now are pretty social and pretty active," Omie said.

Tim is currently looking for a good piano for the center, and wants to invite piano teachers to hold a recital at Deseret.

"We want to see basketball players, preschool children and school children come visit". Tim added that Kiwanis has a lot of volunteers who come in to help.

Dr. Dean Bartholomew has a good relationship with Deseret, and serves as Deseret's Medical Director, Tim said. "How many doctors do you know that make house calls? If he can't come then Ed [Sheils] comes to Deseret.

Dr. Dean knows everyone and greets them by name, Tim says. Deseret will call him too when they have a concern about one of their residents, and he walks over from the clinic.

"That never happens in a big city," Tim said.

Deseret also offers respite care for families. The family brings the person they are caring for to Deseret for a week, so they each have a break from each other.

Respite care is as important for the caretaker, as it is the one who is being cared for, Tim said.

Nadine Caleb said, "This is the best place to be, if you have to be in a place like this."

Janet Kennaday agreed, saying "They take good care of you here."

Shively Hardware

Shively Hardware has been one of the cornerstones of downtown business for more than 88 years. The building has been around longer than that, but Shively Hardware is the longest running business in that building.

In 1984, the building, built by W.B. Hugus was listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and according to Elva Evans, the building has played a major role in Saratoga's history and development since 1889.

Shively Hardware is now in its fourth generation of management, with E.J. Glode returning to Saratoga in 1998 to help run Shively's.

But, we are getting ahead of ourselves.

The location where the building sits was once an 160-acre homestead that was filed by W.B. Hugus in 1884.

Hugus had his general merchandise store, W.B. Hugus and Company on the east side of the river and was next to the Hot Springs Hotel (where the Saratoga Resort and Spa now is). Hugus rented the building from Cadwell. According to an article in the Mountain Echo, the Platte Valley High School newspaper, William Cadwell, the owner of the Hot Springs Hotel, got into a quarrel with Hugus after discovering his customers were eating sardines, cheese and crackers at the Hugus store. Fenimore Chatterton was quoted by the school paper saying, "One day when two visitors, resting for a few days, and abiding with Mr. Cadwell, not being satisfied with the hotel lunch went to the (Hugus-Chatterton) store, purchased sardines, cheese and crackers, and ate them there. Cadwell came in and saw what they were doing, went to his hotel and when the Englishman returned to the hotel they observed handing over the office counter, this sign in big letters: GET YOUR EAT WHERE YOU SLEEP OR GET YOUR SLEEP WHERE YOU GET YOUR EAT. The Englishmen rolled up their beds and pulled out for Fort Steele."

Cadwell reportedly built a six foot solid board fence between the two businesses to prevent the Hot Springs Hotel customers from going to W.B. Hugus and Company.

Chatterton said "Saratoga would have been built on the Cadwell property all on the east side of the river, but for the fact that the general merchandise store was built with its front door within a foot of the line separating the store

acre from the Cadwell property and, Cadwell, having quarreled with the proprietor, built a six-foot solid board fence on the line."

Hugus moved over to the west side of the river - a bridge had been built in 1885 - and built his store there.

The W.B. Hugus store opened for business in the summer of 1889 and by November an addition had been added to the west for use as a warehouse.

The east facing entrance of the Shively building was the original entrance into W.B. Hugus, which also houses a saloon and dealt in lumber from the B.T. Ryan Lumber Mill.

In 1891, the store was extended into the warehouse as the town began to grow because of the discovery of Gold Hill. The saloon was moved out and J.W. Hugus, W.B.'s brother, started the J.W. Hugus & Co. Bank and installed a 4,300 pound safe. (The safe is still in the store today).

In 1892, J.W. Hugus & Co. consolidated with A.R. Couzens & Co. under the name of Saratoga Mercantile Co. The bank became the Bank of Saratoga.

In 1899, the Cosgriff Brothers bought the business and owned the building until 1920. During that time, there were several managers and lessees including William Mace and C.C. Hickock (Shively's first employee). The Post Office was in the building at that time, too.

Since there were three or four different sections to the building during this time, other lessees were in each of the sections. From 1915 to 1915, William Tilton and his son Roy ran Tilton & Son Hardware out of a portion of the building.

E.J. Shively had moved to Saratoga in 1919 and in December of 1925, Shively purchased the hardware business.

Between 1920 and 1935, ownership of the building was difficult to track, according to Evans. Fred B. Durrie bought the building from the Cosgriff Brothers in 1920. Following that, the Stockgrowers State Bank held the deed for a short time. Then it was owned by O.M. Kellogg and J.N. Robidoux. It was Robidoux who sold the building to Shively in 1935.

Shively moved to Saratoga from Oklahoma in 1919 and worked at Tilton and Son until 1925, when he bought the business, which was housed in the east section - the original W.B. Hugus store.

When Shively bought the building in 1935, he sold the

buildings on lot 3, 4 and 5 to Frank Q. Walck, but repurchased that portion later.

From 1934 to 1944, J.E. Grooman ran the Valley Commercial in the middle section of the building. Later, R.R. Crow bought the stock at Valley Commercial and moved to another location. Shively expanded his business into that section.

During that time, the west section had various business through the years including King Shoe Store and I.M. Conness's insurance, real estate and rock business.

Shively's son-in-law, John Glode, started helping run the business in 1945. In 1972, Mike Glode and Joe Glode, John's sons assisted John. The store and building has been owned by the Glodes since Ed Shively's death in 1971. The business was expanded into the entire building, a south addition was added.

The storefront has been unaltered with the exception of painting upkeep and customers can still walk on the authentic wooden floors.

In 1977 during a boom, demand was up and the store was renovated to in response to the increased demand for merchandise.

During the 80s and 90s, Shively's sold everything from nuts and bolts to tractors, according to an article written by Connie Patterson in the Dec. 14, 2005 edition of the Saratoga Sun.

E.J. Glode, son of Joe Glode, graduated from high school in 1991 and worked for a Polaris dealership in Minnesota.

During that time, the property north of town had been purchased to expand Shively's tractors and add a showroom floor for ATVs and snowmobiles.

E.J. began to draw the plans and by 1999 modifications on the building north of town began on what is now called Shively's North.

The north store opened in March of 2000 and once that move was made, more modifications were made to the downtown store.

In 2005, the Shively's celebrated their 80th anniversary. In 2010, they celebrated the 85th anniversary of the store.

In 2008, the Glode family was awarded the Family Business of the Year by the Small Business Association.

The Glodes have been involved in their community. Joe Glode is the chairman of the Platte Valley Community Center Joint Powers Board.

Shively's first ad as it appeared in the Dec. 17, 1925 edition of the Saratoga Sun.



E.J. Shively, left, Jack Shively, center, and Pearl Shively, shortly after they purchased the store, circa 1925.



Left to right, a representative from the Small Business Administration, Joe Glode, Jane Glode, John Glode, E.J. Glode and Mike Glode after receiving the 2008 Family Business of the Year.

E.J. Shively and John Glode did a lot of the work on the St. Ann's Parish.

Mike Glode has served on the school board.

Our four of the Glodes are Lions Club Members.

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And if you like to plant your own flowers, they have potted plants ready for you to pick up and plant yourself in the garden.

Looking for a healthy tomato plant, or a head start on some pepper plants, Doggett Greenhouse has those too.

During the growing season, Gary and Mary work seven days a week. The only exception is the Fourth of July. Most days you will find Gary watering the plants while Mary uses her creativity to create baskets for their customers.

In their spare time, they work with students in the schools and teach them about seeds and planting.

People come from all over the state of Wyoming and beyond to purchase the plants at Doggett Greenhouse, because they know the plants have been grown at the high altitude and not shipped in.

Gary and Mary are also active in the Platte Valley Community. In 2013 they were the Woodchopper Grand Marshals and the Saratoga Platte Valley Chamber of Commerce business of the year 2012.

Gary served as chamber president after joining in 1976 and Mary served on the board from 2003-2005. Gary is an active member of the Encampment/Riverside Lions Club. Their community service does not stop there. Gary is on the Carbon Power & Light Board and both have served on the Carbon County Visitors' Council Board.

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