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Sam Theis, of Casper, finds himself at the mercy of the bull Saturday night at the Saratoga Bullfest. The bulls gave the Buck Springs Arena crowd quite the show. Bo Alameda, a Lions Club member and organizer of the event, said he was really pleased with the performance of the bulls.

Controversy at SCWEMS special meeting

Unauthorized salary increase shakes up joint powers board

By Erik Gantt

An emotional debate over Bill Dahlke's involvement with additional pay for the Saratoga EMS occurred at a special meeting Thursday of the South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Service (SCWEMS)

Joint Powers Board (JPB).

At the special meeting, Bill Dahlke, former board chairman and current Saratoga representative to the board, offered his resignation from SCWEMS and left early.

The meeting was called by

town of Elk Mountain Mayor Morgan Irene and held in Saratoga.

The SCWEMS JPB was formed in 2009 by an agreement between the towns of Elk Mountain, Medicine Bow, Saratoga, Riverside,

Encampment and Carbon County.

The controversy is over a salary increase of one dollar per hour paid for daytime on-call hours, not approved by the SCWEMS board, only for the Saratoga-based volunteers.

According to Dahlke, the additional pay began following the loss of a SCWEMS volunteer in January 2013 who worked at the Platte Valley Medical Clinic in Saratoga. The loss left

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OBITUARIES

Glenn Vawser

Glenn Vawser, a former resident of Saratoga, passed away at 82 years of age on July 20, 2014 in Fort Collins. His wife Gladys of 60 years and four children survive him. A memorial service was held August 9th at 2:00 p.m. at The Worthington, 900 Worthington Cir., Fort Collins, Colo. Condolences: Gladys Vawser, 900 Worthington Cir., Apt 226, Fort Collins, CO 80526.

Jerry Frank Ward

After a lengthy battle with cancer, Jerry Frank Ward, age 77, of Cody, passed away at Spirit Mountain Hospice House in Cody on July 29, 2014.

Jerry was born the youngest of 9 children on Feb. 18, 1937 to Fred and Georgia Ward of Saratoga, where he attended school and graduated in 1955. He joined the army in 1956 and married Della Henderson on July 14, 1962.

Jerry attended Hastings college, was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Stinking Water Free Trappers, Yellowstone Mountain Men, GPAA of Powell and Cody Mens' Bible Study Group. Jerry marched in the 4th of July parade in Cody for about 40 years, taught Sunday school for over 20 years, was involved in his church choir, helped with cub and



boy scouts, worked on monuments at 'Old Trail Town' and helped with the 'Mountain Man Suitcase Project' at the museum. He also help 'map' projects from Telephone Pioneers. He enjoyed camping, family visits and outings, but especially his 'coffee breaks'.

He retired from US West Telephone company in 1985. After he retired from the phone company, Jerry worked at

Grand Teton Lodge during his summers until his cancer prevented him from continuing. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents Fred and Georgia, his brothers Jim, Tom, Joe, Neal, and one sister Francis.

He is survived by his wife, Della, his children Perry (Cheryl) Ward, Nicholas (Sharon) Ward, Paul Ward, and Monica (Jerry) Nicholson, and 14 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren, 22 nieces and nephews, his sisters Ruth Brock, Winnifred Bryant, Merle Starr, and sisters in-law Jean Ward, and Barbara Ward.

A memorial service will be held in his honor at the Presbyterian Church in Cody at 11 am on August 11. His urn will be buried at the cemetery in Saratoga on August 16 at 11 am. An online memorial is available at www.ballardfh.com.



EDUCATION

Hanna Elementary School nears completion

By Mike Dunn

The new Hanna Elementary School is well on its way to completion

Larry Hepner, District Facility Manager with Carbon County School District No. 2, said in an interview Monday the building

itself is expected to be completed on Sept. 17.

Hepner said they are hoping to move students and teachers in to the building itself on Oct. 6. However, Hepner said these dates are still tentative.

Mostly, construction has remained on schedule. Hepner said the big delay they are running into right now is with the power to the school. Rocky Mountain Power has had some issues, and Hepner said they are taking care of the problem.

Correction

On Page 8 of the July 30 edition of the *Saratoga Sun* Power Company of Wyoming's projected sales tax revenues for the Chokecherry Sierra Madre wind farm were miscalculated by *The Sun*. The correct figures are approximately \$9 million in sales tax revenue for Saratoga, \$2.4 million for Encampment, and \$276,000 for Riverside. The *Saratoga Sun* apologizes for this error.



A competitive spirit



Photo by Liz Wood

Mychaela Jackman, of Saratoga, competes in the English competition at the Carbon County Fair in Rawlins on Sunday afternoon. Mychaela is competing with 12 different animals at fair this week.

Town working on budget cuts

Stantec misses third deadline

By Mike Dunn

After the town council elected to suspend the franchise fee at their July 16 meeting, town departments have been at work making cuts to their budgets.

According to town clerk Suzie Cox, the department heads are currently reviewing their budgets. Once final cuts are submitted from department heads, and reviewed by the town council members, town attorney Tom Thompson will write a final budget amendment.

Saratoga Mayor John Zeiger expects a first reading of the budget amendment to take place at a September town council meeting.

In the 2014-2015 fiscal budget, the town of Saratoga budgeted nearly a \$250,000 increase in revenues to arrive from franchise agreements. Department heads met in the days

after the town council voted to remove the Carbon Power and Light franchise fee and agreed to make cuts. Zeiger said in previous interview all departments have made some cuts, and cuts have been successful thus far.

The town will do the second reading of the franchise fee at the next town council meeting. In the streets department, last week's downpour halted construction on several Saratoga roadways.

The town of Saratoga crews have blocked off several roadways in order to prepare for pot-hole filling. However, after the rain storms, crews were not able to pour asphalt. Town Engineer Chuck Bartlett said they were hoping to start pouring asphalt yesterday.

Bartlett would like to remind residents to not drive in the areas blocked off by cones, even if there is no construction cur-

rently taking place.

Town of Saratoga crews will resume working on the pedestrian bridge to Veterans Island after the road projects are completed.

As of Monday, Stantec Inc. had not sent the town of Saratoga its preliminary report on the Upper North Platte River Restoration Project.

The preliminary report was supposed to be presented to the town of Saratoga last Friday. According to town clerk Suzie Cox, Stantec will be sending the report "sometime this week".

This is now the third time Stantec has delayed its preliminary report.

The Saratoga Town Council will be holding their next meeting at 6 p.m., today at Saratoga Town Hall. Zeiger said he is expecting a shortened meeting to allow time for the landfill board meeting at 7 p.m.

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VIEWS OF THE SUN

On my own, with some help

On Aug. 19, 2009 I woke up in my empty room one last time. It was 4:30 a.m., and on any other day, it would have taken me an hour to pull myself out of bed. But not this day.

I was headed to Spokane International Airport. The day I had waited for all my life had finally come: I was moving out and was finally on my own.

My mother made me an omelet that morning; just as she had done almost every morning while I was in high school. I was dressed in full Wyoming gear. She looked back from the stove at me, smiled and went back to cooking.

My father came down the stairs, going through a verbal checklist with me.

"Did you pack your shoes? Your books? Your toothbrush?" he asked.

Of course I did. The 18-year-old me just brushed off those comments. I had packed nearly a week in advance.

We made our way to the airport just as the sun was coming up. Sharing small conversations, my parents reminding me to meet with professors once I got to campus — offering advice on classes.

It went in one ear and out the other for me. All I could think about was getting out of that car and on that airplane.

My bags were checked. I had just one carry-on bag and a backpack with all the essentials — just in case my checked

bags didn't make it to Laramie. It was time to say goodbye.

I hugged my mother, who was sobbing. I hugged my father, who said nothing. I looked up to see his eyes filled with tears. This was one of only a handful of times I had seen that.

I was fine. I was excited. No tears for 18-year-old Mike.



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the Sun

By Mike Dunn

Once I negotiated my way through security, I looked back at my parents. My father had his arm around my mother. I could barely see their faces, but I knew my mom couldn't hold it together by then.

I smiled, waved at them. They waved back. I popped my earbuds in, turned on some Pink Floyd and listened as the first notes of "Wish You Were Here" rang through my ears.

I went up the escalator to the terminal. Watching, as my parents slowly disappeared from sight.

It was not until recently that I realized the importance of that moment, which happened five years ago this month. I was so hell-bent on being on my own that day, I never took

a second to thank my parents.

They were the people who put me through college. At an early age, they set aside money for me to go to school. They helped me financially, even when I was too proud to ask for it. They took long trips through hellish conditions to help me move, and to see me graduate in the middle of December.

My parents offered me advice through college. They told me how to take classes. They supported me when I told them I was majoring in Religious Studies. They were just as supportive of me during both the good semesters and the bad.

Now, they are there to help me through the "grown-up" world: how to build credit, what to look for when renting a house and how to be the best husband to my future wife I can be.

I don't know where I would be without them. But I do know one thing: if it was not for my parent's support, I would not be writing this right now.

When I was 18, I was "too old" for my parents. Five years later, I realize I will never reach an age where I won't need their advice.

I've thanked them in the past for everything they have done, and I'll thank them many times in the future.

But I've never thanked them for letting me go on that August 2009 day.

It may be five years late, but Mom and Dad: *Thank you.*

Bend, don't break the bank for bikes

As cross-country bicycling becomes more popular, towns like Saratoga are faced with a small dilemma of who is responsible to provide in-town campgrounds.

Should the town of Saratoga provide an in-town campground for bicyclers who ride through our town?

The Good Times Park behind the hot pool has been suggested as a place to have a campground for bicyclists.

When most bicyclists are planning a trip across America, they just don't decide to jump on a bike and start pedaling.

They plan, prepare and research their route. Bicyclists should know their limits and be aware of the changes in climate and the amenities communities offer.

We, at the *Saratoga Sun*, do not believe it is the town's responsibility to offer a camping area for bicyclers. We believe this should be offered by a private enterprise.

With the tightening town budget, now is not the time for the town of Saratoga to take on the additional expenses associated with an in-town campground.

Bicyclists are more than welcome to soak in the hot pool, use the showers at there and then travel to the



campground, which is within a mile or two of town.

The town has worked with bike groups to offer mass campgrounds and showers. That effort takes lots of planning and lots of volunteers.

Lazy Acres Campground in Riverside offers a special area for bicyclists. They are a private enterprise and not funded by the town of Riverside.

Websites like *warmshowers.org* are available for bicyclists to find hosts that will put them up for a night.

If people in Saratoga truly believe there should be a campground in Saratoga to accommodate cyclists, then we encourage them to buy property in a properly zoned area and build the facilities for showers and restrooms.

If that is too much of a commitment, then consider signing up for *warmshowers.org* and host some bicyclers for a night. You could meet some very interesting people.



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Thursday Mostly sunny, with a high near 76.

Thursday Night Isolated showers and thunderstorms before midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 50. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Friday Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 77.

Friday Night Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Saturday Mostly sunny, with a high near 78.

Saturday Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Sunday Mostly sunny, with a high near 79.

Sunday Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 52.

Monday Mostly sunny, with a high near 80.



Photo by Mike Dunn

Richard Raymer, *right*, voices his opinions about issues facing Saratoga July 30 at the Valley Service Organization's candidate forum. Six people are running for town council, including Raymer and Will Faust.

Forums draw crowds

By Mike Dunn

Crowds once again rolled into the Platte Valley Community Center (PVCC) to hear from local primary candidates.

On July 29, nearly 80 Saratoga community members arrived to hear from candidates for mayor of Saratoga. The candidates include incumbent John Zeiger and challengers Don Sherrod, Glee Johnson, Lynda Healey and E.J. Glode.

All candidates were asked questions about their background, their solutions to the town's budget crisis, how to repair infrastructure, how to keep the zoning ordinances up-to-date and how to deal with the drug problem in Saratoga.

Another resident asked about placing the executive session at the end of the meeting instead of the beginning like it has.

Tensions started to rise as candidates were asked about several ongoing legal battles, including the Randy Stevens' lawsuit, the Reiman meter-project dispute and the pending litigation between Healey and the town of Saratoga.

Healey made a brief statement about her pending litigation for wrongful termination. She said when she had concerns while at town hall, her concerns "fell on deaf ears".

Zeiger said "I respectfully decline to comment [on the lawsuits], because of ongoing litigation."

The next day, the Saratoga town council candidates met at the PVCC to field questions from the VSO and audience members.

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John Zeiger responds to questions at the VSO candidate forums. His no comment reply was met with disapproval from audience members.

Litigation issues not forum fodder

Saratoga mayor says he was advised to not comment

By Mike Dunn

Saratoga Mayor John Zeiger has recently been under fire for not commenting on pending and current litigation.

During the Valley Service Organization (VSO) Mayoral Candidate Forum, candidates were asked to respond to the litigation issues the town of Saratoga are facing.

Zeiger declined to comment because of ongoing litigation. Several audience members were noticeably displeased with his reply.

On Monday, Zeiger sent a written statement to the *Saratoga Sun* on why he could not say more on litigation issues during the mayoral forum on July 29.

In his letter, he said he appreciates the VSO for putting

together the recent forums for the voters. However, he was “disappointed that with members of the Valley Service Organization, being both past and present elected officials, they should have known that the Saratoga Town Attorney and/or private council representing the Town is going to advise me, or any Town Council member not to comment on any ongoing, or pending litigation.”

He said he had repeatedly been told claims against the town should be litigated and “not in the newspaper”.

Extra-judicial comments, Zeiger said, have a way of being misconstrued or misreported. He added the Wyoming Legislature recognizes discussion concerning pending

or current litigation is “an exception to the public meetings law”.

Zeiger said because of the nature of litigation, and possibility of jeopardizing the town’s position, he has been advised these matters are “best left in the courtroom”.

Being asked questions about litigation puts him at an “unfair disadvantage” with the other candidates, as Zeiger said the VSO knew “full well that I wouldn’t be able to respond in any other way than the way I responded”.

The town of Saratoga is currently in the midst of litigation with Saratoga resident Randy Stevens, and is in pending litigation with former town treasurer, and Saratoga mayoral candidate, Lynda Healey.

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a hole in EMS coverage for the south end of the county during daytime hours.

SCWEMS had been paying part of the volunteers salary at the medical clinic so that person could be on call for the ambulance service during work hours. At that point, Dahlke said he made the decision, as Ambulance Director and not as SCWEMS Chairman, to incentivize volunteers in Saratoga with extra pay, using his authority over \$500 per month in discretionary spending.

Sometime prior to the May 2014 SCWEMS JPB meeting, the board discussed the pay increase approved by Dahlke, and decided it was not necessary. Dahlke said he is unsure of whether or not he told the station manager at that time to stop the extra pay. The pay increase remained in place for the Saratoga volunteers until May 2014 according to an internal audit.

During the May 2014 SCWEMS board meeting, discussion of the extra pay, and that it was not approved by the board, was recorded in the minutes. It was also recorded in the May minutes that SCWEMS treasurer Melisa Sikes and bookkeeper Linda Crane would research the issue.

The additional pay was immediately stopped after the May board meeting and now no one person can approve payroll according to Mark Kostovny, SCWEMS county representative. A practice of the station manager and a coordinator or the treasurer both approving time sheets was implemented in order to keep future payroll discrepancies from happening.

According to the internal audit performed by Sikes, reported at the June 2014 meeting, the additional salary was paid for 3,166 hours worked by Saratoga volunteers. However, according to Crane and SCWEMS board member Ken Drain the audit only reached as far back as the June 2013 payroll, which reflects May 2013 hours. The pay increase began as early as January 2013, according to Dahlke. Confirmation of the extent of the audit was sought from Sikes, but she declined to comment.

When Morgan Irene, chairing the special meeting, asked if the five to sixth months of additional pay was within the ambulance director's discretionary spending limits, Dahlke confirmed it was.

The mechanics of how the pay increase was implemented remain unclear to the entirety of the board. At the special meeting there were accusations

of volunteers having to falsify their time sheets in order to receive the additional pay.

According to Crane, the time sheets are composed of two pages. One page where volunteers tally their hours on call and the number of times they went out on ambulance runs, and another page provides the bookkeeper with a total number of hours and runs. The bookkeeper writes the paychecks from the totals and is not responsible for verifying the two pages of the time sheets match.

“The board made an investigation after they found out what was going on, made an evaluation, made a plan of action ... no one person can approve payroll now.”

Mark Kostovny
SCWEMS county representative

Crane confirmed in order for the additional pay to be received, volunteers had to double the number of daytime hours they actually worked.

Crane provided a verbal example of a time sheet from the May 2013 pay period where a volunteer had worked 218 call hours, made an adjustment for an additional 116 daytime on call hours in another column, and reported a total of 314 hours on the summary sheet used by the bookkeeper.

According to Crane, the time sheets were approved by the station manager, of which there have been at least three since the practice began. The station manager is the supervisor of the volunteer employees for each of the SCWEMS ambulance stations.

Dahlke has since been volunteering his services free of charge in order to pay back the funds, in opposition to the boards recommendation that he not do that. The consensus at the special meeting was that the volunteers who were paid the additional salary should not have to pay it back.

At the June 2014 SCWEMS board meeting, the minutes state “Roy Barber suggested we move on from this as it could destroy the entire service.” When asked to elaborate on his position, Barber responded in an email saying “At the next board meeting we will discuss how we will proceed with the operation of SCWEMS.”

Kostovny said he believes

“SCWEMS stands as good and as strong as it always has.”

“The board made an investigation after they found out what was going on, made an evaluation, made a plan of action ... no one person can approve payroll now,” Kostovny said.

Helen Weiland, SCWEMS Riverside representative, opposed a motion to take no further action on the Saratoga on-call pay issue at the June meeting. She is concerned that SCWEMS funding is essentially taxpayer money which originates from the municipalities that make up the Joint Powers Board, and that a full investigation should be conducted and finalized before the issue is put to rest.

“The board wanted to go forward and leave the issue alone. There are a few key individuals that don't want to let it go.” Dahlke said during a Monday interview. His main concern is that EMS coverage was available. Dahlke has already left his position as board chairman, and is helping to train a replacement ambulance director. Dahlke is waiting until the end of a previously planned two-week vacation to see if he remains as the Saratoga representative, or will even work with SCWEMS at all.

Ken Drain hopes the issue will not harm SCWEMS. He is also appreciative of all of the work Dahlke as put into the service. “We started with \$60,000 and the notion that we needed to have a service, and (Dahlke) basically guided us through this,” Drain said. SCWEMS now generates \$600,000 to \$750,000 per year, has 60 to 80 volunteers throughout the county and seven board members.

“The ambulance service is wonderful for the communities,” said Weiland, “but it has not been run with full participation, it has been a one or two-man show.” Weiland thinks that the service has grown to the point where it needs board members from outside of the EMS community.

“I've upset a few individuals from the Encampment/Riverside area and they have gone the political route to get me removed as ambulance director ... When political pressure gets exerted on the system, the whole system can break down. Politics and EMS don't mix,” Dahlke said.

Whatever happens, the consensus of the SCWEMS board and other participants at last week's meeting is that the service is necessary to the county and that it should continue.


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Rainy range



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Clouds blanket the mountains and bring some much-needed rain to the range near Lake Bellamy and Medicine Bow Peak, July 30.

Code clarifies conflicts

By Mike Dunn

At the Valley Service Organization (VSO) candidate forums this past week, Saratoga residents asked questions to the candidates on ordinances within the municipal code. Specifically, residents asked about enforcing property nuisances and whether or not bicyclists can camp on town property.

So what does the Saratoga Municipal Code say about these subjects?

Nuisances

When the candidates were asked whether or not they would enforce property nuisances, their answers ranged from "It's hard to enforce," to a straight-forward "yes".

The ordinances being referred to fall under chapter 8.08 of the municipal code, under "Nuisances".

In 8.08.010 of the municipal code, it states "the accumulation or storage of more than four derelict, abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, unlicensed or inoperative vehicles, or derelict, abandoned, wrecked, dismantled equipment, trailers, motor homes, litter or junk on private or public property, is hereby found to create a condition tending to reduce the value of private property, to promote blight and deterioration, to invite plundering, to create fire hazards, to constitute an attractive nuisance creating a hazard to the health and safety of minors, to create a harborage for insects, rodents,

skunks and other vermin and to be injurious to the health, safety and general welfare of the public."

Additionally, the section says any person who has the above mentioned items on their property is declared a public nuisance by the town of Saratoga.

Section 8.08.020 "Enumeration not exclusive" adds several other nuisances be included in the code including obnoxious/offensive odors, discharging of offensive matter, emission of dense smoke, certain weeds, maximum height on weeds/grass/plants and abandoned junk—such as vehicles. The section provides definitions of an abandoned vehicle, as well.

Section 8.08.040 discusses the procedure of notifying the owner who's property is deemed a public nuisance. It states "whenever the Saratoga town council, or their appointed representative, is of the opinion that any condition is a public nuisance ... the town council or representative shall attempt to give a written notice to the owner of the nuisance condition ..." The owner of the property is allotted a hearing on the matter.

In the event the owner of the property does not comply with the town's requests, the town has the right to remove the litter, or whatever is causing the nuisance, from the property. The owner of the property will then be forced to pay the town for the expenses of the clean-up.

The ordinance states the

Saratoga police department, code enforcement officer or lawfully authorized personnel is granted authority to enforce the ordinances in chapter 8 of the town code.

Bike Camping

One suggestion brought up to the council candidates at the forums was having the town provide camping areas for bicyclists going through town.

"Bikers, who just pedaled 60 miles to get to Saratoga, are not going to want to go two more miles to ride to [Saratoga] Lake," Saratoga resident Richard Hodges said at the July 30 candidate forums.

As it is currently written, Saratoga town municipal prohibits any overnight camping on town property.

Section 9.12.020 states people who camp in town parks are guilty of a misdemeanor.

However, Saratoga municipal code 5.30.020, overnight camping "related to bicycle tours, motorcycle or car rallies," are allowed through a specially permitted temporary event. In this case, camping is only allowed on Carbon County School District No. 2 property at the discretion of the school board.

If a resident wishes to open part of their property for camping, that area must be zoned for commercial use, or a property owner must apply for a special use permit with the planning commission and town council.



UW Photo

Students received hands-on medical training in a microbiology laboratory during the recent Wyoming Area Health Education Center Health Care Careers Summer Camp at the University of Wyoming. From left are Karah Pantle, Encampment; Piper Thompson, Afton; and Allison Hampton, Ten Sleep. Students learned about the requirements necessary to pursue a health care career as well as the numerous job opportunities that will be available throughout Wyoming upon completion of their training.

Prepping for an education in health care

Courtesy of the University of Wyoming

Karah Pantle, of Encampment, was interested in a variety of careers when she attended a recent summer camp at the University of Wyoming, and health care now is a prominent choice for her career path.

Pantle received hands-on medical training during the recent Wyoming Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Health Care Careers Summer Camp at the University of Wyoming.

During the camp, 40 high school students from 21 Wyoming communities learned about the requirements necessary to pursue a health care career as well as the numerous job opportunities that will be available throughout Wyoming upon completion of their training.

"I want a career in the health care field because I love working with people and I knew this would challenge me," Pantle says. "I have decided that I definitely want to be a general surgeon. I used to want to be an orthodontist, but I think a general surgeon career will challenge me and I will like it so much more."

At the UW camp, high school students were exposed to ca-

reers in such fields as nursing, pharmacy, medicine, surgical technology, forensics, dental hygiene, radiography and ultrasonography. Activities took place on the UW campus, Laramie's Iverson Memorial Hospital and at Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne.

Students had opportunities to suture (with chicken breasts); make "medicated" gummy bears; make a cast; perform an ultrasound-guided "biopsy"; and operate a laparoscope, an instrument used to examine abdominal or pelvic organs.

"Wyoming is facing a critical shortage of health care workers. Camp sponsors hope that opportunities like this will motivate students to consider pursuing health care careers," says Marivern Easton, Wyoming AHEC program director and UW College of Health Sciences WWAMI Medical Education assistant director. "The shortage will worsen as the baby boomer generation ages."

Each Wyoming county is dealing with shortages in primary care and mental health, and many face shortages of dentists and other health care professionals.

The key, Easton says, is to identify, recruit, train and re-

tain Wyoming residents.

"If we can generate enthusiasm among high school-aged students and support them as they pursue education and training opportunities, we have a much stronger possibility of eventually employing them as health care workers throughout Wyoming," she adds.

Pantle says the camp demonstrated that UW offers a quality educational experience in health care.

"The university challenges you and pushes you, and I really want that," she says. "This has been the best camp I have ever gone to. The counselors were amazing; they helped answer and understand all of our questions. This was so much fun and a great experience. I am so glad I got this opportunity to come here."

The camp is sponsored by the Wyoming AHEC, UW College of Health Sciences, WWAMI (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho) Medical Education Program, Wyoming Office of Rural Health, Laramie County Community College, Wyoming Center for Nursing and Health Care Partnerships, and Iverson Memorial Hospital.

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Cale Mowry, of Saratoga, reins his horse to go right during the program ride at the Carbon County Fair in Rawlins Sunday. Cale placed fourth in the junior division of the program ride, but later placed first in the junior division of the trail ride competition.

**Want the facts on candidates?
Get them in *Sun's* primary section next week.**

Forum, continued from page 5

Incumbent Steve Wilcoxson, and challengers Joshua Wood, Will Faust and Richard Raymer, were in attendance for the forums. Candidates Dave Jeffers and Chris Duke were not at the forum.

The council candidates were asked the same set of questions as the mayoral candidates by the VSO.

For most of the forum, candidates agreed with each other on many of the issues. When asked what makes them unique from the other candidates, Wood said his youth gave him a different perspective, Faust said his financial background provides much-needed insight to the town, Wilcoxson said he was not afraid to speak his mind and Raymer said growing up in

Saratoga his entire life gives him a unique perspective.

Candidates were asked whether or not they support having council members on town boards, as Faust, Raymer and Wilcoxson all serve on commissions. All of the candidates supported having council members on the boards, but said having council members voting one way on the board, and another way at the town council, was not appropriate. There is currently a council member serving on every Saratoga board and commission.

At the end of the council forums, Sue Jones, of the VSO, said she was impressed by the turn out for all of the forums.

She said it is an especially important primary this year due to the county commission-

ers' election. Because there are six republican candidates, and no registered candidates from other parties, whoever wins the primary race for commissioner will almost certainly win a seat. The same scenario holds true with the clerk of district court, which has two republican candidates.

"Get out and vote, and encourage other people to get out and vote as well," Jones said.

After the primary elections, two mayoral candidates, and four council candidates, will advance to the general election on Nov. 4.

To hear the platforms of state, Carbon County and municipal candidates, be sure to read the *Saratoga Sun's* special primary section, out on Aug. 13.

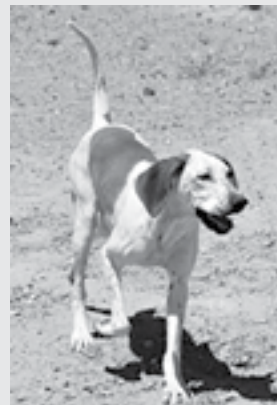
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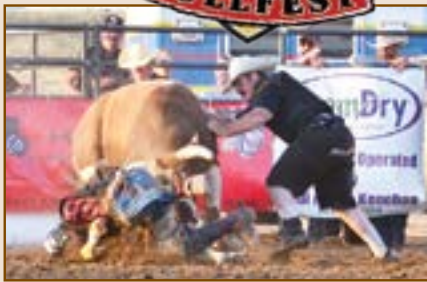
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The bull, Black Canyon, from the Triple V Rodeo Company, was pretty mad after he bucked off Tyler Viers, of Thedford, Neb., and the bull let Viers know it ... several times.



Jason McClain rides Crazy Train to earn 83 points in the long round at Bullfest Saturday night.



Josh Call was the first to ride the full eight seconds Saturday night. He earned a 77 riding Barley Red.

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Winter carnival chairperson selected

By Erik Gantt

The Encampment Winter Carnival has a new chairperson in Alyson Sneddon.

Sneddon decided to volunteer to be the Winter Carnival Chairperson because no one else was stepping up, and she hates to see their community's customs and activities die.

Winter Carnival brings "the spirit of competition to Encampment ... it also brings camaraderie," Sneddon said, referring specifically to the treasure hunt and sled races.

Sneddon may work on adding events to this year's Carnival, but ensures the traditional events of sled racing, chili and bread cook off, treasure hunt, snowmobile races, and the VFW chili lunch will continue.

The Winter Carnival chairperson could use help. Sneddon needs a planning

committee of three to five people to chair individual events, and volunteers to help out on the day of the Carnival.

There have been both public and private sponsors for the Carnival in the past. Sneddon hopes sponsors, and especially local businesses, will step up to help the town throw this winter bash.

Sneddon has been a participant in the winter carnival since 2006. In fact, there is a picture of her in the *Saratoga Sun* riding a shopping cart on skis at her first carnival.

Even though the "sled" had no brakes she managed to complete two runs. As a result, she could barely walk the next day.

The dates for the upcoming Winter Carnival are January 23 to 25, 2015.

Bullfest brings big bucks

By Liz Wood
and Erik Gantt

The bulls and bull riders put on quite a show for the Bullfest audience Saturday night.

Jason McClain, of Cortez, Colo. split the buckle and prize money with Kayne Boswell, of Cheyenne. Both men scored an 83 in the first round of the Bullfest Saturday night.

The weather was cool, and the bulls were mad enough to give many bull riders a less-than-eight second ride.

Six riders would get thrown before the buzzer went off, and only three men rode the required eight seconds in the long round. Josh Call, of Mullen, Neb., was the seventh rider, and earned a 77 score with his eight-second ride.

Call would ride five times before losing his chance at the big prize money in the short round. Call was one of nearly 40 bull riders signed up for the contest. When there were some no-shows, Call signed up for extra rides and was awarded a re-ride in the short round.

Cody Johanssen, had just been released from the hospital days before, when he filled in for Thad Newell, of Haskell, Okla. Bo Alameda, organizer of the Bullfest, said.

Newell had been hurt the night before at a Profession-

al Bull Rider (PBR) event. "I knew he wanted to ride," Alameda said, "but Jason and I were trying to convince him to heal up." Fortunately, Johanssen did not get hurt again. "He was just upset he got thrown off," Alameda said.

McClain traveled the rodeo circuit with Alameda. Alameda has retired from bull riding and McClain still bull rides part-time at the age of 38.

Nine cowboys would get bucked, thrown, stomped and rammed before Boswell scored an 83. Three rides later, McClain also scored an 83.

"It feels good to get at least one rode today. I've been in a bad riding season," Boswell said. He hopes to keep the momentum rolling at this weekend's PBR rodeo in Sterling, Colo., and Friday's rodeo in Longmont, Colo. He plans to use the prize money to support his little boy.

McClain hasn't been riding much this season. "It's a lot better than not getting a whiff," he said of his tie win on Saturday night.

In a testament to being a mature family man, McClain said the prize money would probably go to buying his two children new clothes and school supplies. McClain sent out a special thanks to Alameda and

KayCee and the Lions Club for making the Bullfest "as big a deal as it is."

Alameda, and his wife, KayCee, are in their fourth year of managing the Bullfest for the Saratoga Lions Club, which has been going for 13 years.

"We had a good pen of bulls," Alameda said. "When KayCee and I first took over, we talked to the contractors and said 'bring the heat' and they did." No-one could finish the ride, so they asked the contractors to tone it down a little two years ago. "They didn't ride those bulls any more than they did the rank bulls, so we had them bring back the rank bulls," Alameda said. "It was a good event. I enjoyed watching those rank bulls."

Alameda explained normally 30 to 35 riders enter, and he draws 30 bulls from contractors. This year, they had 40 bull riders enter. Only a few were no-shows, and the bulls were turned out into the arena without riders.

Total numbers from the Bullfest were not in as of press time. "It looked like a good crowd," Alameda said.

"Thanks to our sponsors and the people who attended," Alameda said. "We'll do it again next year."

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Request for Proposal

Feasibility Study of the Wyoming Frontier Prison's Guards Quarters as a Visitor and Interpretive Center in Rawlins funded by the Wyoming Business Council's Business Ready Community Grant

Date: July 28, 2014

The Carbon County Visitors' Council is currently accepting proposals for the Feasibility Study of the Wyoming Frontier Prison's Guards Quarters as a Visitor and Interpretive Center in Rawlins. A mandatory pre-proposal meeting has been scheduled for 10:00AM, Thursday, August 7th at the Wyoming Frontier Prison, 500 W. Walnut St., Rawlins, WY 82301. Proposals will be accepted through August 18th, 2015 by paper (9 copies) and 1 electronic submission to Carbon County Visitors' Council, Attn: Leslie Jefferson, 816 W. Spruce/PO Box 1017, Rawlins WY 82301.

Request for Proposal documentation is available through the Carbon County Visitors' Council address above, by calling 307-324-3020 or by downloading the RFP from www.wyomingcarbon-county.com. All submissions must comply with all specifications and requirements detailed in the Request for Proposal.

The Carbon County Visitors' Council Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to accept deviations from the specifications and waive any formality or technicality in the selection process. The CCVC Board of Directors shall under all circumstances make decisions that best serve the projects interests.

Leslie K. Jefferson,
Executive Director
Carbon County Visitors' Council

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REFLECTIONS FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE SARATOGA SUN

24 fires burn only 75 acres; Platte Valley men run for County Commissioner

**100 years ago
August 3, 1914**

Concert

The concert and reading of the two ladies here last evening was not very well attended, but merited a good attendance. Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Kennedy are both artists in their respective lines and deserving of good support. Mrs. Henry is an exceptionally good reader and rendered several fine pieces and Mrs. Kennedy sang a number of solos, which pleased her hearers. The ladies promised to come back at a later date and to give sufficient notice so that people could all come.

**75 years ago
August 3 1939**

24 fires in Medicine Bow Mountains burn only 75 acres

Twenty four fires witness and adjacent to the Medicine Bow national forest since June 4 burned over only 75 acres of timber.

Had persons in the localities of the blazes not cooperated with the forest service officials in reporting and fighting the two dozen fires, however, the acreage burned over would have been far greater, Stanley A. Mahan, assistant forest supervisor said.

Of the 24 fires, 11 were attributed to the carelessness of campers and smokers and 13 were caused by lightning.

**50 years ago
August 13, 1964**

Primary election scheduled for Tuesday

Two Saratoga-Encampment valley men will oppose each other on the republican ticket in the primary election Tuesday. Both men G.A. (Jim) Berger and Allen Elliot, are seeking the GOP nomination for the office of county commissioner.

Another man, Wayne W. Platte of Encampment is one of the three candidates unopposed for the republican nomination for the House of Representatives. The other two candidates are incumbent Vern Vivion of Rawlins and Nelson Ed wren Jr. of Savery.

Elton Trowbridge of Saratoga incumbent to the state legislature, is seeking re-election on the Democratic ticket along

with O.R. (Bud) Daily and Alton (Tony) Butterfield, both of Rawlins. All three men are running unopposed.

Voters in the Saratoga area are reminded that the district has been decided into two precincts, with residents on the east side of Highway 130 voting at the town hall and those living on the west side of the highway scheduled to cast their ballots at the grade school gym. Both polling places will be open from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. as will all voting places in the valley

**25 years ago
August 2 1989**

Saratoga town council to discuss planning commission appointment

The Saratoga town council will meet Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. In the town hall. Agenda items include an appearance by James Partners CATV on improvements they would like to make.

Town clerk Jennifer Vyvey said the council must also pass an emergency Federal Emergency Management Agency ordinance so the people of Saratoga will be able to purchase flood insurance.

Representatives from the Saratoga Inn will be on hand to discuss the tap fee for installing a sprinkler system and the council will hear a report on municipal code updates.

Vyvey said the council will also discuss a planning commission appointment.



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Wednesday, August 6, 2014

8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
9 a.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
9:30 a.m., Prayer Shawl Knitters, Presbyterian Fellowship Hall
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
11:15 a.m., Story Time, Saratoga Branch Library
Noon, Chamber of Commerce meeting, PVCC
1:30 p.m., Overeaters Anonymous, PV Lutheran Church, 326-5917
5:30-7:30 p.m. Family History Center at LDS Church, 950 Hugus
5:30-6:30 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
7 p.m., Order of Eastern Star, Masonic Hall
7 p.m., Saratoga Volunteer Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Firehouse
7 p.m., Upper Platte River Solid Waste Disposal District, Saratoga Town Hall
7 p.m., Theta Rho Club, Odd Fellows Hall
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center

Thursday, August 7, 2014

8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
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, August 8, 2013
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
Noon, Saratoga Museum Board meeting, Hotel Wolf

5:30-6:30 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Saratoga Senior Center

Saturday, August 9, 2014

8 a.m., Saratoga Museum Trek, meet at Saratoga Museum
9-Noon, Weight Room Open, Saratoga Fitness
9-Noon, Open Gym, Saratoga Fitness Gym
10-11:30 a.m., Platte Valley Food Pantry, 116 E. Bridge, Rm. E

Sunday, August 10, 2014

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

Monday, August 11, 2014

8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
9 a.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
10 a.m., Overeaters Anonymous, PV Lutheran Church, 326-5917
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
5:30-6:30 p.m., Yoga Session, Saratoga Library
6 p.m., AA Meeting, Saratoga Senior Center
7 p.m., Odd Fellows, Odd Fellows Hall

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

8 a.m.-6 p.m., Children's activities at The Hub, 106 W. Bridge
11 a.m.-7 p.m., Saratoga Branch Library
5:30 p.m., Saratoga Planning Commission, Town Hall
7 p.m., Saratoga Cemetery District, Town Hall
For information on ALANON, call 326-8405 or 326-8723

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Encampment/Riverside Community Events Wednesday, August 6, 2014

1-6 p.m., Encampment Library
2 p.m., Dirt Diggers, Encampment Library
4 p.m., Story Time, Encampment/Riverside Branch Library
4:30 p.m., Beading Group, Enc./Riv. Branch Library
7 p.m., Planning Commission, Encampment Town Hall

Thursday, August 7, 2014

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

Saturday, August 9, 2014

7:30 p.m. Movie Night at Grand Encampment Opera House
7:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Encampment Library

Monday, August 11, 2014

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Thursday- Baked pork chop, baked potato, green beans, wheat roll, peaches, chilled milk.

Friday- Crab cake, macaroni & cheese, stewed tomatoes, wheat bread, blue buckle, chilled milk.

Monday- Beef/bean burrito, French fries, coleslaw, cinnamon apples, chilled milk.

Tuesday- Sweet/sour pork, steamed rice, Oriental vegetables, wheat roll, purple plums, chilled milk.

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

Annual BBQ a smokin' success

We had our annual summer barbecue with 32 family members and other guests attending. The dietary department again did a great job, providing really terrific food. We had hot dogs, hamburgers and spare ribs cooked on our outdoor grill by our Administrator, Mark Nelson. In addition, we had baked beans, macaroni and cheese, lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles, potato salad, potato chips, ambrosia, watermelon, strawberry short cake and chocolate cake. The food was absolutely yummy. Teense Willford sang and played for everyone along with Jack on the fiddle and Ray on the guitar.

Games throughout the week provided fun and laughter. On Sunday afternoon, five residents played Dominoes with Pat Rust winning. On Monday afternoon, five residents played Yahtzee with Dora Martin winning. On Tuesday morning, three residents played Dominoes with Marjery McAuley winning. On Wednesday afternoon, nine residents played Bingo, and on Friday afternoon, 13 residents played Bingo. Nadine Caleb, Truth Karstoft, and Charlotte Gibbons won Four Corners. Randy Cross won Blackouts. Our Bingo helpers were Lila Worden, Gloria Rakness, Dawna Erickson, Elder Penaranda and Elder Richins.

During the evenings, resi-

dents watched the commercial-free Turner Classic Movies. On Sunday morning, three residents watched the DVD movie, "Necessary Roughness". On Tuesday afternoon, five residents watched the DVD movie, "Eight Below".



Deseret Health & Rehab

By Tom Mansfield

For Lunch Out at the Saratoga Senior Center, four residents had pork roast on Monday, and five residents had chicken fried steak on Friday.

On Sunday afternoon, Sharon Hughes stood in for Pastor Arlen Hughes of the Abundant Life Fellowship and led our church service. Doris Davis played religious music on the keyboard.

On Wednesday morning, Linda Healy, Georgia Schroer, and Janice Kerpan gave Hair Care and Nail Care to 10 residents.

On Thursday morning, residents decorated our bulletin boards for August.

We want to thank the Platte Valley Christian Center for loaning us the tables and chairs for our barbecue.

Senior Center sends sympathies

There were five here for bingo Tuesday. Two-dollar winners were, Pat Faust, Grace Johnston and Sue Howe. Pat Faust won a \$1 round as well. Pat Faust won the \$3 blackout.

There were two-and-a-half tables for duplicate bridge on Monday. High winners were Pat Bailey and Mary Sjoden. Second high went to Sandy Cameron and Marianne Blue.

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



Saratoga Senior Center

By Sue Howe

make up to \$28,500.

It was great to have Ruth Brock and her daughter Nancy Bartawsky her on Friday. They both look good. They will be back in a week or so for the funeral of Ruth's brother Jerry Ward. Jerry passed away earlier this week. We want to send our sincere sympathy to the whole family. Jerry is also a brother to Merle Starr.

It was also great to have Verla Sabin and Pat Forbes up to have lunch with Madeline Forbes. Verla is Mad-

aline's sister, from Sinclair.

We want to send our sincere sympathy to the family of Judith Bensen. She passed away in Colorado last week. Ralph Bensen comes up here and has lunch with us when he is in town. Judy did join us on several occasions and she was a very nice lady.

Madeline Forbes was in Laramie to see Jean Shepherd. Jean said to say hi to everyone and for us all to stop by and see her. She is doing very well after her hip surgery. Millie Anderson is also at the same place but they did not get to visit with her this time.

We will try to have a movie this Thursday. It did not work out to have a movie last month. Everyone seemed to be too busy.

Flashback to the 1960s and preseason football

Happy August. Well if the summer has to end at least football will begin.

Blood Pressure will be taken on the Aug. 7, 14, and 21 starting at 11:30 a.m. Breakfast at noon will be Saturday and the menu is scrambled eggs, sausage links, cinnamon roll and fresh fruit. Evening meal will be at 6 p.m., Aug. 15. The evening menu is seasoned oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, confetti corn, and wheat dinner roll and fruit salad.

We will be celebrating Willis Greenwood, LeDawn Vorn,

Sagebrush Senior Center

By Ronda Krouch

Donn Wells, Nancy Blattman, Marvin Lynch, Linda Barker, Katherine Beckham, Gus Geisick, Bob Herring, Ron Noton, Sandy Miller, Linda Hammer, Charlotte Kraft, Betty Wade, Kay Fleming and George Bauer's birthdays. We

will also be celebrating Roy and Donna Wells, Bill and Madeline Telfer's anniversaries.

We will be having live entertainment by Debbie Easterling and friends.

The theme this month is the 1960s so pull out your hip huggers, peace signs and Lennon glasses, it's going to be groovy man.

Mark your calendars for game night at 6 p.m., Aug. 29 and bring a snack to share.

Don't forget preseason football this Thursday, (Go Broncos), have a great month.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

ACROSS

1. Eat quickly and greedily
6. Store sign, abbr.
9. Life saver
13. Gastric woe
14. Poetic “before”
15. *Geometry tool
16. Mood disorder somewhat opposite of depression
17. Pitching stat
18. Fill with optimism
19. *Not needed for an oral test
21. *Jeff Spicoli’s history teacher
23. Blue feeling
24. *Do it to term papers, pre-word processors
25. Insane
28. Adherent of Sikhism

LAST WEEK’S ANSWERS



30. African snake whose bite can be fatal, pl.
35. Lode deposits
37. Change for a five
39. Make a logical connection
40. Plural of velum
41. Customs, values and behaviors acceptable to a social group
43. Astronaut’s insignia
44. “Vide _____” or “see below”
46. *Mrs. Krabappel’s naughty student
47. Big _____ at 7-Eleven
48. *Lunch period activity
50. A secret look
52. Casual attire
53. Sports award
55. Goose egg
57. *Teacher who made “wha wha wha” sound
60. *One for each class?
63. Very, in music
64. _____-Wan
66. Enter a computer
68. Sauvignon _____
69. National University of Singapore
70. It follows the strophe and antistrophe
71. Electricity pathway
72. “C’ _____ la vie!”
73. Torn down

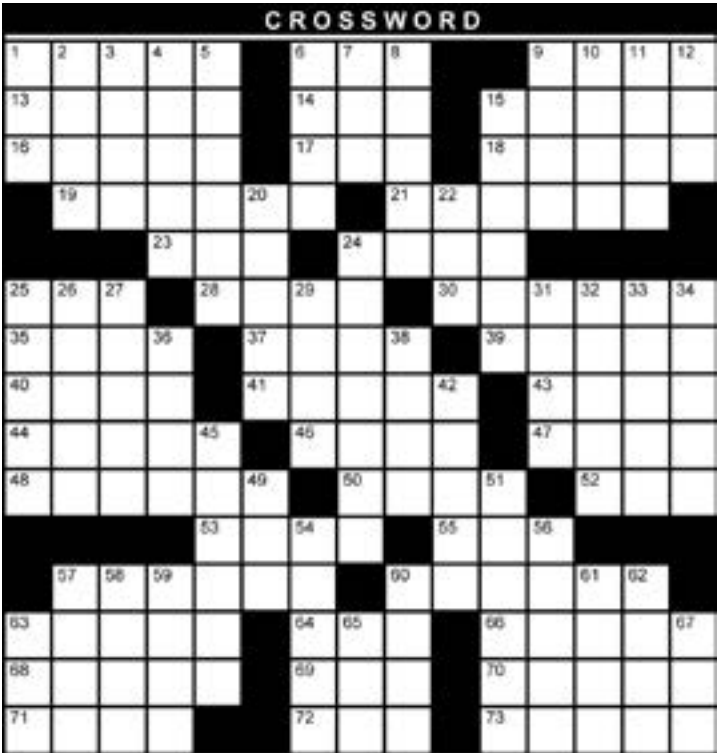
DOWN

1. *Math class total
2. *Done after school play
3. *High school breakout
4. Secretariat’s controls

5. Brawl
6. Obedience school command
7. *Short for reading, writing and arithmetic
8. Squalid
9. Waikiki dance
10. Distinctive flair
11. Retired, abbr.
12. Iron _____
15. Heat again
20. “Pulling my leg,” e.g.
22. Dashboard abbr.
24. Health problem remediation
25. **“Back to School” or “Blackboard Jungle,” e.g.
26. “Gladiator” setting
27. Dutch pottery city
29. Door _____
31. Chinese dynasty (1368-1644)
32. An outstanding example of its kind
33. Bridal path
34. *Hogwarts’ potions professor
36. Delhi wrap
38. Arid
42. Dictation taker
45. Lacking vigor or energy
49. General Services Administration
51. _____ whale
54. Lying facedown
56. Parkinson’s disease drug
57. 1952 Olympics site
58. Boris Godunov, for one
59. Full house, e.g.
60. Pugilist’s weapon
61. Prima donnas’ problems

62. Was a passenger
63. *Early hit from Michael Jackson

65. *Its business is picking up and dropping off
67. Netherlands in the Olympics



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Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Saratoga Alliance Church
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Saratoga.
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning service - 10:30 a.m.
AWANA - Mon. 5:30 to 7 p.m.
Scott Stinson
326-8307

Foothills Baptist Church
510 Freeman,
Encampment
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Pastor Allen Shelton

St. Mark’s Episcopal Church
Hanna
Family Eucharist
1st & 3rd Sunday - 11 a.m.

Encampment Presbyterian Church
918 Rankin, Encampment
Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.
Presbyterian Women
2nd Thursday - 1:30 p.m.
Mariner’s Couples
2nd Wednesday - 7 p.m.
Miki Laws
327-5331

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
9th & Hugus, Saratoga.
Bishop, Cade Powell
Sunday Sacrament - 10 a.m.
Sunday school and Primary - 11:15 a.m.
Melchizedek and Aaronic Priesthood/Young Women, Relief Society and Primary - 11:05 a.m.
307-710-4630

Platte Valley Lutheran Church
514 S. 1st Street, Saratoga.
Pastor Marvin Temme
Sun. worship (Hanna) - 2 p.m.
Sun. worship (Saratoga) - 9 a.m.
326-5449

St. James Episcopal Church
McCaffrey, Encampment.
Sunday prayer service - 9 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, 3rd Sunday - 9 a.m.
327-5558

First Presbyterian Church
Box 116, 3rd and Bridge,
Saratoga.
Sunday:

Adult Bible Study - 8:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship time - 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Shawl Ministry - 9:30 a.m.
Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m.
2nd Thursday monthly Presbyterian Women - 1:30 p.m.
Pastor Helen Young
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Holy Eucharist two or three times a month, otherwise morning prayer
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Sunday worship and Children’s Church - 11 a.m.
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Wednesday, adult Bible study and youth service 7 p.m.
Pastor Gene Smith
326-5520

First Baptist Church
802 W. Main, Saratoga
Bible Study- 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Worship/Discipleship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening prayer meeting - 7 p.m.
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Thurs. Night Prayer - 7 p.m.
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Sunday worship - 10:45 a.m.,
Prayer meeting - 5 p.m.
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Pastor Tim Easterling
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Upgrades to the wastewater lagoons in Riverside are nearly complete. Riverside Town Councilman Leroy Stephenson shuts off the aerators at a switch near the end of the newly installed roadbed.

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Wastewater system sees upgrades

By Erik Gantt

Improvements to the town of Riverside's wastewater system are nearly complete.

Recent upgrades have been made to the wastewater treatment and settling ponds. The ponds have had roadbed material laid down around their perimeters, electrical upgrades and the replacement of the chlorine treatment process with a UV treatment system.

The only remaining improvement will be the addition of a backup electric generator.

The town has already had the sewer pipes mapped and scoped to identify blockages and places where groundwater has been infiltrating the system.

Leroy Stephenson, Riverside Town Councilman, noted groundwater infiltration was a big problem in the past, and meant the wastewater settling ponds had to be discharged more often. After the mapping process, a company came in and sealed all of the cracks, largely eliminating groundwater infiltration.

Because of groundwater infiltration and larger volumes of sewage, "Some places, including Encampment, have to discharge almost continuously," Stephenson said.

More discharge events leads to more reporting to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ); which is less efficient.

Water from Riverside's sewage treatment facility discharges into Badger Creek which then flows into the Encampment River.

Several times per year, samples of treated water are sent to Laramie and tested for a host of items that must meet DEQ standards. These in-

clude water clarity, chlorine levels, chlorofecal count, pH, amount of suspended solids and amount of ammonia.

Before the installation of the UV treatment system, the town used to have problems meeting DEQ parameters for chlorine levels in the discharged water. Now, when water leaves the UV system, it is nearly potable according to Stephenson.

Encampment uses a larger version of the same UV equipment, and Riverside installed theirs more than four years ago.

In addition to mapping, the sewer pipes, Riverside had the treatment lagoons surveyed to see if there is a problem with sediment accumulation.

As it turns out, there is no issue with sediment buildup, which indicates the microbes used to breakdown the sewage effluent are doing their job.

In a testament to how well the lagoons are working, there is no perceptible smell of raw sewage in the air near the ponds.

Riverside uses microbes, which are stimulated by oxygen introduced by aerators, to breakdown the sewage pumped into the two lagoons. An ultrasonic system keeps algae from forming colonies or blooms, by breaking it down with sound waves.

Once per year, the town has to clear vegetation and brush from around the lagoons. The new roadbed material will make it easier to maintain vegetation around the ponds and makes access easier because it does not get as muddy.

The town is also benefiting from moving an irrigation ditch on the north side of the ponds, which makes it easier to use a brush hog for vegetation removal.

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