



\$500 million budget cut announced

◆ A \$300 million deficit remains unresolved.

Office of Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon

Governor Mark Gordon released his supplemental budget proposal Monday, November 16, which includes additional cuts on top of the 10 percent cuts that he implemented in July. This proposed budget reflects the Governor's commitment to the Wyoming people that the state must live within its means in the face of declining revenues.

State agencies cut 15 percent

The Governor's proposed budget would cut state funding by more than \$500 million and fulfills his constitutional requirement to present a balanced budget. This proposed budget reflects total cuts to state agencies averaging 15 percent while seeking to preserve the health, safety and welfare of Wyoming citizens.

"Our circumstances require that we make further reductions in order to meet our Constitutional obligation to balance Wyoming's budget. These cuts to state agencies will result in the elimination of both private and public sector jobs," Governor Gordon said. "In approaching this supplemental budget, I have focused first on what is constitutionally mandated, thereby protecting the health, wellbeing and liberties of all Wyoming citizens.

These are difficult cuts to make and they will affect people and communities. I regret that. While there were some efficiencies gained, I want to thank all our agencies for their hard work and helpful recommendations in such difficult times."

Checking/Savings

The Governor is also pro-

posing to simplify the state's budget structure, which currently includes a large number of accounts. His proposal is for "One Checking Account, One Savings Account." Governor Gordon added, "This would make the state's budgeting process more transparent, reflecting my pledge for fiscal transparency."

Largest agencies

After July's budget cuts, the Governor took a more strategic approach to this next round of reductions, reaching a balanced budget with some agencies absorbing deeper cuts than others. "It is a fact that we cannot reduce our spending without looking at our largest agencies," the Governor continued. "The Department of Health, the University of Wyoming, the Community Colleges, the Department of Corrections and the Department of Family Services make up two-thirds of the state's general fund budget."

Dept. of Health

Among the Governor's total proposed cuts is \$135 million to the Wyoming Department of Health. The programs affected by the WDH cuts will impact healthcare coverage for disabled and low-income residents, mental health services, substance abuse treatment, and developmental pre-schools.

"My proposed cuts to the Department of Health followed the agency's recommendations and will minimize the negative impacts on the citizens of Wyoming. However, it is a harsh reality that at this point every cut will hurt," Governor Gordon said.

University/Comm Colleges

The \$700 million general fund budget of the University of Wyoming and the community colleges makes up almost a quarter of the total general fund budget. To balance the budget and prepare for future revenue shortfalls the

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COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS

SV Health coordinating with area hospitals on COVID care

◆ Idaho and Utah hospitals continue to cooperate with SV Health.

By Dan Dockstader SVI Media

As COVID counts continue to go up in the early stages of winter, Star Valley Health continues to work with regional hospitals on patient placements as needed.

According to Tory Propst, Chief Nursing Officer for SV Health, the local hospital is maintaining regular contact with health care facilities throughout the region.

"We just spoke with EIRMC (Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center) and they are still accepting patients," Propst told SVI Media Mon-

day. "EIRMC is the majority of where we [send patients]. So we are OK right now."

SV Health is also working with health care facilities in Utah, but as COVID counts climb in that state, Propst said they will consider each case.

"Utah has definitely seen a rise and that is situational, but we are still working with them," said Propst.

All regional hospitals remain open and cooperating with Star Valley Health.

"We have used Portneuf once in a while, that is another option," she further explained. "But typically we go to Idaho Falls, the University of Utah and Inter-mountain facilities."

Ultimately, the Chief Nursing Officer said, each case is considered on individual merits.

"We look at each individual patient on a case by case ba-

sis and what they may need," Propst explained. "They may be shipped to another facility if they need that ICU care. It depends on where they are at with their illness."

She added, "We may keep them at our facility depending on how long ago they tested positive and if all of the facilities around us are full. If all the facilities are full we are definitely capable of keeping them here and caring for them as well."

Propst emphasized that all of Wyoming's hospitals are working together.

"Wyoming, as a whole, is working with one another to help if one facility gets full," she explained. "We have all spoken with one another to help if one facility gets full - we can take some of their other patients to lighten the load. And the same stands true to our neighboring states as well."

Wyoming counties seeking approval for mask orders

◆ Eight counties considering Proposal.

By Dan Dockstader SVI Media

Counties across Wyoming are starting the process

of seeking approval from the Wyoming Department of Health for mask orders associated with the rise in COVID-19 cases.

The requests will come from the each respective county's public health office and go before state health officer and attorney general's office.

According to a Casper Star Tribune published report, the list includes Lincoln County, Hot Springs, Sheridan, Sublette, Sweetwater, Goshen, Park and Natrona.

Counties with previous approval include Albany, Laramie and Teton County.



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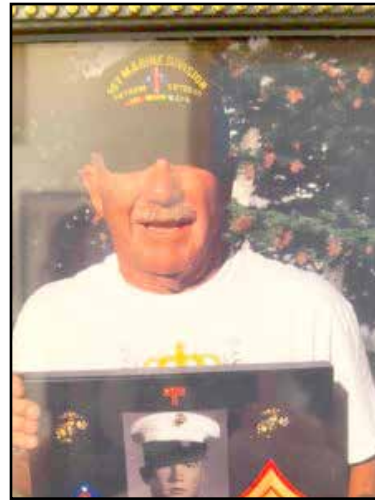
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Missing man found

◆ Body of Frank Zurita located on Monday.

By Sarah Hale
SVI Media



Frank Zurita

The body of a Diamondville man, reported missing on Friday November 13, was located on Monday, November 16.

While the investigation is ongoing, initial information points to harsh winter weather and exposure to the elements contributing to Frank Zurita's death.

Search efforts to find Zurita began after he failed to return from Prairie Dog hunting on Friday. The search was impeded by stormy conditions and was halted on Sunday night as a result of the weather.

Two aircraft were able to assist in the search efforts on Monday, after not being able to fly over the weekend.

The search area included

south Lincoln County, north Uinta County and southwest Sublette County.

According to Lincoln County Sheriff Shane Johnson, the aircraft were able to locate Zurita's vehicle, a silver 2011 Chevrolet crew cab pickup, in the Fossil Butte area. Zurita's body was then located.

Lincoln County Search and Rescue, Uinta County Search and Rescue and the BLM were involved in the search efforts. Sheriff Johnson commended

ed the volunteers on their efforts and service.

"This one hit home because Frank was known to many in the Search and Rescue," Johnson said. "There was hope that he had left the area and would show up somewhere. Ultimately, [the aircraft] was the difference. We were able to get a good look at the area and were able to find his vehicle. If we were able to do that sooner it may have turned out different. It's a tough one. Search and Rescue did everything they could do and did a good job. What these volunteers do takes them away from their families and their efforts cannot be overstated."

Johnson advised people to let their families know where they are going, keep a cell phone with them, make sure their vehicles have plenty of fuel and are in good repair, pack supplies that will last a couple of days (including blankets and food) when they travel, and pay attention to the weather forecast.



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Cutter racing event planned to help military service families



◆ Event set for November 28-29.

By Sarah Hale
SVI Media

The Star Valley Cutter Racers will kick off the 2020-2021 Chariot Racing Season with a racing weekend set for November 28 and November 29.

The Old Timers TAPS Chariot Races will get underway on Saturday, November 28 at the Star Valley Cutter Racing Track at 1 p.m. The event will continue on Sunday, November 29, with races beginning at noon.

Admission for each race day is \$5 with additional donations encouraged. Proceeds from the weekend will benefit the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS).

"This race honors our heritage in cutter and chariot racing while also benefiting the families of our fallen military service members," said Susan Hale Jaracz, one of the event organizers. "Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, or TAPS, (taps.org) provides community and grief support for Gold Star Families and oth-

ers who have lost loved ones in the Department of Defence."

"Please come support this event, by running, attending, sponsoring, vending, or volunteering," Jaracz said. "Don't forget your patriotic spirit and love for our military."

The Star Valley Cutter Racing Track is located at 1489 Allred Road, west of Afton.

Racers interested in participating in the event can contact Tom Nelson (307) 248-3693. The deadline for racers and teams to sign-up for the race is November 24 at 7 p.m.

Those interested in being event vendors and sponsors can contact Susan Hale Jaracz at (307) 220-7114. The sign-up deadline for vendors and sponsors is November 22.

Cutter Racing Season Schedule

The All American Cutter and Chariot Race Association was established in 1934. The AACCR will begin their racing season on November 28.

"The All American Cutter and Chariot Race Association has its roots in the history of our community," said Tomi White, one of the event coordinators. "It has turned into a highly competitive chari-

ot racing with well-bred and trained racehorses and brilliantly captures the spirit of Western Horsemanship and winter sports in one. Please join the fun and enjoy these spirited animals who love speed and fans."

As part of each race day event there are concessions available for purchase. Drawings for prizes are also held throughout the competition.

Admission is \$5 per day. The 2020-2021 schedule is as follows.

Nov. 28: Old Timers TAPS, 1 p.m.

Nov. 29: Old Timers TAPS, noon

Dec. 19: AACCR, 1 p.m.

Dec. 26 AACCR, 1 p.m.

Jan. 9 Western Wyo Invitational, noon

Jan. 10 Western Wyo Invitational, 11 a.m.

Jan. 23: AACCR, 1 p.m.

Feb. 13: Shriners Chariot Races, noon

Feb. 14: Shriners Chariot Races, noon.

Race dates are weather dependent.

Additional information is available on the Star Valley Cutter Racers Facebook Page.



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A new 4-H year gets underway

◆ Why is 4-H important?

By Shaily Harshbarger
Lincoln County 4-H Educator

As we start off our new year in 4-H I hear a lot of, "what is 4-H? and why is it important?"

These questions make me sad but excited because I get to explain what it is and how awesome it is for your youth!

4-H is an organization that focuses on teaching our youth by doing. Our prime focus is on getting our youth out and learning new things.

4-H also is a great way for kids to figure out what they like to do. We have over 40 project areas that kids can get involved in from sewing and cooking to raising your own animal and owning your own little business.

We also have opportunities for members to travel, compete in different project areas, offer scholarships, and many other things. The

sky really is the limit.

Why is all this so important though? It's important because what kids learn and do at this age will pave the road for the rest of their lives. The more they can learn and do at this age will help them be more well-rounded later on and maybe even help them figure out what they want to be when they are older.

4-H isn't just about the projects and the competitions, we are also growing more mature hardworking young adults. Kids learn so many valuable skills through 4-H. They learn teamwork when having to work as a group with Robotics, they learn responsibility and patience through raising that steer, they learn how to pay attention and respect through Shooting Sports, and so much more through all of our opportunities.

This organization helps form our youth into the adults they will become and I truly believe that's why it is so important.



March 2020 photo of Caisen Miserany with his 4-H pig.

INSURANCE | Open Enrollment until December 7

ACA Marketplace and Medicare

Open Enrollment for Health Insurance has begun

Wyoming Department of Insurance (DOI) advises ALL Wyomingites to be aware of the Open Enrollment periods for both Medicare and the ACA Marketplace. Shop and compare choices and update your enrollment information. Wyoming now has two insurers on the Marketplace. Whether you are renewing a plan or are a new enrollee, Open Enrollment periods are an opportunity to evaluate your insurance needs and coverages.

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15 to December 7, 2020. During this time, people with Medicare can change their Medicare health plans and prescription drug coverage for the following year to better meet their needs.

Wyoming Medicare beneficiaries should review their health care needs for the upcoming year and determine if changes to their current coverage are necessary. Plan costs, coverages and drug prescriptions can change each year. Make sure your plan still meets your needs and budget. During Medicare Open Enrollment, anyone with Medicare can make changes to their prescription drug (Plan D) plans for the next year or change from original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan if available.

The Wyoming State Health Insurance Information Program (WSHIIP) is a program to help people on Medicare understand their rights and answer their questions. Trained counselors help consumers understand Medicare, Medicaid, Medigap and long-term care insurance. There are numerous consulting firms around the state who offer these services for a fee, however the WSHIIP program is free of charge. To reach a WSHIIP counselor, call 1-800-856-4398. At this time, your name will be added to a return call wait list.

Marketplace Open Enrollment began November 1, 2020 and runs through December 15, 2020 for health



insurance plans that will begin on January 1, 2021. Avoid any break in coverage by enrolling today.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) remains in place and subsidized insurance coverage is still available for those who qualify. The federal government operates the Health Insurance Marketplace (also called the Exchange) in Wyoming at: www.HealthCare.gov. Be certain that you are looking at the official government site and not a look-a-like imposter site. Remember: always look for official government seals, logos and websites. The official ACA Marketplace website is at: www.HealthCare.gov. Contact the DOI if you have any questions.

Talk with your insurance agent or go to the **HealthCare.gov** website to become familiar with offered plans. Compare Marketplace insurance plans and rates. Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC) and Cost Sharing Reductions (CSR) are **only available for plans purchased on the Marketplace.**

If you decide to purchase insurance off the Marketplace or Exchange, be a wise consumer and understand what you are purchasing. Licensed insurance agents may advise you what plan is best for you. Be especially cautious of Off-Exchange plans that seem too good to be

true. Ask about exclusions, provider networks and hidden costs in Off-Exchange plans. Plans sold on the Marketplace are always Qualified Health Plans (QHP), cover all of the ACA's Essential Health Benefits and must have appropriate provider networks.

If you receive health insurance through an employer, consider the following before selecting a coverage plan:

- **Look closely for changes:** Check with your HR Department about Open Enrollment (OE) dates for your employer plan and any plan changes that have been made. Employer plans may have changed since the last OE.
- **Take advantage of wellness incentives:** Your employer may offer wellness programs or money-saving incentives for healthy behaviors such as exercising regularly or not smoking.
- **Check out tax-free savings:** You may be

eligible to open a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) or a health savings account (HSA).

If you are self-employed or if your employer doesn't offer coverage, you may face challenges in finding and keeping health insurance, but you still have choices.

• **Spouse plan:** Consider being added to your spouse's plan.

• **Individual insurance:** Consider purchasing private insurance to customize to your lifestyle, health and budget.

If you are unemployed, you likely had to determine how to continue your health insurance. Now is a good time to review your decision. Also check whether you or your family might be eligible for Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program CHIP.

In addition to insurance agents, the federal government also has trained navigators and certified assisters in Wyoming to help you at no cost. To find help, visit: www.HealthCare.gov or contact Enroll Wyoming to reach a Wyoming Navigator or Certified Assistance Counselor for in-person assistance. Enroll Wyoming can be reached by calling Wyoming 2-1-1 (in Wyoming dial 2-1-1 or 888-425-7138) or visit the website at: EnrollWyo.org.



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Budget Cuts

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Governor is proposing nearly 15 percent reductions to higher education. Some agencies, including the Governor's Office, will experience nearly 20 percent cuts if the Legislature approves this proposed budget.

\$300 Mill Deficit

Education Funding

Governor Gordon did caution that after these budget reductions there remains a nearly \$300 million deficit to-

day, resulting from the cost of K-12 education. This overrun is covered with dollars from the state's Rainy Day Fund, a process the Legislature established. Left unresolved, this deficit could grow to as much as \$600 million in two years. This is one area where only the Legislature can act.

"A well-funded educational system is a source of pride and economic opportunity for our state. It is essential for our families and our children just as low taxes are," Governor

Gordon wrote in his budget message. "Our circumstances require that we evaluate all school spending and consider its importance to our state's future. These are dollars that go into local economies too. I appreciate the Legislature's Recalibration Committee's hard work on this topic and look forward to their proposals."

The Governor's proposed supplemental budget can be viewed at <https://ai.wyo.gov/divisions/budget/wyoming-state-budget>.



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Marie Cook

Marie Lois Hale Cook (72), of Afton, Wyoming passed away on November 9, 2020 after being diagnosed with lymphoma earlier this year.

Marie was born on April 30, 1948 in Afton, Wyoming, the second daughter of Wilford Call Hale and Janette Woodfield Hale.

She spent her younger years in North Ogden, Utah, and later, she returned to Afton where she attended elementary and high school. She graduated from Star Valley High in 1966.

Marie was accepted to Weber State College where she graduated with her associate's degree and then continued her education at Utah State University. In 1972 she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in



MARIE COOK

Home Economics.

Marie served in the Northwestern States Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from 1969 to 1971.

After graduation, she was hired as the Duchesne County Extension Home Economist.

While living in the Unita Basin, she met Edwin Van Cook

and they were married in the Logan, Utah Temple on April 23, 1976.

In 1977, Edwin and Marie moved back to Afton, Wyoming. They lived in the old Hale home while they built a log home on the 55-acre farm west of Afton. There they would raise their children: Jenny Marie, Justin Van, Eric Christopher, Emily Janette, Jessica Lee, and Josie May.

After Edwin's death in 2001, Marie substitute taught at Star Valley High School. She then worked for the Lincoln County Women, Infants, and Children Program as a nutrition counselor until she retired in 2013.

Marie's priority was her family. She taught her children hard work, organization, and integrity through her example. She taught each of her chil-

dren to sew and quilt, cook and bake, garden, farm, and pick worms. She enjoyed taking her family on Sunday picnics and hikes, Dutch-oven cooking, and identifying plants.

Throughout her life, she served in her community as a 4-H leader, Cub Scout leader and Boy Scout Advancement Chairman. Many young men attribute their Eagle Scout Awards to her encouragement. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many callings including Relief Society President and Family History Consultant.

After retiring, Marie worked on family history, attended the temple regularly, and made quilts for each of her grandchildren. She was active in Daughters of Utah Pioneers

and travelled around the country visiting her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her children Jenny(Jake) Linford of Tallahassee, Florida; Justin(Annie) Cook of Afton; Eric Cook of Afton; Emily(Steven) Mott of Midvale, Utah; Jessica (Robert) Christison of Layton, Utah and Josie(Luke) Lorimer of Afton; her sisters: Marilyn(Ceril) Shumway and Larene(Clyde) Merritt; and 20 grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 11 a.m. in the Afton 3rd Ward Chapel. A viewing will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 from 6-8 p.m. at Schwab Mortuary and Thursday, November 12, 2020 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Afton 3rd Ward building.

Gloria Knight

Gloria Hincks Livingston Clark Knight passed away at age 89 on November 11, 2020 at the Star Valley Care Center in Afton, Wyoming with her loving family nearby.

Gloria was born July 2, 1931 to Clinton Emery (Bud) Livingston and Emma (Leone) Elvira Hincks in Rupert, Minidoka County, Idaho. She was welcomed by an older sister Barbara, and in time the family grew by an additional three brothers (Clinton, Ted, Doug) and three sisters (Darlene, Ann, Pam).

Not long after Gloria was born the family moved to the Wyoming and East Idaho border in Star Valley that is currently just north of Alpine and part of the Palisades lake bottom. This move was literally in the middle years of the Great Depression. Despite this the close-knit family prospered on their Homesteaded land. The east hills of their ranch had abundant spring water that they could use for potable water and also to successfully graze sheep, cattle and interestingly unpenned pigs. The Snake River was to the West of their fields they had cleared of sage brush and provided plentiful fishing. A great deal was expected of Gloria on the expanding ranch at a very early age. But rather than succumbing to the anxiety and hardships of pioneer homesteading Gloria was true to her name and gloried in all the ad-



GLORIA KNIGHT

venture and inherent problem solving. Her farm girl roots were strongly established and remained with her throughout her life.

Gloria was one of those young children who really did walk uphill for a mile in snow to get home from school. The Livingston children did have a sleigh and team they harnessed each wintery day to travel the two miles to the school and back -however it was not uncommon for the sleigh to slip off the semi-packed snow track that had been created. Then the children had to abandon horses and sleigh and walk home in the snow to get help. To avoid the trials of the heavy alpine snowfall during her High School years, Gloria secured boarding with families in Etna and Grover where she was able to catch the school bus to the High School in Afton until her graduation in the Spring of 1949. Gloria remained a lifelong learner and she particularly

liked history. She loved America and devoured books with the history of its founding, the American Revolution, and the Civil War. Gloria was 10 years old when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor and 14 years old when World War II ended. She then experienced with the nation the Korean War, the Vietnam War and Desert Storm. Her oldest grandchildren fought in the Iraq War and thankfully they returned home to the true patriot. Gloria was well acquainted with the U.S. Constitution and always made a stand for "liberty and justice for all."

In the Spring of 1949 Gloria met a handsome young Merchant Marine named James Clark from Etna who was home to visit his ailing Grandmother, Elizabeth Ann Rodgers Clark. He never returned to active duty after meeting Gloria at a dance in Old Alpine. They were married December 19, 1949. They had six children -five girls and one boy (Debra, Vicki, Valeri, Cindy Lou, Jon, Jani). Cindy Lou died in infancy. Jim had a trucking business with his brother Allen hauling coal to California and returning to Wyoming with seed barley or other scheduled loads. After Jim had a hunting accident in the Fall of 1959 that damaged his face and left him partially blind in one eye, Jim and Allen dissolved their trucking business. Allen took the trucks and logging equipment and Jim took the farm equipment. Jim and Gloria's lives were

very difficult at that time. The farming and ranching came naturally to Gloria but it was not a paying enterprise even though they had grown their farm to nearly 400 acres. Both hard workers Jim and Gloria would continually seek work doing a wide variety of odd jobs in order to make ends meet. The stress became more than they knew how to handle and after 22 years of marriage they divorced. However, Gloria continued to help Jim on the farm especially during the haying season and when an extra hand was needed changing sprinkler pipe. Jim passed away April 17, 1981.

Gloria met Floyd (Rocky) Knight in the Fall of 1980 and they married in

December, of that same year. Rocky was a very kind and caring person. Rocky had moved to Star Valley to be an assistant manager at Star Valley Cheese in Thayne. However, with the many financial problems that the cheese plant was having at the time Rocky opted to be one who trucked the cheese to new markets and he always took Gloria with him. They trucked together for the next five years covering most of the 48 States and using different areas of the country as their hub. Gloria liked traveling the country and learning the local histories but she greatly missed being home in Star Valley. They returned home to live in and manage their property The Three Pines Trailer Court

in Thayne. Rocky and Gloria later sold the Court and moved to Etna near her son Jon and his family She was once again and happily near children and the farm.

Gloria was close to her Savior Jesus Christ and had a strong testimony of the truthfulness of the Gospel. She loved The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the members of her Ward Families. She worked committedly at each and every calling that she was asked to serve in. Gloria and Rocky were sealed in the Logan, Utah Temple for all time and eternity July 14, 1990. Together they served as Stake Missionaries and then in 1992 were called to serve as full time missionaries in the Pennsylvania Pittsburg Mission. They served in the Titusville, PA area and made many lifelong friends. Rocky had a number of health problems perhaps stemming from his time as a Prisoner of War in Germany. Rocky passed away February 1, 2007.

Gloria is survived by daughters Debra Titensor (John) and Vicki Rainey, son Jon (Deanna) and step children Rocklyn, Sherri, Bobbi and Jeff Knight. She was preceded in death by daughters Cindy Lou, Jani Clark Ashment, Valeri Clark Waid. She was preceded in death by Grandchildren. Gloria is survived by 20 grandchildren, 73 great grandchildren, and 15 great great grandchildren. One grandchild preceded her in death.

Erickson to wed McClendon

Amori Erickson and Joshua McClendon are delighted to announce their marriage in the Star Valley Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Saturday, November 28, 2020. A reception celebrating their union is planned for that evening from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Afton Civic Center.

Amori was raised in Bedford and graduated from Star Valley High School where she was active in the FFA. While completing her Associate Degree in Animal Science at Casper College, Amori served as the State Sentinel for the Wyoming State FFA Association. She is now pursuing a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Education from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, Georgia.

Josh graduated from Jeff Davis County High School in Hazlehurst, Georgia where he



AMORI ERICKSON AND JOSH McCLENDON

played football. Not a week goes by when he isn't fishing on the river or hunting. He earned his bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Georgia Southern University and is the Controls Engineer for Triple H Specialty Company in Hazlehurst where his work consists of programming robotics and automation equipment.

Amori is the daughter of Janet and Bart Erickson. She

is granddaughter to Alice and Blair Erickson of Bedford and Glenna and Tracy Wilson of Draper, Utah.

Josh is the son of Tracy and Keith McClendon of Hazlehurst, Georgia. He is the grandson of Lonzie and Jean McClendon and Shirley Hester and the late Gary Cothorn.

The couple will make their home in Hazlehurst.

Blake Robinson

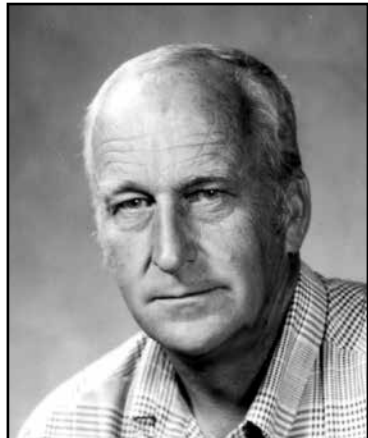
Richard Blake Robinson was born May 24, 1945 to Thetta and Alvin Robinson. Blake had eight siblings; three brothers Theo, Keith and Alvin and five sisters; Vera, veloy, lone, Verna and Etta.

Blake graduated from Star Valley High School and Ricks College. He also attended BYU.

Blake married Brenda Dana in 1967 and two children were born to this union; Bradie Lee and Brandon Blake.

Blake worked various jobs throughout his life, but was the Director of Public Works for the Town of Afton for 27 years.

He was a member of the Wyoming National Guard and a member of the Afton Volunteer



BLAKE ROBINSON

Fire Department.

Blake was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Blake has seven grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Blake passed away at home

on November 14, 2020.

Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, November 19 at the Afton Tabernacle at 12 noon. Due to the new Church guidelines regarding Covid, the church has asked that no more than 150 people attend a funeral. Those attending are asked to wear masks. The Afton Stake has decided to open the Salt River Ward building for the overflow of people who want to attend the funeral. The funeral will also be broadcast on the Schwab Mortuary Facebook page and the Schwab Mortuary website under the Blake's Obituary Page. A viewing prior to the service will be held from 10 - 11:45 a.m. with a night viewing on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 from 6-8 p.m.

maker, canned vegetables and fruit and homemade jam was always found on her table. She made soap and sewed many of her family's clothes. She was a great meal planner and always had a balanced, nutritious meal on the table for her family, or anyone else who may stop by. She loved to cook and she showed her love by feeding the masses.

Joan possessed a special talent for making those she came in contact with feel important and loved as well as taking care of the sick and down trodden. She had a healing touch and compassion that blessed many. To know Joan was to love her. She will always be treasured and she will surely be missed by her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and relatives.

Meeting Joan on the other side will be her parents, her husband, Roy Alvin Brog, a sister, Vona Vee Luthi, and a brother, Neil Nelson along with Craig William Flint, a son-in-law, and Nathan William Flint, a grandson.

Mom's wonderful neighbors, close friends and relatives brought her such joy with phone calls, personal visits,



JOAN BROG

Christ of Latter-day Saints. She loved church choirs, church magazines, her church membership, and church leaders. Anything about the church, she loved. She was a dedicated church worker regardless of the call. Joan loved the Relief Society and served as Relief Society President, Primary President, Young Women's leader and teacher.

Joan was an excellent employee. She provided child-care; worked for restaurants, worked as a cashier and also as a secretary. Her last jobs at Utah State Bookstore and Institute of Religion were especially enjoyable to her.

Joan was an exceptional homemaker. She was a bread

Joan Brog

Joan Nelson Brog returned to her Heavenly Father November 13, 2020 in North Logan, Utah at Maple Springs. She was born October 12, 1933, the daughter of Eva Nield and Clarence Nelson and the youngest of three children. She was so adorable that she was entered into a baby contest and received first place.

Joan attended Star Valley High school where she excelled in academics, was a twirler in the marching band, a member of the Pep Club and a rodeo queen.

Joan married Roy Alvin Brog in 1950 and immediately took residence in Switzerland where the first of her seven children was born, Blake Nelson (Holly Thompson). Added to the family after returning to the states were, Sue Ann (Robert J. Balls), Vrena Lee (Craig William Flint), Daniel Roy (Debra Dee Lusk), Kenneth Clair (Vicky Steele), John Nicklaus, and Koz Nathan (Carie Toone).

When Joan was eight years old she was baptized at her father's cheese factory in a large cheese vat and became a member of The Church of Jesus

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Simpson to wed Boogard



DEVIN SIMPSON AND ANNISA BOOGARD

Devin Simpson and Annisa Boogard are happy to announce their marriage on November 21, 2020.

They will be receiving guests from 4-5 p.m. that evening at

the Civic Center in Afton.

Devin is from Thayne, Wyoming,

Annisa is from Shelley, Idaho.

The couple and their eight children will reside in Thayne.

gifts and meals. We also love and appreciate the wonderful team at Maple Springs and last but not least our Hospice nurse, Becky.

Funeral services will be Thursday November 19 at the Allen Mortuary of North Logan, 400 E 1800 North, in Lo-

gan, Utah. The viewing will begin at 10 a.m., and services at 11 a.m. Dedication of the grave will follow at the Hyde Park Cemetery. Due to COVID it will be limited to family and a close friends. Condolences may be expressed online at www.allen-mortuaries.net



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School Calendar

◆ Parent teacher conferences are this week.

By Janet Erickson
SVI Media

This week at LCSD2, faculty and staff are working through parent teacher conferences, conducting conferences virtually.

Thanksgiving Break begins with an early release from school on Wednesday, November 25. School will resume on Monday, November 30.

Star Valley Schools will not be in session on Friday, December 11.

Christmas Break throughout the district is scheduled for Wednesday, December 23 through Sunday, January 3. School will resume on Monday, January 4, 2021.

At **Afton Elementary**, staff and students will celebrate Thanksgiving with a turkey trot on Tuesday, November 24.

Cokeville Elementary School has a school make up day Friday, November 20 and picture retakes on November 24. CES students plan to present their Christmas Play on Wednesday, December 17 at 7 pm.

At **Etna Elementary** School, registration is open

for the 2nd session of Etna Enrichment Express through November 24. Classes begin December 1 and continue every Tuesday and Wednesday through December 16. A Turkey Trot for all students is scheduled November 25. Check your email inbox for details.

At **Osmond Elementary** School, the fall fundraiser will end November 30. Parents are invited to attend a PTO meeting via Zoom at 10 am on Thursday, December 10.

At **Thayne Elementary**, the book fair is online through November 22. Visit www.scholastic.com/bf/thayneelementaryschool

Star Valley Middle School's orchestra students will present a pre-recorded virtual concert Thursday, November 19.

Star Valley High School's orchestra students will also be part of the pre-recorded orchestra concert on Thursday, November 19.

At **Cokeville High School**, Parent Teacher Conferences are on the calendar for November 19 and picture retakes are scheduled for November 24. Additionally, the Band and Choir Clinic that was scheduled for November 19 has been cancelled. A Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 9.

Swift Creek High School students follow the district schedule through January 4.



The Star Valley Rotary Club recognized Jacie Angell and Peter Visser as the November Students of the Month.

Making music in the classroom

◆ April Cram teaches elementary school music.

By Janet Erickson
SVI Media

For over 20 years, April Cram has been teaching LCSD2 students. Each day, she teaches general music to Afton Elementary students and then travels to Osmond Elementary for general music, orchestra, and band classes with her students there.

Cram chose music education as her career path because she wanted a career with music at its heart. "I love music and wanted a way



April Cram with her three children.

to do that but needed something that would work well with raising a family. Being a teacher lends to that well. I thought about studying music performance because I enjoy playing in the symphony a lot, but I knew I would have

to live in the city and work nights and weekends so that wouldn't work very well with a family. I have really enjoyed being a teacher. It is hard work but very rewarding."

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Guest Editorial

◆ The Stock Market doesn't care who's president

By Tiim Hale
Hale Financial Solutions

The likely outcome of our most recent presidential election—assuming no significant changes to voter recounting in several swing states—is that Joe Biden will be president in January 2021.

This can set investors on edge, and even leads some to consider switching their portfolios to safer investments. On one hand, this is an understandable response. There are valid concerns about rising federal income tax rates, increased regulation, further economic slowdown due to Covid-19, or rising inflation, all of which could slow the economy and hurt markets.

But history shows a different story. A recent Wall Street Journal article noted “From 1929 through 2019, one party controlled both chambers of Congress and the presidency in 45 of those years. The S&P 500 on average rose 7.45% during those years, according to Dow Jones Market Data. The index was up 30 times and down 15 times.

“In the other 46 years when there was a split government, the index climbed 7.26% on average, rising 29 times, falling 16 times and remaining unchanged once.” In other words, the stock market tends to increase over time, regardless of who is president.

Some may feel that this time it's different, and that adjustments to their investment plan are justified now whereas they may not have been before. We would be wise to remember that no one has a crystal ball. The market's performance is impossible to anticipate over long stretches of time, even by well-paid Wall Street professionals with the latest software.

Take 2020 as a most recent example. In March, as fear of the unexpected economic consequences of Covid-19 began to set in, the stock market dropped significantly. Not only was this event impossible to perfectly predict, but so was the market's subsequent rise from

My Wyoming

◆ Emotions running high about potential COVID-19 restrictions.

By Bill Sniffin

It looks like a whole lot of people in Wyoming are fired up about the recent spike in COVID-19 cases and deaths here in the Cowboy State.

Gov. Mark Gordon was about as emotional and angry as we have seen him during his press conference Nov. 13. He referred to a portion of our state's population as “knuckleheads” for not practicing social distancing and wearing masks.

Meanwhile in Casper, infectious disease specialist Dr. Mark Dowell and various elected officials were hooted off the stage recently by angry citizens



late March through last week. Not even the most complex algorithm can predict these things. Uncertainty like this can be frustrating. When it comes to saving for something as important as retirement, we want to be able to make well-informed decisions. It may feel like a “no brainer” to get out of the market when the future ahead looks even more uncertain. But history shows those de-

when the officials tried to emphasize the dangerous state of health that they felt the people of Wyoming are dealing with right now. It was an ugly scene.

The anti-maskers feel statistics do not bear out the drastic measures being considered by Gordon and state officials. They look to neighboring South Dakota and how Gov. Christi Noem has kept her state open.

Noem's detractors claim that South Dakota is now one of the worst states in the country for COVID-19, noting the state is sending patients to Wyoming hospitals.

Gordon and his staff have reached out to business organizations for their input on the situation. Should he impose a mandatory mask mandate? Should he impose the same health restrictions that forced restrictions on businesses seen last spring?

My prediction is that members of these state groups will support a mask mandate but not a business shutdown. I am writing this on Nov 15. By the time you are reading this, some of de-

isions tend to be the wrong ones. Instead, investors would be wise to stay the course.

Please note that this op-ed is for informational purposes only and should not be considered investment advice. Your unique circumstances, time horizon, and risk tolerance should be considered before making investment decisions.

isions may have happened.

Meanwhile, my friend Steve Mossbrook died in the Casper hospital one day after his 74th birthday from lung disease complicated by COVID-19. Now that spooks me. Steve was a slim and fit guy. He was a terrific golfer.

He was one of Wyoming's early Internet pioneers, creating Wyoming.com and I had known him for 30 years. He had been in the hospital for two weeks and kept going downhill. He had been a lifelong smoker and in recent years had been vaping. His lungs were not healthy. Still, the last time I chatted with him he was full of energy and anxious to launch some new programs.

Another good friend is Glenn Arbery, 69, president of Wyoming Catholic College. He caught the COVID-19 and told me that for the past week, he has had occasional headaches, chills, and very low energy. But he is on the mend. He plans to get back to work next week. His case, although not ideal, made me feel a little better.

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Community comes together to support local

RIDE

◆ Junior rodeo draws a crowd.

*By Sarah Hale
SVI Media*

The 2020 Ride for Clyde event, held on Saturday, October 31, presented an opportunities for local families to come together to help some of their own.

The event was set up as a fundraiser for the Tre and Olivia Heiner family. Their infant son, Clyde Robert Heiner, passed away in an accident on September 28, 2020.

"The past few Halloweens have been snowy and or cold; when the committee set the date for the Ride for Clyde Jr. Rodeo they were all a little concerned about the weather but hoped and prayed for the best," said Amy Peck, one of the event organizers. "Prayers were answered: the weather was perfect."

The day started with a flag presentation by the

Cokeville Stock & Saddle Club and Lincoln County Royalties.

"Some of Clyde Heiner's family were then brought into the arena," Peck said. "Olivia shared some of her thoughts and thanked all those that helped and those in attendance."

Then, "A Cowboy's Prayer, Promise Land" by Casey Donahew was played while a horse with an empty infant saddle was led around the arena. The saddle had *Ride for Clyde* burned into the sides and "Clyde" on the back. The horse was lead around by president of the Ride for Clyde committee, Joseph Mackey.

"The saddle was given to Olivia, along with a Ride for Clyde belt buckle; by the rodeo committee and Secretary Kristel Bergholm spoke a little about how the event came about," Peck said. "Bergholm was the one with the idea to have a junior rodeo in honor of Clyde; she had never met the Heiner family but when she heard the news she wanted to do something to help honor him and raise money for the family."

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saddles were won. Prizes were
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the all-around saddles and buck-
donations; specifically for those

items," said Peck. "The prizes were donated by local
businesses or individuals."

Stock contractor Cameron and JaLynn Tuckett;
"CT Rodeo" donated their time, stock and travel.

"They brought two of their bull fighters/stock
hands; who also wouldn't accept payment for their
work," said Peck. "Hats and shirts with a 'Ride for
Clyde' logo were available for purchase. Outlaw T's
provided the expertise to make these available."

A costume contest and "trailer or treat" were also
held to help the kids still get to show off their Hallow-
een costumes.

"A special thanks to the many sponsors/donors
and volunteers," Peck said. "The event would not
have been as successful without them."

According to Peck, a check to the family of Clyde
Heiner will be presented soon. The total amount of
money raised by the event will be announced when
the check is presented.

For additional photos of the Ride for Clyde event,
see the Ride for Clyde Facebook Page.



No in-state tournaments and limited duals will affect Wrestling season

◆ First events are scheduled for December.

By Dahl Erickson
SVI Media

Perhaps no sport will be under more scrutiny for physical contact than wrestling as officials from the Wyoming High School Activities Association (WHSAA) have released guidelines for the upcoming season.

One of the biggest elements of social distancing that will affect the wrestling season will be the use of a single mat per competition area. Dropping the center divider in the gym will not satisfy the requirement so look for single-mat use in some more exotic places this upcoming season which may even include the Auditorium stage.

The WHSAA released the following:

Events – WHSAA Smart Start Guidelines must be utilized for all events.



Photo by Christy VanDeburg

The Braves Wrestling team will be facing a whole new set of challenges as the program tries for their sixth straight state title.

- Regular season contests will be individual duals only. No invitational tournaments will be allowed in state or out of state. Teams may have more than one dual in a day but must keep teams separated to meet social distancing

guidelines.

- Only two teams per gym will be allowed to compete at the same time. Only one mat in the gym may be used. Dropping a dividing curtain does not constitute two gyms. Contests must be

scheduled to allow for appropriate cleaning and sanitizing when new team comes to the facility.

- No more than two days of competition per week, with a maximum of 16 days of competition for the sea-

son, excluding post season. A maximum of 3 duals per team, per day.

- When a wrestling room is available, the home team should use the wrestling room for their warm-up.

- Weigh-ins will be completed one team at a time.

- For contact tracing purposes, it is also recommended there be assigned seating for bench personnel. Chairs should be social distanced as much as the facility will allow.

- Participants must always wear face coverings while in the building except when wrestling their match.

- Coaches must always wear face coverings while in the building.

- All event workers must wear face coverings. Gloves may be worn when appropriate.

- There should be no team dinners during the season to assist in limiting exposures.

- No pre or post game gatherings should take place to assist in limiting exposure. (i.e. Tailgating, BBQ's, etc.)

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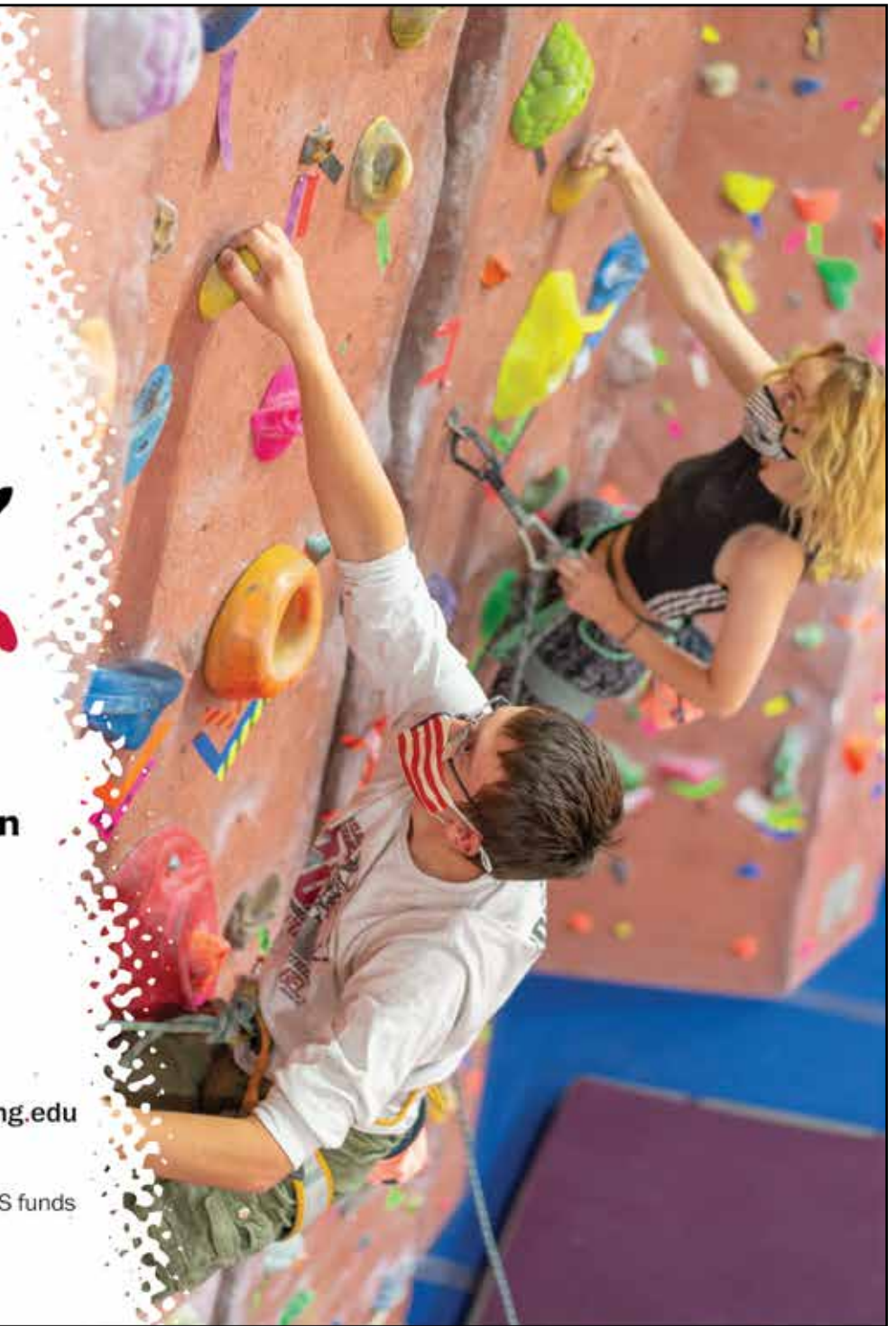


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WHSAAA releases basketball guidelines for upcoming season

◆ Very limited fan attendance and masks will be staples of the season.

By Dahl Erickson
SVI Media

The Fall season has to be called a major success considering the many challenges that it faced.

Now with the Thanksgiving holiday coming up between the expected start of Winter sports, the Wyoming High School Activities Association (WHSAAA) has released regulations on sports as the action moves inside.

Currently attendance will be very limited based on recommendations from the Wyoming Department of Health and those in attendance will be required to wear masks.

The WHSAA has released the following information:

Events – WHSAA Smart Start Guidelines must be utilized for all events.

- Regular season contests will be individual contests only. Each level will be allowed 18 contests.

- Teams may have more than one contest in a day but must keep teams separated to meet social distancing guidelines. Contests must be scheduled to allow for appropriate cleaning and sanitizing when new teams come to the facility. Only two teams per gym will be allowed.



Photo by Aaron Jenkins

Paige Nield and the Lady Braves are slated to open up their season on the second weekend of December.

There will be assigned seating for bench personnel.

- A designated seating area should be assigned for those participants, at each level, that are not suited up during the current contest.

- Teams should go directly to their assigned seating area.

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See Basketball on 19A

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Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of the Water Improvement Project - 2021 will be received by the Town of Star Valley Ranch, Wyoming on the 8th day of December 2020 at the office of the Town Clerk until 2:00 p.m. local time and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the Town of Star Valley Ranch Town Hall and at the following locations: Forsgren Associates, Inc. 849 Front Street, Suite 201 Evanston, WY 82930 (307) 789-6735

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The Project consists of the installation of approximately 9,000 LF of waterline, valves, hydrants, and associated service lines with gravel and paved road surface repair within the limits of Town of Star Valley Ranch and Lincoln County, Wyoming. Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of FORSGREN ASSOCIATES, INC. at the location noted above, upon payment of \$ 125.00 for each hard set, \$ 25.00 for each digital copy (CD only), or \$ 0.00 for file share (DropBox), non-refundable.

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A prebid meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on the 19th day of November 2020 at 560 Middle Branch Drive, Star Valley Ranch, WY. Bidders are encouraged to attend and participate.

Qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) are encouraged to submit bids on this project. Bidders that use a subcontractor(s)/supplier(s) are required to make a good faith effort at soliciting DBE subcontractor/

supplier participation. Bidders shall submit the required DBE Good Faith Effort Documentation form and other related forms with their bids. Pursuant to W.S. 16-6-106, "preference is hereby given to materials, supplies, agricultural products, equipment, machinery and provisions produced, manufactured, supplied or grown in Wyoming, quality being equal to articles offered by the competitors outside of the state".

The procurement will be subject to the "Use of American Iron and Steel" requirements as contained in Section 436 of H.R. 3547, The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014.

The Town of Star Valley Ranch reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part of any bid, to waive any formality in any bid, as its best interest may appear.

Kathleen Buyers, Mayor
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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT WITH CONTRACTOR ON PUBLIC WORKS

All creditors and other interested parties take notice that the State of Wyoming, Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, has accepted as completed according to the plans and specifications and rules set forth in the contract therefore, the following work project:

The project is the Auburn Fish Hatchery Octaform Tank Installation Project G&F Engr. No. 01.01.03 located approximately 5 miles west of Auburn, Wyoming, in Caribou County, Idaho, by Vandeburg Excavation, Inc., 300 Bowles Lane, Afton, WY 83110.

Upon the forty-first (41st) day after the first publication of this notice, which day is the 14 day of December, 2020, the State of Wyoming, Wyoming Game and Fish Commission will pay to the contractor the full amount due under the contract.

STATE OF WYOMING
WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By Loren A. Woodin, P.E.
Chief Engineer
Wyoming Game and Fish Commission

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN, STATE OF WYOMING

In the Matter of the Estate of Raymond Roy Sawdy, Deceased

NOTICE OF PROBATE
Probate No. PR-2020-57-DC
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that on the 26th day of October, 2020, the Estate of the above named decedent was admitted to probate by the above named court, and that Kenton Sawdy was appointed the Personal

Representative thereof. Any action to set aside this Court Order shall be filed in the Court within three months from the date of first publication of this notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent of this Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, c/o Larry Lawton, attorney for the Estate, at P O Box 304, Thayne WY 83127.

Creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to file them in duplicate with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of said Court, on or before three months after the date of the first publication of this notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred. Dated the 28th day of October, 2020.

Kenton Sawdy, Personal Representative
By Larry Lawton, Attorney for the Estate
P O Box 304
Thayne WY 83127-0304
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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Lincoln County School District #2 is accepting bids for the purchase of diesel exhaust fluid, coolant, and lubricants. Bids are due on or before Tuesday, November 24, 2020 by 10:00 AM. Bids must be received at the following address: 360 Jefferson St., Afton, WY 83110. Bids received after that time will not be considered. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the above address. Bid will be considered on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 by the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting. For bid specifications and forms please contact the transportation office at 885-7146.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Lincoln County School District #2 is accepting bids for the purchase of fuel. Bids are due on or before Tuesday, November 24, 2020 by 10:00 AM. Bids must be received at the following address: 360 Jefferson St., Afton, WY 83110. Bids received after that time will not be considered. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the above address. Bid will be considered on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 by the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting. For bid specifications and forms please contact the transportation office at 885-7146.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF COUNTY RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES/ MALT BEVERAGE PERMITS

Notice is hereby given that the following have filed application

for renewal of their retail liquor licenses in the office of the County Clerk, Lincoln County, for the following described locations.

Protests, if any there be, against the renewal of the licenses will be heard at the hour of 10:30 a.m., on the 24th day of November, 2020, in the Commissioner's Boardroom located at 925 Sage Avenue, Suite 301, Kemmerer, WY and via video conference at the Afton County Branch Office Conference Room located at 421 Jefferson Street, Afton, WY. Nordic Inn LLC - The Stag Bar - ½ Mile NE of Jct. Hwy 89 & 26, Alpine
Ridge Creek Investment Co. - Flying Saddle Resort - 118878 Hwy 89 & 26, Alpine
Boardwalk Dev. Group LLC - Ridge Rider Lounge - 50 Hwy 26, Alpine
Crystal Clear LLC - AJ's North - 55 County Road 115, Thayne
Garland Etc. LLC - Etna Trading Company - 107857 N US Hwy 89, Etna
By April Brunski, Lincoln County Clerk

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NOTICE

Notice of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Lincoln County Hospital District d.b.a. Star Valley Health.

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Lincoln County Hospital District d.b.a. Star Valley Health will be held on Friday, November 20, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. in the Star Valley Health Greys River Room for the purpose of interviewing for the new CEO. There will be no other business considered. DATED this 9th day of November, 2020.

Alesia Winters, Secretary
Filing Officer
North Lincoln County Hospital District
Board of Trustees

Publish Nov. 18 & 25, 2020

NOTICE

Notice of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Lincoln County Hospital District d.b.a. Star Valley Health.

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of North Lincoln County Hospital District d.b.a. Star Valley Health will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. in the Star Valley Health Greys River Room for the purpose of interviewing for the new CEO. There will be no other business considered. DATED this 9th day of November, 2020.

Alesia Winters, Secretary
Filing Officer
North Lincoln County Hospital District
Board of Trustees

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PUBLIC NOTICE

County / City / State : Lincoln, Afton, WY

Location/Site/Directions: Star Valley High School, 445 West Swift Creek Lane, Afton, WY 83110

Bids Close: 12/07/2020 1:00 PM MST

Bids Received By: Sealed envelope, mailed to LCSD#2, 222 E 4th Avenue Afton, WY 83110, or hand delivered to LCSD#2 Administration Office, 360 Jefferson, Afton, WY 83110
Pre-Bid Meeting MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING: Attendance is mandatory for all prime bidders. November 23, 2020 @11:00 AM meeting location is Star Valley High School.

Owner Project Number
Project Description: Partial Reroof

Owner: Lincoln County School District #2

360 Jefferson
Afton, WY 83110

Soliciting Agent: Soliciting Agent

Wyoming School Facilities Department

700 West 21st Street
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Ph: 307-777-3558

Contact:

Email:

Project Documents: Drawings, Specifications and Bid Forms are available after March 1, 2020 at: Wyoming School Division (<http://sfd.wyo.gov/projects-2/project-bid-information>).

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STATE OF WYOMING COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN THE DISTRICT COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF JEFFERY MAX WHALEY, PETITIONER. CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. CV-2020-124-DC

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

You are hereby notified that a Petition For Change of Name, Civil Action No. CV-2020-124-DC, has been filed on behalf of Jeffery Max Whaley in the Wyoming District Court for the THIRD Judicial District, whose address is 925 SAGE AVENUE, SUITE 202, KEMMERER, WY 83101, the object and prayer of which is to change the name of the above-named person from Jeffery Max Whaley to Jeffery Max Goe.

Any objection must be filed with the District Court within 30 days following the last date of publication of this notice, or an Order Granting Name Change may be granted without further notice.

DATED this 31st day of August, 2020.

BY CLERK OF COURT:
BRANDY LIMB, Deputy

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TENTATIVE
PLANNING & ENGINEERING
OFFICE AGENDA

**FOR
LINCOLN COUNTY
COMMISSION
LINCOLN COUNTY
COURTHOUSE, KEMMERER,
WY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2,
2020
9:00 A.M.**

I Development Report:
II 408 SS 20 Mountainside
Meadows Subdivision
Doyle J. Simpson
Simple Subdivision Application
– subdivide 16.93 +/- acres into
2 residential/commercial lots
from a larger parcel in Mixed
Zone
Location: Township 34 North,
Range 119 West, Section 11,
0.8 +/- miles to Town of Thayne,
WY
III 409 SS 20 Perry
Subdivision
Greg & Patricia Perry
Simple Subdivision Application
– subdivide 28.75 +/- acres into
2 residential lots in Rural /Zone
Location: Township 31 North,
Range 118 West, Section 18,
1.3 +/- miles south of Town of
Afton, WY

IV 410 SS 20 Alpine
Village Subdivision No. 1 Plat 1
Amended 3rd Filing
Woodrow G. Franklin
Revocable Trust
Simple Subdivision Application
– subdivide 5.1 +/- acres into 2
residential lots in Mixed Zone
Location: Township 37 North,
Range 118 West, Section 18,
Alpine Village Subdivision No 1
Plat 1 Amended Lot 5, Within
one (1) mile of Town of Alpine,
WY
V 411 SS 20 Lincoln Lane
Subdivision
Barry & Coyann Kendall Family
Trust
Simple Subdivision Application
– subdivide 10.15 +/- acres into
2 residential lots in Rural Zone
Location: Township 34 North,
Range 118 West, Section 19,
0.5 +/- miles east of Town of
Thayne, WY
VI 106 PZ 20 Conditional
Use – Teton Valley Great Danes
Shannon Phelps
Conditional Use – Dog
breeding/dog kennel Proposal
on 2 +/- acres in Rural Zone
Location: Township 34 North,

Range 118 West, Section 8,
1435 Lost Creek Co. Rd. 120
VII 206 MS 20 Bison
Meadows Phase III
Stan & Eugena Moon
Minor Subdivision Preliminary
Plat Application –subdivide
24.42 +/- acres into 2 lots in
Rural Zone
Location: Township 34 North,
Range 119 West, Section 26,
Bison Meadows Phase II
Lot 4, Within one mile of the
Town of Thayne, WY
VIII Other Planning Matters
(See Supplemental Agenda)
IX Engineering Matters –
Amy Butler
NOTE: Additional information
regarding the above noted
files can be viewed at <http://weblink.lcwy.org/WebLink8/Browse.aspx> Projects for
Planning, OR <http://www.lcwy.org> Public Services, Public
Records, click on Browse,
Projects for Planning.
All interested citizens are
invited to attend the public
hearing and to provide input.
Those planning on
attending should call the day

before to see if the meeting
and project is still scheduled.
TENTATIVE SUPPLEMENTAL
PLANNING OFFICE AGENDA
for
LINCOLN COUNTY
COMMISSION
Wednesday, December 2, 2020
Lincoln County Courthouse,
Kemmerer, WY
9:00 a.m.
VIII OTHER PLANNING
MATTERS
I 819 AP 20 Lucky's Rest
Amended
Robert Joseph & Linda Kern
Amended Plat
II 820 AP 20 Willow Creek
Wilderness Ranch
Kenneth & Joan Spears, et al
Amended Plat
III
VIII Other Planning Matters
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**ELECTION RESULTS
ALPINE FIRE DISTRICT**
Pursuant to Wyoming State
Statutes W.S. 22-29-115 – W.S. 22-
29-118 the Alpine Fire District
held their election for one (1)
open District Board Directors

of the Alpine Fire District.
Ballots and Results have been
certified. The total number
ballots cast and/or collected
was: 286 (Two Hundred Eight-
Six).
Results are as follows:
Bruce Jorgensen= 168 (One
Hundred Sixty-Eight)
John Jorgensen = 107 (One
Hundred Seven)
Chuck Butterfield= 2 (Two)
David Gieck= 1 (One)
Kenniss Lutz= 2 (Two)
William Weimann= 2 (Two)
Rejected Ballots= 4 (Four)
The Alpine Fire District had
no ballot propositions on this
election ballot.
Mr. Bruce Jorgensen will serve
a consecutive four (4) year
term, as a Board Director on
the Alpine Fire District; the
term is effective from January
1, 2021 to December 31, 2024.
Should you have any questions,
please contact the District
Clerk at (307) 654-7581.
Christine Wagner
District Clerk
Publish Nov. 18, 2020

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of that
certain Mortgage dated July 18, 2012, give by Doyle J.
Simpson, Mortgagor, to The Bank of Star Valley, Inc.,
Mortgagee, to secure pay of one certain promissory
note of July 18, 2012, of even date therewith, which
Mortgage embraces the following described real
estate, to wit:

Physical address of the property is 101600 US
Highway 89, Thayne, Wyoming 83127, more
particularly described as:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 11 in
Township 34 North, Range 119 West of the 6th P.M.,
Lincoln County, Wyoming, running thence North 90
rods, thence West 160 rods, thence North 50 rods,
thence West 80 rods, thence South 119½ rods, thence
East 80 rods, thence South 20½ rods, thence East 160
rods to the point of beginning. (Except beginning at
the Southeast corner of said Section 11 and running
thence North 795 feet, thence West 2274 feet, thence
South 774 feet, thence West 345 feet, thence North
317.25 feet, thence West 1341 feet, thence South 21
feet, thence East 1320 feet, thence South 338.25 feet,
thence East 2640 feet to the point of beginning.)

Excepting therefrom the following: A portion of the
Southeast Quarter Southwest Quarter of Section
11, Township 34 North, Range 119 West of the 6th
P.M., located ¼ miles North of Thayne, Lincoln
County, Wyoming, and more particularly described
as follows: Beginning at a point which lies 1321.00
feet at a bearing South 89°52' East and 678.00 feet
at a bearing of North 0°13' West from the Southwest
corner of said Section 11, said point lying in the
Easterly line of Highway U.S. 89; thence running North
0°13' West along said Easterly line 150.00 feet; thence
leaving said Easterly line and running South 89°44'
East 290.40 feet; thence South 0°13' East parallel with
said Highway, 150.00 feet; thence North 89°44' West
290.40 feet to the point of beginning; and ALSO

A portion of the Southeast Quarter Southwest
Quarter of Section 11, Township 34 North, Range
119 West, 6th P.M., located North of Thayne, Lincoln
County, Wyoming and being more particularly
described as follows: Beginning at a Brass Cap,
monument marking the Southwest corner of
property of Timothy N. Trefren, said Brass Cap being
also in the East line of U.S. Highway 89 and being
located 1321.00 feet South 89°52' East and 679.33 feet
North 0°16' West from a Brass Cap monument found
marking the Southwest corner of said Section 11;
thence South 89°47' East along the Southerly line of
said Trefren property, 290.41 feet; thence South 0°16'
East 150.00 feet; thence North 89°47' West 290.41 feet
to said East line of U.S. Highway 89; thence North
0°16' West along last said East line 150.00 feet to the
point of beginning; and ALSO

A portion of the Northeast Quarter Southwest
Quarter of Section 11, Township 34 North, Range

119 West, 6th P.M., Lincoln County, Wyoming, being
more particularly described as follows: Beginning
at a point in the West line of said Northeast Quarter
Southwest Quarter, said point being South 343.09 feet
from the Northwest corner of said Northeast Quarter
Southwest Quarter; thence running East 256.00 feet;
thence South 1°51'06" West 348.14 feet; thence West
244.75 feet, to first said West line; thence North along
said West line; 347.96 feet to the point of beginning.
Which Mortgage was on July 25, 2012, duly recorded
in Book 790 at Page 161, Instrument
No. 965721 of the Mortgage Deed Records, in the
office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Register of
Deeds of Lincoln County, Wyoming; and
WHEREAS, a default in said Mortgage has occurred
by reason of the failure of the Mortgagor, Doyle J.
Simpson to pay the principal and interest due thereon
when the same became due and payable, and said
Mortgagee has exercised its option to declare the
debt secured thereby to be due and payable in full,
and is now proceed according to law to advertise
and sell said property to satisfy the same; and
WHEREAS, the Mortgagee has given proper notice
of its intention to foreclose pursuant to Section 34-4-
104 of the Wyoming Statutes.

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the above described real estate will be offered
for sale and sold by the Sheriff of Lincoln County,
Wyoming, or his deputy, to the highest bidder,
for cash at public venue at the front door of the
Courthouse in Kemmerer, Wyoming, at the hour of
10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 22, 2020, that the
principal and balance due and owing at the time
of this notice is three hundred nineteen thousand
five hundred twenty-nine dollars and thirty-seven
cents (\$319,529.37), plus ongoing interest, late fees,
expenses and attorneys fees, together with costs of
this foreclosure action.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the sale
date may be postponed, from time to time, and
in any event, said sale will not take place unless a
representative of the above named Mortgagee is
present.

The property being foreclosed upon may be subject
to other liens and encumbrances that will not
be extinguished at the sale and any prospective
purchaser should research the status of title before
submitting the bid.

THE BANK OF STAR VALLEY, INC.

Mortgagee

James K. Sanderson
Sanderson Law Office

P.O. Box 159
Afton, WY 83110

(307) 885-1776

Attorney for the Mortgagee

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**LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #2
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 7, 2020**

Members present:

Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi,
Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert, Connie Day was
present via Zoom.

Chairman Wade Hirschi called the meeting to order
at 6:00 p.m.

Eileen Merritt made the motion to adopt the agenda.
Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Lanny Draney
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny
Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy
Teichert

Eileen Merritt made the motion to go into executive
session for the purpose of considering personnel
matters, and matters concerning litigation to which
the school district is a party or to which the school
district may be a party.

Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Timothy Teichert
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny
Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy
Teichert

The public session of the meeting resumed at 7:09
p.m.

Principals presented a brief spotlight on their
schools.

Tyler Jack, Principal of Swift Creek High School,
presented an update on his school. Highlights
included: social/emotional learning and Discovery.

Business Manager JC Inskeep provided the board
with the monthly financial update.

The board discussed the WSBA Annual Conference
that will be held virtually this year.

The board reviewed current enrollment figures.
There is a decrease of 26 students from September
1, 2020 and a decrease of 55 from October 1, 2019.
There has been an increase in students being home-
schooled due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

Dr. Amanda McAdams, Director of Elementary
Education presented the elementary plan for parent
teacher conferences. This year, parent teacher
conferences will be done virtually. Jason Horsley,
Director of Secondary Education presented the
secondary level plan. Each student's parent/guardian
will be contacted to see if an additional time needs to
be set up for a more in-depth conference.

Procedure IMG-R- Service Animals in Schools was
reviewed by the board.

Director of Maintenance Warren Hicks presented
the board with an update on the district's facilities.
Highlights included: sprinkler systems winterized,
SVHS roof complete, bottle fill stations being
installed, and HVAC controls about 90% complete.

The board reviewed recent correspondence received from the Legislative Service Office.
 Public comments were received by Leah Black and Breanna Pickins.
 15. Lane Allred made the motion to approve consent agenda section 1 to include: payment of bills and approval of minutes for September 9, 2020.
 Motion by Lane Allred, second by Lanny Draney
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 16. Lane Allred made the motion to approve consent agenda section 1 to include: payment of bills and approval of minutes for September 9, 2020.
 Motion by Lane Allred, second by Lanny Draney
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 17. Eileen Merritt made the motion to approve Consent Agenda Section 2- Personnel, to include:
 Resignations
 Iris Jaspersen- Aide
 Jeff Johnson- Track Coach
 Kellie Clinger- Track Coach
 Jennifer Downing- Head Girls Soccer Coach- SVHS
 Tracy Thornock- School Nurse
 New Hires
 LaJeanne Hieptas- Aide
 Rayna Santo- Aide
 Stephanie Nate- Aide
 Riley Moore- Aide
 Stephanie Hepworth- Aide
 Change in Assignment
 Laurie Hyde- from Aide to Office/Instructional Support
 Andrea Dana- Volunteer Coach at Star Valley Middle School- Girls Basketball
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Lanny Draney
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 18. Eileen Merritt made the motion to approve an addendum for a Special Services Contract.
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Lane Allred
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 19. Eileen Merritt made a motion to delay the approve of the book The Wall. Timothy Teichert seconded. Mrs. Merritt rescinded her motion.
 20. Eileen Merritt made the motion to approve the book of "The Wall" by Peter Sis.
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Timothy Teichert
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 21. Eileen Merritt made the motion for the approval of a Special Education Contract.
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Tyler Brog
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 22. Lane Allred made the motion for the approval of the 2020-2021 Idaho Border Contracts.
 Motion by Lane Allred, second by Lanny Draney
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 23. Eileen Merritt made the motion to accept a \$10,000.00 donation from the Teton Board of Realtors.
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Timothy Teichert
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 24. Eileen Merritt made the motion to approve an MOU with the Town of Afton.
 Motion by Eileen Merritt, second by Lane Allred
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yea: Lane Allred, Tyler Brog, Connie Day, Lanny Draney, Wade Hirschi, Eileen Merritt, Timothy Teichert
 25. The board held a discussion on the Coronavirus. The board discussed if information on active cases needed to be relayed to parents. Concerns were voiced over the privacy of staff and students. The recommendation of district legal counsel was to rely

on the authority of the Public Health Office to release the numbers of active cases. District administration holds a weekly update meeting with Public Health. The information received from Public Health is disseminated to the building administrators. The district will update social media accounts and our website where it is appropriate.
 The district understands that the parents would love to be allowed back in the schools to volunteer, etc. At this time the district would encourage families and school administrators to continue to look for ways to involve parents without entering the buildings.
 Supt. Erickson expressed his appreciation for the staff who are facing these challenges head on.
 26. The board conducted a self-evaluation on 2.6-Instruction.
 The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

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THE FOLLOWING PAYMENTS OVER \$500.00 HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF LINCOLN CO. SCHOOL DISTRICT #2

95 Percent Group Inc	\$2,106.50
Ace Equipment & Supply	\$549.00
Airgas	\$515.42
All Star Auto Parts	\$3,085.81
All West	\$703.74
Amazon.Com	\$3,223.61
Amazon.Com	\$5,279.90
Amazon.Com	\$7,733.99
Amazon.Com	\$9,848.98
Amazon.Com	\$11,888.69
Angel Trax Systems	\$4,927.43
ApexSCF	\$4,999.00
Apple	\$9,864.95
Apple	\$16,490.00
Apple	\$16,602.60
Apple	\$49,626.00
Artisan Chef LLC	\$1,000.00
Aspen Physical Therapy	\$750.00
B&H Auto Repair	\$548.69
Bear Lake Memorial Hospital	\$1,875.00
Ben-X, LLC	\$596.75
Boiler Treatment Service	\$600.00
Boiler Treatment Service	\$10,936.00
Boiler Treatment Service	\$19,531.00
Bowers Law Firm	\$1,362.40
Bowers Law Firm	\$1,865.50
Bringhurst, Kristin	\$6,668.73
Brown, Suni	\$520.00
BYU Independent Study	\$2,505.00
BYU Independent Study	\$5,550.00
Call Ready Mix	\$1,220.52
C,K	\$502.74
Casper Inn & Suites	\$704.93
CDWG	\$8,963.36
Classic Truck Collision Center	\$9,114.00
Comedysportz Utah	\$1,000.00
Comfort Inn Worland	\$2,090.00
Companion Corp.	\$8,150.99
Comphealth	\$2,700.00
Comphealth	\$3,000.00
Comphealth	\$3,001.13
Comphealth	\$5,081.25
Conrad & Bischoff	\$1,182.50
Conrad & Bischoff	\$1,677.31
Conrad & Bischoff	\$20,429.92
Curriculum Associates	\$1,530.00
Dell Marketing	\$386,359.88
Delta Fire Systems	\$634.00
Demco	\$733.04
Desktop Design	\$1,800.00
Diamond 2 Plumbing	\$2,766.00
Diamond 2 Plumbing	\$13,830.00
Discount School Supply	\$1,111.78
Elder Equipment Leasing	\$597.21
Elder Equipment Leasing	\$2,446.46
Elder Equipment Leasing	\$3,647.61
Elder Equipment Leasing	\$7,657.29
Frontier Fence	\$866.30
Gopher Sports	\$541.65
Graphic Sports	\$712.50
Greens Window Cleaning	\$725.00
Gumdrop	\$7,543.22
Hastings	\$838.49
Hastings	\$843.14
High Country Linen Service	\$1,213.62
Holiday Inn Express Rawlins	\$1,386.00
Hyde, Melissa	\$520.00
I Love U Guys Foundation	\$14,000.00
iDesign Solutions	\$1,104.70
Infinite Campus Inc	\$3,231.00
Ingram	\$542.37

Institute for Multi-Sensory Education	\$2,500.00
Jackson Group Peterbilt	\$1,053.50
Jackson Group Peterbilt	\$5,562.79
Jaques, Richard	\$589.55
Jaques, Richard	\$2,950.00
Junior Library Guild	\$624.10
Kilmer's	\$5,328.00
Kuder	\$1,775.00
Learning A-Z	\$949.05
Leonard Petroleum	\$803.78
Lexia Learning Systems Inc	\$1,312.50
Long Building Environment	\$38,561.40
Lower Valley Energy	\$32,429.50
MacBeath Hardwood	\$563.30
MatterHackers	\$1,138.00
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My Wyoming

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Long-time Powell Tribune Publisher Dave Bonner, 80, tested positive a few weeks ago after attending a University of Wyoming football game. "I have completed my public health COVID-19 quarantine and am just easing back into circulation," he says. He says he has not smoked since college and that may have contributed to his good result.

During the recent presidential campaign, it seemed like Joe Biden followers all wore masks and stayed out of harm's way. Donald Trump backers wore baseball hats, no masks, and lived a normal life.

On a national level, the whole idea of mail-in ballots totally reflects the Biden-mask ethic while the walk-in voters on election day reflected the Trump ideal. It truly was a visible image of a classic division in our country.

Here in Trump Country, where Wyoming voted 70 percent for the incumbent (more than any other state), you can understand why there could be so much resistance to mask wearing and a mask mandate.

So, what to do?

Cram

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degree in music education from the University of Wyoming, Cram began her career teaching music in American Fork, Utah where she taught for 2 years. She and her family moved to Star Valley in 1999 and she took a position teaching music at Metcalf Elementary, which is now Etna Elementary. Within a few years, her position also included responsibilities as the music teacher at Holdaway Elementary (now Thayne Elementary).

"I took some time off to raise my children and returned to teaching as a Reading Mastery Teacher for a short time," said Cram. "I began teaching band at the new Etna Elementary in 2014. A position opened up at Afton and Osmond Elementary Schools, so I took that and have been there since 2016."

Raised in Lyman, Wyoming, Cram has two sisters and a brother. "Lyman was a great place to grow up except for the wind! I participated in piano lessons, band, musicals, show choir, swim team, track for one year, and National Honor Society. I had a lot of friends and enjoyed living there."

Today, Cram's family consists of two sons ages 14 and 20, and a daughter age 18. "My husband of 24 years passed away in an airplane crash in September of 2019. We're doing our best to live each day one at a time and enjoy each other amidst our trials."

Each day, Cram sees evidence that what she does makes a difference for her students, especially when she sees her elementary students continue with the music programs as they move into

Gordon is going to make a decision and it will be a doozy, either way. If he imposes a mask mandate, who will enforce it? If he doesn't, has he shirked his responsibility to keep Wyoming folks safe?

Meanwhile on Sunday morning's Meet the Press show, Biden's new chief of staff indicated that a four- to six-week national shutdown may be on the table as soon as Biden is sworn in. That, plus a national mask mandate. These folks are serious. A whole bunch of folks out here in Wyoming will rebel. It won't be pretty.

As the weather turns cold and people huddle indoors, the chances of spreading COVID-19 increases.

Could today's weather in Wyoming be any different than this summer? We probably hosted 5 million tourists this summer yet our total numbers of COVID-19 remained super low.

In August, when the state was being over-run by tourists, we had 608 active cases. Today we have 9,897 active cases.

These are difficult times for Wyoming when it comes to COVID-19. Be safe and be careful out there.

the middle school and high schools.

"Kids give me hugs and say they love music," said Cram. "I feel like a celebrity most of the time when I'm out and about in Afton. The kids love me so much! And I love them back! We have a lot of fun in my class. We dance, sing, play xylophones and drums. We learn about composers, play games and so much more."

"I would love to teach a secondary Band, Orchestra, or Choir in the future," said Cram. "I love the little kids but sometimes miss the sound of the big ensembles. I would love to be able to participate in the Choir or Orchestra at Temple Square someday! I plan to just continue forward with my family and find another companion to spend time with traveling and enjoying each other's company."

Cram would really like to see the elementary music program at LCSD2 return to a schedule in which she can teach her students more often.

"The instrumental instruction in 5th and 6th grade only occurs every 6 school days and makes it difficult to have success. I don't want my students to feel frustrated with their progress but that is how it is for now. I would love to have music instruction twice a week in our schools! That would be amazing because music can be such a learning and growing experience for our students and actually for everyone. It really makes our brains work hard and grow! I've been studying music and the brain lately in a class I'm taking. There is so much evidence on how it is so good for us intellectually, emotionally, and socially. It is truly healing!"

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Critical mineral potential in Kemmerer Coal Field deposits assessed

◆ The goal is to establish a baseline dataset.

Provided by the Wyoming State Geological Survey

A new WSGS project kicked off this summer assessing the critical mineral potential of coals in the Kemmerer Coal Field.

The goal is to establish a baseline dataset of the trace element geochemistry of samples in order to better

understand them as potential hosts of critical and strategic minerals.

The project includes characterization of the field's coals and bounding beds, including underclay, roof rock, and clay-rich partings. Investigations of coals and coal by-products

as potential critical mineral sources have become a popular field of study over the past few years, with a particular emphasis on rare earth elements.

Recent studies have also shown promising levels of critical mineral enrichment in

underclays and partings, not just coals. Scarce critical mineral data for Wyoming coal fields presents an opportunity to evaluate these deposits in-state.

Fieldwork was completed in August, and targeted the Frontier and Adaville formations in Lincoln County.

More than 60 samples were collected from local outcrops around Kemmerer and from the Kemmerer Mine.

Over the next few months WSGS geologist Kelsey Kehoe and contract geologist Garrett Gay will complete geochemical analyses in cooperation with the University of Wyoming's Geology Department.

WSGS geologists hope to eventually expand this project in order to create a broader database of baseline trace element data of Wyoming coals.

This WSGS project presents an opportunity to conduct complimentary work alongside the University of Wyoming's School of Energy Resources, who is working on rare earth element studies of coal and coal products in the Powder River Basin as well as at the Kemmerer Mine.



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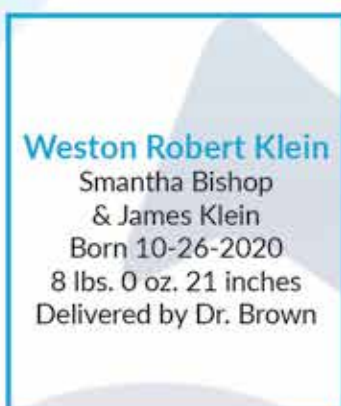
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Mackenzie Wise
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Delivered by Dr. Morgan



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November storms adding to SV high country snow depths

◆ Commissary at 32-inches.

By Dan Dockstader
SVI Media

The latest mid November snow storms added to the early winter snow depths in Star

Valley's high country.

As of Tuesday, November 17, Commissary Ridge, at the 9,300 foot elevation had a 32-inch snow depth.

Blind Bull, at 8,300-feet, had 17-inches and the Box Y Lodge along the Greys River, at an elevation of 6,300-feet had 13-inches of snow.

The Bridger-Teton National Forest Avalanche Center reported moderate snow conditions at the higher elevations on Tuesday.

Additional snow storms are expected Wednesday and Thursday, before a sunny weekend on the Saturday and Sunday, November 21-22.



Fresh snow covers the tops of the Salt River Mountain Range in the Bridger-Teton National Forest east of Star Valley.

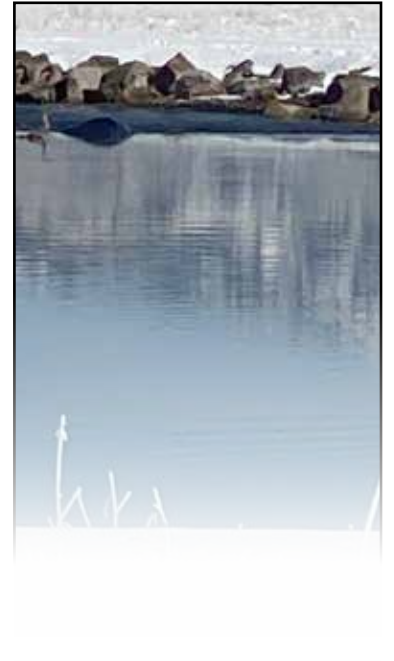


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Basketball

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to their end of the court for warm-ups. Social distancing from the opponent should always be maintained during the warm-up periods.

- Each team should bring their own warm-up balls. Host school could supply a cart for each team that has been sanitized.

- Each game and overtime will begin with a coin toss. One coach and one captain from each team will meet with the Referee and maintain social distancing. Pre-game instructions will also be given at this time. No handshakes will take place.

- No pre or post game handshakes will take place.

- At the end of the contest, each team will line up on the free throw line extended on their bench side. Announcement will be read, and teams will wave acknowledging a good game.

- Participants must always wear face coverings while in the building except when playing during the game.

- Coaches must always wear face coverings while in the building.

- All event workers must always wear face coverings while in the building. Gloves may be worn when appropriate.

- There should be no team dinners during the season to assist in limiting exposures.

- No pre or post game gatherings should take place to assist in limiting exposure. (i.e. Tailgating, BBQ's, etc.)



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