Commissions approve submission of grant to help build Red Grade Trails

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SHERIDAN — County commission- ers approved a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Wyoming Business Council for a grant that will help build additional trails in the Red Grade Trails System.

The Red Grade Trails System project, led by the Sheridan Community Land Trust, includes plans for a total of more than 28 trail miles. Of that, approximately 6 miles of trail have been completed today.

The Sheridan Community Land Trust will seek $500,000 in funds from the Wyoming Business Council’s Business Ready Community Grant and Loan Program to complete additional preparatory efforts in schools and health care facilities despite "no imme-

diate cause for alarm." The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported as of March 3, a total of 96 cases in 12 states, result-
ing in six deaths were reported in the U.S. About one-third of the cases were spread person to person, less than 20% are travel related and the remain-
er are under investigation.

Kindergarten student Katelyn Burrup assists teacher Abby Johnson with a calendar exercise during class Tuesday, March 3, 2020. The Sheridan County School District 2 Board of Trustees meeting as to whether the district should establish full-day kindergarten.

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sioners Tuesday the application to the Business Ready Community Grant and Loan Program will be for $500,000 to be matched by $100,000 in local funds. That money will build 15-17 trail miles and two parking facilities — one at Poverty Flats and one near Bear Gulch East.

Bauer added that most of the $100,000 match has already been raised through local donors.

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**Weekly TV guide returns to Sheridan Press**

**FROM STAFF REPORTS**

SHERIDAN — Starting Saturday, the TV Guide will be published in the weekend edition of The Sheridan Press.

The Press moved SCENE, its arts-and-culture section, to the newspaper’s amped-up weekend edition in early February. The TV Guide was moved to the daily classified section.

“Over the past month, many of our readers told us that they missed the weekly TV Guide,” said Sheridan Press Publisher Kristen Czaban. “And we listened.”

Starting March 7, readers can settle in with the weekend newspaper and read about local, regional and national news; sports highlights; outdoors features; arts and entertainment; local columnists; and the upcoming week’s TV listings.

**GRANT:** BLM slated to have decision on Red Grade connector trail April 1

The grant funding will primarily go toward hiring professional trail building contractors, while the local match will support the SCLT-employed trail builder, a trail technician, local volunteers and a Wyoming Conservation Corps crew of six to eight individuals.

This second phase of the Red Grade Trails project will focus on trails on Bighorn National Forest land west of Big Horn. Bauer noted 15 miles of trail have been approved on that land and the grant will allow for completion of much of that. SCLT will later undertake the third phase of the project to complete the planned trail system on Bighorn National Forest property.

Bauer noted that the portion of trail currently recommended to be completed with the grant could be adjusted. The section proposed to be built now would not currently connect to the existing Red Grade Trail System, but if the Bureau of Land Management OKs the project on the portion of land it owns, the grant may be used to build that connector piece.

BLM is slated to have a decision on the connector trail April 1, but Bauer noted that as of right now that portion of trail is not included in the grant application.

“(It’s) certainly a good use of public funds, and something our community really values is the trail system,” Commissioner Nick Siddle said. “Especially a little higher up on the mountain and into the timber...I think it’s a very worthwhile project.”

Sheridan County Planner Mark Reed also pointed out that the project aligns with the county’s Comprehensive Plan.

Work on the Red Grade Trail System began more than five years ago with a vision to create more trails that are easily accessible for area residents. The trails include access for bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian use. The trails span state and federal-owned properties.

The Wyoming Business Council will forward its recommendation to the State Loan and Investment Board, who will consider the funding at its June 2020 meeting.

**VENTING:**

Jean-Michel, left, played by Zach Allen, vents to Cinderella, played by Mallory Arneson, about his frustrations in regards to speaking with Prince Topher about the woes in the land during the dress rehearsal for “Cinderella” Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020.
 Attend court on Tuesday

She's accused of bilking the Boy Scouts out of $31,025 and $122,573 from an account set up for the work hour reduction. A months-long investigation into the suspect's alleged

A man who stole from Boy Scouts charged again

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Haar said the best form of protection is to seek accurate and reliable information about the disease and follow basic hygiene practices: 

- Avoid close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness, including fever and coughing.
- Stay home when sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Clean your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Practice physical distancing (also known as social distancing) by maintaining a distance of at least 6 feet from others.
- Avoid crowded and indoor settings with poor ventilation.
- Wear a mask in public settings where other mitigation measures are difficult to maintain.
- Get fully vaccinated and stay up to date on all recommended vaccines.

These recommendations are crucial for preventing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting the health of communities around the world.
Dementia Friendly Wyoming to offer workshop

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10 things to know

FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1. BIDEN HAS MOST WINS, SANDERS BIGGEST FAVE FOR ZUMA PRESS A congaunt Joe Biden scores nine victories and dominates the delegate count, including Texas — while young, upstart Bernie Sanders seize Super Tuesday in California with a win in California.

2. BIDEN'S STUNNING TURNABOUT REMAKES RACE FOR DEARNE ISLAND A candidate on the brink of the nomination once month ago, the former vice president is now a favorite for his party's nomination.

3. PEOPLE ARE AFRADE AND UNCERTAIN As the number of new cases drop precipitously in China, attention shifts to South Korea, Italy and Iran, all sites of major clusters of contagion that account for 90% of new cases outside China.

4. CHINA'S SCHOOLS, WORRYING VIRUS, RUN INTO BARRISTER Censors have been stymied by the ruling at the time of the 12th National People's Congress online regulators, with history and politics classes among the most vulnerable.

5. WHAT SECTOR VIRUS IS HAMMERING AS COVID-19 sweeps the US, business trips is dealing a gut punch to the US. Hotels and airlines, and costing the business travel industry at least $15 billion a month.

6. SUPREME COURT TAKES UP FIRST ABORTION CASE OF TRUMP ERA

The outcome could have huge consequences a time when several conservative justices imposed severe restrictions, including a national ban on abortions after a fetal heartbeat is detected.

7. WHERE CHANGES HAVE ERUPTED Faced with mounting pressures are fir- ing test gas and sun gre- ing the issue of a new Trump administration rule that could carelessly put 650 people to lose food stamp benefits.

8. WE CAN'T GO WITHOUT ELECTING FROM HAWAI'I to Pennsylvania, states are scrambling to ensure the impact of a new Trump administration rule that could carelessly put 650 people to lose food stamp benefits.

9. A MURDER TRIAL MADE THE JUDGE INTO A VICTIM COSTUMER After a film about him, an HBO documentary full of shocking revelations and scenes, including his death, the judge in a trial for murder.

10. ADIPOGENIC DISEASES ARE BECOMING AMERICAN KIDS For the first time, a U.S. survey finds that black children appear to be more likely than white kids to be diagnosed with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and other learning disabilities.

Enjoying a book

Malory Anne as Cinderella enjoys a book gifted to her by Jean-Michel before Madame and her terrible stepsisters return to shatter her solace during the dress rehearsal for "Cinderella" Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020.

LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STATE REPORTS

SHS students to wrap up 'Cinderella' production

SHERIDAN — Sheridan High school students will offer additional performances of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" March 17, 18 and 19.

SC offers multiple music events

SHERIDAN — The Sheridan College Department of Music will present three events this week. All events will be held at Whitney Hall for the Arts at Sheridan College and are free and open to the public.

THURSDAY EVENTS

• 5:10 p.m. Sheridan monthly blood screens, Sheridan College Center, Sheridan Boulevard

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Today's history

In 1937, George B. Price wrote in an essay for a second term as president of the University of Nebraska, a ceremony in Philadelphia.

In 1959, President John F. Kennedy traveled to New York as America's 33rd president.

In 1964, former President John F. Kennedy, reportedly considering a run for the presidency, authorized the CIA to conduct a survey of American public opinion. The survey found that George H. W. Bush was the leading presidential contender, with a 48% lead over Ronald Reagan.


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E very so often a night during the week gets jam-packed with events you want to watch. For many, it was hurricane last year regu-
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Using a list while grocery shopping helps cut down on impulse buys that can foil a budget. Only purchase items on your list.

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Cowgirls fall in Mountain West semifinals

FROM THE WYOMING ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

LAS VEGAS — The Wyoming Cowgirls could not overcome the hot shooting of Boise State in the second quarter in a 79-71 loss to the Broncos in the semifinals Tuesday.

The team competed in the Air Force Reserve Mountain West basketball championship in the Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas. The loss saw Wyoming’s season-long, six-game winning streak snapped, as Boise State knocked down five 3-pointers in the second frame on their way to the win.

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Make your healthspan match your lifespan.

"If I knew I was going to live this long, I would have taken better care of myself."

That’s an old gag repeated at least once a day, but the truth is, you probably don’t know how long you’re going to live. You might guess you’ll live another 20 years, but your son or daughter might live another 10 years. You might live to age 100, but you probably won’t. Life expectancy has been inching upward (from 78.6 in 2017 to 79.7 in 2018), according to the American Heart Association, so the average American is staying healthy until 96. That means for millions of people there’s a 16-year gap between their healthspan and their lifespan.

That gap is fueled by the fact that many seniors are living longer with chronic diseases associated with obesity, high blood pressure and diabetes. However, in Minnesota the healthspan is 75.3 years (about four years above average). There’s a huge gap between the ideal and the actual. People often joke about their hobbies and interests, but their health is often a serious concern. So, how do you get healthier and stay healthy longer?

You can stay healthy longer by exercising (150 minutes a week), doing stress man-
agement (daily meditation), sleeping (seven to eight hours nightly) and eating healthful-
ly (ditching highly processed foods and red meats).

Pauline Phillips and Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I dated a guy for 10 months. We constantly fought because of his lack of trust. He had been burned in previous relationships. He said, "Trust is earned, not given," which isn’t my phi-
losophy.

After a recent argument (about lack of trust), I told him this attitude was a deal-breaker, and he needed to look for another girl. He talked to him several days a week during the process, and we weren’t intimate during that time.

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TAYLOR AT THE FIRST TRICK

Being a founding father of the Altrusa Group, my club I always<link>
</link> think the most is, “There’s more than one way to skin a cat.” But the concept – and the concept about – is applied to many bridge tricks.

Take today’s, for example. How should South have planned the play in three no-trump after West led the heart seven, and East put in the club?

South’s opening bid of one no-trump showed a good 20 to a poor 22 points. I am not sure if East gave any help with the heart suit, but South, with a trump lead, could have quickly worked into the club suit with the king or jack, which is a good trump lead.

The declarer made the play. South played low and the king didn’t drop, so he led a second club. Nonetheless, the result was the same: down two.

Dear Heloise: My cakes never come out right. They are dry and have a grainy texture. How can I get them back to normal? -- JoAnn, Norton, Ohio

Don’t take any criticisms of your work personally. You are entitled to have your own opinions, views and discussion. It is not wise for all foods. Milk instead of water is the key to the recipe. If you use milk for water you get a grainier product. If you use water you get a much dryer product. -- Mary

If you are interested in the story of a particular section of the country (or the world), you can get some good ideas about how the people feel about that area.

The moral is: Paws (sic!) at trick one. Three declarers played the contract. The South’s opening bid of two no-trump showed a hand containing at least 17 points. East led the ace of hearts off three, and South led the queen of diamonds. West played low. The king didn’t drop, so he led a second club. Nonetheless, the result was the same: down two.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY, WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF CAROLINE SKelly

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

You are hereby notified that a Verified Petition for change of name has been filed in the District Court in and for Sheridan County, Wyoming, by Caroline Skelly, 2500 Genoa Street, Sheridan, WY 82801, for the purpose of changing her legal name to Caroline Skelly.

The petition has been set for hearing on March 12, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. at the District Court, to serve upon the Attorney, a return of service shall be filed with the Clerk of the Court within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Public notice is hereby given of the above-stated matter in accordance with Wyoming State Law. Any party interested in the above-stated matter must file a response or objection to the Petition within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice, or as directed by the Court.

SHERIDAN COUNTY

DATED this 5th day of February, 2020.

Deputy Clerk
LONALOCH & RIGGS, LLP

By: /s/ Amanda K. Roberts
By: /s/ Julie Russell

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

Sheridan County, Wyoming

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FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a default has occurred in the performance of the conditions required by the mortgage referred to below, and the holder of the mortgage has elected to begin enforcement of the mortgage by Foreclosure.

The course of enforcement of the mortgage due to the default shall include an action to foreclose the mortgage, and for the purpose of Foreclosure by sale and Advertisement in the newspaper of Record of the property of another, the following describes the property: All interest, taxes, and charges due from the date of advertisement being the total amount due upon the Mortgage at the date of first publication of the Notice of Sale being the total amount due upon the Mortgage at the date of publication of this notice of sale being the total amount due upon the Mortgage at the date of publication of this notice of sale.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 25(b) of the Wyoming Real Property Code, 1983, as amended, and Section 29-5-702, W.S. 1982, notice hereby is given that a Foreclosure Sale of real property will be conducted at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020, at the Physical Plant Conference Room, Sheridan Public Library, Sheridan, Wyoming.

Bids will be received beginning at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 9, 2020 and will be due at the time and place of the sale which is 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2020.

The sale will be conducted as a sealed bid sale and will be advertised in the above-referenced newspaper of record, The Sheridan Press.

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Hansen said the experience last year was nerve-wracking but the familiarity gained is huge for repetition. The team knows what to expect and can enter the tournament with more confidence.

Senior Nick Summers said the team was nervous entering the tournament last season and believes the team will handle their nerves better this time around.

Hansen said coaches from around the state told him once the team has been on the floor, the team will have more confidence in consecutive games.

Summers said the state tournament will be full of close games, just like the regional tournament was. The Rams won their first game of the 2A West regional tournament 55-50 over Wind River Feb. 27. The rest of the games were decided by five points or less Feb. 28-29.

Tongue River faced Wyoming Indian, the top-ranked 2A team in the state, Feb. 28. With the chance to earn a spot in the regional championships. The team lost 64-49 and faced win or go home situation Feb. 29.

Hansen said a few more bounces their way would have changed the outcome of the game. The Eagles were able to keep up with the fast pace of Wyoming Indian, featuring long lopes and plenty of fastbreaks.

Tongue River then switched gears to win a grind it out game against Greybull Feb. 13 in the state's third-place game. Tongue River beat Kemmerer High School 67-53, pushing the Eagles into the consolation.
The team played three games in consecutive hours, Hunsaid.

Hansen said the team did a good job handling the physical game. Senior Dacei Bow Don’T Talk said the team was not effective when they are in a tight game.

Summers said bench hype and supporting each other is important when it is a tight game. The team focuses and makes sure they hold their lead.
The team has one more game to reach state with these methods.

“Is it really a big accomplishment to get to state but we are not done yet, we still need to focus up,” Summers said.

Tight games come down to a few possessions and different players stepping up and aiding in tipping the scales in the team’s favor. Bear Don’ Talk had a rebound in the game and scored it to win the game.

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Big Horn faces Southeast 9 p.m. Thursday. Big Horn was nervous entering the tournament Feb. 29. The Rams played a tight game and a few bounces in favor of either team will determine the game. Daley said the team had a few adjustments to make sure the balance of either team will determine the game.

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