QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT

Station (call letters): KCWY

Location (city, state): Casper, Wyoming

For quarter beginning:

January 1, 2023 April 1, 2023 July 1, 2023 x October 1, 2023

Attached hereto are descriptions of issue-responsive programming broadcast by this station during the reporting period.

The listed programs aired on the station during the reporting period on the days and times indicated. Each program regularly provides information or addresses current issues of concern to viewers in the area where the station is located.

LOCAL ISSUES ADDRESSED DURING THE QUARTER

The following local issues of concern to the community were addressed in programming of the station during the past quarter:

Issue/Concern	Brief description of issue or concern		
Economy	Includes economic impacts on business and communities		
Crime	Includes crime prevention measures and response		
Education	Includes matters pertaining to students and parents in the school		
	system		
Health	Includes measures to prevent the spread of sickness and disease		
Politics	Includes state, county, and local political issues/events		
Public Safety	Includes matters pertaining to the well-being of the community		
Government	Includes actions taken by local government		

STATION PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS LOCAL ISSUES

The following local programs address issues and concerns in the station's city of license and within its service area.

Program Name	Schedule	Brief Generic Description
	5:30am-7am	The show provides News, Weather, Sports
Wyoming News	Mon-Fri	and interviews about local charities,
Now This Morning		upcoming events, medical updates and
		important interviews on families and children
	12pm-12:30pm	The show provides News, Weather, Sports
Wyoming News	Mon-Fri	and local interviews centering around
Now at Noon		Wyoming
Casper News Now	5:00p-5:30p	The latest News, Weather, Sports for the
	Mon-Sun	Cheyenne area. Includes interviews with the
		community's and state's most important news
		makers
Wyoming News	10pm-10:35pm	The latest Wyoming, National and
Now at 10pm	Mon-Sun	International News as well as local Weather
		and Sports

Regular Network News Programs Carried by KCWY All of the below are network programs presenting a mix of news, weather sports and issue related feature stories.

Program Name	Schedule
Today Show	7am-9am Mon-Fri
Today Show II	9a-10a Mon-Fri
NBC Nightly News	5:30pm-6:00pm Mon-Fri
NBC Nightly News	4:30pm-5pm Sat-Sun
Weekend Today Sat	6am-8am Saturday
Weekend Today Sun	7am-8:am Sunday
Meet The Press	8 am-9am Sunday
60-Minutes	6pm-7pm Sunday

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 10/1/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming Governor discusses fossil energy and carbon management

IN RECENT YEARS... LANDMARK FEDERAL LEGISLATION HAS UNLOCKED SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARBON MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES... USHERING IN A NEW ERA OF INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION. AT THE FOREFRONT OF THIS DISCUSSION WERE WYOMING GOVERNOR MARK GORDON AND BRAD CRABTREE... ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT.

THE WORKSHOP FEATURED PANEL DISCUSSIONS INVOLVING KEY STAKEHOLDERS FROM VARIOUS SECTORS.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE....THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING.... THE U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT... THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY....AND KAWASAKI HEAVY INDUSTRIES DELVED INTO REGULATORY IMPLICATIONS AND ADVANCEMENTS IN TECHNOLOGY. WYOMING'S COMMITMENT.... SPEARHEADED BY GOVERNOR MARK GORDON....SHOWCASES THE STATE'S DEDICATION TO PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES IN THE ENERGY SECTOR.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Health

DATE: 10/2/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: WDH reports increase in Syphilis cases

THERE HAS BEEN A MARKED INCREASE IN REPORTED SYPHILIS CASES IN WYOMING...

AND THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IS SHARING PREVENTION STRATEGIES TO HELP PROTECT RESIDENTS.

THE D-O-H HAS NOTED A 54-PERCENT INCREASE IN REPORTED SYPHILIS CASES SINCE 2018.

SYPHILIS CAN CAUSE MAJOR HEALTH ISSUES IN INDIVIDUALS AND FETUSES. IT'S RECOMMENDED TO GET TESTED FOR S-T-I'S IF YOU'RE SEXUALLY ACTIVE... AND THEY SAY IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT SIGNS TO LOOK OUT FOR.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Government

DATE: 10/3/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Governor rejects federal funds

GOVERNOR MARK GORDON IS REJECTING ABOUT \$5 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF FUNDING FROM THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S IDEA WAS TO OFFER STATES MONEY IN RETURN FOR SHUTTING DOWN THEIR OIL WELLS IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE EMISSIONS.

THEIR TARGET WAS LOW-VOLUME OIL WELLS, OFTEN REFERRED TO AS STRIPPER WELLS.

STRIPPER WELLS PROVIDE ABOUT 10% OF WYOMING'S OIL PRODUCTION AND GENERATE ABOUT \$265 MILLION OF ANNUAL REVENUE TO OUR STATE.

GORDON SAID QUOTE "THIS APPROACH – CONCOCTED BY DC BUREAUCRATS – SHOWS A COMPLETE DISREGARD FOR THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS INDUSTRY TO WYOMING'S ECONOMY." END QUOTE.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 10/4/2023

LENGTH: 1:30

DESCRIPTION: University of Wyoming says it is committed to free speech

DESPITE SIGNIFICANT CONFLICT THAT'S EVEN LED TO NATIONAL ATTENTION...UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING PRESIDENT ED SEIDEL IS MAINTAINING THE COLLEGE'S COMMIMTENT TO FREE SPEECH.

THIS WEEK, SIEDEL MADE A STATEMENT TO THE U-W COMMUNITY REAFFIRMING THAT THE UNIVERSITY WILL ALLOW A VARIETY OF SPEAKERS AND ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS.

THIS IN THE MIDST OF TWO BIG EVENTS SLATED TO TAKE PLACE THIS MONTH AT U-W WHICH ARE ALREADY GATHERING SCRUTINY.

THOSE INCLUDE A STUDENT-ORGANIZED DRAG SHOW EVENT THAT IS PLANNED FOR THE UPCOMING SHEPARD SYMPOSIUM ON SOCIAL JUSTICE -- WHICH MARKS THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MURDER OF U-W STUDENT, MATTHEW SHEPARD. THE SECOND IS THE APPEARANCE OF POPULAR CONSERVATIVE SPEAKER AND FORMER UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY SWIMMER, RILEY GAINES, WHO WAS INVITED BY THE UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT CHAPTER OF TURNING POINT USA. IN HIS STATEMENT, SEIDEL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT VARIOUS SITUATIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY HAD TESTED THE BOUNDARIES OF FREE EXPRESSION AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE. HE EXPRESSED HIS COMMITMENT TO REPRESENTING VOICES FROM ALL GROUPS.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10 pm

ISSUE: Public Safety

DATE: 10/5/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: US DOT announces funding for Wyoming

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION HAS JUST ANNOUNCED \$403 MILLION TO WYOMING IN FISCAL YEAR 2024.

THIS FUNDING WILL BOLSTER CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS WITHIN THE STATE....FOCUSING ON ROADS.... BRIDGES.. TUNNELS....CARBON EMISSION REDUCTION.... AND SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS.

WYOMING IS SET TO RECEIVE \$403 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024, REPRESENTING THE THIRD YEAR OF FUNDING UNDER THIS LAW.

THIS FUNDING SURGE REFLECTS AN INCREASE OF \$17.6 BILLION IN FORMULA PROGRAMS COMPARED TO FISCAL YEAR 2021, JUST PRIOR TO THE ENACTMENT OF THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW. THESE FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED ANNUALLY BY F-H-W-A BASED ON CONGRESSIONALLY MANDATED FORMULAS.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10 pm

ISSUE: Public Safety

DATE: 10/5/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: Emergency alert raises awareness of Domestic Violence

YESTERDAY ALL CELL PHONE USER NATIONWIDE RECIEVED A WIRELESS EMERGENCY ALERT TEST. WHILE THESE ALERTS ARE IMPORTANT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY... THEY HAVE ALSO SPARKED CONVERSATIONS ONLINE OF THE THREAT THEY MAY POSE TO THOSE EXPERIENCING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

THE TIMING OF THE ALERT COINCIDES WITH THE BEGINNING OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. ACCORDING TO DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE-DOT-ORG... NEARLY 34 PERCENT OF WOMEN AND 30 PERCENT OF MEN HAVE EXPERIENCED PHYSICAL VIOLENCE BY A PARTNER... SEXUAL VIOLENCE... OR STALKING IN THEIR LIFETIMES. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS WYOMING ON A MISSION TO SUPPORT VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE... INCLUDING THE SELF HELP CENTER IN NATRONA COUNTY. THE SELF HELP CENTER OFFERS FREE SERVICES TO DOMESTIC ABUSE VICTIMS TO HELP THEM LIVE SAFE... HAPPY... HEALTHY LIVES.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Education

DATE: 10/6/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: University of Wyoming receives nearly 1M for project

THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING IS SET TO RECEIVE NEARLY 700 THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE WYOMING INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP TO BOLSTER AN ENERGY PROJECT REVOLVING AROUND WHAT'S CALLED BLUE HYDROGEN. THAT'S ACCORDING TO A PRESS RELEASE FROM THE UNIVERSITY. BLUE HYDROGEN IS A PROCESS THAT COMBINES NATURAL GAS WITH STEAM TO CREATE HYDROGEN.

IT'S REFERRED TO AS BLUE HYDROGEN BECAUSE THE PROCESS STORES ITS CARBON DIOXIDE BY-PRODUCT UNDERGROUND, THEORETICALLY MAKING IT A CARBON NEUTRAL PROCESS.

WHILE A MAJOR FOCAL POINT OF THE PROJECT IS TO EXPLORE THE POTENTIAL FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF A HYDROGEN HUB IN WYOMING... EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON DEVELOPING AN EDUCATIONAL AND WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAM TO ACCOMPANY A HYDROGEN INDUSTRY. THE PROJECT, WHICH BEGAN IN SEPTEMBER, IS EXPECTED TO LAST A YEAR. IF SUCCESSFUL, THE TEAM WILL LOOK TO ADVANCE THE PROJECT TOWARD THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LONGER-TERM STRATEGIES TO HELP WYOMING.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 10/7/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Cheyenne resident sentenced for drug trafficking

A CHEYENNE RESIDENT IS SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR TRAFFICKING FENTANYL. KYLE ROZELL... A 34 YEAR OLD OUT OF CHEYENNE... WAS STOPPED BY CHEYENNE POLICE.

UPON A SEARCH OF THE VEHICLE... OFFICERS FOUND OVER 200 FENTANYL PILLS... NEARLY 3 THOUSAND DOLLARS IN CASH... AND A CELL PHONE THAT WAS USED TO BUY AND SELL THESE PILLS.

HE WAS SENTENCED TO 85 MONTHS IN PRISON.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Government

DATE: 10/7/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming senator speaks on possible shutdown

THE POTENTIAL OF A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN HAS BEEN AVOIDED... FOR NOW. WITH A CONTINUING RESOLUTION THROUGH NOVEMBER 17TH... SENATOR JOHN BARRASSO FELT THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO REMAIN OPEN... ESPECIALLY FOR THE STATE OF WYOMING.

ON SEPTEMBER 30TH... CONGRESS PASSED A "STOP-GAP" BILL TO FUND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT UNTIL MID-NOVEMBER... WHICH IN TURN AVOIDED A COMPLETE SHUTDOWN.

WHEN SHUTDOWNS OCCUR... THEY'RE USUALLY IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER DUE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S FISCAL YEAR RUNNING FROM OCTOBER 1ST TO SEPTEMBER 30TH.

SENATOR BARRASSO IS ADAMANT THAT THE APPROPRIATION BILLS NEED TO BE PASSED... AND THAT THE U.S. HAS TO RELY ON ENERGY INDEPENDENCE. THE LAST TIME A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN OCCURRED WAS BACK IN 2019 WHICH LASTED 34 DAYS.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Public Safety

DATE: 10/11/2023

LENGTH: 1:15

DESCRIPTION: WYDOT warns of risks when using GPS "blindly"

FOR THE MOST PART... EVERYONE USES A G.P.S. WHEN TRAVELING THESE DAYS... BUT WYDOT WANTS YOU TO NOT USE YOUR GPS "BLINDLY"... MEANING IF YOU DON'T KNOW THE AREA VERY WELL AND THE WEATHER IS BAD... DO YOUR RESEARCH BEFORE HEADING OUT.

USUALLY YOUR GPS WILL RE-ROUTE YOU TO THE NEXT FASTEST ROUTE IF THERE'S A CLOSURE ON YOUR TRIP... BUT YOUNG SAYS THAT THE GPS COMPANIES DON'T KNOW THE ROAD CONDITIONS ON THE BACK ROADS WHICH COULD BE DANGEROUS.

FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF ROAD CONDITIONS AND CLOSURES DURING THE SNOWY SEASON... WYDOT RECOMMENDS CHECKING THE 5-1-1 APP BEFORE TRAVELING.

WYDOT'S 5-1-1 MOBILE APP IS FREE TO DOWNLOAD AND HAS 24/7 UP TO DATE ROAD CONDITION INFORMATION.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 10/12/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Rocky Mountain Power proposes rate hike

TONIGHT, ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER'S PROPOSAL TO INCREASE RATES BY NEARLY 30% WILL BE PUT ON THE STAND.

THE WYOMING PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IS HOLDING A HEARING IN CASPER TO DISCUSS RATE HIKE IMPACTS AND HEAR ARGUMENTS.

IT'S SET TO TAKE PLACE AT THE THYRA THOMPSON STATE OFFICE BUILDING AT 5:30 PM.

THE PROPOSAL HAS RECEIVED WIDESPREAD SCRUTINY FROM THE PUBLIC AND LAWMAKERS.

ACCORDING TO ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER, THE PRICE HIKES ARE A RESULT OF VOLATILE COAL AND GAS PRICES.

THE POWER COMPANY ALSO ADDED THAT WITHOUT WYOMING'S WIND ENERGY, RATES WOULD'VE INCREASED BY AN ADDITIONAL 60%.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Government, Economy

DATE: 10/13/2023

LENGTH: 3:00

DESCRIPTION: Northern Arapaho Tribe shares housing issues

MANY WYOMING COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN GRAPPLING WITH THE HOUSING CRISIS, WITH THE WIND RIVER RESERVATION BEING PARTICULARLY AFFECTED. TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS ARE WORKING TO MEET THE HOUSING NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE.

THIS WEEK THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO HOUSING AUTHORITY CELEBRATED THE COMPLETION OF THE CHIEF BLACK COAL HOUSING PROJECT ON THE WIND RIVER RESERVATION. LOCATED IN THE ARAPAHO AREA, THE CHIEF BLACK COAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT INCLUDES 20 THREE AND FOUR BEDROOM UNITS. THE PROJECT COST 10.1 MILLION DOLLARS TO COMPLETE, AND WAS PARTIALLY FUNDED BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.

THE HOUSING PROJECT WAS NAMED IN HONOR OF CHIEF BLACK COAL, WHO PLAYED AN INSTRUMENTAL ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WIND RIVER RESERVATION.

W. PATRICK SOT: IN HIS TRAVELS TO WASHINGTON D.C. I BELIEVE HE MET WITH PRESIDENT HAYES AT THE TIME, AND WAS ABLE TO GET AN AGREEMENT WITH PRESIDENT HAYES TO PERMANENTLY PLACE THE ARAPAHO HERE ON THE WIND RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION.

W. PATRICK SOT : WE WANTED TO HONOR HIS LEGACY AND HIS VISION OF PROVIDING A HOME FOR HIS PEOPLE. THAT'S WHAT THESE 20 HOMES REPRESENT, THAT VISION.

OFFICIALS SAY THERE IS A MAJOR HOUSING SHORTAGE ON THE WIND RIVER RESERVATION. THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO HOUSING AUTHORITY ESTIMATES THAT THE AREA REQUIRES CLOSE TO 400 ADDITIONAL HOMES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY.

HARVEY SOT: WE HAVE OUR ELDERLY, WE HAVE OUR VETERANS, WE HAVE OUR HOMELESS THAT WE STILL NEED TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR, BUT THROUGH WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED HERE SHOWS WHAT WE ARE ABLE TO BE SUCCESSFUL AT.

HARVEY SOT: IT'S REALLY SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF, OUR IDENTITY, OUR SOVEREIGNTY... WE ESTABLISH OUR SELF-SUFFICIENCY, OUR CULTURAL COMPONENT THAT WE INSTILLED HERE, IT ALL COMES TOGETHER AND WE CAN

ACCOMPLISH IT.

HARVEY SOT : TO SEE THE UNITS UP AND ALL READY FOR OCCUPANCY REALLY INSTILLS PRIDE.

FAMILIES WILL BE MOVING IN TO THE CHIEF BLACK COAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BY THE END OF OCTOBER.

I'M QUINN WHITE, WYOMING NEWS NOW.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Public Safety, Health

DATE: 10/14/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: Laramie County suicide rates twice the national average

ACCORDING TO THE WYOMING INSTITUTE OF HEALTH...

THE SUICIDE RATE IN LARAMIE COUNTY IS TWICE THE U-S RATE.

A BIG FACTOR IS ACCESS TO FIREARMS.

86% OF SUICIDES IN LARAMIE COUNTY ARE VIA A FIREARM.

MALES ACCOUNTED FOR 9 OUT OF 10 SUICIDES...

WITH 43 BEING THE AVERAGE AGE OF THOSE WHO DO COMMIT SUICIDE.

A VARIETY OF FACTORS... LIKE ALCOHOL AND DRUGS... CAN LEAD TO SUICIDE.

BUT THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IS SOCIAL ISOLATION.

IN FACT... EXPERTS SAY 45% OF SUICIDES ARE CAUSED BY SOCIAL ISOLATION.

WARDLE SAYS WYOMING CAN IMPROVE BY HAVING BEHAVIORAL

TRAINED PHYSICIANS GO OUT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT...

TO HELP PEOPLE DEALING WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 10/16/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: Cheyenne Police respond to multiple pursuits

CHEYENNE POLICE HAD A BUSY SATURDAY... GETTING INVOLVED IN 2 HIGH SPEED CHASES.

LET'S BEGIN

EARLY SATURDAY MORNING... WITH A ROUTINE TRAFFIC STOP. A CHEVROLET PICKUP TRUCK WAS STOPPED JUST AFTER 2AM IN THE 1200 BLOCK OF AMES AVENUE.

THE DRIVER... NOW IDENTIFIED AS EVAN KEARSLEY... A 35 YEAR OLD FROM CHEYENNE... PULLED OVER AND WAS APPROACHED BY AN OFFICER. AFTER BEING TOLD TO REMOVE THE KEYS FROM THE IGNITION... KEARSLEY INSTEAD FLED FROM OFFICERS.

DURING THE PURSUIT... HIGHWAY PATROL SUCESSFULLY USED A SPIKE STRIP... HOWEVER THE TRUCK CONTINUED ON AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED.

KEARSLEY TURNED INTO THE PARKING LOT OF ROSSMAN ELEMENTARY... NEARLY COLLIDING WITH AN OFFICERS VEHICLE.

AS HE TRIED TO EXIT THE PARKING LOT... KEARSLEY WAS BLOCKED IN BY A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY. IN AN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE... HE RAMMED THE DEPUTY'S CAR... WITH THE DEPUTY STILL IN THE VEHICLE.

A CHEYENNE POLICE OFFICER RAN TO... AND OPENED KEARSLEY'S DRIVER DOOR... AND TOOK HIM INTO CUSTODY. HE IS CHARGED WITH D-U-I... AGGRAVATED ASSAULT... AND MORE.

THANKFULLY... NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED

LATER SATURDAY AFTERNOON... CHEYENNE POLICE ARE LED ON YET ANOTHER HIGH SPEEN PURSUIT... THIS TIME WITH A STOLEN VEHICLE.

AROUND 4:30PM... AN OFFICER SEES A HYUNDAI SONATA PARKED ON WEST 5TH STREET. THE CAR'S LICENSE PLATE INDICATED THE VEHICLE WAS STOLEN FROM LONGMONT... COLORADO. THE CAR BACKED OUT ONTO 5TH STREET AND WENT TOWARDS INTERSTATE 80... WHERE THE OFFICER THEN ATTEMPTED TO INITIATE A TRAFFIC STOP. THE HYUNDAI ACCELERATED TO A HIGH RATE OF SPEED... AND LED THE PURSUIT ONTO I-25 NORTH. THE CAR EXITED ONTO WEST PERSHING... WHERE THE OFFICER LOST SIGHT OF THE VEHICLE. HOWEVER... TIPS FROM THE COMMUNITY HELPED OFFICERS LOCATE THE VEHICLE IN AN ALLEY ON MCCOMB AVENUE.

OFFICERS LOCATED THE MALE SUSPECT... JARRED PACHECO... A 38 YEAR OLD FROM CHEYENNE... ALONG WITH 2 OTHER UNIDENTIFIED WOMEN WHO WERE IN THE CAR WITH HIM.

DURING A SEARCH OF THE VEHICLE... OFFICERS FOUND SEVERAL GLASS PIPES... A DIGITAL SCALE... AND A LOADED SHOTGUN.

PACHECO WAS ALSO FOUND TO HAVE AN OUTSTANDING WARRANT IN COLORADO

INVOLVING DRUG CHARGES. HE WAS BOOKED INTO THE LARAMIE COUNTY DETENTION CENTER FOR THE WARRANT... ALONGSIDE ADDITIONAL CHARGES OF RECKLESS DRIVING... POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA... THEFT... AND MORE.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 10/19/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: City speaks on changes coming to National Cemetery

VETERANS WANT CHANGES IN THE CHEYENNE NATIONAL CEMETERY.

AND ONE BIG CHANGE THEY WANT...IS THE ROADS.

CITY ENGINEER THOMAS COBB SAYS THE ROADS ARE MADE OUT OF GRAVEL SO THEY'RE SUSCEPTIBLE TO MOISTURE.

BEFORE ANY WORK CAN BE DONE ON THE ROADS, THERE ARE SEVERAL STEPS THAT NEED TO BE TAKEN.

FIRST, A LAND SURVEY NEEDS TO BE DONE.

ALONG WITH IT, A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY TO GET ELEVATION DATA.

UNDERGROUND DATA WILL ALSO NEED TO BE GATHERED TO LOOK FOR SOIL ISSUES.

AFTER THE SURVEY THERE WILL BE A BIDDING PROCESS...WHERE CONTRACTORS CAN BID ON BUILDING THE ROADWAYS.

COBB SAYS HE EXPECTS THE ROADWAYS CONSTRUCTION TO START IN SUMMER OF NEXT YEAR.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10 pm

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 10/23/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Workforce services releases unemployment numbers

THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES RESEARCH & PLANNING SECTION REPORTED TODAY THAT THE STATE'S SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE REMAINED UNCHANGED FROM AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER AT 2.9%.

WYOMING'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS MUCH LOWER THAN ITS YEAR-AGO LEVEL OF 3.8%... AND LOWER THAN THE CURRENT U.S. RATE OF 3.8%.

FROM AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER... MOST COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOLLOWED THEIR NORMAL SEASONAL PATTERN AND FELL MODESTLY. LARAMIE COUNTY SAW A SLIGHT DECREASE IN UNEMPLOYMENT RATES GOING

LARAMIE COUNTY SAW A SLIGHT DECREASE IN UNEMPLOYMENT RATES GOING FROM 2.8% TO NOW 2.7%.

FOR NATRONA COUNTY THE RATE DROPPED FROM 3.0% BACK IN AUGUST TO NOW 2.8% FOR SEPTEMBER.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT DATA FOR OCTOBER WILL BE RELEASED ON NOVEMBER 20, 2023.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 10/26/2023

LENGTH: 3:00

DESCRIPTION: Controversial speaker visits University of Wyoming

FORMER ALL-AMERICAN SWIMMER AND POPULAR, THOUGH CONTROVERSIAL, SPEAKER RILEY GAINES, GAVE A SPEECH TUESDAY NIGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING.

ATTENDED BY SUPPORTERS AND PROTESTORS ALIKE... GAINES PREACHED THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING WOMEN... THOUGH HER OPPONENTS SEE HER AS A SOURCE OF HATE.

TUESDAY NIGHT, HUNDREDS FILLED THE EDUCATION AUDITORIUM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING TO SEE THE NATIONALLY-KNOWN, HIGHLY POLARIZING, SPEAKER, RILEY GAINES.

GAINES WAS A 12-TIME ALL-AMERICAN SWIMMER FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, WHO'S NOW THE DIRECTOR OF THE RILEY GAINES CENTER AT THE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE.

SHE'S BEST KNOWN FOR SPEAKING OUT AGAINST TRANS-WOMAN INVOLVEMENT IN WOMEN'S SPORTS.

SHE ROSE TO PROMINENCE WHEN SHE LOST AN NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP RACE TO TRANSGENDER SWIMMER LIA THOMAS WITH WHOM SHE ALSO HAD TO SHARE A LOCKER ROOM.

IT WAS THAT EXPERIENCE THAT PROPELLED GAINES TO MAKE HER VOICE HEARD.

HER MESSAGE WAS ONE THAT INTENDED TO PROTECT THE FEMALE IDENTITY, THEIR PRIVACY AND SAFETY, WHILE EMPOWERING OTHERS TO STEP UP TOO.

THAT MESSAGE INCLUDED KEEPING WOMENS' SPORTS AND SPACES ONLY FOR BIOLOGICAL WOMEN.

SHE SAYS MEN ARE MEN AND WOMEN ARE WOMEN.

THAT'S WHERE HER OPPONENTS DISAGREE.<>

ONLY A FEW MINUTES INTO HER SPEECH, A SMALL WALKOUT WAS STAGED WHEN NEARLY AN ENTIRE ROW STOOD UP, TORE A RILEY GAINES POSTER IN HALF, AND EXITED THE BUILDING.

ONE OF THOSE PROTESTORS BELIEVES U-W IS FAILING THEIR STUDENTS.

IT'S NOT FAIR FOR THIS CAMPUS TO HARBOR A PERSON THAT IS SO AGAINST EVERYTHING THAT THIS UNIVERSITY STANDS FOR. BEING OPEN, BEING INCLUSIVE, BEING A PART OF A CULTURE THAT IS CHANGING FOR THE BETTER

GAINES' SPEECH TOOK PLACE JUST TWO WEEKS AFTER THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRIZZLY MURDER OF GAY UW STUDENT, MATTHEW SHEPARD. SOMETHING A CURRENT STUDENT SAYS, WHILE BEING BROUGHT TO TEARS, PROVES THAT THE UNIVERSITY HASN'T GROWN AT ALL.

TO ALLOW THIS ON CAMPUS WITHIN THE SAME MONTH AS A TERRIBLE HATE CRIME DOESN'T DEMONSTRATE THAT WE'VE GROWN AT ALL AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING WE SHOULD REFLECT ON.

GAINES SAYS SHE'S NOT AGAINST ANYONE. BUT NOTHING IS WORTH COMPROMISING THE SAFETY AND PRIVACY OF GIRLS.

THE ARGUMENT IS PRO-WOMEN IT'S NOT ANTI-ANYTHING OFCOURSE TRANS-ATHLETES SHOULD PLAY SPORTS NO ONE IS BEING DENIED PLAYING SPORTS BUT WE CANNOT PRIORITIZE INCLUSION AT THE EXPENSE OF SAFETY AND AT THE EXPENSE OF FAIRNESS, THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT.

GAINES ALSO ADDED THAT IT'S NOT JUST TRANS-INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE AT RISK.

SO OFTEN WE HEAR YOU KNOW WELL WHAT MESSAGE ARE WE SENDING TO TRANS-INDIVIDUALS OR TRANS YOUTH WHEN WE DENY THEM ACCESS TO PLAYING IN THE SPORT THAT ALIGNS WITH THEIR GENDER IDENTITY. MY REBUTTAL TO THAT IS WHAT MESSAGE ARE WE SENDING TO YOUNG GIRLS WHEN WE TELL THEM THEY'RE NOT WORTHY OF PRIVACY.

FOR THE CROWD THAT REMAINED, WYOMING SAID GOODBYE TO RILEY WITH A STANDING OVATION.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now this Morning

ISSUE: Government

DATE: 10/27/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: City of Cheyenne looking at management of parking

THE CITY OF CHEYENNE IS LOOKING TO OVERHAUL THE WAY THEY MANAGE PARKING.

ON MONDAY, CHEYENNE CITY COUNCIL VOTED 7 TO 1 TO REQUIRE CHEYENNE POLICE TO ANALYZE THE BEST AVENUE FOR TRANSITIONING THE DOWNTOWN PARKING PROGRAM TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES MODEL.

THE CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY IN CHARGE OF ENFORCING PARKING BUT HAS LIMITED RESOURCES TO DO THAT EFFECTIVELY, LEADING TO \$250,000 IN UNPAID PARKING TICKETS.

SO NOW, THE CHEYENNE CITY COUNCIL IS CONSIDERING LIFTING THAT BURDEN AND HIRING OUTSIDE HELP TO MANAGE PARKING IN DOWNTOWN CHEYENNE.

COUNCIL MEMBER MICHELLE ALDRICH SAYS IT'S IMPORTANT TO FIX PARKING... TO PROTECT DOWNTOWN STORE OWNERS.

ACCORDING TO THE COUNCIL DOCUMENTS THE POLICE WILL MAKE RECCOMENDATIONS.... ON THE BEST PROFESSIONAL PARKING MANAGEMENT FIRMS FOR THE CITY.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 10/28/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming's economy shows signs of health

WYOMING'S ECONOMY AND WORKFORCE CONTINUE TO SHOW SIGNS OF HEALTH... ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM THE GOVERNORS OFFICE. AS OF JULY... THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 18,000 JOB OPENINGS IN THE STATE. THE CURRENT UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN WYOMING FELL TO 2.9 PERCENT... WELL BELOW THE NATIONAL AVERAGE OF 3.8.

IN ADDITION... ONLY 1835 PEOPLE ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT. ROBIN SESSIONS COOLEY... DIRECTOR OF WYOMING WORKFORCE SERVICES SAYS QUOTE... "HISTORICALLY... THIS TELLS US THAT PEOPLE WHO WANT JOBS... HAVE THEM"

YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT THESE STATISTICS ON OUR WEBSITE AT WYOMINGNEWSNOW.TV.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Public Safety

DATE: 10/29/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: WYDOT increases messaging for public safety

BETTER MESSAGING MEANS MORE INFORMED DRIVERS.
THAT'S WHAT VINCE GARCIA WITH THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION SAYS... REGARDING IT'S NEW BLOW OVER WARNINGS.
THE DEPARTMENT IS UPDATING BLOW OVER RISK MESSAGING ON WYOMING'S
WINDY DAYS TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC WEIGHTS THAT ARE MOST AT RISK.
NOW... DUE TO RESEARCH FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING... THE AGENCY
CAN GIVE ACTUAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON THESE HIGH WIND DAYS.
DURING THE WINTER... YOU MAY SEE THESE UPDATED SIGNS ON I-80... 25... AND
HIGHWAY 28 WHERE THE STATE SEES THE MOST BLOWOVERS.
GARCIA ALSO REMINDS DRIVERS... WHEN IN DOUBT... WAIT IT OUT!

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Public Safety, Education

DATE: 10/31/2023

LENGTH: 1:15

DESCRIPTION: School District shares inclement weather plans

WINTER IS COMING... AND AS YOU KNOW... WE'VE ALREADY SEEN SOME SNOW. THE NATRONA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT WANTS TO REMIND EVERYONE OF THEIR INCLEMENT WEATHER PROTOCOL IN CASE OF SCHOOL CLOSURES OR DELAYS.

THE N.C.S.D.'S INCLEMENT WEATHER TEAM CONTINUALLY MONITORS FORECASTED WEATHER CONDITIONS... AND COMMUNICATIONS ARE SENT OUT EITHER THROUGH TEXT OR PHONE CALL BY 5:30 A.M.

THERE ARE SEVERAL CLOSURE OPTIONS TO THE DISTRICT... FULL CLOSURE... LATE START... EARLY DISMISSALS... FULL OR PARTIAL OPTIONS FROM THE FIRST THREE... MEANING THAT HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS MAY EXIST AT SOME SCHOOLS AND NOT OTHERS. THE N.C.S.D. MAY EXERCISE ONE OF THE ABOVE OPTIONS FOR ONE SCHOOL WHILE OTHER SCHOOLS CONTINUE THEIR NORMAL DAY... AND LASTLY CLASSROOM BASED VIRTUAL LEARNING.

PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WILL BE NOTIFIED THROUGH INFINITE CAMPUS IF AN INCLEMENT WEATHER DAY WILL BE A CLASSROOM BASED VIRTUAL EDUCATION DAY.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Government

DATE: 11/1/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: City of Casper discusses development plans

SO WHAT DOES A CITY DO WHEN THEY HAVE SOME EXCESS LAND WITH NOTHING ON IT?

WELL... THEY LOOK FOR WAYS TO DEVELOP IT... AND THE CITY OF CASPER IS DOING JUST THAT.

OUR JAMES MCDOWELL HAS THE DETAILS.

THE FORD WYOMING CENTER CAN BE A POPULAR DESTINATION FOR FOLKS FROM OUT OF TOWN. BUT ACROSS THE STREET? WELL... NOT SO MUCH. HOWEVER, CITY MANAGER CARTER NAPIER SAYS THAT COULD CHANGE IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE.

CARTER: "WITHOUT A DOUBT, THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPORTS RANCH IN THAT AREA, CERTAINLY INSPIRED THE DISCUSSION THAT INDEED, ANCILLARY AND SUPPORT BUSINESSES NEED TO BE NEARBY."

AFTER TWO STUDIES WERE DONE, THE CITY ASKED RESIDENTS TO SUGGEST LAND-USE IDEAS. THE IDEAS RANGED FROM OUTDOOR RECREATION TO RETAIL TO TECH AND BUSINESS. AND NAPIER SAYS IT'S POSSIBLE TO SEE A COMBO OF USES ON THE 100+ ACRES OF LAND.

CARTER: "THE COMMUNITY IDENTIFIED... WHAT I WOULD CONSIDER A MIXED USE AREA. CERTAINLY THE LION'S SHARE OF THAT LAND NEEDS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR RETAIL... AND PROBABLY LODGING KINDS OF APPLICATIONS. SO THE PUBLIC WAS RIGHT ON TRACK WITH THAT CONCEPT. BECAUSE THAT'S THE TYPICAL BUSINESS THAT'S NEAR THESE KINDS OF AREAS. WE ALSO GOT THE DIRECTION THAT HAVING SOME OUTDOOR RECREATION SPACE AVAILABLE WOULD MAKE SOME SENSE. BECAUSE IT KIND OF BUILDS ON THE ENERGY THAT'S CREATED UP THERE. AND IS ALREADY UNDERWAY IN THAT SAME GENERAL AREA."

TO DEVELOP ANYTHING, IT TAKES MONEY. SO WHERE EXACTLY WILL THIS MONEY BE COMING FROM FOR THIS PLAN?

CARTER: "WE ARE IN THE PROCESS RIGHT NOW, OF MAKING AN APPROACH TO THE STATE OF WYOMING, THROUGH THEIR BUSINESS COUNCIL PROGRAM. TO SEE IF THEY WOULD INDEED BE WILLING TO BE A PARTNER... PARTICULARLY IN THE FIRST PHASE... TO CONSTRUCT WHAT'S NEEDED BY WAY OF THE SANITARY,

SEWER, AND STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE. SO WE ARE MAKING APPLICATIONS FOR A 5-MILLION DOLLAR GRANT, AND A 1-MILLION DOLLAR LOAN, THAT WOULD GET US WELL ON OUR WAY TO GETTING THAT LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT COMPLETE."

I'M JAMES MCDOWELL, WYOMING NEWS NOW.

NAPIER SAYS THAT... IF THE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE... THEY HOPE TO START DEVELOPING THE AREA NEXT SUMMER.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Education

DATE: 11/1/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: WDE discusses library material guidance

TODAY (WED) AT 1 PM, EDUCATION SUPERINTENDENT MEGAN DEGENFELDER AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WILL ANNOUNCE THE RELEASE OF A GUIDANCE FOR LIBRARY BOOK MATERIAL.

DEGENFELDER HOPES SCHOOL DISTRICTS WILL UTILIZE THIS GUIDANCE TO EVALUATE OR IMPLEMENT THEIR SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING WHICH BOOKS ARE ALLOWED IN SCHOOLS.

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CAPITOL COMPLEX AUDITORIUM, BASEMENT-LEVEL OF THE HERSCHLER BUILDING.

DEGENFELDER TESTIFIED EARLIER THIS MONTH IN WASHINGTON D-C ON THE NEED TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM EXPLICIT MATERIAL IN SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 11/4/2023

LENGTH: 1:15

DESCRIPTION: Job growth on a steady pace across the state

JOB GROWTH HAS BEEN ON A STEADY RISE ACROSS THE COUNTRY... AND HERE IN WYOMING.

LAST QUARTER... TOTAL EMPLOYMENT IN THE STATE ROSE BY 2.5 PERCENT. ACCORDING TO THE "WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES" RESEARCH AND PLANNING DIVISION... THE SECTOR THAT SAW THE MOST GROWTH WAS IN PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS SERVICES... WHICH INCLUDES JOBS FROM ENGINEERING AND ACCOUNTING... TO JANITORIAL AND LANDSCAPING WORK.

THERE WAS ALSO GROWTH IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT...HEALTHCARE... AND THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRIES.

AS THE AMOUNT OF JOB OPPORTUNITIES INCREASES... UNEMPLOYMENT HAS BEEN ON THE DECLINE.

WYOMING'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS AT 2.9 PERCENT... WHILE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE SITS AT 3.8 PERCENT.

AS THE ECONOMY CONTINUES TO BOUNCE BACK FROM THE PANDEMIC... THE AMOUNT OF JOBS WILL CONTINUE TO GROW.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Weekend

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 11/5/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Wyoming senator speaks on border crisis

SENATOR CYNTHIA LUMMIS ALSO LOOKS FOR CHANGE AT OUR SOUTHERN BORDER... INTRODUCING THE SOUTHERN BORDER TRANSPARENCY ACT. SENATOR LUMMIS TEAMED UP WITH TEXAS SENATOR JOHN CORNYN... ALONGSIDE 24 OTHER SENATORS ON THIS BILL. IT WOULD REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO ACCURATELY REPORT... HOW IT IS HANDLING ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS AT THE BORDER. IT ALSO ENSURES THAT AMERICAN CITIZENS HAVE ACCESS... TO THE NUMBER OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS BEING RELEASED INTO THE COUNTRY. SHE HOPES THIS BILL WILL GIVE WYOMINGITES MORE INSIGHT... INTO HOW THIS ISSUE FURTHER IMPACTS THE FENTANYL CRISIS... WHICH CONTINUES TO IMPACT WYOMING COMMUNITIES.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 11/7/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Remains found in Laramie

ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON... A PERSON WAS WALKING THEIR DOG AND FOUND A HUMAN SKELETON.

FOLLOWING THE DISCOVERY... THE PERSON CALLED LARAMIE POLICE... WHO RESPONDED TO THE AREA NEAR WEST CURTIS STREET. NOTHING AT THE SCENE HELPED INVESTIGATORS IDENTIFY THE REMAINS.

THE SITUATION IS UNDER INVESTIGATION... AND FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGISTS ARE WORKING TO IDENTIFY THE REMAINS.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 11/8/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: Police arrest shots fired suspect

AROUND 12:30 THIS AFTERNOON... SHOTS WERE FIRED AT A GAS STATION IN THE 2400 BLOCK OF C-Y AVENUE...

AND CASPER POLICE ARE NOW ASKING THE PUBLIC FOR HELP...

FINDING THE SUSPECT.

CASPER POLICE HAVE IDENTIFIED THIS MAN... CASPER RESIDENT JEREMY

WHITE... AS THE SUSPECT.

WHITE IS DESCRIBED AS 5'7" TALL AND 235 POUNDS.

POLICE BELIEVE HE IS HIDING OUT IN CASPER STILL...

AND SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

POLICE SAY IF YOU SEE WHITE... DO NOT APPROACH HIM... BUT CALL 9-1-1 OR THE PUBLIC SAFETY NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER.

THE SHOTS WERE FIRED AT THE SMITH'S EXPRESS GAS STATION EARLIER ON TODAY.

THANKFULLY... NO ONE WAS INJURED.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at Noon

ISSUE: Crime, Public Safety

DATE: 11/9/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: AARP warns of Medicare, Medicaid fraud

OPEN ENROLLMENT SEASON IS IN FULL SWING... AND SO ARE SCAMS. ITS ESTIMATED THAT MORE THAN 100 BILLION DOLLARS IN MEDICARE AND MEDICAID FRAUD TAKES PLACE EACH YEAR IN THE U.S. SCAMMERS MAY CALL CLAIMMING TO BE AN ADVISOR OR BENEFIT ENROLLMENT AGENT TO ATTEMPT TO GET INFORMATION.

THE NEWEST SCAM IS THE "FLEX CARD"... CLAIMING THAT IT COVERS COSTS THAT MEDICARE DOESN'T.

IF YOU'RE WORRIED YOU'VE BEEN SCAMMED... YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT TO DO NEXT ... ON OUR WEBSITE AT WYOMING NEWS NOW DOT TV

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Education

DATE: 11/10/2023

LENGTH: 1:15

DESCRIPTION: South High introduces ROTC elective

THIS YEAR SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL IS INTRODUCING ARMY R-O-T-C AS AN ELECTIVE FOR STUDENTS.

PREVIOUSLY SOUTH HIGH STUDENTS HAD BEEN BUSSING OVER TO EAST FOR THEIR ROTC PROGRAM.

THERE ARE ABOUT 70 STUDENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN SOUTH'S PROGRAM. IN THEIR CLASSES... THEY DISCUSS AND LEARN ABOUT LEADERSHIP... GEOGRAPHY... AS WELL AS "PT DAYS" WHERE THEY FOCUS ON PHYSICAL TRAINING.

THE STUDENTS IN SOUTH'S JROTC PROGRAM ARE EXCITED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NOW HAVE THE PROGRAM AT THEIR OWN SCHOOL.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now this Weekend

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 11/11/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Police share details of shots fired incident

WE BEGIN IN CASPER TONIGHT...

WHERE FOR THE SECOND TIME THIS WEEK... POLICE HAVE RESPONDED TO REPORTS OF SHOTS FIRED.

THIS HAPPENED ON FRIDAY NIGHT AFTER 9 PM.

CASPER POLICE RESPONDED TO CALLS OF SHOTS FIRED IN THE 600 BLOCK OF NORTH SUN DRIVE.

NO INJURIES WERE REPORTED... BUT MULTIPLE HOMES AND VEHICLES WERE HIT. POLICE ARE INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT.

AND IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION... YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE CASPER POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Education

DATE: 11/13/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: LCCC receives grant

LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECIEVED A GENEROUS GRANT FROM UNION PACIFIC... GRACE SWANKE JOINS US WITH MORE.

"LCCC AND UP HAVE HAD A LONG HISTORY OF PARTNERSHIPS, THEY'VE HAD A DEEP PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COLLEGE FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS. BUT TODAY WE'RE CELEBRATING THE MOST RECENT PARTNERSHIP, AND ITS A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT BY UP INTO TWO OF OUR MOST PROMINENT TRADE PROGRAMS; OUR WELDING METALS PROGRAM, AND OUR DIESEL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM."

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD HAS PARTNERED WITH LCCC TO GIVE A NEW GRANT, TOTALLING IN \$300,000 OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

"UNION PACIFIC HAS A FOUNDATION AND WE DO COMMUNITY TIES GIVING, AND WE WANT TO BE ENGAGED IN THE 7,000 PLUS COMMUNITIES WE OPERATE ACROSS OUR NETWORK. LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND UNION PACIFIC HAVE WORKED REALLY HARD TO DEVELOP THIS PROGRAM, WE'RE ENHANCING AND GROWING THE WELDING PROGRAM, ENHANCING AND GROWING THE DIESEL MECHANIC PROGRAM. THOSE ARE TWO AREAS OF SKILLED TRADES THAT UNION PACIFIC IS ALWAYS LOOKING TO HIRE."

THE GRANT WILL GO TOWARDS NEW EQUIPMENT, PROGRAM RECRUITMENT, PROGRAM EXPANSION, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

"ITS ONLY THROUGH INDUSTRY PARTNERS THAT WE'RE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO SUSTAIN THE LEVEL OF QUALITY THAT WE HAVE HERE. UP HAS BEEN ONE OF THOSE PARTNERS, THEY STEPPED IN IN HELPING US WITH MOBILE TECHNOLOGY, AND WELDING LABS WITH FUNDING FOR DIFFERENT PROGRAM ASPECTS AND FOR SOME OF THE COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS THAT ALLOW US TO REACH INTO HIGH SCHOOLS TO LOOK AT THE NEXT GENERATION OF STUDENTS TO COME THROUGH."

THE PARTNERSHIP IS MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AS IT ASSITS BY FULFILLING CAREER TRACK JOBS.

"A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO TAKE WHAT WE'RE DOING AND GROW IT AND KEEP LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTNER."

"LCCC IS INCREDIBLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH UP AND SO MANY OTHER BUSINESS PARTNERS, THIS IS JUST ANOTHER GREAT

EXAMPLE TO DEMONSTRATE HOW THOSE PARTNERSHIPS ARE REALLY BENEFITTING THE FOLKS THAT CONTINUE TO LIVE AND WORK HERE IN WYOMING."

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Public Safety

DATE: 11/14/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: Cars vs Pedestrian crashes increase

LATE LAST WEEK... TWO PEOPLE WERE STRUCK BY CARS IN TWO SEPARATE ACCIDENTS WHILE WALKING THROUGHOUT CASPER.

THE CASPER POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR BOTH PEDESTRIANS AND DRIVERS TO PAY ATTENTION WHEN GOING ABOUT THEIR DAY. THE FIRST INCIDENT HAPPENED JUST AFTER 4 PM ON THURSDAY WHEN OFFICERS RESPONDED TO THE INCIDENT AT THE INTERSECTION OF WEST YELLOWSTONE HIGHWAY AND SOUTH ASH.

THE SECOND HAPPENED JUST BEFORE 9 PM ON SATURDAY WHEN THE PERSON WAS CROSSING E 12TH STREET EAST OF BEVERLY.

IN BOTH CASES THE DRIVERS WERE FOUND TO NOT BE IMPAIRED AND BOTH OF THE INJURED VICTIMS WERE TRANSPORTED TO BANNER WYOMING MEDICAL CENTER WITH NON-LIFE THREATENING INJURIES.

WITH THESE TWO INCIDENTS... IT BRINGS THE TOTAL OF FOUR PEOPLE BEING STRUCK BY VEHICLES WITHIN THE PAST TWO MONTHS.

BROWNELL ALSO MENTIONS THAT DRIVERS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT AFTERNOON SUNSETS AND EARLIER DARK HOURS REQUIRE MORE ATTENTION WHILE DRIVING AS IT MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT TO SEE PEOPLE WALKING.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now this Morning

ISSUE: Government

DATE: 11/17/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: City breaks ground on new senior center

A GROUNDBREAKING TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY (THU) FOR THE NEW LARAMIE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER... OUR REPORTER GRACE SWANKE WAS AT THE CEREMONY AND HAS MORE.

ON NOVEMBER 16TH GROUND WAS BROKE ON THE NEW LARAMIE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER.

THE CENTER IS BEING CONSTRUCTED ON VACANT LAND OWNED BY THE CHEYENNE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

"TODAY IS THE START OF THAT CONSTRUCTION TERM, WHICH'LL LAST PROBABLY 12 - 15 MONTHS."

LARAMIE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES IS SHIFTING FROM A CHA PROGRAM, INTO A 501(C)3 NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

"SO THAT ALLOWS MORE FLEXIBILITY, MORE OPPORTUNITY TO GENERATE RESOURCES, TO GAIN MORE COMMUNITY SUPPORT, AND DIVERSIFY THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS THAT ARE OPERATED IN THE FACILITY."

LARAMIE COUNTY'S POPULATION HAS NEARLY DOUBLED IN THE LAST 50 YEARS, AND THE PREVIOUS CENTER HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH THE DEMAND. "THIS IS A GREAT DAY OF CHEYENNE, A SENIOR CENTER IS SOMETHING THAT IS GONNA BENEFIT SO MANY PEOPLE, AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON THIS."

"SO BACK IN 2011 WE WERE APPROACHED BY WHO'S ON THE CHEYENNE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD, AND HE SAID WE NEED A NEW SENIOR SERVICES CENTER." THE SUPPORT FOR THE CENTER COMES FROM 6TH PENNY FUNDING APPROVED BY VOTERS.

"WE REALLY FELT THAT THE SENIOR CENTER FIT WELL IN THE COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT SECTOR OF THE BALLOT, AND VOTERS OBVIOUSLY RESPONDED WELL AND SAW THAT THIS WAS AN INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITY." THE NEW BUILDING WILL BE 12,000 SQUARE FEET BIGGER THAN THE CURRENT CENTER

"WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE VOTE AND THE PATIENCE OF THE COMMUNITY AND LOOK FORWARD TO OPENING THE NEW CENTER."

"THE CENTER IS EXPECTED TO OPEN IN SPRING OF 2025. FOR WYOMING NEWS NOW, I'M GRACE SWANKE.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10 pm

ISSUE: Economy

DATE: 11/20/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: State Economic Analysis Division releases report

THE STATE'S ECONOMIC ANALYSIS DIVISION HAS RELEASED ITS ECONOMIC INDICATORS REPORT.

WYOMING'S ECONOMIC HEALTH INDEX IS REPORTED AS 106 POINT 8 IN SEPTEMBER OF 20-23.

THAT IS HIGHER THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

SALES AND USE TAX COLLECTIONS FROM THE MINING SECTOR CONTINUED TO IMPROVE IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER.

IT WAS UP 18 PERCENT COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Education

DATE: 11/22/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: WDE releases Digital Learning Plan

THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HAS RELEASED THE 2023-28 WYOMING DIGITAL LEARNING PLAN... TO ENSURE THAT WYOMING'S STUDENTS HAVE EQUAL ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITIES AT THE FOREFRONT OF DIGITAL LEARNING.

THE PLAN ENHANCES LEARNING BY INCREASING TECHNOLOGY USE IN THE CLASSROOM... AND SUPPORTS EDUCATORS TO IMPLEMENT THESE RESOURCES. THE HOPE IS THAT STUDENTS WILL ATTAIN TECHNOLOGICAL SKILLS REQUIRED BY THE WORKFORCE, POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, OR THE MILITARY. DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP WILL INFORM STUDENTS ABOUT DIGITAL TOOLS... SUCH AS THE INTERNET, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE... IN A SAFE, RESPECTFUL, AND RESPONSIBLE MANNER. DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY WILL ALSO BE A FOCAL POINT.

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now at 10pm

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 11/28/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: Casper City Council discusses expansion

TONIGHT AT CASPER'S CITY COUNCIL MEETING ...

A TOPIC WAS DISCUSSED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OVER A YEAR...

A POSSIBLE EXPANSION TO A POPULAR SITE.

OUR JAMES MCDOWELL TELLS US WHAT THE TOPIC IS... AND WHAT THE POTENTIAL PLANS ARE.

IN THE SUMMER OF 2022, THE TOPIC OF SOME UPGRADES TO THE FORD WYOMING CENTER WAS PROPOSED TO CASPER CITY COUNCIL. BUT SINCE THEN, THE DISCUSSION BECAME DORMANT... AS TYLER JORDAN EXPLAINS.

TYLER: "TONIGHT WAS MORE OF A REHASH TO A NEW COUNCIL WHO MAY NOT

TYLER: "TONIGHT WAS MORE OF A REHASH TO A NEW COUNCIL WHO MAY NOT HAVE SEEN THAT. TO SAY, 'HEY, HERE'S WHERE IT WAS A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE US TO GO?"

AS ZULIMA LOPEZ, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION WAS PRESENTING THE IDEA, SHE MENTIONED THAT THE WYOMING CENTER HAS NOT HAD ANY MAJOR UPGRADES SINCE IT WAS BUILT 40 YEARS AGO. JORDAN EXPLAINS WHAT SOME OF THE UPGRADES COULD LOOK LIKE.

TYLER: "THAT COULD BE ADDITIONAL VIP SUITES, THAT FORD WYOMING STAFF COULD USE TO SELL OUT TO CORPORATE. SO YOU CAN INCREASE YOUR REVENUE THAT YOU HAVE ON THE BOTTOM LINE, AND OFFSET THAT SUBSIDY EVEN MORE. TO POSSIBLY BLOWING OUT SOME WALLS, TO GIVE A BETTER AESTHETIC TO THE MOUNTAIN, AND A BETTER USER EXPERIENCE FOR INDOOR/OUTDOOR... WHILE YOU HAVE A BREAK OR INTERMISSION FROM ENTERTAINMENT OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT."

WHEN THE RESEARCH FIRM POLLED RESIDENTS ABOUT POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENTS, THE NORTH PLATTE PARK AND WYO SPORTS RANCH WERE NOT PART OF THE EQUATION AT THE TIME. BUT NOW THAT IT'S GOING TO BECOME A REALITY... JORDAN SAYS THE TWO VENUES WILL COMPLIMENT EACH OTHER... NOT COMPETE.

TYLER: "THE FORD WYOMING... YOU HAVE THAT BUILT-IN SEATING. YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO ENTERTAIN AND HOST THE TRAVELING ARTISTS THAT NEED THE RIGGING REQUIREMENTS AND BACK OF HOUSE. WHERE THE WYO RANCH IS MORE USE-SPECIFIC. AND PROGRAMMING DURING THE WEEK, AND AAU TOURNAMENTS." EVEN IF UPGRADES GET APPROVED, THE MONEY WILL HAVE TO COME FROM SOMEWHERE... AS COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE CATHEY POINTED OUT. STEVE: "THIS ALL STARTING TO FALL ON CASPER. BUT YET, WE ARE PROVIDING GREAT ECONOMIC IMPACT TO THE COUNTY. THEY ACTUALLY GET A BIGGER PERCENTAGE OF EVERYTHING THAN WHAT WE DO. AS FAR AS THE SALES TAX REVENUE. WHERE ARE THEY IN THIS WHOLE MIX, IS WHAT I WOULD ASK AS WELL!"

PROGRAM: Wyoming News Now This Morning

ISSUE: Politics, Public Safety

DATE: 11/30/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: Protesters gather demanding ceasefire in Gaza

AN ACTIVIST GROUP TOOK TO THE STREETS OF DOWNTOWN CASPER YESTERDAY (WED) DEMANDING A CEASEFIRE IN GAZA. REPORTER QUINN WHITE WAS THERE AND HAS THE STORY.

SINCE THE WAR BETWEEN ISRAEL AND HAMAS BEGAN ON OCTOBER 7, DEMONSTRATIONS IN SUPPORT OF PALESTINIANS AFFECTED BY THE CONFLICT HAVE BEEN POPPING UP ACROSS THE WORLD. IN CASPER, A GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT CALLED FREEDOM GETS THE FINAL SAY ORGANIZED A PEACEFUL PROTEST DOWNTOWN IN FRONT OF THE CASPER BUSINESS CENTER, WHERE CITY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING MAYOR RAY PACHECO, HAVE THEIR OFFICES.

CATIE SOT: I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO STAND UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE BEING HARMED.

CATIE SOT: WE UNDERSTAND THEY HAVE BEEN LIVING IN MILITARY OCCUPATION FOR OVER 75 YEARS, AND THE HARM THAT IS BEING DONE TO THEM IS BEING DONE WITH OUR TAX DOLLARS, AND WE'RE REALLY SICK AND TIRED OF IT.

PROTEST NAT: THIS IS NOT OKAY, IT NEVER HAS BEEN. I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS AS AN AMERICAN. I AM A VOTING AMERICAN AND I DON'T WANT MY TAX DOLLARS-

THE INTENT OF THIS DEMONSTRATION IS TO GET THE ATTENTION OF CITY OFFICIALS AND DEMAND A PUBLIC STATEMENT CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE. THE HOPE IS BY STARTING AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, THEIR MESSAGE WILL MAKE ITS WAY UP THE LADDER TO REPRESENTATIVES IN THE CAPITOL.

CATIE SOT: WE KNOW OUR VOICES ARE LOUDER IN NUMBERS, AND OUR HOPE IS THAT IF WE ARE USING OUR VOICES AND OUR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO PROTEST AND DEMONSTRATE, THAT THOSE WHO HAVE ACCESS TO OUR OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON DC CAN ALSO CALL FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE AND AN END TO THE OCCUPATION, AND COMMUNICATE THOSE SENTIMENTS WITH OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN DC.

THE CASPER PROTEST TOOK PLACE ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. REAY SAYS THAT THOUGH THEIR VOICES MAY BE FEW, THEY HAVE THE POWER TO SPARK CHANGE.

CATIE SOT: EVERY VOICE CAN BE LOUD, EVEN BY ITSELF, ON THE CORNER WITH

A POSTER SCREAMING. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF WE HAVE FIVE PEOPLE OUT HERE, 500 PEOPLE OR 500,000... EVERY VOICE HAS POWER. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE YOURS BECAUSE IT ABSOLUTELY CAN MAKE AN IMPACT. WE'VE SEEN CALLS TO ACTION IN SMALL OR LARGE GROUPS HAVE SUCH LARGE IMPACTS, AND IT MATTERS THAT WE ARE USING OUR VOICES AS CONSTITUENTS OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS, TO DO SOMETHING AND TO DO BETTER.

THE FREEDOM GETS THE FINAL SAY TEAM WILL CONTINUE TO PRESSURE OFFICIALS UNTIL THEY ANNOUNCE THEIR OWN CALLS TO ACTION.

I'M QUINN WHITE, WYOMING NEWS NOW

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 12/1/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: Law enforcement issues Amber Alert for neighboring states

AN AMBER ALERT WAS SENT OUT EARLY THIS MORNING REPORTING the incident THAT OCCURRED IN OUR NEIGHBORING STATE OF IDAHO.

THE TETON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS SEEKING 48 YEAR OLD JEREMY ALBERT BEST.

AROUND 11:40 PM LAST NIGHT... THE TETON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECEIVED A CALL OF A DISTURBANCE.

UPON ARRIVAL... DEPUTIES FOUND 38 YEAR OLD... KALI JEAN RANDALL... OF VICTOR, IDAHO DEAD.

HER DEATH IS CURRENTLY BEING INVESTIGATED AS A HOMICIDE AT THIS TIME. THE SUSPECT WAS THE HUSBAND OF KALI... AND IS BELIEVED TO HAVE FLED THE AREA WITH HIS 10-MONTH OLD SON ZEKE GREGORY BEST.

THE SUSPECT IS BELIEVED TO BE ARMED AND VERY DANGEROUS... DO NOT APPROACH OR CONFRONT HIM.

WE REACHED OUT TO THE WYOMING HIGHWAY PATROL AND WAS TOLD THAT AT THIS TIME THERE'S NO INFORMATION IF THE SUSPECT IS TRAVELING TOWARDS WYOMING.

THE WYOMING HIGHWAY PATROL SAYS THEY WILL ALWAYS SHARE NEIGHBORING STATES AMBER ALERTS JUST IN CASE SUSPECTS DO TRAVEL INTO WYOMING. THE SUSPECTS LICENSE PLATE NUMBER ATTACHED TO THE BLACK 1995 CHEVROLET TAHOE SUV THAT HE IS BELIEVED TO BE DRIVING IS 1-T-3-9-3-4-9. IF ANYONE HAS ANY INFORMATION ON JEREMY ALBERT BESTS WHEREABOUTS... YOU SHOULD CALL 208-354-2323 OR 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY.

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Health

DATE: 12/4/2023

LENGTH: 1:15

DESCRIPTION: Banner Health announces seasonal visitor restrictions

BANNER HEALTH'S SEASONAL VISITOR RESTRICTIONS WERE JUST ANNOUNCED... AND ARE NOW IN EFFECT DUE TO THE INCREASED FLU AND RESPIRATORY VIRUS SEASON.

THE THREE RESTRICTIONS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING...

CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 13 ARE NOT ALLOWED TO VISIT PATIENTS IN THEIR ROOMS... IF VISITING A HOSPITAL... CHILDREN UNDER 13 MUST ALWAYS BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT IN PUBLIC WAITING AREAS AND CAFETERIAS.

VISITORS ARE ASKED TO NOT COME TO THE HOSPITAL IF YOU'RE EXPERIENCING: A FEVER... COUGH...VOMITING... OR DIARRHEA

AND LASTLY... SIBLINGS MAY VISIT THEIR FAMILIES NEW BORN BABY ON THE OBSTETRICS (UHB-STEH-TRIKS) UNIT BUT THEY MAY BE SCREENED FOR ILLNESS BY THE HOSPITAL STAFF PRIOR.

BANNER HEALTH IS ENCOURAGING THAT ALL VISITORS SHOULD WASH OR SANITIZE THEIR HANDS FREQUENTLY WHILE AT THE HOSPITAL TO PREVENT GETTING THE FLU OR POTENTIALLY SPREADING ANY ILLNESS.
BANNER HEALTH ALSO ENCOURAGES THAT EVERYONE OVER THE AGE OF SIX MONTHS SHOULD RECEIVE THE FLU VACCINE TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND OTHERS.

AS A REMINDER... IT TAKES ABOUT TWO WEEKS AFTER YOU RECEIVE THE VACCINATION FOR PROTECTION TO SET IN.

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: **Public Safety**

DATE: 12/5/2023

LENGTH: :45

DESCRIPTION: City experiences snowplow driver shortage

THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS EXPERIENCING A SHORTAGE OF SNOWPLOW DRIVERS GOING IN TO THE WINTER MONTHS. FOR A SECOND YEAR IN A ROW... WYDOT HAS A LARGE NUMBER OF VACANCIES FOR SNOWPLOW DRIVERS. HOWEVER... THEY ARE STARTING TO SEE THOSE JOB POSITIONS SLOWLY FILLING UP. THIS YEAR THERE ARE 40 VACANCIES... COMPARED TO 80 LAST WINTER. CLEARING THE ROADS OF SNOW IS ONE OF WYDOT'S TOP PRIORITIES... AND THEY ARE WORKING TO FIND WAYS TO HIRE AND RETAIN EMPLOYEES... INCLUDING OFFERING RAISES AND HIRING BONUSES. WHILE FOLKS MAY EXPERIENCE SOME DELAYS IN SERVICE THIS WINTER... WYDOT SNOWPLOW DRIVERS WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN HELPING WYOMINGITES GET TO THEIR DESTINATIONS SAFELY. WYDOT WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR NEW HIRES AND RETAIN CURRENT EMPLOYEES.

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Politics

DATE: 12/7/2023

LENGTH: :30

DESCRIPTION: Lummis seeks to defund Biden's rule

SENATOR CYNTHIA LUMMIS IS CALLING FOR THE SENATE TO DEFUND PRESIDENT BIDEN'S ELECTRIC VEHICLE RULE.

THIS COMES IN A LETTER TO SENATE MINORITY LEADER MITCH MCCONNELL SENT BY LUMMIS AND 16 OTHER REPUBLICAN COLLEGAUES. THE ELCTRIC VEHICLE RULE WOULD MANDATE THAT 2 THIRDS OF ALL CARS SOLD BY 2032 ARE ELCTRIC. LUMMIS SAYS THSI DOES NOT BENEFIT WYOMINGITES BECAUSE OF THE RELIABILITY ISSUES WITH EV'S ON HARSH TERRAIN THAT MANY WYOMINGITES TRAVEL ON EVERY DAY... AND AFFORDABILITY.

SHE WENT ON TO SAY QUOTE "Americans have had the power to choose what car they drive since Henry Ford invented the automobile, and that should not change."

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 12/8/2023

LENGTH: 2:00

DESCRIPTION: WYDOT warns of title fraud

THE WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS WARNING RESIDENTS OF WYOMING ABOUT A POTENTIAL SCAM.

OUR SEGUN BAMIDELE HAS MORE.

SEGUN: IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO BUY A CAR, THE WYODT IS WARNING YOU TO LOOK CAREFULLY AT THE TITLE AFTER A BLANK WYOMING TITLE STOCK WAS STOLEN FROM A WYOMING COUNTY.

JORDAN YOUNG: WYDOT REPORTED THAT 500 TITLES WERE STOLEN FROM A COUNTY HERE IN THE STATE AND WE WANTED TO GET THE WORD OUT SO PEOPLE COULD BE KEEPING AN EYE OUT FOR THOSE TITLES THAT FALL WITHIN THOSE CONTROL NUMBERS SINCE THEY ARE FRAUDULENT AND NO LONGER VALID

SEGUN: JORDAN SAYS PEOPLE SHOULD LOOK OUT FOR TITLES THAT HAVE CONTROL NUMBERS 8790001 to 8790500.

JORDAN YOUNG: THAT NUMBER, A NUMBER WITHIN THAT RANGE WILL BE FRAUDULENT, THAT NUMBER IS LOCATED AT THE LOWER RIGHT PART OF THE TITLE AND IT HAS KIND OF A SECURITY MAKING AND FEATURE ON IT.

SEGUN: WYDOT SAYS IF ANYONE HAS COME IN CONTACT WITH ANY FRAUDULENT TITLES, ONE SHOULD NOT HESITATE TO CALL THE AUTHORITIES.

JORDAN I DEFINITELY RECOMMEND THEY REACH OUT TO OUR COMPLIANT AND INVESTIGATION DIVISION OF WYDOT AT 777-3840 AND IN THAT WAY THEY COULD REPORT IT TO OUR INVESTIGATOR WHOSE WORKING ON THIS CASE AND THEY'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD FROM THERE.

SEGUN: JORDAN TELLS ME THAT INVESTIGATORS ARE STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUR HOW THE TITLES WERE STOLEN. IN CASPER SEGUN BAMIDELE WYOMING NEWS NOW.

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 12/11/2023

LENGTH: 1:30

DESCRIPTION: Missing Cody woman goes missing on cross-country roadtrip

CODY, WYOMING RESIDENT KATHERYN FERGUSON... BETTER KNOWN TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY AS KATIE... DISAPPEARED IN OCTOBER.

AND HERE'S WHAT WE KNOW SO FAR...

EARLIER THIS YEAR... SHE MOVED TO ALABAMA... ALONG WITH HER TWO DAUGHTERS... TO LIVE WITH A RELATIVE.

IN EARLY OCTOBER... FERGUSON AND HER DAUGHTERS DECIDED TO COME BACK TO WYOMING WITH ADAM AVILES, JR... WITH WHOM SHE HAD A PREVIOUS RELATIONSHIP WITH.

EVEN THOUGH AVILES AND THE DAUGHTERS MADE IT BACK TO WYOMING SAFELY... FERGUSON DID NOT.

FERGUSON'S FAMILY THEN REPORTED HER MISSING A FEW WEEKS LATER... IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

ADAM AVILES, JR HAS NOW BEEN ARRESTED... BUT ON SEPARATE CHARGES... NOT RELATED TO FERGUSON'S DISAPPEARANCE.

THE PARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARRESTED AVILES ON NOVEMBER 8TH... FOR USING HIS FATHER'S TRUCK WITHOUT PERMISSION... A MISDEMEANOR CHARGE OF UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE.

HOWEVER... HE HAS SINCE BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES... WHO HAD A FELONY WARRANT OUT FOR HIS ARREST.

THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS WORKING CLOSELY ON THIS INVESTIGATION...
WITH THE WYOMING DIVISION OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION... AND THE F-B-I.
THE PARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ENCOURAGES ANYONE WITH INFORMATION
ON THE DISAPPEARANCE OF KATIE FERGUSON...

TO CONTACT THEM AT 307-527-8700.

BUT FOR NOW... BACK TO YOU

PROGRAM: Casper News Now

ISSUE: Crime

DATE: 12/11/2023

LENGTH: 1:00

DESCRIPTION: Animal Services seizes malnourished animals

RECENTLY... METRO ANIMAL SERVICES RECEIVED A REPORT REQUESTING POLICE TO CHECK ON THE WELLBEING OF ANIMALS AT A HOUSE LOCATED ON BLUE SAGE LANE.

CASPER POLICE DEPARTMENTS "ANIMAL PROTECTION OFFICERS" MET WITH THE OWNER AND WERE LED INSIDE TO THE ANIMALS.

WHEN THE OFFICERS ENTERED THE HOME THEY FOUND SEVERAL DOGS AND CATS THAT APPEARED TO BE VERY THIN AND SICK.

THE ANIMALS INCLUDE THIRTEEN DOGS RANGING FROM EIGHT WEEKS OLD TO ADULTS... SEVEN KITTENS... ONE RABBIT AND A CHICKEN.

WHEN REACHING OUT TO THE CASPER POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR COMMENT... ANIMAL PROTECTION OFFICER... SARAH PRICE SAID QUOTE...

"CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANTED REMOVING THE ANIMALS FROM THE PREMISES AND ALL 22 RECIEVED VETERINARY CARE. THEY WILL REMAIN IN REHABILITATION AT METRO ANIMAL SHELTER FOR THE TIME BEING." END QUOTE.

THIS IS AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION AND CRIMINAL CHARGES ARE BEING PRESENTED TO THE NATRONA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Non-Broadcast Employee Activities Quarter 4

No tours were given