

Brewster has good news and bad for wheat harvest

The news this week has been a mixture of good and bad. The crop report is very good, for the most part, and everyone is reasonably satisfied with the yields. The price, as usual, is another matter.

Since we don't raise wheat, I won't even venture into these areas, but it is good to see that folks seem more satisfied than they have in the last few years. There were more cutters than in recent years, so no one had a problem getting their wheat cut. I see many of the same faces and names that have been around for the last several years, but there are some brand new faces and names too.

The items that I have the hardest time writing about are when someone dies, and when it is young folks, it seems even sadder. Curtis Bear passed away on July 3rd and was buried in Brewster Cemetery on July 8.

I remember all the visits we have had with Curt and Sandy over the years about his diabetes treatments and the words of wisdom that he was always ready to share with us.

He was a nice man, and he will be missed by his friends, but we know that Sandy and their children, Kelly, Brant, Steven and Andrea and the grandkids, are really going to feel the loss.

His memorials will be directed to the American Diabetes Association and Dialysis Research. Our condolences are with this family.

Another loss, although not local,



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definitely has local ties. Dennis Thompson, of Cheyenne, Wyo., passed away on July 7 after suffering a stroke. He was the son of Marjorie Westover of Brewster, and we do want her to know she has our sympathy.

Dennis attended schools in Sharon Springs while growing up and was a frequent visitor to this area, to visit his mother and other relatives. He was in his mid 50's, as was Curt, and that is what I mean about young folks.

Others are going through some health treatments, and we wish them all a speedy recovery. There are a lot of eye surgeries, and we hope these all are healed quickly and successfully.

Darla Rice has had the same eye treatment our son Barry will be having this week. To go from needing glasses so badly, to not needing them at all must truly seem like a miracle, and we hope both Darla and Barry are happy with the results. Barbara Springsteen is having cataract surgery, and we hope her results are equally great.

LaVelle Michael is back home, after spending the first week of July

in Denver at Presbyterian/St. Luke Hospital, or PSL as it seems to be known by those in the know. Roger and our daughter Beth Ziegler drove LaVelle to Denver on the 1st, and Beth's daughter, Corinne, stayed in Brewster with me, much to my delight. LaVelle had Carotid Artery surgery on the 2nd and extensive surgery on his leg, on the 3rd.

Beth and Roger returned to Brewster on the 4th, and Beth and Corinne made it home to Hays in time to enjoy the fireworks display with the rest of the family.

Roger's niece Lori Frecks and son Timothy brought LaVelle to Stratton on the 8th, and we brought him the rest of the way home. He will be laid up for awhile, and I am certain he would enjoy cards and notes of encouragement. His address is Box 235 in Brewster.

I am also sure he would like to thank all the ones who helped him out while he was in Denver. Zelma Kinkade and Colleen Rall helped with the chickens and cats, etc.; Leonard Kinkade and Allen Quenzer helped get his wheat cut; and his granddaughters Beth and Lori for their efforts for him.

Roger and I certainly add our appreciation to these folks also and to all the others for their prayers and

concern. The Lord provides, but when folks do things for others, gratitude is the nourishment.

It was great to have some folks share the potluck lunch with us at the senior center on Wednesday, the 9th, that we don't see too often. Sandy Parker of Oakley joined us for the first time since her mother-in-law Inace passed away in December.

She said it was a little strange coming without having "Grandma Gertie" there, but now that she has, we hope she will make a frequent visit. Also, Curt Eicher, who graduated from Brewster High School in '53 joined us, and it was good to visit with him. We enjoy all the folks who come in and visit.

Frances Jones is spending some happy time with her sisters this week. Her sister Gertrude lives in Goodland, so they see each other often, but this week they get to visit with Eva, their sister from Arizona, so they will have much to visit about.

A reminder of some upcoming events, although they will not be until August: Levant will hold a reunion from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Central Time on Sunday, Aug. 3, at the Quality Inn in Colby.

Reservations should be made by Wednesday by calling Elva Livingston a 785-462-6012. When I read about this coming up, it sure reminded me of all the times that I helped Inace get the invitations sent out, and I know her presence will be

missed at this gathering. She would hope all would show up that can and enjoy a good time.

A 90th birthday reception will be held on Saturday, Aug. 23, for Wilma Burk. It will be hosted by her children and grandchildren and will be from 2-4 p.m. Central Time at the Brewster Senior Center. Come and greet this lady on this important milestone.

Speaking of birthdays, two have been celebrated in the past week at the senior center. The aerobics ladies honored Helen Mettler on her special day with coffee, zucchini bread and fresh fruit.

On Thursday, the group were on hand to wish Dawn Schultz a special day also, and zucchini bread and fresh fruit were again served. The ladies have been studying up on nutrition, so the cake and ice cream have given way to more healthy treats, which no one seemed to mind.

Also on Thursday, the United Methodist Women toured the town with Pat Ault Duell, who was formerly pastor of the Goodland Methodist Church. They made a brief stop at the Senior Center for water and a tour of the facility.

Coleen Crumrine said Judy (Kutscher) Dickson, of Millikin, Colo., stopped on her way to deliver her granddaughter back home. They had an enjoyable but short visit.

We received a nice letter from Lora Lei Strain, of Gardner, and it

sounds like she is doing wonderfully and enjoying all the activities that she possibly can take part in.

She is especially enjoying her new great-granddaughter Avery and plans to do a lot of fun things with this addition. Her update on her boys tells us that Larry is flying for United Air Lines, and her other son Max teaches Science and History in Shawnee Junior High School.

A lot of people are planning a quick get away between harvest and fair times, and I can imagine the lakes and fishing areas will be busy but maybe a little cooler than town, during this heat wave. So, stay out of the sun as much as possible, have a great week, and we'll see you next time!

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Real Estate

The following real estate transfers were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Richard B. and Lyn M. Hoffman to Cynthia K. Strnad Lot 2, Block 7, Rosewood Addition to the city of Goodland.

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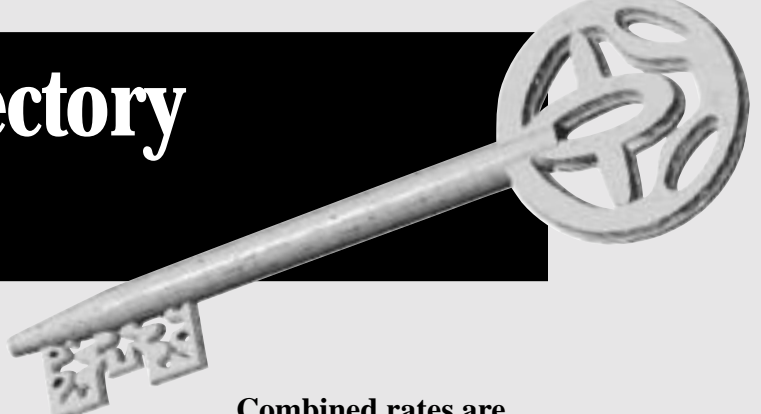
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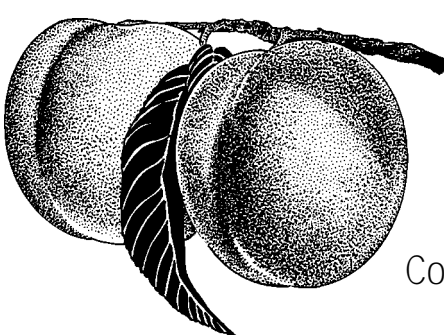
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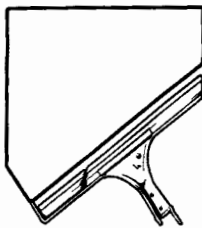
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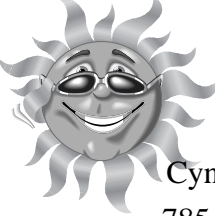
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