



CITY OF GILLETTE

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick G. Davidson, Interim City Administrator 

RE: General Information

DATE: July 28, 2017

The following meetings are scheduled for the week of **July 29th – Aug 4th**

Tuesday, August 1st

6:00 p.m. City Council Pre-Meeting, Agenda Attached

- Overtime Parking Discussion
- Loan Agreement for Interstate Industrial Park Discussion
- Congressional Tour Update
- Review August 1st Agenda
- Executive Session
- City Hall – 3rd Floor Conference Room
- Dinner Served at 5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

- City Hall - Council Chambers

1. Attached please find the **current monthly calendar** for **August 2017**.
2. Attached please find a **memorandum** regarding **Parking Enforcement Issues** dated **July 25, 2017** provided by **Chief of Police Hloucal**.
3. Attached please find a **letter** regarding the **Community Assistance Visit** dated **July 1, 2017** provided by the **State of Wyoming Office of Homeland Security**.
4. Attached please find a **letter** regarding the **Annual Meeting** on **Saturday August 26, 2017** provided by **Powder River Energy Corporation**. Please **RSVP** to **Administration** if you would like to attend.
5. Attached please find **information** regarding the **Higher Education Task Force Presentation** on **Monday August 14, 2017** at **4:00 p.m.** at the **Gillette College Tech Center** provided by **Energy Capital Economic Development**.
6. Attached please find **information** regarding a **Free Sheridan Workshop to Explain Methods to Clean, Rebuild Contaminated Sites** on **August 23-24, 2017** at the **Sheridan Memorial Hospital** provided by the **Wyoming Business Council**.
7. Attached please find an **invitation** to the **Annual State Transportation Improvement Planning Meeting** on **August 2, 2017** at the **Wyoming Department of Transportation Office Classroom** provided by the **Wyoming Department of Transportation**.
8. Attached please find the **WAM Connection Newsletter** dated **July 2017** provided by the **Wyoming Association of Municipalities (WAM)**.
9. Attached please find **information** regarding the **Gypsy Cowbelle Concert** on **Saturday July 29, 2017** at **Cam-Plex Energy Hall** at **7:00 p.m.** provided by the **Rockpile Museum**.

10. Attached please find a **flyer** regarding the **Shop With a Cop Benefit Raffle** provided by **Officer Dan Stroup**.

11. Attached please find a **thank you card** from the **Senior Center**.

* Item previously discussed by Council

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**Pre-Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
City Hall – 3rd Floor Conference Room
Tuesday, August 1, 2017
Dinner Served at 5:30 p.m.**

Pre-Meeting Topic(s):

- Overtime Parking Discussion
- Loan Agreement for Interstate Industrial Park Discussion
- Congressional Tour Update
- Review August 1st Agenda
- Executive Session

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AUGUST 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 City Council Pre-Meeting, 6PM- 3rd FL Overtime Parking Discussion Loan Agreement for Interstate Industrial Park Discussion Congressional Tour Update City Council Meeting, 7PM, Council Chambers	2	3	4	5
6	7 Coucilman McGrath Birthday 	8 City Council Work Session - 6PM - 2nd FL Executive Session - Personnel Sustainability Funding Discussion	9 ← NEWY Mayoral / Congressional Tour Aug 7-11 →	10	11	12
13	14	15 City Council Pre-Meeting, 6PM- 3rd FL Citizen Survey - Geno Palazzari Quarterly Updates - CC Fire Dept and Energy Capital Economic Development Rodeo Cost of Service Debrief City Council Meeting, 7PM, Council Chambers	16	17	18	19
20	21 Safety BBQ 11AM - 2 PM , City West SOLAR ECLIPSE 	22	23	24	25 Gillette College Inspiration Hall Grand Opening 5:30 PM	26
27	28	29 City Council Work Session - 6PM - 2nd FL Employee Benefits Presentation Simulator Demonstration (Tentative)	30	31		

**GILLETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Pat Davidson, Acting City Administrator

FROM: Jim Hloucal, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Parking Enforcement Issues

DATE: 7-25-2017

CC:



Pat,

At the last City Council meeting it was suggested that some type of progressive fine be imposed for repeat offenders who park over the two-hour limit in the downtown area. I cannot recommend this as a solution as I have concerns that this would be a significant time burden on our staff and not an efficient use of our time.

The Spillman data system that we use has limited capabilities when it comes to parking citations, as that is a very small part of what the system is primarily designed to do. As an example, the license plate data field for parking citations is a free form field, not a formatted field. What this means is that any time staff wants to search for specific license plates, or see how many violations a certain plate has received, we have to run a query and then export to a spread sheet and sort by different fields.

We then have to run each plate separately to get the owner information as that is not entered as part of the parking ticket data in Spillman. To do this repeatedly, or on a monthly basis, would add significant staff time to monitor the parking issues in the downtown area.

It was mentioned that the CSO's would recognize repeat offender vehicles, however, they do not have access to data terminals as they walk the downtown area doing parking enforcement. The terminals are mounted in their vehicles. They would not have the ability to look up vehicles to see how many previous violations it had. Due to the way parking tickets are entered into Spillman, as previously mentioned, they would have to return to their vehicle to complete the search, export, sort and count each time.

In considering the purpose for conducting downtown parking enforcement, and the resources needed to achieve those goals, I would recommend that we not use more resources or expend more funds to implement a progressive fine. Increasing the overtime parking fine will substantially pay for the resources we are currently using to monitor and enforce parking violations. If the increase in fines, and the education efforts we have initiated in cooperation with the downtown merchants and businesses does not remedy the small number of repeat offenders, the issue could be revisited.

Respectfully,



Jim Hloucal
Chief of Police



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July 1, 2017

Mayor Louise Carter-King
City of Gillette
P.O. Box 3003
Gillette, WY 82717

RE: Community Assistance Visit

Dear Mayor Carter-King,

A Community Assistance Visit (CAV) was conducted on March 29, 2017 with Mr. Dustin Hamilton and Mr. Heath VonEye to discuss the City of Gillette's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

The State of Wyoming conducts these visits to maintain periodic contact with communities participating in the NFIP, to assess the effectiveness of a community's implementation of its floodplain management regulations, and to provide technical assistance.

No deficiencies or violations were found during the visit and Gillette remains in good standing with the NFIP. I would like to thank Mr. Hamilton and Mr. VonEye for their time during the meeting. They are administering the program in an exemplary manner.

This letter officially closes the CAV.

Should you have any questions regarding the CAV or NFIP, please contact me at 307-777-4910 or kim.johnson@wyo.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Johnson".

Kim Johnson
Wyoming State NFIP Coordinator

cc: FEMA Region VIII
City of Gillette Staff (Hamilton, VonEye)



July 24, 2017

Mayor Louise Carter-King
City of Gillette
PO Box 3003
Gillette, WY 82717-3003

Dear Mayor Carter-King:

Once again Powder River Energy Corporation is holding its Annual Meeting for the member-owners. In addition to electing directors, the member-owners will be hearing reports on the state of the electric utility and have the opportunity to provide input on the operation, electric rates, policies and other matters.

I would like to extend a personal invitation to you to attend this year's Annual Membership meeting. Your contributions to the affairs of northeast Wyoming are an invaluable part in building the long-term stability and success of the cooperative.

The Annual Meeting will be held at Upton Elementary/Middle School in Upton, Wyo., on Saturday, August 26, with registration and lunch starting at 11 a.m. Entertainment begins at noon with the meeting opening at 1 p.m.

I hope you can join us in the activities in Upton on Saturday, August 26. If you and your spouse/guest plan to attend, please email communications@precorp.coop or call Steph Pribilske at 800-442-3630 ext. 4901 with the names of those attending by August 18, 2017.

Thank you for your time and I hope to see you in Upton!

Sincerely,

Michael E. Easley
CEO

MEE/sjp



Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

Fwd: Join us for the Higher Education Task Force Presentation

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ADMN ADMN <adm@gillettewy.gov>
To: Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

Wed, Jul 26, 2017 at 10:33 AM

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From: **Phil Christopherson** <info@energycapital.com>
Date: Wed, Jul 26, 2017 at 7:45 AM
Subject: Join us for the Higher Education Task Force Presentation
To: adm@gillettewy.gov

Our Mission: To stimulate and facilitate a diverse economy through business retention, expansion and recruitment



The Energy Capital Economic Development Higher Education Task Force has commissioned a market study from Loan Tree Academics, LLC, to determine the needs of Bachelor and Masters level degrees in Campbell County. The market study will assess business and institute needs for advanced degrees in the community.

Please join us as Dr. Doug Gilbert presents his preliminary findings at a public presentation on Monday, August 14th at 4 p.m. at the Gillette College Tech Center, Flex Space.

RSVP to Mary Melaragno at mary@EnergyCapitalED.com, or 307-686-2603, by Thursday, August 10th.

Warm Regards,

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Fwd: Free Sheridan workshop to explain methods to clean, rebuild contaminated sites

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To: Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

Wed, Jul 26, 2017 at 10:33 AM

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From: **Wyoming Business Council** <WY-Business-Council@public.govdelivery.com>
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Subject: Free Sheridan workshop to explain methods to clean, rebuild contaminated sites
To: admn@gillettewy.gov

The State of Wyoming's Economic Development Agency

214 W. 15th St. | Cheyenne, WY | 307.777.2800



For release: July 25, 2017

Ron Gullberg

Communications Director

ron.gullberg@wyo.gov | Office: 307.777.2833 | Cell: 307.286.9519

Free Sheridan workshop to explain methods to clean, rebuild contaminated sites

Anyone interested in finding money to clean up abandoned buildings, junkyards or other potentially contaminated buildings so those properties can contribute jobs, revenue and services to the community is welcome to attend a free, two-day seminar about the federal brownfields cleanup program Aug. 23-24 at the Sheridan Memorial Hospital Community Conference Center.

The Redevelopment Funding and Revitalization Through Brownfields workshop will walk government officials, lenders, realtors, community developers and others through an overview of the Environmental Protection Agency's process for qualifying a site as a brownfield, planning and executing a cleanup project and applying for grant assistance along the way.

Participants will meet private developers who have enjoyed success through the program and have the chance to speak with various agency experts who can serve as partners in the grant process.

More than 50,000 jobs and \$14 billion in new investment have stemmed from the use of EPA brownfield grants and the resulting redevelopment.

Some of those successes can be found in Wyoming. The Evanston Roundhouse, Stagecoach Museum in Lusk, Yttrium plant in Laramie and West Edge development in Cheyenne have all used brownfield grant money to redevelop formerly contaminated sites.

To register, visit www.ksutab.org/education/workshops. Email Sheree Walsh at chsr@ksu.edu or call her at 785-532-6519 for more information.

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Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

Fwd: WYDOT Annual STIP Meeting Invite - City of Gillette

1 message

ADMN ADMN <admn@gillettewy.gov>

Wed, Jul 26, 2017 at 10:32 AM

To: Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

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From: **Ronda Holwell** <ronda.holwell@wyo.gov>

Date: Tue, Jul 25, 2017 at 2:05 PM

Subject: WYDOT Annual STIP Meeting Invite - City of Gillette

To: admn@gillettewy.gov, Geno Palazzari <genop@gillettewy.gov>, pbwr@gillettewy.gov, CityEng CityEng <cityeng@gillettewy.gov>, gillettepd@gillettewy.gov, mayor@wrightwyoming.com, ralph@wrightwyoming.com, doug@wrightwyoming.com, danny@wrightwyoming.com, nelson@wrightwyoming.com, glenn@wrightwyoming.com, rick@wrightwyoming.com

Cc: Scott Taylor <scott.taylor@wyo.gov>

Hello All -- Mayors, Councilmen, Public Works Directors, City Planners, City Engineers, Road and Bridge Supervisors, and Law Enforcement

I wanted to invite you to the annual State Transportation Improvement Planning (STIP) meeting with your local Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) officials. The meeting will be held at the Wyoming Department of Transportation Office Classroom in Gillette on Wednesday, August 2nd at 10:00 AM. This meeting will give you a chance to better understand WYDOT funding. Also, we will share with you all of the upcoming WYDOT projects in your area and we ask that you be prepared to share with us what projects you may have in your area. Our hope is to continue coordinating local and state projects as needed. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know.

Hope to see you there,

Ronda

Ronda Holwell
Wyoming Department of Transportation
District 4, Public Relations Specialist
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Office ~ 307 674-2356
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Sheridan, WY 82801

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July 2017 Newsletter

WAM Connection



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Shelley's family and friends gathered during the WAM CONVENTION for the Stay Strong Shelley Poker Run



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*Armando "John" Flocchini III.
Durham Ranch, Owner*

Durham Bison Ranch, Gillette, Wyoming

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UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

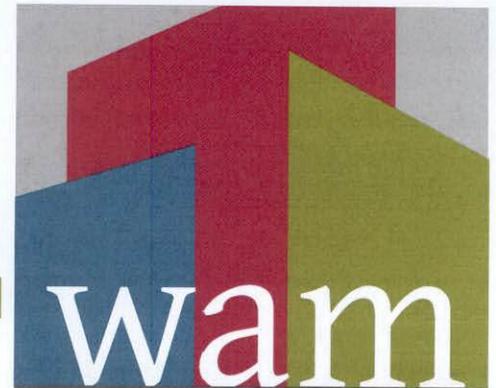
- Aug 2-3**
Joint Revenue Committee Meeting, Thermopolis
- Aug 5**
Celebration of Life for Shelley, Jackson
- Aug 7-11**
NEWY Congressional Tour
- Aug 21**
Solar Eclipse
- Aug 23-24**
Wyoming Retirement System Meeting, Lander
- Aug 29-30**
Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife Meeting, Lander
- Aug 31- Sept 1**
Joint Minerals, Business, Economic Development Committee Meeting, Casper

SEPTEMBER

- Aug 31 - Sept 1 -**
Joint Minerals, Business, Economic Development Committee Meeting, Casper
- Sept 4**
Labor Day, WAM Office Closed
- Sept 12-13**
Joint Revenue Meeting, Buffalo
- Sept 13-15**
WAMCAT Institute, Riverton
- Sept 20-22**
WEDA Conference, Laramie
- Sept 22**
WAM Fall Board of Director's Meeting, Laramie
- Sept 27-28**
Joint Education Committee Meeting, Casper
- September 28**
WAM Region 4 Meeting, Casper

OCTOBER

- Oct 5**
SLIB, Cheyenne
- Oct 5**
WAM Region 3 Meeting, Kirby
- Oct 11**
WAM Region 5 Meeting, Kemmerer
- Oct 16-17**
Joint Labor, Health, and Social Service Committee Meeting, Lander
- Oct 18**
WAM Region 6 Meeting, Saratoga
- Oct 18-20**
WAM Fall Workshop for Managers, Administrators, and Finance Directors, Saratoga
- Oct 23-24**
Joint Minerals, Business & Economic Development Committee Meeting, Casper
- Oct 25**
WAM Region 1 Meeting, Torrington
- Oct 28**
WAM Region 2 (NEWY) Meeting, Gillette



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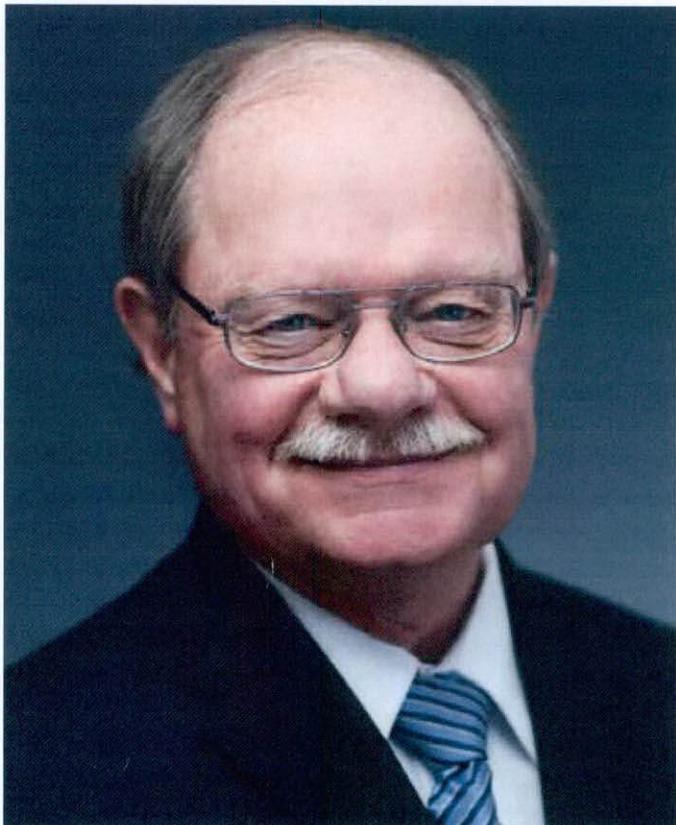
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Kaysen's Korner

BY RICK KAYSEN



It's been a month since the 2017 WAM Annual Convention in Gillette and it feels like it's been 10 minutes. The summer days are longer, and yet somehow, go faster than the other days of the year. We would like to thank those of you who were able to join us in Gillette as we celebrated 50 years of WAM's incorporation, and we extend our appreciation to the City of Gillette Team for hosting one great event!

WAM's Strategic Plan has three areas of focus: Legislative/Advocacy, Education/Training, and Outreach/Communications. While we are working over the summer on each area, I will address the Legislative/Advocacy outcomes that came from the Annual Business Meeting during our Convention and what efforts we are working on this summer.

One of our goals at WAM is to support the needs (common interests) of Wyoming's cities and towns. One way these needs are identified are through the WAM Resolution Process. At the beginning of this year we sent out requests to our members, asking them to provide resolutions for issues that matter to them. The WAM Resolutions Committee held a meeting at the Convention (remember for future years the meeting is open to all members) to review and take action on all submitted resolutions. The Committee presented the resolutions to WAM members during the Convention's Member Business

Meeting, and the attending authorized delegates voted on the proposed resolutions. Approved resolutions are added to WAM's legislative agenda for 2018. The resolutions are available on the WAM website at wyomuni.org.

The approved 2018 resolutions include supporting \$105 million in direct distribution for the upcoming biennium (a very important item); supporting efforts to raise taxes on malt beverages; advocating to reinstate taxation on food products; removal of the non-transient lodging tax exemption; and clarifying the lien assessment process for abating nuisances and dangerous buildings.

Aside from attending various Legislative Joint Interim Committee meetings this summer (revenue, education, corporations, transportation, labor, select water), WAM is preparing a state-to-state comparison study for municipal finance options. This study is a sequel to WAM's 2016 Municipal Finance Report to evaluate municipal funding tools and options across multiple comparable states with a focus on bordering and energy states. The intent is to provide support for legislative action to increase municipal finance flexibility for Wyoming's cities and towns. This study will be presented to the to the Joint Revenue Interim Committee (JRC) at their September 12-13 meeting in Buffalo. WAM members are strongly encouraged to attend.

Following this meeting WAM will hold Region meetings, inviting Members and Legislators to discuss the outcome of the study as well as other municipal issues that our members will be facing during the upcoming budget session. It is important that we are always building the relationship between municipal government and the state government and the legislative branch. As the Governor has said, "Decisions get made in Cheyenne and executed in the communities."

The WAM Staff hopes the early summer has found you enjoying Wyoming and all its wonderful offerings. Many of you are in the middle of your tourist season and working hard to prepare for this summer's eclipse. All of you are working on many projects that can only be done in the short months of summer. THANK YOU for all you do for your community and for Wyoming....you make a difference each and every day!!!

Until we talk again, I will leave you with this thought from President Theodore Roosevelt "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are."

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Help the Census Bureau Accurately Count Your Community

The U.S. Census Bureau requests help from tribal, state and local governments in the 2020 Census Local Update of Census Addresses program. This program is the only opportunity for governments to verify residential addresses, ensuring a complete and accurate 2020 Census.

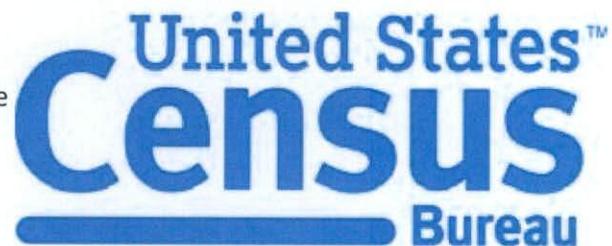
The Census Bureau mailed advance notifications about participating in the program to tribal, state and local governments in January 2017. If you did not receive the notification, you may find information about the program on the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) website at www.census.gov/geo/partnerships/luca.html.

Invitation letters will be mailed in July 2017 and the final participation materials will be mailed in February 2018. Governments can take the following steps now to prepare:

- Participate in the 2017 Boundary and Annexation Survey, which is the annual update for the legal boundaries and names of all governmental units.
- Start preparing your address list — make sure your list identifies multiunit structures and distinguishes between residential and nonresidential addresses.
- Identify local address sources, such as building permits, local utility records, annexation records and other files.
- Attend one of our workshops to learn about the program.

Participation in the LUCA program can help ensure a complete and accurate 2020 Census in your community.

For more information, visit the program
<https://www.census.gov/geo/partnerships/luca>

A collage of four images showing different parts of the Lander Community & Convention Center: a modern bar area with wooden tables and chairs, a lush green golf course, a large indoor event space with many people seated at tables, and the exterior of a large, rustic-style building.

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WAM Community Heroes



Mayor Chris Shock, proudly presented the 2017 WAM Community Hero Award to some of Clearmont's best, Ira Roadifer and Terry Foster.

Each year WAM honors individuals who have demonstrated what some would call a super power. The WAM Community Hero award celebrates people who go the extra mile to exemplify community pride and preservation. **Terry Foster** and **Ira Roadifer**, of Clearmont have gone over and beyond to preserve the community's heritage. Terry and Ira converted one of the towns original buildings into the **Clearmont Historical Center**. They have spent countless hours collecting historical information about Clearmont and the surrounding area to bring the area history back into the community. The time and resources required to exhibit the stories of past generations is a gift to many future generations.

Many of you can think of one central leader that many good deeds will point back to. For the **Town of Opal**, they are blessed to have **Robert Chapin**. Robert exemplifies a community hero and servant leader in every aspect of his life. Robert is a constant support of the town and he goes above and beyond the expectations of a good citizen. Rob shares his talents and his heart as a local construction business owner and as a pastor of one of our local churches. He is quick to assist the town public works department with truck repairs or flat tires, helps maintain the snow plow equipment and has been known to jump in and plow and grade the streets himself. If there is a town celebration, you will find Rob and his family supporting – and often flipping burgers. A unique role that is surely relatable to fellow small Wyoming town leaders, is Rob volunteers as the town's code enforcement officer to ensure code compliance. This act of kindness pays back to Opal in great dividends as his kind and firm action has prevented any resident summons for four years. Mayor Anthony Ritzdorf shared, "I can honestly say the Town of Opal is a better place because Robert Chapin lives here."



Council Member Sandra Palmer presented Rob Chapin the 2017 WAM Community Hero Award.

As municipal leaders, you can relate to the management of the 'animal' citizens of your communities. With unique needs for our pets or often strays, municipalities rely on qualified and caring organizations to assist in providing safe and inviting communities. Such is the case in Laramie where the **Laramie Animal Welfare Society** or **LAWS** assists the city owned animal shelter to promote responsible pet ownership. LAWS provides a robust spay and neuter program and vet care for adoptable animals from the Laramie Animal Shelter. They have successfully raised funds to improve the environment of the shelter and improve the stay of the animals in the shelter. LAWS and the Laramie Animal Shelter provide low cost micro chipping, re-home adoption programs, or temporary assistance when a family with pets is displaced. LAWS has been a community partner in Laramie and Albany County since 1998. Laramie was so thrilled to showcase them to their fellow municipal leaders!



Mayor Andi Summerville presented the 2017 WAM Community Hero Award to Amy Williamson, Suzanne Luhr, and Megan Weisensee.

During times of crisis, true character is revealed. This is the case for our Community Heroes from the **City of Douglas**. As Douglas and Converse County, among many other Wyoming communities, were hit hard with the recent energy downturn, the **Converse County Bank (CCB)** led the way to build community spirit and generosity. Bank President Tom Saunders launched the #DouglasStrong campaign which became a unifying slogan to encourage community togetherness. But beyond a feel-good hashtag, the Converse County Bank led the way to pool resources and truly instigate a community wide pay-it-forward attitude. Funds from the many efforts of their campaign were given to each Douglas non-profit organization to help meet community needs. In addition to the #DouglasStrong rally, CCB provides a free community picnic every July, including food and drinks, kid's games, petting zoo, live entertainment and much more. The event brings together over 3,000 people each year and is organized completely by the bank employees and board members.



Douglas is fortunate to have business leaders like Converse County Bank and it was with great pride Mayor Bruce Jones presented this award to them.

Fueling *the* Future



Working together to bring natural gas service to the Tongue River Valley

In the Tongue River Valley of Sheridan County, lies small yet strong communities that are determined to work together and bring natural gas services to their valley.

For several years, there has been discussion on the need for natural gas in the Tongue River Valley. Urgency really struck during the winter of 2013-2014 when area residents experienced a very cold winter and record high propane prices. Most of the residents rely on propane for heating their homes and powering their appliances. This season resulted in several families and businesses abandoning the Tongue River Valley to find more affordable places to live and do business.

The following Spring a group of residents got together to research affordable alternative methods to bring natural gas to the valley. This group later formed the Tongue River Valley Joint Powers Board (TRVJPB), made up of the Town of Dayton, the Town of Ranchester and the Sheridan County School District #1. The formation of the TRVJPB would allow them to apply for grants, loans and other funding.

Since 2013, the TRVJPB board has been diligent in moving its mission forward:

- Successfully passed a bill during the 2014 Legislative Session that allows SLIB to provide grants to natural gas utilities as a necessary infrastructure
- Received funding from Sheridan County Commissioners; Town of Dayton; Town of Ranchester; the School District; and \$6,700 from 45 private citizens
- Conducted a survey that identified 97% of those responding were in favor of bringing natural gas to the Tongue River Valley
- Received many grants and funds through different agencies

One of those funding partners, was the USDA Rural Development, who has loaned the TRVJPB close to \$4 Million to construct a 17-mile natural gas pipeline from a connection point near Sheridan. This will bring service to Dayton, Ranchester and build distribution lines throughout both communities.

This is the first regional project of it's kind funded by the USDA Rural Development. The program this project was approved under was the Strategic Economic and Community Development Program 101, which requires the project to be in a solely rural area and support a multi-jurisdictional strategic economic community development plan. The initial planning for the project was funded by a Mineral Federal Royalty grant from the State of Wyoming's State Lands and Investments Board, as well as contributions from the borrowers and Sheridan County.

“Seeing and hearing what happens when people don’t work together are stories we often hear, but our story is different. We have been able to bring people together and ignite and nurture a collaborative effort which has been the true result of this Board’s success.”

~Peter Clark, Chairman of Tongue River Valley joint Powers Board and Mayor of Ranchester



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We thought the Exhibit Show was great! I didn't realize how many businesses are out there that can benefit us.

I'm always surprised at how many people come to the cracker barrel sessions with carefully framed issues.

Thinking about things that never cross my mind. I leave feeling so fortunate when I see the issues that others face.

what members said

We always need training. This is why I like going to these workshops because I learn something new each time. Great way to bounce ideas of each other.

The Welcome Reception aboard the BNSF Train was wonderful! The food was delicious and the service was great. This was a great way to start the night.

Nice touch Gillette!

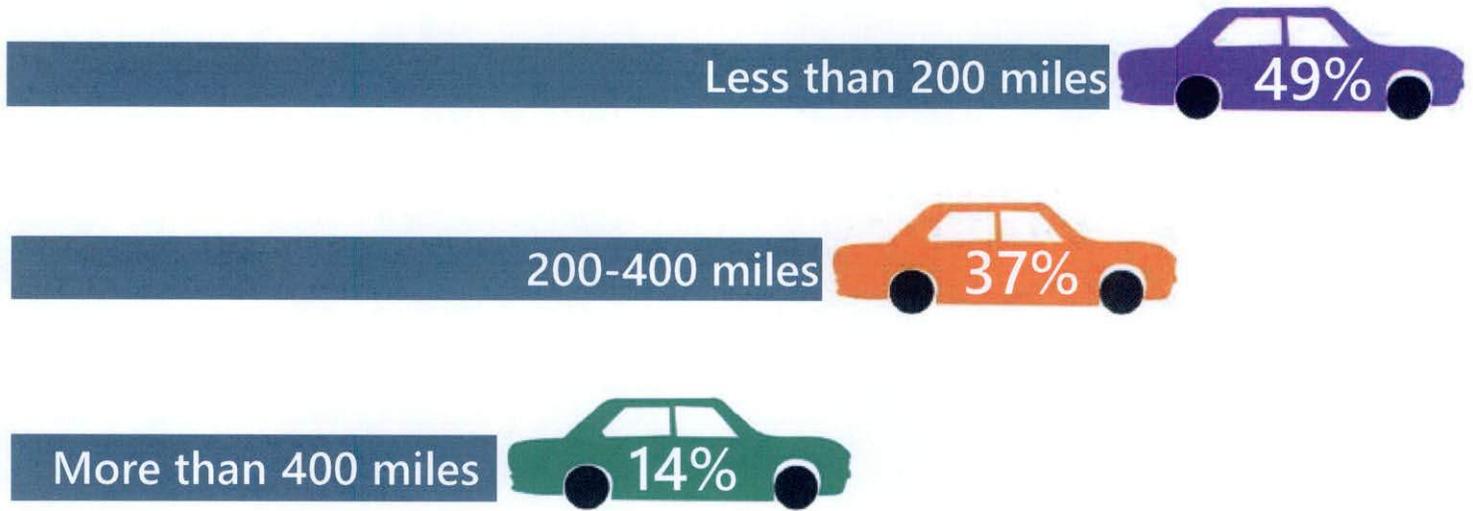
WAM's Local Government Leadership Program is important particularly for small municipalities with limited training budgets, it provides an incentive to become more educated and become a more well rounded elected or appointed official.

The facility was beautiful, the food was amazing, the class set up was great and time with vendors was easier. I thought the entire convention was a slam dunk.

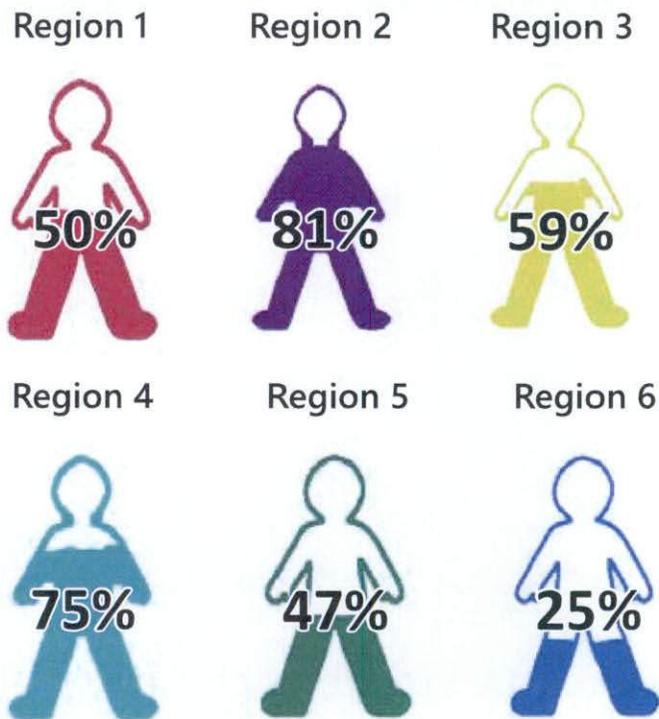
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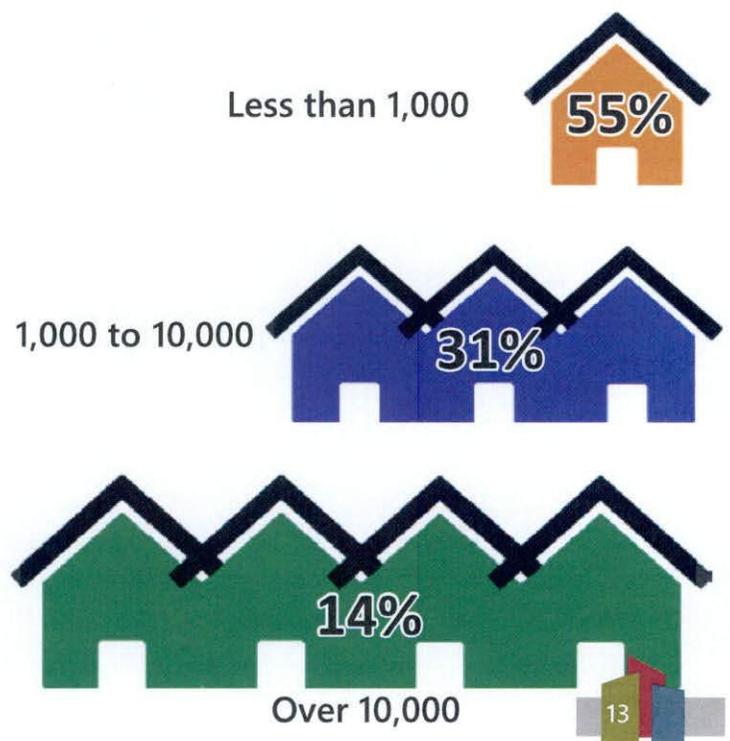
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YOUR REGIONAL ATTENDANCE



FROM CITIES & TOWNS BY POPULATION

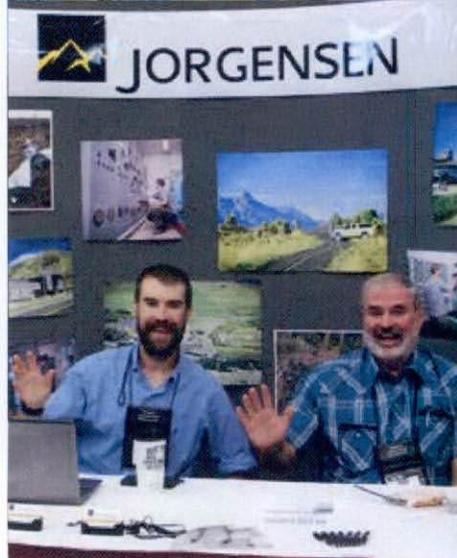


58 of 99 incorporated municipalities had representation at this year's WAM Convention. A 60% turnout!

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Shelley Strong



Shelley was a bright spot in the lives of so many. We feel so fortunate to have had the opportunity to have her leadership and friendship in WAM. In three short years, Shelley energized our association. She brought it forward into the current times, ensuring its relevance to its members and to State leaders. She had a knack at connecting people and building relationships and she seemed to do this best with her good humor.

During this year's WAM Convention, Gillette organized the Stay Strong Shelley 5k Poker Run that raising \$1,495 that was donated to the St. John's Hospital Foundation. We would like to express a BIG THANKS to all that joined us for that morning race and to the individuals who organized the event.

Shelley's family will be holding a Celebration of Life on August 5th at 1:30 P.M. at the Lockhart Cattle Company. All are invited to come with a joyful heart and your love for the inspiration, humor and friendship you shared with Shelley. Her father said, "Let's make it a Shelley Style celebration."

Shelley's Celebration of Life

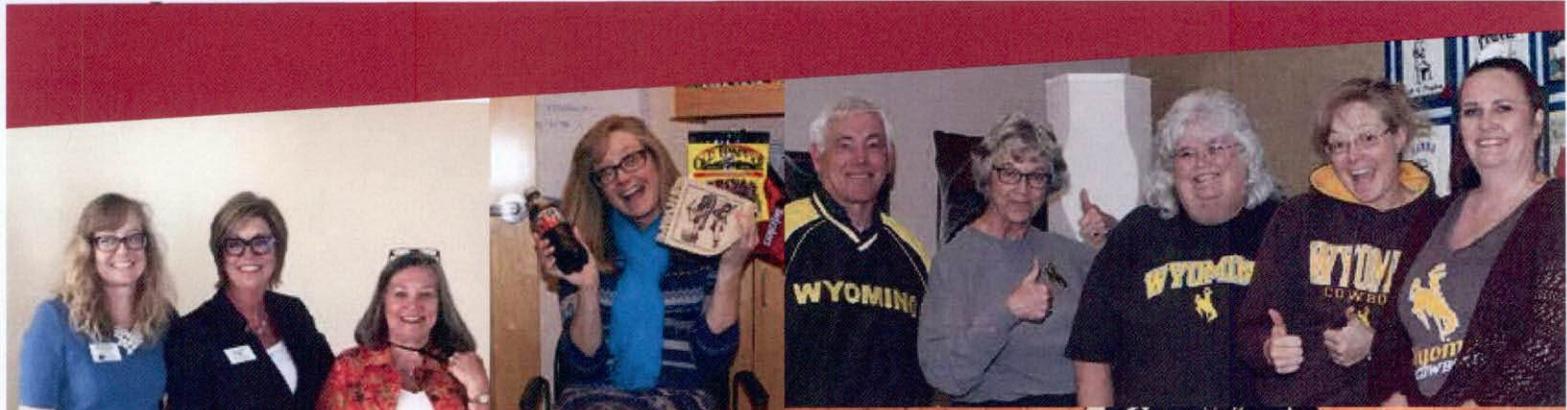
August 5, 2017 at 1:30 P.M.

Lockhart Cattle Co.

2000 S US Highway 89

Jackson, Wyoming

(Located about a mile south of Jackson, the turn off will be marked with balloons)



Wyoming Total Solar Eclipse

REGION I

6TH ANNUAL CHEYENNE ARTS FESTIVAL

August 18 - 20, 2017

121 W. 15th St. Cheyenne, WY

The Cheyenne Arts Festival showcases and celebrates local creativity in all its forms and gives viewers a unique arts-related experience. It is organized by Arts Cheyenne, with programming and logistics support from the Cheyenne Downtown Development Authority and a host of enthusiastic volunteers.

For more information email info@artscheyenne.com or call 307-222-4091

HAVEN ON THE ROCK

August 19 - 21, 2017

560 Road 55 Fort Laramie, WY 82212

Enjoy the horse trail rides, shooting range, rappelling, target sports and more! For more information visit havenontherock.org.

FIND ART IN TORRINGTON SCAVENGER HUNT

August 19 - 21, 2017

Get to know the Torrington area while you wait for the Eclipse to happen! This is a fun activity for those of all ages. Find the print out under the eclipse tab on gogoshen.net.

REGION II

ECLIPSE CELEBRATION IN BUFFALO

August 18 - 21, 2017

A celebration throughout Buffalo for this once in a lifetime event! Visit local establishments, hear great music, and dance the nights away. Themed activities each day.

ENERGY CAPITAL ECLIPSE FESTIVAL

August 18 - 21, 2017

Gillette, WY

Gillette is approximately 90 minutes north of the line of 100% totality and is not only throwing its own eclipse party, but is also offering shuttles to the Wyoming Eclipse Festival in Casper, where attendees will experience 100% totality. Learn more at visitgillettewright.com.

REGION III

STAY & PLAY IN THERMOPOLIS

August 19-21, 2017

Thermopolis, WY

In the Path of Totality, Thermopolis invites you to enjoy this monumental event by experiencing a variety of activities including the annual Demolition Derby to take place on August 19th. Visit thermopolischamber.org for more eclipse event information.

REGION IV

LANDER LIVE CELEBRATION

August 21, 2017

Chamber/Jaycee Park, Downtown Lander

Start the exceptional day with Sunrise Yoga with Jagoe in the Park. LIVE music will begin at 3-9 pm, so bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and appetite. Revel in the sounds of Reckless Kelly, Shotgun Rider, and Screen Door Porch. North 1st Street will be closed to traffic, open to food vendors, and will have a public first aid station. Stick around after the eclipse for this evening street party with food, crafts, and a showcase of bands. For more information about schedule and

We enjoy sharing your Wyoming Community Spirit!

Send stories and community events to us by September 1st to make the next issue.

Successful communities show evidence of community pride that highlight care, attention, history and heritage. We want to show you off!

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WIND RIVER ECLIPSE

August 18-22, 2017

Fun activities across Fremont County
Riverton's historic weather data shows that only 8 percent of August 21s in the past have had any clouds. On average, not even scattered clouds occur on that day. We don't think you can beat that record! Consider viewing from Riverton City Park, the Fremont County Fairgrounds, or the Castle Garden Indian petroglyph site to make your eclipse experience even more timeless! Learn more by visiting www.windrivereclipse.org.

ON THE SHOSHONI SHORES

August 21, 2017

Shoshoni, WY

This community is flanked by Boysen State Park and Reservoir and the Wind River Canyon Scenic Byway. Choose a quiet place to sit on the lake shore or paddle out to witness the total solar eclipse near the walls of ancient rock layers in the canyon.

HISTORICAL PRESENTATIONS AND THE BIRTH OF THE AMERICAN WEST

August 17-20, 2017

Dubois, WY

The Dubois Museum proudly hosts Historical Presentations and the Birth of the American West. Performances will be held daily from 2-3:30pm. Presenters include: Aug. 17 Cheryl O'Brien: The German prisoners of war who worked as tie hacks; Aug. 18 Steve Banks: Life and times of the Mountain Men: how they lived - what they wore; Aug. 19 Tom Lucas explains how the Eastern Shoshone Indians hunted and made their weapons; and Sun. 20 John Finley present's his grandfather's candid photos from the early 1900s of daily life of sheep ranchers who settled in the East Fork Valley. 909 W. Ramshorn. For more information call 307- 455-2284 or email wingerson@dteworld.com.

CASPER SAND BAR MYSTERY MURDER

August 11-26, 2017

735 CY Ave., Casper, WY

Join us for a murder mystery down on Casper's Sand Bar area. The tour begins at 8:00 PM at the fountain in front of City Hall at 200 N. David. You will go back in time, to the roaring 20's. \$25/ person. Call 307-267-7243 for more information

REGION V

ECLIPSE 5 DAY HORSEBACK EXTRAVAGANZA

August 18-23, 2017

138-2 Forty Rod Rd, Pinedale, WY

A one-of-a-kind and chance of a lifetime experience! An opportunity to view the eclipse high in the mountains, ride horses, have a night sky presentation, learn about the flora and fauna and even paint a picture. Visit grbto.com for more information.

GIRLS RIDE OUT!

August 14-21, 2017

Big Piney, WY

Soak up some sunshine all week on a unique horseback vacation in the foothills of the Wind River Mountain Range. Visit blueskysage.com for more information.

SNOW KING BASECAMP ECLIPSE CAMPING

August 17-22, 2017

100 E Snow King Ave, Jackson, WY

Join us for the only indoor camping site in Jackson Hole. Enjoy your own 100 sf site with indoor bathrooms and showers, free WiFi, charging stations and 24 hour security. Only steps from all the action in Jackson during eclipse weekend. Visit snowkingbasecamp.com

REGION VI

EDISON ILLUMINATED "EXHIBIT OPENING

August 19, 2017

904 W. Walnut, Rawlins, WY

Celebrate the 2017 Solar Eclipse with Carbon County Museum's exhibit opening, "Edison Illuminated". The exhibit covers Thomas Edison's 1878 visit to Carbon County to view a solar eclipse. During the event, free solar eclipse viewing glasses will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

STEINLEY CUP MICROBREW FESTIVAL

August 19, 2017

Veterans Island, Saratoga, WY

The official State of Wyoming Microbrew Competition will be held in Saratoga, Wyoming over Eclipse Weekend. Microbreweries from Wyoming are slated to compete for the coveted Steinley Cup at the annual competition. Free Eclipse glasses will be given to the first 250 entrants to the event. Visit saratogachamber.info for more information.

THANK YOU GILLETTE FOR HOSTING ONE GREAT CONVENTION!



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Angela Williams <angelaw@gillettewy.gov>

Fwd: Don't Miss Wyoming Singer/Songwriter Gypsy Cowbelle!

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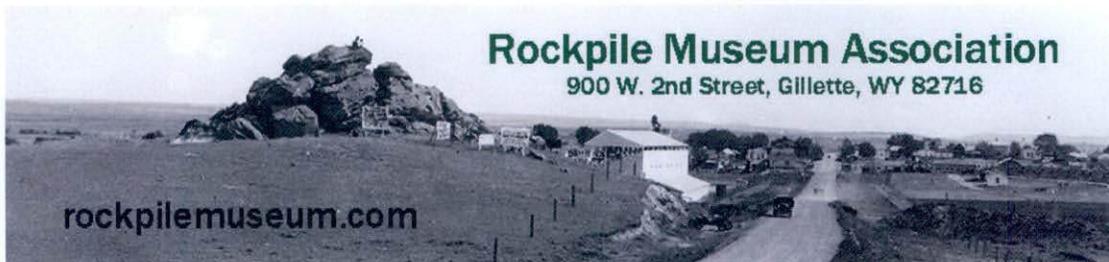
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News and Event Update from the Rockpile Museum Association

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Coming up soon:
August 12th, 3:00 p.m. -
Las Angelitas Unidas y Los Rayos del Sol perform folkloric Mexican dance at the Rockpile Museum. This is the final free event in the Museum's 2017 Summer Series.



Friends of the Rockpile Museum,

The Campbell County Rockpile Museum is pleased to bring Wyoming singer/songwriter Gypsy Cowbelle to Gillette this Saturday, July 29th, as the final event in our free 2017 Summer Series. She will give a **Homespun Instrument workshop** for children and parents at 2:00 p.m. at the Rockpile Museum. And at 7:00 p.m., we invite you to join us at the Fair for a **free musical concert!** Gypsy Cowbelle will give a solo performance with her homemade banjo and acoustic guitar at CAM-PLEX Energy Hall.

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Gypsy Cowbelle is a member of the Wyoming Arts Council. Her tapestry of ballads and "cowboyed-up classic country" reflect two decades of backcountry adventures, roving America's blue highways, and living on a remote homestead in Wyoming. Her unique "cowbilly" style combines country, folk, and cowboy music which will have your toes tapping!

Please don't miss a wonderful evening of timeless music this Saturday, July 29th at 7:00 p.m. Reminisce with unforgettable classics and discover refreshing original music with Wyoming's Gypsy Cowbelle!

JULY 29, 2017 GYPSY COWBELLE EVENTS:
2:00 p.m. - Homespun Instrument workshop for children and parents at the Rockpile Museum
7:00 p.m. - FREE musical concert at CAM-PLEX Energy Hall

Please call the Rockpile Museum at 307-682-5723 or email rockpile@vcn.com with any questions.



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