County fair in full swing

by Cindy Glasson

The 2018 Hot Springs County Fair, "From the Ground Up! Growing Tomorrow's Leaders Through 4-H and FFA Today!" has gotten off to a great start. There are still some great events left for you to attend

Thursday, Aug. 2 will see the swine show at 8 a.m., chili cook off at 5 p.m. and beef show at 6 p.m. The fair building will be open for public viewing from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 3 will begin with the round robin competition at 10 a.m., followed by the Parade of Champions at 1 p.m. The pre-sale buyers' dinner will be at 6 p.m., and the week's activities will wrap up with the Judges' Choice Bake Sale and Junior Livestock Auction at 7 p.m. The fair building will again be open for public viewing from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Behind the scenes

This is a very busy week for the youth of Hot Springs County with everything going on at the county fair, from animals to cake decorating and photography.

We know the younger crowd puts in countless numbers of hours, especially with their animals.

Fair preparation for 4-H actually starts October 1, the beginning of the new 4-H calendar year. Those who show beef, for instance, have to have their animals weighed and tagged by the Fair Board by the first Sunday in February.

Everyone has to work with their animals for months to get them used to the ring, being led and standing correctly for judging. It takes a lot of practice to be a winner.

But what about the behind the scenes things that we never see?

It takes a whole team of individuals to make fair week come off without too many hiccups. The fair board actually runs the fair, however, the 4-H, FFA and UW Extension service are a huge support staff.

Choosing judges for the animals is done by Valerie Mead. Since livestock judges book up quickly with all the fairs going on in Wyoming and surrounding states at the same time, Mead starts making her phone calls to line up judges months in advance.

Joey Johnson does the same thing for judges of the building exhibits, too, as those judges need to be lined up early.

Vickie Nichols calls herself the 'go fer', but she really keeps the ball rolling by getting the entry forms to the kids and helping them get them filled out correctly before passing them on to Mead to enter into the computer.

Entries for the fair begin around the first of July with the horse entries since the Youth Horse Show is the first event of fair.

Once everything is entered in the computer, Mead prints off the judging sheets and entry cards and Nichols distributes them to the kids to put on their projects. The judging sheets are put into three-ring binders so the judge's clerk can record the placement for each entry.

Congratulations to all our Hot Springs County youth that participate in fair, but a huge shout out to all of those adults behind the scenes who make it all possible.

Local coffee roaster targeted in scam

Recently, Jackrabbit Java in Thermopolis was the recipient of a handwritten letter claiming a whole bean bag of its product was recently purchased, though the customer later tried the product and was disappointed as it tasted "stale."

The customer then requests a replacement of the coffee and an explanation of how it happened.

While this appears to be a letter targeted specifically at the local business, it was found that such letters have actually been sent out to various coffee companies across the country. As of July 25, more than similar letters were received, all stat-

ing the same complaint—stale tasting coffee — and demanding a replacement of product.

It is suspected these letters are part of a scam, as they have similar language, a common complainant named "Daniel" and requests to send the replacement coffees to an address in Las Vegas.

Volunteer for student food program

With the start of school just around the corner, it is time once again for the People for People Backpack program to get rolling.

The program is a group of volunteers in the community dedicated to stopping hunger for local children by filling backpacks with food that are distributed on Friday's so they have something to eat over the weekend.

Many of our youngsters depend on the school lunch program to get their nutrition, and the backpack program ensures

there are simple things the students can fix themselves to eat.

There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer for the program like helping unload the truck when food is delivered. They receive approximately three tons of food every month.

You can also volunteer to pack the 600 to 700 bags of food dispersed to the children every month or help on Friday mornings when the totes are delivered to the schools.

Of course, monetary dona-

tions to the program are always welcome.

If you would like to volunteer or if you have questions about the Backpack program, please contact Judy Carswell at 921-8264.







photo by Mark Dykes

Winning pooch

Rosalie Willson receives a Best in Show award during Monday evening's dog show. Results from the show will be available in next week's edition.

Get those derby vehicles ready for action

Get ready for a ton of fun with the Annual Demolition Derby, Saturday, Aug. 18 at the Hot Springs County Fairgrounds.

Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the derby is one of the best attended events of the summer with a truck derby, Herby Derby and chain class and this year, just for the younger crowd, a Power Wheels Derby for kids 4-10-years old.

In the main derby, there will be winners in the loser's heat and winner's heat, with the grand prize this year of \$4,000. Second place takes home \$1,000, third will win \$700 and fourth place gets \$500, along with trophies for the winners.

In the truck derby, the first place winner gets \$1,500 and the winner of the Herby and chain class will take home \$500.

There is a \$75 entry fee that will allow the driver and up to two pit crew members.

A full list of rules, regulations and registration information is all available at the Chamber.

Tickets are \$12 in advance for adults, \$5 for kids 5-12 and seniors are \$7. Tickets are on sale now at the Chamber, Black Bear Cafe, Reese & Ray's IGA, Finishing Touches and Storyteller.



Public notices

FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS, default in the payment of princioal and interest has occurred under the terms of a Promissory Note (the "Note") dated March 13, 2012, executed and delivered by Roy A. Nielsen "Mortgagor") to USAA Federal Savings Bank, and a real estate Mortgage (the "Mortgage") of the same date securing the Note, which Mortgage was executed and delivered by said Mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for USAA Federal Savings Bank, its successors and assigns, as Mortgagee, and which Mortgage was recorded on March 19, 2012, at Reception No. 0498524, in Book 150, at Page 701-716 in the public records in the office of the County Clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Hot Springs County, State of Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was assigned for alue as follows:

Assignee: USAA Federal Savings Bank

Assignment dated: May 29, 2018 Assignment recorded: May 31, 2018 Assignment recording information: at Reception No. 0530420, in Book 181, at Page 421-422

All in the records of the County Clerk and exofficio Register of Deeds in and for Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgagee declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage as of July 30, 2018 being the total sum of \$117,294.64, plus interest, costs expended, late charges, and attorneys' fees accruing thereafter through the date of sale;

WHEREAS, the property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any pro-

spective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

WHEREAS, if the foreclosure sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of his/her/its money paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, Mortgagor, Servicer or their attorneys;

NOW, THEREFORE USAA Federal Savings Bank, as the Mortgagee, will have the Mortgage foreclosed as by law provided by causing the mortgaged property to be sold at public venue by the Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff in and for Hot Springs County, Wyoming to the highest bidder for cash at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon on August 21, 2018 on the front steps of the Hot Springs County Courthouse located at 415 Arapahoe, Thermopolis, WY 82443, for application on the above described amounts secured by the Mortgage, said mortgaged property being described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 3, Block 2, Meadowlark Subdivision to the Town of Thermopolis, Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

With an address of 140 Meadowlark Lane, Then mopolis, WY 82443 (the undersigned disclaim liability for any error in the address).

Together with all improvements thereon situ ate and all fixtures and appurtenances thereto

Mortgagee shall have the exclusive right to re scind the foreclosure sale during the redemption period. In the event that the sale is rescinded o vacated for any reason, the successful purchase shall only be entitled to a refund of their purchase price and/or statutory interest rate.

Dated: July 18, 2018

USAA Federal Savings Bank

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