



Fire and EMS crews from across Wyoming hung an American Flag in front of the Wyoming State Capitol during the ceremony on Sept. 11 to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks in New York, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania.



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Dani Long (second from left), Shondel Bennett and state EMS director Brandon Kelley were presented with a commemorative wreath for participating in the Cheyenne ceremony.



From left, Shondel Bennett, Gov. Mark Gordon, first lady Jennie Gordon and Dani Long got together to take a photo during the anniversary ceremony in Cheyenne.

## Sublette EMS participates in Sept. 11 ceremony

**WYOMING** – Dani Long and Shondel Bennett drove a Sublette County EMS ambulance to Cheyenne to represent western Wyoming in the ceremony at the State Capitol to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorism attacks. Sublette County EMS received an invitation to the ceremony from Wyoming State EMS Supervisor Brandon Kelley. Gov. Mark Gordon, U.S. Sen. John Barrasso, Maj. Gen. Greg Porter of the Wyoming National Guard and Wyoming Office of Homeland Security Director Lynn Budd all made emotional speeches during the ceremony. Sublette County EMS was presented

with a wreath for its participation, one it could return to the county to commemorate participation in the ceremony.

## Enterprise's motion hearing is Oct. 13

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**SUBLETTE COUNTY** – A Pinedale company responded to a former employee's lawsuit that he was fired for not wearing a facemask or getting a COVID-19 vaccine per new company policies.

Benjamin D. Crosland, who worked for Enterprise Products for 14 years, claims that he was "wrongfully terminated" in August after his request for a religious exemption was denied by corporate officials, according to court records. Enterprise Products Partners filed a motion to dismiss Crosland's suit in 9th District.

Its motion to dismissal says of Crosland's religious exemption request – "Plaintiff avers he is a living soul in the image of God. He claims he has been threatened, harassed and intimidated about wearing a mask and that 'he has a religious objection to the restriction of his connection to this his creator through his breath.'"

Judge Marv Tyler set a 30-minute telephone hearing for Oct. 13 at 1:30 p.m.

## Man resuscitated, charged after apparent overdose

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**SUBLETTE COUNTY** – A Big Piney man previously convicted of misdemeanor controlled-substance possession pleaded not guilty Sept. 9 in 9th District Court to two enhanced possession felonies.

On Aug. 6, Deputy Krystal Mansur and others responded to a call about an unresponsive man in a Ford 150 in the sagebrush off Highway 351, according to her affidavit.

The caller saw the truck with the unconscious man identified as Warren J. Phillips inside, put it in park, turned it off and began CPR, the affidavit says. The man started breathing but was still unconscious. An EMT assessed Phillips, not knowing why he was wouldn't

respond, it says.

An empty pill bottle was on a seat, the deputy said.

Three of them pulled Phillips from his truck and laid him on the ground, Phillips began breathing in great distress, she reported.

Sublette EMS arrived and immediately administered Narcan, a nasal spray used to reverse possible opiate overdoses, her affidavit says. Phillips came to shortly after and was taken by ambulance to the Pinedale Medical Clinic, where he recovered and was later questioned.

Phillips said he didn't understand or remember what happened. Deputies took and tested several white pills and white powder in a blue vial that came back "presumptive positive" for Buprenorphine and meth respectively, the

affidavit says. Buprenorphine is described as an opioid used to treat opioid dependence.

Phillips is charged with possession of a controlled substance, meth, third or subsequent offense; possession of a controlled substance pill or cap, Buprenorphine, third or more offense; driving under the influence of a controlled substance and failure to maintain a single lane, according to court records.

The enhanced possession felonies each carry maximum penalties of five years in prison and \$5,000 fines; the misdemeanors carry a maximum total of six months, 20 days in jail and \$950 fines.

His bond was set at \$5,000 cash in Circuit Court, with \$1,000 cash to be posted as surety for the entire amount. Phillips was released from custody.

# Street Talk

By Terry Allen

## Who do you think really makes a difference in our county?



Everyone I have met. I'm new to the community and everyone has been very welcoming.

Amber Miller,  
North Carolina/Pinedale



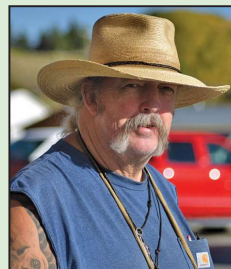
State and local conservation agencies really make a difference.

Samantha Strable,  
Montana/Pinedale



Our county commissioners. They make the rules, after listening to all of us.

Robyn Grigg,  
Big Piney



The people behind the counter at the post office. They take more unjustified abuse than anyone I know. They are truly unsung heroes.

Dan Abernathy,  
Pinedale/The world



The Boulder Roll makes a difference. We raise money for suicide awareness.

Janelle Rinehart,  
Barger