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No candidate for Wyoming's sole seat in the U.S. House of Representatives can match the credentials of Bill Winney. A retired Navy Captain, Bill graduated from the Naval Academy in 1972 with a B.S. in Oceanography (years later, he earned an MSE from The Catholic University of America). He served 30 years on active duty in the nuclear Navy. He and Louise were married two days after his graduation from the Naval Academy and have raised three sons together. All three sons attended the University of Wyoming. Jason, the eldest, earned a B.S. in Computer Sciences and lives with his wife, Kateri, in Denver, Colorado. Will, the middle son, left UW to join the Marine Corps and was deployed to Iraq in 2007. He is now stationed in North Carolina. Andrew, the youngest son, attended UW for two years and transferred to the University of Nebraska in Lincoln last year. He and his wife Laneya are parents of Bill and Louise's only grandchild, Alec.

Bill retired from the Navy in 2002 as a Captain. His 30 years of service included three tours of duty at the Pentagon - two at the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) and one at the Department of Defense. He also played an important role in the transition of the Strategic Air Command (SAC) in Omaha, Nebraska to become StratCom. He served as commanding officer of the USS Benjamin Franklin, a nuclear powered ballistic missile submarine and was also commanding officer of the USS Holland, a submarine tender.



The Bill Winney family. (From left, back row) Will, Louise and Laneya (From left, front row) Jason, Bill, Andrew holding Alec - Kateri not shown

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Southside Park

Well, well, well.

We must be approaching another election having to do with funds for things like parks.

Why is that so obvious?

Because the up-to-now largely ignored park on Cheyenne's southside is once again put on a front burner. It may only simmer there but it's back in the daylight.

An proposition on the last Specific Purposes sales tax referendum called for \$2,000,000 for a southside park and \$1,000,000 for work in Lions Park (and \$50,000 for Pine Bluffs). Visitors to both City areas would be struck by the fact that Lions Park has had considerable attention and, unless provided directions, a visitor couldn't even tell where the park is supposed to be located on the southside.

Let's see ... why might that be?

Could it be the neglect long shown the southside? Not a bias, probably, but just unintentional neglect?

Hell, let's call it what it is. Neglect. Bias. Lack of concern. And it hasn't been unintentional. It has been deliberate. The southside park was approved for more money than Lions Park in the last referendum. But what got attention first?

Ward 1 includes the near southside, which is from the railroad tracks to Fox Farm Rd., reaching west toward the "tank farm" on Parsley Blvd. There are three council members from Ward 1. Interestingly, none of the current council members live south of the tracks or off Parsley. Very seldom has a council member from Ward 1 actually lived in the area to be served by a new southside park - not one of the "pocket" parks down there like Lincoln or Optimist - but a real community park like the one proposed and ignored since approved in 2003.

Segrave withheld the truth

In the Downtown Development Authority Executive Director's Report of December, 2007, Christian Cherek informed all who would end up with the document the following news under "**Business and Economic Development.**"

First, concerning the **Hynds Building** - She reported that the DDA was asked by the "Hynds developers" if the DDA "can assist with the public relations of the project, ensuring that factual information is disseminated (sic)."

Makes it sound like, if the Foreclosure King were to disseminate the information himself, it might not be factual, doesn't it?

It is another part of the Report that is most disturbing, however. The next para reads:

"Marriott -- I have had several conversations with the Marriott developers as well. They are now claiming that they did not know they would have to pay for parking. I have been working with their realtor to look at other downtown locations in the event they decide to walk away from this location, though there is no strong indication that they will actually do this."

This Report was received in the City Council office at 9:01 am on December 12, 2007. It was not provided to council members until January 16, 2008.

In between those dates, the Council voted to approve using \$700,000 in public funds to build a skywalk for the Marriott.

Tom Segrave sits on the DDA board and knew thta the Marriott developers had expressed deal-breaking concern about parking. So did the mayor. Know. Both went public in support of the skywalk even though they could not be sure there will ever be a Marriott extended-stay facility built at that location. For six weeks, the mayor and Segrave withheld information which should have been crucial to a decision to spend public funds for a skywalk which would not be needed or used.

Council members have been censured for questioning a secretary's raise. Why was no action taken against Segrave for this?

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Four hundred sixty-six (466) days since Jim McBride threatened to take legal action against the Cheyenne Herald for disclosing his Bennett, Colorado, Superintendent Evaluations.

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