

The year in review ... 2002

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Some leads and subheads from 2002:

- DOWNTOWN GARAGE**
Throw another barbie on the truck, mate
Are stealing from citizens and deceiving judges now OK at Cheyenne's department of sanitation?
A New Low for the WT-E
Great Lakes Aviation owed Cheyenne's Airport Board more than \$100,000
January 30, 2002
- ANNEXATION ILLEGAL?**
ETHICS and the Cheyenne Herald
How 4 lowly "naysayers" saved the City of Cheyenne mucho dinero over a burrito
V.A. Land Imbroglio
February 13, 2002
- SEX, LIES AND VIDEOTAPE**
The Downtown Parking Garage has something for everyone. What's a little more b.s. among friends?
In the Mayor's Own Words
SELECTING A BAR & RESTAURANT FOR THE DEPOT
Are we watching "LET'S MAKE A DEAL", "THE PRICE IS RIGHT", or merely "ALL IN THE FAMILY"?
February 27, 2002
- Is the Optional One Cent Sales Tax in Jeopardy?
Could current governing body decisions doom the Fifth Penny?
"the garage could begin to break even in 2005"
and Enron could bounce back, too
Can the BOPU be Trusted?
CRYPTOSPORIDIUM ... a nasty little bugger you don't want in YOUR drinking water
Projections for the operations of a new downtown parking garage
Spending extremists
April, 2002
- City Officials Interfere
Pressure commissioners to prevent legal opinion
South Cheyenne bias
WT-E, Mayor, City Council declare war on County
Oh, what a tangled web we weave
May, 2002
- WHY I SUED THE CITY OF CHEYENNE**
This way to the Supreme Court
City attorney on a limb
Ya gotta see this
The Vandehei "calming islands"
- City / County attorney should be elected
and, city department heads should be "hired"
If ignorance is bliss, WT-E is full of it
Parking garage lawsuit
Cheyenne below average in sales tax collections
June - July, 2002
- Bus benches?
Or, ground-level billboards?
County Attorney(s) will never be mistaken for Van Devanter
Kudos to Kelly Milner
Wyoming Tribune-Eagle reporter writes a brilliant piece
Base Annexation
July - August, 2002
- Annexation of Military Facilities
(by County Commissioner Jeff Ketcham)
Fireworks ban
August 7, 2002
- South Cheyenne, Wyoming?
Annexation fight song
City officials pursue another illegal annexation
Alan Simpson helps Dave Freudenthal
September, 2002
- Theft by resolution?
and, other praise Cheyenne's mayor and city council earned for giving their friends \$167,000 of your money
Albin school should remain open
Announcement on Hynds Building should be imminent
September 27, 2002
- South Cheyenne Park
Eli Bebout just like you
except he's worth \$5.8 million and has only \$85,000 in liabilities
October 16, 2002
- Hostile takeover
ambulance "study" a predetermined plan
Two white guys cry "racist"
October 31, 2002
- Plywood down!!
Wyoming Business Council moving into Hynds Building
November 18, 2002
- New Animal Shelter Untracked!
Unknown underground gas lines discovered
Let 'em eat cake!
Denver expert agrees with the Herald, Kaiser & Co. should not be paid.
December 6, 2002
- Unpack those boxes, ma, we ain't going nowhere!
Business Council to stay at Hotel Becker. Hynds Building move dropped.
December 20, 2002

The year in review ... 2003

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Some leads and subheads from 2003:

- What happens if the dog catches the car?
Is the City serious about electric utilities or just running a bluff?
Build a new medium security prison in Rawlins. Soon.
City as vulnerable to flooding as it was in 1985
January 6, 2003
- City gives away depot
Utilities. To municipalize or not to municipalize?
January 20, 2003
- Million dollar contamination!
Flying J has major underground gas or diesel leak, DEQ claims
Tortious interference
February 3, 2003
- New library at any cost?
Can a \$35 million library gain approval?
Deja vu all over again
Problems again reported in City audit
February 17, 2003
- We don't need no stinkin' water cops!
With all those books, they still learn slow
Library board digs in on overly-expensive facility
March 3, 2003
- Felix: We don't need a new landfill location.
Felix Pino, longtime sanitation department head, weighs in
The Belvoir Ranch may be a steal. But, who's doing the stealing?
March 24, 2003
- City wants to put new dump on top of existing Conoco gas pipelines!
Keep poorer schools open. Close the better ones. Adults must decide these things.
Albin students prove again why their school must remain open
April 7, 2003
- If he'd had another year, that garage might have been free
Child care centers are only allowed in places we wouldn't want to have them
They can't be put where people live, but they can be put where people drink
April 21, 2003
- The dump should stay where it is
Depot office leases
May 5, 2003
- Belvoir water contains TCE. But, it can be treated. Can the cancer it may cause?
May 19, 2003
- City paying \$1,700,000 too much for the Belvoir Ranch
McLucky McMorris McHaul Repeating. Not reporting.
June 2, 2003
- Condemn the Hynds Building
TCE in the city water supply
June 16, 2003
- Albin / Judge lied to?
How much did LCSD2 business manager know and when did he know it?
June 30, 2003
- Cabrini Cheyenne?
Move over, calming islands. There's competition for the worst "site" in Cheyenne.
July 14, 2003
- "First, we need some crashes!"**
In order to get stoplights on a street, some people have to get hurt first.
July 28, 2003
- Inebriate 'em with immunity
August 8, 2003
- Wind energy
Gulag Cheyenne
Taft Archipelago adds to Cabrini Cheyenne
September 2, 2003
- How could we?
We allowed a young mother to die.
September 15, 2003
- Editor note: The above feature about Cathi Blevins and her family's commitment that no other Wyoming family would have to suffer the loss and heartbreak they did when the 29 year-old Cathi died nine months earlier, ranks as probably the most significant story the Cheyenne Herald had done to that date - maybe since. The 2004 Legislature, even though in budget session, passed a Bill and the Governor signed it, which will provide funding for certain organ transplants, including the kind Cathi needed and was denied.
- Owens-Illinois
Add 'em to the Myth List
September 29, 2003
- United Medical Center faces "threat"
Will "pro-growthers" think this growth is good if it harms UMC?
October 13, 2003
- Chamber of Commerce may have stepped in it!
GreaaaHound Airlines
October 27, 2003
- Trilegiant closing is a huge loss!
November 10, 2003
- WT-E, Chamber violate elections law!
November 24, 2003
- Ten Commandments monolith should stay right where it is
December 8, 2003

The year in review ... 2004

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Some leads and subheads from 2004:

Cheyenne Attorney Busted [for] Lodgepole Creek channeling

An annexation law too bad to be considered

County building codes
December 27, 2004

Still lying about the parking garage

Fraud audit
Results confirm disclosures in the Herald

Maggie Carter Framed by City Councilman Joe Bonds

Is the Spiker Administration Looking the Other Way for Certain Weed-Infested Friends, Relatives and Businesses?

Silent love
Commissioners approve Christmas gift to employees without knowing the cost to taxpayers
December 13, 2004

Smoking ban

Public meetings law

"Will the last business leaving the downtown please turn out the lights?"

Jeff Ketcham - the truth
Patrol nabs Ketcham for alleged DUI

No Re-Petes
Legislators apply Peter Principle to County Petes
November 29, 2004

Gone. But never forgotten.
(The death of Phyllis Atchison)

Dishonest again
Chamber of Commerce does it again

Woods four-plexes sold illegally?
November 15, 2004

Friends in low places

Tort reform

A lie repeated is still a lie
DEQ has never told City the current landfill could not be expanded

Maggie Carter on Paid Vacation During "Audit" of VISA Spending

"Where do I go" to get my reputation back? (The Pat Barrett story)
October 25, 2004

City Council's Credit Cards Being Used for Improper, Illegal Purposes
Council's \$52,000/year Secretary Used City-Issued VISA Card for Multiple Orders from Companies Selling Cosmetics & Other "Personal" Items

A city of the worst shape

What is "anti-growth?"
Should we let the WT-E define growth for us?
October 11, 2004

Yes, they do pay their Visa with their MasterCard
City uses money from the bonds to pay on the bonds

Flip-flop!
Jack Spiker's changes rival John Kerry's

Fire truck paramedics.
A good idea or a poor use of resources?

A circular firing squad
Parking in front of the depot. No one walks away.
September 27, 2004

Return the money!
Mayor and four councilmen take money from developer with business before them at time of donation.

Downtown parking garage
A dismal failure as predicted

Northwest Airlines could have been ours

Another "sweetheart" deal?
Who represents City in land deal with Kiwanis Club?
September 13, 2004

Great Lakes Aviation still struggles

The water police

The people vs. the paper and the privileged

Obituaries refused
WT-E would not print obits of I-80 victims
August 30, 2004

What evidence is there malpractice caps help?

Wyoming Adjutant General still doesn't have a clue

County building codes
Hearing on August 3 a theater of the absurd

"We could have made it, except for the lies!"
(Closing downtown deli owner, referring to the construction of the parking garage)

Eviscerated candidates!
WT-E panel should be in poultry business
August 12, 2004

T'aint funny
Commissioners reject Reed Eckhardt for an appointment he didn't seek

Split estates
Wyoming landowner group seeking some equity - and compensation

Water restrictions
BOPU finally takes advice of Herald and allows use of excess city water supply
August 2, 2004

"Help us before we settle again!"
Tort reform sought for doctors against insurance companies, not doctors or insurance companies protection from victims

Why "Shop Cheyenne" doesn't work

"Mr. Ryan, tear out those lights."
Commissioners direct County Coroner Bill Ryan to remove emergency lights from county vehicle he had used to make questionable traffic stops that led to lawsuit.
July 19, 2004

City makes great profit on county building codes

Silence didn't create this nation. Nor did subservience. Dissent did.
Speaking out is not only a right. It is a duty.

Our own Peter Minuit
Murray trades 10+ acres on W. College for 23.9 acres behind the mall
June 28, 2004

The skirmish is now a war!
Tort reform has become medical warfare!

Coincidence? Or, a tip?
Is the WT-E already controlling the news on the mayor's race?
June 14, 2004

New life for Albin Charter School?
"There is no logic or law which would require the State Board to consider the best interests of the pupils, school district, or community ..."

Breach of trust (faith)
Some legislators ignore term limits

Fox guarding the hen house
One state employee investigating another is unlikely to produce fair results - and didn't
June 1, 2004

Caps unnecessary
Lawyers won't take med-mal cases

2005 (FY) City Budget
WT-E story includes many inaccuracies

A political decision by political appointees
Supreme Court decision on term limits no surprise
May 17, 2004

Jimmy Valdez: "The mayor said I should be paid."

Lynn Birleffi thinks waitresses are paid too much!

Want some cheese with that wine?
The brie and zinfandel crowd lost every annexation case.

"Maybe we forgot to tell them about the tavern."
Laura Bush Award for historic preservation supposed to be "cultural"?
May 3, 2004

Tears are too late
City "stole" needy's money for depot

Audit problems
Similar problems cost last mayor his job

Desperate for validation
Why else send seven to pick up an award given to half the cities in the nation?

Malpractice caps unfair
Armstrong v. Hrabal proof
April 19, 2004

Jeld-Wen Story
One little detail of expansion omitted. You're helping pay for it!

Peter Principle in Play
Terms limits are debated in Casper
April 5, 2004

Supreme Court said it loud
Spiker administration is guilty
"The local advocacy journal"
March 22, 2004

GUILTY!
City dealt devastating setback on annexations

This guy needs a billboard!
Illoyay: Surprised annexation was subject of debate

Cathi Blevins Bill passes

VFW vs. Veterans Commission

Where are the new jobs? And, what growth?
March 8, 2004

Sheridan County's problems are alcohol, drugs, seat belts and speeding
and, a graduated driver's license won't cure any of them

Kerry cannot win
Will Democrats serve up the '04 presidential election like the Republicans did in '96?

Tort surrender

With apologies to sausage
Watching law being made has to be worse
February 23, 2004

"Just trying to steal one for the Gipper."
Legislators try to hijack term limits law.

A village is missing one of its residents
Illoyay offers HB84 to deprive residents of court access
February 9, 2004

The wolves (special to the Herald from Harold J. Harju, Ph.D.)
January 26, 2004

Term limits.
"Damn the voters. We don't want to leave."
Boyd Dowler Interview
From Cheyenne to the Coliseum
Pro-growth? Or, pro-spending?

Highlands Ranch North?
January 12, 2004