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It was a busy August – my first month-long recess as a new Congresswoman. I spent the first 3 weeks of the month traveling around the State to a variety of events and meetings with constituents, tours of important businesses and cultural attractions, and spending a few short days with my family (having added several new great nieces and nephews to the family count in the last 12 weeks, and spending time with my mother as she edges ever closer to the 100-year mark). I don't believe that I have seen a more beautiful August in Wyoming. The green, green grass made it seem as though we were still enjoying early summer. Every corner of the State provided new visual surprises.

I left Wyoming on August 20th, and participated in my first "CoDel" (Congressional Delegation) to the South Pacific. Our days were jam-packed, but it is so good to be back in the United States! I can say with absolute confidence that, while this August recess has been extremely productive, I can't wait to return to DC to continue legislating and representing Wyoming. There is so much work to do, including focusing on the Budget; continuing to uncover the graft and corruption in our federal agencies (most specifically the DOJ and FBI); and exposing the scope, depth and breadth of the Biden Crime Family activities. All of this is going to take time, and when the people and institutions who have the information seem to have every incentive to stonewall, obfuscate, and deflect, it becomes even more difficult to shine a light on what has been going on in Washington, DC. Their actions won't deter us from our quest to expose them, but it does require patience and a methodical approach in our investigations.

A Warning on Veterans Benefit-related Scams and Misinformation

Many of you share my heartfelt gratitude for the sacrifices our veterans have made, and we continue to work hard to ensure they receive the benefits they deserve. Unfortunately, there are some people trying to take advantage of our veterans to line their own pockets, specifically through misinformation on the recent PACT Act that I discussed in an earlier edition of the Wyoming Round-Up.

Veterans are NEVER required to pay someone to receive the benefits they've earned or to obtain a copy of their service record; you have already given enough to our nation. PACT Act claims, just like disability or other benefit claims, are entirely free. Below are a few tips to help you avoid scams:

- If you receive an unsolicited call from someone offering assistance with VA benefits, hang up and call the VA directly at 1-800-827-1000. The VA will never conduct phone outreach campaigns, nor will they guarantee you a lucrative payout.
- Never pay for help with filing VA benefits or obtaining military records. There are many veteran service organizations, agents, and VA-accredited attorneys available to assist you.
- If you suspect a VA-related scam, call the VA benefits hotline at 1-800-827-1000.

This week we also received word from the Sheridan VA that there is mistaken information about events being held across the state for medical, dental, and vision screenings in conjunction with their homeless veteran supplies deliveries. Please note that there are no public events associated with these deliveries. As always, please reach out to your local VA for any assistance needs. They are happy to work with you!

[Click Here for More Fraud Prevention Resources](#)

The Department of Education's War on the 2nd Amendment

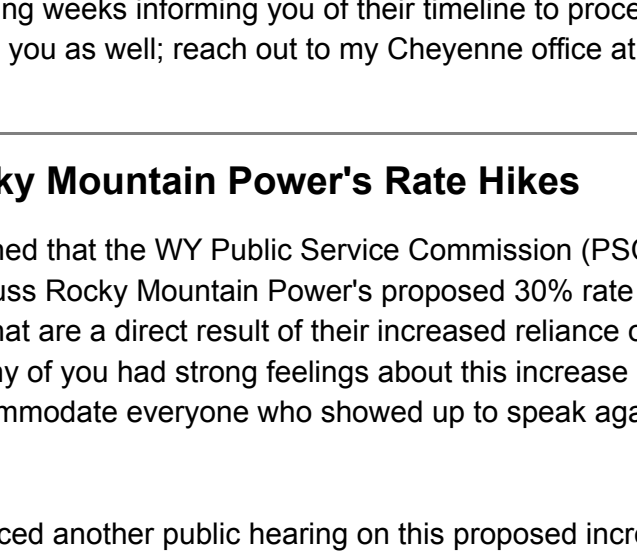
Recent reporting has unveiled that Biden's Department of Education has joined the Radical Left's fight against our Second Amendment rights by refusing to provide federal funds to schools that offer "dangerous weapon training" to their students. Yet again, radical unelected bureaucrats are seeking to ostracize and defund those individuals who seek to do nothing more than practice a fundamental constitutional right. They do so by using sensational, emotional terms such as "dangerous weapon" to describe what is actually hunter education, gun safety, and archery courses. They are despicable and will ultimately be held accountable, but only after years of litigation. This is yet another example of the federal government being weaponized against us.

The Biden Administration is creating great harm by seeking to block funds to programs that instill a respect for firearms and that are designed to teach our children how to safely handle guns and bows to prevent harm and minimize danger. These programs also teach our students much more than simply the four rules of gun safety: they get our children physically active and engaged with nature, which studies prove is vital for mental and physical health. These courses instill values of conservation and respect for life, and teach students patience, focus, and discipline that will help them in all aspects of their life.

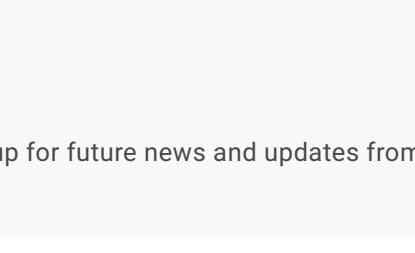
The very purpose of this new rule is to leave youth unprepared for how to safely handle a weapon, and increases the chance that a teenager's understanding of firearm culture is taught through violent video games, TV shows, and movies that prioritize the improper use of guns for the sake of attention-grabbing plots.

The federal Department of Education is inept, partisan, biased, and dysfunctional. It has a long history of causing more harm than good, and generation after generation of students are suffering as a result. Their actions have only confirmed my decision to cosponsor Rep. Thomas Massie's resolution to immediately abolish the federal Department of Education and allocate federal education funds directly to the states. The states are the ones that should decide education policy. The federal Department of Education, in contrast, focuses on indoctrination and social justice issues that have nothing to do with actually ensuring that our children are properly educated.

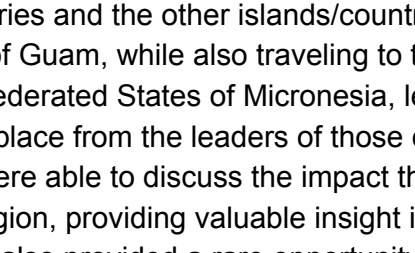
Updates Across the State



Trinity, my district director, spent a day with the Buffalo BLM field office this week looking at ongoing projects on Billy Creek and the Welch Recreation area. During the visit, they discussed upcoming BLM plans for thinning out surrounding forests, challenges and potential solutions for land swap agreements, and the importance of strong working relationships with surrounding tribes.



Tyler from my Cheyenne office recently met with Rock Springs' Mayor Max Mickelson to discuss the city's housing and infrastructure projects, as well as any assistance they need with public facility grants. While in town, he was also able to talk with Rock Springs Chamber CEO Rick Lee about the city's growth and need for more professional and technically trained workers.



Registration Deadline Extended for Wyoming Women Veterans Event

The Sheridan VA has extended the deadline to register for their Promoting Our Women Warriors (POWW) event to Friday, September 8.

This free event, beginning Sept. 16 at 8AM at the Hilton Garden Inn in Casper, is open to all women veterans and will feature various hands-on wellness activities, informational booths and exhibits, and two guest speakers! An additional meet and greet social will be held the evening of Friday, Sept. 15. For more information, and to register, click the button below!

[Register Here!](#)

Progress on Backlogged VA Claims

This week, my office received notice from the VA that they have identified all veterans whose disability claims were not properly routed through their website and are currently working to notify those veterans of the delay and that they will be processing their claims. If you submitted a disability claim with the VA between now and 2018 and have not heard back, be on the lookout for a letter from the VA over the coming weeks informing you of their timeline to process your claim. My office is ready and willing to assist you as well; reach out to my Cheyenne office at 307-829-3299 if you have any questions!

An Update on Rocky Mountain Power's Rate Hikes

Two weeks ago, I mentioned that the WY Public Service Commission (PSC) was holding a public hearing in Casper to discuss Rocky Mountain Power's proposed 30% rate increase to cover energy losses and added costs that are a direct result of their increased reliance on unreliable wind and solar energy. Clearly, many of you had strong feelings about this increase as the PSC had to set up an overflow room to accommodate everyone who showed up to speak against this potentially disastrous price increase.

WY PSC has just announced another public hearing on this proposed increase for **Monday, September 18** at 5:30 PM in Riverton. If you would like to attend in person or join virtually, [click here for more information](#). I hope many of you will join, just as you did in Casper!

Do you want to pay more money for Rocky Mountain Power's shift to unreliable energy?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Taking this survey will sign you up for future news and updates from my office.

Highlights from the South Pacific

Our Indo-Pacific Task Force's delegation tour of the Pacific facing up this past week, and to say that this trip exponentially added to our understanding of issues facing our neighbors in the region is an understatement. I have a much better understanding of the challenges and opportunities we face in terms of working with our territories and the other islands/countries in the region. During our trip, we were able to visit the territory of Guam, while also traveling to the nations of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Federated States of Micronesia, learning about the unique culture, history, and contributions of each place from the leaders of those countries. As part of our duties as the Indo-Pacific Task Force, we were able to discuss the impact that Chinese aggression is having both locally and throughout the region, providing valuable insight into the risks that an overzealous and malign China poses. This trip also provided a rare opportunity to spend extensive hours getting to know some of my colleagues in the house on a personal and ideological level, providing new insights and understanding that I'm sure will prove invaluable in helping me craft and pass future legislation.

We spent our trip visiting each of the countries that are part of the Compact of Free Association (COFA), discussing our mutual interest in ensuring protection for our regional fisheries and military interests, while also addressing the unique challenges that each area faces. I cannot stress enough how important the COFA is for protecting the interests of not only the United States, but the world as a whole as we fight back against the Chinese Communist Party and its interest in influencing and controlling the entire geographic area.

I look forward to returning to Wyoming and giving a full report about our trip to the South Pacific, and our interest in protecting and working with Palau, the FSM and the RMI. I hope you enjoy the photos from our visits later in this email!

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Upcoming Events

Congress in Your Community:

Sign up for a slot to meet with my staff [here](#) or call 307-261-6595 to schedule an appointment! Exact addresses for Congress in Your Community locations will be provided once meeting times are confirmed.

Congress in Washakie County:

Thu, September 14, 2023 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Worland

Congress in Park County:

Thu, September 21, 2023 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Powell

Congress in Big Horn County:

Fri, September 22, 2023 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Basin

Congress in Teton County:

Tue, September 26, 2023 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Jackson

Congress in Campbell County:

Thu, September 19, 2023 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Wright

U.S. Service Academy Information Events:

In-Person Informational Event:

Sat, September 16, 2023 – 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Cheyenne East High School

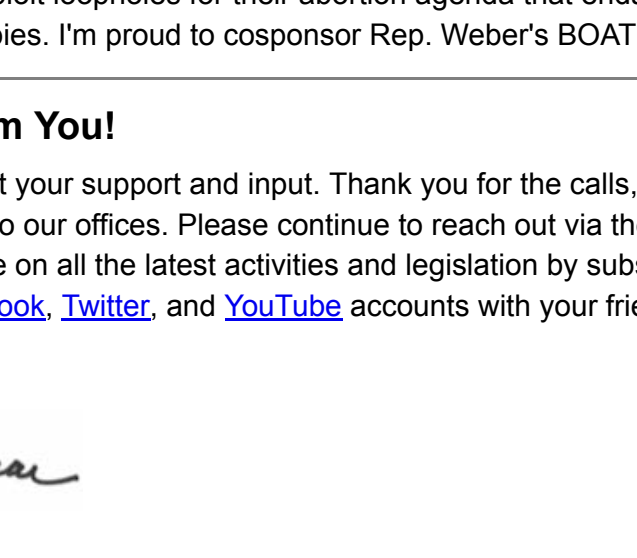
2800 East Pershing Blvd, Cheyenne WY 82001

Statewide Virtual Informational Event:

Thu, September 21, 2023 – 5:30 to 7:30 PM

[Register here](#)

Featured Photos



During our initial stop in Hawaii, I toured the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command headquarters to learn about their efforts to counter Chinese gray-zone tactics and received a briefing from the POW/MIA Accounting Agency, a DoD component tasked with recovering and identifying the remains of all unaccounted US military members from WWII to present day.



My colleagues and I had a wonderful meeting with members of the Guam Legislature to discuss their recovery for this year's typhoon and the unique needs and challenges that come with being one of America's most remote territories.

After the conclusion of our field hearing, I had the chance to speak at a press conference on Guam about the goals of our Indo-Pacific Task Force.

My colleagues and I visited with representatives of Palau's government to discuss the growing threat China poses to their small island nation.

It was awe-inspiring to walk the landing beaches of Peleliu and see the remnants of war that remain. This island, which is part of Palau, was a major battlefield in WWII where over 2,000 American marines, soldiers, and sailors gave their lives fighting against Imperial Japan.

While in Palau, we received a briefing on how Task Force Koa Moana has partnered with Palauan law enforcement to ensure an open and safe Pacific through intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance operations.

We had a great meeting with the president and congress of the Federated States of Micronesia as well. I'm thankful to have learned more about this important American ally!

We concluded our trip with a visit to the Republic of the Marshall Islands to meet with their government and learn about the nation's culture.

Cosponsored Legislation

Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

- **H.R. 5107**, the *Pandemic Unemployment Fraud Recoupment Act*
- **H.R. 5319**, the *Ban Offshore Abortion Tourism Act*

Tweet of the Week

Rep. Harriet Hageman @RepHageman · Aug 28

The Biden Crime Family is being exposed. One shocking aspect of these revelations is numerous feds, many within our "flagship" investigatory and law enforcement agencies, knew about those actions but put protection of an elite Dem above protection of our country. Sad & alarming.

Wendell Husebo @WendellHusebo · Aug 28

BREAKING: National Archives possesses about 5,400 emails and records linked to President Joe Biden's email aliases

The email aliases — "Robert Peters," "Robin Ware," and "JRB Ware" — were used to share government information and discuss business with Hunter Biden and associates.... [Show more](#)

In the News

EXCLUSIVE: GOP LAWMAKERS RIP JOE BIDEN FOR USING EMAIL ALIAS TO CONDUCT FAMILY BUSINESS

Biden's corruption complex continues to be unveiled. I hope Speaker McCarthy will begin our formal impeachment inquiry immediately so we can expose the truth to all Americans.

POLITICS

EXCLUSIVE: Rep. Weber, House Republicans Introduce Legislation Banning Offshore Abortion

The Left continues to exploit loopholes for their abortion agenda that endanger women and unborn babies. I'm proud to cosponsor Rep. Weber's BOAT bill.

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Sincerely,

Harriet Hageman

Rep. Harriet Hageman
Member of Congress

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