

## SUMMER FUN



Elise Balin/Star Herald

Kids gathered at the Torrington City Park on Friday to participate in Torrington Office Supply's first event of summer activities for kids of the community.

# Torrington business begins summer activities for kids

Friday's event of tie dye in the park drew a number of kids and family members to the Torrington City Park

By Elise Balin  
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Torrington Office Supply employee, Gypsy La'More, kicked off the second year of offering summer arts and crafts classes for kids in the community, with Friday's event, tie dye in the park.

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Elise Balin/Star Herald  
Gypsy La'More guides kids through the creation of their own tie dye shirt on Friday.



## CORONAVIRUS

# Official: Use proper care when wearing protective masks

Scotts Bluff County Public Health Director Paulette Schnell says proper placement, removal of masks ensure protection

By Mark McCarthy  
Star-Herald

As restrictions are relaxed and people returning to places of business, entertainment and worship amid the new coronavirus, health officials are reminding citizens about proper use of face masks.

Paulette Schnell, Regional West Community Health director, said an important step that isn't always followed properly is the proper placement and removal of the mask itself.

"You don't want to put your hands all over, especially the inside of your mask because that's where you've been breathing," Schnell said. "You want to handle whatever you're using, whether it's ties or loops, you want to keep your hands on that part of it on the outside. Basically, stay away from the inside of your mask."

Masks should never be shared among individuals, and cloth masks should be washed on a regular basis — daily, if the mask is worn throughout the day and as you see fit based on saturation if the mask is worn only on occasion. Surgical masks that are only worn for trips into a store or other outings may be reused, but should be disposed daily if they're worn all day.

Schnell said the general public can typically wear cloth masks, but for those who may be higher risk, she recommends a surgical mask for added protection. Children 2 and younger and people who have trouble breathing should not wear a mask.

The N95 respirator mask should be reserved for those who are on the front line working with people who have

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Paulette Schnell, Regional West Community Health director Paulette Schnell demonstrates the proper way to put on and remove a mask. Fingers should not touch the mask itself, either front or back, instead using the strings or straps of the mask to place it on the face.

## COPS & COURTS

# Scottsbluff man arrested in Gering crash



By Maunette Loeks  
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A Scottsbluff man faces charges of driving under the influence in connection with a crash Thursday night in Gering.

Gering Police arrested

Christopher Snyder, 28, of Scottsbluff, on a charge of driving under the influence.

Snyder and two other men were transported to Regional West Medical Center after being injured in a crash that occurred on M Street. Gering Fire Department

Kamie Stephen/Star-Herald

Two Gering firefighters talk on the scene after responding to a crash Thursday. Three people were injured in the crash, in which a driver failed to negotiate a turn as he traveled at a high rate of speed and his vehicle struck a skid steer at the Murphy Tractor building. The driver, Christopher Snyder, faces a charge of driving under the influence.

ment and first responders were dispatched shortly before 8:30 p.m. to the rollover.

Gering Police Capt. Jason Rogers told the Star-Herald that the crash occurred as Snyder drove westbound toward Gering on M Street and he attempted to turn north going on 21st Avenue. A witness estimated to police that Snyder had been traveling in excess of 60 MPH as he attempted to turn. The vehicle went

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