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Discussions on health district dissolution, board of health structure continue

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The dissolution of San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) and the formation of new county health departments and boards of health remained a topic of discussion at several recent meetings.

The SJBPH Board of Health (BoH) held a special meeting on March 31 with the agenda including a review and discussion of the status and recommendations for the ongoing operations and obligations of SJBPH.

On this item, the board entered executive session "for the purpose of receiving legal advice from counsel on specific legal questions concerning agreements and other documents affecting ongoing op-

■ See Health A8



Photo courtesy Scott DW Smith/Wolf Creek Ski Area

Season-to-date snowfall at Wolf Creek Ski Area is inching its way closer to 500 inches. The ski area reports an all-natural snow depth of 490 inches, which includes 20 inches of snow in the past seven days. This Sunday, April 9, the Easter Bunny will be hopping up to Wolf Creek Ski Area to spread holiday cheer and participate in the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Sunday will also be closing day for the season.

Juvenile arrested following social media threat

School district to hold community meeting Monday

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

An unidentified 16-year-old male from New Mexico was arrested Sunday following an investigation stemming from a threat about an area school made on social media.

Around 7:30 a.m. on Friday, March 31, Archuleta School District Superintendent Rick Holt sent an email to district families notifying them that the previous night the district was made aware of a threat on social media.

"We immediately contacted law

■ See Arrest A9



Photo courtesy West Jackson

Local scout Peyton Jackson stands in front of the myriad of nest boxes he built with local community members in collaboration with the Weminuche Audubon Society. Jackson's Eagle Scout project was aimed at helping to increase bird populations in the area. See related story on page A6 for information on how you can secure one of these bird houses.

Town council lacks votes to purchase riverfront parcel

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

A discussion about a potential purchase of a 2.5-acre riverfront property, located adjacent to the San Juan Motel and south of the U.S. 160 bridge, came before the Pagosa Springs Town Council on Tuesday, April 4, after being tabled at the council's previous meeting on March 23.

The town's stated goal for purchasing the property would be to increase public access on the San Juan River and to expand the town's network of parks and trails, according to the agenda brief on the topic.

The town's purchase of the parcel of land would require the approval of Ordinance 994 through a first and second reading.

The council had delayed consideration of Ordinance 994 at its previous meeting due to the absence of two council members. On April 4, the first reading of the ordinance again came before the council for its consideration.

The council originally greenlighted to town staff to enter into a contract with the current property owners at a Feb. 27 meeting follow-

ing an executive session.

The town's offer was \$1,250,000, but, after fees to the Real Estate Commission, closing costs, and an environmental assessment, the total cost would be \$1,273,500, according to the brief.

The signed contract agreement was signed on March 8 and an agreement to amend and extend the contract took place on March 23, according to the brief.

At the April 4 meeting, Community Development Director James Dickhoff explained that the time-frame within the contract would require the town to close on the property by May 19.

Dickhoff stated that the only condition that remains "outstanding" is the Phase 1 environmental assessment, but that the town staff has already secured a firm out of Durango for the assessment and it should be completed by the end of April.

He added that he was "comfortable with the title report, we do have the plat in hand," and that if the town buys the property, "it might be wise to ensure we got property pins ... we

■ See Property A9

Three juveniles arrested in New Mexico after allegedly breaking into convenience store

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Three Archuleta County juveniles were arrested in Farmington, N.M., on March 29 on warrants out of Pagosa Springs and charges out of New Mexico.

According to Pagosa Springs Police Chief William Rockensock, the three juveniles, whose names have not been released, are suspected of breaking in to the Everyday Store in east Pagosa Springs earlier that day.

Rockensock explained the three — a 15-year-old female, a 16-year-old female and a 15-year-old male — allegedly broke in to the convenience store and took primarily cigarettes, vape pens and similar

items, with the value of the stolen merchandise estimated at approximately \$2,000.

He noted that the Pagosa Springs Police Department was able to identify the suspects within about an hour of receiving the call reporting the incident and obtained warrants for them.

Rockensock alleged the three suspects were caught in a stolen vehicle in Farmington later that day and had "quite a bit" of the stolen merchandise with them and were arrested on the warrants and possession of the stolen vehicle in Farmington.

He indicated that, to his knowledge, they were detained and released.

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Photo courtesy Robert Penton

Damage to the storefront windows at the Everyday Store is pictured following a break-in last week.

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OUR VIEW

Proposed bill aimed at weakening the public's right to know

A proposed bill regarding the Colorado Open Meetings Law (COML) is under consideration by the Colorado General Assembly. Under the COML, it is "the policy of this state that the formation of public policy is public business and may not be conducted in secret."

We realize that many people may not care about the COML, but you should care, because elected officials should not be conducting the public's business behind closed doors in executive session unless it is allowable by law and that executive session notice properly informs the public about what will be discussed.

While we believe local public bodies should not be afraid to discuss public issues in public, there are some good reasons for going into executive session and those reasons are clearly defined by law. There are simple guidelines for announcing those sessions and for making motions to enter into executive session. It really isn't hard to give the public some detail as to why a board is entering into an executive session.

Why would legislators want to weaken that requirement?

Why is it so hard? We believe that if it is too complicated for local public officials to follow the law, they shouldn't hold their positions.

When entering into executive session, they should tell you exactly why they are closing the public out of hearing them discuss matters of importance to all of us.

However, instead of complying with a pretty simple law, some feel compelled to change it.

This poorly written bill comes on the heels of numerous local public bodies

across the state violating COML and being challenged in court. Many of those entities have been forced to pay attorney fees for violations or they settled out of court. We are not sure if these violations were done out of ignorance or willfully committed, but these boards were not doing what should have been done to provide the required transparency regarding the discussion of the public's business.

The violations of these entities has hurt them in the pocketbooks, which has finally made them pay attention.

Now they want to create a way to sidestep those violations instead of just following the law.

This proposed bill was apparently written in an effort to keep those entities out of court and to scare anyone who might challenge illegal executive sessions by threatening to stick them with the entity's attorney fees.

HB23-1259 would allow for "a local public body's right to cure a violation of the open meetings law for an executive session, adding prerequisites for a person to challenge a violation by a local public body of the open meetings law for an executive session, and permitting a local public body to recover costs and attorney fees in an action for a violation by a local public body of the executive session provisions if the prerequisites are not met or if the local public body has cured the violation."

Local public bodies should not need to cure violations of the COML. There should be no violations to begin with. The law is easy enough to comply with in the first place. This bill only weakens the current law.

This bill also gives local public bodies

unlimited opportunities to screw up and fix it later if they find their actions challenged.

Yes, sometimes mistakes are made, but we believe this bill allows for intentional violations of the COML.

We find it interesting that our law-making legislature would even consider changing a current law in order to give local public bodies a do-over when they violate the law.

We cannot think of any laws that give citizens that same privilege.

What these public bodies need is training and instruction to avoid breaking the law. Most of our public entities belong to professional organizations or have attorneys on call to help them stay aligned with the law. Many boards have trainings for new members such as when the Pagosa Springs Town Council had someone from its insurance company come to town to provide training for members of all of its boards and committees.

Many boards have written scripts available to read before entering executive sessions to guide in proper procedures for convening executive sessions.

With bipartisan support, some expect HB23-1259 to easily pass. Instead of trying to hide things from the public who voted our elected officials into office, we believe they need to keep transparency at the forefront.

We have witnessed numerous violations of the COML over the years. The COML is very simple. It is easy to follow. Our representatives should not erode the strength, the purpose or the importance of the law.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 6, 1923

If weather conditions permit, the five-ton caterpillar, white truck and two graders will start next week to cleaning the ditches and grading the state highway west of Pagosa Springs toward the La Plata county line.

S.F. Flaugh is moving his household goods to Arboles, where he will this year farm the former F.L. Edmisten ranch.

Commencing tomorrow, Saturday, will move my stock of second-hand goods to the Axel Nelson property in west Pagosa, where same will be temporarily on display until a better location can be obtained. — Mrs. J.R. Crabtree.

The board of county commissioners met in regular session Monday and Tuesday. In addition to routine business, bids were opened for the construction of a wooden bridge across what is known as the San Baritas arroyo near Allison. R.T. Williams of Pagosa Springs was the successful bidder — in the sum of \$1350 — and he is preparing to commence work on the structure in the very near future.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 9, 1948

Starting a new fiscal year, the newly elected town board probably will have less money to spend than was anticipated by the proposed budget for the coming year.

This fact was brought out at a meeting of the board Monday night when more than \$5000 in warrants were approved for payment.

Overlapping funds, amounts previously thought would be available for expenditures during the year, will not be included in the coming year's revenue, the board was given to understand.

So despite the fact that an amount in excess of \$33,000 was budgeted for the coming year, it appears improbable that such an amount can be spent.

Until records are consolidated and an overall picture of town finances acquired, the exact amount anticipated for the coming year is uncertain.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 5, 1973

A proposed new dump site, condition of water works, and routine matters were handled by the Town Board at its meeting Monday. It was reported that a suitable dump site was being studied, and that the ancient water works for the town — now used as a standby — had given up the ghost, and the inlet pipe was now so full of holes that it could no longer carry any water to the pumping plant. The new system is still having many breakdowns, due to faulty installation, and the situation is rather critical until such time as the trouble spots in the new system can be replaced.

County Commissioners Monday met with a delegation told the commissioners that petitions were being circulated opposing the abandonment of the road — upper end of the Snowball road — and that they would be presented soon. Also discussed at the meeting was improvement work at the local airport just as soon as weather permits. Some engineering work must be completed, and application for federal funds completed before any actual construction is started.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 9, 1998

Weather played tricks throughout the day on April 7, with alternate periods of snow and sunshine and, as the afternoon progressed, severe lightning.

A lightning-related incident was reported to central dispatch and to the Pagosa Fire Protection District at approximately 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday. The report indicated a house located at 374 South 8th and Zuni streets had been hit by lightning and was on fire. The house is owned by Mrs. Bessie Montoya. Mrs. Montoya was not at home when the lightning struck.

When fire and police personnel arrived at the scene, they found that a large tree located at the southwest corner of the home had been hit by lightning. Pieces of the tree were thrown across South 8th Street by the blast and the foundation of the house was blackened on the southwest and northwest corners.

The Fire Protection District responded with two pieces of equipment and 26 firefighters. The firefighters were able to enter the building without having the blaze start up again and discovered the majority flame damage was in the kitchen on the north side of the home.

LOOKING BACK

Taken from The Pagosa Springs SUN files from May 16, 1913

Elwood Pass Highway Will be Built this Year.

Durango, Colo., May 12, 1913.
Mr. Fred Catchpole,
Pagosa Springs, Colo.

Dear Sir:
I beg to advise you that I have secured another apportionment for your county of \$3,000, on a basis of three to one that will give you \$4,000 additional to what you already have to be used on the road between Pagosa and Elwood.

I also secured an apportionment of \$28,000 out of the 25 per cent fund for the Elwood pass, but as the road will go through four different counties it will be necessary to have a joint meeting of the commissioners of Archuleta, Hinsdale, Conejos and Rio Grande counties.

You will have a communication from Com. Ehrhart in the near future asking for a meeting at Alamosa. Be sure and have your board, or at least one member with power to act, but would prefer the full board, at that meeting, as I am very anxious to get the work started so if possible to have it completed this year. The money is available at once and is just a question of detail. I will arrange to attend the Alamosa meeting and would recommend letting a contract to some responsible contracting firm to do this work, as I believe it would be cheaper and quicker. But to do that it would be necessary to have the consent and cooperation of the full above mentioned counties.

We should congratulate ourselves that we got such a liberal proportion for Elwood, as this is the largest appropriation made for any one mountain pass in the state.

Yours truly,
CHAS. E. HERR.

The above letter to County Commissioner Catchpole from Chas. E. Herr, member of the state highway advisory board, explains itself. The building of the Elwood pass auto highway is seemingly now an assured fact and it's hats off to Chas. E. Herr, the San Juan basin's member on the state highway advisory board, through whose splendid effort the above results were obtained. Now let every good citizen shed his linen and get busy in the direction of connecting the greatest hot springs on earth and the San Juan basin with the rich mining districts over the hill, the San Luis valley and metropolitan centers of the state. And don't forget to carry an axe and use it on the first old fossilized mossback misanthrope that butts in with his maul.

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Accountability

Dear Editor:
What is trust...what makes it universal...what makes it fact, well it's accountability. What's that, well it means if you commit a crime, abuse your position of info/power to sell stock, push the umbrella on advice from 'Counsel' or lobby to achieve a moneyed vs national interest...you should be held accountable and face the legal process.

So here's the current hot deal, some particularly focused folks are hopping mad that their idol Donald may be accountable for breaking the law and in response have supported death threats to the NY legal team...while wearing their MAGA hats.

It's not hard for anyone or everyone to see that America's on a very short string. Forget China & Russia,

all those countries have to do is wait while our very own 'super patriot MAGA specials' destroy our nation. Not hard to find them, as they have our flags plastered over everything.

Want to help? It's easy, allow the legal system to make those who commit crimes be held accountable. It doesn't matter the penalty/sentence what matters is the rule of law applies. Remember OJ, guilty as sin but walked. When you think about it everything important to you, family, security and you depend on depends on the rule of law applying.

Accountability, wanna survive as a nation, make sure those who commit crimes are accountable.

David Blake

Loma Linda Metro letter response

Dear Editor:
This is to correct misconceptions in a previous letter to the editor published in the Sun on 3/23/2023.

At the Loma Linda Metropolitan District (LLMD) Board of Directors meeting in January, Matt Fischer was appointed as the Designated Election Official (DEO) with unanimous support. We have the utmost confidence that he is executing his duties as DEO so that the election process is carried out according to Colorado Statutes. To ensure this, he is in frequent communication with the State of Colorado Department of Local Affairs, the Colorado Special District Association, Archuleta County Clerk's office, and other governmental agencies.

LLMD uses several different methods to forecast what will likely be necessary for the upcoming budget year. All anticipated revenues are budgeted to expenditures so that we have a balanced budget (income equals expenses). Any necessary expenditures above what are budgeted are authorized through resolution and taken from the reserves. This year's budget included an amount for snow removal which was based on prior years' and needed to be increased due to the unanticipated and significant snowfall we've experienced. This is a normal process and not an "emergency" situation. In fact, monies were also moved at this March meeting to fund more road work this spring/summer season. If we do not retain the amount of reserves that we do, we will run the risk of not being able to withstand inflationary pressures and unusual weather-related events. The final 2023 budget is filed with the Department of Local Affairs and posted on the LLMD website for your review and includes notations on how line items are forecasted.

During the current board's tenure, 2020-2022, the District spent

over \$242,000 for road maintenance including new material. Last year, along with necessary grading and culvert rehabilitation, gravel was added to portions of Eight Mile Loop, Loma Linda Drive, Conifer, San Juan, Echo Drive and intersections of Lookout Court, Loma Vista Court, and Buck Drive. At this year's March meeting, the board authorized an additional \$68,000 from reserves for road maintenance bringing the total to \$150,000.

LLMD works with a highly respected local financial firm who maintains the LLMD checkbook and savings accounts, accepts all monies from the County for the mill levy, and pays approved bills submitted. LLMD board members have no access to these funds and any suggestion otherwise is calumnious.

Kent Jennings, president, LLMD

Election official response

Dear Editor:
This letter addresses misinformation contained in a March 23 letter to the editor entitled "Loma Linda Metro Election."

That letter implied that I, as the Loma Linda Metro District Designated Election Official (DEO), have mismanaged the upcoming election. Contrary to that opinion, I have appropriately followed the prescribed series of activities in order to prepare and carry out the election of new directors. This includes participating in multiple training classes and consultations with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), the Special Districts Association of Colorado (SDA), the Clerks, Election, and Assessors offices of Archuleta County, as well as the Colorado Secretary of State's office.

The week of Jan. 22, the Call for Nominations, (an official government provided form), was sent to all registered electors of the district using the voter register information provided by the county clerk's office. If individuals supplied email contact info to the county, they received an email. If no email was provided, they received notice via postal mail. This document clearly states: "NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a regular election will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00

p.m. At that time, three (3) directors will be elected to serve a four-year term." These documents were also posted on the community bulletin board at the mailbox station and on the Loma Linda Metropolitan District (LLMD) website.

The Call for Nominations also appeared in the Pagosa Sun as an article on page A9 in the Jan. 26 edition. The article specifically states under the title Metro districts "Five local metro districts are also holding elections on May 2 from 7 a.m. and 7 p.m."

Furthermore, under the Loma Linda Metropolitan District section, the article provides instructions for absentee ballots: "Applications for absentee ballots may be filed with the DEO at 858 San Juan Drive between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. until April 25." The article also provides the complete contact info for me as the DEO.

These announcements appear again in the public notice section of the Pagosa Sun in the Feb. 2 edition.

Per training conducted by DOLA and the SDA, 85%-90% of all Colorado special district elections are in fact canceled due to being non-contested. In researching the best type of election for the LLMD, the consensus of these agencies and the DEO was to have a polling place election.

Once the election ballots were printed and the physical location of the election was determined in accordance with Colorado laws, the official notice of this information, (which includes a list of candidates), was also published in the Pagosa Sun on March 30. Following the March 30 announcement, this information, as well as other pertinent election information, was emailed to voters and owners in LLMD using multiple email lists.

I hope this information allays concerns of any of my fellow neighbors in Loma Linda. I encourage eligible voters to show up at the polls on May 2.

E. Matthew Fischer
LLMD DEO

'Human-bear conflict'

Dear Editor:
As our community's population grows and as spring rolls around, so

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The SUN generally does not edit letters, but reserves the right to do so.



NOTICE OF TOWN COUNCIL VACANCY

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 2.8 of the Pagosa Springs Town Charter, that as of March 7th, 2023, there is one vacancy on the Pagosa Springs Town Council. The council seat is an at large seat to serve through April 2024. During a public meeting to be held on April 20, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at Town Hall 551 Hot Springs Blvd., the Council will consider the appointment of one new Council Member to fill the vacancy.

Notice is further given that any elector of the Town of Pagosa Springs interested in serving on the Town Council may submit a completed application which can be found on the town website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov. Applications can be delivered to Town Hall at 551 Hot Springs Blvd., mailed to PO Box 1859, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 or emailed to ahessman@pagosasprings.co.gov. Applications must be received on or before April 12, 2023.

NOTICE OF BOARD VACANCIES

Notice is hereby given that vacancies also exist on the following boards:

- Planning Commission – one vacancy
- Combined Parks and Recreation Advisory Board – one vacancy
- Code Board of Appeals – two vacancies

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Town selects engineer for pedestrian bridge project

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its March 7 meeting, the Pagosa Springs Town Council discussed engineering costs and engineer selection for the 1st Street pedestrian bridge project.

To begin the discussion, Community Development Director James Dickhoff introduced Project Manager Karl Johnson to present on the selection of the engineer for the project.

Dickhoff added that the town was awarded a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) nonmatching grant of \$1,124,000 for design and construction of the bridge, with the design portion expected to cost \$96,000 and the rest to be applied to construction.

Johnson then discussed the CDOT requirements and process for advertising for the project, which he noted had a good response, with a large number of subcontractors looking at the project to potentially bid later in the construction process.

He explained that the town received two bids, from Davis Engineering and Bowman Engineering, for engineering on the project and that a committee including him, Dickhoff, and Parks and Recreation Director Darren Lewis examined the bids.

He stated that the group recommended the town move forward with Davis Engineering at a cost not to exceed \$96,000.

Mayor Shari Pierce asked, given the recent escalation in project costs, if the grant is expected to cover the cost of the bridge or if the town would have to supply additional money.

Johnson stated that this was a possibility, although town staff had identified potential cost-saving methods, such as using natural features to anchor the bridge, to stay within budget.

Dickhoff noted that the cost would only be determined once the design is complete and an engineer provides a cost estimate.

He added he was hoping to have the engineering done this year to allow the town to start advertising for construction bids early in 2024, thus reducing costs.

Pierce asked, if the cost estimate is over budget and the town cannot move forward with the project, if the grant would still pay the engineering cost or whether the town would have to pay it.

Dickhoff suggested it was a good question and that he would reach out to CDOT about the issue.

He added that, if that occurred, the town would likely attempt to secure additional funding from

CDOT or other sources to cover the costs.

Pierce noted that she would appreciate this as she would not want to move forward with an expensive project such as the bridge only to find that additional funding is needed.

She noted that the town budget is getting "very tight" with all the upcoming projects.

Council member Gary Williams asked if there is an opportunity to consider alternative decking materials on the bridge.

Dickhoff commented that planning staff considered the idea, especially with the utility lines planned to go under the bridge.

Pierce asked if utilities, such as sewer lines under the bridge, would be covered by the grant. Dickhoff explained that the bridge would support the lines, but would not fund the creation of the lines.

Pierce then discussed making a motion to select Davis Engineering with the contingency of checking if the grant will still cover the design costs even if the overall project is too expensive.

Williams expressed his opposition to this proposal, stating, "I think we should build the bridge; we have the money."

Dickhoff added that the other consideration with the bridge is that

the town is not required to build the bridge until 2026, which would give the opportunity for the town to acquire additional funds if the project comes in over budget.

Williams proposed the alternative of designing a less-expensive bridge if the project comes in over budget.

Dickhoff stated that was possible. "I'm totally in favor of the bridge," Pierce said. "What I'm not in favor of is maybe being on the hook for another \$96,000 on top of everything else we have coming down the line."

Williams asked if Pierce would not want the bridge if the grant would not cover the cost of the engineering if the project does not move forward.

Pierce stated that she would want the town to know this when making the decision and highlighted the other costly projects in the future for the town.

"I want us to be really cognizant of our financial situation ... with these projects," Pierce said. "I'm not against the bridge. I just want to make sure we don't hurt our financial situation."

Pierce then called for a motion and the council unanimously approved selecting Davis Engineering for the project and having town staff move forward with negotiating a contract.

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Letters

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does the risk of human-bear conflict. We each need to do our part to minimize the potential. Putting out trash only on the morning of pickup is one such way. Sometimes and in some cases, that's just not possible.

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The next meeting is Thursday, April 13th, at 6pm at the PLPOA's conference room, or visit the Board Meeting Calendar page of plpoa.com for zoom meeting joining instructions. If unable to attend, please send an email of support to Bearconflictgrant@plpoa.com.

This action may save the life of a bear, and yes, maybe even a human.

Chalyn Fitzgerald

Rachel's Closet

Dear Editor:

My name is Isabela Forster. I am a part of the PSMS StuCo. I am also the leader of the committee of Pirate Closet. The Pirate Closet is better known as Rachel's Closet.

This closet is based off of Rachel Scott, the first student killed in the Columbine shooting in 1999. Rachel Scott dedicated her life to bringing kindness to the world. In honor of her, her family travels around the US to share her message with people. They came to our school earlier this year and talked to the PSMS 8th graders.

They showed us videos about her and what other schools have done to honor her. One of those things was a Rachel's Closet. Where kids could come get food, clothes, hygiene products and more. We are asking for donations to be brought to the Middle School office. We ask that the clothes be in good condition, and the right sizes for middle school students grades 5th to 8th.

Isabela Forster

PSMS StuCo
Pirate Closet Committee

Veterans for Veterans

Dear Editor:

Congratulations to our Vietnam Veterans group. I remember the day they organized their Breakfast Club, "Veterans for Veterans". My mother's favorite "saying" was "The Lord helps those who help themselves". She would have been so proud of them. A group of folks, who have experienced the activities and tragedies of war, gathering once a week to socialize and support one another has been a saving grace for many. While they meet to help one another, many have engaged in helping our community as well. I am very proud of them.

I remember a WW1 veteran in my family. My father's oldest brother, "Uncle Earl" served as a cook in the trenches in Europe during that war. I remember his very quiet subdued personality as he put his loving arms around this little girl. Family later shared with me that returning home from the busy activity of the war was difficult for him. He was restless and lost, would disappear for months at a time, family would never hear from him. He was trying to find a meaningful way for his life. He tried serving as a fireman; however, there simply were not enough fires and sitting around waiting for a fire call was not fulfilling for him.

I was told that he finally found his way. He opened a bar in a District of Ft. Worth, Texas, and as his profits grew, he would hand out twenty dollar bills to the needy on special occasions. Yes, the bar kept him busy and using his profits to help the needy provided the joy his heart badly needed. Yes, he found his way.

I do not recall seeing Uncle Earl over the years until my father's funeral in 1956. He arrived, dressed in a suit, white shirt and tie — yes, a successful business man. That made my hear sing. So Congratulations to our "Veterans for Veterans" for their efforts to encourage and support their fellow Vets.

Yes, they are loved.

Patty Tillerson

'Enlighten me'

Dear Editor:

Is it just me, or are the 2023 Pagosa Springs potholes redoubling and stretching and deepening exponentially? I swear, I do believe that my brand new car might be completely swallowed alive right down into the dark depths of these chasms, if I wasn't dodging and swerving and moving at the pace of a snail, to diligently maneuver this ever expanding obstacle course.

As a little over two year resident of this lovely little village, I have come to truly love it. Retiring here was one of my greatest dreams, and I am finding a real peace and joy living here. In fact, although I am a native Californian, I grew up and lived in little towns much of my life, as well as raising our children in one for over twenty years. Funny enough, though, the town that I lived in never had a problem with potholes, even though we received our share of snow, being at the tail end of the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the edge of the Mojave Desert. So I am just wondering what the difference is?

Since I am the "Noob" here, I would truly appreciate it if you longtimers could enlighten me about how this all works around our sweet little hamlet. Does winter finally have to be over before any attempt is made to fill the holes? Is there a minimum or maximum size limit to the diameter, circumference, and volume of said apertures? Have the county, city, or the businesses of Pagosa Springs ever set aside money for an actual "Pothole Fund"? Are the spring or the summer months the official timelines when the residents of our fair P Town can expect these precarious pits to be plugged up?

I'm tres' curious? Please enlighten me.

Denise Trone

Divided we fall

Dear Editor:

I am 77 years old. I am of the age where I can lay claim to witnessing our nation accomplish great things. We did it as a united populace. We did it at times when great statesmen and women stepped forward as

leaders in our time of need. Everyone from factory workers to highly educated professionals helped our country grow and prosper. Our education system produced scientists, chemists, doctors and many other professionals who stepped out of the shadows of darkness to help improve our health, way of life and general safety. I have seen both times of relative peace and the vicious, harsh realities of war. I have seen brave men die at my side in what now seems to be a vain attempt to maintain decency and respect for our fellow man. I have been jubilant and proud at our country's festive times and cried at its times of famine and misfortune. In a very broad sense, America was the envy of the world.

Now I find myself living in a divided nation who define concerns for equality in terms of a multitude of groups. Why is it so difficult to see everyone as members belonging to one group... human beings? What happened to our government leaders who now seem to put their own self interests ahead of those of our citizens and the strengthening and continuation of our democracy? What happened to words such as justice, decency, and respect for others? Are we on a path of demise like that of the Roman Empire which, in general terms, fell due to political instability, economic and social problems and a weakening of its borders? Are we at risk for becoming an immense group of conspirators looking for a Brutus to stab our Caesar, along with the democracy he leads?

We should not let words such as democrat or republican define us as a people. Rather let us be described as citizens who care for our fellow man and give others the decency, justice and respect all of us deserve. Let us all look at everyone's warts, blemishes and faults, including our own, and help us all to succeed instead of hinder progress.

Do not let us become another Roman Empire.

Russ Widener

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Town sanitation district ponders future costs

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District (PSSGID) discussed the Vista wastewater treatment plant with Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) District Engineer/Manager Justin Ramsey and pondered the future of PSSGID at its March 7 meeting.

The Vista plant discussion began with Town Manager Andrea Phillips briefing the board on the study conducted by Tetra Tech for PAWSD on the upgrades and explaining that the town council, acting as the PSSGID board, had sent letters to state elected representatives opposing the costly improvements to nutrient processing required by the state at the Vista plant.

She explained that state Sen. Cleave Simpson expressed interest in the issue and that PSSGID and PAWSD staff are going to meet with him and discuss the issue further.

Phillips noted that the cost of phase one of the improvements will be up to \$15 million and that the town and PSSGID would have to pay a portion of this cost due to the 2016 agreement with PAWSD concerning treating town sewage, although she was unsure what that share would be.

She also indicated that this first phase of upgrades applies to

PAWSD's 2019 permit for the plant and are "in the works now."

Ramsey explained that two regulations are driving the upgrades: Regulation 85, which applies to the plant's current permit and mandates certain nutrient removal improvements, and Regulation 31, which will likely come into effect in the next five to 10 years and will require further nutrient processing improvements.

He noted that Regulation 85 is a state regulation and Regulation 31 is a federal requirement.

The group then discussed the challenges of the issue, with Ramsey explaining that Regulation 85 applies to the plant due to its discharge into Stollsteimer Creek connecting to the Piedra River, which has been designated as a high-use river.

Ramsey and council members both expressed doubts about this categorization, with Ramsey explaining that this categorization is caused by a set of four wells near the river which he believes to be used for irrigation.

They also discussed potential political approaches for reclassifying the Piedra River or delaying the imposition of the regulations on the plant, with Ramsey and Phillips suggesting that discussions with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment had been unproductive, thus necessitating a political approach.

Mayor Shari Pierce also asked Ramsey if he had recommendations for the request for proposal (RFP) for assessing the assets, operations and future options for the PSSGID that the board would consider later in the meeting.

Ramsey commented that the RFP should include the consideration of Regulation 85 and Regulation 31 implementation costs in its assessment of the future of the district.

Pierce also asked what the next steps were for the upgrades, with Ramsey explaining that, besides further discussions with Simpson, he was also moving forward on design for the Regulation 85 mandated upgrades to ensure they can be completed if PAWSD is not able to obtain a delay.

The board then heard a report from Phillips on the upcoming projects for the PSSGID between 2023 and 2025.

Phillips began by noting, "We have a lot more projects than we have money."

She indicated that many of the PSSGID's recent projects have focused on the pipeline transporting waste from the PSSGID to the Vista plant, with many involving improvements such as overflow vaults, odor controls and adding additional overflow areas not included in the original design.

She also explained that the pumps for the pipeline have also

been replaced as well as increasing the number of PSSGID staff from one to three.

Phillips stated that the PSSGID's budget is approximately \$1 million per year, with the pipeline project costing \$7.85 million before grants; the overflow vault costing \$857,000 before grants; the odor control costing \$174,000; and the pump replacement project overall, including emergency pump rentals and backup pumps, costing \$655,000.

Phillips then explained that the PSSGID's current projects include replacing the pumps at the Chamber lift station at a cost of approximately \$100,000, replacing manhole covers, locating pipelines in various areas, as well as analyzing the condition of manholes on the Riverwalk trail near the Hot Springs pedestrian bridge in preparation for projects, including trail paving, in the area.

She indicated that the district is also planning to replace the media in the odor control scrubbers for a cost between \$50,000 and \$75,000 and that the budget includes financing for a lease on a pull-behind camera at a cost of approximately \$27,000.

For projects in 2024 and beyond, Phillips indicated that in 2024 the district is planning a vault rebuilding and expansion project for an emergency overflow vault at the Chamber lift station at an expected

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Obituary

William 'Bill' John Albert Alfred Dean

William "Bill" John Albert Alfred Dean, 61, of Greenville, Ill., passed away on March 26 in a tragic snowboarding accident at Wolf Creek Ski Resort, Colo.



Bill was born in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, on March 30, 1961, to Vera Florence Hubbard Dean and the late Laurence Alfred Dean. Bill is survived

by his large and loving family: his wife, Debbie; his child, Michaela Laurence (26); son William Zachary (24); and (much to his chagrin) the family dog, Casey (14); his sisters, Anne Andrews, Cathy Newhouse (Marc Bondarenko), Janice Woofter, Donna day (Dan), Cindy Wehrkamp (Mike), Patti Aitken (Paul); and a host of nieces and nephews. Likewise, he is survived by the numerous children who grew up in his home.

Bill was always willing to open not only his home, but his heart to the kids his children brought in. From feeding to housing to teaching to playing, Bill was a father and mentor to many — not just his own. He was always there with a delicious home-cooked meal, a humorous word and a ready-

to-work attitude to anyone who came seeking his advice — kids, neighbors and friends alike. His competitive nature and passion let him push himself and others past their perceived limitations in the most rewarding of ways. He changed the lives of many and the stories he told as well as the ones about him will influence generations to come.

Bill received his bachelor's in mechanical engineering from West Virginia University in 1985 and MBA from University of Texas Arlington in 1992 (with gratuitous grammar help from his wife). Bill's professional career took him across the U.S. and China with companies including Johnson Controls, Lennox, Waterfurnace, ShenLong, Bosch, Enertech, Emerson, and (his personal favorite on name alone) Big Ass Fans.

Bill was a brilliant engineer, always lending a helping hand to anyone in need. Neighbors and friends alike were lent favor after fixable favor. Sometimes his family was convinced he'd pay extra to rent a house with issues in pursuit of a project. His work ethic and love for problem solving was enormous.

That zest for life followed him in all things. He loved fishing (with his buddies), wakeboarding (with his son), working out (with his child) and, above all, snowboarding. Bill was an extremely skilled snowboarder and had been in love with the sport for over a decade. He

was known to play at feebleness to invite along younger men to board with him only to dust them and chuckle about it later. He took great pride in his skill. Perhaps the only thing he was more proud of than his snowboarding was his children (but this might be a debate). His love for the sport and pursuit of skill were indicative of his lifelong endeavors towards excellence, adventure and joy. Everyone who met him loved him. His loss will be felt keenly by all for years to come. Donations in his honor can be made to Upper San Juan Search and Rescue.

Celebration of Life

Patti Stewart

Please join us in a celebration of life for Patti Stewart, Saturday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Tenyson Event Center.

We have appreciated the many calls, texts, cards, and conversations from everyone who knew her and would love the opportunity to spend time remembering her with you.

We are fondly referring to the

celebration as a coffee social since we have noticed a strong coffee theme among the many shared memories. We treasure the stories and look forward to seeing you all. Hugs, tears and laughter are all welcome.



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Return your application to the library by April 17. Interviews will be held the week of April 17.

Scout sets his eagle eye on helping birds

By Peyton Jackson, Pagosa Springs High School student, and Keith Bruno, Audubon Rockies community naturalist
Special to The SUN

Over the winter and spring, the Weminuche Audubon Society (WAS) collaborated with Peyton Jackson, from local Scout Troop 807, to help increase bird populations in the Pagosa Springs area.

Jackson is currently working on his Eagle rank and for his project he led the effort to build bird houses. Volunteers from the Scout

troop and the WAS chapter helped greatly to exceed his original goal of 150 bird houses, completing a total of 163.

Jackson's goal with the project is to increase bird populations in the Pagosa Springs community. Nest box designs were selected to target declining bird species in the region, as well as to maintain other stable bird species populations.

Audubon provided assistance throughout the project. They helped to provide resources to find designs for the houses, recommendations of materials to use, and

resources to give the new owners information on how to place the nest box in a way that will optimize the likelihood of nesting.

Jackson is working with the Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Department to place about half of the houses in areas like Reservoir Hill and Yamaguchi Park as soon as weather allows. The remaining nest boxes will be given away to local residents at no charge. If interested in securing a bird house for bluebirds, nuthatches, chickadees, swallows, wrens, etc., please contact Keith Bruno, community

naturalist for Audubon Rockies, at keith.bruno@audubon.org. There is no cost for these nest boxes. Get them while they last.

Additionally, if community members have the desire to increase nesting sites at their homes, nestwatch.org (Right Bird, Right House) is a terrific resource to find building plans for a plethora of bird species in the Pagosa Springs area.

In addition to a huge thanks to the Weminuche Audubon Society, Jackson would like to also thank the businesses who donated materials to help make this project successful.

School board discusses future plans, potential election issues

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

At its meeting on Tuesday, April 11, the Archuleta School District Board of Education is expected to hear from multiple financial advisors who may help the district with future planning such as moving forward with elections to renew/extend the district's mill levy override (MLO) and/or a bond measure for facilities.

According to Superintendent Rick Holt, the financial advisors will give a short presentation, "and the board will discuss the strengths and follow up questions for each one."

The board directed staff on March 14 to bring forward consultants to choose from on April 11 and be able to talk with the potential consultants at the meeting.

That direction followed board president Bob Lynch bringing up future planning as a discussion item for the board to consider next steps, such as seeking consulting advice on the MLO and district facilities.

Board member Butch Mackey suggested the board needs to explore its options and get advice sooner rather than later, with Lynch suggesting a timeline of April or May for the board to make a decision.

Lynch also spoke of the need for any potential consultant to have expertise in polling the community and help the district identify what's more important between the MLO and facilities.

Mackey later noted hiring a consultant would come with the advantages of quality information being gathered and the speed at which it would be gathered.

Following more conversation, it was decided a committee would vet potential consultants and two or three would be brought before the board.

The board first discussed the topic of future planning during a board retreat on Feb. 28 that spanned more than three hours.

The discussion came as part of a discussion on ASD's future planning.

The purpose of the discussion on the potential mill levy and bond issues, according to Lynch, was to give the board facts and see what questions the board directors have.

Lynch laid out for the board members that ASD's current MLO for an additional \$1.7 million was approved by voters in 2018 and will sunset in 2025. It passed with

3,984 votes for it and 2,499 votes against it.

The MLO, he added, was passed for four things: recruit and retain highly qualified teachers and staff, school resource officers, full-day kindergarten and a share for Pagosa Peak Open School (the district's authorized charter school).

He later noted that the district is now collecting \$1.5 million annually since it is not collecting for full-day kindergarten due to the state moving to offer full-day kindergarten for free.

Lynch suggested the district could ask voters to renew the MLO in 2023, 2024 or 2025, but added he didn't want to wait until 2025.

He added the district could re-write what the funding would be used for, which Finance Director Mike Hodgson noted would then be reviewed by bond counsel.

Board member Amanda Schick asked what the consequence would be if an MLO fails, with the response being the lack of funding that has gone toward staff salaries.

If the district renews the MLO at the current level of \$1.5 million, it would not be asking for a tax increase, Lynch explained.

Hodgson also explained the district could potentially ask for more. Referring to a spreadsheet, Hodgson explained ASD received \$17,017,317.86 in total program funding (normal taxes and state support) in the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

He noted that the district could collect about \$2.9 million more if it wanted based on the state's limits, and also reminded the board the state is doing a mill levy correction, with ASD's mill levy rising by 1 mill per year from 23.14 until it reaches 27 mills.

Lynch also suggested the district could ask for more or for a permanent MLO.

Hodgson explained the MLO was previously approved with a sunset after an advisor convinced a previous board president that, because nothing was passing in the community, a sunset clause was the way to go.

Holt noted that ASD has done something Archuleta County "has failed to do": do what it said it was going to with the money.

Mackey later noted he wished the MLO hadn't included a sunset, with Lynch noting the district was being careful and scared.

As the discussion progressed, the board talked about what the county did with its recent ballot measures that failed and steps it

should take to be successful.

The board also discussed that it needs to determine the district's areas of need and community priorities.

Other things discussed by the board included the potential for a future bond issue for facilities, with board member Dana Guinn noting both issues need to be thought about in tandem.

Lynch suggested the community doesn't have a good track record of approving bonds lately and suggested the district think about the timing of when it might go for a bond, such as during a presidential election or a year without a presidential election.

Lynch also noted "there were gross missteps" with the district's 2011 bond election that failed by the largest margin in the state.

In other business at the retreat the board also heard a brief update on the San Juan Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), of which ASD is a member, from Mackey. Mackey serves as the district's appointed member on the BOCES board.

The board also discussed portions of its strategic plan, as well as school resource officers and school safety at the retreat.

Holt explained to the board that he had recently met with Pagosa Springs Police Chief William Rockensock and Archuleta County Sheriff Mike Le Roux and that, ideally, the district would have three school resource officers.

He noted the district currently has one school resource officer, saying, "She has been invaluable."

He indicated the difficulty in trying to find school resource officers, but noted that, while they are going to keep trying to recruit people, he is not concerned about the response time by law enforcement.



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Calls for service for week: 69.
 March 25 — Under investigation, no location listed.
 March 29 — Information only, West U.S. 160.
 March 29 — Agency assist, West U.S. 160.
 March 29 — Agency assist, Coyote Drive.
 March 29 — Information only, County Road 382.
 March 29 — Warrant arrest, Hot Springs Boulevard.
 March 29 — Information only, Eagle Drive.
 March 29 — Probation violation/arrest warrant other jurisdiction, Harman Park Drive.
 March 30 — Agency assist, Manor Court.
 April 1 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.
 April 1 — Information only, Vista Boulevard/West U.S. 160.
 April 1 — Agency assist, West U.S. 160.
 April 1 — Information only, Bonanza Avenue.
Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

Calls for service for week: 95.
 March 25 — Careless driving, DUI, San Juan Street.
 March 25 — Assault third-degree, domestic violence, 9th Street.
 March 25 — Violation of restraining order, 9th Street.
 March 25 — Warrant arrest, Pagosa Boulevard.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Anthony D. Edwards

March 28 — Justin Apodaca, prohibited acts in town parks, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear, fines — \$200.
 March 28 — Connor O'Banon, shoplifting, fines, costs and fees — \$185.
 March 28 — Aiden Crump, shoplifting, fines, costs and fees — \$185.
 March 28 — Luc Ouellette, shoplifting, fines, costs and fees — \$185.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

March 28 — Nicole Mangin, improper mountain driving, fines and costs — \$149.
 March 28 — Seth Joseph Bugner, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs — \$85.
 March 29 — Joshua Anthony Brophy, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs — \$85.
 March 29 — Kathleen J. Bryan Wentzel, improper pass-sign/markers, fines and costs — \$172.50.
 March 29 — Justin Walter Bye, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$290.
 March 29 — Oscar Andrew Galia-

no, driver's license-driving without, fines and costs — \$107.50.
 March 29 — Kyle T. Hickey, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$155.50.
 March 29 — Arturs M. Naisloss, driver's license-driving without, lane usage violation, fines and costs — \$218.50.
 March 29 — Mark E. Robison, license plates-unlawful display, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$183.50.
 March 29 — Adrian Sanchez, speeding 10-19 over limit, driving under restraint, fines and costs — \$349.50.
 March 29 — Tyler James Shawver, license plate not automatically readable, fines and costs — \$48.50.
 March 29 — Paul D. Shuber, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$155.50.
 March 29 — James Edward Sims, driving under restraint, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs — \$430.50.
 March 29 — John C. Triplett, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs — \$279.50.
 March 29 — Christina Mary Watson, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$124.50.
 March 29 — Paulino Serratos, dog at large, fines and costs — \$136.
 March 29 — Donald Andrew Clark, county ordinance-barking, fines and costs — \$136.
 March 29 — William J. Denney, improper mountain driving, fines and costs — \$149.50.

March 29 — Karen A. Evans, careless driving, fines and costs — \$238.50.
 March 29 — Jackson H. Macbain, driving while ability impaired, 30 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, 24 hours community service, 12 months probation alcohol evaluation and supervision, fines and costs — \$576.50.
 March 29 — Gary Herbert Manor, disorderly conduct-unreasonable noise, 10 days jail suspended imposition, fines and costs — \$36.
 March 29 — Dominique Lee Swanson, driving ability impaired-with prior convictions, 365 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, 10 days electronic surveillance, two years probation, fines and costs — \$1,965.50.
 March 30 — Joshua E. Lopez, defective vehicle-headlights, fines and costs — \$109.50.
 March 30 — Francis Christopher Ulatowski, disorderly conduct-fighting in public, 10 days jail, fines and costs — \$61.
 April 3 — Patrick Ryan Humphrey, driver's license-driving without, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$172.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

March 30 — Dylan Brent Sanchez, menacing, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$258.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

Sanitation

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 cost of approximately \$350,000.

In 2024 and 2025, the district will also work on new manholes, crossing and potentially a new pipe lining or collection pipe associated with the main street reconstruction project, Phillips indicated.

She also stated that the Apache lift station will likely have to be rebuilt, similarly to the Chamber lift station, in 2025 at an estimated cost of \$400,000.

Phillips also indicated that the pipeline and manholes on the line through Centennial Park, the Riverwalk trail and 6th Street will have to be replaced at a cost of at least \$200,000.

She added that, in 2024 or 2025, the district will need to implement a grit removal system, construct a headworks building and potentially install an automatic bar screen at Pump Station 1 on the pipeline to the Vista plant at an overall cost of \$1.5 million to \$2 million.

She noted that the 1st Street area lift station will also need to be replaced in the future and the district will have an undetermined amount of costs from the compliance upgrades to the PAWSD plant.

Phillips noted that the PSSGID has been spending into reserves for the last several years despite raising rates and that the district currently has \$324,588 in its fund balance excluding its three-month operating reserve.

She stated that the town is expecting some large tap fees in the

next two years, although it also has a range of expensive upgrade projects approaching.

Phillips also noted, in response to questions from the board, that the district is pursuing what grants are available to offset the costs.

"I just wanted to give you guys an overview because sometimes I think we ... don't have the full scope of all the things with the sanitation," Phillips said.

Board member Mat deGraaf commented that maintenance needs vary over time, adding that less maintenance was likely required when the system was installed and for a period afterward than now.

The board then moved on to discuss the RFP for an assessment of the PSSGID's assets and paths for the future that Phillips had discussed earlier in the meeting.

Phillips explained that the RFP includes two scopes of work which could be done by one firm or multiple working together.

She explained that the first scope is an engineering assessment of the longevity of the pump system taking waste to the Vista plant and what projects would be needed to increase this longevity as well as what long-term capital needs exist for the system today and what alternatives might exist for the PSSGID to collect and treat the wastewater.

The second scope, Phillips indicated, is a financial and policy assessment of the fiscal situation of the district and potential options

for it in the future, including the implementation of an inclusion fee or a reassessment of current users, although she noted the latter option could cause "political backlash."

This scope would also include an assessment of future capital investment needs, analysis and recommendations on alternative revenue sources, analysis of present and future operational and maintenance costs, and an analysis of the policy implications of combining PSSGID with PAWSD, according to Phillips.

She added that the analysis of the combination of the districts would involve issues such as staffing, assets and development potential and noted that she was unsure if PAWSD is interested in such an arrangement.

Phillips explained that she wanted to present the RFP to the board to ensure it matched its desires before putting it out for proposals.

Pierce commented that Phillips did a "great job" and that she did not have anything to add to the RFP.

"I think it gives us a really good understanding of where we are and where we are in the future," she said.

deGraaf expressed support for the creation of inclusion fees, and noted that tap fees and inclusion fees would likely be a "life raft" for the PSSGID to deal with the high costs it faces.

Pierce commented that it is valuable for the public to understand what the real costs of running the district are.

deGraaf also expressed support

for a reevaluation of usage within the district.

The council then instructed Phillips to move forward with putting the RFP out for proposals.

Following this, Phillips explained to the board that she would include Ramsey's suggestions about including an assessment of the cost of state regulations into the RFP, as well as an assessment of inclusion fees.

Following a discussion about the logistics and details of a reassessment, she also stated that the consultant could potentially steer the district on how to do so effectively.

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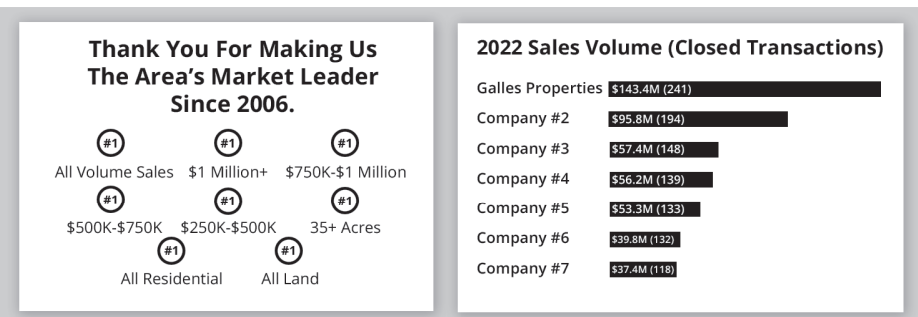
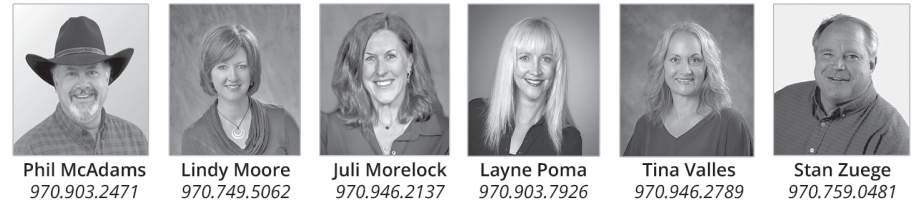
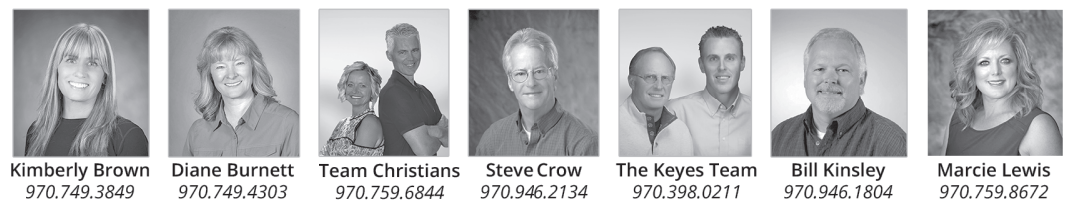
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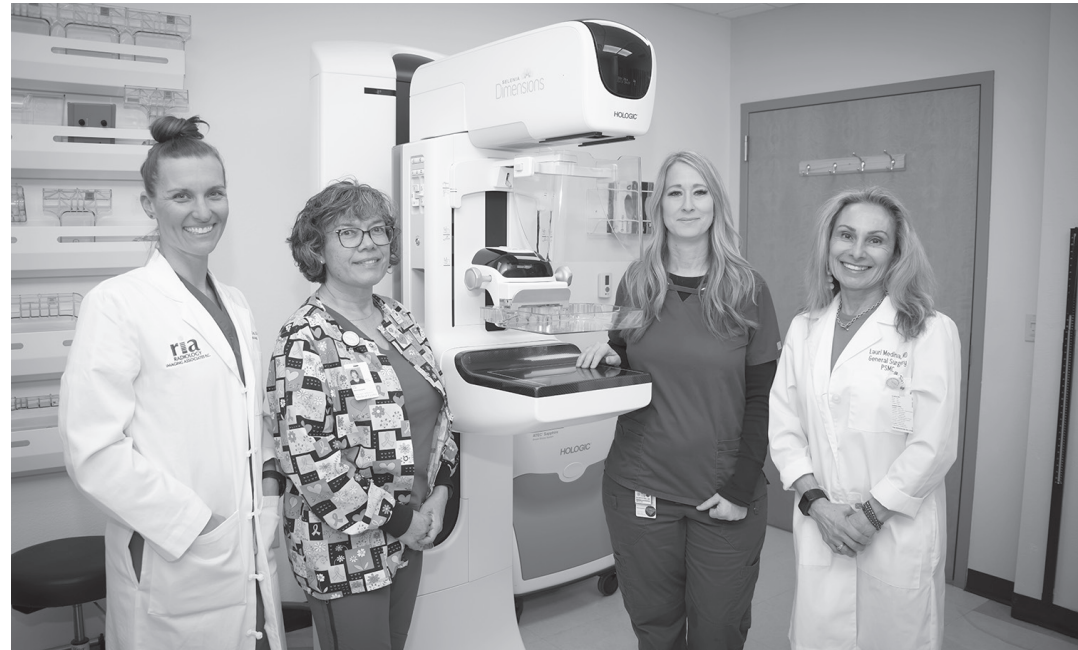


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 erations and obligations of SJBPH in accordance with C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); and to determine positions on matters that may be subject to negotiations as concerns of ongoing operations and obligations of SJBPH in accordance with C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e)(l), as indicated in the motion to enter executive session.

According to the board packet for the meeting and as highlighted at the meeting, the BoH received written comments from 48 individuals from Archuleta and La Plata counties requesting that SJBPH reconsider the dissolution of the district and work toward reconciling the two counties on the issue of public health.

Following an executive session that lasted approximately 70 minutes, BoH president Shere Byrd indicated that the board would not vote on further items stemming from the executive session at the meeting.

At the April 3 Archuleta County Health Department Transitional Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, the TAC discussed the topic of dissolution and comments made by the Archuleta County commissioners at their March 28 work session.

At the March 28 work session, the commissioners and County Manager Derek Woodman generally reaffirmed their commitment to dissolution.

Woodman commented that there was "some dissension in the ranks" of the TAC and that the discussions of reconciliation were creating a "lack of direction" among certain committee members.

In addition, Commissioner Ronnie Maez commented on the possibility of reconciliation and the work of the TAC, saying, "I'm not in favor of it. I think we've got plenty of money and time invested into this already and we're already in the process of it and what this board has established with this transitional committee ... is to transition."

"It wasn't to start stirring the water and bring up turmoil and change things around and start making ... and losing direction of the task that was given. If people are dissatisfied with being on this committee and are not happy with the direction that it's going, then maybe they need to resign because I know there was other ... applicants that were available to us. And ... I don't want to create a hardship or anything but we cannot afford to take or deviate or waste any time other than the direction we're headed right now."

At the April 3 TAC meeting, Woodman opened his county manager comments by distributing a letter to be considered by the BoCC on April 4 responding to letters from Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) Primary Care Clinic Medical Director Dr. Julie Buchner and PSMC Chief of Staff Dr. John Wisneski urging the BoCC to reconsider the dissolution of SJBPH.

The BoCC response reiterates the board's intention to move forward with the dissolution while also ex-

pressing confidence in Archuleta County's ability to create an effective public health department.

Woodman noted that people had commented that Archuleta County had not responded to the letters from Buchner and Wisneski and that the letter he expected the BoCC to approve would provide a formal response.

He noted that he and members of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) had spoken with commissioners and staff from La Plata County and confirmed there is no interest in stopping the dissolution of SJBPH.

Woodman noted that the TAC was created to form a new county health department and "we definitely do need to come out and ensure the public that we have a unified front moving forward and that's the direction we're going to go."

TAC member and PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb asked if the county health department plans to follow Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) guidelines and rules and advocated for doing so.

Woodman noted that the CDPHE is the "rulemaking body" for the state and that, while the county health department would not directly answer to the CDPHE, it would follow CDPHE rules and guidelines.

TAC chairperson Kathy Campbell commented that she did not believe "there's any dissension amongst any of us on this committee or any wavering of our mission. ... Everybody has an opinion on this topic, but I don't think it's smart to throw out comments about our committee that aren't warranted."

Campbell then noted that she had reached out to Archuleta County Commissioner Warren Brown and La Plata County Commissioner Marsha Porter-Norton about the possibility of moving the start date for the county health departments from Jan. 1, 2024, to July 1, 2024, due to this aligning better with the state fiscal calendar and giving the TAC additional time for its work.

Woodman explained that staff from both counties met with the Arapahoe County Health director, who had also served as the deputy director of the Tri-County Health Department prior to its dissolution, and that she had recommended, among other things, that having a mid-year start date would be valuable.

He added that the possibility of moving the start date "absolutely is a discussion" both between Archuleta and La Plata counties, and internally in La Plata County, and that the La Plata County manager indicated to Woodman that he would have more information once his BoCC discussed the issue further at a future meeting.

TAC member and Pagosa Springs Town Manager Andrea Phillips then asked Woodman to speak on a resolution before the BoCC at its April 4 meeting establishing the Archuleta County Public Health Department and creating a transitional county

BoH. Woodman explained that the transitional BoH, which would last through the end of 2023, would be comprised of three commissioners.

He indicated that the permanent BoH would be seated prior to the end of the year and would consist of two commissioners and between three and five at-large positions.

Woodman added that the health department would be a regular county department and that its director would answer to the county manager.

Phillips noted that this structure is a departure from the recommendation of the TAC, which is for one commissioner and four at-large members with expertise in health care, public health or supportive disciplines.

Campbell asked about the reasoning or justification for having the transitional BoH be the three commissioners.

"That's their choice," Woodman responded.

Webb highlighted that no one on the board would have a medical background, and Woodman commented there would have to be a medical director, although he noted in response to a question from another TAC member that the county has not approached anyone about filling this role yet.

Phillips noted that the resolution attached to the agenda for the April 4 BoCC meeting indicated that the permanent BoH would consist of "at least one commissioner and ... between three and four members appointed for five-year terms."

She highlighted that the specific wording of "at least one commissioner" could mean all three would serve on the BoH.

Woodman indicated in response to a question from Campbell that the permanent BoH will be seated in December at the latest and commented that the resolution attached to the agenda was outdated and had been revised to match his earlier explanation.

TAC member Sally Kennedy raised concerns about another portion of the resolution indicating that the county manager shall "recruit, interview and hire" the public health director.

She stated that she understood the manager's role in recruitment, but questioned if Woodman is planning to interview candidates by himself.

"Absolutely not," Woodman responded.

Kennedy questioned if the language needed to be revised since she had received calls from two community members concerned about the language in the resolution.

She also noted that Colorado statute indicates that the BoCC hires the director, not the county manager.

Woodman and Kennedy then disputed the statute, with Kennedy indicating that statute indicates that the public health director serves at the pleasure of the BoH and Woodman commenting that statute does

not say this. "I understand what you're saying, but there is the latitude, legally, that that employee is a county employee," Woodman said.

Kennedy commented that the language is "not really aligned with the statute" and suggested that the language might need to be reworded to avoid the impression that Woodman has "total control."

Kennedy also suggested that not having health care providers involved in the interviews would be suboptimal, and Campbell highlighted that Woodman previously stated that he intended to have health care providers involved in the interview process.

Woodman commented that he would not be doing the interviews alone, to which Kennedy responded that the document stated he would be.

Woodman noted the document contains "some generic language" and stated that he does not hire anyone solely.

Campbell asked Kennedy if she was requesting the addition of language stating that qualified health experts would be involved in the interview process.

She indicated yes and added that the document also needs to discuss the relationship between the commissioners, the BoH and the director, commenting, "Community members were pretty upset that this looked like a whole lot of control, and they already have questions about the BoH and how much control they're going to have and if it's going to be somehow monitored, but I think this needs to be somehow tweaked a bit to let the people know this is not all you."

Kennedy noted that she believed Woodman and that she was not questioning him, but the statutes. Phillips commented, "I'm kind of surprised that this resolution is coming before the BoCC without any engagement from this committee. I just have to say I think it's a little odd that there's some pretty strong recommendations, ... or not recommendations, there's some things that are going to be adopted here that are not synonymous with what we've been talking about. ... I think it's just kind of odd that this committee was not privy to, 'Hey, this resolution's coming before the board.'"

Following a discussion of advertising for the director position, Campbell returned to Phillips' comments, saying, "It's pretty frustrating to work on even an advisory committee and put in all the time and effort to make these suggestions and formulating plans and moving ahead with our mission and ... then feel like it doesn't really mean anything. If the commissioners are going to go against our recommendations, it would be really nice to hear from them personally so that we have a better understanding of where they're coming from instead of it feeling like we're not being heard."

"Maybe we just don't understand, maybe we just need more clarification, but it's pretty frustrating to put in the time and effort to move something along and have the rug pulled right out from under you. ... And I certainly would hope that when the new board is established that that doesn't happen, that the board makes recommendations and then the commissioners go behind the scenes ... and just ... change the direction."

Woodman commented that he thought this was unlikely and that this was the reason the commissioners have representation on the board.

Kennedy raised the possibility that this arrangement is a compromise between the TAC's recommendations and the desires of community members who want all three commissioners on the board.

Kennedy also asked if the TAC could make a recommendation that the BoCC delay a decision on the issue, which Woodman indicated would be possible.

Later in the meeting, TAC member and former Archuleta County

commissioner John Ranson raised the issue of the dissolution and the relationship between the TAC and the BoCC again.

He stated, "I think, and Derek this is just from what I saw this morning and what transpired in the newspaper, whatnot, I think ... there's some frustration here and ... this situation was presented by a previous board of commissioners, why we're all sitting here today. We're forming our own, we all understood that being interviewed, and we've just gotta make lemonade out of lemons."

"And people do talk to us. The question was in the interview about what politics ... it's gonna happen, and they talk with us. If I was one of the commissioners, I would've asked for our resignation if we did not ask to reconcile, and for some reason that seemed to rub some feathers wrong with the current BoCC and for one of them to say that anybody who disagrees on this committee should resign, we just need to have better communication. ... That to me is not the way, to read about it in the newspaper."

"It was insulting," Webb interjected.

"They need to communicate with us," Ranson said, asking when the TAC can meet with the BoCC if it is going to serve as the BoH.

"It's pretty frustrating to be volunteers and get treated like that and I'd be, other than myself resigning, ... to lose any of these minds would be a shame and for a commissioner to tell the newspaper that was just wrong," he concluded.

Kennedy noted that the comment about resignation was "strictly tied" to committee members being unwilling to move forward with building a new health department.

"I beg to differ," Campbell said. "I think it was strictly pointed at me because I had been approached by people from La Plata, San Juan Basin, former board members of San Juan Basin, begging me to talk to our commissioners and our leaders about reconciling."

Campbell noted that she had had extensive meetings with concerned citizens and commissioners and that, although the interest in reconciliation had been "a lot of he said, she said," she was still recommending that the date of dissolution be changed.

"If they're not going to budge because of what our commissioners did in the past, we have to deal with this now, but now we know that. ... There's no harm in looking at all options, so I don't think it's fair, to your point, that a commissioner says we're stirring up trouble, I think we're doing the right and responsible thing by looking at all avenues," Campbell said.

Kennedy commented that she believed the issue was more about how discussions of reconciliation might slow forward progress.

Campbell stated that the TAC has been moving forward at every meeting and Webb commented that she felt it was well worth the time and effort spent to investigate reconciliation.

Phillips commented that, if the BoCC is going to act as the BoH, it would be valuable to have joint meetings with them.

Kennedy asked if there was a chance the BoCC would postpone passing the resolution establishing a county health department, which Woodman indicated was "possible."

Kennedy and Phillips discussed the possibility of making a recommendation to the BoCC to postpone passage of the resolution and have the TAC discuss it, with Kennedy reiterating her concerns about the language covering the interviewing and hiring process.

"To be honest, that's not what concerns me in that resolution," Phillips said. "It's the structure of the BoH that we specifically made a recommendation on and now you're going to have ... two of three county commissioners on this BoH. And there's a transitional body. So, to me, that is the more concerning thing is

that that's totally against what we had recommended as a body."

Woodman stated that the TAC's recommendation had been one or more commissioners and three to five citizens, which Phillips said was not her understanding.

Following a debate and the retrieval of the TAC's recommendation, it was determined that the TAC's recommendation was specifically for one commissioner and four citizens.

Phillips highlighted that it is possible that the BoCC attempted to compromise between the recommendation of the TAC and the desires of community members.

Overall, the TAC agreed that it would be valuable to meet with the BoCC and hear its reasoning.

Woodman highlighted that doing this would cause a delay, although he noted, "We can easily postpone this if that's their desire" and discuss the topic with the BoCC at its next work session.

County Executive Assistant/Paralegal Mary Helminski added that the BoCC could table the issue at its April 4 meeting, which the TAC members generally agreed would be ideal.

At that meeting, the BoCC approved the response letter to Wisneski and Buchner, with Brown commenting that the La Plata County BoCC had approved a similar response letter and reiterated its desire to dissolve the district at a March 28 meeting.

He added that it only requires one county to dissolve the district.

Commissioner Veronica Medina commented that she had been contacted by a group of citizens interested in the reconciliation and that she reached out to La Plata County and received the response that they are not interested in stopping the dissolution.

Brown also commented that the result of the March 31 SJBPH BoH meeting is that there would be no change in the BoH's recommendation to dissolve the district, and, in response to a question from Maez, Brown clarified that this meant that the BoH is still "on board" with the dissolution.

The BoCC also voted to table the resolution creating the county health department.

Prior to voting, the board heard four public comments which covered, among other things, the discussion at the TAC meeting, which had not been mentioned by Woodman during the briefing on the meeting he gave to the commissioners earlier in the day at the BoCC work session, the potential statutory problems with Woodman's role in the hiring process, and the commenters' desire for the resolution to be tabled to allow for further consideration and discussion with the TAC.

Following the public comments, Maez said, "There were some great points that were stated here today and ... it brings a lot of insight and I do think we need to hear everything out, including the committee as well. ... I think we're as good as all the information that we're getting. If we get more information, then we can make better decisions. And, I'm open and I know my fellow commissioners are open for it."

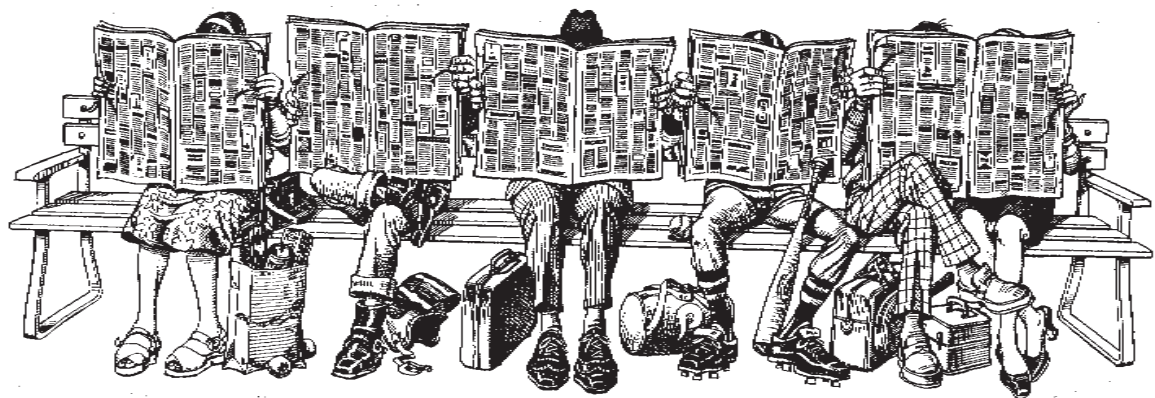
Brown commented that he feels it is important to discuss the differences between the TAC recommendation and the resolution, which he indicated would be discussed with the TAC at the April 11 BoCC work session.

Medina commented that the health department meeting occurred after the agenda for the BoCC meeting was published and that the BoCC was unaware at that time that the TAC wanted to speak with them.

She added that the TAC's desire to speak with the BoCC had been communicated to her by Woodman and that she believed this had occurred with the other commissioners as well.

"Thank you all for your comments and showing up and being so passionate about this, something that's going to affect our community, and just thank you for being involved," Medina concluded.

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Weigh in on community health priorities

San Juan Basin Public Health

San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) on April 7 will close its survey to gather input from Archuleta County residents on their public and environmental health priorities and needs.

The results of this community health assessment will guide a public health improvement plan that can inform the service and program priorities in both counties.

The survey opened in January and has thus far drawn more than 1,200 responses across Archuleta

and La Plata counties. It is available in English and Spanish in electronic and paper formats. Visit <https://co-sjbph.civicplus.com/257/Community-Health-Assessment> for a list of paper survey locations, or call SJBPH at (970) 264-2409 to receive a copy.

SJBPH conducts community health assessments as part of a public health improvement plan every five years, in keeping with Colorado statutory requirements. Both Archuleta and La Plata counties are in the process of forming individual health departments to

launch on Jan. 1, 2024, following SJBPH's dissolution. Input received from the community is essential and will be provided to both counties and community partners.

In addition to the survey, SJBPH is conducting informal focus groups and key informant interviews throughout the jurisdiction to discuss public health and wellness indicators with targeted populations.

The community health assessment survey takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. All responses are anonymous.

Property

Continued from front do have our surveyor ready, at our request, to go out there and place those property pins."

When the purchase was opened up to the council's discussion, Mayor Shari Pierce explained that she was "opposed on many different levels" to the purchase of the property and felt it was her "obligation to outline some of those" at the meeting.

"My first thought is, how much land along the river is enough for us to have for what we need to do?" she asked.

She then listed, from upstream to downstream, the various properties that the town already owns, from behind the River Center to Yamaguchi South.

She continued that "we have availability [on South 2nd Street] for a potential [boat] put-in, if that's what you're looking at this property for," and added that the town has "a lot of opportunities ... with the land that we already have."

She then moved to discussing the cost of the property, stating that it would cost the town much more than the \$1,273,500 being considered for the initial purchase of the parcel.

She mentioned additional costs of building restrooms and a boat

put-in, putting up signage, and the costs of maintaining the park.

"All of those things are gonna add up," she said.

Pierce also expressed concern about the town's prior financial commitments and how the million-dollar price tag, which was not budgeted for, will impact these other initiatives, mentioning, "Our staff recommended that we not spend more than \$500,000."

She explained this dollar amount is based on the town's prior financial commitments.

However, she suggested the town has committed itself to even more financial expenditures since her conversations with staff, such as an additional potential \$96,000 for the engineering plans of the pedestrian bridge by the history museum, \$50,000 for ground-penetrating radar work, a potential promise of \$15,000 to the Pagosa Senior Center and upcoming costs of restoring the Rumbaugh Creek bridge.

"When we approved our budget for this year, we approved a 10-year capital improvement plan. This wasn't in that plan. And I'm concerned with what it does to the work that staff has done to build that plan that we approved," she said.

She added, "I just feel like maybe

we are not putting the money where we should be putting it."

She cited the town's workforce housing initiatives and the continuing costs of repairing or replacing the sanitation district's wastewater system.

"I'm just really concerned about our budget, and this big of an expenditure, with what we've already spent and what we have coming up," she said.

Council member Madeline Bergon replied that Pierce made "compelling points," saying that while she would like to see the purchase of this property, she's been "a little bit on the fence about it."

She noted she sees the property fitting into the town's "overall vision and goals" for the East End area of town, but that the "price point is scary. It's very scary."

Council member Gary Williams explained that when he took office, he did so with the idea that his job was "to look out 20 years."

"I fully get that we may be on the hook for a new sewer pump or we'll need to spend money for this or that, but I'm trying to look out 20 years. ... I know it's a lot of money now ... but I feel like we have a chance to buy something that in 20 years is gonna be a real asset to the community."

Pierce replied that she agreed with Williams' overall sentiment, but "at what cost?"

She said, "That's what I'm weighing, is the cost now, knowing all of our obligations."

When the ordinance was opened to public comment, audience member Bill Hudson said, "We don't have a plan for this. We don't have a plan for the parking behind the River Center. We don't have a plan for the big park that's planned for South Yamaguchi."

He then stated that he agreed with "everything" that Pierce had said, adding, "This is not a good expenditure of our money at this point in our town's development."

After the close of public comment, Williams made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 994. This was seconded by council member Mat deGraaf.

When a roll-call vote was taken, the results were 3-3.

Williams, deGraaf and council member Brooks Lindner voted in favor of the purchase. Pierce, Bergon and council member Matt DeGuise voted against the purchase, with Bergon stating, "Sorry, guys, I'm gonna say, 'Nay.'"

The ordinance thus failed to pass the first reading.

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New law changes aim to simplify vehicle registration

Division of Motor Vehicles

A new law aims to streamline various vehicle registration and title processes in an effort to simplify the vehicle registration process for Coloradans.

Under the Vehicle Registration And Certificate Of Title Act (HB22-1388), vehicle owners who have more than one vehicle can now register one of the vehicles for less than a year so that all the owner's vehicles can expire at the same time.

This optional process will help better serve Coloradans by allowing them to have only one expiration date to remember.

The new law also allows vehicle owners to keep their specialty license plates when transferring to another vehicle. A previous law which went into effect in December 2021 made license plates expire upon transferring the vehicle to another owner. Specialty license plates are now exempt from the previous law.

The Vehicle Registration and Cer-

tificate of Title bill also includes these changes, among others:

- Lowers the weight on vehicles for recreational registration fees that are based on weight from 10,000 to 6,000 pounds.
- Dealer title fee increase. The bill increases the dealer title fee at the counties from \$7.20 to \$25; if paid to the county clerk, the county retains \$21.80 and the rest goes to the division.
- A onetime late registration fee of \$10 for utility trailers, trailers with

an empty weight of 16,000 or less, camper trailers, multipurpose trailers and trailer coaches that have not been registered since before July 1, 2010.

• Bridge safety surcharge change. The bill sets the bridge safety surcharge at \$13 for trailer coaches.

Arrest

Continued from front enforcement and have been working closely with them throughout the night," the email states. "We met early this morning and based on the current investigation have determined that it is safe to attend school today. In an abundance of caution we will have additional law enforcement presence on campus."

Later that day, the Pagosa Springs Police Department (PSPD) issued a press release stating the department "has been working diligently with the school district and other law enforcement agencies regarding this incident."

After also relaying that the PSPD and Archuleta County Sheriff's Office provided additional security to all area schools as a precaution, it states, "The investigation has determined the suspect to be a 16-year-old juvenile male. The juvenile suspect is a resident of another state. Law enforcement in that jurisdiction has been in constant contact with the juvenile. There are no other suspects regarding this incident."

The press release further notes, "Due to the age of the suspect no other identifying information can or will be released under Colorado law."

It notes a Colorado District Court warrant was issued for the arrest of the juvenile for "Interference with staff, faculty, or students of an educational institution C.R.S. 18-9-109."

On Monday, PSPD Chief William Rockensock reported the suspect is from New Mexico, was arrested Sunday and subsequently appeared in front of a judge.

On Tuesday, Holt reported the suspect "was a student in the district but is no longer enrolled in our district."

District reports unrelated incident

At about 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3, an email about an unrelated incident was sent out to Pagosa

Springs Middle School families from Principal Chris Hinger.

That email states, in part, "Because student safety is of utmost importance, I want to inform you that today at lunch, several students suspected a peer of having a gun based on the way they reached into their backpack and had something shiny in their sweatshirt pocket. The student being accused reported to the office immediately and told the administration of the accusations. Police were involved and a thorough investigation ensued following our safety procedures. It was determined that no gun was present and there was no threat to student safety."

Community meeting scheduled for April 10

On Wednesday morning, ASD announced a community meeting to be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 10, in the Pagosa Springs High School

auditorium.

"The purpose of the meeting is to increase awareness, understanding, and transparency around safety protocols and procedures currently in place and provide an opportunity to respond to community questions," the announcement reads. "In attendance will be Pagosa Springs Police Department, Archuleta County Sheriff's Department, School Board members, and District and Building Leaders."

The announcement also noted the meeting will be broadcast via Zoom webinar at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85080066051>. The link is also available at www.mypagosaschools.com under the community tab.

The announcement adds that anyone who has questions they would like addressed at the meeting can email them to jparker@pagosa.k12.co.us.

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Nathaniel Kinsley starts on his leg of the 4x200-meter relay following a handoff from Colton Lucero at the Pine River Invitational in Bayfield on April 1. The relay team, which also included Kameron Winkler and Jonathan Nasralla, took second with a time of 1 minute, 37.69 seconds.

Lady Pirate Annie O'Donnell runs in the 400-meter dash at the Pine River Invitational on April 1 in Bayfield. O'Donnell placed second with a time of 65.50 seconds.

Pirates take second, fourth at Bayfield meet

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate track and field teams took second and fourth at Saturday's meet in Bayfield.

"The weather was beautiful in Bayfield on Saturday. The temperature was comfortable and the wind wasn't a problem," coach Connie O'Donnell wrote in an email to The SUN. "For the most part, our performances were better than the meet before spring break. I find it encouraging that we can come back from spring break faster than we were. I think that we are off to a good start and will continue to improve each week."

The Lady Pirate team took second out of five teams, finishing behind Durango.

The Lady Pirates swept the top three finishes in the 100-meter dash. Rylie Carr took first in the with a time of 13.28 seconds. She was followed by Annabelle Prater, who logged a time of 13.72 seconds. Sienna Rose finished third in 13.84 seconds. Abigail Packer finished fifth in 14.48 seconds and Evelyn Rose took 16th in 15.51 seconds.

The Lady Pirates took three of the top four spots in the 200-meter dash. Carr took first with a time of 28.85 seconds. Rose took second in 28.89 seconds. Elissa Mars finished fourth in 29.72 seconds. Packer finished 12th in 32.02 seconds. Rose took 15th in 32.37 seconds.

"Rylie Carr won both the 100 and 200 again," O'Donnell wrote. "She improved her time in the 100, but was running into a headwind during the 200. Sienna Rose had a great 1st meet of the year and finished 3rd in the 100, 2nd in the 200 and 1st in the 400. Her 200 time was right behind Rylie's and they were in different heats. It will be fun when they can be in the same heat and push each other."

She adds that the finishes in the sprints also affect the team's relays.

"All of these close times in our sprints means that it is going to get competitive with who is on our relays," she wrote. "Earning a spot on our relay teams is something that almost everyone wants. What I like is that our girls do a good job of pushing each other and cheering for each other to get better. They are really good at the team part of track and field."

The Lady Pirates also took three of the four top spots in the 400-meter dash. Rose took first with a time of 65.12 seconds. Annie O'Donnell finished second in 65.50 seconds and Reece Peterson took fourth in 70.25 seconds. Emma Gantt took seventh in 75.47 seconds, and

Hadley Phillips took eighth in 75.58 seconds.

"I decided to put Annie in a 400 instead of the 800 just to get a time on her for the 400. She and Sienna really pushed each other down the homestretch," the coach wrote.

Honestye Sweet took eighth in the 800-meter run with a time of 3 minutes, 9.07 seconds. Marie Smith finished 14th in 3:41.87, Grace Grimes took 15th with a time of 3:55.18 and Alia Hibbert finished 16th in 4:05.15.

Sweet took 10th in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 7:15.09. Smith finished 15th in 7:48.36.

"I'm really proud of Honestye Sweet," Connie O'Donnell wrote. "She took 17 seconds off of her 800 time which is incredible. You could just tell when she was running that she decided to compete and switched gears. She also took 37 seconds off of her mile."

Connie O'Donnell added coach Tim Taylor reported Sweet has really been pushing herself in workouts that are challenging.

Mars took second in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.25 seconds. Chantelle Caldwell finished eighth in 19.76 seconds. Kylie Ketchum finished 10th in 20.51 seconds. Jordan Lindstrom took 15th with a time of 26.97 seconds.

"We have 4 100 girls competing in 100 meter hurdles," Connie O'Donnell wrote. "I'm really looking forward to working on steps with them on our snow free track this week. My goal is to get them all 3 stepping in the 100s and all placing in the next meet. I know that they can all do it."

Mars placed third in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 54.53 seconds. Eden Conner finished 12th in 72.38 seconds.

The Lady Pirate team of Caldwell, Carr, Packer and Peterson took first in the 4x100-meter relay with a time of 52.47 seconds.

A second Lady Pirate team of Hayden Peterson, Charity Domin-

go, Amber Snarr and Packer took sixth with a time of 58.04 seconds.

In the 4x200-meter relay, the Lady Pirate team of Caldwell, Carr, Alexis Campbell and Peterson took first with a time of 1:52.86.

Another Lady Pirate team of Snarr, Hannah Schultz, Hayden Peterson and Conner took sixth with a time of 2:10.42.

In the 4x400-meter relay, a Lady Pirate team of Domingo, Gantt, Phillips and Packer took fourth with a time of 5:10.85.

Another team of Conner, Faith Domingo, Hayden Peterson and Lucy Taylor placed fifth with a time of 5:23.17.

"Our relays did great without any dropped batons. Our handoffs are still a bit rough, but that's another thing that we can really work on this week," the coach points out.

In the 800-meter sprint medley, the Lady Pirate team of Ketchum, Parker, Campbell and Annie O'Donnell took first with a time of 2:03.18.

Another team of Schultz, Faith Domingo, Conner and Snarr finished seventh in 2:24.44.

Lindstrom finished second in the high jump with a height of 4 feet, 8.00 inches. Annie O'Donnell

finished third and Elio Groves took fourth, each with a height of 4-06.00. Caldwell took seventh with a jump of 4-04.00.

Groves took ninth in the long jump with a distance of 13-03.50. Mars followed in fourth with a jump of 13-02.50. Campbell finished 20th with a distance of 11-03.25.

Lindstrom took second in the triple jump with a distance of 31-00.00. Groves finished fourth with a distance of 28-03.00. Annie O'Donnell finished fifth with a result of 28-02.50 and Campbell finished sixth with a distance of 27-00.50.

"Jordan Lindstrom was looking much more like herself in high jump on Saturday," the coach notes. "We actually got the high jump pit out on Thursday. She also really improved her triple jump by over a foot and placed 2nd."

Abigail Nehring finished 10th in the shot put with a throw of 23-03.00 and Charity Domingo tied for 20th with a distance of 18-04.500.

Nehring took eighth in the discus throw with a distance of 66-02.

"I think with some real practice in the throwing rings, we will continue to see her improve as well."

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The Lady Pirates look to gain possession during their match against Bayfield in Bayfield on April 4 where they were defeated 2-0. According to coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason, the weather was frigid with intermittent snow squalls that impeded vision on the field.

Lady Pirates bested by Wolverines in wintry match

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate soccer team was de-

feated 2-0 in its game against the Bayfield Wolverines in Bayfield on April 4.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason explained that the game was highly

competitive and “really tense,” noting, “It was the first time this season we put ourselves in a position to win.”

He also highlighted the poor

weather conditions during the match, including “bitter cold” and a “white squall across the field — you couldn’t see the other side at

■ See Soccer A12

Track

Continued from A10

O’Donnell wrote of Nehring.

The boys’ team took fourth out of five at the event, behind Durango, Alamosa and Montezuma-Cortez.

In the 100 dash, Kameron Winkler took fifth in 12.12 seconds and Colton Lucero took sixth in 12.18 seconds. Nathaniel Kinsley finished 17th in 12.50 seconds. Gavin Carter followed in 18th in 12.52 seconds. Creede Dozier finished 25th with a time of 13.06 seconds.

Winkler took 10th in the 200 with a time of 25.08 seconds. Kinsley took 13th with a time of 25.70 seconds, and Luke Kinsley finished 18th in 26.83 seconds.

In the 400, Harley Armijo finished with a time of 61.96 seconds to take sixth. Joel Alvarez finished 11th with a time of 66.80 seconds.

Tucker Haines finished 17th in the 800 with a time of 2:47.88. Kyle Marotta took 21st in 2:51.49 and Elijah Nehring finished 24th in 3:02.98.

In the 1,600, Andrew Bowles finished third with a time of 5:22.87 and was followed by Jessie Beck in fourth with a time of 5:30.57. Haines finished 15th in 6:21.07, Marotta took 20th with a time of 6:40.43 and Connor Thomas finished 23rd in 6:48.66.

“Both Andrew Bowles and Jesse Beck took time off of their mile. Jesse took off 19 seconds. They will do a good job of pushing each other in practice and continue to chip away at their times,” Connie O’Donnell wrote.

Bowles took fourth in the

3,200-meter run with a time of 12:00.56. Beck took sixth in 12:47.13 and Levi Hinger took seventh in 13:14.42.

Jaxten Schiel finished 11th in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 51.01 seconds.

A team of Nathaniel Kinsley, Lucero, Winkler and Armijo took third in the 4x100 with a time of 46.28 seconds. A second team of Gavin Carter, Jeremiah Jones, Luke Kinsley and Aidan Vega took seventh with a time of 49.47 seconds.

In the 4x200, a Pirate team of Lucero, Nathaniel Kinsley, Winkler and Jonathan Nasralla finished second in 1:37.69.

A team of Miles Baker, Luke Kinsley, Dozier and Jeremiah Dean finished fourth with a time of 1:44.16.

The Pirate teams finished sixth and seventh in the 4x400.

The team of Armijo, Baker, Jones and Carter took sixth with a time of 4:08.53.

The team of Jonathan Baker, Dean, Elijah Nehring and Thomas finished seventh with a time of 4:45.75.

“We got to enter two relays in this meet and it gave us a chance to enter some freshmen,” the coach notes. “I thought that they did really well and I think that they will be really competitive as they get older.”

Jones took fourth in the high jump with a height of 5-06.00. Schiel and Dozier followed tied for fifth with heights of 5-04.00.

Lucero took 10th in the long jump with a distance of 17-10.25.

Jones placed 13th with a jump of 16-01.50. Aidan Vega took 17th with a jump of 15-03.00. Schiel finished 23th with a distance of 13-07.50.

Dozier and Nasralla took second and third, respectively, in the triple jump, with Dozier logging a distance of 37-10.25 and Nasralla logging a 37-01.25.

“Creede Dozier took 2nd place in triple jump,” the coach highlights. “As a freshmen, he really showed a lot of potential at his first meet of the season. He is bouncy because he plays basketball and I am really excited to see him continue to improve throughout the season. He has a great attitude and it looked like he was having fun competing.”

Vega finished 17th in the shot put with a throw of 27-00.00.

The coach also highlights Winkler and Lucero for their work at

the meet.

“On the boys side, Kam and Colton both improved their 100 meter times significantly even with a head wind,” she wrote. “They were also part of the 4x1 and 4x2 relays that took off some time as well. Colton really improved in the long jump. He jumped over a foot farther than before spring break. He would have had a jump over 18’, but he barely scratched over the line on that one.”

This weekend, the team will head to Ignacio for the Abel Velasquez Invite, where field events are slated to begin at 9 a.m. and running events will start at noon.

“Our goal this week is to work on running technique as well as techniques in field events, starts and handoffs,” Connie O’Donnell wrote.

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BASEBALL

Pirates go 2-1 at Salida tournament

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate baseball team went 2-1 at the Salida tournament last week, outscoring their opponents 42-34 in the process.

“I thought ... it was a lot of the same. ... We’ve been hittin’ the ball, it’s just not giving free passes,” coach Nathan Morales said.

The Pirates opened their play at the tournament on Friday, March 31, with a win over the Salida Spartans.

The Pirates picked up five runs in the top of the first in the game, with Hunter Pouyer, Triston Iguchi, Braylon Cotts and Kaison Clifford logging hits. Cooper Ralston and Seth Aucoin reached

on errors in the inning, and Pouyer, Iguchi, Cotts, Clifford and Ralston scored.

Salida countered with one run in the bottom of the first, which the Pirates matched in the top of the second when Pouyer walked and scored on a ground out.

Pagosa picked up another three runs in the top of the third, with Zach Pouyer, Young-Martinez and Hunter Pouyer knocking hits and Laugel reaching on an error. Zach Pouyer, Young-Martinez and Laugel scored in the inning.

Salida scored two in the bottom of the third.

Pagosa brought around five runs in the fourth to take a 14-3 lead.

In the inning, Iguchi, Cotts, Young-Martinez and Laugel singled. Ralston reached after being

hit by a pitch and Aucoin walked. Iguchi, Cotts, Ralston, Aucoin and Young-Martinez scored.

The Spartans scored three in the bottom of the inning.

Pagosa picked up another run in the top of the sixth after Ralston tripled and scored on a single by Aucoin.

Salida scored twice in the bottom of the inning before scoring five in the bottom of the seventh to leave the Pirates with a 15-13 win.

Morales pointed out the Pirates were up 14-3 in the game, but indicated they walked and hit too many batters.

“They only had six hits,” he said of Salida.

The Pirates knocked 17 hits in the game, walked three times and **■ See Baseball A13**

Soccer

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one point.”

He explained that play passed back and forth during the first half, with Pagosa having two on-frame shots on goal and several offensive moments that Kurt-Mason felt could have resulted in goals.

He stated that both teams were scoreless at halftime.

At approximately 55 minutes into the game, Kurt-Mason explained, Bayfield scored its first goal off of a cross to the middle that was deflected into the goal.

He stated that, after this point, play continued in the same tense “back-and-forth” pattern, with Bayfield scoring its second goal five minutes before the game’s end.

He indicated that the Lady Pirates have improved over the first month of the season, with particular progress on passing, playing the ball back instead of exclusively going forward and completing crosses.

“And, there wasn’t any moment in the game where we gave up,” Kurt-Mason added. “You know, we were after the ball, ... we got beat, we’d go back and get it.”

Kurt-Mason also highlighted the performance of Lady Pirate Elizabeth Currier, who he stated was named player of the game for Pagosa.

He commented she played a key role in transitional moments between defense and offense for the team and was involved in all of the scoring opportunities for the team.

Kurt-Mason added that she

“played with a lion’s heart” and highlighted that Currier had collapsed during her approach for a corner kick near the end of the game due to a leg cramp and had to be substituted out, but that she was able to return to the game for its last three minutes.

“That was a good thing,” he said, “that we had a lot of fight, all the way to the end of the game. And that was a good indicator of ... us turning the corner to being a contender ... in the games that we play.”

The loss against Bayfield leaves the Pagosa team 0-4 on the season.

The Pirates will next play the Alamosa Mean Moose in Alamosa on April 7 at 2 p.m., which will be followed by a game against the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers the following day in Cortez at 11 a.m.

Alamosa is 2-2 on the season. Montezuma Cortez is 0-3 this year.

After that, the Pirates will play the Lake County Panthers in Leadville on April 13 at 4 p.m. The Panthers are 0-2 on the season.

Kurt-Mason noted that the only times the Lady Pirates have been able to play on a regulation-size field this season have been at their matches with other schools, with practices occurring either indoors or, recently, at the small field at South Pagosa Park.

He explained that, to prepare for its upcoming games, the team continues to focus on ball control and remaining alert and engaged when not directly involved in play, which he noted is critical to creating additional opportunities for the team.

However, he noted that the lack of a regulation-size field and a full-size goal has hindered these training efforts.

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Triple Impact Student-Athlete of the Week
Triston Iguchi
Baseball

Favorite subject: Library aide
Comments from coach Nathan Morales and coach Adam Krick: “Triston has maintained a solid leadership position as a senior varsity player on the baseball team. He is able to play multiple positions for us and hits consistently at the top of the lineup. Triston constantly works hard each day to become a better player and athlete. He is the first to arrive and the last to leave, never with a complaint. He truly encompasses all that we want a Triple Impact Athlete to be.”

Public Notices

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2023-001

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On January 12, 2023, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records. Original Grantor(s) Jonathan A. Bollig and Brandie J. Herrera
Original Beneficiary(ies) Bank of the San Juans
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Park Tree Foundation, LLC
Date of Deed of Trust May 09, 2006
County of Archuleta
Recording Date of Deed of Trust May 16, 2006
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 20604449
Original Principal Amount \$62,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$61,080.26
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: Failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. LOT 602, PAGOSA HIGHLANDS ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FEBRUARY 7, 1972, AS RECEPTION NO. 75409, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO.

Also known by street and number as: 45 Navajo Court, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.
NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, 05/11/2023, at the Archuleta County Treasurer’s Office at 449 San Juan St. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s) heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys’ fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
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IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;
DATE: 01/12/2023
Elsa P. White, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado
By: Elsa P. White, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: Brown Dunning Walker Fein PC 2000 SOUTH COLORADO BLVD., TOWER TWO, SUITE 700, DENVER, CO 80222 (303) 329-3363
Attorney File # 3938-018
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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Plaintiff: PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
v.
Defendants: GERALDINE JANSENSEN
Sheriff Sale 2023-06
Regarding: Sheriff Sale of Real Property under Decree of Foreclosure, pursuant to Court Order and Decree dated February 2, 2023, and C.R.S. §38-38-101 et seq., in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. The judicial foreclosure is based on a default under the Declaration of Restrictions Pagosa, recorded on June 24, 1970 at Reception No. 73297 in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. The Declaration and notices, as recorded, establish a lien for the benefit of Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, against real property legally described as follows:
Lots 401, PAGOSA TRAILS, according to the plat thereof filed for record September 13, 1971 as Reception No. 74865.
Also known as: 11 Lynx Court, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

NOTICE OF SALE
You and each of you are hereby notified that a Sheriff’s Sale of the referenced property is to be conducted by the Archuleta County Sheriff’s Office of Archuleta County, Colorado at 10:00 a.m., on the 10th day of May, 2023, at 85 Harman Park Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; phone number 970-264-8434. At which sale, the above-described real property and improvements thereon will be sold to the highest bidder. Plaintiff makes no warranty relating to title, possession, or quiet enjoyment in and to said real property in connection with this sale.
****BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE CASH OR CERTIFIED FUNDS SUFFICIENT TO COVER THEIR HIGHEST BID AT TIME OF SALE.****
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Plaintiff, Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association v.
Defendants, GERALDINE JANSENSEN
Sheriff Sale 2023-07

Regarding: Sheriff Sale of Real Property under Decree of Foreclosure, pursuant to Court Order and C.R.S. §38-38-101 et seq., County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS, Please take notice:
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Defendants: Canadian Crafts, Inc., Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, Archuleta County Public Trustee, and all Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest in the Subject Matter of this Action.
Case Number 2023CV030025
Attorney or Party Without Party:
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TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT: CANADIAN CRAFTS, INC.
You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice.
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Crash leaves one with serious injuries

By **Randi Pierce**
Staff Writer

A Pagosa Springs woman suffered serious injuries in a crash that occurred on March 29.

According to an incident report from the Colorado State Patrol, the incident occurred at 10:40 a.m.

The report indicates that Christina C. Knoell, 52, of Pagosa Springs

was westbound on U.S. 160 at milepost 132 in a 2022 Toyota Corolla Cross with trailer when the vehicle traveled off the right side of the roadway after failing to negotiate a left curve.

The report notes the vehicle traveled for 72 feet and struck a delineator post with its front. It then continued for 240 feet and struck a dumpster with its front,

then continued for 46 feet, striking a parked truck.

The report further indicates the vehicle continued for 193 feet and struck a culvert/embankment with its front and then continued for 130 feet, overturning one time and coming to rest on its wheels in the roadway facing east.

The report indicates Knoell was the only occupant and was wearing

a seat belt.

She is noted as having serious injuries and being transported by ambulance.

Master Trooper Doug Wiersma notes in an email to The SUN Knoell was charged with careless driving.

The report indicated neither alcohol/drugs nor excessive speed are suspected.

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Baseball

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had two batters hit by pitches.

Cotts went 4-for-5, logging a double, a stolen base, two RBIs and two runs scored.

Iguchi and Young-Martinez each had three hits. Iguchi's effort also included two stolen bases and two runs scored, and he was hit by a pitch. Young-Martinez also had a stolen base, two RBIs and two runs scored.

Hunter Pouyer went 2-for-3 with an RBI, two runs scored and two stolen bases.

Laugel had one hit, two RBIs, one run scored, a stolen base and reached on an error.

Clifford had one hit and one run scored.

Zach Pouyer logged one hit, one run scored and a stolen base.

Ralston hit a triple, reached on an error, was hit by a pitch and scored three runs.

Aucoin had one hit, reached on an error, and recorded two RBIs and a run scored.

The Pirates stranded five runners on base in the game.

Aaron Aucoin, Clifford, Young-Martinez and Laugel combined to allow 13 runs (four earned) on six hits and three walks while striking out five. Eight Spartan batters were hit by pitches.

Pagosa committed eight errors in the game and Salida logged six errors.

The next morning, the Pirates faced the Coal Ridge Titans, with the Titans recording a 12-3 win.

The Titans scored three in the third, four in the fourth, two in the

fifth and three in the seventh.

Pagosa scored one in the bottom of the third after Seth Aucoin reached on an error and scored on a single by Hunter Pouyer.

Pagosa's other two runs came in the bottom of the seventh.

In that inning, Seth Aucoin and Laugel singled and came around to score on a triple by Hunter Pouyer.

The Pirates had nine hits in the game and walked eight times.

Cotts went 3-for-3.

Laugel went 2-for-4 with a run scored and a stolen base.

Hunter Pouyer also went 2-for-4, with his effort including a triple and three RBIs.

Ralston and Seth Aucoin each had one hit. Seth Aucoin also reached on an error, had a stolen base and scored two runs.

Pagosa left six runners on base. Cotts, Clifford, Hunter Pouyer and Ralston combined to allow 12 runs (11 earned) on 11 hits, eight walks and three balks while striking out six.

That afternoon, Pagosa took on the Calhan Bulldogs, returning home with a 24-9 win. Calhan picked up three runs in the top of the first, two in the second, two in the third and two in the fourth.

The Pirates picked up four in the first, seven in the second, four in the third and nine in the fourth.

The four first-inning runs came after Laugel tripled and scored on a wild pitch, Hunter Pouyer doubled and scored on a double by Cotts, Clifford reached on an error that also allowed Cotts to score, and

Clifford scored on a ground out.

The seven second-inning runs came on walks to Seth Aucoin, who later advanced to second on a wild pitch and stole third and home, and Young-Martinez, who scored on a two-run home run by Laugel. Hunter Pouyer tripled and scored on a double by Cotts, and Clifford doubled. Cotts and Clifford scored on a triple by Ralston, and Ralston scored on an error.

The four third-inning runs came on hits by Hunter Pouyer, Clifford and Ralston and a walk to Iguchi, with Hunter Pouyer, Iguchi, Clifford and Ralston scoring in the inning.

The nine runs in the bottom of the fourth came after Laugel singled, Hunter Pouyer doubled, Cotts doubled to score Laugel, Hunter Pouyer scored on an error and Cotts scored on a single by Iguchi. Iguchi later scored on a wild pitch.

As the inning progressed, Quintin Blankenship walked, Seth Aucoin was hit by a pitch, Young-Martinez singled. Tuggle-Reed, who was pinch running for Blankenship, and Seth Aucoin scored on an error, and Young-Martinez scored on a single by Laugel. Iguchi reached again after being hit by a pitch, with Laugel and Iguchi scoring on a triple by Dylan Dempster.

Pagosa notched 21 hits in the affair, as well as four walks, two hit batters and two batters who reached on errors. Laugel and Hunter Pouyer each had a four-hit game. Laugel went 4-for-5 with a homer and a triple, four runs scored and three RBIs.

Hunter Pouyer went 4-for-4 with two doubles and a triple, as well as four runs scored.

Cotts went 3-for-4 with three doubles, three RBIs and three runs scored.

Ralston had two hits, including a triple, as well as four RBIs and two runs scored.

Seth Aucoin had two hits, including a double, and was hit by

a pitch, scored two runs, knocked one run in and had two stolen bases.

Young-Martinez had two hits, two runs scored and a stolen base. Clifford logged two hits, including a double, reached on an error, stole a base, scored three runs and had an RBI.

Kaden Iguchi was hit by a pitch and scored a run. Dempster hit a triple and logged two RBIs.

Triston Iguchi had one hit and a walk, stole two bases, scored three runs and had an RBI.

Jaden Tuggle-Reed reached on an error, scored a run and had an RBI.

Quintin Blankenship walked once.

Pagosa left three on base. Tuggle-Reed, Ralston and Laugel took the mound for the Pirates in the game, combining to allow nine runs (eight earned) on nine hits, five walks and three hit batters. The Pirates struck out seven Bulldogs.

Pagosa committed three errors in the game and Calhan committed six.

This week, the Pirates will open league play against the Alamosa Mean Moose at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 8, in Alamosa.

The Mean Moose are 7-3 on the season, while the Pirates are now 5-6.

Morales noted the team's "most glaring need for improvement" is throwing more strikes.

"We don't want to give free passes," he said.

He also indicated the team is making strides in its work to come together and have positive energy.

"I think they're really coming together and starting to gel as a group, which is exciting, you know, 'cause that leads to success on the field," he said, adding there are "a lot of selfless players out there just trying to do their job for their team."

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RECREATION NEWS

Registration open for multiple sports at Parks and Rec

By **Matt Zaborowski**
Town of Pagosa Springs
Parks and Recreation

Registration for the adult recreational volleyball league is open until April 7. Games will be on Mondays and Wednesdays starting at 5:20 p.m. at the Ross Aragon Community Center. The league will run from April 17 through May 18. The cost is \$100 to register a team. There is no online registration for this program.

Tee-ball league

The Recreation Department is now accepting registrations for our tee-ball league. The tee-ball league is for 4- and 5-year-olds and the cost is \$40. Games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 5:20 p.m. The season will run for four weeks in May. The deadline to register is April 14.

Youth baseball (ages 6-12)

Youth baseball registration for ages 6-12 is open until May 5. The registration fee is \$40 for the first

child and \$20 for a second child in the same household. Online registration will be available through the town's website, or you can fill out a registration form at the Community Center. Practices will start the week of May 8 and games will begin the week of June 5.

Adult softball (coed and men's league)

Registration for coed and men's adult softball is open until June 2. Games will start the week of June 13 and end mid-July. There will be a two-week tournament after double elimination. The cost is \$250 to register a team. There is no online registration for this program.

Online registration

You can register online at <https://www.pagosasprings.co.gov/recreation-division> or stop by the Community Center to fill out a form.

Please call the Recreation Department with any questions at (970) 264-4151, ext. 233.

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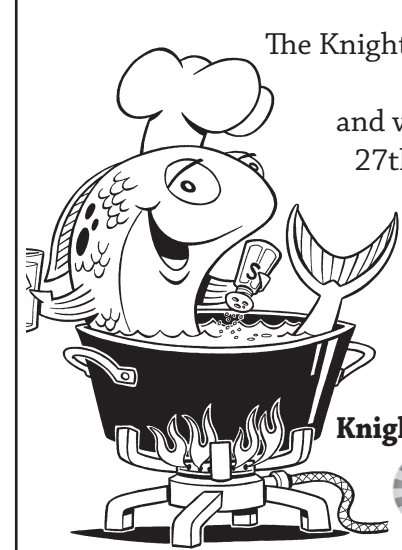
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Your business can participate in the Big Spring Clean May 5 and 6

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Pagosa Springs Area
Chamber of Commerce

As the snow melts, it seems trash just pops out of the ground along our roadways, streets and around our businesses. The Town of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County will be holding an even bigger and better Big Spring Clean on May 5 and 6.

You will be seeing a lot more about all the various ways that you can dispose of trash, recycle and get things in order for beautifying your home or business area.

How can your business participate? Let's get creative. How about throwing in a Big Spring Clean Sale that weekend? It would be easy for your business to participate and a good excuse to create some space for all the spring and summer items that you have coming in the door or rewarding people for working hard that day by offering a restaurant special, or other creative incentive.

While you are thinking of creating those Big Spring Clean sales,

think about Big Spring Clean cleaning you can do in and around your business. Can you get your awnings power washed? Can you also wash down the dirt from your buildings, walkways, patios, etc.? Can you give the furniture a thorough cleaning or maybe some new cushions? Can you plan some landscaping? It doesn't even have to be anything grand. Maybe a few extra flower baskets or xeriscaping to enhance your entrance or patio.

If your organization has adopted a part of the highway or county road, plan a pick-up day that week-end. Or, involve your organization in a part of the Big Spring Clean and get a trail head or area of town assigned to you and maybe win a fun prize for having the most volunteers or being the "best dressed" pick-up team. There are lots of fun ways you and your business or organization can get involved.

Hanging baskets now available

The Chamber's annual Hanging

Basket Program is now open for sale. This annual program encourages businesses and residents to spruce up their entrances or homes and help make Pagosa the talked-about, beautiful community. You can hang these baskets after you work on the Big Spring Clean.

Again this year, we are offering 12-inch and 16-inch baskets. These 12-inch flower baskets are specially grown for this event. We especially want to thank our partners in this program for allowing us to help our community spruce up their areas.

All orders are processed online. Please visit www.pagosachamber.com. Click on the hanging basket graphic on the home page. The 12-inch baskets are anticipated to be delivered May 26, just before the Memorial Day weekend. The 16-inch baskets will be delivered some time the week following Memorial Day. We will let purchasers know as the date draws closer. Should you have any questions, please contact the Chamber at (970) 264-2360.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, April 6

Archuleta County Combined Dispatch meeting. 10 a.m., sheriff's office board room, 85 Harman Park Drive. Zoom: 7186713647.

Pagosa Springs Urban Renewal Authority meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Combined Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Monday, April 10

Archuleta County Public Health Department Transitional Advisory Committee meeting. 9 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/AgendaCenter>.

Archuleta School District community meeting. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. A meeting to increase awareness,

understanding and transparency around safety protocols and procedures currently in place and provide an opportunity to respond to community questions.

Tuesday, April 11

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWFHsa2taeGxtZz09>, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/AgendaCenter>.

Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors regular meeting. 5:30 p.m., administrative office, 165 N. Pagosa Blvd.

Town Planning Commission meeting. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. or via Zoom. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Archuleta School District Accountability Committee meeting. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St. **Archuleta School District Board of Education meeting.** 6 p.m.,

Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St. Zoom information: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89392173022>.

Wednesday, April 12

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation meeting. 5-6:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd., or join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83552743149?pwd=Z0RxejNjQXo0TkNNZmlYM0h4UHh5QT09>.

Archuleta County Fair Board meeting. 6 p.m., CSU Extension office, 344 U.S. 84.

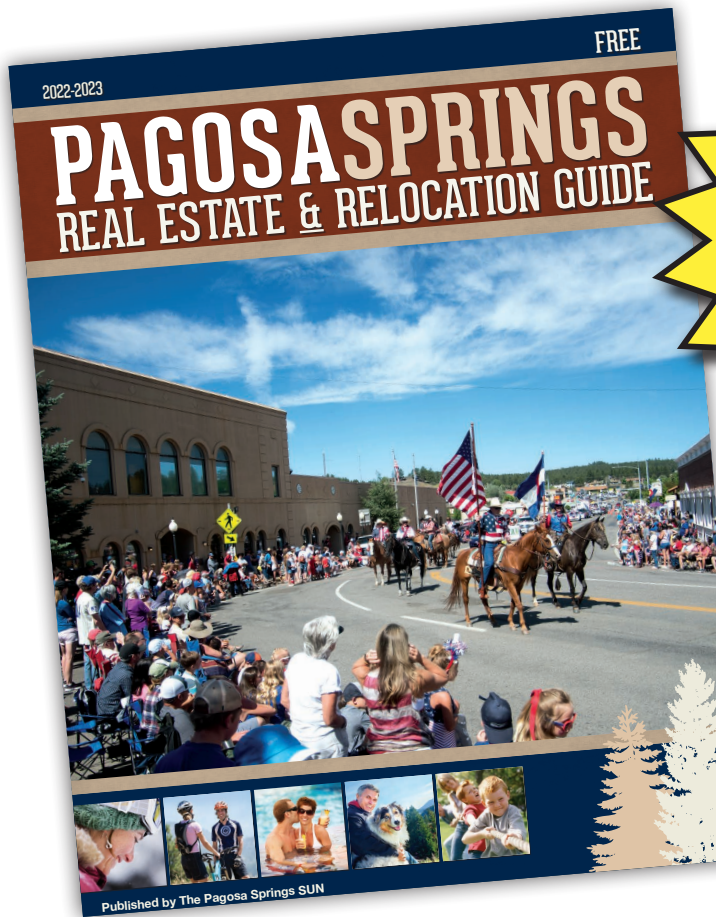
Thursday, April 13

Main Street Advisory Board monthly meeting. 4 p.m., Pagosa Springs Visitor Center meeting room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd. Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81315987125?pwd=UjhGQStKVEl5bjFHMldhNXdtc2hKUT09>.

Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District regular board meeting. 5 p.m. PAWSD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave.

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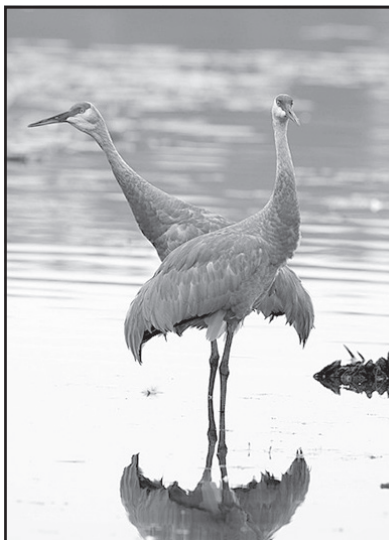
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By Sally High
Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership

The Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) will welcome guests to The Springs Resort for the 2023 Environmental Film Festival, opening Pagosa Springs Earth Week. Films will be shown on Friday evening and Saturday, April 14 and 15.

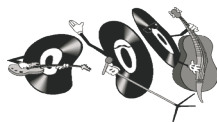
Guests will enjoy three films by Christi Bode Skeie on Friday evening at the GGP’s Premiere Gala. Tickets for the Premiere Gala are \$50 and include all nine films

on Saturday. A crepe buffet and a discounted cash bar will make the GGP’s supporters feel welcome as they converse with like-minded locals and meet the filmmaker. She will describe her environmental focus and professional filmmaking.

Nine films, all new to Pagosa Springs, will be shown in Saturday in two sessions. Two start times, 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., are necessary, because seating is limited. Each Saturday session is \$15.

The GGP receives films, licensed by the filmmakers, ■ See Festival on next page

Live Performers



- Friday**
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Joel Racheff, 5 p.m.
- Saturday**
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Bob Hemenger, 5 p.m.
- Sunday**
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Dustin Burley, 5 p.m.
- Monday**
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Jackson Mountain Ramblers, 5 p.m.
- Wednesday**
The Den: Karaoke, 8 p.m.

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Festival

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from the Colorado Environmental Film Festival (CEFF) held each year in February. All films chosen this year are about Colorado.

Here is the chosen lineup of GGP's first-run films in order:

- "Right Here Right Now"
- "Voices of the Grand Canyon"
- "Our Desert Farms"
- "Chasing Water"
- "Mighty Oak"
- "Farm to Faucet"
- "Counting Cranes"
- "The Seekers"
- "Amache Rose"

"Counting Cranes" is a Colorado production by Mariah Lundgen. It documents the Platte River Valley's largest gathering of cranes in the world.

"Cranes are coming earlier and staying longer," according to the film.

Bird migration is wonder of the natural world and changing climate and migration patterns are being closely studied.

"Right Here Right Now" won 2023 Best Youth Film at CEFF. The Colorado production tells the story of "coming of age as a climate striker in Colorado Springs." "Right Here Right Now" kicks off our viewings on Saturday, both at 11 a.m. and at 5 p.m.

"Voices of the Grand Canyon" was produced in 2022, but is making the rounds in 2023 environmental film festivals.

Pagosa Springs' San Juan River water joins the Colorado River and runs through the canyon. The CEFF awarded "Voices" Best Short Film in 2023. It provides an

indigenous perspective to changes to native lands and in our western water.

The CEFF and GGP share a common goal. CEFF says, "With a growing public awareness for the environment, CEFF aims to inspire audiences through films to motivate them to make a difference in their community."

The GGP's supporters certainly make a difference in the Pagosa Springs community.

Round up your friends and

purchase your tickets today. Go to <https://www.pagosagreen.org/environmentalfilmfestival>. Ticket holders do not receive paper tickets. Your names will be at the registration table where GGP volunteers will welcome and wristband you.

The GGP thanks the Pagosa community of environmentally aware supporters for enthusiasm about local stewardship. The GGP is "growing food and community with local energy!" See you at the film fest and on the Riverwalk.



Services: 8:15 & 11:00 AM, April 9

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Tickets for The Library Affair going quickly

By Sally Neel
 Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library
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Tickets for The Library Affair are selling quickly and you do not want to miss out on the gala event of the year.

The Library Affair, a gala event to raise needed funds to expand the Ruby Sisson Memorial Library's facility, is scheduled for Saturday, April 15, at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

The doors will open at 6 p.m. So, put on your ruby slippers, bring some extra cash for drinks and chance tickets, and plan to join the fun. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased online at www.pagosalibrary.org or in person at the library (cash or check only).

This year's planning committee has been putting in many hours to assure that this event will be a huge success. Twenty beautiful tables, decorated by our celebrity decorators with a special book theme in mind, will be the focus of a silent auction, chance drawings (tickets are \$10 each or 15 tickets for \$100) and live auctions.

These amazing tables include:

- "50 Shades of Grey," (E.L. James) decorated by Robin Brobst, Terri Frahm and Jenny Highum.

- "Beekeeper of Aleppo" (Christy Letteri) by Blue Lindner.

- "The Body Book" (Cameron Diaz) by the library staff.

- "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" (Roald Dahl) by Katie Cloudman, Rebecca Battles and Sherry Spears.

- "Death on the Nile" (Agatha Christie) by Cynthia Mitchell.

- "The Great Gatsby" (F. Scott Fitzgerald) by Gina Boaz.

- "Mom Secrets" (Catherine Belknap and Natalie Telfer) by Jann Pitcher.

- "In a Blue Room" (Jim Averbeck) by Cindi Galabota, Jill Porterfield and Carol Sheets.

- "The Joy of Art" (Carolyn Schlam) by Kirsten LeRoux, Sherry Phillips, Joni Rose, Evelyn Tennyson and Vickie Thompson.

■ See Affair on next page



Photo courtesy Joanne Irons

Gina Boaz is decorating a table around "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald for The Library Affair, set for April 15. "Like Jay Gatsby, I have a great amount of hope in the future, and access to books and knowledge is so important, especially for our youth," she said.



END-OF-SEASON INFO

Our **LAST DAY** of the season is April 8.

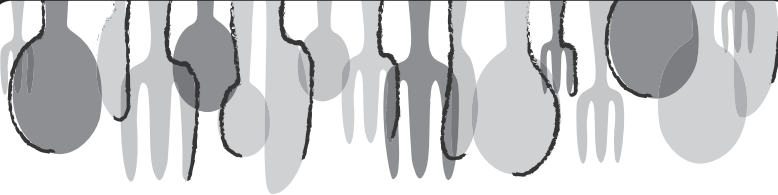
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If you are interested in being a part of the cast for this show, please

prepare a short song, and a short monologue or dramatic reading. Auditions will be held on Saturday, April 15, from 5 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. Video auditions are also being accepted. They must be submitted by 8 p.m. on April 15.

For more information or to submit a video audition, please

contact Dale Scrivener at director. curtainsup@gmail.com.

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• “Ollie’s Ski Trip” (Elsa Beskow) by Breanna Pitcher and Rosanne Pitcher.

• “Pagosa Springs” (Kristen Bowen) by Annie and Toni DeMille.

• “The Quiltmaker’s Gift” (Jeff Brumbeau) by Joanne Irons and Lynne McCrudden.

• “Second Hand Rose” (Lin Stepp) by Kim Moore and The Library Affair planning committee.

• “The Secret Garden” (Frances Hodgson Burnett) by Chelsea Hildebran and McKenna Keys.

• “Stories of The Blanco Basin Road: Road to a Thin Place” (James R. White) by Mary Helen Cammack.

• “Swan Lake” (Lisbeth Zwerger and Pyotr Tchaikovsky) by Kirsten LeRoux, Evelyn Tennyson and Vickie Thompson.

• “Wabi Sabi” (Nobuo Suzuki) by Charla Ellis, Gail Hershey, Kathy Keys, Mary Kurt-Mason, Paula Miller and Lavonne Wilson.

• “Where Crawdads Sing” (Delia Owens) by Jean Brittingham and Kim Moore.

• “Wilderness Warrior” (Theodore Roosevelt and The Crusade

for America) by Marianne DeVooght and Lisa Scott.

• “The John Wayne Code” (Michael Turback) by Cristi Dozier and Terri Grosh.

You can get a glimpse of these impressive creations, learn more about their stories and vote for your favorites for only \$2 per vote by going to the library website, www.pagosalibrary.org. Support your favorite decorators or your favorite tables. The five tables with the highest number of votes will go into a live auction at the event. The table with the highest number votes will receive the coveted Pagosa Pulitzer Prize.

You may be the proud owner of one of these beautiful creations by attending The Library Affair and having the highest bid on your favorite table. Support our wonderful library and plan on a grand evening of fun, entertainment by guitarist Steve Blechschmidt, great food by the Pagosa Springs High School culinary class led by Chef Todd Stevens, and libations.

Go online or visit our beautiful library today to purchase your ticket to The Library Affair.

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— Isabel Allende





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Holy Week and Easter Services

Following are the Lent, Holy Week and Easter services that were submitted to *The PREVIEW*. Events may be submitted to editor@pagosa-sun.com.

Thursday, April 6

Maundy Thursday. 5:30 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Soup supper at 5:30 p.m. Liturgy with foot washing and the stripping of the altar at 6 p.m.

Holy Thursday. 7 p.m., Pope John Paul II Church, 353 N. Pagosa Blvd. For more information, call (970) 731-5744.

Friday, April 7

Good Friday Liturgy. Noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Good Friday. Noon-2 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Sanctuary open for

self-guided meditative devotional service. Devotional provided.

Good Friday Pilgrimage Procession. 2 p.m. From Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church to Pope John Paul II Church.

Stations of the Cross in the Prayer Garden. 4 p.m., Pope John Paul II Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Good Friday Liturgy. 5 p.m., Pope John Paul II Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Good Friday Liturgy. 5 p.m., Trinity Anglican Church, 246 Harman Park Drive. For more information call (970) 585-4124.

Saturday, April 8

Holy Saturday. 8 p.m., Easter vigil. Pope John Paul II Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Sunday, April 9

Easter Day Liturgy. 8 and 10 a.m. St.

Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Easter Service. 8:15 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Easter Sunday. 9 a.m., Easter Mass. Pope John Paul II Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. For more information, call (970) 731-5744.

Easter Brunch. 9:15-10:45 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Easter Sunday Service, Holy Communion. 10 a.m., Trinity Anglican Church, 246 Harman Park Drive. For more information, call (970) 585-4124.

Easter Service. 11 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Easter Mass. 11:15 a.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary, 451 Lewis St. For more information, call (970) 731-5744.

San Juan Stargazers announces April, May activities

By Joan Mieritz
San Juan Stargazers

The San Juan Stargazers Astronomy Club's monthly meeting is Thursday, April 6, in the Community United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 434 Lewis St.

Please use the doorway right off the large parking lot to the east of the church. (The front doors may be locked.)

If you would like coffee/tea, snacks and some stimulating conversation, you can arrive at 6 p.m. for our social hour. From 7 to 8:30 p.m. sharp is the meeting and program, the topic being the remarkable planet Uranus, which is the only one that appears to rotate on its side. The information to be given is very unique and interesting.

There will be two deep sky viewing nights, on Friday, April 14, and Friday, April 21, both at our Meadows East location. Call (720) 626-9304 for directions. These are both very important viewing nights to practice using our club telescopes and to get your own telescope working well before we put on two night sky programs each month of the summer, starting on May 19 with a Stars and Galaxies Program that includes telescope viewing from the Chimney Rock upper parking lot.

Also in April, the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association is offering a two-day training session on April 28 and April 29. On April 29 we actually visit the site for a special tour. We encourage our Stargazers to attend at least one or both days of training so we all know more about our fabulous location. Lunch is provided both days. Please RSVP at the Chimney Rock Office, (970) 731-7133, to verify the timing. When you are a Stargazer and work at the night sky programs you actually also become a Chimney

Rock volunteer and after 20 hours of volunteering can attend Chimney Rock events without cost. Stargazer members can, of course, attend all of our events with no cost.

In May our monthly meeting will be on May 4 at the Methodist Church with our program topic being the planet Neptune. It will be at the same location and same times as usual.

On May 12, starting between 7 and 8 p.m., we will meet at the Chimney Rock upper parking lot. We will be testing all the telescopes and making sure everything is organized for all our summer activities, including 10 star parties, Life at Chimney Rock with a solar telescope, two nights watching the Perseid Meteor Shower and ending with a total solar eclipse on Oct. 14. It will be an exciting summer.

If you would like to join the San Juan Stargazers to take advantage of a summer filled with excitement and learning, come to one of our events.

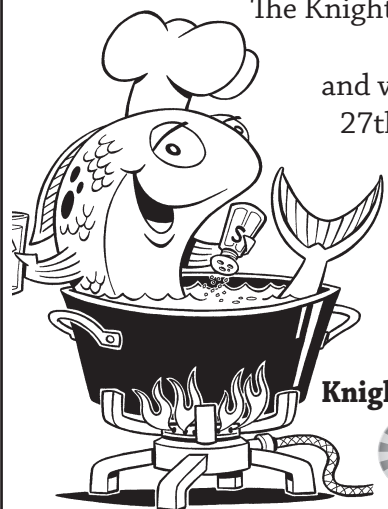
When you join the club, you will also receive Reflector Magazine, which is the publication of the National Astronomical League of which you automatically become a member. To be part of both groups and get an excellent astronomy magazine, annual membership is only \$25 per family.

You can join the club at any of our events or, soon, also on our website. We are also giving to new members a fabulous booklet to help you learn constellations. It is an absolute treasure.

The San Juan Stargazers Club is part of the Astronomical League, which includes over 250 clubs from

■ See Stargazers on next page

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The great eggscapade

By James R. Van Liere
PREVIEW Columnist

Whenever Easter rolls around, I always remember an incident that happened when I was just a kid living in California.

The church we attended decided one spring to have an Easter program and get-together for all its new members. It was the usual potluck dinner in the basement, and then upstairs in the sanctuary, a magic show (by one of the church members who was an amateur magician) followed by cartoons for the kids. Of course, the adults were seated behind the kids, who were seated in the two front rows.

I was lucky enough to snag a seat in the front row almost opposite the magician. The magician's act started out innocently enough with a few simple tricks, and then he moved on to an egg trick. Right in front of me was a large bowl of fake eggs and during the course of doing a trick, the magician reached in to this bowl of fake eggs and started tossing them out in the audience. Of course, the audience started tossing them back, hitting some of the kids in the first two rows, who in turn, tossed them back at the audience.

Well, because I was right in front, and because that bowl of fake eggs was so accessible, I reached in and grabbed an egg. Having a reasonably good throwing arm, I tossed that egg right out in to the middle of the audience. Of course, Mom and

The Writers' Circle

Dad were watching to see where my egg landed. What I did not realize was that a real egg was hidden in that bowl, and that was the one that I had picked out. Dad said that the egg hit a woman right smack in the forehead who was sitting two rows in front them. The egg then splattered sideways onto the two people sitting on both sides of her. I probably could not have made a better throw if I tried.

Pandemonium cannot even come close to describing what happened next. All I can remember is the grouchiest usher in the church was running down the aisle toward me yelling at the top of his lungs, "Grab that kid! Grab that kid!" Someone else was yelling, "Start the movie! start the movie!" My only thought was to get the heck out of there. Suddenly the lights went out, so I ducked down under the seats and started crawling to the aisle away from the grouchy usher.

Because we had played in and around the church so often, I knew that once I came to the aisle, I could crawl down it to the back of the church, through the janitor's office and out the back door of the church.

As it turned out, it was a good plan because I made good my escape through the back door, and right into the arms of Dad. Somehow, he had anticipated what my escape route was going to be. There was no doubt now; the world as I knew it was going to end.

After I told him what had really happened and how I just grabbed the real egg by mistake, much to my surprise, Dad was pretty understanding, and was actually laughing about my latest escapade. As he said, who would have guessed there was a real egg in that bowl of fake eggs?

In the end, he walked me home and told me to stay in the house and then he went back to the church and apologized to the woman who was hit and offered to pay to have her clothes cleaned. I guess she also was pretty understanding, because the whole incident seemed to have been dropped, until the church's Fourth of July picnic.

At the picnic that summer, Mom and Dad met a nice couple from Illinois who had joined the church just prior to Easter. While sitting at a picnic table with this couple, the egg-throwing incident came up, and the woman that Mom and Dad had just met said if that was her kid she would have "paddled the living daylights out of him." Of course, Mom, Dad and I just looked at each other, and then Mom said, "You sure are welcome to try, he's sitting right next to you." Well, after Dad explained what really happened, everyone had a good laugh and the whole subject was dropped.

Stargazers

■ continued from previous page all over the U.S. and more than 20,000 members.

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We welcome everyone to learn more about our amazing universe. We hope to see you soon.



Pagosa Catholic Community Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Penance Service, April 4, 5:00 p.m. JP II

Holy Thursday, April 6, 7:00 p.m. JP II

Good Friday, April 7

Procession from IHM to JP II, 2:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross, 4:00 p.m. JP II Prayer Garden

Good Friday Liturgy, 5:00 p.m. JP II

Holy Saturday, April 8, Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m. JP II

Easter Sunday, April 9

Easter Mass 9:00 a.m. JP II † 11:15 a.m. IHM

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Students at Healthy Archuleta's final Seed to Supper class.

Healthy Archuleta provides update on activities

Healthy Archuleta

Healthy Archuleta is providing updates on its recent activities.

Health Equity and Nutrition Security Assessment updates

Primary and preventative health care access and utilization: As part of the community health assessment, Healthy Archuleta shared a survey with health care and other partner organizations serving Archuleta County. Additionally, one-on-one interviews were conducted in English or Spanish with community members to capture their experience related to primary preventative health care access and utilization. Through this process, 22 local health care agencies and community organizations, and 31 residents shared their perceptions and experience centering their responses on health care in our community. Additionally, as part of this process, health care partners are meeting regularly to review and discuss the results of the assessment and build collaboration in an effort to advance primary preventative health care access for all community members. This group is also collaborating with Healthy Ar-

chuleta on the following emergent "Quick Win Actions":

- Posting Spanish-language signage at the health care facilities letting community members know to ask for interpretation.
- Adding transportation information on agency websites.
- Learning from dental providers about the barriers to taking insurance.
- Providing information on sliding scales on health care agency websites.
- Understanding currently available specialty services, including telehealth.
- Providing information and educational resources in both English and Spanish.

Food access and security: Between December 2022 and January 2023, Healthy Archuleta conducted a food access survey with the help of Archuleta County's food pantry network to better understand the over 320 households served by the food pantries each week. As part of the nutrition security assessment, the survey set out to understand the needs of these households, how the pantries are doing overall and what has been affecting these families in terms of their access to food.

Results from the 115 individu-

als who participated in the survey explain how crucial the food pantry network is to our community, especially as there is a rise in varying costs of living affecting everyone. Last year in the "Final Report for Livable Wages of Southwest Colorado," the Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado stated Pagosa Springs is the most expensive southwestern town in Colorado "due to the high cost of housing."

Healthy Archuleta's food access survey asked about factors affecting households, and 62 percent of the respondents reported being affected by not being able to afford the cost of living in this area. This and other factors such as lack of funding to buy food, lack of access to transportation and living in an area with limited access to grocery stores may also have an impact on their ability to get food on a regular basis. Understanding this is important for our community as we seek solutions to increase access to food for all residents in light of the higher cost of living.

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■ See Activities on next page

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New Thought topic: ‘Eternal Life, our Divine Gift’

By Shayla McClure

New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

The Sunday service on April 9 will be “Eternal Life, our Divine Gift” with Shayla White Eagle.

“You are an eternal being now on the pathway of endless unfoldment, never less but always more yourself. Life is not static. It is forever dynamic, forever creating not something done and finished, but something alive, awake and aware. There is something within you that sings the song of eternity. Listen to it.” — Dr. Ernest Holmes.

Wear your Easter bonnet for our celebration with a potluck this Easter Sunday.

Upcoming events

SpiritHeart Band practice is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. We welcome musicians and singers to join SpiritHeart band. Please text Bruce at (970) 507-0739 for band information.

Activities

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the front entrance. Please consider donating food at our two donation locations, inside Pagosa Springs City Market and at the UPS store. These donations will help food get distributed to our community through the seven Archuleta County food pantries.

Community engagement updates

Youth engagement: Healthy Archuleta hosted the first Youth Community Learning and Leadership Circle (CLLC) meeting Thursday, March 30. The group has the opportunity to learn about Healthy Archuleta’s role in the county as well as join it in promoting a healthy community for everyone. If you’re in high school and interested or know someone in high school who would be interested, let us know by emailing fsfearchuleta@gmail.com and join us every other week on Wednesday afternoons to engage in discussions about Archuleta County’s healthy future.

Community volunteers: Healthy Archuleta recently hosted a volunteer gathering where more than 15 people joined us for lunch to learn about the work of the organization and how they can get involved as volunteers. If you are interested in supporting our efforts, please send us an email at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com so we can update you on volunteer opportunities.

Spanish language group: Twice a month, Spanish-speaking community members host meetings in which different community guests speak about and discuss what resources are available in our

April 7, Good Friday: “Spirit Beauty Spa Refresher Day” fundraiser. Join us for a refresher of the body, mind and spirit as a holy day for yourself. For more information or your time, call/text (970) 309-6067.

April 22, noon to 4 p.m.: Earth Day celebration and drumming circle. We will build a community medicine wheel to honor Earth Mother. There will be live music. Tickets are \$10. For more information, contact (970) 510-0309.

About us

The New Thought Center is a 501(c)(3) and promotes philosophies similar to Centers for Spiritual Living and Agape Centers.

We welcome local talents to share gifts, aptitudes and knowledge. Participate, learn or contribute your insights, beliefs, knowledge and skills.

New Thought events are held at 3505 W. U.S. 160, on the second floor of Pagosa Lodge (elevator available). Request prayer treat-

ment or obtain information by joining us; emailing pagosacomcommunitynewthought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; or calling (970) 510-0309. Find us on Facebook (Pagosa Community of New Thought) or YouTube (Pagosa New Thought Center for Inspirational Living).



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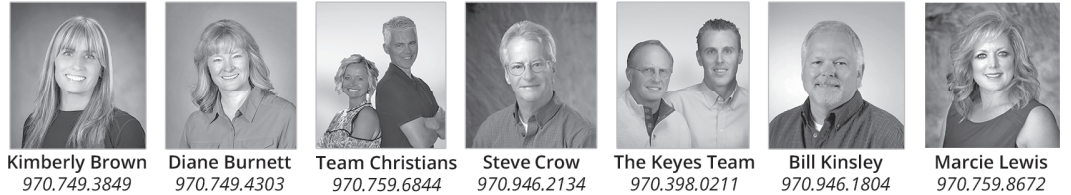
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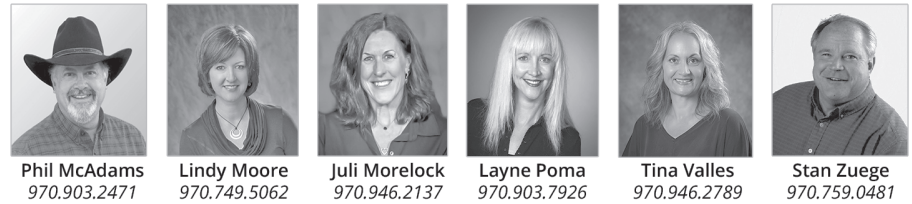
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Company #6	\$39.8M (132)
Company #7	\$37.4M (118)

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SOLD	162 Wild Iris (\$1,200,000)	U/C	17 San Jose Court (\$789,900)
SOLD	1679 N Pagosa Boulevard (\$950,000)	U/C	225 Pebble Circle (\$595,000)
SOLD	1135 Park Avenue (\$551,000)	U/C	542 Midiron Avenue (\$575,000)
SOLD	50 Redwood Drive (\$520,000)	U/C	620 Lakeside Drive (\$550,000)
SOLD	179 Woodsman Drive (\$515,000)	U/C	5503 Highway 84 (\$550,000)
SOLD	61 Lakeside Drive (\$490,000)	U/C	213 Snow Bird Lane (\$549,000)
SOLD	121 Dutton Drive (\$485,000)	U/C	39 W Cotton Court (\$525,000)
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SOLD	3500 W US Highway 160 (\$319,500)	U/C	284 Talisman #5 (\$262,000)
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Rise Above Violence plans events for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

By Ashley Wilson
Rise Above Violence

Teal is the color of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. You will see teal ribbons lining main street this month as a symbol of the efforts to prevent and educate the community about this important issues.

Join with Rise Above Violence in offering a collective voice that says sexual assault is not acceptable in our community. If you are looking for ways to support, join us in the following.

Wear teal to show support all month long, and come out on Wednesday, April 26, at noon for the Denim Day Walk at the bell tower, located at the intersection of Lewis Street and U.S. 160. Denim Day is an outward show of support for victims in our community. It is a worldwide awareness event you can learn more at <https://nation->

altoday.com/denim-day/.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month is intended to draw attention the fact that sexual violence is widespread and has public health implications for every community member of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County.

Here are some statistics:

- 1 in 3 women and 1 in 6 men will experience sexual violence in their lifetime.

- 1 in 3 teens will experience sexual or physical abuse or threats from a boyfriend or girlfriend this year.

- American Indian women are two times more likely to experience sexual violence compared to all races.

- Rise Above Violence served 42 victims of sexual assault last year, but we know there are many more who do not come forward.

How do we make a difference? Educating our community and

our youth is the first step. Teaching respectful boundaries and asking for consent start a conversation with both youth and adults to address the prevalence of unwanted advances. It starts by not being silent or expecting victims to be silent for our own comfort. Speaking for and standing with victims in our community to be able to share their story and hold the abuser accountable, not just in the legal system, but in the social system as well.

Are you interested in learning more? Rise Above Violence would love to provide you with information, and we are always looking for volunteers. We have many volunteer opportunities from special event help to being a volunteer crisis advocate. Call (970) 261-1129 for more information.

Rise Above Violence is a non-profit organization which promotes the belief that all people have the right to live free from violence. Rise provides 24-hour support and advocacy services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or other forms of violence, serving more than 350 victims each year.

Rise also works to eliminate violence through education for youth and our community. All programs and services are free and confidential including emergency prevention education and empowerment programs. Visit www.riseaboveviolence.org for more information or call (970) 264- 9075 to talk to an advocate today.

Walk for Moms set for May 20

Aspire Medical Services and Education

Aspire Medical Services and Education invites Pagosa Springs' community members to sign up for the annual Walk for Moms event on May 20 at Yamaguchi Park.

Participants can register online at <https://aspirepagosa.org>. The theme this year is "Celebrate Moms Through the Decades."

We will have a bounce house, games, trivia/music through the decades, prizes and more for families of all ages.

Walk for Moms keeps our quality prenatal clinic affordable for all as well as helps us provide education/classes for parents of babies and toddlers. Registration for the event is free. All participants will receive a "goodie bag" and walkers can also earn additional prizes for those who raise \$50 or more. Furthermore, we will also have prizes for "best dressed" teams and most pledges raised.

Check-in/Registration and a free breakfast will start at 8:30 a.m. in Yamaguchi Park. The walk will start at 9 a.m. and an awards ceremony will follow at 10 a.m. Various stations and fun pit stops will be set up along the path for supporters to play games and get information.

About Aspire

Based in Pagosa Springs, Aspire provides parenting education, parent/toddler classes, affordable

prenatal care, pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STI/STD testing and treatment as well as childbirth education classes and a baby boutique. We empower men and women in Archuleta County to make healthy life choices by providing medical services and education in a safe and supportive environment. Aspire is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our main source of income is through events and the generous support of individuals and organizations.

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Notice is further given that any elector of the Town of Pagosa Springs interested in serving on the Town Council may submit a completed application which can be found on the town website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov. Applications can be delivered to Town Hall at 551 Hot Springs Blvd., mailed to PO Box 1859, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 or emailed to ahessman@pagosasprings.co.gov. Applications must be received on or before April 12, 2023.

NOTICE OF BOARD VACANCIES

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Photography Club presentation to feature conservation photography

By Gregg Heid
Pagosa Springs Photography Club

The next meeting of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Our presentation this month will feature photos of China's giant and lesser pandas presented by Katherine Feng. She will also show photos of the lesser-known snub-nosed monkeys and the critically endangered black-crested gibbons and white-headed langurs.

This will be a hybrid meeting, also available on Zoom. The Zoom link will be emailed to members; others who wish to attend may request the link by email to abutler@mac.com. If attending in person, feel free to arrive any time after 6 p.m. for socializing; the actual presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Photography Club meetings are open to the public.

Feng is a retired veterinarian who devotes her photography to protecting China's endangered species and their habitat. Feng is a senior fellow of the prestigious International League of Conservation Photography.

Feng spent six to nine months a year for 4 1/2 years in China's Wolong Nature Reserve documenting the work of staff and researchers to save the giant pandas from extinction. Her images have been published internationally in calendars, books, National Geographic, Paris Match and numerous conservation magazines. Her giant panda images are featured in the children's book "Panda Kindergarten."

Feng will present a program on how she approaches conservation photography to educate the public about wildlife, their habitat and people's efforts to protect them. She works closely with the different nature reserves in China where she donates her images for conserva-

tion purposes.

The Photography Club sponsors monthly programs on photographic topics and field trips to various areas of photographic interest. Longtime photographers and those just starting out are welcome in the Club. Nonmembers are invited to attend a meeting and may receive the Zoom link by email to abutler@mac.com. For information on joining the club, visit <https://pagosaspingsphotoclub.org/about/>.

Five nonprofits selected to benefit from 19th Hole Concerts

By Tracy Pope
Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado

The Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado has selected the local nonprofits that will benefit from this summer's 19th Hole Concerts at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club. The five Archuleta County nonprofit grant recipients are: Aspen House and Aspen Services, Humane Society of Pagosa Springs, Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society, Upper San Juan Search and Rescue, and Veterans Memorial Park.

The 19th Hole Concerts are community fundraisers that feature local musicians and local nonprofits each Thursday evening in June, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club. The cover charge is a \$10 donation that supports the five nonprofits. Corporate sponsors cover event expenses, allowing all proceeds at the end of the series to be pooled and distributed equally to the featured organizations. The collaborative approach to the concerts is vital to their success. The goal for the events is to raise more than \$2,000 for each nonprofit.

"The 19th Hole Concerts are some of my favorite community events that we organize at the Community Foundation," said Joseph Kuzma, community outreach manager for the Foundation. "Impactful fundraising, great music, and fabulous mountain views — it's a great way to spend a

summer evening!" As a community facilitator, the Community Foundation works to increase resiliency and success for nonprofits while maximizing effective grantmaking for philanthropists to make Southwest Colorado a better place to live. The Community Foundation serves Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and San Juan counties.

Concert schedule

June 1: Veterans Memorial Park — Bo DePeña, Americana and country.

June 8: Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society — Jackson Mountain Ramblers, eclectic fan faves.

June 15: Humane Society of Pagosa Springs — San Juan Mountain Boys, country, folk, pop and old rock.

June 22: Aspen House and Aspen Services — Bob Hemenger, Dixieland, jazz, blues, soul and pop.

June 29: Upper San Juan Search and Rescue — Jack Ellis and Out on Work Release, acoustic blues and more.

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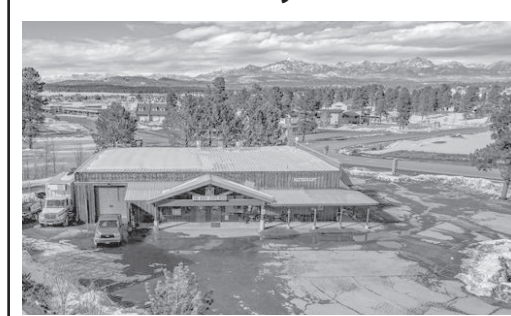


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New chess club to debut Saturday, Lifelong Learning to return next week

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

On Saturday, April 8, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., we will launch a new free intergenerational chess club offering quick lessons and game time.

To help make this new club a success, we are collecting chess game donations. Our preference is for complete sets in good shape, with both the board and the pieces. If you have a chess set you are no longer using, please donate it to the library.

Lifelong Learning is back

A new free spring series of Lifelong Learning lectures in April and May begins next Thursday, April 13, from 6 to 7:15 p.m., when we will welcome Roberta Strickland, who will teach us about a simple art method that is also a form of relaxation.

April 20 will feature Bill Hudson discussing Northwest Coast Native American art.

April 27 will showcase Jen Doane talking about the amazing honeybees and other native Colorado bees.

Library fundraiser coming soon

Saturday, April 15, is the second annual gala Library Affair fundraiser for our building campaign to expand and renovate your library. This elegant event will happen at 6 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts and feature an auction of 20 different table settings designed by some of Pagosa's most creative artists.

Book themes for the tables range from delightful children's stories such as "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" to adult classics like "The Great Gatsby." Food will be courtesy of Todd Stevens and the Pagosa Springs High School culinary class with acoustic guitar music by Steve Blechschmidt. Tickets are \$50 each, on sale now at the library (cash or check only) or online at pagosalibrary.org.

Tween/teen takeover tomorrow

Teens and tweens will want to join us tomorrow, Friday, April 7, for our free Teen and Tween Takeover of the library from 2 to 4 p.m. During that time, our conversational computers will be reserved only for users aged 9-19.

Board games tomorrow

Tomorrow, Friday, April 7, is our

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free Board Game Central from 4 to 6 p.m. If you love board games we invite you to bring your favorite game or explore the library's collection.

LEGO Club on Saturday

Kids aged 6 and up are invited to bring your imaginations on Saturday, April 8, from 11 a.m. to noon for the free LEGO Club. Bring your own LEGOs or use ours.

Adult knitting Saturday

Join other new and experienced knitters this Saturday, April 8, for our free Knitters Circle from 1 to 3 p.m. It is aimed at anyone over the age of 18 who would like to knit together or get some help if you are stuck on your project.

New beginner computer class Monday

Join us Monday April 10, and Wednesday, April 12, from 1 to 2 p.m. for a new free beginner computer class Mondays and Wednesdays aimed at adults who want to learn practical skills related to PC use, emails, and creating new documents and folders. Registration is required.

Children's Spanish class Monday

Join us Monday, April 10, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. for a free Spanish class for kids aged 6 to 11 to help youngsters learn and improve their Spanish.

Ruby's Book Club next Tuesday

Ruby's Book Club meets from 2 to 3 p.m. next Tuesday, April 11, to discuss "Grandma Gatewood's Walk" by Ben Montgomery. Copies are available at your library.

This free book club is held the second Tuesday of each month, alternating between fiction and nonfiction titles. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Dungeons and Dragons

Next Tuesday, April 11, from 4 to 5:30, join our Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young

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Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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ANSWER:

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adults. Registration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

Knowledge Bowl

Our free middle school Knowledge Bowl takes place next Thursday, April 13, from 4 to 5 p.m. for tweens and teens. Participants form teams of up to six people to compete against each other by answering questions that cover a range of topics from math to spelling to pop culture.

Knowledge Bowl runs every second and fourth Thursday for the remainder of the school year. It is open to students in grades four through eight, or ages 11-14. No registration is required.

Online author talks

There will be one more talk this month in our free online virtual series featuring New York Times bestselling authors. You will have an opportunity to ask questions. Thursday, April 27, at 6 p.m. will showcase William Kent Krueger, author of "Ordinary Grace."

Homework and tutoring help

Our highly popular free homework assistance and elementary tutoring are available for students in kindergarten through fourth grade on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

There is a registration packet for parents and guardians to fill out to enroll your child that you can get by emailing the library or coming in. This program has been a big hit because it helps build essential skills in core subjects. You still can register your child, but you may be put on a wait list.

Family storytime

Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m., join us for free in-person children's stories, games, and plenty of reasons to get up and move.

ESL classes

Free in-person evening classes take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays with 4 to 5 p.m. reserved for beginners and 5 to 7 p.m. for both intermediate and advanced students. Please help us spread the word about these classes to others in our community who would be interested, and contact us by phone or email if you have any questions.

PALS/GED adult education

Mark is available for his free PALS sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 8 p.m. to help with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. No registration is required.

Tech Time

Free in-person slots are avail-

able from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and 2 to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Judy will help you with basic questions relating to computers, smartphones and tablets and also provide assistance in accessing any of the library's online resources. You do not need an appointment for these drop-in sessions.

Events calendar

To be sure you don't miss any of the free library activities available to you and your family, pick up a copy of the events calendar each month. Its streamlined format combines all the activities and events for children, teens and adults on one handy, two-sided page.

Flu season protocols

The curbside service that we began for COVID safety continues — and it's also a healthful option in the cold and flu season. To save your energy and lessen germ exposure to other patrons, we recommend you use our curbside service — or add a name to your account authorizing that person to pick up items for you while you recuperate.

Downloadable books

CloudLibrary has a wide variety of downloadable e-books and audiobooks for all ages, and accessing this free digital collection is very easy. You just need to download the cloudLibrary app, answer a few simple questions, select AspenCat Union Catalog for the name of your library, then enter your library card number and four-digit PIN. You are now ready to browse, borrow and read e-books and audiobooks using cloudLibrary. Library staff are happy to help you set up your device if you need assistance.

Nonfiction

"A Time to Dance: Chasing Joy in Difficult Seasons" by Shannon Singh is a memoir about a woman whose relationship with God helped her through troubled times. "Anasazi America" by David E. Stuart explores the complex reasons the Chaco Anasazi civilization collapsed. "USA RV Adventures" by Bonnie and Grant Sinclair details 25 flexible itineraries with maps provided. "Southwest USA and National Parks" is a DK Eyewitness travel guide. "The Death and Life of Edgar Allan Poe" by Mark Dawidziak explores the strange death of this author and poet.

Mysteries, suspense and thrillers

"Saguaro Sanction" by Scott Graham is a National Park mystery. "Just the Nicest Couple" by Mary Kubica tells of the search for a missing man after a heated fight with his wife. "I Have Some Questions For You" by Rebecca Makkai follows a professor drawn into the secrets of an old murder when she

returns to the school. "The Bullet That Missed" by Richard Osman is a Thursday Murder Club book.

Other novels

"Empty Theatre" by Jac Jemc explores the lives and friendship of 19th century icons and cousins King Ludwig II of Bavaria and Empress Elizabeth "Sisi" of Austria. "Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow" by Gabrielle Zevin features two college students who launch a highly successful video game design business. "Someone Else's Shoes" by JoJo Moyes follows two women who meet because of a lost gym bag. "The Love Scribe" by Amy Meyerson tells of a woman with a gift for writing love stories that then really happen to her friends.

Books on CD

"The Second Coming of Lucas Brokaw" by Matt Braun features a wealthy man searching for his reincarnated self to be his heir. "The Last Orphan" by Gregg Hurwitz is part of the Orphan X government assassin series. "Preacher's Purge," part of the First Mountain

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All events listed in The PREVIEW Calendar are free of charge unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, April 6

Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. or until food runs out, Community United Methodist Church. Note: until further notice, takeout will be available across the street from the Parish Hall at the Methodist Church. Serving Brunswick stew, bread and dessert to go. In addition, frozen prepared meals, meat, and other staples are available for those in need.

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. We are happy to help you resolve your basic technology questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets and other electronic devices. We can also provide in-depth assistance with accessing any of the library's online resources. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate and advanced students from 5-7 p.m.

Game Master Playground. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. Are you a game master with an idea you want to try? Do you want to try your hand at being a game master? Sign up to run a one-shot game. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency. GED, college prep, financial

aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

San Juan Outdoor Club Monthly Meeting. 6-8 p.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Ted Godo, a retired geologist, will speak about the two huge volcanoes that erupted north (La Garita) and south (Valles Caldera) of the Pagosa Springs area. These two eruptions shaped the landscape that we Pagosans call home. Join us to hear Ted discuss these massive eruptions and the resulting Wheeler Geologic Area and the Valles Caldera. Social time starts at 6 p.m. with light refreshments. The public is welcome. For more information, please email sanjuanoutdoorclub@gmail.com.

San Juan Stargazers Monthly Meeting. 6-8:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. If you would like coffee/tea, snacks and conversation, you can arrive at 6 p.m. for social hour. The meeting will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The topic will be Uranus.

Friday, April 7

Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Teen and Tween Takeover. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Takeover the library. Our conversational computers will be reserved for users ages 9-19. Come play with us. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Board Game Central. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. Learn to play a new board game or bring one of your own to share with others. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

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Man series, and "The Fires of Blackstone" featuring Buck Trammel are both westerns by William W. and J.A. Johnstone. "The Last Kingdom" by Steve Berry is a Cotton Malone adventure about the discovery of a lost historical document.

How-to advice on DVD

We have two new Great Courses DVDs: "Taking Control of Your Personal Data" by Jennifer Golbeck and "Pioneering Skills for Everyone: Modern Homesteading" by Greg Pryor. "Mindfulness Goes Mainstream: Techniques" is a PBS documentary. "Finding Strength in Mental Health Struggles" is Wondrium Insights season three.

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Quotable quote

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 "Fiddlesticks!"
- 5 Engine sounds
- 10 Rotunda feature
- 14 Bring on board
- 15 Showy display
- 16 Start the bidding
- 17 Warning sign
- 18 Toni Morrison's "The Source of _____"
- 20 Jordan River's outlet
- 22 Square's foursome
- 23 Append
- 24 Subtle slur
- 27 Mickey's creator
- 29 Type of palm tree
- 30 Tailor's concern
- 33 Like some talk
- 35 Renowned
- 37 Food, slangily
- 38 King or queen
- 39 Run ___ (go wild)
- 40 Startling revelation
- 42 Stand out
- 43 Scand. land
- 44 Tattered duds
- 45 Boxer's cue
- 46 Picnic side
- 48 Triumphant cry
- 51 Whispered words
- 54 Weapons cache
- 56 Most noted
- 59 Kind of lamp
- 60 Lecher's look
- 61 Use the on-ramp
- 62 Name anagram
- 63 Cost to cross
- 64 Gardener's tool
- 65 It may be out on a limb

DOWN

- 1 Sitcom starring Valerie Harper
- 2 Drew a bead on

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- 3 Stay afloat, in a way
- 4 E-mail button
- 5 Bristle at
- 6 Billy who sang "Loverboy"
- 7 ___-in-one
- 8 UK fliers
- 9 Netflix series, "___ Things"
- 10 Furry one, in internet slang
- 11 Fall birthstone
- 12 ___ mortals
- 13 Culminates
- 19 ___ a high note
- 21 Flowerpot spot
- 25 Futile
- 26 Raring to go
- 28 Furthermore
- 30 Kennedy or King, e.g.
- 31 Monopoly token
- 32 Youngster
- 33 Observed
- 34 BLT spread
- 35 Fencing action
- 36 Willy Wonka's creator
- 38 As it happens
- 41 Short intro
- 42 Puts in stitches
- 45 Make a trade
- 46 Angler's basket
- 47 "Tootsie" Oscar winner
- 49 Roof overhangs
- 50 Bias, in reporting
- 51 Advance, slangily
- 52 For that reason
- 53 Con's quarters
- 55 Pizazz
- 57 Beatty of "Deliverance"
- 58 Energy unit

Answers to Previous Crossword:

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Saturday, April 8

Chess Club. 9:30-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Learn how to play chess with quick lessons and game time. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Pagosa Springs Scrapbooking Club. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Senior Center dining room. Bring your scrapbooking projects or any crafting project you may want to work on with the group.

LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 6 years old and up. Bring your own or use our LEGOs to build. Call (970) 264-2209 for further information.

Knitter's Circle. 1-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join other new or experienced knitters to knit together or get help with your project. Call (970) 264-2209 for further information.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A grief support group. You may start at any time. For more information, call the church at (970) 731-2205 or Marie Rascoe at (970) 946-9379 (leave a message).

Monday, April 10

Medicare Mondays. For anyone who needs help navigating Medicare plans, fraud concerns and/or troubleshooting issues that they may be having. By appointment only. Please call our Medicare line at (970) 264-0501, ext. 4. Someone will return phone messages within 24 hours.

Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced group at 10:15 a.m. If you have not attended before, call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

Beginner Computer Class. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Learn practical skills to operate a personal computer, create and send emails, and make new documents and folders. This class will be a total of eight hours. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Children's Spanish Class. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. A children's Spanish class for ages 6-11. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Tuesday, April 11

Pagosa Springs Stitchers. 10 a.m.-noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Bring your current stitching project and a snack/drink if you wish and enjoy the fellowship of other stitchers. Open to all.

Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County. 10 a.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Veterans and family members are invited to share experi-

ences with vets of all ages. Find out about the latest in vets benefits, vets news and community-focused events. We welcome your participation in fundraisers to benefit fellow vets. You served once, join us in continuing that service. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.

Pagosa Duplicate Bridge. 12:30 p.m., PLPOA clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Duplicate players new and experienced are welcome. We are now members of the Durango Bridge Club and play ACBL-sanctioned games with computer-dealt hands for maximum review options. Please email names of playing pair to pagosaduplicate@gmail.com or call (970) 946-6454 for more information.

Pickleball. 1:30-4 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Ruby's Book Club. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join for a discussion on "Grandma Gatewood's Walk" by Ben Montgomery. Copies are available at your library.

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Wednesday, April 12

Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Beginner lessons, 8:30-10:30 a.m. Loaner paddles are available.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. All ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Archuleta County Republican Wom-

an's Club. Noon, 1st Southwest National Bank, 249 Navajo Trail Drive. Informational meeting for all Republican and like-minded people. Speakers will be Kelly Hegarty with Colorado state legislation updates and actions and Jennie Green, executive director of Visit Pagosa Springs, about Clean Up Day. Lunch is available for a small fee. Email Penny Webster, ACRW president, at acrwunites2@gmail.com for more information.

Beginner Computer Class. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Learn practical skills to operate a personal computer, create and send emails, and make new documents and folders. This class will be a total of eight hours. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Elementary Tutoring. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Build essential skills in core subjects. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Pagosa Springs Photography Club. 6:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Our topic this month will feature photos of China's giant and lesser pandas presented by Katherine Feng. She will also show photos of the lesser-known snub-nosed monkeys and the critically endangered black-crested gibbons and white-headed langurs. This will be a hybrid meeting, also available on Zoom. The Zoom link will be emailed to members; others who wish to attend may request the link by email to abutler@mac.com.

Thursday, April 13

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Knowledge Bowl. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in middle school. Test your trivia skills in a wide range

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Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Roberta Strickland will teach us about a simple art method that is also a form of relaxation.

Friday, April 14

Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Mini Monets. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For ages 1-5. This program uses art, sometimes messy, to build early literacy skills. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Free Legal Clinic. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Meet with a volunteer civil attorney via Zoom at the library. Call (970) 264-2209 or email ruby@pagosalibrary.org. Registration opens on the first day of each month.

PAWS to Read. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. For students in K-5th grade. Read with Muppet, a dog who loves stories. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Powerhouse: Matchstick Wildfires. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. For students in K-5th grade. Enjoy weekly hands-on STEAM projects. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's Colorado Environmental Film Festival Premiere Gala. 5 p.m., The Springs Resort. Nine films about Colorado or by Colorado filmmakers will be shown. The premiere gala will include three films, conversation with Christi Bode Skeie, a pass for one of Saturday's showings of all of the films and more. Wristbands are available for \$50. For tickets, visit <https://www.pagosagreen.org/environmental-filmfestival>.

San Juan Stargazers Deep Sky Viewing Night. Meadows East location. For more information and directions, call (720) 626-9304.

Saturday, April 15

Book Buddies. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For students in K-2nd grade. Join us monthly to celebrate our favorite book characters. We'll play book-related games, create book character art and practice our reading skills. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. A grief support group. You may start at any time. For more information, call the church at (970) 731-2205

or Marie Rascoe at (970) 946-9379 (leave a message).

Makerspace. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Build, design and create.

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Pokémon Club. 12:30-2:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For ages 6 and up. Bring your cards to battle against others who love Pokémon too. No experience required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's Colorado Environmental Film Festival. 5 p.m., The Springs Resort. Nine films about Colorado or by Colorado filmmakers will be shown. Wristbands are available for \$15. For tickets, visit <https://www.pagosagreen.org/environmental-filmfestival>.

Curtains Up Casting Auditions: 'Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.' 5-9:30 p.m. Video auditions are also being accepted. They must be submitted by 8 p.m. on April 15. For more information or to submit a video audition, please contact Dale Scrivener at director.curtainsup@gmail.com.

The Library Affair. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. The fundraising gala hosted by the Ruby M. Sisson library Foundation and Friends will include beautiful table settings based on book themes that will be auctioned off. The gala event will also include food, a cash wine and beer bar, live music and more. Tickets are \$50 each and are available both online at www.pagosalibrary.org and at the library (cash or check only). You may also go online to get a peek at the table designs and, for only \$2, vote for your favorite tables. The table that wins the most votes by April 13 will receive the prestigious Pagosa Pulitzer Prize. The top five vote-getters will go into a live auction at the event.

Sunday, April 16

Bingo. 5:45 p.m., Pope John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. Doors open at 5 p.m., early-bird bingo at 5:45 p.m., bingo from 6-8 p.m. Concessions and cash prizes. No outside food or drink

Monday, April 17

Medicare Mondays. For anyone who needs help navigating Medicare plans, fraud concerns and/or troubleshooting issues that they may be having. By appointment only. Please call our Medicare line at (970) 264-0501, ext. 4. Someone will return phone messages within 24 hours.

Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA

Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced group at 10:15 a.m. If you have not attended before, call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

Beginner Computer Class. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Learn practical skills to operate a personal computer, create and send emails, and make new documents and folders. This class will be a total of eight hours. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Academic Assistance. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Open to high school students looking for some extra support, study time or homework assistance. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Pagosa Unplugged. 4-6 p.m., Sisson

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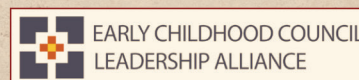


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Library. Inviting musicians who want to jam and sing with others in a supportive environment. Parental permission needed if under age 18. Call Susan at (970) 946-3396 for more information.

Tuesday, April 18

Pagosa Springs Stitchers. 10 a.m.-noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Bring your current stitching project and a snack/drink if you wish and enjoy the fellowship of other stitchers. Open to all.

Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County. 10 a.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail

Drive. Veterans and family members are invited to share experiences with vets of all ages. Find out about the latest in vets benefits, vets news and community-focused events. We welcome your participation in fundraisers to benefit fellow vets. You served once, join us in continuing that service. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.

Pagosa Duplicate Bridge. 12:30 p.m., PLPOA clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Duplicate players new and experienced are welcome. We are now members of the Durango Bridge Club and play ACBL-sanctioned games with computer-dealt hands for maximum review options. Please email names of playing pair

to pagosaduplicate@gmail.com or call (970) 946-6454 for more information.

Pickleball. 1:30-4 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Baseball. 4 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa vs. Del Norte.

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Bird of the Week



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This week's Bird of the Week, compliments of the Weminuche Audubon Society and Audubon Rockies, is the yellow-headed blackbird.

Recent sightings of turkey vultures and osprey tell us that spring migration is underway with the first wave of our summer birds arriving. When ice on wetlands and lakes thaws, yellow-headed blackbirds will show up from winter homes in fields and farmyards of New Mexico, Arizona, Texas and northern Mexico to stake out a breeding territory here.

Perched atop a cattail with wings and tail spread, head lowered and thrust forward, the male announces his presence with an unmistakable song which is often compared to the noise made by a rusty gate. Melodious it isn't. He defends a small wetland territory with nests built by up to eight female mates.

Larger yellow-headed blackbirds dominate over red-winged blackbirds, with whom they share breeding habitats. Yellow-headed choose prime nest sites over the deeper water areas which offer protection from predators like skunks and raccoons.

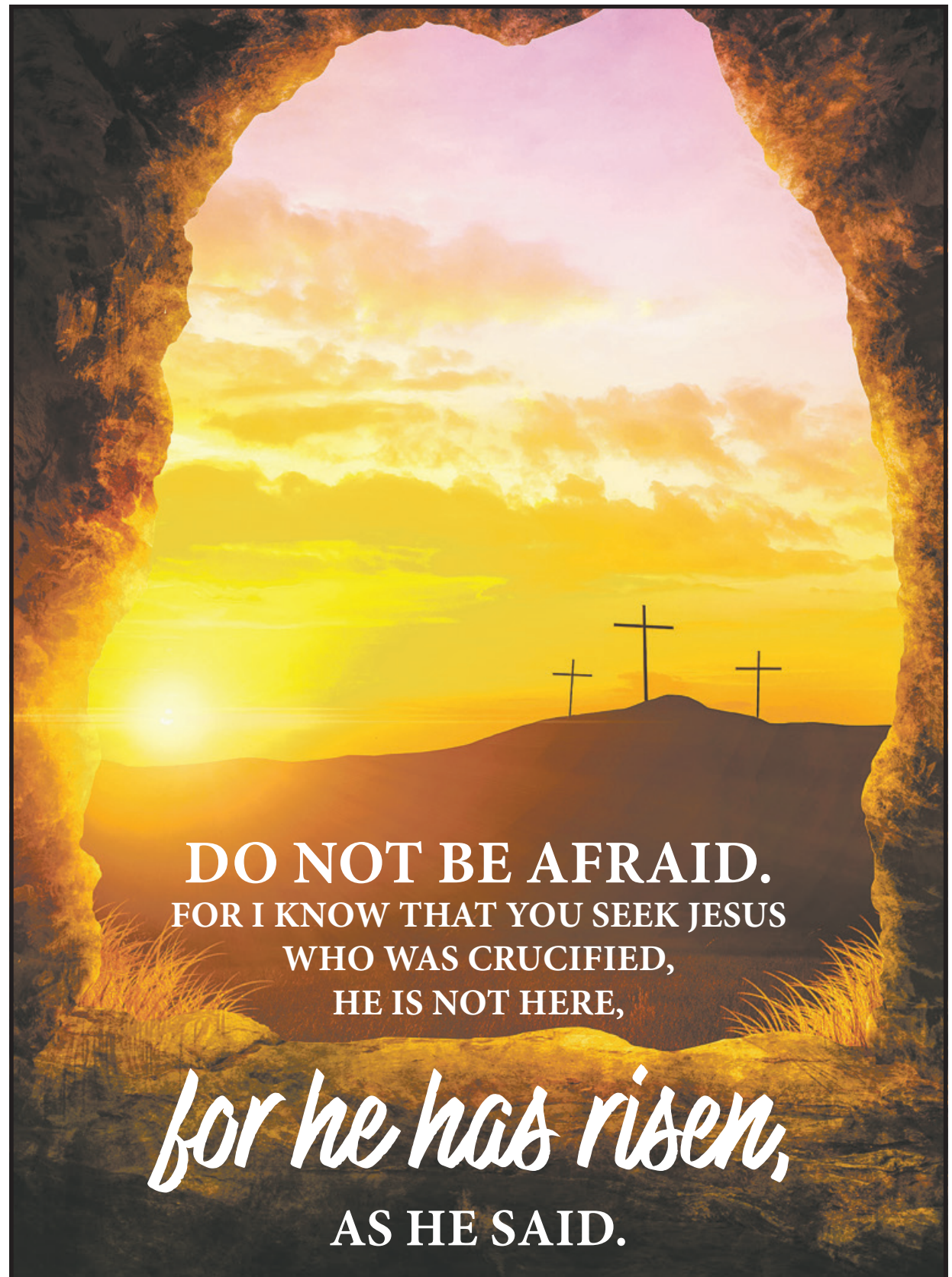
Red-winged are evicted to the less-desirable edges of shallow water sections.

In summer yellow-headed blackbirds eat aquatic and terrestrial insects which they take from the ground, off plants and in the air. The rest of the year they feed on crop and weed seeds. Large numbers come together to feed in "rolling flocks" where birds in the rear leapfrog to the front and advance the flock forward.

The head and chest of this male blackbird are painted a vibrant yellow which contrasts with his black body and the mask over his eyes. White patches on the wings are visible in flight. Females are smaller brown birds washed with a muted yellow color on the face and chest. Fledglings may be spotted as early as late May and early June.

With new arrivals showing up and some looking for mates or building nests, April is an exciting month to get outside and spend some time with birds.

For information on events visit, www.weminucheaudubon.org and www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.



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Senior Center to host COVID vaccine clinic April 7

By Rose Chavez
PREVIEW Columnist

Please join us for a drop-in clinic performed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on Friday, April 7, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Pagosa Senior Center located in the Ross Aragon Community Center.

Vaccines are free, and no ID, insurance, or appointment is needed. If you are getting a follow-up dose, please bring your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or CDC, vaccine card.

Dine-in, from-scratch hot lunch for all ages

Join us in person for daily hot meals Mondays through Thursdays between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the Community Center.

Our dining hall is open to all ages and welcomes you with kindness and warmth. We provide hot meals for anyone in the community interested in a hot, nutritious and delicious meal for a suggested donation of \$10; no one will be turned away.

Meals include a main course, side dish, fruit/dessert, organic garden salad plus beverage. Our chef works with a team of local food professionals to hand prepare your meal for dine-in service in our cozy dining room or for takeout with you on any of your local adventures in Pagosa Country. Our menu changes daily. Please visit our website psseniors.org to view our rotating menu.

To reserve your meal for the day, please make your reservation via text or phone call (970) 264-2167 by 9 a.m. weekdays. We look forward to bringing music to the dining hall as the weather warms and seeing you in person; please join us.

New in-person group: Senior Conversations

Join us Mondays at 9 a.m. for a series of “Senior Conversations” with local Bill Salmansohn. He will lead the group through a mindfulness exercise and discussion of various topics pertaining to aging in Archuleta County. Explore and discover for yourself answers to your questions and concerns. The meeting will be held at the Senior Center in the dining hall.

Scrapbooking Club

The Pagosa Springs Scrapbooking Club holds monthly meetings the second Saturday of each month at the Senior Center.

This creative tradition has been happening since 2005, started by Melissa Bailey, and was continued by Kathy Ruth through the years. The group met in the Senior Center dining room until 2020, took a break due to COVID and then resumed meetings in the Community Center.

They are truly excited to be



meeting in the Senior Center dining area again. They will meet each month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to be creative, share ideas, connect with friends, learn new techniques, share supplies and indulge in a potluck lunch together.

Bring your scrapbooking projects — or any crafting project that you may want to work on with the group. If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive notifications each month of the upcoming meeting along with handy tips and tricks for scrapbooking, please send your request to copenhavercreative@gmail.com.

COVID-19 test kits available

Stop by the Senior Center to pick up a pack of six free COVID-19 tests for your personal use. These kits are available to anyone in the public who needs affordable access for health promotion and disease prevention.

Text reservations

Don't forget that we also offer a convenient texting service for you to communicate with us. Text us at (970) 264-2167. When texting, please include your name, phone number and the days you want a meal. If you are canceling a reservation, please include your name, phone number and the days you want to cancel.

Texting services are available for dining-in meal reservations, Grab-n-Go meals and Meals on Wheels recipients.

Mobile food pantry service

The Senior Center would like to remind the community about our mobile food pantry services we provide in partnership with Archuleta County MET to seniors age 60 and older throughout most areas of Archuleta County.

In order to participate in this program, community members must visit with Barbara Noriega at the Senior Center, located in the Community Center, to fill out an application to qualify for the mobile pantry service.

The application, called the dining assessment form, is also available on our website at the bottom of the Community Cafe page: <http://www.psseniors.org/community-cafecute.html>. For more information, contact us at (970) 264-2167.

Mahjong

Mahjong is a 19th century Chinese tile-based game that is commonly played with four players. Each player receives 13 tiles with

a goal to make matching sets and pairs (like poker). To win, a player must form four sets and one pair. Come to the Senior Center to learn or play every Tuesday at 1:15 p.m.

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Bridge is a four-player card game with partners sitting opposite each other around a table. It is a trick-taking card game using a standard 52-card deck. Come alone or bring a partner.

Hand and foot card game

Whether you are new to hand and foot or interested in learning, please join us most Thursdays at 1:15 at the Senior Center.

This card game involves four rounds of playing until the final round is reached — some two to three hours later. Plan to stay and meet some new friends or catch up with those you have missed over the last couple of years.

No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

Engaging pictures

Engaging pictures are needed from seniors and their families who live, work and play their best lives in Archuleta County. We are looking for pictures that convey people's active lifestyles, families, culture and more. We would like to use these pictures in our grant applications, on social media and on our website. Please email all pictures to rosa@pseniors.org or feel free to drop them off.

Admin volunteers needed

The Community Cafe at the Senior Center is requesting volunteers to help with our front desk pickup meals and in the office in administrative tasks. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to volunteer or for more information.

Board vacancies

The Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) Board of Directors has multiple vacant positions open.

The terms are three years with an option to renew for an additional term. Potential candidates should be at least 21 years of age or older and must have a passion for adult and aging services.

Community Cafe menu

Thursday, April 6 — Grilled turkey, Swiss, tomato sandwich on sourdough, steak fries, garden salad, fruit, pistachio pudding cake and milk.

Friday, April 7 — Pasta primavera with Alfredo sauce, garlic bread, garden salad, fruit, carrot cake and milk.

Monday, April 10 — Singapore coffee BBQ ribs, rice, bok choy, garden salad, fruit, butterscotch blondies and milk.

Tuesday April 11 — Vegetable lasagna, garlic bread, roasted eggplant, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, April 12 — Chicken fajitas, tortillas, salsa, garden salad, fruit, cottage cheese and milk.

Thursday, April 13 — Tilapia with dill sauce, rice pilaf, blueberry cobbler, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Friday, April 14 — Tonkatsu pork ramen bowl, spring roll, garden salad, fruit, lemon bars and milk.

Grab-N-Go meals

Grab-N-Go meal reservations and cancellations are required. Please call or text by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you want to pick up a meal. A suggested donation of \$10 helps to sustain our program. No one will be turned away for their inability to donate. For ages 59 and younger, the cost is \$10 also. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to make a reservation.

Meals on Wheels

We deliver fresh Meals on Wheels five days a week (and provide frozen Meals on Wheels for weekends) to homebound Archuleta County residents. Call or text us at (970) 264-2167.

Requesting donations

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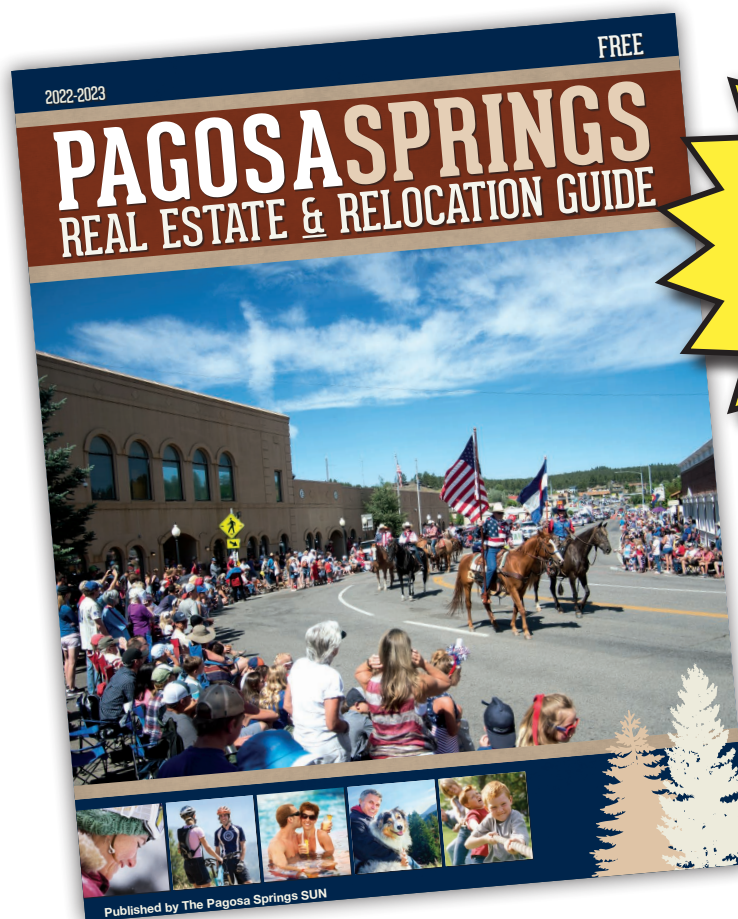
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The way of a man in love

My Sweet Al and I received a phone call this morning from our grandson. He was thinking about his granddad and me. After we hung up, Al said, "Did he just call to talk?"

"Yes, but it was more. He talked about his new bride with tenderness and respect. He's a young man in love. He wants to make a trip home to Pagosa for us to meet his bride."

The marriage was a surprise to all of us. Last Christmas morning, he called to tell us he got married in Las Vegas. An "Oh, no," shot through my gut. What has he done? He hardly knows her. Can he provide for a wife? I don't think so. Should we be happy for him? I guess so if he's happy.

My imagination rushed in before I had the facts. I pictured his Las Vegas wedding with a fat want-to-be Elvis in a white rock star jumpsuit with a red cape singing "White Christmas." The newly-wed couple exchanging vows in a moonlight chapel with a disco ball and with paid strangers to vouch for their wedding. A blow-up pink plastic Santa Claus and reindeer would add to the sparkly tinsel town experience as they said, "I do."

That morning the family sat around the Christmas tree, exchanging gifts, with stunned looks and secretly thinking, "What was he thinking?"

Al and I were married on April Fools' Day. No one gave our wedding a chance. What were we thinking? We weren't thinking. We were in love. We have had some rough patches, but it isn't how we started on this journey, but how we're finishing is what counts.

April Fools' Day marks our 63rd anniversary. I said to my Sweet Al, "It's a miracle for sure. When you walk into the house with muddy boots and an armload of firewood, leaving the door wide open and heat going out, I want to come unglued. But, over time, I've learned to hold my words. You've said to me, 'I'm just trying to keep you warm. I'm taking care of my home and family.'"

I respond, "Even tracking in mud, I can't stay mad at you for long."

Yes, we are still learning how to be married.

Al tells me, "I think I'm a pretty good guy and I've made you a good husband and a pretty good provider."

And I respond, "Yes, you have. You made a good living for our family. You've loved me when I've been hard to love and you've always treated me with total respect. It takes work to have a good marriage."

God uses the marriage between a man and woman as an example

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to demonstrate his love for the church. No wonder marriages are under attack, especially among his church members. Our children have thanked us many times for staying together. Wasn't always easy, but God's way is never easy. We've had to learn how to surrender to each other, and over the years our love has grown.

As I read in Psalm 45 this morning, about the wedding of God's Son and his bride, the church, I'm taken with how the groom is smitten by the beauty of his bride. It's a picture of the suffering love of Jesus for His bride, the church, and how He laid down His life for us.

"God has anointed the groom, more than any other, with his oil of fervent joy, the very fragrance of heaven's gladness. And standing beside him, glistening in his pure and golden glory, is the beautiful bride-to-be ... For Jesus, the royal bridegroom is ravished by the bride's beautiful brightness." —Psalms 45:7,11 (TPT).

This reminds me of a favorite scripture I've bound to my heart, how a man in love treats and honors his bride.

Proverbs 30:18, in the NKJV, states, "There are three things which are too wonderful for me, and four which I do not understand. The way of an eagle in the air, the way of a serpent on a rock, the way of a ship in the midst of the sea and the way of a man with a maiden."

Al looked at me as if to say,

'What are you talking about?' So, I explained that the way of a man who loves and treats his bride with such gentleness, it's too wonderful for me to understand. It's not a man's nature.

He can be brutish as a bull, boisterous and rowdy as a fan at a basketball game. But when it comes to the way of a man in love, he wants to protect, conquer and fight for her. He will ski the most dangerous slopes to show off for her. He'll climb the highest mountain to follow her. He will fell a tree with a single cut just to show her his strength.

My Sweet Al has fought for me. At times I didn't want him to; I wanted my own way. I wanted to do what I wanted to do. He saved me from myself many times. He took my side and protected me when others treated me wrongly. He listened to my heart when I didn't make sense. Two fools in love. Maybe April Fools' Day was a perfect day to be married.

To our grandson for his bride: Always be there for your bride, not to compete with her but to champion her. Be her best friend and partner in life. Vow to comfort, encourage and inspire her each day for the rest of your life. Laugh together. Forgive her. Love her. She'll challenge you to be the best man you can be. That's a good thing.

Final brushstroke: Even today, as things have changed and I am watching over my Sweet Al, he has never changed his heart toward me and still wants to protect me. As the scriptures say, it is hard to understand the way of a man with a maiden.

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Spring holiday food safety tips

By Robin Young
PREVIEW Columnist

With the Easter Bunny making his annual appearance this weekend, he wants to make sure everyone practices safe food handling with the following traditional holiday foods:

- Eggs should not sit out at room temperature for more than two hours. Keep hard-cooked eggs in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

- All cooked egg dishes should reach a safe minimum internal temperature of 160 degrees F, as measured by a food thermometer.

- If you plan to eat the Easter eggs you decorate, then be sure to use only food-grade dye. One suggestion is to make two sets of eggs, one for decorating and hiding that will not be consumed, and another set for eating. Consider using plastic eggs for your Easter egg hunt.

- During Passover, various kosher meats are consumed. Kosher meat and poultry are produced under rabbinical supervision. Verify the safety of meats by looking for the USDA mark of inspection to ensure the product was produced in an establishment inspected by the USDA.

- Be sure to allow plenty of time to thaw a frozen brisket. Thawing in the refrigerator can take about 24 hours for a trimmed, first-cut brisket. A whole brisket weighing about 10 pounds can take several days.

- Bake the brisket, fat side up in a baking dish, in an oven set no lower than 325 F. The brisket is safe to eat when it reaches an internal temperature of 145 F and is allowed to rest at that temperature for three minutes.

- Ham is a popular meat for the Easter table. Did you know that there are several types of ham, and they require different preparation methods? Ham is either ready-to-eat or requires cooking before eating. Be sure to read the package instructions carefully.

Fresh, uncooked hams must be cooked to reach a safe minimum internal temperature of 160 F.

Ready-to-eat hams are cooked at the plant and can be safely eaten right out of the package and can be served cold or heated to serve warm.

Upcoming events

April 8 and 15 — The Archuleta County Master Gardeners will be at Terry's Ace for the 4 Ws of gardening in Pagosa Springs.

April 22 — Earth Day Events. Look for details in The SUN.

April 24 — An evening discussion on the diverse perspectives of wolves in Colorado. Details to

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be determined.

April 28 — An evening discussion on climate and weather at 6 p.m. at the Extension office.

April 29 — Viticulture Workshop Details to be determined.

May 6 — Weed Warrior Program presentations from 9 a.m. to noon at the Extension building. The Weed Warrior Program will cover an introduction to noxious weeds, their control and how to be a steward in your community. Please RSVP with Ethan Proud at eproud@archuletacounty.org.

May 10 and 11 — Certified seed potato sale.

May 19 — Archuleta County Fair Board Dance from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Extension Exhibit Hall.

Local Noxious Weed Advisory Board

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) is seeking to fill open positions on the Local Noxious Weed Advisory Board.

According to the Colorado Noxious Weed Act title 35 article 5.5, the local advisory board is appointed by the BoCC. Members will help update the Integrated Pest Management Plan at least every three years and voice suggestions to county staff for ultimate approval by the BoCC.

If you are interested in a position, please see <http://archuletacounty.org/582/Local-Weed-Advisory-Board> for eligibility and

responsibilities. If you believe someone would be suited for the role, please nominate them for a position on the board using the form at <http://www.archuletacounty.org/582/Local-Weed-Advisory-Board>.

Applications and nominations will be accepted from March 6 to April 15.

Certified seed potato sale

Certified seed potato will be on sale for \$2 per pound on May 10 and 11. This year we will not be taking orders; it is a first-come, first-served service. Please bring your own bag or box to take your seed home.

CPR and first aid classes

CPR and first aid certification classes are offered monthly by the CSU Extension office, generally on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month from 6 to 10 p.m. The cost for the classes is \$80 for combined CPR/first aid and \$55 for CPR, first aid or recertification. Call the Extension office at (970) 246-5931 to register.

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Let's tell the truth about those big, bad wolves

By Story Warren
Writers on the Range

The return of wolves to the West has always been contentious, and the deaths last fall of more than 40 cattle in western Colorado alarmed ranchers. But here's the true story: Wolves did not kill those cattle found dead near Meeker.

After months of investigation, the state agency, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, found no evidence of wolves in the area at all.

Yet when the news of the cattle deaths went public last October, the agency issued a press release stating it was "investigating a report of dead domestic cow calves on White River National Forest lands near Meeker that show damage consistent with wolf depredation."

A month later, the agency's Northwest regional manager testified before the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission that though some of the cattle had injuries that appeared to come from wolves, he added, "It's perplexing; it's confusing; it's frustrating, trying to figure out exactly what occurred in this incident."

The story of wolves as the culprits, however, made national headlines.

Wolves are coming back to the state naturally and because in 2020 the public passed Prop 114, mandating restoration of wolves by the end of this year. Through a Colorado Open Records Act request, the Humane Society of the United States obtained documents and photos about the livestock deaths, and shared them with Carter Niemeyer, an expert on wolf-livestock conflict. He is also a member of the state's Technical Working Group on wolf restoration.

In his Feb. 14 report, Niemeyer found that "the evidence at Meeker is inconsistent with wolf attacks."

Niemeyer and veterinarians concluded that the cattle more likely died from "brisket disease," which commonly afflicts cattle living at high altitudes.

Misunderstandings like this one, which lasted weeks, aren't helpful. Do wolves ever come into conflict with livestock? Yes, but it is relatively rare. In the Northern Rockies where wolves are established, they account for less than 1 percent of cattle losses. Disease, birthing problems, weather and theft take nine times as many cattle than all predators combined, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In Washington state, which is home to at least 33 wolf packs after nearly 15 years of wolf recovery, more than 80 percent of the packs have no conflict with livestock in an average year.

Overall, the threat of wolves to the livestock industry is negligible. For the few livestock producers who are impacted by wolves, it is, of course, economically painful

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and time-consuming.

But options exist for ranchers to safeguard their livestock. Old-fashioned riding the range to drive off wolf packs, cleaning up carcasses so they don't attract wolves, penning up livestock at night, installing scare devices and using guard dogs are all deterrents that can work.

Unfortunately, data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture suggest that few livestock owners use these effective, nonlethal mitigation measures.

But many livestock producers across the West — in southern Alberta, the Big Wood River Drainage of Idaho, the Tom Miner Basin and Blackfoot Valley of Montana and

elsewhere — do use a variety of these deterrents, which make it possible for their herds to live alongside both wolves and grizzly bears.

To its credit, Colorado Parks and Wildlife has produced a resource guide for livestock producers. To do an even better job as wolves integrate into western Colorado, the state must improve the way it investigates livestock deaths.

These investigations must be timely and transparent — as in other Western states such as Washington — and without scapegoating. The Colorado Legislature could do its part, too, by providing funding for a trained, rapid-response team that would immediately investigate livestock injuries and deaths.

According to Niemeyer, authorities must respond as if they were investigating a crime scene — checking out dead livestock within 24 hours to prevent losing evidence from tissue decomposition or scavengers.

Only when a cause is determined, based on evidence, should information be made public. If wolf recovery is going to be successful for both wolves and people, everyone involved — livestock producers, wolf advocates, agencies — must work together. What happened in Meeker has been a valuable lesson in what not to do.

Story Warren is a contributor to Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, an independent non-profit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West. She is a program manager in wildlife protection for the Humane Society of the United States. Views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN.



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The love between Michael and his dogs

By Daris Howard
Special to The PREVIEW

Many years ago, our golden retrievers had puppies. The puppies were fun bundles of fluff. The mother dog was not the best mother, and she often forgot to climb in with them and feed them. I would get up twice in the middle of the night to help out. Once the puppies had all been nursed, she jumped out, and I went to bed.

There were eight of them, and as they grew, they would follow me around the yard. They were always underfoot, but they were fun and full of energy. Eventually, they were weaned, and it was time to find homes for them.

More important than the money to us was ensuring the homes they went to were good, so we didn't charge a lot for them. However, we were picky about whom we let have one.

The last to get one was a married couple, whom I will call Michael and Susan. Michael was deaf, and he really wanted a golden retriever. They couldn't afford much, so this was their big chance. My wife, Donna, reviewed their request and saved one of the best puppies for them.

When they came to get the puppy, and Donna put it into Michael's arms, the smile on his face was better pay than the high price we could have gotten out of the pups. Michael cuddled the dog up in his arms, and it licked his face. They were instantly best friends, and they named their dog Toby.

Michael's world was his wife and Toby. Over time, Toby seemed to understand that Michael couldn't hear. He became more than Michael's friend; he became his helper and protector. Toby learned hand signs and would do what Michael asked. If someone came to the door and Susan wasn't home, Toby would go to Michael to let him know. Toby also had an inborn sense when Michael was discour-

aged. He would come to Michael and put his head on his knee or snuggle up to him on the couch. As Michael stroked Toby's head, his discouragement just melted away.

But as happens in life, Toby grew older and got cancer. He seemed to know his time was getting short, and he spent every minute he could with Michael. When the day came that Toby died, it seemed to Michael as if his world had fallen apart. Susan loved him and helped all she could, but she knew

Michael cuddled the dog up in his arms, and it licked his face. They were instantly best friends, and they named their dog Toby.

Michael's discouragement was beyond the help she could give. She called us to see if there was any way we had another litter of puppies or knew of someone who did.

Our dogs were old, and we didn't have any. But we had some good friends whose golden retrievers did have a big litter. They were beautiful pups and just about to the point they were ready to find new homes. But the price they were selling them for was beyond what

Susan and Michael could afford.

Donna called and talked to our friends and explained the situation. Our friends are incredibly good people, and they lowered the price on one of their best pups to what Susan and Michael could afford. The other dogs sold quickly, even at the higher price, but they kept the one they had set aside in reserve for Michael and Susan.

The day came to go pick up the pup, and we went, too. Our friend had just given the pup a bath and was blow-drying him. The pup was not happy about the situation. It was probably the biggest 10-week-old golden retriever I had ever seen. Michael is 6 feet tall, and when the dog was placed in his arms, it stretched from his shoulders to his waist. It immediately buried its head in Michael's neck, possibly to hide from the hair dryer, but Michael and the dog immediately bonded. Susan turned to our friends and us and thanked us with tears streaming down her face.

Our friends agreed that seeing the love between Michael and his new dog was good pay.

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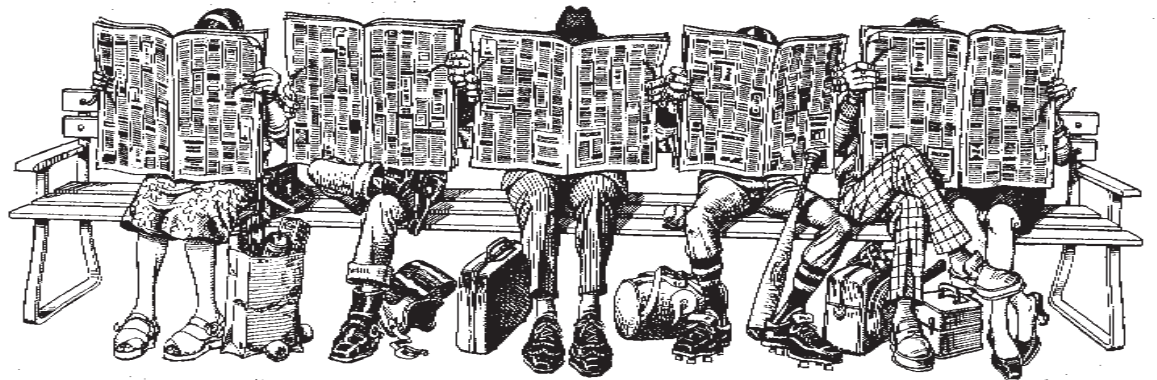
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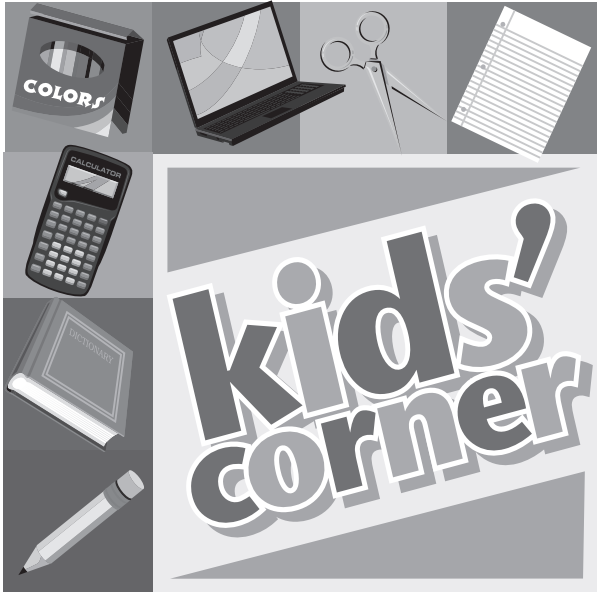
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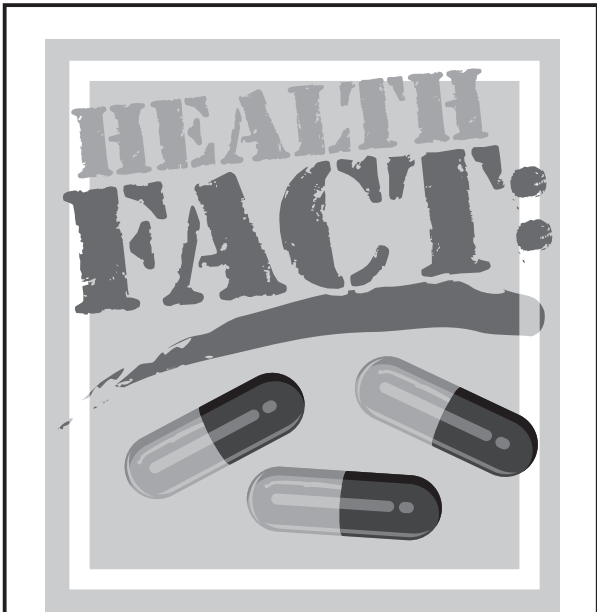
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS for EXTERMINATOR SERVICES — The Jicarilla Apache Housing Authority ("JAHA") is accepting written proposals from qualified businesses or individuals to provide Exterminator Services for JAHA. Interested businesses or individuals are invited to submit a proposal to the Jicarilla Apache Housing Authority in person or by mail to P.O. Box 486, Dulce, New Mexico 87528 no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 24, 2023. Location of Property: Dulce, NM. Description of Services: Provide monthly exterminator services for a period of three (3) years beginning May 1, 2023 to the following: • Project 14-01 25 units, • Project 14-08A 14 units, • Project 14-08B 16 units, • Project 14-09 56 units, • Project 14-15 32 units, • Project 14-16 1 unit, • Project 14-17 4 units, • Office Building 1 Building, • Maintenance Building 2 Buildings. Preference in Contracting: The work to be performed under the Contract is on a project subject to Jicarilla Apache Nation Ordinance No. 2002-O-657-11, Indian Preference in Contracting and Employment, as may be amended from time to time. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian preference must include documentation from the Nation showing that they are Indian-owned. Compliance: In addition to the Nation's Indian Preference requirements, the successful proposer must comply with the Copeland Act Requirements (29 CFR Part 3); 2 CFR Part 200 Certifications and HUD Requirements related to reporting, patent rights, and /or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations; the JAHA Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Selection: The selection of the Contractor will be based on the following evaluation criteria with an established point rating for each category: 20 Points Specialized experience and technical competence of the Contractor; 15 Points Volume and nature of present workload and staff quantity and availability of additional personnel to provide services and scheduled, if necessary; 15 Points Contractor's past performance record on similar projects in terms of cost control, work compliance, and compliance with performance schedules; 15 Points Overall cost of proposal; 10 Points Indian Preference — points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/ or evidence that a proposing Contractor is committed to the hiring persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community; and 10 Points Minority Preference — points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, showing evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women. Interviews: Interviews will be at the discretion of JAHA. Submittal of Proposals and Additional Information: Inquiries related to the submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ms. Melanie Manwell, Executive Director, at (575)759-3415 or 3459. The proposal must be received at the JAHA Office located at 42 N. Hawks Drive, by mail, addressed to Ms. Melanie Manwell, Executive Director Jicarilla Apache Housing Authority, P.O. Box 486, Dulce, New Mexico 87528 or email at memanwell@jaha1.org, no later than 4:00p.m. on April 24, 2023. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. JAHA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

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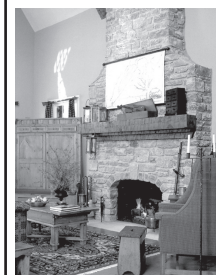


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THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire a Public Works Director in our Public Works Department. The individual selected for this position plans, organizes, directs and integrates the Town's public works and utilities activities and functions; provides expert professional assistance to Town management in areas of expertise including engineering, wastewater collection, geothermal, street maintenance, project management, stormwater and drainage, and fleet. This is a full-time position with benefits. For more information on the position and to apply, go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov and select Employment.

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire Seasonal Park Labor in our Parks & Recreation Division. The individual selected for this position will be responsible for maintaining the cleanliness in town restrooms at eight park locations and sterilizing playground equipment at three park locations. Selected candidates can choose part-time or full-time hours. For more information on the position and to apply, go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov and select Employment.

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STATE OF COLORADO DEPARTMENT of Natural Resources — San Juan and Navajo River Water Commissioner — Position regulates the diversion and use of water on the San Juan and Navajo River Basins in Archuleta County. See the full announcement at: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/colorado> then searching for DWR.

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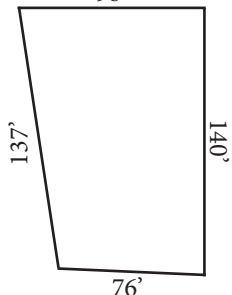
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