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Photo courtesy Rise Above Violence

Locals gather at bell tower in downtown Pagosa Springs on April 26 to observe Denim Day. The group walked around town to show support for victims and survivors of sexual violence.

Pagosa Junction bridge: Residents voice concerns

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its May 2 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard public comments on the closure of the Pagosa Junction bridge on County Road 500 (CR 500) and provided clarifications.

The first comment was from LuAnn Baker, who explained that, if the county took the bridge, she would lose fire and emergency help, mail delivery, medications and potentially phone service.

She noted that she spoke with Commissioner Ronnie Maez and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT) and that the two groups are not communicating “at all” and are “whacked out.”

She explained that she lives 1.5 miles from the bridge and has property across the bridge, and that she

knows another resident who lives on the other side of the bridge and works in Juanita who would face a long commute that he “can’t afford” due to the closure.

“I’m tired of being pushed around,” Baker said. “I’ve lived here for 50 years. I’ve had excellent service up until now. The roads are bad, the bridge is, it’s there, we could still cross it. A maintainer went across it last week with a gravel truck behind it. OK, that’s pretty heavy. It didn’t go. ... If you don’t open that or do something soon we’ll just start crossing tribal land and deal with it. ‘Cause people at that end are as upset as me; they just couldn’t happen to get here.”

Baker then highlighted the extensive use of the bridge and that she hopes the county and the tribe find

■ See Bridge A8

McCabe Creek project could be completed this month

Commissioners discuss road projects with CDOT

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) met with representatives from the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to discuss local road issues and upcoming projects on April 5.

The meeting included a construction update from CDOT Region

5 Program Engineer Kevin Curry where he highlighted the U.S. 160 Wolf Creek fiber project, which he expected to reach Pagosa Springs by the end of the year; and the McCabe Creek project on U.S. 160 in Pagosa Springs, which he anticipated being complete by the end of May.

He also mentioned a surface-

■ See Roads A8

Ledger: ‘It was a foregone conclusion that there was going to be pain’

Board of health talks dissolution budget, staff morale

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) Board of Health (BoH) heard updates from Bellann Raile of Cordes and Company LLC, the receiver for the district, and from SJBPH Human Resources Director Ann Camp at its April 27 meeting, where it discussed the difficulties of dissolution and low morale at the agency.

Raile acknowledged the challenges and competing interests in-

involved in the dissolution and setting up of county departments.

She noted that “everyone has the same goals” to protect public health, though there may be disagreements on how to achieve this.

She explained that the receivership team has been assisting SJBPH staff in preparing for its audit as well as assessing its finances from the perspective of “wind-down mode.”

Raile elaborated that this involves

■ See Health A8



Photos courtesy Sally Riggs

Pagosa Springs High School's 2023 Prom King Gabriel Gallegos and Queen Lynelle Bartz were crowned on April 29.

School district talks safety following threat, community meeting

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

At a special meeting on April 25, the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education heard about and discussed measures being taken to increase school safety.

The special meeting was a follow-up to the district's April 10 community meeting in which it discussed school safety after a prior incident involving a threat to a district school.

That threat, which was announced to district families the morning of March 31, was allegedly made on social media and resulted in the arrest of a 16-year-old from New Mexico who is a former student in the district, according to Superintendent Rick Holt and Pagosa Springs Police Chief William Rockensock.

Following the incident, ASD announced the community meeting and that the “purpose of the meeting

■ See School A8

Public invited to apply for open position on SJBPH Board of Health

San Juan Basin Public Health

San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) is seeking a qualified individual to serve on its board of health.

The Board of Health Appointments Committee will choose a member of the public who lives in Archuleta or La Plata County and has education, experience or a combination of both in finance or a public health discipline such as environmental health, health education,

epidemiology, social and behavioral health, biostatistics or public health administration.

This board position will run through Dec. 31. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to clerk@sjbpublichealth.org no later than May 17.

To learn more about SJBPH Board of Health members' responsibilities, time commitment, selection criteria and other information, visit <https://sjbpublichealth.org/boardofhealth/>.



Photo courtesy Lili Pearson

A blue heron feasts on the catch of the day at North Village Lake.

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OUR VIEW

Owning up to mistakes

You cannot be thin-skinned when you are an elected official in this community.

You will do things that make people mad.

People will think you are unfair.

You will be called out for your mistakes.

We believe that when elected officials make mistakes and own up to those mistakes, they should be applauded.

Last week, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners entered into an illegal executive session to discuss appointing a new county coroner. We were concerned about the potential executive session that had been discussed at a work session earlier in the day and was listed on the special meeting agenda to be held following interviews with the applicants for county coroner. Upon the resignation of a coroner, the county commissioners are tasked with naming a replacement to fill out the current term.

The agenda item reads: "Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4), upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the quorum present, the Board will hold an executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f) (I) to discuss personnel matters relating to the candidates for the vacant position of County Coroner."

The problem we saw immediately was that the coroner is not considered "personnel." You cannot invoke that exception to go behind closed doors because coroners are elected officials.

The SUN obtained a recording of the executive session through a Colorado Open Records Act request because state statute notes that the personnel matters exemption may not be invoked to discuss, among other things, any elected official or filling the vacancy of an elected official.

When last week's recording was released, we got a better insight into our three commissioners' actions behind closed doors outside the view of the public.

We were impressed with the discussion they held regarding the next county coroner.

Each commissioner shared their viewpoints and concerns pertaining to the two candidates and County Attorney Todd Weaver made comments as well.

We heard thoughtful comments. There was impressive insight that we missed in the interviews. We gained knowledge of the job. We gained a new appreciation for our commissioners.

There was no decision made in the executive session.

We were appreciative that the county released the recording so quickly. There was no argument.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez called The SUN the following Wednesday morning and explained the situation and made sure we had access to the recording in a timely manner.

To Maez, the most important thing was doing the right thing in releasing the recording and owning up to the mistake.

The recording was posted on the county's website along with the following statement: "During the BoCC Special Meeting to appoint a new County Coroner on April 25, 2023, the Executive Session discussion unintentionally transpired separate from the public. The audio recording is now available online to comply with Colorado Open Meetings Law."

While we do believe the executive session was mistakenly held, the actions taken to enter the session were clearly intentional; after all, there was an unanimous vote to enter the executive session.

After the candidate interviews, Maez asked if the BoCC should enter executive session to discuss the appointment or not.

Commissioner Warren Brown said that he felt it was an "important enough appointment we should be able to have a discussion in executive session."

Maez then called for a motion, with Brown moving to enter executive session

"pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters related to the appointment of a replacement county coroner."

Commissioner Veronica Medina seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

We agree with Brown that it was an "important appointment." That is why the discussion should have been held in the open so that the public could understand the process and considerations made when appointing the new coroner. The county coroner is an extremely important position in Colorado. The coroner is the only person who can arrest the sheriff and who can also fill the role as sheriff should the need arise.

We cannot imagine Sheriff Mike Le Roux ever needing to be arrested, but just in case, there is law made in 1877 that reads, "When there is no sheriff in any county, it is the duty of the coroner to exercise all the powers and duties of the sheriff of his county until a sheriff is appointed or elected and qualified; and when the sheriff for any cause is committed to the jail of his county, the coroner shall be keeper of such jail during the time the sheriff remains a prisoner."

Another thing we noticed about the appointment process is that one coroner candidate had to answer questions first with the other candidate sitting right behind her, listening to her answers. We think alternating questions and answers in an interview when both candidates are present would possibly be a more fair way to handle things. It seemed a little unfair for one person to answer all the questions first and the other interviewee to be able to hear the questions, the other candidate's answers and have time to think about their answers before their interview.

That being said, we commend the county for doing the right thing in releasing the executive session recording.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LOOKING BACK



Taken from The Pagosa Springs SUN files from Oct. 15, 1987 — NEARING THE GOAL — Librarian Lenore Bright and Herman Riggs, chairman of the library's fund raising campaign, received an additional \$1,000 last Thursday. Fairfield Pagosa Executive Vice President/General John Murhy, right, made the donation on behalf of Fairfield Communities, Inc.

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LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
May 4, 1923

Governor Sweet has signed the bill, passed by the legislature, which makes an appropriation of \$30,000 for the use of the Colorado State Historical Society. It is understood that a good proportion of the money will be spent in further excavating the Chimney Rock ruins in this county under the direction of Prof. J.A. Jeancon, and it is presumed that the work will be continued this summer.

A miniature cyclone played havoc in west Pagosa yesterday afternoon, tearing the brick chimney from the W.O. Dutton residence, removing the top of this Cadillac car and strewing the porch furniture about the premises. The twister then proceeded south and lifted the small son of Pierson Baldwin from the wagon, in which he was riding with his father, where upon the boy was kicked by one of the frightened horses and his skull fractured. The whirlwind gradually diminished and no further damage was done. The injured boy is now resting easy but it will not be known for several days what effect the injury will have.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
May 7, 1948

Heavy trucks are now prohibited from parking along the main street of Pagosa.

In amending the traffic ordinance Monday night, members of the board ruled that trucks may not park along Pagosa street on either side between the flagpole and the corner at Dailey Hott's residence.

The amendment came as at least a partial solution to the parking problems which are developing here. Trucks heavier than one and one-half tons are included in the new ordinance.

Although it may be impossible for most of Pagosa to get to Hollywood, they are going to bring a part of Hollywood to Pagosa, probably within the next sixty days.

The 20th Century-Fox studio, major Hollywood producers, will film considerable footage of their coming Will James production on the Stevens ranch just west of town.

The movie studio representatives were in Pagosa Wednesday making additional plans for their coming visit.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
May 3, 1973

The Forest Service has announced that there will be limits on the use of campgrounds and recreation areas on the San Juan National Forest this summer. Use of any one area is limited to 14 days occupancy. Campers and trailers left parked, but unoccupied, must be moved after 48 hours. This will stop the practice some visitors have of leaving a camper in a choice spot and occupying it only on weekends. The regulations are forest-wide this year and apply to all Forest Service campgrounds.

Archuleta County showed the second biggest percentage gain in total retail sales of any county in Colorado during 1972. The percentage increase was an even 44 percent. Sales rose from \$6,583,000 in 1971 to \$9,480,000 in 1972. Building material totaled \$949,000, and automotive sales, which includes cars, repairs, gasoline service stations, automotive appliances, snowmobiles, motorbikes, etc. was the biggest item of retail sales — \$2,113,000.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
May 7, 1998

Voters said yes to all of the ballot issues placed before them by three local districts at Tuesday's election.

In the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District election, 316 voters said yes, 203 voters said no, to the proposed sale of \$4,815,000 in revenue bonds to finance construction of a pipeline from the San Juan River south of town to the district's headquarters area, build a new water treatment plant, and other system improvements.

Voters also showed an active interest in the Pagosa Fire Protection District election. They approved the purchase of a new aerial truck by a vote of 405 to 87.

Fewer voters, only 73, turned out at the Town Hall for the Pagosa Springs Sanitation District election during which approval was given to seek funds to finance a sewer line expansion east of Pagosa Springs along U.S. 160.

Letters

Letters to the Editor are printed as received and are not edited for grammar or punctuation, but may have been edited for content or style.

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Coroner

Dear Editor:
A special thank you to Steve Wadley for serving Archuleta County once again, this time as the Interim County Coroner for the last two weeks, after Brandon Bishop resigned on April 17, 2023. Steve stepped in and helped during a critical time for Archuleta County. The new Coroner, Bradley Hunt, will officially begin May 01, 2023. Again, thanks to Steve Wadley and welcome to Bradley Hunt.
Marilyn Harris

Illegal trails

Dear Editor:
The San Juan National Forest Pagosa Ranger District recently completed the scoping phase of the Jackson Mountain Landscape Project and decided not to move forward with a proposed mountain bike trail system. This is good news for elk, in particular.
"Concerns over the probable impacts of a trail system on an important big game migration corridor have led me to conclude that we would be in error in proceeding with the analysis of the trail proposal as currently envisioned," said District Ranger Josh Peck. Colorado Backcountry Hunters & Anglers (BHA) members and many others applaud the decision.
"This trail proposal, if approved, sets precedent that the USFS not only allows illegal trail construction but encourages and accepts it as a legitimate means of bypassing proper planning procedure," warned Alex Krebs, Southwest Colorado BHA assistant regional

director, in a letter to Peck. "It's frustrating," Doug Purcell, CPW's District Wildlife Manager serving Pagosa Springs, said. "The trails on Jackson Mountain are illegal trails, and we're not asking people to not be allowed to use the forest, but we are trying to preserve the most important areas."
"... the vast majority of us aren't advocating for our desire to hunt, we are advocating for the protection of wildlife and their habitat," explained Colorado BHA Board member Kassi Smith. "How can we compromise those protections? If the question of conservation was put back on us in the form of, 'well, in order to protect the longevity of this species, you must give up hunting them or accessing their habitat,' the majority of us would make that decision without hesitation."

The Colorado BHA chapter recently increased its reward from \$500 to \$1,000 for reports or information leading to a conviction of those responsible for building illegal trails on public lands.

David A. Lien
co-chair, Colorado Backcountry Hunters & Anglers

'Egregious abuse of government power'

Dear Editor:
The following is the text of a message sent to the Mayor Shari Pierce and the Pagosa Springs Town Council.
Dear Madam Mayor and the Pagosa Springs Town Council,
We write to applaud your intention to withhold the permanent certificate of occupancy for our new justice center.
We feel that our board of county commissioners' decision to overrule the denial of their request for a variance for the required rooftop screens on the justice center is a most egregious abuse of government power. The most egregious since the board was considering invoking eminent domain in order to build a jail on a deed-restricted property.
So, Bravo! to you all.
Joanne and Victor Lucariello

'Warning shot'

Dear Editor:
Regarding my Pagosa Sun 4/20 "Warning Shot" letter, and responses from Mr. Roberts and Mr. Smith on 4/27.

I was criticized for using the common measurements of 7/16"x 2" instead of the official caliber designation. Reason? So the average person could grasp the size of that destructive bullet. Here in America, such bullets have been propelled into thousands of bodies of innocent children and adults of all ages, with the sole purpose of causing as much maiming and death as possible, as in war.

As for bullets there are many types and configurations, such as copper-jacketed and hollow point bullets. The hollow point is designed to mushroom upon impact thus blowing out a larger hole exiting the victim than when it entered their defenseless body.

Mr's Roberts and Smith have chosen to use "hollow points" in their arguments. Or more accurately; shallow points. Does anyone give a rip about weapons and ammunition details when their dismembered loved one is lying before them, identifiable only by their DNA?

So fellows, you are missing the point. If or when a mass murder happens here, would you go up to a tortured, grieving survivor and offer them a dissertation on the merits of a particular rifle being more or less destructive? Dead is dead. Are you even from our community?

I have known death and heart rending grief in my own family. Though ours was related to a drunk driver incident. The agony of such great loss is very much the same. My son was killed. My daughter & granddaughter were severely injured. My granddaughter is partially paralyzed. Ideally no one should feel such grief. I continue to carry that pain. My family's journey has been excruciatingly horrific.

Inappropriate, irresponsible gun possession only brings additional sorrow to families & friends. The living suffer for the rest of their

lives. Human life is too precious. You two men may be responsible gun owners but, look at the many who are not. Common sense gun laws save lives. I owned 3 rifles and am not against guns or the 2nd amendment.

As to abortion rights; how can one oppose abortion yet be ok allowing our people, especially our youth, to later die at the hands of gun violence? It's not logical or reasonable.

Final thoughts: Pagosa and 3rd district friends, let's vote out Loren Boebert. She cares more about toting weapons of war than protecting life. Her ability to illegally carry weapons into the House Chamber is unacceptable. The House of Representatives is meant to promote dialogue, discussion, debate, and democracy. Not for potentially shooting House members.

Boebert defends Jan 6 insurrectionists and defends "The Big Lie" about the 2020 election. Our country is imploding from within because we are increasingly at war with each other, paranoid and angry. Peace, rational thinking, and compromise are among the answers. Please save our communities and support our Country's democracy. Promote Quality of Life and vote wisely in 2024.

Mitch Nielsen

LPEA ballot

Dear Editor:
On the LPEA Ballot, arriving around May 5th, will be a bylaw amendment. This amendment

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Obituaries

James George Weber

James George Weber passed away unexpectedly on April 19, just five days shy of his 65th birthday.



Known to everyone as Jim, he was born on April 24, 1958, in Nyack, N.Y. He grew up in New City, N.Y., where he met his future wife, Jackie, in 1976. He was a master VW mechanic at age 16 and owned an auto repair/body shop with his brother. They repaired and restored many classic cars, and he still loved those classics until the day he passed. He started drumming as a teenager, and Jackie could hear him drumming from down the block when she'd go to see him after work.

They got engaged in 1978 and married in 1980. By this time, Jim was a welder and worked in some maximum-security prisons, which probably prepared him for the sons he was to raise. They welcomed their first child in 1981 and just kept going until 2002. He and Jackie built their first home in 1985 and, soon after, he got into the woodworking business where he remained for 37 years. He was virtually always self-employed and brought his skills to Pagosa Springs when the whole family moved west in 2004. He was an involved father,

building skateboard ramps and taking the family on many road trips, often incorporating stops at different skate parks. He built fun things for his girls, too, and used his drawing skills to spend quiet time with them. He was a great host at home and loved to serve anyone Blue Moon in a frosted glass when they came for dinner, a Broncos game, to watch a movie or just practice music.

In 2017, he was diagnosed with laryngeal cancer, and after going through unsuccessful radiation treatments for it, had to have a laryngectomy in 2018. He was an inspiration to everyone around him, learning to communicate as best he could, and those who were closest to him became adept at reading his lips. He eventually joined the JP II choir as its first drummer, and the congregation just loved it. He was very blessed by the encouragement and support of his family and friends.

He has a client list a mile long and never had to advertise his skills. He had friends who became clients, and clients who became dear friends. He had an amazing work ethic and could make or repair almost anything that anyone needed. He enjoyed watching football, baseball and auto auctions, and loved learning how things are made. He was an amazing pool player, and even though he was hard to beat, he always welcomed the competition.

He and Jackie have enjoyed many road trips together, visiting U.S. landmarks, family and friends,

and attending concerts and Yankies games. They recently made their first international trip to Okinawa to meet their new grandson. He would be so happy to see how his family has come together for him to take care of their mom and his business, which they will try to keep going as a legacy to him.

Jim is survived by his wife, Jackie, of 42 years; his sons: Chris, Anthony, Joe, Matt, James and David; his daughter, Hope; sons-in-law, Jon and Richard; daughter-in-law Naomi; grandsons Joshua, Vash, and Lukas; soon-to-be-born granddaughter Indie; and sisters Beth and Marjan. He was predeceased by his parents, Frank and Marjorie; brother Don; and his first-born, Katy.

Funeral Mass will be held at Pope John Paul II Catholic Church on Saturday, May 6, at 10 a.m., inurnment to follow in the church columbarium. There will be a meal served afterward in the JP II narthex.

Melissa Boswell Zimmerman

Melissa Boswell Zimmerman, of Pagosa Springs, passed peacefully late in the evening, April 16, 2023, with her two children, Aaron (42) and Ashleigh (38) by her side. Throughout her brief battle with illness, family and friends celebrated her joyous life and helped her through her final days.

Melissa's personal and professional interests focused on family,

friends, and people. She had an illustrious career in the dental industry, working her way up from a dental assistant to a high-tech sales representative. She never took her success for granted and found ways to serve others through her participation in pop-up dental clinics for the underserved and organizations like Habitat for Humanity.

Melissa was tenacious and fearless, especially when it came to "her people." She was an exceptional culinary wizard, and loved to golf and travel. She thrived when planning adventures and events with her family and friends, especially her two grandsons. She loved the open road; the sportier the car the better.

Arrangements are being made following Melissa's requests. Those interested in additional details can reach out to Melissa's family through the vehicles they used to be in touch with Melissa (email, text messages, social media). Donations in Melissa's honor can go to the local Habitat for Humanity.

The family would like to express gratitude to the doctors, nurses, and caregivers at Pagosa Springs Medical Center for their incredible support, expertise and sympathy.



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New genealogical society formed

By Pam Hayes
Pagosa Peak Genealogical Society

We are pleased to announce the organization of a new genealogical society to serve Archuleta County: Pagosa Peak Genealogical Society.

As the Archuleta County Genealogical Society was recently dissolved, we look forward to serving our community in its stead.

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We meet the first Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Visitors are always welcome. Come join us. For more information, call (970) 507-1156.

Democratic Club to meet

By Lynn Frederick
Archuleta County Democratic Club

The Archuleta County Democratic Club will hold its meeting on May 17 at 11:30 a.m. at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse.

We will be having a dialogue with Archuleta County Commissioner Veronica Medina on issues concerning our county.

Thanks

DUST2

The Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Department would like to give their appreciation to the nonprofit group DUST2 (Developing Urban Singletrack Trails and Teams).

On April 27 they had 21 volunteers work on trails up at Reservoir Hill. Trails UFO, Buena Vista, Terri Smith, Bronc, Wapiti and Rosebud have all been cleared and trimmed back for riding season. Visit dust2.org for future trail work days.

Thanks DUST2 for diggin' where you ride.

Letters

Continued from A3 includes 3 topics. 1. Electronic communication, 2. Electronic voting, 3. Member Initiated meeting. Three topics should be three bylaw amendments, and three separate votes. It might make a person wonder what the LPEA board is trying to sneak by the members?

In the guise of aligning with state law they are virtually abandoning the members right to petition for an all-member meeting. Currently our bylaws specify that an all-member meeting can be initiated by petitioning the board with 500 signatures. Under state law it requires 10 percent of members to sign, for LPEA that is currently around 3500 signatures. In a rural area, like the LPEA service area, it would be nearly impossible to door

knock for 3500 signatures.

Why would the board suggest this change? How does this change serve members? Please read the amendment carefully and vote no.

John Purser
Durango

People need people

Dear Editor:
Yes, "People need People". Sometimes it is hard to break old habits. We developed "old habits" when Covid was a big concern and we began the "habit" of depending on our TV and other "devices" to meet our social needs. Now that vaccines are making it safe to "get out" and be with others, we need to put that old habit of staying home in the trash can.

Let's start with attending church "in person". I love sitting next to friends or even newcomers I have never met, to enjoy listening to spiritual music, uplifting Scripture followed by a Minister's inspirational message. Yes, being with people who live the greatest commandment to Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your soul, and your neighbor as yourself". Yes, what a great way to meet the challenges of a new week. Also, children truly need the joys of attending Sunday School.

Another opportunity to enjoy "people" is the Senior Center. Delicious, healthy meals offered 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday for just a \$10 contribution. You simply need to call before 9 a.m. and let them know you are coming (970-264-2167). Yes, during Covid you could not "dine in", had to order it, pick it up and eat at home. I find talking to myself a bit boring and am enjoying returning to the cafe, sitting around a dining table, enjoying good conversation while being served a great meal.

Yes, People need People, and places such as in-person church services and the Senior Center are great places to go. So, let's take back our lives and enjoy "real, love people". OK?

Do it with love, of course,
Patty Tillerson

Letters

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Business

Airport Advisory Committee to move forward with economic impact study

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At the March 23 Archuleta County Airport Advisory Committee (AAC) meeting, the committee voted to move forward with a new economic impact study for the airport.

The discussion of the economic impact of the airport opened with a conversation on the insufficiencies of the state data on the economic impact of the airport, including a bias toward businesses located near the airport and miscalculations of the number of staff at the airport.

AAC chair Bill Sommer highlighted that there are many methodologies to assess the economic impact of the airport and that the overall question that needed to be answered was if the board is interested in redoing the economic impact study for the airport, which was last done in 2012.

He explained that the previous study was survey-based, asking questions of hangar owners and the fixed-base operator to determine the funds spent in the county due to the airport.

He added that the study was conservative due to being based on participation and missed the economic

impact of "high net-worth individuals" who employ substantial numbers of people.

Sommer stated that the "fundamental question" of the study had been whether a person surveyed would be in the county if the airport was not there and, if their answer was no, their spending was factored into the impact.

He explained that the net economic impact determined was approximately \$11 invested in the county for every dollar put into the airport, noting that the economic impact could be greater than this.

Sommer added that the study had also not included the property tax paid by the hangars, which AAC members highlighted contributes to the public perception that the airport contributes less to the community than it does.

AAC member and County Manager Derek Woodman noted there has been "poor" communication to the public, commenting, "If we don't sell ourselves, nobody's gonna do it for us."

He added that he supported updating the study and attempting to get greater participation in the process.

The group then discussed methods to promote the airport more

effectively, including having more events, and promoting the airport as a meeting location for airplane associations and organizations.

Sommer then asked if there was a consensus among the AAC to move forward with updating the impact study, which the AAC members generally agreed with.

Sommer then highlighted that a key question is how broad of a net the study should cover in determining economic impacts.

Sommer recommended that the AAC form a group to determine what an economic impact study could entail and what it would include, and present it to the AAC for approval.

He added that the economic impact study would benefit the county and its constituents by highlighting the value of the airport.

The group then discussed how this group would meet without causing conflicts with Colorado open meeting laws, with Woodman explaining that there would be potential difficulties if the AAC has a quorum at any of the discussions, which would require noticing them.

Woodman also highlighted the importance of the medevac flights

that leave the airport, which he noted are of critical importance to the community.

The AAC then further discussed the noticing of meetings for the economic impact group, with the AAC agreeing to discuss the issue further with County Attorney Todd Weaver before moving forward with forming the group.

Commissioner Veronica Medina, who was attending the meeting, noted that the AAC could reach out to Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation Executive Director Emily Lashbrooke to assist in creating a survey for the study.

The AAC then discussed the limitations of the previous study and that it had only covered the impacts of hangar owners who would not be in the area except for the airport.

Following a discussion of car rentals in the area, Sommer explained that, absent dissent, he would move forward with forming a group to redo the economic impact study and discuss the needs for noticing its meetings further with Weaver.

The board agreed to move forward.

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Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days registration now open

By Josh Gaydos
Success Strategies for
Colorado Nonprofits

The Community Resource Center has opened registration for the Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days (RPD) conference June 7-9 in Durango. This event is being organized by the Community Resource Center and a steering committee of more than 40 local leaders.

For over 30 years, RPD conferences have convened with the goal

of strengthening regional Colorado nonprofits and the communities they serve. Registration will remain open while tickets last or through May 24. Tickets are expected to sell out quickly.

The Southwest RPD conference is an opportunity for nonprofit professionals, grantmakers, community leaders, distinguished speakers and elected officials to exchange knowledge and establish meaningful relationships across their professional networks in

the region. This rotating opportunity occurs every four years in the southwest region, composed of Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and San Juan counties; and the Ute Mountain Ute and Southern Ute tribe.

RPD is a part of the Rural Action Network, a statewide program of the Community Resource Center that builds nonprofit capacity, and fosters relationships and regional collaboration, leading to increased grant dollars awarded to rural com-

munities.

The conference will kick off at Fort Lewis College on June 7 before moving to the La Plata County Fairgrounds on June 8. The third day will take grantmakers on a facilitated community tour of Silverton and local nonprofit staff have the option of registering for a Wellbeing in the Workplace retreat held at Animas High School.

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Commissioners hear property purchase proposal

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners discussed a proposal for the purchase of county-owned parcels from Julian Caler at its April 11 work session. Caler explained that his proposal is an effort to provide rental housing for residents of the area and generate additional tax revenue for the county by purchasing 18 properties held by the county through tax liens and building long-rentals and houses for sale on them.

He added that one of the properties is already in the county's treasurer's deed process and will be purchased.

He highlighted the need for infrastructure in the Chris Mountain Village II region where the properties are located and stated that, in the first phase of his proposal, he would build houses for sale on two properties and create long-term rentals on two others, with the sales helping fund infrastructure development.

Phase two would include two houses for sale and one house for a lease-to-own option, Caler stated.

Phase three would include building two more lease-to-own properties, one for the personal use of one of the partners on the project and two for long-term rental, he explained.

Phase four would include one home for sale, two lease-to-own houses and two for long-term rental, Caler stated.

He stated that he is willing to negotiate on this proposal but that he believed this would be a base that would help the community the most, with the addition of the lease-to-own option.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked Caler how willing he would be to extend the proposed five-year deed restrictions on the rental properties to a longer term to ensure they remain available to the workforce.

Caler stated that he and his partners were not planning to sell these properties and that he would be open to an eight- to 10-year deed restriction.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez stated he would like permanent restrictions not allowing short-term rentals on the properties.

Caler stated this would be feasible, adding that he is looking at building workforce housing with three-bedroom, two-bathroom

residences.

The group then discussed the overlap between Caler's proposal and the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation's (PSCDC's) effort to secure a grant to build additional workforce housing, with County Attorney Todd Weaver highlighting the possibility that Caler and PSCDC could cooperate on the project.

They also discussed the creation of infrastructure for the lots, with Caler highlighting that the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) would require the extension of water lines to a substantial section of the lots at once, which would cause a large upfront cost.

In response to a question from Brown, Weaver clarified that the BoCC can entertain proposals for purchase and decide to transfer properties under terms it sets if the properties have not entered the treasurer's deed process, although afterward the properties can only be sold at a public auction or deeded to a nonprofit.

Maez commented that he would be "fine" with moving forward with transferring the 13 properties that are not in conflict with the PSCDC plan.

Development Director Pamela Flowers asked if the BoCC had discussed deed restricting the properties to a specific area median income (AMI) threshold.

Caler stated that this would be difficult for these properties as he would not receive government subsidies on them and that what is an appropriate rental rate for workforce housing depends on who is living in the house.

Brown stated the AMI thresholds need to be part of the negotiations to ensure the properties are rented at appropriate rates.

Caler pointed out that the houses need to be profitable.

Commissioner Veronica Medina commented that it is difficult to build houses at workforce AMI levels and that she felt that the AMI restriction should not be added.

Weaver commented that the issue needs to be discussed further with the PSCDC to determine what its needs are in terms of AMI restrictions.

The board agreed that it would be willing to move forward with the properties that do not conflict with the PSCDC project, and to have Caler and the county discuss the conflicting properties further.

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Town council, town planning commission discuss Land Use and Development Code revisions

By Monica Nigon
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Planning Commission and Pagosa Springs Town Council held a joint work session on April 27 to discuss potential updates to the Land Use and Development Code (LUDC).

Areas of updates include residential uses and standards, potential sign code revisions, subdivision and process, overlays on Put Hill and the East End, and public engagement.

Senior Planner Karl Onsager began the meeting by outlining the need for direction and discussion with town council before the adoption process begins in August for the planning commission and September/October for town council.

"No decisions will be made tonight, but it's a valuable opportunity to receive direction," Onsager said.

Onsager continued by addressing the need for "missing middle" housing types, which include multiplex buildings, townhomes, cottage courts and tiny homes as accessory dwelling units (ADUs).

Onsager noted that the planning commission and town council have two options on how they'd like to proceed: They can keep the current types of housing with some clarification on the codes or they can increase available housing types and clarify what those exactly would look like.

Multiplexes would be four to 12 units built in the style of a large single-family home, according to Onsager.

A cottage court, he noted, is a detached family dwelling but clustered in a way that allows for a higher density than a single-family home on a single lot.

An expansion of tiny home regulations would allow residents to keep a tiny home on wheels on their respective properties, according to Onsager.

Council member Mat deGraaf said, "When I think of a tiny home on wheels it's kind of a funny spot, but it hits a price point for a lot of people ... I'm in favor of all of these."

"I just want to say I'm with my colleagues," council member Gary Williams said. "I'm for widening the range of housing we allow."

Onsager added that the town expects the state to reclassify tiny homes as a "manufactured product" similar to a mobile home by the end of the year. They would thus function under the same regulations.

Tiny homes currently function under RV code versus the building code, he noted.

He added that they expect tiny homes to function as an ADU, so there would still need to be a primary housing unit on the property.

Onsager stated the planning commission hopes to add a new provision of sustainability standards that would apply to new construction with the intent to "accelerate the installation and implementation of sustainability techniques, lower carbon footprints, lower energy costs, and add energy resiliency throughout the community," according to a slide in the presentation.

These sustainability standards will function on a point system that new construction will have to meet, Onsager explained.

He stated the current require-

ment "is a low bar, which I feel is appropriate given this is a new section. We want to see how it works out."

Onsager went on to explain how these regulations will apply to existing structures, which he noted will have lower requirements than new construction.

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"As we started to look at this, especially with the low bar to meet these requirements, we discussed that the town is effectively built out," he said. "We have some opportunities for new construction, but when you're dealing with a community that is now starting to focus on infill and adaptive reuse of our existing structures, there's a bigger opportunity to get some of this sustainability if we apply that to existing infrastructure."

He added that some things existing structures can do to raise their sustainability points is to add native plants with low water usage, add additional bike parking infrastructure or add some showers to encourage people to bike to work.

Williams said, "On the statement that the town is relatively built out, I was wondering if, clearly these things would apply to the Pagosa Views project, which would roughly double the number of housing units in town."

Onsager responded, "To clarify, there are opportunities for a few larger-scale developments, but some of those properties and opportunities are counted on one, maybe two hands. They might be large at scale yet the number of those as they come forward might be minimal."

Onsager explained that, at this point, meeting the minimal points for sustainability would be required to move forward in new construction under this update to the LUDC.

The planning commission also addressed updates to the town's sign code.

They hope to update the section of the town code to "have a sign code that is constitutionally sound while limiting visual clutter and is easy to understand and administer," Onsager said.

The proposed amendments are a content-neutral sign code to comply with current constitutional law. Their potential options would be to modify size, height and location or overhaul the sign code entirely to bring it into constitutional compliance.

Onsager explained that the Texas Supreme Court recently issued a ruling that allows the government to regulate the location, height, size, time, type, structure

and on-premise/off-premise signs. They would look to regulate the size and height of signs in the downtown area and East Village because, according to Onsager, the size and height of signs can be a powerful signal in a pedestrian environment.

"The larger the sign, the higher the sign, those are meant for fast-moving traffic," Onsager said, adding, "That signage can help signal that you're actually entering a more pedestrian environment."

He added that smaller signs would be more appropriate for downtown, whereas larger signs would be acceptable in the uptown area.

Planning commissioner Mark Weiler expressed concern that changing the regulations may make current signage noncompliant.

"And therefore you must change it at your expense to meet the rules that we have put in place. Is that the intention of the land use development code?" Weiler said. "Are we going to use that as a tool to arbitrarily require people to change their signage that they've invested in already?"

Town Planning Manager Cindy Schultz explained that companies would be allowed to continue a noncompliant use of the sign unless the company "triggers" a necessary change via building new infrastructure.

"So, you would be allowed to continue that nonconforming sign until it's triggered by some act of your own," Schultz said.

Onsager added ownership change would not require an update in compliance with the new code, but an investment of \$50,000 or more would trigger the business to update the sign.

In regard to subdivision and process, the intent of updating that section is to "provide opportunities to subdivide land to create ownership opportunities while ensuring public improvements are made at the cost of development," according to a slide in the presentation.

Onsager said the proposed amendments would be "modification and clarifications to what constitutes a major subdivision requiring a public hearing process."

According to Onsager, the options are to stick with the status quo or to modify the code to allow more subdivisions to be approved administratively.

They requested direction is to "increase the number of lots to qualify as a major subdivision, exempt townhomes from major subdivision and limit or clarify process requiring a public hearing versus public meeting versus administrative approval," Onsager said.

The commission and council discussed how they could keep the process open without having as many public hearings that would add administrative and time costs.

"I think that, as a town council member, I'm in favor of trying to simplify and streamline if we can," Williams said.

Council members agreed that they'd like to give the planning commission more latitude when it comes to making revisions on subdivisions and the process thereof.

The work session then pivoted toward the East End and Put Hill overlays.

The intent of that code revision would be to "create overlay dis-

tricts for the East End and Put Hill that respond to specific contexts in those areas for current and future developments," according to a slide in the commission's presentation.

Onsager explained that an overlay is written over base zoning that adds additional provisions or standards to that specific area.

"Examples would be the business and lodging district downtown, which would be an overlay district where they are subject to all the commercial standards plus additional ones for some heightened architecture and design criteria," he said, adding, "That overlay allows you to make some very specific provisions."

The Put Hill Overlay would consider tree preservation measures, establishment and preservation of view corridors from public areas, building setbacks and enhanced buffering from U.S. 160, and would require a secondary road network, according to a slide in the presentation from the commission.

Onsager added they're considering a provision for no clear-cutting as well as a tree removal permit. The boundary is listed as west of the middle school to Rob Snow Road.

They then moved to discuss the East End Overlay, which is "identified as a potential overlay to ensure development is compatible with the Multi-Modal Plan," according to the presentation.

The planning commission proposed the creation of the East End Overlay District, which would include appropriate setbacks and build-to zones, screening to the river and design that does not undermine the Multi-Modal Plan.

It requested direction on whether or not to initiate overlay studies and the council's level of involvement.

Onsager described the Multi-Modal Plan as currently a "mixed-use commercial 20-foot setback from secondary roads, but no restriction on parking location and limited provisions for views and buildings facing the river trail."

The plan would make the road one way with on-street public parking with additional landscape and pedestrian amenities, Onsager stated.

"The reason to add an overlay would allow businesses to develop in a way that supports the Multi-Modal Plan," Onsager said. "They could also develop and continue in a way that undermines that plan and its ultimate goal."

Onsager added that some of the views from the river trail could be improved with code provisions or working with current businesses to help improve those views with additional landscaping or screening. They'll also move the parking from right in front of the buildings on the East End and transfer them to on-street options.

Weiler expressed concern that taking away parking right in front of the businesses is "uncompensated taking of value from a property owner."

"If we enact rules and regulations that no longer allow them to use the parking that they were originally granted when the property was developed, I think that'd be, in my personal opinion, that'd be problematic," Weiler said.

"We're not proposing to take away the parking," Onsager re-

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Philanthropy

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regional town hall, a keynote plenary panel on decolonizing philanthropy and networking receptions.

During the Southwest Nonprofit Community Fair on June 7, regional nonprofits and local governments will have the opportunity to host a table where their peers, statewide leaders and funders can approach them to connect and learn more about their work. Through this session, funders and nonprofit organizations have the opportunity to develop a mutual understanding of one another in a relaxed environment.

Skill-building training and dialogues will be held for nonprofit staff focused on topics such as fundraising, board performance, community engagement, language justice, social media marketing and much more.

RPD brings together community organizations and foundations to amplify their missions, sustain meaningful collaborations and surpass fundraising goals. The Community Resource Center anticipates more than 70 funders and grantmakers to attend the June conference. In addition to connecting rural nonprofits to these resources, the conference offers professional development, educational opportunities and relevant panel discussions pertaining to the promises and obstacles of operating a nonprofit in the southwest region.

Community Resource Center President and CEO Maria Fabula shared, "Rural Philanthropy Days conferences are our flagship events in rural Colorado. By creating this conference in partnership with community leaders, we are able to initiate a dialogue and address key topics shaped by their firsthand experience. Through this event, nonprofit professionals are able to meet directly with statewide funders, participate in professional development and network with other community leaders across the region, whether to build a foundation or amplify their current work."

"This conference is so important because of its lasting impact," said event co-chair Tiffany Brodersen. "Participants learn new skills, and network with other nonprofit leaders, governmental staff, business leaders and potential funders from all over the state. You can draw a direct line from the impact of this conference to increased support for nonprofits and individuals living in southwest Colorado."

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County approves letter of support for medical center grant

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved a letter of support for a Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant that the Upper San Juan Health Service District (US-JHSD), which operates as Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC), is pursuing for the renovation of the vacant Pruitt building, among other matters, at its April 18 meeting.

Earlier in the day, at the BoCC work session, PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb spoke to the board about the DOLA grant and the potential benefits of the renovation for the medical center.

Webb explained that a year to a year and a half ago, the USJHSD purchased the Pruitt building, which is adjacent to the current hospital "to complete our campus."

She added PSMC always runs a tight margin, with PSMC last year having a negative margin and this year having a narrowly positive one.

Webb stated that the district is working on expanding its grant writing to raise revenues.

She noted that one way PSMC

intends to do this is by expanding its orthopedic services and making the Pruitt building a "wellness building" focusing on sports wellness, physical therapy, diabetic education and nutritional counseling.

Webb highlighted that there are elements of PSMC that lose money, such as its ambulance services, and that there need to be other sections of it that make money.

She added that the letter of support before the BoCC is for a \$1 million grant from DOLA which would be used to assist in renovating the Pruitt building.

"So, we're looking at not really duplicating other people's work, but bringing the whole wellness thought process to this community more," Webb said.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked what the timeframe for the project would be if PSMC receives the grant.

Webb replied that the remodeling process would likely be completed by the end of 2024 or beginning of 2025 if the grant is received.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez asked Webb what the purchase price on the Pruitt building was, which she indicated was approximately \$2.3 million.

Webb added that having the building on the PSMC campus is "important," noting that PSMC is "out of space."

Maez commented that, with the grant funding, the district may end up with a \$9 million to \$10 million building for less.

Brown asked if the new services have any anticipated revenues that might address areas of loss in the hospital.

Webb noted that expanding orthopedic, physical therapy and wellness education services are the primary goals for the new building.

At the meeting that afternoon, the BoCC unanimously approved the letter of support.

Other approvals

Additionally, at the meeting the BoCC approved the 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan and the installation of a Wi-Fi unit on the county administration building at 398 Lewis St.

The Hazard Mitigation Plan was presented to the BoCC by Emergency Operations Manager Ryan Foster, who explained that the plan is renewed on a five-year cycle and that the plan has remained largely the same, with increases in the size

of the pandemic and cybersecurity sections.

He added that drought mitigation, flood mitigation and floodplain management components are included in the plan.

Brown commended Foster's work and the importance of the community input he gathered for creating an effective plan.

The board and Foster also briefly discussed the impact of fiber cuts, such as the one that occurred the previous week, on responses to wildfires and other emergencies.

Foster noted that emergency operations would continue relatively unimpeded, although options for improving resilience to such cuts are being considered and implemented.

The proposal for the installation of a Wi-Fi device on the county administration building was presented by Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Mary Jo Coulehan, who explained that the equipment would improve Internet access for a number of events occurring in the Lewis Street area where there is currently insufficient Internet access for vendors and registration.

Brown asked if the device could be mounted on the exterior of the building instead of the roof and what size the device is.

Echo IT Consulting Vice President of Operations Zachary Fredrick, whose company Coulehan indicated would be the vendor for the device if approved, indicated that the device could be attached to the exterior and would be approximately 18 inches by 6 inches in size.

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and incorporate it."

Weiler noted that he wonders if the LUDC rewrite project is overreaching.

"We're trying to create an overlay and LUDC update simultaneously, and this particular project is a victim of project creep, where we're just going to add more stuff to it, make it more complicated in order to get in agreement with the land use development code," he said. "And though I've not been part of every discussion, my memory is the LUDC was the original project and that we have tried to add the overlay district and it appears to me that this too far of a reach from what the original LUDC rewrite was."

Lindner said, "It was always part of the project, and the comp plan provides the guidance for the vision and codified to ensure we achieve that vision."

Weiler recommended the overlay district plan be put on hold until they can get an updated LUDC.

Lindner noted that it would be most "efficient" to implement overlay districts and the LUDC.

"You asked for our opinions," Lindner finished. "That is mine."

Williams added that in his experience, towns he's worked in before didn't have plans in place to adapt to an expanding population, and it's important to be adaptable in implementing the overlay districts and changes in LUDC.

"So while the east modal plan wasn't considered at the very beginning of this, we're adaptive enough to include it in this process ... so we need to trust our staff to do a good job here and include that and help us move forward so it's not uncontrolled development down there in a way that would be distasteful," he said.

Lastly, the council and commission members proposed administrative initiatives to "enhance the quality of applications and customer service."

They proposed an improved application form and an applicant narrative checklist addressing

various LUDC requirements in the hopes it would make a more user-friendly process and better applicant experience. They indicated they hope to make more clear deadlines as well.

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Code

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sponded. "We're proposing to improve the parking ... This would create better parking, safer pedestrian environments and a better traffic flow on the frontage roads and on the highway."

Weiler also expressed concerns that the plan shows trees planted right in front of property owners' buildings.

"How can we plant trees and have parking at the same time?" Weiler said.

"If you're familiar with the East End multi-modal plan, it is reducing the two-way frontage roads to one-way, and we do have to reach each individual property owner; there's no taking in any of this at all," Onsager said. "There's no code provision that says we're going to take your property."

Council member Brooks Lindner added that everything he's seen in the plan will add value to those businesses, including parking.

"I think the process we've gone through to get to this plan has been a very good public-involvement process," Williams said. "And I understand the private property rights, but as my colleague Brooks pointed out, this is going to benefit local businesses if done well and done right. So, I support the idea of an overlay and support the idea of our planning commission and our staff working together to make this a positive approach."

The commission's presentation addressed public engagement to "allow adequate public input on the form and function of the LUDC as the draft approaches adoption," according to a slide in the presentation.

The commission proposed employing strategies like focus groups, surveys and invitations for staff office hours.

"These would be focused on proposed sign code, residential standards for where different products might fit, and then the sustainability section and new overlays, Onsager said, "especially sustainability for existing development."

Weiler again expressed concern about property rights.

"It is my opinion that it is great to plan when you have unlimited financial resources, but in my personal opinion, in my experience, the businesses in Pagosa here are quite fragile," he said, "and for us lading on additional expenses, I think is the wrong direction, and I haven't heard very much talk at any of our meetings about the financial consequences of what our LUDC does to our community."

Council members proposed potentially addressing the sign code and sustainability codes at a later time, but that having the overlay districts get off the ground is very important.

deGraaf added, "I think these overlays and the code we're proposing for the next 25-50 years, versus trying to look back, and maybe if there is some substantial feedback from businesses as Mark points out, let's take it into consideration

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Charter school board of directors accepts resignations of board president, treasurer

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

At its meeting on April 18, the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) Board of Directors accepted letters of resignation from two of its board members, including president Ursala Hudson.

Hudson submitted her letter of resignation on April 17, and board treasurer Julie Simmons' letter is dated March 14.

In her letter, Hudson notes that she is leaving her position on the board due to professional projects limiting the time she has to serve as the board president.

Hudson was part of starting the school.

"I began serving as the Pagosa Charter School Initiative's school board president at our first meeting at Pagosa Baking Company on December 22, 2014. At that time, I was naive enough to take on the position, anticipating that someone more 'qualified' would replace me in the coming months," Hudson's resignation letter states.

She adds later, "What started out as a dream of a small family-run homeschool co-op had morphed

into the great formation of Pagosa Peak Open School's project-based learning community."

Hudson notes that when the school's charter was approved in January 2017, she became president of the school's board of directors.

"Now, almost nine years after the very first thoughts of this school were conceived, my life has accrued many other professional projects that are snuffing out the number of hours I'm available to help with leadership at PPOS," she wrote. "I am no longer able to give the time and attention necessary of a school board president, and therefore, I'm stepping down as School Board President. Now that PPOS's board has transitioned from a founding team to an operational one and the school is staffed with passionate and dedicated administrators and teachers, I am confident that my resignation will be a subtle shift for our school community."

According to her letter, Hudson's resignation will be effective at the closing of the board's May 17 regular meeting, but that she will be available to advise and consult.

At the board's April 18 meeting, the board agreed that board director Lawrence Rugar will serve as interim president.

"I'm humbled by our community's support and the trust in my leadership, and I feel blessed to have served with such dedicated and intelligent individuals over the years," Hudson wrote. "My participation in the creation of PPOS has been the source of some of my greatest pride and joy. I look forward to seeing how our school continues to grow and transform beneath the honorable mission of inspiring generations of life-long learners."

In her letter, Simmons indicates she is moving out of the community.

"It is with a heavy heart that I submit my resignation from the position of Treasurer and board member effective June 30, 2023," Simmons' letter states. "Unfortunately, I will be moving out of the area later this summer and will no longer be able to fulfill my duties as a member of the board."

Simmons' letter also expresses gratitude for the opportunity to serve on the board, as well as the

support and encouragement that she received.

"I have been privileged to work alongside such a dedicated and talented group of individuals, and it has been an honor to be a part of the important work that we do at Pagosa Peak Open School," the letter states.

She adds, "During my time as Treasurer, I have learned a great deal about the operations of the school and have gained valuable experience in financial management and reporting. I am proud of the contributions that I have made to the board, and I am confident that the financial systems and practices that I helped to implement will continue to serve the school well into the future."

The letter also indicates she will help ensure a smooth transition.

"Thank you again for the opportunity to serve as a member of the board. I will always look back on my time with Pagosa Peak Open School with fondness and gratitude," the letter states in closing.

The board members thanked Hudson and Simmons for their work on the board.

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Tuesday, May 9

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=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxtZz09>, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter>.

Pagosa Fire Protection District Firemen's Pension Fund Board of Trustees regular meeting. 5:30 p.m., administration office, 165 N. Pagosa Blvd.

Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors regular meeting. Directly following the 5:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Firemen's Pension Fund Board of Trustees meeting, administration 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 Board of Education meeting. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St. Zoom information: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89392173022>.

Wednesday, May 10

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation annual meeting. 5:30-7:30 p.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Join Zoom

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Lady Pirates defeat Bobcats, tie with Panthers

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate soccer team won one match against the Ignacio Bobcats and tied another match against the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers this week.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason explained that, for both games, he changed the team's formation from an arrangement with four defenders, four midfielders and two forwards to an arrangement with four defenders, three midfielders and three forwards with the three forward players in a triangular formation, allowing them to pass the ball around more effectively and keep it away from the opposing team.

"That was, I think, the cure," Kurt-Mason commented.

The Pirates defeated the Bobcats 8-2 on April 28 in Ignacio.

The coach explained that Pagosa had three touches within the first minute of the Ignacio game, leading up to a goal by Elizabeth Currier assisted by Nika Hinger.

Ignacio went on the attack in the fourth minute, the coach explained.

"We were in the box and our goalie came out," he stated, "and one of our central defenders was in front of our goalie, and the ball was in the air and our central defender tried to head it away not knowing that our goalie was behind her and it hit the back of her head when she headed it and it went over the top of goalie, so it was an own goal off our defender. So, we scored on us. ... It was miscommunication, is all."

Twenty-two minutes into the game, Ignacio scored again, Kurt-Mason explained, bringing the score to 2-1 in favor of the Bobcats.

Kurt-Mason stated that Currier then scored again, heading in the ball after the Ignacio goalkeeper hit a shot from her back into play.

Currier scored again in the 33rd minute off an assist from Lauren Monterroso in what Kurt-Mason described as a ground shot that went to the far post away from the keeper.

He added it was a "beautiful" series of passes leading up to the goal.

Ava Pargin scored first in the second half off a direct kick from 30 yards out, Kurt-Mason explained, noting Pargin's increasing accuracy with kicks.

At minute 55, Monterroso assisted Currier in scoring off another 20-yard shot, Kurt-Mason stated.

At minute 58, Monterroso scored with an assist from Pargin with a 30-yard shot, the coach stated.

Currier scored again in the 69th minute off an assist from Pargin according to the coach.

"Ava passed it to Liz again, and Liz made a few moves around two defenders and then went one on one with the keeper and scored," Kurt-Mason elaborated.

Currier scored again in minute 78, evading two Bobcat midfielders and taking a 20-yard shot to score, Kurt-Mason stated.

"It was awesome because ... they were having fun out there and it was a big keep-away game and we were finishing our shots and following our shots," Kurt-Mason said. "And we had 16 shots and Ignacio had three."

He noted that Monterroso, Currier and Pargin connected passes "all day long" and created scoring chances.

The coach added that all three could have been player of the game, although he chose Monterroso due to her helping "rally the troops" during the week and playing a prominent role in team communication during the game.

Pagosa Springs tied with Cortez in a 2-2 double-overtime home game the next day, which followed two prior losses to Cortez in games earlier in the season.

"I thought we came out better in the second half," Kurt-Mason commented. "We started off kind of flat."

He noted that the team may have been tired from the previous day's game and highlighted that Currier, Monterroso, Pargin, Addy Johnson, Hailey Sams and Morgan Galloway played particularly well.

The Panthers scored the first goal 30 minutes into the game,



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

Lady Pirate Ava Pargin heads the ball during the Pagosa Springs' match with the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers on April 29 in Pagosa. The Pirates tied the game 2-2 in a match that extended through double overtime.

leaving the score 1-0 at halftime.

Currier evened the score 45 minutes into the game off a direct kick from 30 yards out, Kurt-Mason explained.

Cortez scored again in the 64th minute with a play that involved shielding the ball from the view of the Pirates' goalkeeper, Kurt-Mason stated.

"That was a great shot. From the right wing, she was out there and Liz dropped it to her and she just one-touched it and hit in the upper right corner of the goal. That's a celebration right there."

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason

"It was a pretty good shot that was on the ground. It went right by her. ... That was a good play by Cortez," he said.

Monterroso scored the Pirate's final goal at the 73rd minute, according to Kurt-Mason.

"That was a great shot," he commented. "From the right wing, she was out there and Liz dropped it to her and she just one-touched it and hit in the upper right corner of the goal. That's a celebration right there."

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The game ended regulation tied 2-2 and went through two scoreless overtime periods before ending in a tie.

"It was great to finish strong," Kurt-Mason said. "I thought we were knocking on the door. In the last five minutes I thought we could have had another goal, but ... a tie is OK, I find. So, that's a big improvement."

Kurt-Mason explained that the player of the game was Katelyn Fricke, who returned to the team following a trip and played in a position that she had never played before to substitute for another player who had been injured.

"Katelyn stepped in and did all the right things. She never stopped. She got beat, she'd get up and go. Had great sportsmanship," he said.

Kurt-Mason highlighted that the high level of sportsmanship extended to the whole team, which the referees had once again complimented the team on.

Kurt-Mason commented on the fans of the Pirates, "It's wonderful to have people supporting posi-

tively. ... If our parents are clapping when a good play is happening even from the other team, that's awesome. You can pretty much expect that's going to happen. And, it just makes the game much better when there's a positive feeling from the crowd."

The Pirates will play their last game of the season at home at 6 p.m. on May 5, when they will face the Crested Butte Titans in a non-league match.

The Pirates currently have a 3-9-1 record overall with a final 0-5-1 record in the Intermountain League, putting them in fourth place for the league.

The Titans hold a 7-6 record so far this season.

Kurt-Mason noted that Crested Butte is "always a good team" and that it will likely be a "tough match" although he noted he feels that, with the way Pagosa is currently playing, it would likely be a "toss up."

"We just go in with a positive attitude and play hard," he added. josh@pagosasun.com

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Lady Pirate Riley Carr runs ahead of the competition during the 4x100 meter relay at the April 28 Intermountain League meet in Cortez. In addition to being part of two first-place relay teams at the event, Carr also set a new school record in the 200-meter dash.

Pirates earn all-conference honors, Carr breaks school record in Cortez

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirates nabbed several all-conference spots at last Saturday's Intermountain League track and field meet/Panther Invitational.

The meet also featured Rylie Carr breaking another school record — her second of the season.

But, unfortunately for the Pirate teams, the wind once again complicated finishes, making some finishes not count toward qualifying for the state meet.

"It was another windy day in Cortez for the Intermountain League meet. It seems like wind is just the story of our season," coach Connie O'Donnell wrote in an email to The SUN. "We have two more meets left to qualify for the state meet and we have our fingers crossed for good weather and minimal wind."

The Lady Pirates came in second to Alamosa at the meet.

O'Donnell explains, "Alamosa has 3 girls who have some of the fastest times in the state in their events. We were able to compete with them and that says a lot about the depth of our team. We placed 4 girls to Alamosa's 3 in the 100, but

we only placed one girl in the 200."

Rylie Carr placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.47 seconds. Annabelle Parker followed in third with a time of 12.97 seconds. Aspen Pitcher finished sixth with a time of 13.49 seconds. Reece Peterson finished 10th with a time of 14.11 seconds. Alexis Campbell took 12th with a time of 14.17 seconds.

Carr won the 200-meter dash, breaking a school record and earning all-conference honors in the process.

Carr's time of 26.45 seconds broke a 2019 record set by Mackenzie Wedemeyer and was Carr's season best, according to the coach.

Abigail Packer finished ninth in the 200 with a time of 29.65 seconds.

In the 400-meter dash, Sienna Rose finished second with a time of 1:06.42. Evelyn Rose finished eighth with a time of 1:14.20. Emma Gantt finished 10th with a time of 1:14.89. Hadley Phillips took 13th in 1:15.99.

Annie O'Donnell took third in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:37.20.

"Annie ran a season best in the 800 during a mean wind storm," the coach wrote. "She still has so much potential to do well in the 800. It is

just a tricky race to figure out. It's not quite a sprint, but if you don't try to sprint the whole time you won't win."

Honesty Sweet finished the 800 in 3:09.53 to take 15th, with Lucy Taylor following in 16th with a time of 3:14.48. Grace Grimes finished 21st in 3:34.40 and Aspen Salazar finished 22nd in 3:46.10.

Sweet finished sixth in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 6:58.38. Marie Smith finished 10th in 7:55.54.

Smith finished fourth in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 16:25.72.

In the 100-meter hurdles, Chantelle Caldwell took third place with a time of 17.06 seconds. Kylie Ketchum finished fifth in 17.70 seconds. Elissa Mars finished seventh in 18.04 seconds.

"All of our 100 meter hurdlers placed, but didn't better their times. It was really windy and I think that wind interrupts a hurdlers rhythm more than it helps them," Connie O'Donnell wrote.

Mars took fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 54.13 seconds.

The Lady Pirate team of Caldwell, Carr, Annabelle Parker and Sienna Rose took first in both

the 4x100-meter relay and the 4x200-meter relay, earning all-conference designation in both. The team finished the 4x100 in 52.36 seconds and the 4x200 in 1:55.00.

"Their times were not great, but they were way out in front without a whole lot of competition," the coach points out.

The 800-meter sprint medley team of Parker, Pitcher, Campbell and Peterson finished second in 1:55.00.

The 4x400-meter relay team of Gantt, Annie O'Donnell, Peterson and Sienna Rose finished third in 4:39.72.

In the 4x800-meter relay, the team of Salazar, Grimes, Taylor and Evelyn Rose finished fifth with a time of 14:03.23.

Caldwell took first in the high jump with a height of 4 feet, 8 inches. Elio Groves followed in second, also with a height of 4-08.00. Annie O'Donnell finished fourth with a height of 4-06.00.

"Chantelle Caldwell seemed like she was competing in four events all at once," the coach wrote. "They didn't wait long to start running events and she competes in high jump and some of the earlier running events. I feel like she is run-

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Pirate Andrew Bowles passes a pair of competitors during the 3,200-meter run at the April 28 Intermountain League meet in Cortez. Bowles finished first in the event.

Track

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ning between events back and forth for a couple of hours. She does a great job of managing it because it can be stressful to be thinking about so many things at once."

In the long jump, Groves took third with a distance of 14-09.00. Jordan Lindstrom followed in fourth with a jump of 14-03.20. Ketchum finished eighth with a jump of 13-10.00.

Groves placed first in the triple jump and earned all-conference honors with a distance of 30-01.50. Lindstrom finished sixth with a distance of 29 feet.

Abigail Nehring finished fifth in the discus with a distance of 86-10.00 and fifth in the shot put with a distance of 27-11.50.

The Pirate boys' squad finished fifth, with the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers taking the league title.

In the 100, Colton Lucero took fourth with a time of 11.45 seconds. Kameron Winkler finished 12th with a time of 11.88 seconds. Gavin Carter took 17th with a time of 12.11 seconds. Nathaniel Kinsley finished 21st in 12.22 seconds.

Connie O'Donnell highlights Lucero's and Carter's improvement over the course of the season.

"I'm really excited about this freshman class of boys this year. They may not be winning every single race, but their improvement has been phenomenal," she wrote.

She notes Lucero improved his time in the 100 from 11.52 seconds to 11.45 seconds in one week.

"In his first race in March, he ran a 12.74," she wrote. "That is a ton of time to take off in a season and we aren't even finished yet. He placed 4th at the meet and would be ranked 22nd in 3A if we didn't have the wind readings that we did again. Colton is ranked 7th in the 100 out of all of the freshmen in Colorado in all classifications. That is just really exciting to think about."

Carter, she notes, is also coming along, improving his time in the 100 from 12.74 seconds at the beginning of the season to his current fastest time of 12.04 seconds.

"Gavin's form has really improved and he is starting to look like a sprinter," she wrote. "It's hard to be a freshman boy in track and field. You constantly have to race juniors and seniors. I know all of their hard work will pay off by the time their senior year comes around."

Kinsley took ninth in the 200

with a time of 24.71 seconds.

"Nate Kinsley dropped a whole second in the 200 since the beginning of April and half a second in the 100," the coach wrote. "He is another one who is starting to look more and more like a sprinter. He has really smoothed up his race and is using better form."

Carter finished 11th in the 200 in 25.09 seconds. Gavin Lindahl finished 14th in 25.30 seconds. Jacob Miller took 21st with a time of 25.76 seconds.

In the 400, Jesse Beck finished 12th in 59.59 seconds. Carter followed in 13th with a time of 59.68 seconds. Miller finished 15th with a time of 1:00.41. Miles Baker took 21st with a time of 1:01.38.

Andrew Bowles finished seventh in the 800, logging a time of 2:22.60. Kyle Marotta finished 25th with a time of 2:38.40. Elijah Nehring finished 35th in 3:01.34.

Beck finished fourth in the 1,600, logging a time of 5:13.77.

"Jesse Beck competed well in the 1600 and then wanted to run a 400," the coach highlights. "He did really well and the sprinting will really pay off in his training for distance."

Tucker Haines took 16th in the event with a time of 6:00.71 and was followed by Connor Thomas in 17th with a time of 6:12.64. Elijah Nehring finished 21st with a time of 6:37.76.

Bowles placed first and earned all-conference honors in the 3,200, running the event in 11:39.83.

"It was his best time of the season," Connie O'Donnell points out.

The 4x100 relay team of Harley Armijo, Lucero, Winkler and Lindahl finished fourth with a time of 46.54 seconds.

The 4x200 team of Armijo, Lucero, Winkler and Johnathan Nasralla finished third with a time of 1:37.88.

The 4x800 team of Marotta, Levi Hinger, Thomas and Elijah Nehring finished third with a time of 10:50.74.

"Our relays didn't drop time which is a little concerning since it seems like so many athletes are

dropping time," the coach wrote. "We did have 3 meets in 7 days and that can really wear athletes out."

Creede Dozier finished eighth in the high jump with a height of 5-06.00. Nasralla took ninth with a height of 5-04.00. Jeremiah Jones finished 11th, also with a height of 5-04.00.

Dozier took ninth in the long jump with a distance of 18-00.70. Jones finished 19th with a distance of 16-01.20. Miller finished 21st with a jump of 15-07.00. Baker finished 25th with a jump of 15-01.20. Lucero took 29th with a distance of 14-03.70.

Miller took seventh and Dozier took eighth in the triple jump with distances of 36-00.20. Baker finished 11th with a distance of 34-11.00.

Aidan Vega finished 21st in the discus with a throw of 53-06.00.

Armijo finished 18th in the shot put with a distance of 31-05.50 and was followed by Lindahl in 19th with a throw of 31-02.50.

On Saturday, the Pirates will host the Terry Alley Invitational at Golden Peaks Stadium, with field events beginning at 9 a.m. and running events beginning at 11 a.m.

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BASEBALL

Pirates to welcome No. 3 Wolverines for Saturday doubleheader

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate baseball team will be back on the diamond this weekend as they host the Bayfield Wolverines for a Saturday doubleheader.

The games will wrap up Pagosa's regular-season league play.

The Wolverines currently sit atop the Intermountain League (IML) with a 4-0 league record and 13-3 overall record.

As of Wednesday, the Wolverines were the No. 3 team in the 3A Ratings Percentage Index (RPI) standings.

The Pirates are fourth in the IML with a 2-4 league mark and 8-11 overall record.

They are No. 28 in the RPI standings.

The No. 6 Montezuma Cortez Panthers are second in the IML with a 4-0 league record and 15-3 overall record.

The No. 12 Alamosa Mean Moose are 4-4 in the league and 11-7 overall.

The Centauri Falcons trail the Pirates in the IML with an 0-6 league record and 8-11 overall mark.

On Tuesday, the Pirates will travel to Del Norte for their penultimate game of the regular season to take on the 2A Tigers.

The Tigers are 10-3 on the season and sit as the No. 11 team in the 2A RPI standings.

Coach Nathan Morales suggested the week of practice without games went well.

"I think if we play good baseball, we can compete with anyone," he said.

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Town council hears update on workforce housing projects

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

On April 20, Community Development Director James Dickhoff updated the Pagosa Springs Town Council on the status of its various workforce housing initiatives.

A major focus of the update was on the town's 3.6-acre Enclave workforce housing development near Walmart. The town has been working with Dallas-based developer Servitas on a total of 70 units at the property (58 rental apartments and 12 townhome ownership units).

Dickhoff first informed the council that the town's application for a Housing Incentives Grant from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) was not selected.

He noted that the town's application was one out of nearly 80 applications and that the total requested amount was about five times the amount available from the state grant.

Only eight applications were selected for the housing grant award, he added.

The award the town was seeking from DOLA was for \$2.9 million. The funding would have been applied to 12 townhome ownership units at the Enclave development, according to Dickhoff and agenda documentation on the topic.

As a result, Dickhoff said, Servitas is "trying to strategize on how to make those townhome units work with other financing options."

However, the town has submitted an application for an even larger grant from the Colorado Division of Housing (DOH). This \$9.5 million grant would be applied to the design and construction of the 58 rental units at the Enclave property, according to Dickhoff and agenda documentation.

An agenda brief on the matter states that these rental units would meet the needs of those earning a range of incomes from 60 percent

to 140 percent of the area median income (AMI).

While hopeful that the town will be awarded this grant, Dickhoff noted that this grant also saw about 80 applications, requesting far more than the fund has available.

The town currently is still awaiting word from DOH on whether it will be awarded the grant funding. Dickhoff explained that the town should receive an answer by the end of May.

Another grant program that was mentioned is the town's involvement in an Energize Colorado grant.

However, this is not solely a town project, Dickhoff stated.

The town is working with both a modular-home-building company called Dvele and with Southwest Housing Solutions, which owns a parcel of land on Vista Boulevard that is suitable for up to 18 modular townhome ownership units.

While this project is outside of town limits, the town is helping to facilitate the project, according to the brief.

Dickhoff noted that there are still many details to work out before any ground can be broken on the Energize Colorado project.

Dickhoff also gave an update on the Trails at Pagosa affordable housing development.

He explained the town is working with a "low-income, tax-credit developer" who plans to build 50 units that would meet the needs of those in the region earning 30 percent to 80 percent AMI.

He added that the project would be "similar to Rose Mountain," which also relied on a low-income housing tax credit, but to stay in accordance with the tax credit, the average number of units will need to be at or below 60 percent AMI, whereas Rose Mountain units are all 60 percent AMI or lower.

Dickhoff explained that the town's role in the Trails at Pagosa project is to help the grant application process move forward and to

participate in grant interviews. If all goes as planned, groundbreaking for the project would be in 2024 on land west of Walmart.

One project that he mentioned that is already "near completion" is the Pagosa Apartments at 519 Village Drive.

He explained this project involved the conversion of the former Pagosa Inn and Suites into workforce housing units.

He said that the building should be receiving its certificate of occupancy (CO) "fairly soon, within the next two or three weeks."

The town already awarded a temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO), allowing for the occupancy of the second and third floors of the building, but the first floor's electrical inspection is still awaiting completion for the final CO to be awarded, Dickhoff noted.

He added that the project was approved with a density bonus, allowing for more units to be built than otherwise would be allowed under the town's Land Use and Development Code and that 24 of these units are "deed restricted for a period of 10 years," rather than the typical seven years, so the units must remain workforce housing for a longer period of time.

Dickhoff noted that this "provides evidence" of the town "participating with private developers to get more years of deed restriction out of those units as part of that density bonus program that we have in place currently."

Another affordable housing development, called Rose Mountain Townhomes, sits across the street from Town Hall, at 400 Hot Springs Blvd. It's entering its final stages of completion, it was noted.

Dickhoff noted that all of the Rose Mountain units have been leased and are occupied by tenants, but that some site improvements, such as landscaping, a playground and additional parking, will be completed by the end of August.

The Rose Mountain Townhomes

has 34 units serving those earning 30 percent to 60 percent of AMI.

The last project Dickhoff gave an update on was a new eight-plex at 303 S. 7th St.

He said, "I saw them break ground today on that project," adding it is another density bonus project, with the town securing deed restrictions for workforce housing on four of the units.

He noted that the developer also agreed to deed restrict four additional units on a neighboring, commonly owned property, providing a total of eight deed-restricted units for seven years.

"I expect that it will take a year before it's finished and those units are occupied," he said.

Dickhoff then updated the council on several pieces of state legislation.

Proposition 123, which was approved by Colorado voters in 2022, would bring funding to support affordable housing, but the town will have to figure out how to comply with the requirement that it demonstrate a growth rate of affordable housing over a three-year commitment period ending in December 2026 if it wants to receive the funding, according to the brief.

Additionally, Senate Bill (SB) 23-213 proposes requiring local Colorado governments to adopt new land-use regulations to support housing needs, according to the brief.

Dickhoff noted that many towns are voicing opposition to the bill because of the state mandates that they amend their land use and development codes.

For example, in Pagosa Springs, the state "requiring higher densities as a use by right will result in the town losing the effectiveness to negotiate deed restrictions through a density bonus," states the agenda brief on the topic.

Dickhoff explained that town staff will keep the council abreast of this bill as the proposed legislation moves forward.

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Town enters grant contract with CDOT for funding of 1st Street pedestrian bridge

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

On April 20, the Pagosa Springs Town Council heard an update from Community Development Director James Dickhoff about the town's proposed pedestrian bridge across the San Juan River, which would link 1st Street and the Riverwalk near the River Center.

The council was considering entering into a contract with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for funding for the bridge's completion.

The town was awarded a no-match grant from the state's Multimodal Options Funding for the design and construction of the bridge for \$1,124,040 and, through the competitive request-for-qualifications process, the council approved the selection of Davis Engineering to design the bridge, according to an agenda brief on the matter.

Town staff subsequently entered into negotiations with Davis Engineering about the costs of the design services, with an estimated cost of \$96,900 for the engineering design and \$1,027,140.00 for the actual construction of the bridge, according to the brief.

Dickhoff noted that no-match

grants from the state are "very rare" and that typically for this sort of project towns are required to put down a 25 percent match.

"With all that said, if there's costs over the awarded amount, then we are obligated to cover that cost," he said.

If the town accepts the grant award, Mayor Shari Pierce noted she wondered what obligation the town would be under to complete the construction of the project. For example, if the town used the money for the design phase and then, theoretically, decided not to complete the construction due to costs exceeding available funding, would it then be obligated to pay that money back?

Dickhoff explained that his staff contacted CDOT and confirmed "that the engineering design portion of the project would be considered complete if we got through design and we would not be obligated to reimburse any fees if we did not move forward with construction."

He added that the contract would be good through 2033, "so if we got some bids that were too high in the first round, we'd have multiple years to get more favorable bids in the future for the construction of the bridge."

Pierce responded that answered

her question and that she was glad to know that the town would have multiple years to figure out the construction phase of the project.

But the timeframe brought up another question from Pierce: "If we are trying to build this at the same time that CDOT is doing that main street [resurfacing project] through town, would we be better off" waiting until that "project is done?"

Dickhoff responded that he thought "the construction could be coordinated in such a way that we don't add any impacts to the highway."

He then wanted to clarify for the council the full scope of the project, which includes trail connections to the new pedestrian bridge from the Riverwalk behind the River Center and from the 1st Street sidewalk crosswalk ramp being installed this month.

He emphasized that the bridge would also be designed with future trail connections in mind, which would run under the U.S 160 bridge, and that he hoped to have all design work completed by the end of the year, noting that if the town can complete design work then it would see the most "favorable" construction bids in the fall and winter, as contractors are

seeking to fill out their upcoming schedules.

When opened up for questions, Council Member Leonard Martinez asked if the new bridge would interfere with any future reconstruction of the highway bridge.

Dickhoff explained that there would be enough room on both sides and that the highway bridge could safely expand without impacting the new pedestrian bridge, adding that the "pedestrian bridge would be currently set at approximately 50 feet north of the highway bridge."

A motion was made to approve the CDOT contract for the 1st Street pedestrian bridge design/build grant award and authorize the town manager to sign the contract.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously by the council.

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Coloradans urged to prepare for wildfire

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Colorado faces a “new normal” when it comes to wildfire. Ongoing drought and warmer temperatures elevate wildfire risk for many Coloradans, and wildfires now occur year-round in the state.

To encourage more residents to prepare for wildfire, local, state and federal entities that manage wildfires in Colorado have launched Live Wildfire Ready, which is directed and funded by the state of Colorado through Senate Bill 22-007 and developed by the Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS), Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control, USDA Forest Service and Colorado State Fire Chiefs (CSFC).

The month of May is Wildfire Awareness Month, an annual observance in Colorado to encourage residents to better prepare their homes, property and communities for wildfire. With more than half of all Coloradans living in the wildland-urban interface and being susceptible to wildfire, it’s important for people to take action to reduce their wildfire risk and create more fire-adapted communities.

“Wildfires are a vital part of the natural cycle that keeps Colorado’s forests healthy. Yet persistent drought combined with a warming climate has led to more frequent and more destructive wildfires. If you’re a Coloradan living in a wildfire prone area, being prepared must become second nature,” said Matt McCombs, state forester and director of the CSFS.

Practical actions to reduce wildfire risk

The following are some simple, practical, relatively low-cost actions that Coloradans can take to prepare their homes and property for wildfire:

- Regularly clear leaves, pine needles and other debris from your deck, roof and gutters.
- Rake and remove pine needles and leaves 5 feet from your home.
- Store firewood at least 30 feet from your home, preferably uphill, and never on or under your deck.
- Move items under your deck or porch to a storage area.
- Prune branches hanging over your roof and within 10 feet of your chimney.
- Remove flammable material within 6 vertical inches of your home’s siding.
- Mow grasses to 4 inches or less within 30 feet of your home.
- Clear brush, shrubs and other plants within 10 feet of propane tanks and gas meters.
- Screen attic, roof, eaves and foundation vents and wall-in areas below decks and stilt foundations with 1/8-inch metal mesh.

In addition to preparing one’s home, living wildfire ready means being ready to evacuate during a wildfire:

- Ensure home address signs are clearly visible from the street.
- Sign up to register for emergency notifications and encourage your friends, family and neighbors to do the same at <http://archul-etacounty.org/569/Citizens-Alert--NIXLE>.
- Confirm at least one alternate path out of your neighborhood other than the one most commonly used and be prepared for potential evacuation requiring the alternate route.

“No person or community is exempt when it comes to wildfire preparedness. We are committed to helping individuals understand that everyone plays a role in mitigation, what to do to reduce the risk of wildfire, and what must be done in the event of an emergency,” said CSFC President Kristy Olme.

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MICHAEL EUBANKS and HYDIE EUBANKS, TRUSTEES OF THE MICHAEL and HYDIE EUBANKS JOINT REVOCABLE TRUST (C#178762484) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 7, Lot (Unit) Number 7116, Building Number 4, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,910.00 Interest: \$280.77 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,435.82
PATRICIA A MORRISON, surviving joint tenant with rights of survivorship of ERNEST R MORRISON (C#179201660) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 26, Lot (Unit) Number 7114, Building Number 4, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,910.00 Interest: \$280.77 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,435.82
PEDRO ALDERETE and JERI ALDERETE (C#179400221) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 20, Lot (Unit) Number 7118, Building Number 5, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,562.63 Interest: \$194.22 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,002.67
In Elk Run Townhouses. All as tenants in common with the other owners of all Lot (Unit) Weeks in the described Units in Elk Run Townhouses as depicted on the Plats recorded under Reception Numbers 140480 and 0151975, subject to the Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Elk Run Townhouses recorded as Reception Number 140481, as amended and supplemented, and/or rested, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.
Published April 13, 20, 27, May 4 and 11, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER’S DEED
To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
TZORIS, LIMITED, A COLORADO CORPORATION
1133 N. 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501
You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 7th day of February 2023, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, said at public tax lien sale to Archuleta County the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 273 IN THE PAGOSA IN THE PINES UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD FEBRUARY 7, 1972 AS RECEPTION NO. 75408.
Account Number: R008249
Schedule Number: 569917108058
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2009-00897 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to Archuleta County.
That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2008; That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of PAGLAND INVESTORS, INC., A COLORADO CORPORATION for said year 2008; That on the 7th day of February 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC; That said CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 24th day of March 2023, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer’s Deed will be issued for said property to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 13th day of September 2023, unless the same has been redeemed; Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer’s Deed.
Witness my hand this 30th day of March 2023
/s/ Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
Published April 20, 27 and May 4, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER’S DEED
To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
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1133 N. 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501
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LOT 2 OF BLOCK 23 IN THE PINES UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD FEBRUARY 7, 1972 AS RECEPTION NO. 75408.
Account Number: R008248
Schedule Number: 569917108057
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 200700000541 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to Archuleta County.
That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2007; That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of TZORIS, LIMITED, A COLORADO CORPORATION for said year 2007; That on the 7th day of February 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC; That said CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 24th day of March 2023, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer’s Deed will be issued for said property to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 13th day of September 2023, unless the same has been redeemed; Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer’s Deed.
Witness my hand this 30th day of March 2023
/s/ Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
Published April 20, 27 and May 4, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate Carol Rita Bermea, Deceased
Case No.: 2023 PR-30007
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before August 28, 2023, or the claims may be forever barred.
Daniel L. Fielder, Attorney at Law
190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Published April 27, May 4 and 11, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado
Court Address: 109 Harman Park Dr, P.O. Box 148
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Tel. 970.264.2400
Elk Run Property Owners Association, Inc.
Plaintiff
v.
Vinston D Carlson, et al
Defendants
Case No.: 2022CV30045
COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM
Sheriff Sale 2023-10
This Notice of Public Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to the specific assignment lien in the Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Elk Run Townhouses recorded June 26, 1986, under Reception No. 140481, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.
Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered December 22, 2022, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof
Owner(s):
VINSTON D CARLSON
HARRIET R CARLSON
JOYCE C MYERS, TRUSTEE OF THE JCPMO LOVE TRUST DATED NOVEMBER 2, 2004
TYLER SAENZ
DONALD D HOLT
LAVERA HOLT
ROBERT L MITTEN
HELEN D MITTEN
MARSHALL L CROSS
PAULINE R CROSS
CANDACE J WARNER
BARRY WARNER
CHRISTY BARBER
AMY JOY WARNER
GINNY WARNER
SHELLEY WARNER
EARL B MOIZE
WAUNELL MOIZE
GARY D PERKINS
CELESTE A PERKINS
MICHAEL EUBANKS, TRUSTEE OF THE MICHAEL AND HYDIE EUBANKS JOINT REVOCABLE TRUST
HYDIE EUBANKS, TRUSTEE OF THE MICHAEL AND HYDIE EUBANKS JOINT REVOCABLE TRUST
PATRICIA A MORRISON, SURVIVING JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP OF ERNEST R MORRISON
PEDRO ALDERETE
JERI ALDERETE
Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Elk Run Townhouses recorded June 26, 1986, under Reception No. 140481, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.
Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Elk Run Property Owners Association, Inc. Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys’ fees and costs.
Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
Association Assessments Due to: Elk Run Property Owners Association, Inc.
Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A"
Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A"
Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act
THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION.
The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when the indebtedness was due and owing and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable.
ROBERT L MITTEN and HELEN D MITTEN (C#178756151) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 37, Lot (Unit) Number 7110, Building Number 3, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,910.00 Interest: \$280.77 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,435.82
TYLER SAENZ (C#178751772) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 36, Lot (Unit) Number 7108, Building Number 2, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,910.00 Interest: \$280.77 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,435.82
MARSHALL L CROSS and PAULINE R CROSS (C#178761433) Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number(s) 40, Lot (Unit) Number 7115, Building Number 4, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,910.00 Interest: \$280.77 Late Fees: \$50.00 Costs: \$195.82 Attorney’s Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$3,435.82

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2023-002
To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
On February 9, 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) RALPH JOSEPH SHEPHERD AND JOANN MIHOTZ
Original Beneficiary(ies) MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ACTING SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B.
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR INDYMAC INDX MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-AR11, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2006-AR11
Date of Deed of Trust March 20, 2006
County of Recording Archuleta
Recording Date of Deed of Trust March 21, 2006
Rec’d Public Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 20208221
Original Principal Amount \$135,200.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$113,085.31
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 compliance with the terms thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. LOT 2 OF BLOCK 23 IN ASPEN SPRINGS SUBDIVISION NO. 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD AUGUST 20, 1971 AS RECEPTION NO. 74785.
Also known by street and number as: 98 W BEUCLER LANE, PAGOSA SPRINGS, CO 81147.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED 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 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 06/08/2023, 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.
First Publication at 4/13/2023
Last Publication 5/11/2023
Name of Publication Pagosa Springs Sun
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: 02/09/2023
Elsa P. White, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado.
By: /s/ 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:
Randall M Chin, Esq #31149
Barrett Frappier Weisserman, LLP 1391 SPEER BLVD, SUITE 700, DENVER, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711
Attorney Fee # 00000009070340
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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DISTRICT COURT,ARCHULETA COUNTY,COLORADO
109 Harman Park Drive
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Plaintiff The Board of County Commissioners of Archuleta County, CO
v.
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 2023CV030019
Attorney or Party Without Party: Tyler Saenz, Reg. No. 31708
P.O. Box 1507
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Phone Number: (970) 264-8321
Fax Number: (970) Held Pursuant to Rule
Email: T>Weaver@ArchuletaCounty.org
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
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.
Dated: April 3, 2023
Published in The Pagosa Sun.
First Publication: April 13, 2023.
Last Publication: May 11, 2023.
Published April 13, 20, 27, May 4 and 11, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER’S DEED

To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
PAGLAND INVESTORS, INC., A COLORADO CORPORATION
1133 N. 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501
You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 7th day of February 2023, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, said at public tax lien sale to Archuleta County the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 273 IN THE PAGOSA IN THE PINES UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD FEBRUARY 7, 1972 AS RECEPTION NO. 75408.
Account Number: R008249
Schedule Number: 569917108058
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2009-00897 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to Archuleta County.
That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2008; That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of PAGLAND INVESTORS, INC., A COLORADO CORPORATION for said year 2008; That on the 7th day of February 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC; That said CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 24th day of March 2023, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer’s Deed will be issued for said property to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 13th day of September 2023, unless the same has been redeemed; Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer’s Deed.
Witness my hand this 30th day of March 2023
/s/ Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
Published April 20, 27 and May 4, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER’S DEED
To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
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1133 N. 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501
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Account Number: R008248
Schedule Number: 569917108057
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 200700000541 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to Archuleta County.
That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2007; That said property was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of TZORIS, LIMITED, A COLORADO CORPORATION for said year 2007; That on the 7th day of February 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC; That said CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 24th day of March 2023, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer’s Deed will be issued for said property to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 13th day of September 2023, unless the same has been redeemed; Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer’s Deed.
Witness my hand this 30th day of March 2023
/s/ Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
Published April 20, 27 and May 4, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado
Court Address: 109 Harman Park Dr, P.O. Box 148
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Tel. 970.264.2400
Elk Run Property Owners Association, Inc.
Plaintiff
v.
Darvin Patrick, et al
Defendants
Case No.: 2022CV30062
COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM
Sheriff Sale 2023-11
This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to separate Mortgages recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, under the information provided in Exhibit "A". Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered February 1, 2023, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof
DARVIN PATRICK
STEVEN VARGAS
NORMA YOLANDA VARGAS
ELOYCE JONES FLEMING
ELINOR M DICKSON
FRANK P DICKSON, JR
TIMOTHY H KLING
CLARA L KLING
BENNIE L DAILEY
JOSEPHINE DAILEY
MARCHETT JONES FAMILY LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 2, 2004
Evidence of Debt: Redeemed mortgages in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, being further identified in Exhibit "A"
Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Wyndham Vacation Resorts, Inc. Obligations Secured: Underlying note for the purchase of the Timeshare Property identified in Exhibit "A"
Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
Payments Due to: Wyndham Vacation Resorts, Inc. Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A"
Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A"
Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Mortgage, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST
THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, at 10 o'clock A.M., on 21st of June, 2023, Sale Number: 2023-11, in the Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, 85 Harman Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein. The Lender may be credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Mortgage at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication: 4/27/2023
Last Publication: 5/25/2023
Name of Publication: Pagosa Sun
NOTICE OF RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS IS ATTACHED HERETO.
A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE PURSUANT TO §38-104 C.R.S. SHALL BE FILED WITH THE OFFICER AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED.
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.
A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO §38-38-302 C.R.S. SHALL BE FILED WITH THE SHERIFF NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
IF YOU BELIEVE THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN §38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN §38-38-103.2, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL (1-800-222-4444), THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (1-855-411-2372), OR BOTH, BUT THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.
The name, address, and business telephone number of each of the attorneys representing the holder of the evidence of debt are as follows:
Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, 85 Harman Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147, 970-264-8434. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
DATED at Archuleta County, Colorado, this 3rd day of March, 2023.
Mike Le Roux, Sheriff
Archuleta County
By: /s/ Lorena Medina
Lorena Medina, Office Manager
Exhibit A
Peregrine Townhouses Phase II
Matter Amount
Property Owners: DARVIN PATRICK
Building Number: 6
Lot (Unit) Number: 7811 and 7812
UDI Points: 90,000 / 17,743,000
of Peregrine Townhouses Phase II, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 173554, subject to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Peregrine Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
Principal Amount Due: \$1,228.04
Accrued Interest Due: \$464.55
Late Fees: \$45.00
Costs: \$256.93
Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$2,944.52
Peregrine Townhouses Phase III
Matter Amount
Property Owners: THE EMMETT JONES FAMILY LIVING TRUST DATED MARCH 11, 2004
Building Number: 7 and 8
Lot (Unit) Number: 7813 - 7816
UDI Points: 90,000 / 17,743,000
of Peregrine Townhouses Phase III, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 173555, subject to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Peregrine Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
Principal Amount Due: \$175.00
Accrued Interest: \$1,553.13
Late Fees: \$175.00
Costs: \$256.93
Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$6,227.47
Lot: Land Condominium Phase Two
Matter Amount
Property Owners: STEVEN VARGAS and NORMA YOLANDA VARGAS
Building Number: 12
Lot (Unit) Number: 1211-1216, 1221, 1224-1226
UDI Points: 154,000 / 60,310,500
of the Team Landing Condominium Phase Two- as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20105850, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20104161, and First supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651 and any further supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Team Landing Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
Principal Amount Due: \$14,259.46
Accrued Interest: \$5,628.19
Late Fees: \$75.00
Costs: \$256.93
Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$19,119.58
Team Landing Condominium Phase Five
Matter Amount
Property Owners: ELOYCE JONES FLEMING
Building Number: 15
Lot (Unit) Number: 1511-1516, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1525 and 1526
UDI Points: 105,000 / 60,310,500
of the Team Landing Condominium Phase Five- as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20204764, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651, and Second Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20106680, and Third Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20204765 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Team Landing Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
Principal Amount Due: \$6,201.37
Accrued Interest: \$2,340.18
Late Fees: \$60.00
Costs: \$256.93
Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00
Total: \$9,351.55
Team Landing Condominium Phase Six
Matter Amount
Property Owners: ELINOR M DICKSON and FRANK P DICKSON, JR
Building Number: 16
Lot (Unit) Number: 1611-1616, 1621-1626
UDI Points: 105,000 / 62,896,000
of the Team Landing Condominium Phase Six- as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20304272, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20104161, and First supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651, and Second Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Team Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20204765 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Team Landing Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
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PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (PSCDC) plans to submit a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the State of Colorado, Department of Local Affairs. CDBG funds are intended to provide decent housing, suitable living environments and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate-income persons through rehabilitation and preservation, economic/job development and public facilities improvements. The application being considered would request \$440,000 for the Chris Mountain II Workforce Housing Project. It is estimated that approximately 100% of the funds would benefit low and moderate-income persons. Permanent involuntary displacement of neighborhood persons or businesses is not anticipated. Should it later become necessary to consider such displacement, alternatives will be examined to minimize the displacement. If no feasible alternatives exist, displaced/reasonable benefits will be provided to those required to mitigate adverse effects and hardships. Any low- and moderate-income housing which is demolished or converted will be replaced. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during these hearings should notify Emily Lashrooke in person at 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 4, Pag

The Blotter

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Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Calls for service for three weeks: 687.

April 6 — Crimes against at-risk adult/juvenile-first-degree sexual assault, crimes against at-risk adult/juvenile over 15 sexual assault.

April 10 — Cruelty to animals, Harman Park Drive.

April 10 — Agency assist (search and rescue), U.S. 160.

April 10 — Second-degree burglary, Walnut Place.

April 11 — Identity theft-intent, Ripple Court.

April 11 — Found property, Crestview Drive/Bienvenido Circle.

April 11 — Indecent exposure, disorderly conduct-misdemeanor, Colo. 151, Arboles.

April 11 — Information only, agency assist, U.S. 160/County Road 600.

April 12 — Information only, U.S. 160/Pagosa Boulevard.

April 12 — Information only, harassment by phone or computer, River Run Drive.

April 12 — Crimes against at-risk adult/juvenile-neglect, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, West Cotton Court.

April 12 — Criminal extortion, harassment by phone or computer, Sparrow Lane.

April 13 — Animal complaint, Dutton Drive.

April 13 — First-degree criminal trespass-theft from vehicle, Yarrow Circle.

April 13 — Information only, all other thefts, Cloud Cap Avenue.

April 14 — Third-degree assault-simple assault, second-degree kidnapping, aggravated motor vehicle theft, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Great West Avenue.

April 14 — Harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, County Road 600.

April 14 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, expired license plates, County Road 700.

April 14 — Second-degree assault-aggravated assault-weapon, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, domestic violence, criminal mischief, Solomon Drive.

April 15 — Agency assist, East Pagosa Street.

April 15 — All other thefts, Acorn Drive.

April 15 — Under investigation, no location listed.

April 15 — Found property, Harman Park Drive.

April 15 — Theft of rental property, West U.S. 160.

April 17 — Information only, County Road 302.

April 17 — Violation of restraining order, USFS 617.

April 17 — All other thefts, crimes against at-risk adult/juvenile-theft no force, Windward Drive.

April 18 — Criminal mischief, County Road 982.

April 18 — Criminal impersonation, Gila Drive.

April 18 — Information only, East

Pagosa Street.

April 18 — Vicious dog with injury, Carefree Place.

April 18 — Information only, Monument Avenue.

April 19 — Information only, Dyke Boulevard.

April 19 — Third-degree assault-simple assault, disorderly conduct-misdemeanor, Solomon Drive.

April 19 — All other thefts, Saturn Drive.

April 20 — Criminal mischief, Buttermilk Drive.

April 20 — Information only, Arboles area.

April 20 — Found property, all other thefts, Eagles Loft Circle.

April 21 — Owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without insurance, expired license plates, West U.S. 160/Great West Avenue.

April 21 — Information only, Buttermilk Drive.

April 21 — Animals running at large, Gila Drive.

April 21 — Failed to drive in single lane (weaving), resisting arrest, harassment-stalking-misdemeanor, obstructing peace officer/police animal/fireman, careless driving, drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, attempt to influence public servant, Cloman Boulevard/Industrial Circle.

April 22 — Domestic violence, third-degree assault-simple assault, Navajo Trail Drive.

April 22 — All other thefts, Cactus Drive.

April 22 — Violation of restraining order, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct-misdemeanor, Solomon Drive.

April 23 — Violation of restraining order, County Road 700.

April 23 — Information only, Ute Drive.

April 23 — Child abuse, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, third-degree assault-simple assault, domestic violence, obstruction of telephone or telegraph service, U.S. 84.

April 24 — Information only, Doc Adams Road.

April 24 — Second-degree burglary, all other thefts, Walnut Place.

April 24 — Agency assist, North Pagosa Boulevard.

April 24 — Fraud by check-other method, identity theft-intent, County Road 302.

April 26 — Information only, Pinewind Road.

April 26 — Information only, Bonanza Avenue.

April 26 — Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, Gila Drive.

April 26 — Violation of restraining order, Bonanza Avenue.

April 27 — State warrant, county warrant, county warrant, county warrant, Bonanza Avenue.

April 27 — Runaway, agency assist, Fireside Street.

April 28 — Warrant arrest, unlawful distribution/manufacture/display/sale/possession-amphetamine sell, North Pagosa Boulevard.

April 28 — Animal cruelty/neglect, Hills Circle.

April 28 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

April 28 — First-degree criminal trespass other intent, Tonto Court.

April 28 — Criminal mischief, second-degree criminal trespass,

County Road 982.

April 29 — Warrant arrest, County Road 982.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

Calls for service for three weeks: 477.

April 8 — DUI, expired license plates, San Juan Street/7th Street.

April 9 — DUI, possession while under the influence, operated vehicle with defective head lamps, San Juan Alley/8th Street.

April 9 — Criminal mischief, 5th Street.

April 9 — Violation of restraining order, Pagosa Street.

April 11 — Warrant arrest, Hermosa Street.

April 11 — DUI, speeding mph over limit not listed, County Road 600.

April 13 — DUI, following too closely, drove vehicle without insurance, San Juan Street.

April 13 — Careless driving, South 7th Street/North 7th Street.

April 14 — Animal running at large, Great West Avenue.

April 15 — Careless driving, DUI, failed to drive in single lane (weaving), failed to display headlights when visibility less than 1,000 feet, U.S. 160.

April 15 — Harassment, domestic violence, Pagosa Street.

April 15 — Driving under restraint of alcohol/drug-related offense, Hot Springs Boulevard/Spring Street.

April 15 — Criminal trespassing first degree, abandonment of motor vehicle, Hermosa Street.

April 15 — Violation of restraining order, Hermosa Street.

April 16 — Missing person-adult, 8th Street.

April 16 — Underage possession/consumption of alcohol, Hot Springs Boulevard.

April 16 — Shoplifting, Aspen Village Drive.

April 16 — Theft, Eagle Drive.

April 19 — Assault third degree, 5th Street.

April 20 — Shoplifting, San Juan Street.

April 21 — Criminal mischief, Hermosa Street.

April 22 — Burglary second degree, theft, criminal mischief, Hot Springs Boulevard.

April 22 — Animal running at large, San Juan Street.

April 23 — Careless driving, Goldmine Drive.

April 23 — No insurance, speeding, expired license plates, open container in motor vehicle, San Juan Street.

April 25 — Drove vehicle without valid driver's license, drove vehicle without insurance, Navajo Street/8th Street.

April 26 — Failed to display valid registration, following too closely, Aspen Village Drive/U.S. 160.

April 26 — Criminal trespassing, 9th Street.

April 26 — Violation of restraining order, Cornerstone Drive.

April 26 — Criminal trespassing, San Juan Street.

April 26 — Criminal trespassing, littering, warrant arrest, camping prohibited in parks/rec facilities, Reservoir Hill.

April 27 — Shoplifting, Eagle Drive.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Anthony D. Edwards

April 10 — William Tavenner, careless driving, failed to remain at the scene/give information and/or aid after accident involving injury, 16 points off, fines, costs and fees — \$317.

April 11 — Jordan McClure, animal running at large prohibited, fines, costs and fees — \$85.

April 11 — Jonathan Dobson, animal running at large prohibited, fines, costs and fees — \$85.

April 11 — Kyle Lucero, abandonment of motor vehicles, fines — \$25.

April 11 — Brandie Herrera, shoplifting, prohibited acts in town parks, fines, costs, fees and restitution — \$234.09.

April 11 — Jonathan Whitmer, shoplifting, criminal mischief, 10 days jail, fines, costs and fees — \$85.

April 11 — Lacie Ream, truancy, 12 months unsupervised probation.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

April 18 — Robert T. Antonez, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$89.50.

April 19 — Phillip J. Bingham, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$155.50.

April 19 — Alexis Love Chavez, use of multiple beam lights, fines and costs — \$100.

April 19 — Christina Diangelo, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

April 19 — Darrion Ellis, driving under restraint, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$277.50.

April 19 — Jason Lowell Fuller, driving under restraint, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$277.50.

April 19 — Nicolas Gene Goree, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$161.50.

April 19 — James William Julian, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs — \$290.

April 19 — Brian Pina Espino, driver's license-instruction permit violation, fines and costs — \$97.50.

April 19 — Gilbert Thompson, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$225.

April 19 — David S. Wykoff, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

April 19 — Brenda R. Coffman, improper mountain driving, fines and costs — \$149.50.

April 19 — August E. Klump, improper mountain driving, fines and costs — \$179.50.

April 19 — Austin D. Peterson, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$210.50.

April 19 — Daniel B. Goodwin, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, 12 months probation alcohol evaluation and supervision, fines and costs — \$576.50.

April 19 — Joe Chopre Pesata, driving under the influence, 32 days jail, 30 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, 12 months probation alcohol evaluation and supervision, eight days electronic surveillance, fines and costs — \$720.50.

April 20 — Trenton Daniel Smith, weapon-prohibited use-drunk with gun, 30 days jail, fines and costs — \$219.50.

April 21 — Colton J. Deeter, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

April 21 — Matthew Tazewell Waller, speeding 10-19 over, fines and costs — \$190.

April 26 — Mark Hussa, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$233.50.

April 26 — Barry L. Bryan, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$155.50.

April 26 — Andrew K. Breaux, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs — \$120.

April 26 — Rachel Gallegos, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$107.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

April 13 — Judd Z. Stahle, motor vehicle theft/aggravated 2-under \$2,000, 18 months probation, fines and costs — \$1,203.50.

April 19 — Zachary M. Landry, driving under the influence, 10 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, two years probation, fines and costs — \$2,599.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

May 1 — Gabriel Gallegos, stalking-emotional distress, 30 months community corrections, fines and costs — \$481.50.

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Fort Lewis College's spring commencement will take place Saturday

By Lauren Pope
Fort Lewis College

Fort Lewis College's spring commencement will take place on Saturday, May 6, at 9 a.m. on Ray Dennison Memorial Field. Addressing the graduates will be Tom Vilsack, United States secretary of agriculture. Vilsack was confirmed as the 32nd United States secretary of agriculture on Feb. 23, 2021, by the U.S. Senate. President Joe Biden nominated him to return

to a role where he served for eight years under President Barack Obama. The ceremonies are not open to the public. Students participating in commencement are each permitted seven guest tickets. For those not attending the ceremonies in person, a livestream of the ceremony will be available on Facebook at facebook.com/fortlewis. More information about spring commencement can be found at fortlewis.edu/graduation.

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Prom 2023

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Good times and memories were had by all Saturday night during Pagosa Springs High School's prom. Gabriel Gallegos and Lynelle Bartz were chosen as the prom's king and queen. Junior attendants were Levi Hinger and Lauren Monterroso. The event, held at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse, had a speakeasy theme.



Health

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Camp agreed and he would rather money be spent on this than on "resume training to leave and go somewhere else other than Archuleta or La Plata county." Camp noted that transition staff to the counties is SJBPH's goal and that both counties will require applications and interviews. Jollon commented that La Plata County has been clear there would be an application and interview process, while Archuleta County has provided "mixed messaging" on what the process would entail. Jollon explained, in response to a question from Brown, that the Archuleta County manager stated at different times that there would or would not be an interview process. She added that staff have concerns about their ability to succeed

in these processes, which is why SJBPH is providing training and that the training is intended to support staff in transitioning to the county departments. Brown asked that SJBPH staff reach out to the Archuleta County Human Resources Department to learn more about working for Archuleta County. Ledger asked both commissioners what ideas the counties have on the scope of services that would be offered by their departments and to what extent they mirror SJBPH's current services. Brown commented that the TAC is looking at "services beyond statutory," and what programs fit and are needed in the county. Ledger noted that Archuleta County mentioned needing to hire 15 people and asked how many staff

currently serve the county under SJBPH. Jollon commented that SJBPH has a small number of staff at the office in Archuleta County but that potentially 20-30 staff work in the county on an as-needed basis. Porter-Norton noted that she was listening to SJBPH and felt there should be a more detailed response from La Plata County on the staffing issues to not trivialize it. Porter-Norton then explained that La Plata County hired the Otowi Group to assist in the dissolution, who is working with SJBPH to get a view of the programs, with a priority toward preventing bias in the hiring process and ensuring the presentations to the board do not cause bias toward programs due to varying qualities of presentations. She added that these goals need

to be communicated more given the desire of SJBPH staff to speak further with the La Plata County BoH. She stated that the county is working through determining what programs are required and when decisions will be made. Byrd commented that the Otowi Group is providing the La Plata County BoH with information on what programs are typical and currently exist, and that she felt that the BoH would assist the public health director in identifying what programs are key, but that it has not made determinations on what programs would continue. Ledger commented that he was looking at the process through a "layperson's perspective" and making the supposition that the county departments would look similar to SJBPH.

Byrd commented that she was unsure if that is accurate but that, generally speaking, she felt this was reasonable. Porter-Norton stated she appreciated the questions and that she understood there are stakeholders, particularly the SJBPH staff, who want firm determinations of what programs will exist, but added that La Plata County is not "there yet," though La Plata County staff are putting "150 percent" into the process and that she is open to process improvements that could be discussed in a "civil way." She commented that she hoped that at some point this year there would be a clear answer of what programs are moving over or not, a process made more complex by the overlap between SJBPH and the county on certain departments, such

as Information Technology. Byrd then asked Camp what the BoH can do to help. Camp commented that SJBPH currently has "low morale" and that anything the BoH can do in its control to provide support to the staff is useful. She then responded to Porter-Norton, commenting that staff did not necessarily expect all services to be determined and understood that there would be changes during the transition, including that people in "cross-cutting areas" would have no expectation of positions with the counties. She added that any type of communication, opportunities to advocate for their programs and communicate information to their clients would be valuable. *josh@pagosasun.com*

preview

ARTS & LIFE

Big Spring Clean

Friday and Saturday • May 5 and 6



Photo courtesy Visit Pagosa Springs

May 4, 2023

Town and county to host Big Spring Clean May 5 and 6

By Jennifer Green
Visit Pagosa Springs

On Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6, Archuleta County and the Town of Pagosa Springs will again host the annual Big Spring Clean.

The event consists of free dump days on Friday and Saturday and a community cleanup day on Saturday. This annual event is a great opportunity to band together with friends, family and other community members to show pride in our town and help make it even more beautiful. After the clean-up event, there will be a free and fun community barbecue with live music, awards and a homemade ice cream contest (in memory of Larry Fisher). Bring your lawn chairs.

Saturday: community cleanup day

Saturday is a community cleanup day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Yamaguchi Park.

Join us for the cleanup or get a team together and volunteer. Meet at Yamaguchi Park at 9 a.m. to pick up bags and vests, then return to the park at 11:30 a.m. for the community barbecue.

If you have a team or organization that you would like to register together, please fill out the form online at <https://tinyurl.com/y7navmpj>.

Friday and Saturday: free dump days

Friday and Saturday will be free dump days from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at multiple locations.

Dumpsters will be placed around town and the county for free dumping of roadside, park and home-exterior trash. They will be manned and available both days from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the following locations:

- Town shop: 550 Pirate Drive (located inside the fenced lot).
- Aspen Springs Park on Ute Drive.
- Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Club-

house on Lake Street between the clubhouse parking lot and the remote airfield.

The county landfill and transfer stations will also be accepting items for free on both days unless otherwise noted below.

Accepted items

County landfill

Items accepted at the Archuleta County Landfill, located at 9179 County Road 500, will include:

- Exterior debris (roadside, park and home exterior).
- Furniture and mattresses.
- Commercial construction materials (for an additional fee).

Transfer station

Items accepted at the Archuleta County Transfer Station, located at 2140 County Road 500, will include:

- Regular recycling.
- Car batteries.
- Electronics.
- Appliances without freon.
- Appliances with freon (\$25 fee).

Fairgrounds

Items accepted at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds on U.S. 84 will include vehicles and engines. You must provide a title and all fluids must be drained.

Prohibited materials

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Hyacinth macaw, Parnaiba Headwaters National Park, Brazil. Local photographer Doug Coombs will present “Photographing Brazil” at the Pagosa Springs Photography Club meeting on May 10.

Photography Club May topic: ‘Photographing Brazil’

By **Gregg Heid**

Pagosa Springs Photography Club

The May meeting of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club will be held on Wednesday, May 10, at 6 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Our photos and commentary this month will be from local photographer Doug Coombs.

In the summer of 2022, Coombs; his wife, Miyuki; and friends from the photography club in Los Alamos, N.M., took a 30-plus-day trip to Brazil to photograph birds, mammals, waterways, Indigenous people and some cityscapes. They visited five different venues including Cristalino Reserve in the southern section of the Brazilian Amazon, Emas National Park, Parnaiba Headwaters National Park, Rio de Janeiro and the nearby Atlantic Rainforest. They ended the trip with a seven-night cruise on the Rio Negro and some of its tributaries, which are all tributaries

of the Amazon. Coombs will share and discuss photos from these sites in his presentation.

Our meeting will begin at 6 p.m. with socializing, and the program will begin at 6:30 p.m. 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. Photography Club meetings are open to the public.

The Pagosa Springs Photography Club promotes educational, social and fun interactions between all who enjoy making and viewing great photography. The club sponsors educational programs and outings to help photographers hone their skills. We welcome photographers of all skill levels. Dues for 2023 are just \$25 (\$35 family). For more information about the club and to download a membership application, visit our website at <https://pagosasprings-photoclub.org/about/>.

Genealogy meeting set for Saturday

By **Dan Senjem**

Pagosa Peak Genealogical Society

Members Kathy Zilhaver and Jane McKain will be the presenters at the next meeting of the Pagosa Peak Genealogical Society, focusing on “Organization.”

Whether it be pages and pages of your genealogy research built up over the years or research done on your computer from various websites, Zilhaver and McKain will offer their years of research experience to help what you have compiled in an orderly fashion. We will meet at the Community

United Methodist Church at 434 Lewis St. at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 6. Enter through the side door from the parking lot.

There will be a business meeting following the presentation. Visitors are most welcome. So, come join us, whatever level genealogist you are, and have your questions and concerns ready for what should be an interesting meeting.

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Pagosa Community Initiative to host Second Chance Prom fundraiser to support youth and family programming

By Jenna Gannon
Pagosa Community Initiative

The Pagosa Community Initiative (PCI) is excited to announce its upcoming fundraiser, Second Chance Prom, to be held on May 13 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

This event will support the nonprofit organization's mission to create interactive opportunities that honor culture and diversity to provide Archuleta County residents with services that increase wellness and engagement for a better quality of life.

For the last two years, PCI has been operating a no-cost youth after-school program, providing programming to more than 150

students in the community, 80 percent of whom are considered at risk and underserved. This year, PCI is serving more than 100 students by providing the only consistent after-school programming in Pagosa.

In addition to youth programming, the organization provides family services to 27 families, connecting them to local resources using the ACT model, stabilizing them by connecting them to family education options, navigating the school system, legal and other systems, and connecting them to mental health resources.

As a 501(c)(3) organization, PCI is hosting "Second Chance Prom" to raise funds to support its youth and family programming. The adult prom event promises to be

a fun night with an opportunity to vote on the prom king and queen. All proceeds from the event will go toward keeping PCI's programming free to the community.

"We are thrilled to host Second Chance Prom as a way to raise funds and awareness for our mission to serve the youth and families of our community," said a spokesperson for the organization. "We believe that everyone deserves access to quality programming that promotes wellness, engagement, and a better quality of life. We invite everyone to join us in supporting this important cause and have a great time doing it!"

Tickets for Second Chance Prom can be purchased at <https://givebutter.com/PCIProm>. For more information about PCI and its programming, please visit <https://www.pagosacommunityinitiative.org/>.

May 13 food drive will support area food pantries

Healthy Archuleta

Community food-sharing opportunities allow us to gather together to support our community as a whole. Healthy Archuleta is partnering to host a food drive Saturday, May 13, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs City Market.

Those who are able to are encouraged to share what they can to help the Food Distribution Center better support the Archuleta County Food Pantry Network with foods that our neighbors can use.

Join Healthy Archuleta in supporting the food security of our local community. A collection table

will be set up at the store with a list of food items that our neighbors can use this spring and volunteers ready to collect donations. These items will help stock the shelves of the Food Distribution Center, which supports the food pantries in Archuleta County. Come participate in a community food-sharing opportunity.

If you would like to make donations to the food drive outside of the hours, there is a collection bin at the Pagosa Springs City Market located at the front of the store. For more information on the Healthy Archuleta Food Drive, visit <https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/food-drive.html>.

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Crime author Ron Franscell to appear at May 13 events

By Jennifer Langford

Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation and Friends

“Ron Franscell’s DEAF ROW tells ... a darkly engrossing story with masterful, easy-flowing prose and a clever infusion of humor. The tension builds incrementally to a chilling five-star climax in which Franscell puts his well-honed skill as a true crime author to good use. It gave me goosebumps big time.” — Anne Hillerman, bestselling author of the Leaphorn, Chee, Manuelito mysteries.

Franscell, well-known for his fastidiously researched true crime nonfiction narratives, found himself stymied by pandemic-imposed limitations on travel, access to libraries and courthouses, and the ability to have face-to-face encounters and interviews. His hefty files, 40 years worth of real-life crime journalism, contained more than enough material for inspiration and inclusion in an excellent piece of crime fiction. Much of the content in his newly published novel, “Deaf Row,” is based on actual case files.

More than a tense mystery and horrifying psychotriller, “Deaf Row” takes on the inevitability of aging, the fear of becoming meaningless and the verve that drives souls to continue to give.

Franscell’s May 13 appearances in Pagosa Springs are all in support of the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation and Friends. Proceeds from the day’s events will benefit the library building campaign and will provide several possible times to hear and learn more about Franscell’s work and experiences.

The day will begin with The Hero’s Journey Writer’s Workshop from 9 to 11 a.m. at your Ruby Sisson Library. Franscell and aspiring writers will spend the morning exploring the patterns that can transform a novel or screenplay from ordinary to extraordinary. Learn how to tap into something universal about the human experience so your story feels timeless. Tickets will be \$25 per person, and seating is limited to the first 20 students who register.

At 12:30 p.m., the library will host a free “Ruby’s Meet-and-Greet Reception with Ron” for patrons to hear Franscell talk about his latest novel, “Deaf Row.” This event will allow library patrons the chance to get the inside scoop on this latest publication. This event will take place at your Ruby Sisson Library and is free of charge. Seating is limited.

Capping the day off, the main event from 6 to 8:30 p.m. is a fire-

side chat with Franscell, moderated by eminent guest interviewer Sheriff Mike Le Roux. Come and eavesdrop on their conversation and gain insight into the research and process of writing true crime and crime fiction. With a cash bar and delicious hors d’oeuvres, the event will be at the Tennyson

Building Events Center (197 Navajo Trail Drive). Tickets will be \$40 in advance/\$45 at the door, all benefiting the Library Foundation.

Tickets are available online at pagosalibrary.org (credit/debit card only). Cash, check, or credit purchases can be made at the Ruby Sisson Memorial Library.

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Band-O-Rama Concert slated for May 6

By Michelle Chapman and Jenny Marsh
Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society

The Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society (PSIMS) Community Band, the Pagosa Springs High School Jazz Band and the Pagosa Springs Middle School band class invite the public to a special Band-O-Rama concert on Saturday, May 6, at 7 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. Admission is free.

It is vital to the continuation of high-caliber musical performances in Pagosa Springs to encourage musicians of all ages to become comfortable playing in public for our concerts. PSIMS provides the opportunity for them to learn from experienced musicians in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Some students who have participated in Band-O-Rama have continued to embrace music and gone on to pursue college degrees in music as teachers and performers. PSIMS is very proud to announce that, this year, we will be awarding two \$1,000 scholarships to local students continuing their education in instrumental music. Awardees will be announced at the concert.

Please come out on May 6 and support Pagosa's music students and their families. While admission is free, donations support the mission of PSIMS.

PSIMS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization which provides free concerts four times a year: this Band-O-Rama concert in the spring, July 4 in town, the Fall Concert and Heralds of Christmas for the winter holidays. PSIMS contributes financial support to the music community with music lessons, band music, instrument repairs and scholarships to music students.



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Healthy Archuleta announces Grow and Share program potluck orientation

Healthy Archuleta

As gardeners in Archuleta County are preparing their soil and planning their first spring plantings, many are considering planting a little extra to share with the food pantry network.

With the recent cuts in SNAP benefits, rising food costs and on-going supply chain issues, our local food pantries need community support now more than ever.

The Healthy Archuleta Growers and Producers Group has been working to support gardeners to grow extra produce to contribute to the food pantry network and is seeking backyard gardeners to participate in the Grow and Share program.

A potluck orientation and meet

and greet will be held on Thursday, May 11, at 5 p.m. in Centennial Park next to the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership domes. Backyard growers who would like to donate produce to the pantries this summer are encouraged to attend.

Grow and Share Coordinator Kristen Roth, Food Distribution Center Coordinator Joline LeftHandBull and garden educator Kim Barnes will provide information about what to plant, when and where to donate, how to harvest and package produce, and answer any gardening questions. In the spirit of sharing food and building community, there will be a potluck meal and time to connect with other local growers. Please bring a dish to share.

To RSVP, or if you cannot at-

tend the event but would like to learn more about donating produce, send an email to Vanessa at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com. To learn more about the efforts of Healthy Archuleta and get involved, please visit foodcoalition4archuleta.org.



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Healthy Archuleta will hold a potluck and orientation for its Grow and Share program at 5 p.m. on May 11 in Centennial Park.

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The cast of last year's Dancing with the Stars event. The 2023 stars will be revealed on May 25.

Dancing with the Pagosa Stars to benefit Seeds of Learning, set for Aug. 19

By Danyelle Leentjes
Seeds of Learning

It is time to pick out your Pagosa finest dress threads, dust off the bling and mark your calendar to attend the star-studded event of the summer, the sixth annual Dancing with the Pagosa Stars. On Aug. 19, local Pagosa celebrities will slip into their costumes and dance their hearts out, competing to raise critically needed funds for Seeds of Learning.

These generous celebrities are all people that are recognized as leaders in our community. They will partner with professional coaches from Pagosa and Durango to present a dazzling night of dancing and fun. You will be able to buy tickets to support your favorite dancers and vote as many times as you want, with each vote costing \$1. The celebrity raising the most money from ticket sales and voting will get bragging rights and take home the coveted Mirror Ball Trophy at the end of the night.

The identities of the chosen celebrities are under wraps until the big reveal on May 25, when voting for your favorite stars will be officially open. You are not going to believe who we have dancing this year. For the most up-to-date news

on the event, follow Dancing with the Pagosa Stars Facebook at facebook.com/Dancingstarspagosa/ or visit our website, growingseeds.org, where tickets for this much anticipated event will go on sale July 13 at 9 a.m.

The Tim Sullivan Band will be performing again this year during the popular open-dance portion of the evening. We are thrilled to announce that Jason Cox and Joe Jordan will be our emcees for this year's event. Both gentlemen are no strangers to this popular event. Joe's wife, Chantelle, was a star dancer last year and Jason was a star dancer in 2019.

We are also extremely grateful to welcome back our amazing director and choreographer who is working hard to make this night special. Leslie Carlson has organized the Dancing with the Pagosa Stars since it began six years ago in addition to the successful Dancing with the Durango Stars for several years. Carlson has been a professional dance instructor for over 20 years. She was formally trained under the tutelage of world-renowned dance and choreography professionals at Arthur Murray Dance Studios. Carlson is versed in teaching a large variety of diverse social dance styles, from dramatic Latin

dance variations to swing, waltz and ballroom, country western and more.

This month, 30 children will graduate from Seeds and attend kindergarten in the fall, where history tells us they will excel among their peers based on test scores. And many of those children's families have been able to attend Seeds because of donations received at this event. Seeds offers a sliding-scale tuition based upon income of each individual family. More than 80 percent of the children at Seeds cannot afford to pay the top tier tuition fee to attend school. The future of at-risk 2 1/2- to 5-year-olds lies in the hands of generous individual donors and local businesses.

More details about this incredible evening will follow. Mark your calendar for Aug. 19 to support your favorite Pagosa celebrity and help educate Pagosa's most vulnerable preschool children all at the same time.

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Countywide Women's Bible Study studying Gospel of John

By Stan Counsell
Countywide Women's Bible Study

The Countywide Women's Bible Study is now, with delight, studying the Gospel of John. Wow, there is so much that can be learned from that New Testament book. Reading it is such a blessing to one's eyes, mind and spirit. How many times have we heard a TV announcer say, "But wait, there's more!" in an attempt to gain our attention for some near-worthless item? Does that well-overused phrase always mean something unimportant? Not always.

Our Bibles take the colorful Hebrew and Greek words and simplify them for our English understanding. And, we naturally apply that simplified wording to our 21st century mindset; it's natural for all of us. But, when not looking deeper, we can be somewhat reading "bones" with little meat on them. We can find ourselves robbed of glorious delights in God's Word. For example, when Jesus touched a certain blind man, we envision a simple touch. But, the Greek tells us that Jesus firmly took hold of that needy person, emphasizing an intense desire to help with that loss of sight. We see a fully involved

Jesus not just passing through, like some politician seeking votes; we see Him determined to rescue us from our numerous plights.

It is so enjoyable to involve ourselves in a Bible study that is a spiritual "meat market." When we shop, we take care to see what is available — its quality, quantity and price. We tell the butcher that we want the best "bang for our buck." This study is a meat market of sorts, but not a lecture. The ladies are not just sitting around. It's their study. Their questions, comments and opinions are welcomed and much-appreciated. There isn't a lecturer, rather a "tour guide" that facilitates, not one that "runs the show." There aren't any books or brochures to buy, it's a "come as you are" time where you bring your heart, mind, questions and Bibles to learn from each other.

Your facilitator is Roberta ('Bert) Counsell, an ordained pastor for women of every age. She has ministered, with her husband, from San Diego, Calif., to Colorado for over 30 years. She would love to meet you, just come as you are, take your shoes off and let your hair down.

The study meets every Tuesday morning from 10:30 a.m. to noon

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Ruby Sisson Memorial Library staff hosted a tacos luncheon on April 25 to thank its volunteers during National Volunteer Week. Meg Wempe, library director (in front) likes to quote author Sherry Anderson, who said, “Volunteers don’t get paid – not because they are worthless but because they are priceless.” Library volunteers help with many important tasks, including shelving, program prep, garden maintenance and more. In 2022 they contributed 1,575 hours valued at \$49,628, a huge amount of money, especially for a small library like ours. As part of the thank-you event, Josie Snow, assistant director, created a fun “Jeopardy!” competition focusing on books, authors and library trivia for guests to play.

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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 green chile chicken and cheese soup, 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.

Knowledge Bowl. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in middle school. Test your trivia skills in a wide range of subjects. 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.

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 5:30-7 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. Writer C. Neal Johnson will teach you how to write a feature-length movie script.

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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 horned lark.

This bird is common in treeless, sparsely vegetated habitats which are inhospitable to many other songbird species. They avoid areas where grass is over 2 inches tall, living instead in open areas from sea level to 13,000 feet which include overgrazed pastures, beaches, deserts and tundra.

Across most of the lower 48 states they are resident birds. Some breed across regions in Alaska and Canada but they avoid the boreal forest regions so important to the estimated 5 billion of North America's birds which nest there. Instead, these horned larks spend the summer on the open tundra, retreating south for the winter.

At this time of year, horned larks are commonly spotted here in areas along Roush Drive when they flush from the ground in a low, twisted flight. Both sexes have cryptically colored plain brown backs. Their face markings with pale yellow extending from the neck, a black mask, head stripe and breastband are bold. Curled tufts of black feathers which can be erected at will are the "horns" in this lark's name.

Males don't wow potential mates with bright coloring. Instead, they capture a female's attention with dramatic aerial displays. After ascending straight up for hundreds of feet, he circles and sings his "tinkling" song for several minutes before diving headfirst to the ground where he raises his horns and struts before a female.

Where conditions allow, horned larks begin nesting as early as February and may raise three broods per year. The female builds her nest, and a walkway paved in pebbles, in a shallow depression on the ground. In hot weather she will stand with wings spread to shade her eggs and chicks.

Despite remaining numerous, Partners in Flight lists the horned lark as "a common bird in steep decline" due to long-term population trends.

For information on events, visit www.weminucheaudubon.org and www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.

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ANSWER:

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Meeting. 6-8 p.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Mylea Bayless, chief of strategic partnerships with Bat Conservation International, will speak about bats and the work that Bat Conservation International is doing to protect an endangered species. Her talk will start with basic information about bats (Bat 101) and include gardening tips to encourage bats in our area and information on the Colorado white-nose syndrome that is impacting our local bat population. And, of course, there will be lots of beautiful photos of bats. The public is welcome to join us. The meeting starts with a social half hour at 6 p.m. with light refreshments. For more information, 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 Neptune.

Friday, May 5

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

Big Spring Clean: Free Dump Days. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Dumpsters will be placed around town and the county for free dumping of roadside, park and home-exterior trash. See related article for more information.

Meeting About Rekindling Spanish Fiestas. 2 p.m., Senior Center. Community members interested in helping revive a custom that used to celebrate local heritage and provide scholarship for youth are invited.

Tween/Teen Takeover. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Conversational computers will be reserved for users ages 9-19. Come play.

Powerhouse: Tinker Technology. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. For students in grades 4-8. Enjoy STEM projects including tinker technology and dissection. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Board Game Central. 4-6 p.m. Learn to play a new board game or bring your own to share with others.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Girls' Soccer. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa vs. Crested Butte.

Pagosa Bible Church: Film Night Series. 6:30 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive (behind Wells Fargo). Attend one night or all as each night is a separate film. A Christian growth film will be shown followed by group discussion. Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided. Each film will deal with how modern science substantiates the Bible. Call (303) 828-6386 for more information.

Saturday, May 6

TrashFest. 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Ute Park Drive, Aspen Springs. Archuleta County is providing a dumpster for residents to dispose of cleanup trash or outdoor property trash free of charge from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Big Spring Clean: Free Dump Days. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Dumpsters will be placed around town and the county for free dumping of roadside, park and home-exterior trash. See related article for more information.

Big Spring Clean: Community Cleanup Day. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Yamaguchi Park. Join in for the cleanup and volunteer. Meet at Yamaguchi Park at 9 a.m. to pick up bags and vests, then return to the park at 11:30 a.m. for the community barbecue and homemade ice cream contest.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Track. 9 a.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Terry Alley Invitational.

Weed Warrior Program Presenta-

tions. 9 a.m.-noon, 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.

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.

Garden Bed Preparation and Irrigation Setup Workshop. 10 a.m.-noon, Vista Lake Community Garden. Learn about how to prepare existing raised beds for planting, how to prepare ground for future in-ground planting, how to double

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dig a new in-ground bed and how to set up drip irrigation. Registration is required for the workshop, and the fee for the workshop is \$10. To register, visit <https://www.food-coalition4archuleta.org/garden-education.html>.

Pagosa Peak Genealogical Society Meeting. 10 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. Enter through the side door from the parking lot. Members Kathy Zilhaber and Jane McKain will present on organization.

Makerspace. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Build, design, create with various materials. Prompts provided. We will create upcycled CD coasters.

Pagosa Springs Varsity Baseball. 11 a.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa vs. Bayfield doubleheader.

Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society Presents Band-O-Rama. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. A concert featuring the Community Band, Pagosa Springs High School Jazz Band and Pagosa Springs Middle School band class. Admission is free.

Kentucky Derby Event. 3-6 p.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Dress and wear your derby hats, dance to the music of Tim Sullivan, enjoy appetizers and desserts, bid on silent auction items, and more. This event is a fundraiser for Archuleta Seniors Inc. For more information, call (970) 264-2167.

Sunday, May 7

Free Four-Day Course in Fly-Fishing Basics. 2-5 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. Fly fishing is one of the most spirit-fulfilling activities you can do and in this study we will learn how biblical principles can help anyone find inner peace through this life enhancing venture. Each class is designed to teach potential future

and current fly-fishers the basics of equipment and the techniques to catch fish in rivers and lakes. The course will cover equipment needed, techniques for tying knots along with casting instruction and practice. We will also learn about artificial flies and how they imitate nature and effective ways to use the variety of flies available. Included will be the opportunity to take your knowledge out to the water and learn how to catch fish with a fly rod. For more information, call (303) 828-6386.

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, May 8

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. 9:30-11:30 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, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 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 one month long. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Remembering When. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center. The Pagosa Fire Protection District will host a 45-minute presentation for older adults on fire and fall prevention.

The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Harbor sights
- 6 Give a hand?
- 10 Large-scale
- 14 ___ noir (wine)
- 15 Tiny bit
- 16 Prefix with physics
- 17 Sister to Fred Astaire
- 18 Legal tender, slangily
- 20 Ancient drug for grief
- 22 Abhor
- 23 Implied
- 24 Reputation stain
- 25 Magical drink
- 27 Given to bragging
- 31 Stage background
- 32 Biblical outcast
- 34 Wed stealthily
- 35 Minestrone, for one
- 37 Less damp
- 39 "Monday Night Football" network
- 40 Actress MacDowell
- 42 Hypnotized
- 44 Olympic score
- 45 Soft to the touch
- 47 Stalky veggie
- 49 Trait carrier
- 50 Stun gun
- 51 Burglar deterrents
- 54 Locker room speeches
- 57 Mythical sea serpent
- 59 Think out loud
- 60 Sink alternative
- 61 Money in Milan
- 62 Extend, as a contract
- 63 Chances
- 64 Bartlett fruit
- 65 Finishes the lawn

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- 1 Spic-and-___
- 2 Trapper's ware
- 3 Lack of knack
- 4 Medieval weapon
- 5 Sign-making aid
- 6 Tour highlight
- 7 Folk wisdom
- 8 Ingested
- 9 Spanish rice dish
- 10 Prepare for combat
- 11 Kind of moss
- 12 Allergy symptom
- 13 Birthday fare
- 19 Hangman's loop
- 21 Out of gas
- 24 Yawning, perhaps
- 25 Blue-book filler
- 26 "Madam Secretary" actress
- 27 Life form
- 28 One taken in, once
- 29 Shoe part

- 30 Squiggly's pal
- 33 Cut back
- 36 Religious travelers
- 38 Summary
- 41 Fluid accumulation
- 43 Make like new
- 46 Part of the foot
- 48 Cleared a hurdle

- 50 Barbershop quartet singer
- 51 In addition
- 52 Lascivious
- 53 Enthusiastic
- 54 Normal beginning?
- 55 Kind of socks
- 56 Wields a needle
- 58 Old TV knob

Answers to Previous Crossword:

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- CAULKING
- CHANGE ORDER
- CONCRETE
- CONSTRUCTION
- COST
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“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, “Take, eat; this is my My body. Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”
Matthew 26: 26, 27 NKJV

“If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.”
John 13: 14, 15 NKJV

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Three events with true crime and fiction writer will support library's building and expansion campaign

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

You are cordially invited to attend any or all of our three special events on Saturday, May 13, when true crime and fiction author Ron Franscell will join us to raise funds for your library's building and expansion campaign.

From 9 to 11 a.m., he'll lead a writer's workshop at your library. The cost is \$25 and it is limited to 20 seats.

From 12:30 to 1:15 p.m., he'll host a free gathering for book clubs and other readers at the library to discuss his psychological thriller "Deaf Row." There is no charge for this session, but seating is limited.

From 6 to 8:30 p.m. (note the time change from last week's "Library News" column) he'll be at the Tennyson Building Event Center at 197 Navajo Trail Drive for a special fireside chat interview with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$45 at the door. Seating is limited.

If you attend both the writer's workshop and fireside chat interview, you are eligible for a discounted price of \$55 per person. Tickets are available at your library or at pagosalibrary.org.

A former reporter and a current New York Times bestselling author, Franscell may be best known for "The Darkest Night," his true account of the 1975 crimes against two childhood friends in the small Wyoming community where he grew up. Today, he and his wife live in Placitas, N.M.

New writers support group begins today

On Thursdays beginning today, May 4, from 9 to 11 a.m., the Ruby Writers Guild will welcome writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members will provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

Lifelong Learning today

Our free spring Lifelong Learning lectures from 6 to 7:15 p.m. on Thursdays continue with three more in May.

Today, May 4, features award-winning writer C. Neal Johnson, who will teach you how to write a feature-length movie script. Note this presentation only is from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

May 11 will highlight Dr. Janice McIntyre with an introductory yoga class, so you should wear comfortable clothing and bring a bottle of water.

May 18 will feature Arleen Prochazka from the Pagosa Weather

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Team describing the services they offer to our community and telling us about North American monsoon formation and its impact on our local mountains.

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Online author talk today

There will be two more talks this month in our free online virtual series featuring New York Times bestselling authors. You will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Wednesday, May 10, at 6 p.m. will showcase Jena Friedman, author of "Not Funny," a collection of essays on life, comedy and culture.

Saturday, May 20, at noon will feature Courtney Summers, Canadian award-winning author of "Sadie" and other novels for young adults.

Powerhouse fun tomorrow

Students in the fourth through eighth grade will enjoy hands-on STEAM projects tomorrow, Friday, May 5 from 3 to 4 p.m. focusing on circuits and tinker technology.

Tween/teen takeover tomorrow

Teens and tweens will want to join us tomorrow, Friday, May 5, 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, May 5, is our 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.

Book buddies Saturday

Students in kindergarten through second grade will celebrate favorite book characters with books and art Saturday, May 6, from 10 to 11 a.m. at this free event.

Makerspace on Saturday

Kids, tweens and teens are invited to a free Makerspace session on Saturday, May 6, from 11 a.m. to noon when we'll provide the materials so you can make upcycled CD coasters.

Beginner computer class

Join us from 1 to 2 p.m. on May 8 for the third session and May 10 for the fourth in a 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. Note that when you sign up, you are committing to all eight sessions in this month-long program.

Ruby's Book Club next Tuesday

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Ruby's Book Club will meet in person from 2 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, to discuss the classic "The Bell Jar" by Sylvia Plath. Copies are available at your library.

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

Dungeons and Dragons

Next Tuesday, May 9, from 4 to 5:30, join our Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young adults. Registration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

Read with a Ranger

Children aged 3 and older are invited to a free session Wednesday, May 10, from 10 to 11 a.m. when they will enjoy stories read by national forest rangers and make a nature craft. This special event replaces our regular family storytime.

Homework and tutoring help

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. A registration packet for parents and guardians is available by emailing the library or coming in.

Knowledge Bowl

Our free middle school Knowledge Bowl takes place next Thursday, May 11, 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 to eight, or ages 11-14. No registration is required.

ESL classes

Free in-person evening classes take place on Tuesdays and Thurs-

days, 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

Join Mark 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.

Tech Time

Free in-person slots are available 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. No appointment is needed for these drop-in sessions.

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Nonfiction

"Keep Your Eye on the Ball and Other Cliches to Live By" by Dr. Carolyn Lee is an inspirational look at well-worn platitudes. "Saved" by Benjamin Hall is a memoir by this Fox News reporter gravely injured in Kyiv. "A Living Remedy" by Nicole Chung is a memoir about a family facing a lack of access to health care.

Mysteries, thrillers and suspense

"What Lies in the Woods" by Kate Alice Marshall takes place 22

years after young girls' testimony sent a man to prison. "The Crooked Branch" by Jeanine Cummins tells of two mothers living in two very different times. "Standing Dead" by Margaret Mizushima features Dep. Mattie Cobb and her K-9 partner searching for her missing mother.

Other novels

"The Island of Missing Trees" by Elif Shafak begins with the blossoming love of two teens, a Greek and a Turkish Cypriot. "The Flames" by Sophie Haydock features four women in social elite Vienna at the dawn of the 20th century.

Large print

"Weyward" by Emilia Hart ranges from the witch-hunts of the 17th century to a similar situation today. "It's One of Us" by J.T. Ellison begins when a killer is identified as a sperm donor's son. "The Golden Spoon" by Jessa Maxwell is a mystery that takes place at a bestselling baker's home. "The Sister Effect" by Susan Mallory features two sisters and the daugh-

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Try virtual classes through the Mather Institute in May

By **Rose Chavez**
PREVIEW Columnist

Try some virtual/online free programming with our partners at the Mather Institute. Take some time to calm your mind, spark your creativity or guide your learning with virtual programs.

Programs coming up in May include the Gather in the Gallery series, which meets virtually to discover and discuss works of art.

Keep in mind that you're always welcome to join the morning meditation series Awaken to Meditation and the evening series Deep Relaxation Guided Meditation, both of which are ongoing. Drop into sessions any time you're in the mood to relax and be mindful.

These are just a few of the free online programs starting the first week of May. Choose topics that best support your unique wellness journey, and sign up to try something new. You can browse upcoming programs at <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/mather-41382754623>.

Mindfulness and brain health events include Awaken to Meditation, Deep Relaxation Guided Meditation, Mindful Chair Yoga, Mindful Eating, and Boost Your Brain and Memory. Reduce stress and calm your mind with one of the mindfulness programs, or practice strategies for keeping your brain healthy — or try both. You can browse mindfulness and brain health programs at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/mindfulness-and-brain-health-1183369>.

Discussion groups include Gather in the Gallery. You don't have to be an art historian to actively engage with art. Get inspired and share your unique perspective as we explore masterpieces and hidden gems. You can browse



discussion based programs at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/discussion-groups-1467559>.

Aromatherapy programs include Aromatherapy 101 and Aromatherapy Garden Club, Part 1. Each series offers learning and discussion, as well as hands-on creation of specific beneficial aromatherapy mixtures. When you register, we'll ask for your mailing address so we can send you the necessary materials ahead of time, at no charge. You can browse aromatherapy programs at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/aromatherapy-1183389>.

Questions? Contact Mather at (888) 600.2560 or contact@mather.com.

Pagosa Senior Center to rekindle Spanish Fiestas

The Pagosa Senior Center invites community members of all ages and backgrounds to rekindle the Spanish fiestas of the past that honor the culture and diversity of the Archuleta and Pagosa Springs community.

On Friday, May 5, at 2 p.m., community members interested in helping revive and honor the heritage of Pagosa Country with an emphasis on Hispanic and Indigenous are asked to meet at the dining hall in the Senior Center located within the Ross Aragon Community Center. We are a group of folks trying to revive a custom that used to celebrate our local heritage and promote scholarship

in our local youth. This includes many of Archuleta County's founding families.

The group is planning a headliner concert featuring the music of the godson of New Mexico music Al Hurricane Jr. and his band along with local talent featuring Los Mitotitos at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds during the afternoon and evening of July 29.

During this initial meeting we will discuss ideas to celebrate Hispanic and Indigenous heritage in conjunction with the musical event planned for this summer. Funds raised during this event will be used to support the intergenerational mission of Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) and a future scholarship fund for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and youth of color) youth of Archuleta County.

All community members are welcome to attend; snacks will be provided. For more information, contact rosa@psseniors.org

Senior safety series underway

On Monday, May 8, and Monday, May 15, at 1:15 p.m., the Pagosa Fire Protection District will host a 45-minute presentation for older adults on fire and fall prevention called Remembering When.

The presentation will be held at the Community Center. All adults from the area are welcome to attend. Older adults are at high risk of fire and falls. The Remembering When program, developed by the National Fire Protection Association, teaches older adults through trivia, humor and nostalgia how to protect themselves from fires and falls. The focus is on fun, but the safety messages are serious.

The presentation will include

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ter of one of them. "Hang the Moon" by Jeannette Walls showcases strong women dealing with business and family issues in rural Virginia during prohibition.

Books on CD

"Those Empty Eyes" by Charlie Donlea features a legal investigator whose history as a lone survivor of her family's slaughter coincides with current crimes. "Wild Warriors" by Nicholas Sansbury Smith and Anthony J. Melchiorri is the final book in the New Frontier sci-fi trilogy. "Dark Angel" by John Sandford is a Letty Davenport mystery. "Shadow of Death" by Heather Graham is a thriller that begins in

caves outside Denver.

Donations

We are grateful to our anonymous donors for their donations. When we are open, material donations are accepted for the Friends of the Library at the front desk – not through the outside returns slot at the library or the drop box at City Market, please.

The Friends take fiction published in 2013 or newer and nonfiction that is 2018 or newer. Limited workroom space means we can only accept one or two small boxes at a time.

Quotable quote

"I've learned that the secret to

finding your passion is to start bringing passion and enthusiasm to everything you do. And I do mean everything... Whether you're making the bed, brushing your teeth or cleaning the cat box, do it like you really want to do it. This one habit can change everything." — Marie Forleo, American entrepreneur, podcaster and author of advice books.

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Celebrate spring with the Kentucky Derby May 6

The Senior Center invites the community to the Kentucky Derby event at the Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive, on Saturday, May 6, from 3 to 6 p.m.

This event is a fundraiser for ASI.

Dress and wear your derby hats and dance to the music of Tim Sullivan. Enjoy appetizers and desserts. We will offer a cash bar with wine, beer and mint juleps. We will be live streaming the Kentucky Derby. Bid on fabulous silent auction items and have fun to help Pagosa seniors. For more information about the event, contact the Senior Center (970) 264-2167.

Share lunch Monday through Thursday

Join us at the Silver Fox's Den, aka the Community Cafe, in person for daily hot/cold meals Mondays through Thursdays downtown at the Community Center between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. It is open to all. Pickup is available all week, including Fridays.

Our dining hall is open to all ages and welcomes you all with kindness and warmth. We provide hot/cold meals for anyone in the community interested in a nutritious and delicious meal. For those 60 or older we request a suggested donation of \$10, but no one will be turned away. There is a \$10 charge for guests under the age of 60. Meals include a main course, side dish, fruit/dessert, garden salad plus beverage. Some popular menu items include Frito chili pie, pork tenderloin with harvest chutney, Singaporean pork ribs, vegetarian lasagna, Hawaiian shrimp with coconut rice and always a beautiful green salad. Many of our items are locally sourced and organic.

Our chef works with a team of local food professionals to hand-

prepare your meal for dine-in service in our cozy dining room (with an amazing view of the San Juans) or for takeout (via our convenient drive-through). Our menu changes daily.

To reserve your meal for the day, please make your reservation via text or phone call to (970) 264-2167 by 9 a.m. weekdays.

We provide a welcoming gathering space that serves as a community hub where nutritious food and other resources/supports are available to help older adults and their caretakers stay independent, active, engaged in our community and living in their homes. Weekly educational and social activities include our healthy aging and yoga therapy class, Mahjong and more.

Check out our senior discount card for local discounts and perks at <http://www.psseniors.org/discount-club.html>.

Senior Conversations

Join us Wednesdays at 1:15 p.m. for a series of Senior Conversations with local Bill Salmansohn. He will lead the group through mindfulness exercises 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; snacks will be provided.

Pagosa Springs 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 copenhaver-creative@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 dine-in meal reservations, Grab-n-Go meals and Meals on Wheels recipients.

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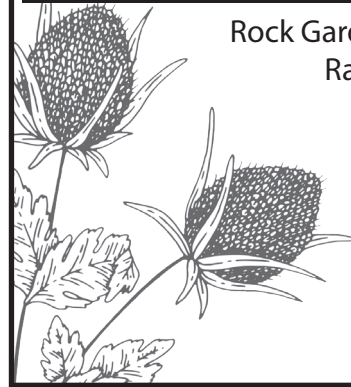
The Senior Center would like to remind the community about our mobile food pantry services we provide in partnership with Archuleta County MET to seniors age 60 and older throughout most areas of Archuleta County.

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.

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Certified seed potatoes will be offered May 10 and 11

By Robin Young
PREVIEW Columnist

It's time to think about planting potatoes, and once again you can get certified seed potatoes from the Archuleta County Colorado State University (CSU) Extension office on May 10 and 11 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Extension Viewpoints

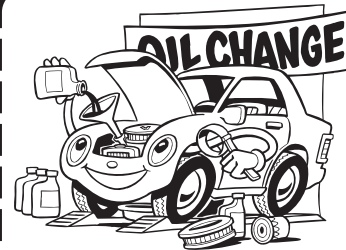
This year will be different than years past when our wonderful

master gardeners have spent days sorting, weighing and bagging potatoes. This year, you will come in and talk to our master gardeners directly as they help you weigh and bag your potatoes. You will need to bring your own bag.

This year we will have a yellow variety — a high yielding, disease-resistant yellow potato; Rocky

Mountain russet — a high yielding, disease-resistant russet variety; masquerade — a bi-color skin potato with yellow flesh described as “the most flavorful potato on the market”; jelly bean — fingerling type with red skin and yellow flesh and easy to grow; Jerry Garcia — a purple skin with white and purple

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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-cafeacute.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.

Medicare call by appointment

For anyone who needs help enrolling and navigating Medicare plans, the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging helps with parts A, B and D. They can also help you with fraud concerns and troubleshooting any billing issues you may be having. This service is available by appointment only. Please call the Medicare line at (970) 264-0501, ext 4.

Bridge

The longest-played bridge game in Archuleta County takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:15 p.m. We have eliminated Monday bridge due to lack of consistent participation and will be replacing it with different programming.

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@psseniors.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 doing administrative tasks. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to volunteer or for more information.

Board vacancies

The 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, May 4 — Stuffed por-

tabella mushrooms, wilted spinach, broccoli Romanesco, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Friday, May 5 — BBQ pork ribs, cornbread, baked beans, garden salad, fruit, lemon bars and milk.

Monday, May 8 — Crispy cod fish with tartar sauce, green beans, garden salad, cherry crisp and milk.

Tuesday May 9 — Green chile pork, tortillas, pinto beans, green salad, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, May 10 — Ham and cheese quiche, broccoli white cheddar soup, garden salad, fruit, chocolate eclair and milk.

Thursday, May 11 — Chicken dijon; glazed carrots, peas and pearl onions; garden salad; fruit; roll; and milk.

Friday, May 12 — Mushroom and cheese crepes, tomato/zucchini/squash medley, garden salad, fruit, dinner roll, chocolate cake and milk.

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flesh, this tie-dye potato is a fan favorite; Midnight Moon — purple skin with yellow flesh, this potato looks great in a medley blend or roasted as a side next to your favorite dish.

Colorado's San Luis Valley is the second-largest fresh potato growing region in the U.S. for good reason. Situated at an elevation of 7,600 feet, nestled between the Sangre de Cristo and San Juan Mountains, the valley enjoys mild temperatures and 350 days of sunshine a year. Part of an ancient lakebed, the fertile soil has been enriched by a unique mix of mineral deposits and is further enhanced by abundant annual snow melt. That is why more than 150 potato growing families have made the San Luis Valley their home for generations.

The best seed available is certified seed produced under carefully controlled isolation, disease control and storage. Buy certified seed every year because home-produced planting stock can become infected with disease in a single season. Infestation with diseases can result in a high-yielding crop the year before producing poor yields and low-quality tubers the following year.

Colorado potato fun facts

- Colorado is the second-largest fresh potato growing region in the entire United States.
- There are more than 70 unique varieties of Colorado potatoes.
- Many Colorado potatoes are grown in the San Luis Valley

,which is the largest alpine valley on earth.

- A total of 50,000 to 65,000 acres of potatoes are planted in Colorado each year. That's around 78 square miles, or enough to cover all of Washington, D.C., (68 square miles) in potato fields and then some.

- Potatoes have been farmed in Colorado since 1875. In that year, Ulysses S. Grant was president and the very first recorded hockey game and Kentucky Derby happened.

- The estimated value of Colorado potatoes produced in 2014 was \$214,802,000. That's a stack of money that's over 14 miles high. That's more than two times as high as Mount Everest.

- An average of 7.5 million pounds of potatoes are produced in Colorado every day. That's equivalent to 300 school buses (average school bus weighing 25,000 pounds). That's approximately 2.3 billion pounds of potatoes every year, or 92,000 school buses.

To find out more information, please call the CSU Extension office at (970) 264-5931 or email coopext_archuleta@Mail.Colorado-state.edu.

Upcoming events

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My Sweet Al, along with other television watchers, glues his eyes to the screen every Wednesday night watching these women compete for love. They've gone through the city guys, as if there weren't enough to choose from, and now they are going to the country for love.

"Farmer Wants A Wife" is a television program. The caption for the show: "These farmers are buckled up and ready! Will these women from 'the big city' change their lifestyle to find love in the heartland?"

Living in the country is a hard existence. Old-time ranchers and farmers from around here know what I'm talking about. They would probably say, "Heck no. These fancy women will be gone before morning."

The show is halfway over; four farmers are hanging onto the women and loving all the attention. But the guys are not looking for love, they're looking for someone to help them haul hay, muck the barns and pull a trapped cow out of the mud. All the farmers were very clear when they said they wanted a wife, but, more than that, they wanted someone to help do the work.

I told my Sweet Al, who's looking through rose-colored glasses hoping they find a husband, "Those city wanna-be brides are looking for love in all the wrong places. They're not going to make it out on the farm. Breaking those perfectly manicured nails and stepping in cow manure in high heels will send them packing. When those cameras go off, reality will step in."

These farmers are down-to-earth, good, hardworking guys. They're looking through the lens of reality. Reality would be hiring a good farmhand, getting a good day's work for a good day's pay.

The women have stars in their eyes. They want a good-looking cowboy who will hold them in his arms while he whispers sweet nothings in her ears. Those sweet words will probably sound like this: "We've got an early morning. Time to mosey on home. Those fences need fixin' before the cows get out on the highway. They won't fix themselves."

One of the farmers sent home a contestant. He said she was too

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



I'm sure this makes the ratings go up, but she's wearing thin and getting on everyone's nerves, especially the farmer.

living off the land in a continual state of camping. Not glamping. Camping. I've always said, "It's easier to dream your dreams than to live them."

I traded my high heels for work boots, rocks on my fingers for rocks on the road. A weekly trip to the beauty salon for shampooing my hair in cold river water. A nice luxury town car for a four-wheel-drive truck.

When the old-timers say they walked 2 miles in the snow to school, my children can say they did the same thing. They walked 2 miles in the snow to the bus stop.

Final brushstroke: The show makes for a good country song and an interesting night of TV. All in fun, the television program keeps us off the streets and out of the bars at night. I only have to look over at my Sweet Al rocking in his recliner to find love in the right place.

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emotional and he didn't deal with emotions very well. The other hopefuls in the house appeased her as she cried her eyes out. "We don't think you're emotional." Really?

Another one threw up when she saw cow manure on her fingers. The farmer took her hand and wiped the manure on his jeans. No big deal, but to her, yikes. How could anyone wipe manure on his clothes? A rancher would do that.

One blonde wanted the farmer to kiss her. He hedged against it until he gave her a peck. She's crying and telling the other women he kissed her. They're mad. He's not paying any attention to her. It's been a month and she's still crying. I'm sure this makes the ratings go up, but she's wearing thin and getting on everyone's nerves, especially the farmer.

Walking through the barn, one woman said, "Everything is dirty." In the country, everyone gets used to dirt. I have a feeling she'll be going home. It's harder to stay in love than muck the barns.

The show has made me look through my own lens of reality. We bought land on the Lower Blanco in 1965. We were the second family on that road. I called it my wilderness experience. No electrical lines or phone lines, only a dirt road and a river out back for bathing and drinking water.

I also had stars in my eyes. I understand where these citified dreamers are coming from. Al and I moved from the city with paved streets, running water, inside bathrooms and central heat. Believe me, I thought it was going to be fun,

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Opinion: Land exchanges serve the wealthy

By Erica Rosenberg
PREVIEW Columnist

In 2017, the public lost 1,470 acres of wilderness-quality land at the base of Mount Sopris near Aspen, Colo.

For decades, people had hiked and hunted on the Sopris land, yet the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) handed it over to Leslie Wexner, former CEO of Victoria's Secret and other corporations, at his request. The so-called "equivalent terrain" he offered in return was no match for access to trails at the base of the 13,000-foot mountain.

This ill-considered trade reveals how land management agencies pander to wealthy interests, do not properly value public land and restrict opportunities for public involvement. It's an ongoing scandal in Colorado that receives little attention.

Since 2000, the BLM and the Forest Service have proposed more than 150 land exchanges in Colorado. Last year alone, the agencies proposed to trade more than 4,500 acres of public lands, worth over \$9 million, in three major Colorado land exchanges.

Land to be traded away includes precious riverfront, lands recommended for Wild and Scenic River designation, and hundreds of acres of prime hunting and recreation territory.

Public land exchanges can be a useful tool. Federal agencies use them to consolidate land holdings, improve public access, reduce management costs and protect watersheds.

By law, the trades must serve the public interest and the land exchanged must be of equal value. The agencies are supposed to analyze, disclose and mitigate the impacts of relinquishing public lands in exchanges, and also solicit public input on whether a trade makes sense.

But, here in Colorado — and elsewhere around the country — this management tool has been usurped by powerful players who aim to turn valuable public lands into private playgrounds.

Often, the deals proposed sound good in terms of acreage. In the Valle Seco Exchange, for example, the San Juan National Forest in southern Colorado would trade 380 acres for 880 acres of prime game-wintering habitat. But the trade mostly benefits the landowners pushing the exchange.

Public lands for trade in the Valle Seco Exchange include river access, corridors considered for Wild and Scenic River designation, wetlands, sensitive species habitat and significant cultural sites.

Alarming, the Valle Seco Exchange also includes more than 175 acres of a Colorado Roadless Area, a designation meant to block

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development of high-quality land. The exchange would allow a neighboring landowner to consolidate those 380 acres with his 3,000-plus acre ranch, opening the door to development.

The Valle Seco exchange follows a long-standing pattern. "Exchange facilitators," people familiar with the land-acquisition wish lists of agencies, help private landowners buy lands the agencies want. The landowners then threaten to manage and develop those lands in ways that undermine their integrity.

The Valle Seco proponents did this by closing formerly open gates and threatening to fence the 880 acres for a domestic elk farm and hunting lodge. This is blackmail on the range.

While catering to these private interests, the agencies suppress public scrutiny by refusing to share land appraisals and other documents with the public until after the public process has closed — or too late in the process to make it meaningful.

The proponents and their consultants have ready access to these documents, yet the public, which owns the land, does not. In Valle Seco, appraisals were completed in August 2020, but they weren't released to the public until December 2021, just a few weeks before the scheduled decision date for the exchange. Advocates managed to pry the appraisals out of the agency only after submitting mul-

multiple Freedom of Information Act requests and taking legal action.

In another deal, the Blue Valley Exchange, the BLM also withheld drafts of the management agreements until just before releasing the final decision. This is hardly an open and fair public process.

The federal government presents what are, in effect, done deals. Development plans and appraisals are undisclosed and comment periods hindered. By prioritizing the proponents' desires over public interests and process, the land management agencies abdicate their responsibilities.

The result is that too many land trades are nothing less than a betrayal of the public trust as the public loses access to its land as well as the land itself.

Erica Rosenberg is a contributor to Writers on the Range, writer-sontherange.org, an independent nonprofit that works to spur lively conversation about Western issues. She is on the board of Colorado Wild Public Lands, a nonprofit in the town of Basalt that monitors land exchanges around the state. Views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN.

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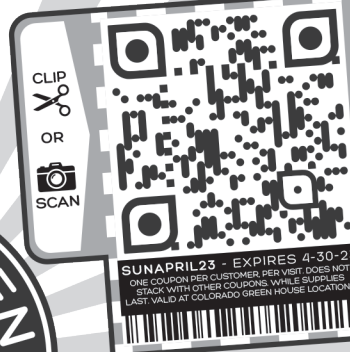
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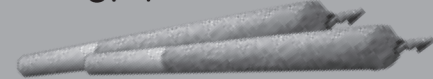
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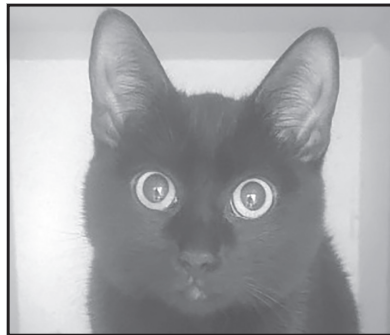
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HANDY HELPERS. We are here to lend a helping hand with all your interior and exterior home projects. Give us a call today to schedule a free estimate. (970)403-9159.

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SPRING SPECIAL FOR APRIL AND MAY! 50% off! Hot Springs Healers. Healing sessions in the hot springs! Craniosacral- brain health and nervous system support. Somatics- resolution of trauma in the body, 23 years experience. Qigong- instruction, private and group classes. Serving Pagosa over 27years. Dr. Dean Sanna and Amanda. (970)844-0645 (970)903-5309.

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START A NEW CAREER servicing hot tubs. \$17-\$20+/ hour, plus bonus and mileage. Full or part time. Must have reliable vehicle. We will train you on water quality, chemistry, repair and installations. Homespun Hot Tubs. Call or text Stuart at (818)963-0836.

MAINTENANCE PERSON NEEDED for Lakeview Estates Apartments. Must have experience and own tools. \$20 per hour. Apply in person, 857 N. Pagosa Blvd. or send resume to mountainsiderhonda@gmail.com.

COLORADO DREAM HOMES is looking for full-time (40 hour week) general construction laborers and interior/ exterior painters. Pay based on experience. Payroll position benefits: paid time off/ vacation, bonuses. Please call (970)731-3071 or email coloradodream-homesinc@gmail.com to submit a resume or questions.

ROOF LABORER NEEDED with some construction experience. Will train. \$20-\$25/ hour to start. (970)749-0830.

HELP WANTED IN REPAIRING a 20+ year old pinball machine and classic video arcade game. Please call Justin (214)315-6452.

HELP WANTED

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire a Marketing Manager in our Tourism Department. The individual selected for this position performs a variety of professional, administrative, and technical duties related to developing, implementing, and analyzing the results of effective content marketing objectives, strategies, and tactical programs in support of visitor information and educational efforts of Visit Pagosa Springs. Responsible for developing online and printed content, graphic design, social media and website management which reinforce Pagosa's brand identity. 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.

JOIN OUR NEWSPAPER TEAM at The Pagosa Springs SUN. Successful candidate will be answering phones, helping customers, assisting with production of newspaper and more. Good work ethic, accuracy and ability to meet deadlines important. Excellent customer service skills necessary. Knowledge of Mac computers and Adobe InDesign is helpful. Must type a minimum of 40 words per minute, be able to lift 50 pounds and stand for long periods of time. Newspaper experience not required. 30-34 hours per week. \$16-\$17 to start. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosason.com. Successful applicants will be contacted for interview. No phone calls please.

3R RANCH HIRING ONE full- or part-time position. Ranch and landscape maintenance. Must have own reliable transportation and valid driver's license. 40 hours a week available. (970)264-5160.

PONDEROSA LUMBER IS SEEKING a person for a yard associate/ driver position. Lumber experience and/or CDL license is a plus, but not necessary. Duties may include delivering loads to job sites, as well as helping customers in the yard, loading/ unloading trucks and providing inventory support. We offer competitive wages based on experience and a benefit package that includes Holiday Pay, Paid Time Off, 401(k) and Medical/ Dental insurance for full-time employees. Please apply in person at 2435 Eagle Drive in Pagosa Springs.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN SCHOOL is now hiring lower grade elementary teachers for the 2023/2024 school year. Please contact Headmaster Wes Odom for information at (970)585-4535.

PAGOSA AREA WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT has openings for the following positions: Water treatment operator, wastewater collections maintenance technician, fleet service mechanic, heavy equipment operator. We pay 100% of your insurance (medical, dental, vision), 6% match on 401a, 11 paid holidays and 14 days PTO first year and 19 days your second year. Please visit our website at paswd.org for more information.

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR - SKID STEER and mechanized mulcher, multiple years of experience. Email resume to frontdesk@pagosalandcompany.com, (970)264-5000.

CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LOOKING for a self-motivated person for a part-time delivery/ job site cleanup position. Clean driving record, heavy lifting, experience hauling trailers and equipment a must and construction experience preferred. Please email info@fullertonworks.com or call (970)403-5119.

HELP WANTED

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. Looking for a Dishwasher 4 nights a week. \$16 per hour to start. See Chef Anthony Wednesday-Sunday, 1p.m.-4p.m.

JONES MECHANICAL. EXPERIENCE PREFERRED but will train right person. Excellent opportunity to learn the HVAC trade. (970)731-3046.

SNOWY RIVER CONSTRUCTION is looking for carpenters and helpers to join our very busy team. Competitive pay, no experience needed, will train, some experience is fine too. Please call Rok at (970)946-3053 or email rokwilson96@gmail.com.

PAGOSA CRAFT IS HIRING FOR SUMMER!!! We are looking for a friendly and energetic bud-tender to join our amazing team! Applicant must be 21+, have a current Colorado MED badge, and be available to work nights and weekends. Please bring a resume in to be considered for employment. 127 Goldmine Dr. (970)264-0833 Cheers!

JOIN A TEAM OF FUN PROFESSIONALS working to improve the lives and families of the Pagosa Springs community. Authentic Solutions Consulting is looking to add a Child and Adolescent Therapist to our team, comfort level working with adults a plus. Must have a Master's Degree in Counseling related field. licensed preferred but not required. Interested applicants can email resume to stacey.foss@authenticconsulting.net.

NORTH PAGOSA MARATHON is hiring a full-time cashier and a full-time deli cook. Deli hours are Monday thru Friday, 5a.m.-1p.m. Please come apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

RISE ABOVE VIOLENCE is seeking a Youth Advocacy and Program Coordinator for the advancement of our youth advocacy, outreach and education programs. Applicant must be proficient in Microsoft Office; have excellent public speaking and teaching skills; and, be a highly organized, independent worker. Position is FT with benefits. BA in human services, education or related field preferred. Equitable experience will be considered. Rise is an equal opportunity employer where we celebrate diversity and are committed to inclusion. Email resume to carmen@riseaboveviolence.org.

TRADING ASSISTANT/ EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT. DEVO Capital, a Commodity Trading Advisor, is looking for an individual to fill a multi-tasking position. The job will entail bookkeeping, accounting/ spreadsheet work, administrative tasks, and customer service. Excellent communication skills and punctuality are especially important. Pay dependent upon experience. Excellent opportunity for someone who wants to work in the trading and brokerage industry. If you are not proficient in the above tasks, but are willing to learn, we will train. College degree preferred, but not required. This position provides the opportunity to become a registered broker and advisor. Send your resume to chelsea@devocapital.com.

EXPERIENCED EQUIPMENT OPERATOR needed and a CDL is a plus. We offer paid holidays, vacation time and retirement plan. Please call Tim Brown Construction LLC at (970)731-7071.

GENERAL LABORER, general labor, construction and ranch work. Please call (970)264-5000.

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carol@cakconsulting.net

ABBA EYE CARE is looking for an Optometric Technician to join our growing team! Our Technicians work closely with the Optometrist to perform activities involving patient care and maintain the appointment schedule in a manner that delivers a professional, pleasurable patient experience. Although experience in the optical industry is a plus, it is not necessary. We will provide on-the-job training for the candidate willing to learn. If you are a fast learner with excellent interpersonal skills, come join us! You will love our fun work environment and people-first culture! Apply at: aegvision.com/careers/. Pay Range and Benefits: \$14-\$19, depending on experience; Medical, Vision, Dental, Life, STD, LTD, Basic Life, Voluntary; 401K; PTO and Holidays.

CLEANER NEEDED FOR 1 BEDROOM vacation rental. Centrally located. (970)946-3006.

OFFICE ASSISTANT NEEDED for established construction company. Detail oriented, scopes, scheduling, sales. Please call (970)403-5119 and submit resumes to info@fullertonworks.com.

SAN JUAN SIDE BY SIDES is looking for part-time help this summer. Help customers hook up trailers and explain how to drive on 4X4 trails. Starting at \$18 an hour. Apply in person at 635 San Juan St., Pagosa Springs, CO.

TIM BROWN CUSTOM HOMES is looking for a few high quality, detail oriented craftsmen to help in the framing, interior finishing and painting of our custom homes. We have been building homes in Pagosa Springs for 23 years. Work year around with us and enjoy top pay, paid holidays, paid vacation and a retirement plan. Please call (970)731-7071 or stop by the office at 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., Unit B16.

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Submit your resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com or drop off at 457 Lewis Street. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls.

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457 Lewis Street

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire a **Facilities & Fleet Supervisor** in our Public Works Department. The individual selected for this position performs a variety of supervisory and administrative duties related to planning, organizing, and coordinating the maintenance of town facilities and the fleet management needs for the Town. Facilities management includes overseeing daily building and facilities maintenance, construction, and renovation in compliance with approved budget, plans and building codes. Fleet management includes overseeing the Town's passenger vehicle fleet, some equipment and town assets to ensure safe and efficient operations. This is a full-time position with benefits. Evening and weekend shifts may be required. For more information on the position and to apply, go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov and select Employment.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT — 34-40 hours a week. No weekends. \$16-\$17 to start. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com. Successful applicants will be contacted for interview. No phone calls please.

3R RANCH HIRING ONE full- or part-time position. Ranch and landscape maintenance. Must have own reliable transportation and valid driver's license. 40 hours a week available. (970)264-5160.

CARPENTER(S) - TWO CARPENTRY POSITIONS. Background with finish carpentry, light framing, drywall and painting. Email resume to frontdesk@pagosalandcompany.com, (970)264-5000.

SOCIAL MEDIA EXPERT (Facebook, Google, Instagram) wanted to help create and manage advertising and marketing campaign for growing business. Please send resume to pagosad@yahoo.com.

HELP WANTED

SQUARE TOP BAR-B-QUE, Pagosa's only craft BBQ restaurant, is looking for team members. If you want to learn to create and serve real, hardwood smoked, high quality BBQ, we want you! Experience preferred but willing to train the right individuals. Kitchen team members starting pay \$17-\$19 per hour. Seeking bar staff too! \$10.63 + tips. Apply at 1 Pines Club Pl., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. Or email us at squaretopbbq@gmail.com.

BARTENDERS AND SERVERS NEEDED at The Buck Stops Here Market and Eatery. Competitive pay. Full- and part-time positions available. Please apply within at 19 Navajo Trail Dr. Pagosa Springs, CO.

SEEDS OF LEARNING is accepting applications for a Fund Development Manager. The Fund Development Manager is responsible for leading and managing the school's fundraising and advancement initiatives, as well as community engagement efforts. They will work closely with the Executive Director, Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers to achieve the school's fundraising goals and build strong relationships with the wider community. The Fund Development Manager will also be responsible for creating and implementing a comprehensive development plan that includes major gifts, planned giving, annual giving, and special events. The position will be Monday through Friday (negotiable). It can be remote but will require some local work. Pay range between \$40,000 and \$50,000. If you are a self-starter with strong communication/organizational skills, leadership skills, and experience in fundraising, we encourage you to contact us and learn more. Contact Michelle Cusick at (970)264-5513 or submit a resume to seedsoflearning@growingseeds.org.

IF YOU WANT TO BE on GOD'S PAYROLL, get your marching orders and provisions at 965 Cloud Cap Avenue.

HELP WANTED



Office Manager

The Pagosa Springs Catholic Community has a part-time office manager opening. The ideal candidate has strong interpersonal, communication and computer skills, experience managing and working within a small office setting and have a deep desire to serve and support a vibrant Catholic faith community. Hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. \$20-\$25 per hour based upon experience. For additional information contact the parish office at jobs@ihmjp2.org or call 970-731-5744.

PAGOSA THERAPEUTICS AND THE GREEN HOUSE are looking for friendly and enthusiastic people who are eager to share their knowledge and help customers navigate the wide world of cannabis. **Primary responsibilities:** Greeting and checking in customers for their needs and preferences. Processing payments through a point-of-sale system and cash handling. Ensuring product security and compliance. Maintaining store appearance and organization. **Required qualifications:** Outstanding customer service and communication skills; strong organizational skills and attention to detail; reliable and professional; full-time availability and ability to work nights and weekends. Must be 21 years of age. A Marijuana Enforcement Division badge is required to start work. Previous retail, food service, and/or cannabis industry experience is preferred but not required. We provide an extensive training program on product knowledge and compliance requirements, with opportunities for continuing education. Benefits include paid sick leave, sales bonuses, and employee discounts. We are growing company with opportunities for advancement and involvement in outreach events. Please e-mail your resume to employment@jandjinc.net.

PAGOSA ROOTER IS HIRING a full-time wastewater technician. Work consists of driving a remote control camera into wastewater lines. Will train. Contact Davis (970)946-3692.

ABBA EYE CARE is looking for a friendly Optician to join our growing team! Experience in the optical industry is a plus, but not necessary. We will provide on-the-job training for the candidate willing to learn! As an Optician, you will be providing extraordinary customer service to our patients, including: Helping patients select eyeglass and lens treatments including tints and coatings; dispenses glasses by inspecting the product and checking for proper fit; repairing broken frames; educating patients on proper eyeglass and contact lens care; work with other staff members to maintain clean and safe office environment. If you are a fast learner with excellent interpersonal skills, come join us! You will love our fun work environment and people-first culture! Apply at: aegvision.com/careers/. Pay Range and Benefits: \$13-\$17, depending on experience; Medical, Vision, Dental, Life, STD, LTD, Basic Life, Voluntary; 401K; PTO and Holidays.

PAGOSA LIQUOR IS HIRING a full-time cashier. Please come and apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

BEST JOBS IN PAGOSA! Pagosa Springs Golf Club is accepting applications for all staff positions: Retail Pro Shop \$14-\$16.50/ hour, Restaurant/ Bar \$10.63/ hour + tips, Groundskeeping \$14-\$16/ hour DOE, and Housekeeping \$15/ hour. Full-time or Seasonal Irrigation Tech, \$18-\$24/ hour DOE. We are seeking fun & outgoing, reliable, and responsible applicants with excellent customer service skills for our 2023 team. Full- and part-time positions available. Training available for all positions. Apply in person at 1 Pines Club Place.

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire a **Deputy Court Clerk** in our Municipal Court Department. The individual selected for this position performs a variety of complex clerical duties designed to expedite the functions, actions, judgments, processes, and procedures associated with the Municipal Court. 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.

PART-TIME GROUNDS KEEPER/ MAINTENANCE POSITION – Healing Waters Resort & Spa. Some evening and weekend hours may apply. We have a great team in place, just want to add one more to our crew. Looking for someone who is handy with tools - or has the willingness to learn; who doesn't mind sweeping, raking, and shoveling; and who is self-motivated. If this is you, we'd love to talk! Download an application at www.pshotsprings.com/contact-spa-motel/employment-opportunities/ or stop by 317 Hot Springs Blvd. Employees and immediate family soak for FREE! Apply today!

STATE OF COLORADO DEPARTMENT of Natural Resources — Program Assistant — Durango office of the Division of Water Resources. Work includes general office administration, budgeting, purchasing, customer service, tracking of water court cases, amongst other duties. See the full announcement at: <https://www.government-jobs.com/careers/colorado/jobs/4020430/dwr-program-assistant-ii>.

HYGIENIST \$55/ HOUR: Could you make \$80,000+ a year? Ask about \$10,000 full-time first year bonus. Part time also available. The team at Pagosa Smiles is blessed to have family oriented hours with weekends and holidays off, great pay, 401K & bonuses in a beautiful facility. Colorado dental hygiene license required E-mail resume to PagosaSmiles@yahoo.com.

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HELP WANTED

PART TIME RANCH HELP to install gated pipe and fence. Some horse knowledge helpful. Call Ron at (808)330-1000.

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. 214 Pagosa Street. Seeks line cooks 4 nights a week. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. \$18 to start. See Anthony or Garrett after 1p.m.

OFFICE MANAGER. You are looking for a full-time job that will keep you challenged with a wide variety of administrative duties for an established Pagosa technology firm. You have a "servant's heart," as you work closely with like-minded co-workers, and engage with interesting clients. Requirements: Exceptional verbal, written and interpersonal skills; minimum 5 years employment in customer service and office administration; extensive knowledge of MS Office and QuickBooks. Finally, a good sense of humor and a sincere, innate desire to help others are required! Position offers a competitive hourly rate based on experience, paid time off, and profit sharing plan. (970)585-1235. Or email resume to it4corners@protonmail.com.

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REPORTER — The Pagosa Springs SUN seeks a general assignment reporter who can do it all. If you can write strong news stories and compelling features, take solid photographs and are comfortable using digital tools, then you might be a good fit for our newsroom. A passion for community journalism, inspired storytelling and public service is essential for a successful candidate. Self-motivation and excellent time-management skills are a must. You must be proficient under pressure and consistent at meeting deadlines. Common topics in a week would include meeting coverage, coverage and photos from significant community events, school sports and more. The position is up to 30 hours per week and would rarely involve overtime, though night and weekend working hours are common. However, the position offers some day-to-day flexibility in work hours. Email resume with cover letter to helpwanted@pagosasun.com.

DEDICATED CLEANERS, UP TO \$17/ hour. Must be detail oriented, trustworthy, reliable and committed. Text Pagosa Sparkles, LLC, (970)946-6446.

YARD SALES

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YARD SALE. Saturday, May 6. 298 Buckeye Place. Bookcases, outdoor furniture, miscellaneous. 9a.m.-4p.m.

ESTATE SALE - DURANGO. Friday and Saturday, 8a.m. sharp. Houseful - furniture, antiques, decor and more. 2121 Crestview Dr., Durango. 1/2 price Saturday. Sale by The Organizers.

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DRY FIREWOOD-PINE. Pick up \$240 a cord. Delivery available. Call for prices. Bayfield. Gabe (970)403-2784.

RIGID PNEUMATIC, COIL ROOFING nailer, excellent condition, \$150. Milwaukee HD Sawsall, dual range, variable speed, \$45. Call (970)946-9859.

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FOREST SERVICE WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER in search of rooms or apartment. Nondrinking, nonsmoker. (515)822-2761.

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