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Sikes wins Congressional Art Competition

By Hailey Sams
SUN Intern

Pagosa Springs resident and recent graduate Regina Sikes won first place in the 2023 Congressional Art Competition and was presented an award by U.S. Rep. Laura Boebert on Aug. 9.

Sikes was presented with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition and a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol to honor her for her work serving the community with her art, a release from Boebert's office explains.

Sikes' first-place artwork, titled "Ghost Ranch," will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol building. Members of congress, U.S. Senators and more than 1 million visitors that year will see it in the Cannon Tunnel as they enter the Capitol, the release relays.

"Regina has also earned an honorable mention for her two paintings inspired by her great-great-grandmother. These will be displayed in my Durango Office," Boebert said via the press release, referring to Sikes watercolor-gouache piece, "Posterity's Muse."

"I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Regina Sikes from Pagosa Springs, Colorado, on her well-deserved victory in the 2023 Congressional Art Competition," Boebert commented via the release, "her masterpiece, Ghost Ranch, brilliantly captures the beauty of the southwestern skies and landscapes."

Sikes and her family attended an award ceremony and reception in the U.S. Capitol unveiling her artwork, according to the release, which included free airfare and a full exclusive tour of the U.S. Capitol by Boebert's office.

Sikes was given the award in front of her large, recently completed mural in Pagosa Springs High School.

"We're just terribly proud of our daughter," Kevin Sikes, Regina's father, said.

Kevin Sikes thanked Boebert and also Pagosa High School for "allowing a home-school kid to really enrich their education there through the extracurricular programs."

Sikes participated in art, choir and drama at the high school and, "it really allowed her to blossom," he continued. "Her [art] instructor, Kelly Lewis, really created a rich environment and Regina really leaned into it."

Sikes was accepted to the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, N.M., according to the press release.

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Regina Sikes stands with her family in front of a mural she created at Pagosa Springs High School. Inset: Sikes, left, stands with her Certificate of Congressional Recognition and a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol and U.S. Rep. Lauren Boebert.

SUN photo/Hailey Sams

Juvenile arrested after fire in Walmart

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Police Department (PSPD) arrested a 14-year-old male from San Juan County, N.M., on Tuesday, Aug. 22, in connection with a fire in the Pagosa Springs Walmart the previous night.

According to a Wednesday press release from the PSPD, the juvenile was arrested for first-degree arson, a class 3 felony, and reckless endangerment, a class 2 misdemeanor.

"The male is the only suspect in the case and there are no public safety risks known," the press release states.

Due to his age, no additional information about the suspect can be released, it notes.

Walmart closed for part of the morning on Tuesday, Aug. 22, following the fire.

According to a Tuesday press release from the PSPD, the PSPD and Pagosa Fire Protection District

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Suspect arrested in death of Michael Kroll

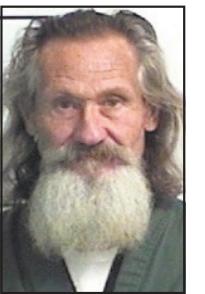
By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

A suspect has been arrested in the death of Michael Kroll, formerly of Archuleta County.

According to a press release issued by the Pagosa Springs Police Department (PSPD) on Aug. 18, Kroll was reported missing from the Pagosa Springs area on Oct. 19, 2021, and his remains were later located in a remote area of La Plata County on Sept. 25, 2022.

The suspect, 60-year-old Glen

Canyon Lee Hunt, formerly of Archuleta County, was identified through a joint investigation by the Pagosa Springs Police Department and the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, the press release notes.



Hunt

■ See Arrest A8

County road plans change after unauthorized expenditures discovered

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard an update from County Manager Derek Woodman at its Aug. 22 work session on recent issues with road paving and landfill operations involving unauthorized work.

Woodman opened his update by noting that issues arose "late last week" and that the county would

be releasing information to the press on the events.

He explained that, at the landfill, repairs on the liner of cell 4A had been occurring without a contract for "the last few months," though this work has now "ceased."

He added that the liner needs to be fixed this fall and that he received a contract from the contractor who previously worked at the

■ See Roads A8

Courthouse sale complete County to move forward with \$6.7 million admin building

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved moving forward with plans for a new county administration building at its Aug. 15 meeting, and the county closed the sale of the former county courthouse to Ronnie Urbanczyk on Aug. 17.

At the BoCC work session on Aug. 15, developer Wes Hill of Wesley Properties LLC presented a letter of intent to the board outlin-

ing the potential terms of a build-to-suit lease agreement between the county and leaseholder Geneva Investments to construct a new administration building.

The lease agreement and potential building were previously discussed at the June 20 BoCC work session where the board reviewed the general design of the building.

Hill explained that, since the previous meeting, his staff had completed a pricing exercise and

■ See Courthouse A8



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

Saturday's Seeds of Learning's Dancing with the Pagosa Stars winners are Mirror Ball Trophy Winner Star: Sherry Phillips and coach Nolan King, Best Showmanship Star: Gustavo Palma and coach Kylie Ross, Best Male Dancer Star: Josh Butcher and coach Ashley Butcher, Best Female Dancer Star: Jessica Low and coach John Gilliam, Most Original Performance Star: Becky Deitemeyer and coach Nash McNichol, and Paramount Video Award Star: Tim Wightman and coach Sharina Ramsay-Adams.

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OUR VIEW

It's been a challenging week

Last week, we wrote about the Marion County Record newspaper in Kansas being raided by police who confiscated computers, phones, documents and other items.

The raid essentially shut down publication of the newspaper when items seized included newspaper stories, logs of advertising and ads that were prepared for printing in the next issue of the paper.

"Unpublished materials of a news gathering operation are generally protected by state and federal laws and a long line of First Amendment court decisions, but there are exceptions," stated a joint editorial in The Wichita Eagle and The Kansas City Star.

By the time The SUN was off the press, it had been announced that there was "insufficient evidence" for the items to have been seized and that the property would be returned.

The Record's front page headline last week was printed in 200-point bold type: "SEIZED ... but not silenced."

It's been a challenging week in Pagosa Country on a variety of matters this week.

School bus drivers

Archuleta School District announced that it has an extreme shortage of school bus drivers.

District correspondence that went out to parents of students this week notes, among other things, that there will be the following changes to the school's busing:

- "Reduction in the number of bus routes
- "Reduction in bus stops
- "Relocation and consolidation of bus stops
- "Eliminating bus passes
- "Eliminating Student Activity Requests (Requests for alternate stops: after school activities, daycare, etc.)
- "Limiting field trips and other activi-

ties."

We've already seen parents scrambling to solve the issue of getting their children to day care or other activities after school when the parent has to be at work.

Town will undoubtedly see an increase in traffic and congestion on local roads and at local schools when parents have to pick up students and transport them to activities.

While the school is "aggressively recruiting new drivers," the shortage is causing new challenges for families.

New drivers can get a free CDL license course and starting pay is \$25 per hour. More than just the financial reward, you can help out the school district and the community if you are willing and able to take on the important job of driving a school bus and transporting students.

Walmart fire

Another situation that has had a ripple effect in the community was someone setting fire to clothing at Walmart on Monday evening.

The time that the store was closed because of the fire affected customers, employees and revenues, including sales tax revenues that would have come back to the community. Additionally, damaged produce and other goods had to be discarded.

It is already a challenge for local stores to keep shelves stocked with employee shortages and keeping up with increased demand for products during our busy summer season. There is no doubt some of us are going to miss out on buying produce this week.

The fire could have caused greater destruction than it did.

Medical care

On a positive note, we were reminded on Monday of the great need this community's citizens have for the Upper San Juan Health Service District's EMS. With

ambulance services across the state struggling, our hospital district successfully manages professional, trained staff who provide superior service.

We recall years ago having to take that dreaded hour-long drive to Durango for emergency care. It was especially challenging during the winter months.

This week, we were also blessed by nursing staff at Pagosa Springs Medical Center who went above and beyond the call of duty in providing stellar care to a family member.

Search and rescue operations

Local search and rescue teams (SAR) and law enforcement have been faced with more than one challenging search and rescue operation this week.

This was a reminder of the importance of getting a Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue (COR-SAR) card.

Your purchase of the card helps to provide reimbursements to SAR organizations for costs incurred while conducting search and rescue operations. Funds also go toward purchases of additional rescue equipment and training.

CORSAR cards are available for \$3 for a one-year card and \$12 for a five-year card. You can purchase a card at <https://tinyurl.com/yckfhuuh>.

COVID-19

We were also reminded this week that COVID is still here and we understand that it is circulating in the community again.

If you are sick, please stay home and keep your germs to yourself.

Rain

Weather forecasts have been all over the place this week. We are thankful for rain this week and hopeful for less lightning. Stay safe.

Terri Lynn Oldham House



LOOKING BACK

Taken from The Pagosa Springs SUN files of July 23, 1998: Attendance was good and sales were brisk at the annual Friends of the Library meeting and book sale held Friday night in the County Fair Building. In addition to being friends of the library, many of those in attendance are long-time friends. An example of the latter are Betty Feazel, left, and Beth Moore.

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LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
August 24, 1923

County Judge J.Q. Vermillion officially opened the new steel-truss bridge across the San Juan river, at the east end of Pagosa street, this morning. The bridge was inspected Monday by Mr. Morgan, assistant bridge engineer of the federal office in Denver, by J.R. Cheney, divisional state engineer of Durango, and D.B. Miller, the contractor. It was approved and accepted and ordered that same be opened for travel today. The bridge is a federal aid project and cost \$33,286.

Much credit should be given to Engineer Ed. Oviatt, of the divisional state highway office in Durango. He has been looking after the state's interests. But, to go back to the beginning, our own J.B. Patterson is responsible for sufficient state and federal interest being taken to go over the proposition and order the work to be done.

The Sun says "hats off" to each and every one who had a part in the construction of a bridge that Pagosa Springs and Archuleta county need to no longer be ashamed of.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
August 27, 1948

Widening of the road between Pagosa Junction and Arboles under the supervision of Reuben Chavez has been noted as news of the year by local, grateful motorists.

A railroad building and bridge gang with Mr. Joe Robinson as foreman had been working in and around Pagosa Junction for the past two weeks.

It might be well if motorists would be more careful on rural roads. A motorist hit Pete Gomez while he was getting the mail from the rural mail box along the road. He suffered a broken leg and bruises.

Mrs. Dick DeVore, who has been attending Adams State College in Alamosa, Colo. this summer will receive her B.A. degree at the graduation exercise Friday, August 27. Mrs. DeVore will teach in the Pagosa Schools this year.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
August 23, 1973

The Archuleta County Fair was held last weekend and was a decided success. The exhibits were enjoyed by a large number of interested residents, the exhibitors who worked long and hard on their projects had the satisfaction of seeing them acclaimed, and local residents had an opportunity to see some fine exhibits, exciting rodeo, and a parade of champions.

A wounded hunter was airlifted out of the rugged San Juan country by a helicopter this week. The hunter sustained a massive flesh wound when a gun was accidentally discharged by a hunting companion. The rescue and airlift were accomplished at night. The hunter is now reported as improving in a Durango hospital.

Football practice started Tuesday of this week and early risers may see prospective football players jogging up and down the hills, along the town streets, and exercising in the Town Park.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
August 27, 1998

An order from the Colorado Court of Appeals has upheld the right of the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association to remove a manufactured home from a lot in the Pines II subdivision. The opinion was handed down by Judges Edwin G. Ruland and James S. Casebolt.

PLPOA President Nan Rowe said, "This was the only pending case that we (the new board of directors) weren't going to walk away from. This seemed to be a valued use of association fees."

The home and lot is owned by Larry and Carol Caywood.

In the judges' written opinion — responding to an appeal filed by the Caywoods — they ruled the pivotal issue "is whether the association (PLPOA) can lawfully adopt and enforce a regulation requiring any residence built or installed by owners on their lots to comply with the Uniform Building Code.

According to the judges, the Caywoods, after receiving a county permit to build on lots in the subdivision "began the installation of a double-wide manufactured home which, while it may have complied with other building codes or standards, did not comply with the UBC."

The PLPOA issued a stop-work order at this point, but when the Caywoods ignored it, the association requested a mandatory injunction ordering them to remove the home. After a trial, the court granted the injunction and the Caywoods appealed.

Letters

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'Live and let live'

Dear Editor:
Live and let live...that's how you and your unique identity (personality/looks/oddities) get's to live, have a career, marry/raise a family or not, go where you want and live in peace.

So what's so hard about letting others enjoy that same freedom. Why is every election today a... winner-take-all, the end-of-the-world if your side losses. Did you forget that in a couple of years your side get's another try?

Live and let live is how nations w/different beliefs, religions, racial/cultural backgrounds survives. Look around you, several nations, some are/were allies, are on edge of implosion..why, they have the same problem as we do,,winner take all, control to the few and out with anyone who believes differently.

See here's the thing, the 'woke/ liberal' crowd doesn't care what you believe as long as the nation's laws & institutions are upheld; while the

GOP right-wing would just as soon destroy the nation so their idol (Donnie) survives and they take control of...everything. Strangely enough, fact...most right-wingers never ever served our nation...in any capacity yet they walk/drive around acting as if the nation depends on their T-shirts logo.

When you, if ever, go to court, you want the law to be fair..period. 8 state election cases lost hands down or thrown out by GOP judges, fake state electors, settlement on sexual molestation, 4 indictments by Federal & state appointees and a significant no. of 'lawyers co-incident' all seeking to subvert the law. All their legal fees paid for by your Trump campaign funds...and I'll bet you think that's unimportant. Amazingly when asked, some say maybe you, it's political harassment or election interference. He just in case you missed it...that's exactly what Donald did to subvert our 2020 vote.

Goebbels (German NAZI PR guy) got it right, the bigger the lie the more the idol seeking 'challenged' amongst us will believe it.
Dave Blake

Radon testing

Dear Editor:
The Cleveland Clinic published a report* that included the following statements:

- No medical test is widely available to test the human body for radon exposure.

- Repeated exposure over time – around twenty years – can lead to cancer development, especially if you are a smoker.

- At this time it cannot be determined that lung cancer has formed from radon exposure only.

The test for radon gas in your home doesn't provide good medical information. The test kit is placed on a table, and the house is closed off for two days. The test will show a level in the closed house, not a normal house environment.

If a person develops lung cancer, there is no way to determine that radon caused it. There is no pathology marker for radon gas. All the diagnosis is statistical analysis. It should be remembered that the EPA said "black mold is toxic to humans." This has been determined by medical science to be false.

Researchers have data from Canada and the United States in which data from thousands of people was analyzed. The results demonstrated a slight increase of lung cancer for persons with elevated exposure to household radon. These home tests do not tell you what level of radon their body acquired.

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have reported one case of radon lung cancer in fifty years. These cases are to be reported to the health departments.

The undue concern over radon has caused huge costs in home building, buying and selling. The false data needs to be reexamined by the EPA – the folks who caused it.

*Last reviewed by a Cleveland Clinic medical professional on 04/30/21

Robert E. Bonham

Compassion

Dear Editor:

In the Aug. 10th Letters to the Editor, Cathlynn Groh implies that Christians and Christians businesses use the "... bible to abhor the LGBTQ community, if you will, or to consider their pursuit of things like a wedding cake as evil..." Ms. Groh is referring to Christian bakeries that have refused to create a special wedding cake for gay weddings. Fortunately, she is wrong. Most Christian businesses will sell any product they have to the LGBTQ community including cookies, cupcakes, regular birthday cakes, floral arrangements, etc. By doing this, it is clear that they don't abhor the LGBTQ community. (I know one Christian business owner who even prays for a gay couple that sued him for not baking a wedding cake). They do politely refuse, however, to use their artist talents to create special products for gay marriages. This exercise in freedom of religion has been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Also in this same Letters to the Editor column, Debra Hepler, regarding the above topic, writes that some "... Christians are enraged and insulted over a gay person 'attacking' their values by asking for cake." Alas, Ms. Hepler is also wrong. Most Christian businesses that are asked to create a special wedding cake, floral arrangement, etc. for gay weddings, politely decline. The ones I know of also refer these potential customers to other businesses that will create what the gay couples want. They are not enraged or insulted.

But the Christian community is enraged, as everyone should be, when these Christian business owners and their children are

targets of death threat and harassment by some in the LGBTQ community.

I note that Ms. Groh and Ms. Hepler have conveniently avoided discussing this dangerous tactic by some of the LGBTQ community and their supporters. Let's pray that the individuals doing this will have the compassion of Jesus and quit threatening people.

Charles Newton
Highlands Ranch

'Film Plastic Project'

Dear Editor:

A big thank you to our community of Pagosa Springs who have helped contribute to the "Film Plastic Project". As this project comes to an end the last of August, you have accounted for over 3 tons of plastic being kept out of our local landfill. Imagine, that is over 6,000 lbs of that light weight, stretchy, see through stuff. Even though the State of Colorado has placed a fee on plastic bag use and is encouraging all to have reusable bags, there has been little change in the amount being collected.

This was a project started through the Sarah Platt Decker Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, with a timeline of 6 months and a goal of 500lbs of plastic, working in partnership with the TRESX Company. The prize at the end of the project was a free bench, made from TRESX. Now 16 months later, this project, the community and its long list of supporters have gone over and beyond all expectations. It is no longer a small grass roots activity, but something needing more help and resources.

Sept. 1 will be my last day to pick up this "Film Plastic". Again, kudos to the many who have helped support this project. And here's to hoping it can be continued. Both City Market and Walmart do have receptacles to receive this plastic, but for the "Film Plastic Project", the light-weight plastic needed to be clean, dry, and free of paper and tape.

Tanice Ramsperger, conservation chairman, Sarah Platt Decker Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution

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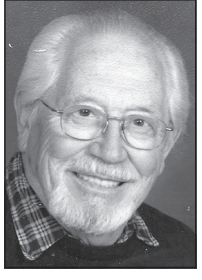
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Obituaries

Manuel Martin Archuleta

Surrounded by loving family and friends, Manuel Martin Archuleta passed peacefully on to eternal rest in his family home on main street Sunday, Aug. 6.



The last of the Archuleta brothers, Manuel was the great-grandson of J.M. Archuleta Sr., for whom the county was named. The Archuleta family has been influential in shaping Pagosa Country since its very inception. One of six children born to Lionel and Ruby (Gomez) Archuleta, Manuel was raised across the county that bears his name.

Born on Nov. 11, 1937, in Lumberton, N.M., Manuel later graduated from Pagosa Springs High School in 1955. Manuel saw the world by serving our country with distinction as a member of the United States Navy. He had advanced A, B, C clearance and was trusted with atomic, biological and chemical training. He later returned to Pagosa, where he ran sheep, worked in the sawmill, was an electrician in the water diversion project in Chromo and eventually became a fixture of Pagosa's iconic Silver Dollar Liquor, where he spent much of his time sharing his love of Pagosa with old-timers and newcomers alike.

In 1965, Manuel married and

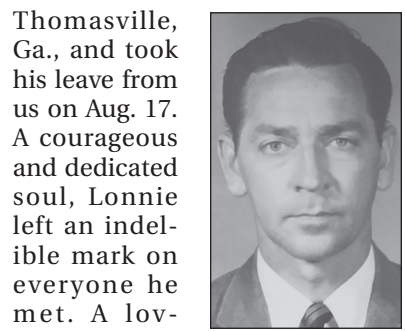
was blessed with three children, Martin, Ruby and Francine. Manuel was a wonderful father and grandfather. He traveled frequently to visit his family in California and his grandson, Johnathan, lived with and helped care for him in his later years. Always proud of his children and grandchildren, he would regale patrons with his family's victories and exploits. They were the light of his life. He is survived by Francine and Ruby and his grandchildren, Sydney, Sinjin, Jonathan and Cierra.

Additionally, he adopted the Dach family when they moved to Pagosa in late 1979, helping them to learn how to become part of the community and teaching them the ways of the mountains. He was a surrogate grandfather to the Dachlings, Carla, Trish, Peter and Michael. He formally became a part of the family when the Dach's youngest son was named Michael Manuel Dach and took on the role of Michael's godfather. Pete said that Manuel was "his best friend" for all of these years.

An old shepherd at heart, Manuel took his legacy as an outdoorsman seriously. He spent much time in the high country hunting and fishing, and he was never happier than when he was working the family ranch south of town. No matter where life led him, Archuleta County always was and always will be his home.

William Alonnie Fielder Jr.

William Alonnie Fielder Jr., affectionately known as Lonnie, was born on Aug. 31, 1937, in



Thomasville, Ga., and took his leave from us on Aug. 17. A courageous and dedicated soul, Lonnie left an indelible mark on everyone he met. A loving husband, father and grandfather, his presence will be sorely missed by all who knew him. As John C. Maxwell once said, "Success is not counted by how high you have climbed but by how many people you brought with you." Lonnie's life was a testament to this quote, with his immense dedication to his work and family.

Lonnie was a resident of Sautee Nacoochee, Ga., after having lived in Columbus, Ga., and Pagosa Springs, Colo. Lonnie had a rewarding career where he loved supporting the infantry soldier. His career spanned 26 years in the development and evaluation of mounted and dismounted U.S. Army night-vision equipment, including four years as project coordinator for the U.S. Army Development and Engineering Center (CERDEC) providing night-vision technical support to the Infantry Center Soldier Battle Lab and Combat Development Directorate, and 20 years as Commodity Manager Night Vision with Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC). He also spent two years as the TOW Missile System project manager's representative conducting the TOW service test leading to production and fielding. Lonnie's

retirement was hosted by Gen. Jay Hendrix where he was presented the Order of Saint Maurice Award, Civis, by the National Infantry Association. Lonnie worked at the highest levels of the Infantry Center Command Structure, where his work was a calling, not a job. Despite his busy schedule, he was generous with his time. Lonnie was a keen trumpet player with a deep love for jazz music. His passion for service was evident, having served in the Air Force for four years, a courageous act that demonstrated his unwavering dedication to his country.

Lonnie leaves behind his beloved wife, Dolores Fielder; his son, William "Bill" Fielder III and his wife, Jessa; his daughters, Karin Barton and her husband Stephen and Teri Thompson and her husband Jay; his brother, Lucius Mark Fielder; his sister, Barbara Sue Strickland; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Lila Fielder, and a son, Larry Fielder. Lonnie's family was the cornerstone of his life. His loving and generous nature will be remembered by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

We invite you to leave your precious memories of Lonnie and upload photos to the memorial page. Your shared memories will serve as a comfort to the family and a testament to Lonnie's impactful life.

The family will receive friends Saturday, Aug. 26, from 10 a.m. until service time at noon at McDonald and Son Funeral Home. Graveside service will be Aug. 26 at 3 p.m. at Mt. Yonah Baptist Church, 882 Asbestos Road, Cleveland, Ga.

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Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Calls for service for week: 306.

Aug. 12 — Rabies vaccination required, vicious dog with injury, Gila Drive.

Aug. 12 — Second-degree burglary, all other thefts, second-degree criminal trespass, criminal mischief, County Road 700.

Aug. 12 — Criminal mischief, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, obstruction of telephone or telegraph service, Jack Rabbit Road.

Aug. 12 — First-degree trespass-theft from vehicle, all other thefts, aggravated motor vehicle theft, criminal mischief, Canyon Circle.

Aug. 12 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, criminal mischief, obstruction of telephone or telegraph service, violation of restraining order, West U.S. 160.

Aug. 13 — Dog at large, Cloman Boulevard.

Aug. 13 — Second-degree aggravated motor vehicle theft, first-degree criminal trespass-theft from vehicle, criminal mischief, Lyn Avenue.

Aug. 14 — Failure to appear (bench warrants), Harman Park Drive.

Aug. 14 — Information only, Cactus Drive/Down and Out Road.

Aug. 14 — Drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, driving under restraint alcohol/drug-related offense, glass in vehicle did not permit normal vision, safety belt required, North Pagosa Boulevard/Village Drive.

Aug. 14 — Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, Solomon Drive.

Aug. 14 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

Aug. 14 — Theft-from building,

County Road 119.

Aug. 14 — Theft from vehicle, East U.S. 160.

Aug. 15 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, domestic violence, Starlight Place.

Aug. 15 — Warrant arrest, Chris Mountain Drive/West U.S. 160.

Aug. 15 — Violation of restraining order, Chris Mountain Drive/West U.S. 160.

Aug. 15 — Identity theft-intent, County Road 600.

Aug. 16 — Information only, Gila Drive.

Aug. 16 — Information only, Harman Park Drive.

Aug. 18 — All other thefts, Canyon Circle.

Aug. 18 — Agency assist, information only, all other thefts, Navajo Trail Drive.

Aug. 18 — Dog at large (first offense no injury), information only, Monument Avenue.

Aug. 18 — Information only, trespass warning, Canyon Circle.

Aug. 19 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, child abuse, Davis Cup Drive.

Aug. 19 — Dog at large (first offense no injury), information only, Park Avenue.

Aug. 19 — Failure to use turn signal, expired license plates, Pagosa Street.

Aug. 20 — First-degree criminal trespass-other intent, Hopi Drive.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

Calls for service for two weeks: 256.

Aug. 5 — Criminal trespass first degree, Eaton Drive.

Aug. 7 — Disorderly conduct, disorderly conduct, East Pagosa Street.

Aug. 7 — Harbored vicious animal, San Juan Street.

Aug. 8 — Careless driving, failed to notify police of accident, Eagle Drive.

Aug. 9 — Owner/custodian allowed animal to run at large, South Pagosa

Boulevard.

Aug. 9 — Violation of restraining order, U.S. 160.

Aug. 9 — Possession drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession controlled substance, warrant arrest, U.S. 160/Boulder Drive.

Aug. 10 — Theft, Reservoir Hill.

Aug. 12 — Violation of restraining order, 5th Street.

Aug. 12 — Unlawful possession of controlled substance, warrant arrest, San Juan Street.

Aug. 12 — DUI, failed to drive in single lane, driving under restraint alcohol-drug-related offense, U.S. 160/Pike Drive.

Aug. 12 — Theft, burglary second degree, Pagosa Street.

Aug. 13 — Theft, 2nd Street.

Aug. 13 — Burglary second degree, criminal trespass third degree, theft, Aspen Village Drive.

Aug. 14 — Theft, West U.S. 160.

Aug. 15 — Criminal trespass second degree, 8th Street.

Aug. 15 — Assault second degree, domestic violence, DUI, driving under restraint alcohol/drug-related offense, reckless driving, Pagosa Street.

Aug. 15 — Owner/custodian allowed animal to run at large, Loma Street.

Aug. 16 — Theft motor vehicle parts, Trinity Lane.

Aug. 16 — Theft, Village Drive.

Aug. 18 — Warrant arrest, 9th Street.

Aug. 18 — Disorderly conduct, trespass warning, San Juan Street.

Aug. 18 — Menacing, 8th Street.

Aug. 18 — DUI, operated vehicle without insurance, failure to use turn signal, failed to drive in single lane (weaving), drive vehicle without driver's license, Colorado plate violation, open container in motor vehicle, warrant arrest, San Juan Street/7th Street.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Anthony D. Edwards

No report.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Aug. 16 — Cameron Z. Pistillo, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$98.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Aug. 10 — Charles Edward King, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, 18 months probation, fines and costs — \$1,203.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

Call for Nominations For School Directors



The Archuleta School District 50 JT in the Counties of Archuleta and Hinsdale, State of Colorado, calls for nomination of candidates for school directors to be placed on the ballot for the regular biennial school election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

At this election three (3) directors will be elected representing the following director districts: Director District Two (2), Director District Three (3), Director District Four (4), for a term of office of four years, and one (1) director will be elected representing Director District Five (5) for a term of office of two years. To be qualified, a candidate must have been a registered elector of the school district for at least 12 consecutive months before the election and a resident of the Director District which will be represented. Legal Descriptions of the Director Districts are available at www.mypagosaschools.com under the School Board tab, or at the Administration office located at 309 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. A person is ineligible to run for school director if he or she has been convicted of committing a sexual offense against a child.

A person who desires to be a candidate for school director shall file a written notice of intention to be a candidate and a nomination petition signed by at least 50 eligible electors who are registered to vote in the regular biennial school election.

Nomination petitions may be obtained at the Archuleta School District Administration office located at 309 Lewis Street beginning Wednesday, August 9th, 2023. Office hours are 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Completed petitions shall be submitted to Heather Schultz, the school district's designated election official, no later than 3:00 pm on Friday, September 1, 2023.

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County unemployment rises again in July

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

According to an Aug. 18 press release from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, Archuleta County's unemployment rate rose from 3.3 percent in June to 3.4 percent in July.

County unemployment rose from 2.6 percent in May to 3.3 in June after falling between March and May.

From June to July, Archuleta County's labor force dropped from 7,346 to 7,315.

For the month of July there were 7,067 individuals employed in Archuleta County, according to the press release. This figure is down from June's report of 7,106 individuals employed in Archuleta County.

County-level unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.

According to the press release, the county with the highest unemployment rate for July is Huerfano County at 6.2 percent, followed by Las Animas County at 5.8 and Fremont County at 5.2.

Costilla County is next at 5 percent, with Otero County and Pueblo County following, both at 4.8 percent.

The state's unemployment increased from 2.8 in June to 2.9 in July.

The state's labor force increased by 3,400 from 3,249,100 in June to 3,252,500 in July.

The press release notes, "Colorado's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased one-tenth of a percentage point in July to 2.9 percent compared to the June rate of 2.8 percent. The number of unemployed individuals grew by 3,300 over the same time period to 95,000. Colorado's unemployment

rate has been below 3.0 percent for fifteen consecutive months and remains at prepandemic levels. The national unemployment rate decreased one-tenth of a percentage point to 3.5 percent from June to July."

Employers in Colorado added 800 nonfarm payroll jobs from June to July, bringing the total number of jobs in Colorado to 2,907,800.

Nonfarm payroll jobs measure the number of workers excluding farmers.

The private sector lost 1,900 nonfarm payroll jobs and the government sector gained 2,700 jobs.

The private-industry sectors with significant job gains in July include:

- Professional and business services at about 2,600.

Significant over-the-month declines occurred in the following sectors:

- Leisure and hospitality at about 3,500.

- Educational and health services at 1,100.

"Since July 2022, nonfarm payroll jobs have increased 38,800, with the private sector growing by 18,200 and government adding 20,600 jobs," the press release notes.

Since July 2022, the largest private-sector job gains include:

- Leisure and hospitality at about 18,000.

- Professional and business services at about 8,900.

- Educational and health services at about 2,800.

Since July 2022, the largest private sector job losses include:

- Financial activities at about 7,100.

- Trade, transportation and utilities at about 5,400.

- Information at about 3,000.

- Construction at about 2,000.

According to the press release, "Over the year, the average workweek for all Colorado employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased from 33.1 to 33.5 hours, while average hourly earnings grew from \$34.60 to \$35.91, two dollars and seventeen cents more than the national average hourly earnings of \$33.74."

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PSCDC expands workforce housing project with donated lots

By Monica Nigon
Staff Writer

A private landowner has donated two lots for the Community Development Corporation's (PSCDC) workforce housing project, upping its project number to eight homes.

According to Executive Director Emily Lashbrooke, the lots are located at 32 Mansions Circle and 76 Mansions Circle.

Lashbrooke explained at the Aug. 16 PSCDC meeting they will likely be three-bedroom, two-bath houses with up to a two-car garage given they are bigger than the other six lots the PSCDC will be developing in cooperation with Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County.

Lashbrooke noted the lots will be 80-120 percent of the average median income (AMI).

She added the homes will be deed-restricted "according to the regulations of any grant funding we get to keep costs down."

She stated the addition of the two lots is already included in the budget, adding, "This is just the formal paperwork."

The motion to accept the lot donation was unanimously approved under the condition the letter of intent is modified to outline a deadline for the agreement to occur.

At the same meeting, Lashbrooke updated the board on grant applications, saying the PSCDC "did the heavy lifting for a Stronger Community Grant ... We will hear back somewhere around the first of

November if we are invited to put in a full application, but we've had a great partnership with the county. The county is the actual applicant."

She explained that the grant would provide 20 percent match and "we get to use our properties and Habitat's properties as a match."

Lashbrooke noted they recently found out that the Town of Pagosa Springs is registered within Proposition 123 as a "rural resort town."

"What that does for us, is it changes our AMI levels," she explained. "And instead of us being held to an 80 to 120 [percent AMI], it now will go all the way up to 160 percent AMI ... It will help developers who want to come in and use that Prop 123 money and want to build a couple higher-end units and then some workforce housing units. ... It opens up the opportunity for more builders to build more diverse properties and more diverse inventory. It's actually really good news."

Lashbrooke moved on to address an application for \$89,000 from the Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

She said the funds are "leftover COVID funds that have been dealt out to the region."

Lashbrooke explained that, if awarded, the funds would be used to upgrade the PSCDC's computers and printers and increase capacity for economic development organizations.

"This should be a slam dunk for us. We're really excited about this," she said.

Lashbrooke added the funds could also be used for a workforce development coordinator or "other things we are looking at as we move later into this year" as the funding wouldn't be available until January after being awarded in October.

She added the PSCDC has an Enterprise Zone training for businesses on Sept. 13.

According to Lashbrooke, the training will address, "How do you access those credits? How do you use them? What do you need to do to get registered or get certified?"

The Enterprise Zone (EZ) program is administered by the Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado.

The program "provides certain state income tax credits and several other incentives for private enterprise to expand or for new businesses to locate within a state EZ area," according to Region 9's website.

The site states, "All of Dolores, Montezuma, and San Juan, as well as most of Archuleta and parts of La Plata, currently lie within the Southwest Enterprise Zone which is administered by the Region 9 Economic Development District of SW Colorado (Region 9)."

Lashbrooke explained they've begun dispersing promotional material for the training.

"Region 9 will be giving this class, the expert in this area," she said.

The board's next meeting will be Sept. 13 at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

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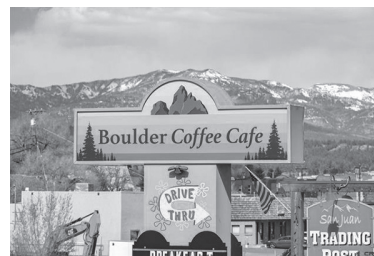
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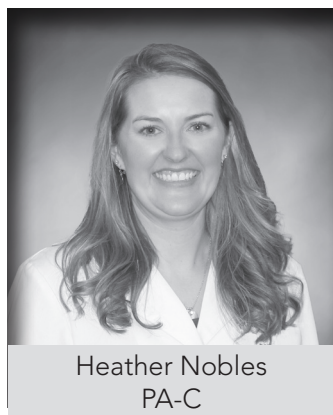
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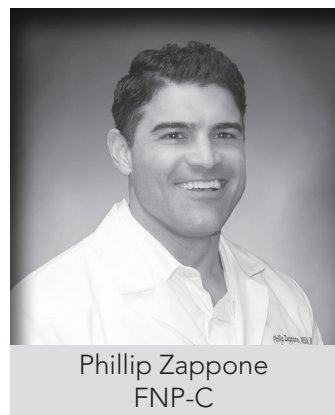
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County extends auction on parcels to Sept. 12

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) voted to extend an auction for county-held parcels in the Trails subdivision until Sept. 12 and discussed potential options for the properties at its Aug. 15 work session and meeting.

At the work session, County Attorney Todd Weaver explained that bidding for the parcels was supposed to end at 5 p.m. Aug. 15 and that the bids were coming in "really low."

He stated that some parcels had received "decent" bids, some had received "really, really low" bids and "a few" properties had not received bids at all, with the current total bid amount being slightly over \$175,000.

Weaver indicated that, with county costs, this would only net the county approximately \$100,000.

Commissioner Veronica Medina asked how the properties had been advertised.

Weaver stated that notices had been placed in The SUN, on social media and on the county website as well as emails sent to users of the auction site GovDeals, where the properties are being auctioned.

He added that the county could extend the auction or accept some bids, although he noted that the amounts being offered would not be accepted on the open market.

Commissioner Warren Brown said, "In my mind, I'd rather donate every single one of these properties to a housing development as opposed to sell them for what is being offered here. I think that we as a community would benefit far more."

Brown added that his concern was that the bidders would offer low bids then solicit money from the county for utility installation and wait for county road improvements, after which they would sell the properties at a value of "50 times more."

"Although I can appreciate the business prowess on that speculation," Brown said, "I don't think that I would be comfortable with selling them with just a few exceptions."

In response to a question from Commissioner Ronnie Maez, Weaver explained that the BoCC has the right to reject any bid that does not meet the reserve amount, which none of the current bids did.

He added that the bids could potentially increase near the end of the auction.

The group then discussed the logistics of how the auction could be extended and commented on

the low numbers of the bids, which Weaver said were "disappointing." Medina commented that the county should reject the bids that did not meet the reserve amount and pointed out that the county could look at donating the lots to nonprofits.

She noted that the general slowing of the real estate market could be impacting the bids and that she would support extending the auction, though she was in "no rush" to sell the properties if no suitable bids emerged.

Medina also proposed that the county could do a final "big push" to try and promote the properties while extending the auction.

Brown stated that he would support extending the auction.

Medina suggested extending the auction for 30 days.

The work session discussion concluded with further conversation on the market conditions and the low bid amounts.

At the BoCC meeting, Weaver suggested that the BoCC needed to decide how to move forward with the auctioning of the county-held lots and that none of the bids meet the reserve amounts.

He stated that the BoCC could extend the auction, close the auction and attempt to auction the properties at a later date, lower the reserve amounts, or donate some

of the lots to nonprofits for developing workforce housing.

Brown commented that the bids were "incredibly low" and that he felt it would be in the interests of the citizens to sell the lots at these prices.

He added that he would not be against extending the auction and that, if the bids remain similar, he felt the county should consider potential options to expand workforce housing through donations.

Medina stated that she would agree with extending the auction for 30 days and, if no suitable bids were placed, the county could hold the lots and consider nonprofit donation or sale to another builder for workforce housing.

Brown proposed that the county could potentially offer a group of the parcels in exchange for property elsewhere that might benefit the county, noting the need for land to build county facilities.

Weaver stated that he would have to examine what statute would let the county do with the properties, noting that the typical options are public auction or donation to a nonprofit.

Maez commented that he concurred with the other two commissioners.

The BoCC then voted to extend the auction until Sept. 12.

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Public Meetings

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Thursday, Aug. 24

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

Pagosa Springs Town Council work session. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosaprices.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Archuleta County Planning Commission meeting. 6 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. and via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/96759128658?pwd=RmdWbHhZTXNyMEF3dEc4QThDNDJkQjQ0OT09>, meeting ID: 967 5912 8658, passcode: 39366. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter>.

San Juan Water Conservancy District committee work session. 3 p.m., 46 Eaton Drive, suite 5. The SJWCD Committee for Strategic Objective Two will explore potential projects to encourage and achieve water conservation.

Monday, Aug. 28

Upper San Juan Health Service District Board of Directors special meeting. 3 p.m. Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83611276692>, meeting ID: 836 1127 6692.

Wednesday, Aug. 30

Main Street Advisory Board Historic Preservation work session. 4:15 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosaprices.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Tuesday, Sept. 5

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>.

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners meeting. 1:30 p.m. Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxtZz09>, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter>.

Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosaprices.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Pagosa Springs Sanitation General

Improvement District board meeting. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosaprices.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Thursday, Sept. 7

Main Street Advisory Board work group session. 4 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, senior dining room, 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

Tuesday, Sept. 12

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>.

Archuleta School District Board of Education meeting. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St. Zoom information: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89392173022>.

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

Pagosa Springs Planning Commission meeting. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. or via Zoom. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosaprices.civicweb.net/portal/>.

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Agreement to house inmates approved by commissioners

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its Aug. 15 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with Costilla County to house jail inmates from the county at the Archuleta County Detention Facility.

At the BoCC work session earlier in the day, Archuleta County Sheriff Mike Le Roux explained that the Costilla County Sheriff's Office approached the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) about hous-

ing inmates from Costilla County due to issues with its jail.

He stated that Costilla County's jail is "in dire straits" and needs extensive repairs or rebuilding.

Le Roux explained that Archuleta County has an agreement with La Plata County to house inmates for \$61.61 per inmate per day, although the county only does this if ordered by the court.

He added that the county houses inmates for the U.S. Marshals Service for \$75 per inmate per day and that Costilla County would be paying \$80 per inmate per day.

Le Roux stated that the IGA has already been signed by the Costilla County BoCC and that Costilla County requested housing for between 12 and 14 inmates.

He indicated that this would be possible with the current capacity and usage of the jail and that, if more space is needed for Archuleta County inmates, the IGA would allow the county to return the inmates to Costilla County for alternative housing.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked how long the inmates might be housed in the county.

ACSO Detention Facility Commander Edward Williams stated that he believes Costilla County plans to fully shut down its jail and that the Costilla County BoCC had not begun the process of deciding whether to build a new jail or not.

Le Roux added that the agreement is "indefinite."

Commissioner Ronnie Maez pointed out that building a new jail can take "a while" and that the agreement would be a "revenue win" for the county, which Le Roux expressed agreement with.

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Commissioners accept first reading of animal control ordinance

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved the first reading of an ordinance for the control of dogs and other pets in the county at its Aug. 15 meeting.

Earlier in the day, at the BoCC work session, Sheriff Mike Le Roux outlined the history behind the ordinance, explaining that the county has been operating off of a BoCC resolution for the control of dogs, but not an ordinance.

He added that, in his understanding, such a resolution adopts an ordinance that set the rules on the matter.

Le Roux indicated that he worked with County Attorney Todd Weaver to draft an ordinance, which the county did not have up to this point.

He stated that the ordinance took and refined most of the contents of the previous resolution and added verbiage concerning estrus and proestrus dogs, which had not been covered in the previous resolution.

"The intent behind everything was to go from resolution to an ordinance and obviously adopt the ordinance as the law moving forward," Le Roux said, adding that the ordinance would be helpful for the enforcement of dog-related infractions and impoundment of dogs.

He commented that language covering offenses involving dog defecation had not been added to the current version of the ordinance and that he would like to add this at the second reading of the ordinance.

He stated that a "significant" number of definitions were added to the ordinance and that the fee

schedule remained the same.

Le Roux explained that, from January to June of 2023, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) responded to approximately 480 animal calls, many relating to nuisance dogs and dogs at large.

The group then discussed the enforcement of animal-related offenses and the definition of bodily injury in the ordinance.

Commissioner Veronica Medina commented that she reviewed the ordinance and discussed elements of concern with Le Roux.

She asked if Weaver had the opportunity to review the ordinance for her concerns, which Weaver stated he had not but that he would do so before the second reading of the ordinance.

He added that he needed to review state statutes to ensure that the ordinance reflects current

state laws.

He also noted that the county could make changes between the first and second readings of the ordinance.

At the meeting, Le Roux noted that there have already been amendments to the ordinance from what was being presented to the BoCC.

The BoCC, Le Roux and Weaver then discussed if the ordinance should be read in full and at what time, with Medina recommending that the ordinance be read fully at the final reading while Commissioner Ronnie Maez recommended that the ordinance should be read fully before the final reading to allow the public to comment on the ordinance.

Following further discussion, the BoCC agreed to have the ordinance read at the first reading.

Le Roux then read the entire 11-page ordinance to the board, a process which took approximately 25 minutes and ended with applause for Le Roux by meeting participants.

Le Roux concluded by thanking the BoCC and noting the reading was a "long haul."

Following the reading, Maez asked if there were questions or comments from the commissioners.

Commissioner Warren Brown responded, "Not after that."

Medina voiced her thanks to Le Roux and the BoCC unanimously accepted the first reading of the ordinance.

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Two drivers injured in recent crashes

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

A crash on U.S. 160 the afternoon of Aug. 16 and a rollover on U.S. 160 on Aug. 22 left two drivers injured.

According to Pagosa Springs Police Chief William Rockensock, a Pagosa Springs Area Water and Sanitation District truck was eastbound on U.S. 160 when a small car made a left-hand turn from Great West onto U.S. 160.

Rockensock explained that there was another truck in the right-hand turn lane on U.S. 160 that blocked the view of the car, and when the car started the left-hand turn and pulled out, the eastbound truck in the straight lane "pretty much broadsided her."

"I'm sure her view was obstructed," Rockensock said of the driver of the car.

He added the female occupant of the car was injured and air lifted to a hospital in Colorado Springs.

She was cited for failing to yield after proceeding from a stop sign, he noted.

On Monday, Aug. 21, a Cadillac Escalade rolled, leaving the driver with minor injuries.

According to Capt. John Trentini with the Colorado State Patrol, the Escalade was eastbound on U.S. 160 at milepost 127 when it ran off

the right side of the road. The driver overcorrected, then went off the left side of the road and rolled one time, coming to rest on its wheels.

Trentini explained there were minor injuries to the driver, who was transported as a precaution.

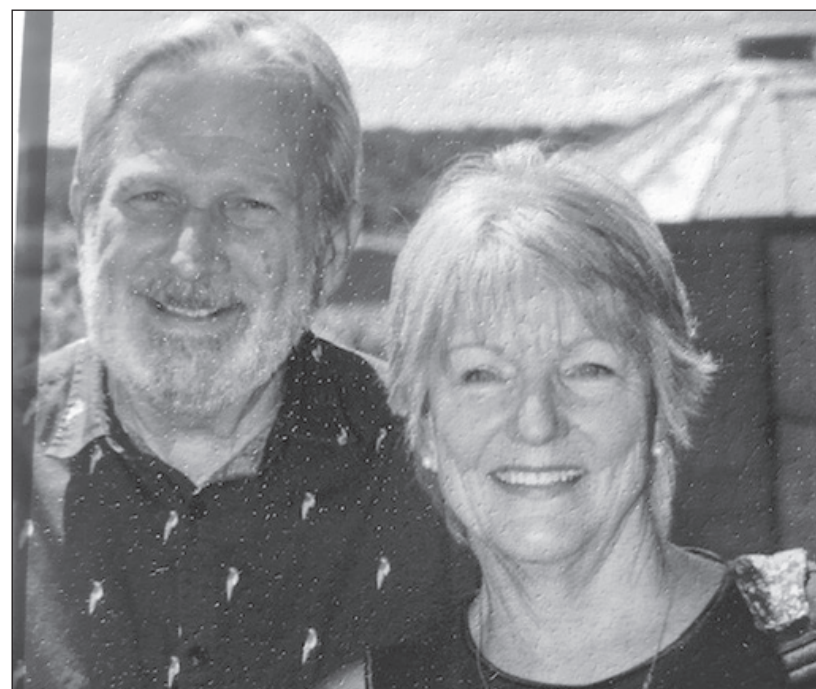
The driver, he added, was unrestrained.

There were no injuries to the car's passenger, he relayed.

The driver was cited, according to Trentini.

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Roads

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site for review by County Attorney Todd Weaver.

Woodman added that, while he was unsure the exact dollar amount for the liner repair contract, he understood it to be in the range of \$50,000 to \$70,000.

He stated that landfill cell 4B is “essentially designed,” but it has not been approved by the state and he does not expect the project to move forward this year due to the cost of approximately \$1.4 million.

He commented that the county

will likely move forward on the project next year.

On the subject of roads, Woodman explained that there are several roads in the “final stages” of preparation for paving and the county hopes to get those roads completed soon.

“Late last week, learning that by the time we added up all of the contracts, the invoices, there were several roads that work had been done without contracts ... and essentially without approval, without knowledge, and, in adding everything up,

came up with a fair amount over budget,” Woodman said.

He stated that some of the road projects are going to be “stopped, to say the least.”

Woodman explained that a paving project was planned to take place in the “Woods neighborhood and then in the Vista and Trails.”

Woodman stated that paving in the Woods neighborhood will continue, with work likely beginning Aug. 22, although the Trails and Vista neighborhoods will not receive asphalt this year.

La Plata County resident with West Nile virus dies

By Janet Wolf
San Juan Basin Public Health

A La Plata County resident with West Nile virus, a mosquito-borne illness, died recently. This marks the fifth West Nile virus case in the San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) jurisdiction.

SJBPH urges residents and visitors to take precautions to protect themselves and their families.

West Nile virus is carried by mosquitoes and can be passed on to humans through bites from an infected mosquito. Those aged 60 and older and those with certain medical conditions are at greater risk for serious illness.

Most people infected with mosquito-borne viruses do not get sick or have mild symptoms. For those who have symptoms, the time between the mosquito bite and the start of symptoms can be from two to 14 days. In rare cases, the virus can cause a serious brain infection such as meningitis or encephalitis. These infections begin suddenly with

high fever and headache and may progress to stiff neck, disorientation, tremors and coma. Severe infections can result in permanent brain damage or death. Most deaths occur in people over 50 years of age. There is no treatment for the virus other than supportive care, and there is no vaccine to prevent it. If you think you or a family member is sick with West Nile virus, consult a health care provider.

To protect yourself:

- Use insect repellents when you go outdoors. Repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol products provide the best protection. For more information about insect repellents, visit the Environmental Protection Agency's information webpage, <https://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents>. Always follow label instructions.

- Limit outdoor activities at dusk and dawn, when mosquitoes are most active.

- Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts and socks in areas where mos-

quitoes are active. Spray clothes with insect repellent for extra protection.

To mosquito-proof your home:

- Empty water from tires, cans, flowerpots, clogged gutters, rain barrels, birdbaths, toys and puddles at least once every week.

- Install or repair screens on windows and doors.

To learn more about the symptoms, treatments and other information about West Nile virus, visit SJBPH Communicable Diseases, <https://sjbpublichealth.org/183/Communicable-Disease>. Information is also available from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/animal-related-diseases>, or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, <https://www.cdc.gov/westnile/index.html>.

Current and historic human case data for West Nile virus is also available from the CDPHE's website, <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/animal-related-diseases/west-nile-virus/west-nile-virus-data>, which is updated at least weekly during mosquito season.

Drivers in Colorado must now move over or slow down for any vehicle on the side of the road

Colorado Department of Transportation

On Monday, Aug. 7, Colorado enhanced its Move Over Law to provide greater protection for people and their vehicles on the side of the road.

This significant change goes beyond just safeguarding police and emergency responders; it now requires drivers to also move over when passing disabled vehicles on the side of the road.

Earlier this year, Gov. Jared Polis signed into law HB23-1123, requiring drivers to move over a lane whenever they encounter any stationary vehicle on a highway with its hazards flashing — and if they can't move over, they must slow down to at least 20 mph below the posted speed limit. The new protections come as 2022 was marked the deadliest year on Colorado roads on record.

On July 31, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Colorado State Patrol (CSP), the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and AAA held a press conference announcing the changes that took effect statewide on Monday, Aug. 7.

“With the updated Move Over

Law, we are taking a significant stride toward our goal of zero deaths on Colorado roads,” said Matthew C. Packard, chief of the CSP. “Slowing down for disabled vehicles shows respect for every road user, and together, we can create a safer driving environment for everyone.”

While all states have a Move Over law to protect emergency responders, Colorado joins 19 other states that provide protections to all disabled vehicles. With this change, Colorado's Move Over laws are now among the nation's strongest.

The penalty for failing to move over or slow down for a disabled vehicle includes a class 2 misdemeanor traffic offense, with a possible fine of \$150 and a three-point license violation.

“People dealing with an issue on the side of the road are in a dangerous position, especially our first responders and others who regularly are near live traffic,” said Shoshana Lew, executive director of CDOT. “It is up to all of us, in every situation, to make the road as safe as possible when we see a vehicle pulled over on a shoulder. Move over and slow down for everyone, every time.”

So far this year, seven CDOT safety patrol trucks have been hit

by passing motorists resulting in one serious injury. In addition, four CDOT attenuators trucks have been hit in Denver.

“Please think about the hundreds of law enforcement officers, fire, EMS, maintenance and tow operators when you're driving down the road or highway,” said Gina Espinosa-Salcedo, the Region 8 regional administrator for the NHTSA. “We need your cooperation and compliance. Please give space to emergency personnel, because it isn't just a courtesy — it's the law.”

The roadside's inherent dangers are why, according to research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, motor vehicle towing is one of the country's deadliest lines of work — with a death rate 15 times more than that of every other private industry combined.

In 2022, across the country, 51 emergency responders who were working at the roadway were struck and killed, including 17 law enforcement officers, 18 tow truck operators, four mobile mechanics, and 11 firefighters and EMS personnel. Each year, nearly 350 people are struck and killed while outside a disabled vehicle, according to the NHTSA.

“We have to pull that back, and ... there might be another road or two, but we have to trim that back and reduce the expenditures. We'll get a final idea of the roads that will not move forward this year and we'll get that out today so we can get that out to the public,” Woodman added.

He stated that he spoke with Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA) General Manager Allen Roth and that PLPOA will help inform residents about changes in paving projects.

“There's essentially some roads that ... we're just going to get through the winter,” Woodman stated. “They will get dressed, they will get, obviously we have gravel, so they will get prepared and we're hopeful, although not guaranteed today, we're very hopeful that we'll

be able to get some mag chloride down on those roads after we get them dressed and prepared for the winter so that we don't completely blow off all of the gravel we put on and get through the winter, and then begin again next year, and then those roads that don't get done this year will jump right into next year. ... Not quite what we thought it was going to be, but we'll do a little bit less.”

Commissioner Ronnie Maez asked what plans the county has for roads that are already prepared over the fall and winter.

Woodman stated that the roads prepared for paving will be paved.

He added that preparation on the other roads in Trails and Vista had not begun and that they would be “dressed” by adding gravel to improve the road conditions and

then likely treated with magnesium chloride to help retain their condition over the winter.

Commissioner Veronica Medina asked how much over budget the unauthorized spending had left the county.

Woodman stated that, “in round numbers, if everything went forward, it would be almost a million dollars.”

Commissioner Warren Brown indicated he had no questions.

Maez added that he had no other questions, adding, “I have concerns, but I'll talk with Derek about that later.”

The SUN did not receive a press release from the county with further details on changes in road construction plans by press time Wednesday.

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Courthouse

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had engaged subcontractors to ensure “reasonable” pricing and dedication from the contractors.

He noted that the document before the board was a letter of intent and that, once it is signed and a security deposit of \$100,000 is made, his team could work on construction drawings and further design.

Hill then reviewed the terms of the lease agreement, indicating that the lease agreement would be good for 20 years with the county having the option to purchase the building after 10 years.

He stated that the lease period would begin when the building receives its certificate of occupancy.

The rent for the building will be \$50,000 per month for a cost of \$600,000 per year, Hill indicated, adding that the rent would be subject to a 1.5 percent yearly increase.

He stated that the county would be responsible for all operating expenses and for repairs, maintenance and upkeep.

Hill explained that the county would have the first right of refusal if the landlord receives an offer for the property.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked if the right of refusal would be for the duration of the lease, which Hill confirmed.

He added that this section of the lease could be looked at further if it concerned the county and that the company's intention is not to sell.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez proposed that the right be removed from the agreement, noting that he did not want to place future commissioners in a position where they would be forced to purchase the building on short notice.

Following a discussion, Hill agreed to discuss the issue with his team further.

Commissioner Veronica Medina asked if County Attorney Todd Weaver could also review the document to ensure the lease is in the county's “best interest” as currently written.

Weaver commented that some changes would be necessary to align with state statute and noted that the letter of intent outlines the general terms of lease with further negotiation to follow before a lease is finalized.

Medina stated that the letter of intent should be corrected before the county moves forward.

According to the letter of intent, the purchase price for the building

if the county exercises the option to purchase it “shall be determined by applying a fixed capitalization rate of five percent (7 (percent)) of gross rental income for the year in which the option is exercised.”

In a communication to The SUN, Weaver indicates that the two different capitalization rates indicated in the letter will be a subject of negotiation between the parties.

Hill stated that, in his understanding, the next steps are for the county to review the letter and provide feedback, adding that the letter could not be signed in its current form.

Following a discussion of the timeline and how the county would provide feedback, in which Maez indicated that Hill should work with Weaver on revisions, Commissioner Warren Brown asked about how long the security deposit would be kept.

Hill indicated that it would be kept until the end of the lease and Brown suggested that the money should be placed in an “interest-bearing account which the county is the receipt of” to ensure that the taxpayers continue to make money on the deposit.

Hill agreed this was reasonable.

County Manager Derek Woodman noted that the issue of the administration building was on the agenda for the BoCC meeting later that day for the board to give direction on whether or not to move forward with the project, though he added that this meeting would not directly involve the letter of intent.

Maez questioned if the decision on the building needed to be on the meeting agenda or if it could be given as staff direction.

Weaver commented that it would be better to have the decision at a meeting due to the significance of the decision and the potential costs.

He also highlighted that the county would be closing on the sale of the former county courthouse on Aug. 17, an event which he confirmed occurred in an Aug. 21 communication with The SUN. “So that starts the five year clock to be out of that building,” Weaver said on Aug. 15.

Hill added that, if the project moves forward, he would want to get county feedback on the design and adjust the plans for the structure accordingly.

Brown asked if placing a renewable energy source on the building

has been considered.

Hill responded that the addition of renewable energy could be priced and added to the project budget, although he added that grants for renewable energy might also be available.

He also expressed agreement with Brown that solar energy could be valuable for the building.

In response to a question from Maez, Hill confirmed that the lease cost is based on a 25,000-square-foot building with the total budget for the project, based on rent, to be \$6.7 million.

Hill also expressed confidence that his company could build the building within that budget and noted that he is willing to work with the county to reallocate costs to elements the county wants to focus on.

At the BoCC meeting, Brown commented that the motion to move forward with negotiations on the project would be acceptable to him, adding that such a motion would not bind the county.

Weaver highlighted that the letter of intent specifies that future amendments to the lease and negotiation are expected.

He stated that a clause in the letter indicates that, if a lease is not executed a certain number of days after the letter is signed, the parties would have no obligation under the letter, adding that the BoCC would need to decide how many days it wanted that period to be.

Weaver proposed a period of 90 days and noted that the BoCC could also ask Hill how many days would be acceptable to him.

Following a discussion where Hill stated that 90 days would be acceptable and highlighted that an agreement on the lease could be reached before that, Weaver explained that the agreement could be negotiated, and changes to elements such as the right of first refusal and security deposit could be discussed during that period.

Weaver also noted that the period could be extended if needed, though he indicated it would be ideal to complete negotiations before Thanksgiving, which Hill agreed with.

The BoCC then unanimously voted to instruct staff to move forward with the construction of a new administration building and to stipulate the period the letter of intent would have effect to be 90 days.

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Fire

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responded to a report of a fire at Walmart, located at 211 Aspen Village Drive, at approximately 8:48 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 21.

The fire was extinguished prior to the arrival of either department, the press release notes, adding, “A small portion of the boy's clothing aisle had burned and sustained moderate damage, there was no structural damage to the building.”

The press release further states, “It was determined the setting of the fire was an intentional act and is being investigated as arson.”

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Detective Boyd Neagle with the PSPD at (970) 264-4151, ext. 241.

“The Pagosa Springs Police Department would like to thank the community for their assistance in this investigation,” Wednesday's

press release states.

During the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners' work session Tuesday morning, the commissioners spoke about the fire and the impacts of it to the community, with Commissioner Ronnie Maez pointing out any food that would have to be thrown away, such as produce, would impact the community's food supply.

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Arrest

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It adds Hunt was taken into custody Friday morning, Aug. 18, in Kit Carson County and is being held on a \$50,000 bond for second-degree murder in connection to the disappearance and death of Kroll.

“The Pagosa Springs Police Department and the Colorado Bureau of Investigation would like to thank the public for their assistance in the investigation,” reads the release.

Anyone with information related to this case is asked to contact Detective Boyd Neagle with the Pagosa

Springs Police Department by calling (970) 264-4151, ext. 241.

Due to this being an active and ongoing investigation and prosecution, no other information is being released, according to the press release.

On Wednesday, Aug. 23, the Archuleta County jail's inmate information page showed Hunt is being held on a second-degree murder charge with a \$1 million cash or surety bond.

Formal charges are anticipated to be filed against Hunt this week, with

a court appearance set for 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 24.

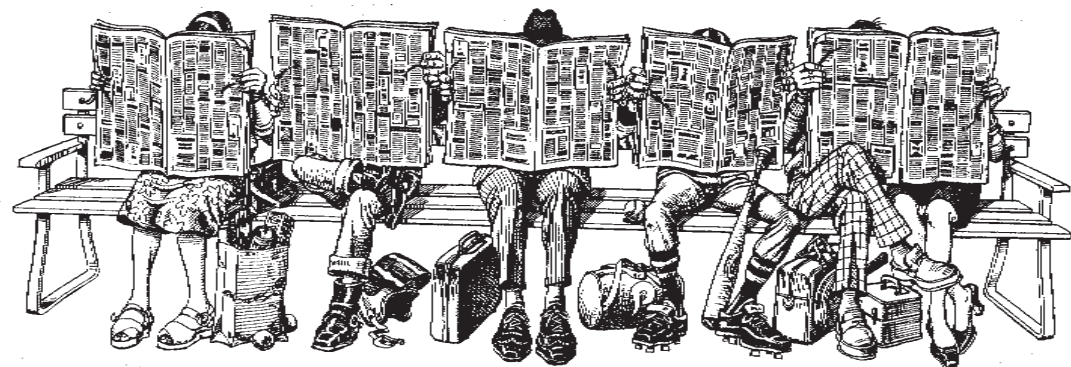
Sikes

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“She's actually received some small commissions from family members to paint something, paint this, paint that,” Kevin Sikes commented. “You can't even fathom how proud I am of her.”

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Outdoors



Town council enacts Stage 1 fire restrictions

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

At its Aug. 17 meeting, the Pagosa Springs Town Council enacted Stage 1 fire restrictions within town limits, effective as of midnight on Aug. 18.

These restrictions follow similar regulations enacted by Archuleta County and the San Juan National Forest.

The restrictions were passed as a resolution that received unanimous support from the council.

The resolution states that the enacted restrictions prohibit “open burning, burn barrels and agricultural burning in incorporated areas within town limits” and that these restrictions apply on both public and private lands.

“Typically, these [restrictions] are in place unless rescinded or replaced with a higher level restriction,” states agenda documentation on the resolution.

The resolution prohibits the following acts within town limits until further notice:

- **Fire:** The building, maintaining, attending, or using any fire, campfire, coal- or wood-burning stove, any type of charcoal-fueled broiler, or open fire of any type in undeveloped areas, is not authorized.
- **Burn permits:** Burn permits issued shall not be authorized during the fire restriction period.
- **Fireworks:** The use of all fire-

works is prohibited in a fire ban, the resolution states. This includes “permissible fireworks” such as, but not limited to, small fireworks devices designed to produce audible or visual effects by combustion, fountains, cones, spinners, sparklers, poppers, snake or glow worm pellets and other trick noisemakers.

- **Open burning:** Agricultural burning of crop land, fields, rangeland, weed burning, debris burning, slash piles, prescribed burning and any open burning including bonfires that require a permit from the fire authority having jurisdiction, will not be allowed.

- **Shooting:** Shooting tracer rounds or explosive-type targets are prohibited. The use of an explosive initiation system requiring a burning fuse line is prohibited.

- **Smoking:** Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area of at least 6 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all combustible material is not authorized.

The resolution states that there are various exemptions to the restrictions. For example, a recreational fire within a permanently constructed fire grate or ring at a developed park, campground, private residence or picnic area is still allowed.

Appliances that produce a fire fueled by bottled gas or pressurized liquid are also allowed “at developed parks, campgrounds, private

residences, or picnic areas and not closer than 30 feet from an undeveloped area,” the resolution states.

Other allowable uses include the operation of chain saws, charcoal grills, chimineas or other portable outdoor fireplaces, gas-fueled camping stoves or heating devices, welding and cutting torches, approved wood pellet grills, oil and gas operations, and the use of tiki torches on private land or a developed park, campground or picnic area that is “not closer than 30 feet from an undeveloped area and not closer than 15 feet of a structure or combustible material.”

Some permitted fires, such as fire department training fires and “open burning by any federal, state, or local officer in the performance of official fire suppression functions,” will also be allowed during the restrictions, according to the resolution.

According to the resolution, the town “received competent evidence that there exists an extreme danger of forest, grass, or other wildland fires within the Town of Pagosa Springs.”

The restrictions were deemed necessary by the council “for the preservation of public health, safety and welfare” throughout the town, according to the resolution.

Archuleta County implemented Stage 1 fire restrictions on July 18 and the San Juan National Forest enacted Stage 1 restrictions on July 13.

The San Juan National Forest’s restrictions apply only to lower elevations, referred to as “Zone 1” in the forest order.

“Low elevation areas are more susceptible to wildfire risk due to rapid vegetation curing and dry surface fuels, while higher elevation areas (Zone II) are still green and maintaining higher fuel moistures,” states the San Juan National Forest’s website.

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Progress made in suppressing area fires

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

A trio of fires continue to burn on the Pagosa Ranger District of the San Juan National Forest (SJNF).

The three fires, the Quartz Ridge Fire, the Bear Creek Fire and the Mosca Fire, were under the management of National Incident Management Organization Team 1 as of Wednesday morning, though management of the Bear Creek Fire will move to a Type 3 team on Friday.

Other fires in the region have also put up smoke visible from Pagosa Springs in the last few weeks, including multiple fires in New Mexico that are now nearing full containment and one new fire near the state line.

Archuleta County announced on Aug. 9 that Cloman Park is temporarily closed and is being used as the base camp for firefighters.

“Please avoid the area as there will be heavy traffic in and out of the park, along Cloman Blvd and Piedra RD (CR 600),” the county’s announcement states.

Wildfire smoke information is available at <https://fire.airnow.gov/>.

For more information on wildfire smoke and its impacts on health, go to <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health>.

Quartz Ridge Fire

The Quartz Ridge Fire, burning approximately 3 miles into the South San Juan Wilderness and 13 miles northeast of Pagosa Springs, is a lightning-caused fire that was discovered on Aug. 5.

A Wednesday morning update on the fire lists it at 1,799 acres, up from 1,440 acres a week prior, with no containment.

The update lists a pair of priorities for response:

- “Firefighter and Public safety are the highest priority.”
- “Protect private lands within East Fork San Juan River drainage, natural resources, cultural and historic sites, recreation assets, and critical infrastructure including powerlines and gas utility lines.”

The update indicates the fire “warmed up a bit throughout the day” Tuesday, Aug. 22, and burned concentrations of dead, downed wood within the rocky area on the east side of Quartz Creek.

“This fire activity created some visible smoke in the afternoon and growth in the southerly direction,” the update states. “This is to be expected with days of drier weather and increasing temperatures in the afternoons.”

Despite there being no containment on the fire, the update explains crews have completed 64 percent of the objectives relating to

full suppression of the fire.

It explains, “The wildfire is burning in steep terrain in the South San Juan Wilderness. A combination of indirect and direct control lines is being utilized to accomplish multiple objectives of full suppression on accessible parts of the fire and confinement on parts that are remote and/or present high safety risks to firefighters. Overall, 64% of these objectives have been completed.”

The fire did not receive rain Tuesday or Tuesday night, according to the update, but there was a 50 percent chance the fire would receive showers or a thunderstorm Wednesday.

The update notes Quartz Meadows Road (Forest Service Road

685), Quartz Ridge Trail and Quartz Creek Trail are closed.

Bear Creek Fire

The Bear Creek Fire is located 23 miles northwest of Pagosa Springs and 2.5 miles west of the Weminuche Valley. It was discovered on Aug. 1.

An Aug. 23 update lists the lightning-caused fire at 415 acres with no containment.

The Aug. 23 update indicates the fire is inactive, stating, “The Bear Creek Fire was inactive again yesterday and is likely to stay the same today. There are still a few hot spots (appearing like campfires) in the northeast but they are not a concern. The fire behavior trend

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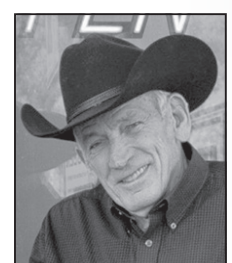
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PLPOA awarded \$99,149 in grant money to reduce human-bear conflicts

By Hailey Sams
SUN Intern

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, Gov. Jared Polis and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) announced the 2023 funding recipients of the Human-Bear Conflict Reduction Community Grant, with one being the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA).

"This grant program provides funding for local communities, municipalities, businesses and nonprofit organizations working to create innovative ways to reduce human-bear conflict and keep communities safe," a press release from Polis' office explains.

PLPOA won the grant for a "Community Bear Prevention Program," according to the release. It was one out of 20 applications and 14 recipients of the grant money, coming from all across the four regions of Colorado.

PLPOA won \$99,149, and plans to use it to "purchase bear-resistant trash cans for qualified residents,

support education efforts and recruit local volunteers to help implement CPW's Bear Aware Program," states the release.

PLPOA General Manager Allen Roth said, "When the funds become available in September, that's when we'll be able to order our bear-resistant cans, and they take a couple of months to come in. ... We're going to ... issue cans and all of our education material, and ... we're going to kind of initiate it in the spring, probably like March."

The grant will help provide the tools for residents to proactively prevent and reduce further human-bear conflicts through securing trash from bears, owner education and community involvement. The PLPOA includes 58 percent of Archuleta County's population and a diverse housing community of single-family homes, mobile homes, townhomes, condos, time-shares and commercial businesses, the release notes.

"The Vista Subdivision consists

mainly of 365 homes and 154 vacant lots bordering the San Juan National Forest. This area consistently experiences bear conflicts related to unsecured trash, compounded by prolonged drought conditions which has reduced the amount of natural forage available to the bears," the release comments.

"We'll be looking for some PLPOA community involvement, and we'll be looking on how to evaluate this program and see how well it does," Roth commented. "With community involvement we're gonna be looking to see, you know, future projects similar to this down the road."

"Human-bear conflict measures cannot be successful without collaboration between local communities, wildlife managers and individuals," said CPW Grant Manager Travis Long via the release. "Fortunately, CPW saw success with this grant program last year with many communities taking advantage of the opportunities this

funding provided and implementing projects to help reduce conflicts with bears."

According to the release, "In 2021, Governor Polis signed a bipartisan law HB 21-1326 sponsored by Rep. Barbara McLachlan, Rep. Perry Will and Senator Tammy Story which directed CPW to distribute funding to local communities to help reduce human-bear conflicts and support native species conservation. The Human-Bear Conflict Reduction Community Grant was created to accomplish this and to support local initiatives working to prevent bear conflicts."

Last summer, Polis and the CPW gave out \$997,138 in grants for selected projects and extended the program for continued efforts to reduce human-bear conflicts. Last spring, CPW distributed up to \$1 million through the competitive grant process to support more innovative projects that prevent bear conflicts in local communities.

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By Ashley Meadows and Keith Bruno
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Registration and details can be found at rockies.audubon.org/events. Registrants are strongly encouraged to attend as many sessions as possible, as each session will cover new material. If you are unable to attend all sessions, that's OK. Please register for the day(s) you can attend, then reach out to keith.bruno@audubon.org to discuss making up any missed content you may need.

Underwater photography to be focus of Outdoor Club meeting

By Joe Tedder
San Juan Outdoor Club

David Lenderman, San Juan Outdoor Club member and active member of the Houston Underwater Photographic Society, will give a presentation on the beauty

and challenges of underwater photography at the club's meeting on Thursday, Sept. 7, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association clubhouse, located at 230 Port Ave.

Lenderman has been an avid underwater photographer since

the early '90s, and he will discuss what drew him to underwater photography and present some of the amazing sea life that he has captured during his many scuba adventures around the world.

Lenderman will limit the techni-

cal nature of his talk, but his discussion of f-stop and ISO considerations underwater will help all of us be better "above ground" photographers even with our phones.

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, please email sanjuanoutdoorclub@gmail.com.

Fires

■ **Continued from A9** remains the same with no growth in size beyond 415 acres in the past week."

It further notes a Burned Area Emergency Response would start assessing the fire on Wednesday.

The Weminuche Valley continues to be under pre-evacuation notice, the update indicates.

The update indicates two incident objectives:

- "Firefighter and Public safety are the highest priority."
- "Protect private lands within the Weminuche Creek drainage, natural resources, cultural and historic sites, recreation assets and critical infrastructure including powerlines and gas utility lines."

The update further explains crews have completed 71 percent of its objectives for full suppression, explaining, "Indirect control lines are being utilized to accomplish multiple objectives of full suppression in accessible parts of the fire and confinement in areas that are remote and/or present high safety risks to firefighters. Overall, 71% of these objectives have been completed."

A fire area closure is in effect. More on the closure boundaries can be found at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/sanjuan/alerts-notices/?aid=82327>.

Mosca Fire

The final update for the Mosca Fire, which began on Aug. 7, was issued on Aug. 21.

That update explains, "This fire is 100% contained and in aerial patrol status. This will be the last update on Mosca Fire unless conditions change."

Full containment of the fire was

reported as occurring on Aug. 17. The last stated acreage of the fire was eight acres.

Rim Fire

The final update for the Rim Fire, burning in San Juan County, N.M., was issued on Aug. 20.

The fire was reported at 7 p.m. on Aug. 13, according to an update from the Bureau of Land Management.

The update lists the location as on the north side of N.M. 511, approximately one mile south of the

Colorado border.

On Aug. 20, the fire was approximately 150 acres.

It was caused by a lightning strike, according to the update.

The update notes there is smoldering and isolated interior torching.

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Sports

VOLLEYBALL

Lady Pirates set to open season against Durango

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate volleyball team will be back on the court this evening, Thursday, Aug. 24, to open the season by hosting the 4A Durango Demons.

The game is slated to begin at 6 p.m. at Pagosa Springs High School, with coach Katie Lorenzen indicating in an email to The SUN the Lady Pirates will have their work cut out for them right off the bat this season.

"As we go into our first match against Durango, we really want to focus on passing well so that our offense can get in a rhythm," she wrote. "Durango has a lot of tall hitters and a team full of girls who play club, so we will have our work cut out for us, but if we stay mentally tough, serve and pass well, and never give up on balls, it is going to be quite a battle."

Last year, the Lady Pirates went 12-12 and finished fourth in the Intermountain League with a league record of 3-5. The team fell out of contention following regional action.

Four seniors graduated from that varsity squad, but Lorenzen notes the team has five returning players who saw significant playing time last year plus varsity swing players (players who saw time with

both varsity and junior varsity) who have moved to varsity.

She also notes the program is bigger this year than it has been in years.

"We have 36 Lady Pirates in our program this year, which is more than we've had in my 5 years here," she explains. "Cuts were very hard to make this year because we had a lot of girls working extremely hard the week of tryouts. It was tough to get down to 36 but we're happy with where we landed."

She adds 36 that includes 16 girls who are new to the program this year, with 12 of those being incoming freshmen.

"So, we have quite a mix and our entire C team is new to the High School program," she wrote.

She also notes there is strong leadership throughout the program that is exciting to see.

Lorenzen indicates the team looks to be strong defensively this season, which could make for some "thrilling" play.

"I think one of our biggest strengths this year is going to be defense," she wrote. "We've got a lot of defensive specialists as well as front row players vying for defensive positions in the back row. We've been seeing girls going all out to keep the ball from hitting the floor, and those types of hustle plays just raise the energy on the team and the gym because it's so

exciting. I think we are going to have a lot of long rallies this year as a result of our defense and it's going to be thrilling to watch!"

The team will also be looking to build off of where it ended last season.

"We're definitely looking to improve on our blocking this year. Specifically, synchronous footwork and arm movements," she wrote. "We really finished on a high note at Regionals last year with the best blocking (and effort) we'd seen all year, so we're looking to improve on that even more. We really have a lot of great athletes in all positions, and if we fine tune the efficiency of our movements, we will raise the level of our game quite a few notches."

Schedule

The following schedule was accurate as of Aug. 21, but is subject to change.

Following Thursday's home opener, the Lady Pirates will host the Dolores Bears for a 6 p.m. affair on Thursday, Aug. 31.

The team will then hit the road for the Grand Junction Demon Invitational on Sept. 1 and 2, with the team set to play Steamboat Springs at 5 p.m. and Coal Ridge at 6 p.m. on Sept. 1. The game times and opponents on Sept. 2 will be dependent upon the Sept. 1 games.

The Lady Pirates will be back on

the road on Sept. 8 for a matchup with the Alamosa Mean Moose that is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

The following day, the team will take on the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers at 6 p.m. in Cortez.

The Lady Pirates will be back on their home court on Sept. 12 for a 6 p.m. matchup with the Bayfield Wolverines.

On Sept. 16, the team will take on the Centauri Falcons in La Jara at 1 p.m. before hosting a trio of home games: at 6 p.m. on Sept. 22 against the 2A Del Norte Tigers, at 6 p.m. on Sept. 26 against the Panthers and at 1 p.m. on Sept. 30 against the Mean Moose.

The Lady Pirates will head to Farmington, N.M., on Oct. 3 for a 6 p.m. affair with the Scorpions.

On Oct. 10, the team will head to Bayfield for a 6 p.m. matchup with the Wolverines.

The Pirates will host the Falcons at 1 p.m. on Oct. 14, then will host the Buena Vista Demons at 6 p.m. on Oct. 17 and the 2A Ignacio Bobcats at 6 p.m. on Oct. 19.

The Pirates will close out the regular season with a match against the 2A Monte Vista Pirates at 6 p.m. on Oct. 24 and a trip to the Coal Ridge Tournament on Oct. 27 and 28.

Regional action is slated to occur Nov. 3 and 4, with state scheduled for Nov. 9-11.

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GOLF

Pirates take sixth at Alamosa Invitational

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate golf team tied for sixth out of 14 teams at the Alamosa Invitational on Aug. 18.

"I think we still have some work to do," coach Mark Faber said, adding the Pirates didn't play terribly, but didn't play well. "We're going to continue to work on it."

The Pirates were led by Johnathon Smith, who finished tied for ninth out of 64 golfers with an 83 on the par 71 course.

Smith's effort included two birdies and par on nine holes.

Keaton Robel finished 20th with a 91, which included shooting birdie on one hole and par on four holes.

Cedar Liverett finished as part of a three-way tie for 36th with a 99. That effort included shooting

par on four holes.

Isabel Galloway finished in 53rd with a 113.

Faber noted he's not at all disappointed in the team, but that the day "wasn't quite as good as we expected."

Today, Aug. 24, the Pirates are in Montrose for a 9 a.m. tournament at Cobble Creek Golf Community — a course Faber noted no one on the team has seen.

"It's an interesting course. It'll be

a good test for them," he said.

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, the team will head to Durango to play at the Hillcrest Golf Club.

"I'm enjoying them," Faber said of the team. "They're working hard, and it's going to pay off, I'm sure."

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CROSS-COUNTRY

Pirates to begin season in Ignacio Friday

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School cross-country teams will begin their season this week with the Ignatius XC Invitational in Ignacio on Aug. 25 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

In a communication to The SUN, coach Rachael Christiansen comments that the teams are “very excited” about beginning the season and that there are “almost 20” runners this year, with a mix of experienced and new runners.

Christiansen comments that the boys’ team is “looking very strong.”

She states that the team has returning senior Levi Hinger joined by new senior runners Miles Baker and Asher Burk, who she indicates she expects to have “extremely strong years.”

The team will have returning juniors Jesse Beck and JC Allen as well as new junior runner Peyton Jackson, all of whom she expresses optimism about.

She comments that Allen has “improved significantly” since last year and stated that Beck “had a great year last year, running second consistently for the boys. He has been practicing all summer long and we are looking forward to watching his growth.”

Christiansen states that the boys’ team has two sophomore runners this year, Dylan Dempster and Connor Thomas, and that Dempster joined the team late last season and raced at the regional meet, while Thomas is new to the team but has “shown his dedication to the sport and to the team and we know he is going to have a big year!”

Rounding out the boys’ team are freshmen Isaac Hanto and Asher Kurz, Christiansen explains, adding that they both ran cross-country in middle school.

On the boys’ team overall she adds, “As a team, the boys are working towards qualifying for state. We believe they have the talent and the commitment to achieve that goal, and will hopefully start the season off with a strong showing in Ignacio this Friday.”

The coach states that the girls’ team is smaller than the boys’ team this season but had no seniors graduate last year, “so we are returning with a lot of experience.”



The Pirate cross-country teams pose at the Great Sand Dune National Park and Preserve near Alamosa during a preseason training trip. According to Coach Rachael Christiansen, the team has a mix of experienced and new runners for a total 17 members.

Photo courtesy Rachael Christiansen

She states that the team includes three returning seniors — Lucy Taylor, Marie Smith and Jo Beard — who have all been running since middle school and “provide a ton of knowledge and passion for the sport.”

Christiansen adds, “I believe all three of them are going to earn some personal bests this year as well, we just need them to stay healthy!”

The team also includes returning juniors Hailey Sams and Sienna Rose, Christiansen explains, noting that Rose qualified for state as an individual runner last year and that Sams “has been consistent through the summer and is looking like she is going to have a strong season as well!”

The coach states that the team also includes Charlotte Duranton,

a foreign exchange student from France with prior cross-country experience.

The team is completed with two freshmen, Madisen Stretton and Kaiya Lyons, who Christiansen comments, “Both ... had an incredible summer and will be coming in strong into our first meet of the year!”

Christiansen states, “As a team, the girls would also like to qualify for state this season. We believe our 3 new runners this year will be just the added spark needed to achieve this goal, and we will get to see 2 of them (Kaiya and Madi) race this Friday in Ignacio!”

Schedule

The following schedule is accurate as of Aug. 23, but is subject to change.

The Pirates will open their season with the Ignatius XC Invitational in Ignacio on Aug. 25 beginning at 8:30 a.m. It will be followed by the Joe I. Vigil High School XC Invitational in Alamosa on Sept. 9.

Next, the team will compete at a meet in Bayfield on Sept. 16, followed by the Pagosa Springs Cross Country Challenge on Reservoir Hill on Sept. 23 and the Salida Cross Country Classic in Salida on Sept. 30.

The Pirates will attend the Centauri Invitational in Alamosa on Oct. 7 and the Eric Wolff Invitational in Monte Vista on Oct. 13.

Cross-country regionals will occur in Colorado Springs on Oct. 17, while the state cross-country meet will occur on Oct. 28 in Colorado Springs.

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FOOTBALL

Pirates working hard ahead of Friday’s season opener

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The lights of Golden Peaks Stadium will be lit up Friday evening for the first time this season on Friday as the Pagosa Springs High School Pirate football team takes on the Centauri Falcons.

That game, scheduled for a 7 p.m. kick off, is the season opener for the Pirates.

Coach Nathan Morales indicated the team, which numbers more than 40, has a lot of depth and experience returning from last year’s squad, though there will be some new guys in new spots.

He added the team is fairly evenly split between freshmen sophomores, juniors and seniors, but added, “We have senior leadership, for sure.”

The coach added the team is excited for the season.

The Pirates ended last season with a four-game win streak and an overtime win over Bayfield. They ended the season with a 4-5 record and 3-1 league mark.

Morales noted he’ll be looking for the team to execute and have “very good effort” for the full four quarters to start this season on a strong note.

“We’re just working hard in all facets,” Morales said.

Schedule

The following schedule was accurate as of Wednesday, but is subject to change. All games are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Following the season opener against Centauri, the Pirates will

hit the road on Sept. 2 for a 2 p.m. matchup with the La Junta Tigers.

The following week, on Sept. 8, the Pirates will host the Florence Huskies.

On Sept. 15, the Pirates will hit the road to take on the Alamosa Mean Moose.

The Pirates will open league play on Sept. 29 with a home game against the Delta Panthers.

On Oct. 6, the Pirates will welcome the Kirtland Central Broncos from New Mexico to Golden Peaks Stadium for Pagosa’s homecoming game.

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Pagosa graduate qualifies for 2024 Olympic Trials

By Hailey Sams
SUN Intern

Ryder Searle, a 2014 graduate of Pagosa Springs High School, qualified for the 2024 Olympic Trials with a marathon time of 2 hours, 17 minutes, and 46 seconds. The trials will take place Feb. 3, 2024, in Orlando, Fla.

Searle, originally a tennis player in high school, went to college on a tennis scholarship and after two years, when the tennis program was suspended, was approached by the cross-country coach and recruited.

"He was like, 'You should try running,'" Searle commented. "He was saying he thought I would be good at it."

Searle started running in 2018, and went on to run All-American in cross-country and All-American in track for Division II.

"After school, because I only had three years of running once I finished, I was like, I want to continue to compete at a high level," Searle said. "I had the goal of, you know, wanting to try to make the Olympic Trials for the marathon."

Searle ran 10ks for his college races, which is approximately 6.2 miles. He commented that his training was, "Mainly like 80 miles, 80 to 90 miles a week, ... so that built like a really good base."

In May of 2022, Searle made a goal to qualify for the 2024 trials and started training.

He said, "As far as mileage, I would do about 90 to 100 miles a week."

Compared to college running, Searle would lengthen his work-

outs. "Instead of maybe like eight hundreds or mile repeats, I would be doing like four by 5k [3.1 miles] at race pace with like a mile still, like, pretty quick in there," Searle relayed, "and then a lot of training at that five flat to 5:15 pace, which is about the marathon pace."

Searle explained he used weight training and strength workouts for "injury prevention, strengthening the stabilizing muscles" and to avoid overuse injuries.

The biggest challenge of training was that "there's a lot of miles where you're running on your own," Searle said, "because once you leave college, you don't necessarily have a team around you of people running hard."

He added, "You gotta be super, like, self-motivated to, like, get out the door and be like, all right, I'm gonna go run 22 miles a day and, ... you know, do pretty hard workouts. There were a lot of solo workouts, but I did have one guy, Mason, who helped me a ton. He's already qualified for the trials as well and he did the race with me."

Searle also has the support of his wife.

"She's a runner, too, so it's nice because she understands me and there's times where we can't always hang out or I have to go get my run in or something like that," he said.

He continued, "I think there's a lot of people I feel like that really supported me. I'd say my college coach, ... definitely like some of the people I run with like Mason and some of the other guys I run with."

Searle also thanks Josh Kurz, ■ See Trials A14



Photo courtesy Ryder Searle

Ryder Searle runs in the Lincoln Marathon on May 7. Searle qualified for the 2024 Olympic Trials in marathon.

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SOCCER

Pirates outnumbered in season-opening losses

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate boys' soccer team was defeated in its first two matches of the season, losing 3-0 to Lake County in Crested Butte on Aug. 18 and losing 9-2 to Gunnison in Gunnison on Aug. 19.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason pointed out that the team had only 11 players for both games, including four freshmen, three sophomores, two juniors and two seniors.

He explained that, in the game against the Lake County Panthers, the Panthers scored their first goal at the 10-minute mark and that Pirate goalkeeper Christopher

Young-Martinez made seven saves in the first half.

Kurt-Mason stated that Pirate Jose Garcia had three shots on goal in the first half and two in the second, though none went in.

He added that, at halftime, he could tell the Pirates were "running out of steam" partially due to ■ See Soccer A14

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Trials

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saying, “He just has been following me and asking how everything’s going, ... which has been really cool,” and “my family, my parents and siblings.”

To qualify for the Olympic Trials, “The race has to be USA TF certified and sanctioned,” Searle explained. USA TF is the national governing body for USA track and field. “And then you have to run 2 hours and 18 minutes or better to qualify.”

More than 150 people have qualified in the trials so far, according to Searle.

“It’ll probably be like 200 is my guess because the window closes in December,” he said.

Searle also discussed the course he ran his qualifying time on.

“The course wasn’t slow, but it wasn’t like a fast course — it wasn’t easy,” Searle said. “There was a couple of 180-degree turns around like a cone and it’s on a bike path.”

This was Searle’s third attempt at qualifying.

“I honestly didn’t think I would be able to get it done at this race,” he said.

Searle ran a 2:17.46.

“I definitely teared up and was choked out for a bit because, you know, I’ve been training for it for a little over a year now and just been running hard for like five years,” he said.

Searle will be competing in the trials in February and will keep training until then.

“I’ll do some other races just more for fun ... the half marathon champs, like the USA half marathon champs that I do, and I think that’s in December in South Carolina,” Searle commented. “I’ll probably do like a half marathon in the fall at some time and then maybe a couple of smaller races like a 5k or 10k just to kinda, you know, get the speed and keep training and keep sharp.

“But, I won’t do another marathon until the trial,” Searle said with a laugh.

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Soccer

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having no substitutes while Lake County had a 28-person team including six seniors and nine juniors.

“We didn’t quit, we just ran out of steam,” Kurt-Mason concluded.

The coach highlighted that Pirate defender Milo Deitemeyer played an “incredible” game, helping block key shots and being involved in many of the scoring chances the team had.

He added that Deitemeyer was an “inspiration to our guys” with his positivity and communication and that he was named player of the game for the Pirates.

The next day, Kurt-Mason explained, the Pirates faced the Gunnison Cowboys, whose starting lineup was entirely composed of seniors and juniors and who had a large number of substitutes.

He stated that the Cowboys had 12 shots on goal in the first half and scored on three while the Pirates had two shots on goal in the first half.

Kurt-Mason added that Gunnison scored first in the 28th minute, with another goal approximately 10 minutes later and third soon after.

He explained that Garcia scored his first goal of the game four minutes into the second half on a penalty kick and that he nearly scored again shortly afterward.

“We were doing honorably well,” he said. “I mean, they just didn’t give up, and they were talkin’, doing a lot better movement, passing and moving.”

Kurt-Mason once again highlighted Deitemeyer’s contributions and positivity.

“And then we ran out of steam,” he commented on the second half of the game, noting that Gunnison scored six more goals in the second

half. However, according to Kurt-Mason, Garcia scored once again with five minutes to go in the game, raising the Pirates to a 9-2 finish.

“Jose got a pass from Bryant Sanchez right up the middle,” Kurt-Mason said. “Went one-on-one with the defender, went around him and knocked it in the corner past the keeper.”

The coach indicated that Young-Martinez was named player of the game and made 20 saves in the match.

He added that the team was “exhausted” following the game, but noted the team remained positive during recent practices and gained another player recently, which will allow substitutions.

“You gotta dance with the ones on your dance card, and that’s what we did,” Kurt-Mason concluded on the Gunnison game.

The Pirates will next play the Lamar Thunder in Pagosa Springs

at Golden Peaks Stadium at 11 a.m. on Aug. 26.

Kurt-Mason stated that he feels the game against Lamar will be more successful due to improvements in play and the expectation of having a substitute for the match.

He noted that the team is working on improving its speed of play, increasing possession time and improving communication for the match with Lamar.

“It’s a lot of fun being with these guys,” Kurt-Mason stated. “And I’m pretty proud of them to ... go up against two really strong teams that had that many kids and that much experience. They didn’t back down.”

He added that he expects the Lamar team to be “strong” and the team last year had a large number of sophomores and juniors.

“We got our work cut out for us,” he concluded.

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Also known as: 469 Sam Houston Ave, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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You and each of you are hereby notified that a Sheriff's Sale of the referenced property is to be conducted by the Sheriff's Office of Archuleta County, Colorado at 10 a.m., on the 4th day of October 2023, at 85 Harman Park Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; phone number 970-264-8434. At which sale, the above-described real property and improvements thereon will be sold to the highest bidder. Plaintiff makes no warranty relating to title, possession, or quiet enjoyment in and to said real property in connection with this sale.

"BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE CASH OR CERTIFIED FUNDS SUFFICIENT TO COVER THEIR HIGHEST BID AT TIME OF SALE."
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

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DATED in Colorado this 12th day of July, 2023.
Mike Le Roux, Sheriff
Archuleta County, Colorado
By: /s/ Lorena Medina
Lorena Medina, Office Manager
ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF:
ORTEN CAVANAGH HOLMES & HUNT, LLC
1445 Market Street, Suite 350
Denver, CO 80202
Published August 10, 17, 24, 31 and September 7, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

DISTRICT COURT, Archuleta COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2023CV030031
DIVISION NO. 1
Plaintiff, Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association

v.
Defendants, 982 INVESTMENTS LLC
COMBINED NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY AND RIGHT TO CURE AND REDEEM
Sheriff Sale 2023-16

Regarding: Sheriff Sale of Real Property under Decree of Foreclosure, pursuant to Court Order and C.R.S. §38-38-101 et seq., County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS, Please take notice:

This is to advise you that a Sheriff sale proceeding has been commenced through the office of the undersigned Sheriff pursuant to a Court Order and Decree dated June 2, 2023, and C.R.S. 38-38-101 et seq., by Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, the current holder of a lien recorded on August 3, 2022 at Rec. No. 22204797, in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. The judicial foreclosure is based on a default under the Declaration of Restrictions Pagosa, recorded on June 24, 1970 at Reception No. 73297 in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado. The Declaration and notices, as recorded, establish a lien for the benefit of Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, against real property legally described as follows:
Regarding: Subdivision: Chris Mtn Village 2 Lot: 13-14 CMV 2 Dec: 25 Twn: 35 Rng: 2.5W
Also known as: 489 Sam Houston Ave, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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You and each of you are hereby notified that a Sheriff's Sale of the referenced property is to be conducted by the Sheriff's Office of Archuleta County, Colorado at 11 a.m., on the 4th day of October 2023, at 85 Harman Park Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; phone number 970-264-8434. At which sale, the above-described real property and improvements thereon will be sold to the highest bidder. Plaintiff makes no warranty relating to title, possession, or quiet enjoyment in and to said real property in connection with this sale.

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DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO
District Court Archuleta County, Colorado
109 Harman Park Dr.
PO Box 148
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
970-264-8160
Plaintiff:
HILARI L. BELL

Defendants:
THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA D. MURRAY, deceased, THE ESTATE OF RALPH C. MURRAY deceased; THE ESTATE OF JOHN MCCANCE MURRAY, deceased; DEIDRE R. MOORE; THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM MURRAY, deceased; PATRICIA R. MURRAY; PAGOSA LAKES LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; PAGOSA AREA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT; PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; THE ESTATE OF MARGARET A. PIZ A/K/A MARGARET A. PIZ CARDENAS, deceased; DAVID L. CARDENAS; SANDRA R. CARDENAS; AMIE JO PIZ; THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH F. PIZ, deceased; ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT; SUSAN E. HUNT; GRAHAM P. HUNT; KEVIN D. OVERS; and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM UNDER OR THROUGH THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA D. MURRAY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION

Attorneys for Plaintiffs:
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Email: zac@frascona.com
Case Number: 2023CV030033
Division: 1 Courtroom
SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):
You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the plaintiff filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response within 21 or 35 days, as applicable, 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 21 or 35 days, as applicable, after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint with further notice.
Dated: August 10, 2023
Published in the Pagosa Springs Sun
First Publication: August 17, 2023
Last Publication: September 14, 2023
Frascona, Joiner, Goodman and Greenstein, P.C.
/s/Zachary A. Grey
Attorney for Plaintiff
Published August 17, 24, 31, September 7 and 14, 2023, in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Daniel Ray Wollenweber aka Dan Wollenweber, Deceased
Case Number 23PR30021
All persons having claims against the above named estate are required to present them to the personal representative of the estate of Daniel Ray Wollenweber, District Court of Archuleta, County, Colorado on or before August 18, 2023 (date), or the claims may be forever barred.
Elisabeth Musetta Wollenweber
284 Whitaker Place
Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147
Published August 17, 24 and 31, 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:
1 1/2 BEACHCOMBER COURT
BURLEIGH HEADS QLD 4220
MELISSA E PERRAM
1 1/2 BEACHCOMBER COURT
BURLEIGH HEADS QLD 4220
You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 18th day of July 2023, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to Archuleta County the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 362 IN PAGOSA VISTA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD SEPTEMBER 13, 1971 AS RECEPTION NO. 74884.
Account Number: R012348
Schedule Number: 569930103002
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2009-00987
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2009-00987
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2007-00593
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 MARK R. PERRAM and MELISSA E PERRAM for said year 2009;
That on the 18th day of May 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 17th day of July 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 27th day of December 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 14th day of August 2023
/s/ Elsa P White
Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 7, COLORADO
WATER RESUME
(This publication can be viewed in its entirety on the state court website at: www.courts.state.co.us)
TO: ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN SAID WATER DIVISION NO. 7
Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are notified that the following is the resume of all water right applications filed in the Office of the Water Clerk during the month of July 2023, for Archuleta County.
23CW3028 Application for Surface Water Rights. 1. Applicant: Dan Lynn and Anthony Rivera, c/o Jeffrey H. Kane, Southwestern Water and Property Law LLC, 10 Town Plaza, No. 422, Durango, CO 81301; (970) 425-5100; jkane@swpropertylaw.com. 2. Structures: A. Rivera Pond aka Griffith's Dam; i. Location: NE1/4 NW1/4 N10, T34N, R1W, N.M.P.M.; X: 327668 Y: 4119362 UTM Zone 13; ii. Filling source and rate: 0.25 cfs from unnamed draws, tributary to Catchpole Creek, tributary to Rio Blanco, tributary to Rio Blanco, tributary to San Juan River; iii. Appropriation date: October 31, 2005 (date of aerial photograph showing structure); iv. Amount: 0.42 cfs (158 gpm), absolute; v. Use: irrigation; vi. Irrigated area: 5 acres located below Rivera Pond on Applicant's land known as 800 Bauer Place, Pagosa Springs. 3. Applicant is the owner of the land upon which these structures are located. See map filed with application. (4 pages including exhibits)
THE WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED BY THE FOREGOING APPLICATION(S) MAY AFFECT IN PRIORITY ANY WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED OR HERETOFORE ADJUDICATED WITHIN THIS DIVISION AND OWNERS OF AFFECTED RIGHTS MUST APPEAR TO OBJECT AND PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY STATUTE, OR BE FOREVER BARRED.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE until the last day of September 2023, to file with the Water Clerk, a verified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must also be served upon the applicant or the applicant's

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:
A LIDDE ENTERPRISE, INC
27585 US HIGHWAY 64
ANGEL FIRE, NM 87710

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 18th day of May 2023, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to Archuleta County the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 307, 308 and 309 In Chris Mountain Village at Pagosa Unit two, according to the plat thereof filed for record June 4, 1973 as Reception No. 77868.
Account Number: R004439
Schedule Number: 569525107010
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2010-01072
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 A LIDDE ENTERPRISE, INC for said year 2009;
That on the 18th day of May 2023, said Archuleta County assigned said certificate of purchase to CASITA MONTANA ASSETS LLC on the 17th day of July 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 27th day of December 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 31st day of August 2023
/s/ Elsa P White
Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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MEADPROP UNITS, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
1133 N. 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501
You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 18th day of May 2023, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to Archuleta County the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 43 in Lakewood Village, according to the plat thereof filed for record April 30, 1979 as reception No. 94867.
Account Number: R010316
Schedule Number: 569919434004
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2007-00592
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 MEADPROP UNITS, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY for said year 2007;
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Witness my hand this 15th day of August 2023
/s/ Elsa P White
Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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LOT 42 in Lakewood Village, according to the plat thereof filed for record April 30, 1979 as Reception No. 94867.
Account Number: R010317
Schedule Number: 569919434004
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2007-00593
and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to Archuleta County.
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attorney and an affidavit or certificate of such service shall be filed with the Water Clerk, as prescribed by Rule 5, CRCP. (Filing fee: \$192.00; Forms are available through the Office of the Water Clerk or on the Judicial web site at www.courts.state.co.us; Jason Poyer, Water Court Specialist, 1060 E. 2nd Ave., Room 106, Durango, CO 81301; (970-247-2304) /s/ Jason Poyer Water Court Specialist Published: before August 31, 2023 Published August 24, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 7, COLORADO WATER RESUME

(This publication can be viewed in its entirety on the state court website at: www.courts.state.co.us.) TO: ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN SAID WATER DIVISION NO. 7 Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are notified that the following is the resume of all water rights applications filed in the Office of the Water Clerk during the month of July 2023, for Archuleta County. **23CVW029 MINERAL COUNTY:** 1) Applicants: DFM East Fork LLC; DTM East Fork LLC; TEM East Fork LLC; and KMS East Fork LLC, all Illinois limited liability companies; c/o Thomas E. McChyly, 5745 S. Boulderway @ the 350, Costa Mesa, California 92626; 2) Attorneys: Adam T. Reeves and Lindsey A. Ratcliff, Maynes, Bradford, Shipp & Sheffield, LLP, 835 East 2nd Ave., Suite 123, Durango, CO 81301; 3) Type: Application for a Finding of Reasonable Diligence; 4) Name of structure: McCarthy Spring; (a) Point of Diversion: Northing 4142333, Easting 393212, NAD 83, SW1/4 NE1/4 NW1/4 Section 31, T37N, R9E, N.M.P.M.; (b) Source Spring tributary to East Fork, San Juan River; (c) Appropriation Date: (1) December 31, 1908 – domestic, livestock, irrigation, and incidental wildlife watering; (2) December 31, 2006 – domestic, livestock, irrigation and fire fighting; (d) Amount: (i) 0.0333 cfs, Absolute, for domestic, livestock, incidental wildlife watering and irrigation; (ii) 0.3 cfs Conditional, for irrigation, domestic, fire fighting and livestock; (e) Uses: Irrigation, domestic, livestock, incidental wildlife watering, fire fighting; 5) Outline of perfection and diligence activities: (a) Applicants have evaluated the installation of a pond and fire suppression system for the existing cabin using McCarthy Spring as a source; (b) Applicants have purchased and maintained a pressurized irrigation system to irrigate approximately an acre; (c) Applicants and their attorneys evaluated the potential use McCarthy Spring and other water rights for the development of their property consistent with the uses permitted by conservation easements granted for their property between 2009 and 2011 and determined that the McCarthy Spring water rights can be used to irrigate additional land and may be used to develop additional residences within the permitted building envelopes. (4 pages) **THE WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED BY THE FOREGOING APPLICATION(S) MAY AFFECT IN PRIORITY ANY WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED OR HERETOFORE ADJUDICATED WITHIN THIS DIVISION AND OWNERS OF AFFECTED RIGHTS MUST APPEAR TO OBJECT AND PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY STATUTE, OR BE FOREVER BARRED. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE UNTIL the last day of September 2023, to file with the Water Clerk, a verified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must also be served upon the applicant or the applicant's attorney and an affidavit or certificate of such service shall be filed with the Water Clerk, as prescribed by Rule 5, CRCP. (Filing fee: \$192.00; Forms are available through the Office of the Water Clerk or on the Judicial web site at www.courts.state.co.us; Jason Poyer, Water Court Specialist, 1060 E. 2nd Ave., Room 106, Durango, CO 81301; (970-247-2304) /s/ Jason Poyer Water Court Specialist Published: before August 31, 2023 Published August 24, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.**

DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 7, COLORADO WATER RESUME

(This publication can be viewed in its entirety on the state court website at: www.courts.state.co.us.) TO: ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN SAID WATER DIVISION NO. 7 Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are notified that the following is the resume of all water rights applications filed in the Office of the Water Clerk during the month of July 2023, for Archuleta County. **23CVW021 (16CW3033) DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION NO. 7, STATE OF COLORADO, La Plata Combined Counties, 1060 E. 2nd Avenue, Room 106, Durango, CO 81301, (970) 385-6189. IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR WATER RIGHTS OF CIMARRONA RANCHO PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., IN ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO, APPLICATION TO MAKE ABSOLUTE AND FOR FINDINGS OF REASONABLE DILIGENCE. 1. Name, Address, Telephone Number, and Email Address of Applicant: Cimarrona Ranch Property Owners Association, Inc., c/o Ron Ault, 4414 E. Blanche Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85032, (602) 469-5505, ron@aultcompanies.com Direct All Pleadings to: Steven J. Bushong Cassidy L. Woodard Bushong & Heileman PC, 1525 Spruce Street, Suite 200, Boulder, CO 80302, (303) 440-9999; Lawyers.com; woodard@bwh-lawyers.com 2. Names of Structures: 2.1. Cimarrona Well Pond; 2.2. Cimarrona Pond No. 1, and 2.3. Cimarrona Pond No. 2. The Cimarrona Well Pond, Cimarrona Pond No. 1, and Cimarrona Pond No. 2 will be referred to collectively as the "Structures." 3. Overview: The water rights associated with the Structures were originally decreed in the District Court in and for Water Division No. 7, State of Colorado ("Water Court"), in Case No. 16CW3033 on July 21, 2017 (the "16CW3033 Decree"). This application requests to make the Cimarrona Well Pond absolute for both its volumetric limit and a portion of its withdrawal rate. This application further requests findings of reasonable diligence for all remaining conditional water rights associated with the Structures not made absolute as requested herein. 4. Description of Conditional Water Rights: 4.1. Cimarrona Well Pond: 4.1.1. Legal Description: Cimarrona Well Pond, an unlined groundwater pond located in the NE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 1, Township 35 North, Range 1 West of the N.M.P.M. at a point approximately 1,980 feet from the West section line and 170 feet from the North section line of said Section 1. See Exhibit A., 4.1.2. Source: Groundwater, tributary to Fawn Gulch, tributary to the San Juan River. Cimarrona Well Pond intercepts surface water runoff tributary to Fawn Gulch, tributary to the San Juan River, 4.1.3. Date of Appropriation: August 1, 2003, based upon the construction and enlargement of the well pond. 4.1.4. Uses: The consumptive uses of domestic and fire protection occur outside Cimarrona Well Pond. The nonconsumptive uses of piscatorial and recreation occur within Cimarrona Well Pond. Uses also include incidental aesthetic and pond evaporation within Cimarrona Well Pond. No outdoor irrigation use with the Cimarrona Well Pond water right was sought. 4.1.5. Volume: 225 acre-feet, conditional. Limited to 12 acre-feet for domestic use; withdrawals. Evaporation is 10.5 acre-feet per year. 4.1.6. Withdrawal (Pumping) Rate: The rate of withdrawal for domestic use is limited to 100 gallons per minute ("gpm"), conditional. 4.1.7. Well Pond Dimensions: The surface area of the high water mark of Cimarrona Well Pond, not including the island, is limited to 3.75 acres, 4.1.8. Well Permit No.: 80373-F. 4.1.9. Administration: The decreed amount set forth in Paragraph 4.1.5 above is limited to the combined evaporation and withdrawals from the Cimarrona Well Pond. Evaporation is estimated to occur at a rate of 15 gpm and is in addition to the 100 gpm withdrawal rate for domestic use. 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MINERAL COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 11a

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MINERAL COUNTY, COLORADO AS FOLLOWS:

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4. The Effective Date of the repeal is January 1, 2024 if this repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the County at the next election scheduled for November 7, 2023.

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5. This resolution, once passed shall be duly published as required by C.R.S. 29-2-104(5) four times a week apart in advance of the election in the Mineral County Miner and the Pagosa Springs Sun by the Mineral County Clerk and Recorder, the cost of which shall be paid by the Mineral County general fund.

6. This resolution shall be effective upon approval by a majority of the qualified electors of Mineral County. This proposal shall be submitted to the voters of Mineral County on the regular ballot of the November 7, 2023 election in the following form;

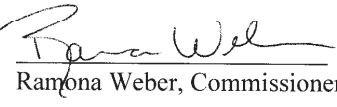
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MOVED, SECONDED AND APPROVED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED this 19th day of July, 2023.

MINERAL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By:  Jesse Albright, Chair

 Scott Lamb, Commissioner

 Ramona Weber, Commissioner

Attest:  Eryn K Wintz
County Clerk





On the Move

SUN photos/Randi Pierce
 One of three buildings with ties to the history of Archuleta County moves through town Tuesday. A pair of historic buildings made their way from Harman Park to their permanent homes near the Archuleta County Fairgrounds Tuesday, with the third building set to be moved Thursday, Aug. 24.



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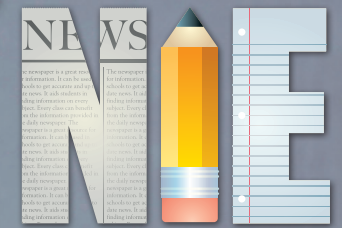
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Barn Bash

Friday, Aug. 25



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August 24, 2023

Aspire's Barn Bash slated for Friday

Aspire Medical Services and Education

Celebrate life, love and fellowship at Aspire's Barn Bash on Friday, Aug. 25.

Located at Paradise Ranch, the event features dinner, dancing and an adventure raffle full of exciting prizes.

You can purchase a table of eight or an individual ticket and it includes delicious street taco bar with smoked meats, dessert, a drink ticket, dancing, and live music by Mountain Alibi. Tickets are on sale at <https://aspirepagosa.org/upcoming-events>.

Thanks to the generosity of our local businesses, Aspire also sold raffle tickets for a chance to win more than \$10,000 in prizes. Raffle tickets were sold online until Aug. 23 and will also be sold at the event, but we only accept checks/cash during the night of the event. You do not have to be present to win. This year you can purchase a raffle ticket for each specific prize you wish.

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The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Rodger Bennett and Steve Blechschmidt, 5 p.m.

Saturday

East Side Market: Open mic, 11 a.m.

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Ron and Susan, 5 p.m.

Sunday

East Side Market: Grace Kiker, 11 a.m.

Tuesday

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Jackson Mountain Ramblers, 5 p.m.

Wednesday

The Den: Karaoke, 8 p.m.

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27th annual Four Corners Folk Festival will feature legendary performers, rising musical stars on Reservoir Hill

By Jonathan Hunt
KSUT

Sixteen bands and musicians from a variety of genres highlight the 27th annual Four Corners Folk Festival, which will return to Reservoir Hill Sept. 1-3.

Headliners include folk-rock icon Bruce Cockburn, Bluegrass Hall of Famer Peter Rowan, award-winning indie-rocker Amythyst Kiah and hip-hop/bluegrass innovators Gangstagrass.

“We are excited to welcome back festiversians to Reservoir Hill for the Four Corners Folk Festival,” said KSUT Executive Director Tami Graham. “The lineup reflects both the festival’s long history and the quality of our diverse on-air programming that our listeners appreciate.”

While still maintaining deep acoustic music traditions, the 2023 Four Corners Folk Festival lineup reflects the music heard on the KSUT Music Blend by including artists in rock, Americana, country, bluegrass, folk, Native American and other genres.

“Part of KSUT’s mission is music discovery,” said KSUT Development Director and Music Director Chris Aaland, who serves as the talent buyer for the festival. “Our lineup includes core artists like Bruce Cockburn and Peter Rowan alongside up-and-coming acts like Gangstagrass and The Sweet Lillies.

“We are also proud of our roots as one of the nation’s oldest tribal radio stations, and we’re committed to presenting award-winning Indigenous performers in a variety of genres.”

Ed Kabotie is an acclaimed

reggae and folk singer and multi-instrumentalist of Tewa and Hopi descent.

Single-day, weekend and patron passes are on sale at www.ksutpresents.org, as are camping passes and a very limited quantity of vehicle passes.

Chatham County Line, Jim Lauderdale, Damn Tall Buildings, Songs from the Road Band, Laney Lou and the Bird Dogs, Cruz Contreras, Chain Station, Honey Dewdrops, Birds of Play and Liver Down the River complete the bill.

■ See Festival on next page

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Festival

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Cockburn is a Canadian singer/songwriter and guitarist whose musical style ranges from folk to jazz to indie rock and lyrics cover a broad range of topics including human rights, environmental issues and the human condition. Among his best-known songs are “Wondering Where the Lions Are,” “Lovers in a Dangerous Time,” “Pacing the Cage” and “Last Night of the World.” He has been covered by artists such as Jerry Garcia, Jimmy Buffett and Barenaked Ladies.

Rowan is one of the most important figures in American roots music, having started as a member of Bill Monroe’s Blue Grass Boys in 1963 before forming such iconic groups as Earth Opera, Sea Train, Muleskinner, and Old and in the Way in the late 1960s and early ‘70s.

In his 50-plus years of performing, he has weaved through bluegrass, folk, rock, reggae and other genres. He has penned such classics as “Panama Red,” “The Walls of Time,” “Dustbowl Children” and “The Free Mexican Air Force.”

Last fall Rowan was inducted into the International Bluegrass Music Association Hall of Fame.

Kiah is a singer/songwriter whose songs transcend indie rock, Americana and old-time music. In 2019 she teamed up with Rhianon Giddens, Leyla McCalla and Allison Russell to form Our Native Daughters, an African-American women’s folk quartet that won a Grammy Award in 2020 for its recording of her tune “Black Myself.” She later re-recorded that song with award-winning electronica musician Moby.

Gangstagrass returns to Reservoir Hill for the second year in a row, having become a crowd favorite last fall for its 75-minute performance on the Dan Appenzeller Memorial Stage while a summer monsoon forced spectators under the big tent. Gangstagrass plays an unlikely musical pairing of hip-hop and bluegrass. Its message of positivity finds common ground between different ethnicities, socio-economic backgrounds and political beliefs.

Chatham County Line is a longtime festival favorite in the bluegrass world that has recently focused on Americana and country music to spotlight the musical styles of award-winning songwriter Dave Wilson, mandolin/fiddle player John Teer and upright bassist/pedal steel player Greg Reading. They have appeared at such regional events as the Durango Bluegrass Meltdown and Rockygrass.

Jim Lauderdale’s music alternates between traditional country, bluegrass and Americana. Best known as a songwriter, his songs have been recorded by George Strait (who scored hits with nearly a dozen Lauderdale-written tunes), Blake Shelton and Elvis Costello. He released a pair of records with Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys, and collaborated on several albums with Grateful Dead lyricist Robert Hunter. His backing band at the Four Corners Folk Festival is Songs from the Road Band, a jamgrass outfit led by former Steep Canyon Rangers bassist Charles Humphrey III. Songs from the Road Band will also

perform its own main stage set.

Three Americana and bluegrass-flavored acts with strong female vocalists and musicians include the Brooklyn-based Damn Tall Buildings, Boulder’s The Sweet Lillies and Montana’s Laney Lou and the Bird Dogs. Cruz Contreras has performed on Reservoir Hill a half dozen times with his old outfits, The Black Lillies and Robinella and the CCstringband. The Black Lillies went on hiatus during the pandemic, allowing Contreras to focus on his solo career. His debut solo album, “Cosmico,” will be released later this year.

The Honey Dewdrops are a folk duo from Baltimore that formed in 2009 and have released a series of strong albums, including 2022’s “Light Behind Light.” Their sparse arrangements and haunting melodies draw comparisons to Gillian Welch and David Rawlings.

Three Colorado bands popular in the Four Corners region round out the festival bill: Front Range bluegrass favorites Chain Station, Durango/Telluride Americana quartet Birds of Play and former Durango jam band Liver Down the River.

Festival amenities include a late-night stage, workshops, children’s tent, food and crafts vendors, campground picks and a beer garden. As has become tradition, Saturday and Sunday mornings will kick off with Bubbles and Bluegrass, which pairs acoustic performances by Birds of Play (Saturday) and The Honey Dewdrops (Sunday) with complimentary beverages in the beer garden from 10 to 11 a.m.



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Pagosa Panhellenic gathering planned

By Lisa Scott
Special to The PREVIEW

Women affiliated with a collegiate sorority are invited to attend the second gathering of sisters on Wednesday, Sept. 6, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Alley House Grille.

The event will feature hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. A \$10 donation at the event is requested to assist in covering the cost of the appetizer and beverage service.

The revived event in June included 23 women from 19 universities in the U.S. and Canada. There were members from 11 different national sorority organizations.

There is interest in reviving this fun event and the intent is to catch up with old friends while enjoying the new friends that you will meet and share the bond of sisterhood across badges.

Please help us by mentioning this upcoming event to friends and acquaintances that you know to be Panhellenic members so that we can continue to grow participation for this event. We look forward to welcoming the traditional attendees, as well as new faces, to this special event.

The planning committee consists of Sherry Spears, Delta Delta Delta; Joni Rose, Pi Beta Phi; and



Photo courtesy Lisa Scott

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Lisa Scott, Pi Beta Phi. For planning and food preparation, please let us know you are attending.

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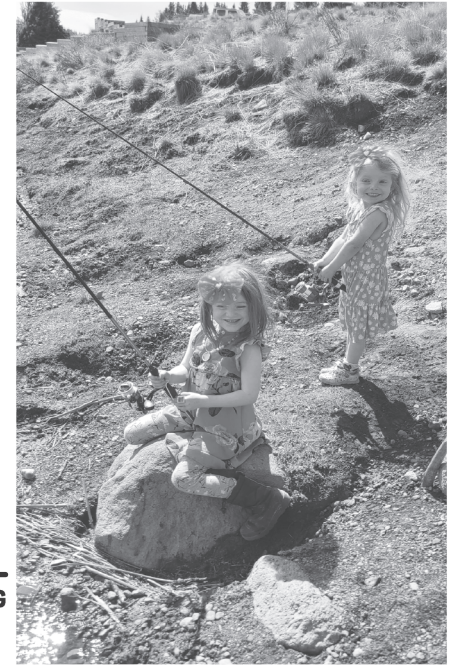
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Registration is now open for the 15th annual Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic. The event is part of the 17th annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha, which is set for Sept. 23 in Town Park.

Register now for 15th annual Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic

By **Jacque Aragon**
Mountain Chile Cha Cha

Take advantage of the chance to register for the 15th annual Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic. This cook-off is open to chefs from all backgrounds who want to compete for cash prizes and trophies.

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The 17th annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha will occur at Town Park on Sept. 23.

This free event will also feature a 5k and 10k trail race, a concert by New Mexico's award-winning band Sangre Joven, a Mexican beer garden, a margarita contest and tasting, green chile roasted on-site and for sale, and an all-day kids' corner and delicious food vendors.

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Tickets available for Sept. 30 Runway for Rise Fashion Gala

By Dee McPeek
Rise Above Violence

The flamboyance of the Flamboyance of Punk Flamingos team is spilling over as tickets for the Runway for Rise Fashion Gala on Sept. 30 go on sale.

Just visit riseaboveviolence.org and select the Runway for Rise tab. General Admission tickets are \$50. Even better, grab your girlfriends and book reserved seats for \$75. Then you'll be guaranteed to sit together while you sip "Diva Delight" cocktails and enjoy the

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■ See Gala on next page



Photo courtesy Larry Walton

The Flamboyance of Punk Flamingos team includes Selena Hughes, Alaura Hughes, Barb Walton and Linda Bennett (not pictured). Will their outrageous outfit include something pink? Find out at the Runway for Rise Fashion Gala on Sept. 30.

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Gala

■ **continued from previous page** receive a complimentary ticket that will be entered in the drawing for the "Wowza" bottle of 2019 Kathryn Hall Cabernet Sauvignon valued at \$225.

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Andrea Anderson, Katherine Solbert and Andrea Franklin pose with some of the 34,000 pounds of food the 12 congregations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, from Cortez to Pagosa Springs are donating to area food pantries.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints donates 34,000 pounds of food to area pantries

By David Hamilton
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints believe in following the example of Jesus Christ to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and lift up the down-trodden.

Locally, members of the 12 congregations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, from Cortez to Pagosa Springs and each community in between, are donating a semi truck load, approximately 34,000 pounds, of food to the Durango Food Pantry, Bayfield's Pine Valley Shares and Our Community Eats (formerly Restoration Fellowship) food pantry here in Pagosa Springs. Additionally, food will be supplied throughout the year

to the TARA Food Pantry in Arboles.

Our desire is to join with community members throughout southwest Colorado in following the Savior's admonition to be our brothers keeper as the Lord taught in Matthew 25:40: "... Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Our hope and prayer is this will aid in relieving hunger in our local communities. We also realize that personal acts of kindness and service to one another will stretch even further in providing hope and relief, both temporally and spiritually, to those in need. We especially thank all those that serve in every food bank in our communities throughout southwest Colorado.

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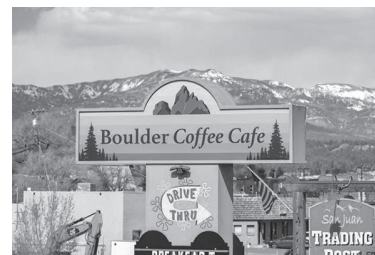
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Wings Early Childhood Center will hold an ice cream social and barbecue on Saturday, Aug. 26, at its facility at 74 Backswing Court. The annual open house will be a great opportunity to talk with Wings staff about the expansion plans and to get to know teachers and is set to include hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream, games and face painting.

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New Thought to discuss 'Spiritual Passages — The Opportunity and The Challenges for a Renewed Life'

By **Shayla McClure**
New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

The Sunday service on Aug. 27 at 10:30 a.m. will be "Spiritual Passages — The Opportunity and The Challenges for a Renewed Life," with Dr. Elaine Harding.

"When you are at peace with your life and in a state of tranquility, you actually send out a vibration of energy that impacts all living creatures, including plants, animals, and even babies." — Wayne Dyer.

Upcoming events

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

Thursday, Aug. 24, 6 p.m.: "Sacred Medicine Ways — Basic Healing Techniques" with Shayla White Eagle. This week will be "Recipes and Remedies For The Body, Mind, and Spirit." Learn how to use the energy around you to support the body, mind and spirit this week. Call or text (970) 309-6067 for more information.

Friday, Aug. 25, 6 p.m. Film presentation by Shelly Spotleson-Sinclair.

Sunday, Aug. 27, 10:30 a.m.: Sunday service with Dr. Elaine

Harding. Ignite Your Life group meeting after the service.

Sept. 10: Sunday service with Stephanie Morrow.

Sept. 23: "Art with Spirit" workshop with Karen Kinney, spiritual art teacher.

October: Vets4Vets fundraiser, Yamaguchi Park. Dates and time to be announced.

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The Aspin Inspiration Memorial Library is a collection of spiritual books.

About us

The New Thought Center is a 501(c)(3) and promotes philosophies similar to Centers for Spiritual Living and Agape Centers. We are the Good Vibe Tribe that practices Science of Mind principles of positive thinking.

New Thought events are held at 3505 W. U.S. 160, on the second floor of the Pagosa Lodge (elevator available). Request prayer treatment or obtain information by joining us; emailing pagosacomcommunitynewthought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; or calling (970) 510-0309.

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The benefits of energy-efficient homes

Special to The PREVIEW

Consumer efforts to be more eco-conscious are more and more noticeable. For proof of that, one need look no further than the increase in vehicle charging stations. Such stations are more accessible than ever and illustrate that consumer preference is increasingly leaning toward products that leave as small a carbon footprint as possible.

Another indicator of a growing interest in eco-friendly products is the popularity of energy-efficient homes. In fact, a recent survey from the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) found that energy-efficient features are among the most sought-after “must-haves” among homebuyers.

Among those surveyed, 83 percent desired Energy Star-rated windows, 81 percent wanted Energy Star-rated appliances and 80 percent preferred energy-efficient lighting.

Though eco-conscious sensibilities compel millions of homeowners to make their homes more energy-efficient, that’s not the only reason to upgrade your home. The following are a handful of the many benefits of energy-efficient homes:

- Save money: Inflation was one of the biggest stories of 2022, as the

cost of living rose dramatically in the wake of world events. According to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation led to an overall 6.5 percent increase in prices. But that increase was dwarfed by the cost of electricity, which increased by 14.3 percent in 2022. Energy-efficient appliances can help homeowners overcome that spike, as the U.S. Department of Energy indicates upgrading to such products can help homeowners reduce their energy costs by as much as 30 percent.

- Improve resale value: As the NAHB survey indicates, modern homebuyers want energy-efficient homes. They’re also willing to pay more for such homes. Research from the mortgage lender Freddie Mac found that homes with energy-efficient ratings sold for nearly 3 percent more on average than homes without such ratings.

- Live healthier: The benefits of energy-efficient homes aren’t just economic, though health-related benefits certainly produce an economic incentive as well. According to the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE), insulation and air sealing protect individuals from heat waves and other ripple effects of climate change. The ACEEE notes that weatherization can improve indoor air quality and comfort, a notable benefit for

asthma sufferers and seniors. In fact, the ACEEE estimates that integrating energy efficiency programs in homes could reduce seniors’ risk for falls in their homes, potentially saving \$2 billion in fall-related health care costs over the next decade, and improve asthma outcomes, which could reduce health care costs by as much as half a billion dollars.

United States flag facts and handling etiquette

Special to The PREVIEW

The United States flag was first imagined after the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. The Continental Congress authorized creation of the first national flag on June 14, 1777. It was decided that the flag should have 13 stripes, alternating red and white, to represent the original 13 colonies, and that the new union be represented by 13 white stars in a blue field to signify a “new constellation.” Francis Hopkinson, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, is most often credited with the original design.

Today there are 50 stars on the flag to represent the 50 states, while the 13 stripes still represent the 13 British colonies that became the first states. While this may be common knowledge, Public Law 94-344, known as the Federal Flag Code, may not be as widely known. The code dictates that the flag is to be treated with respect and proper etiquette.

The code is extensive, but the following guidelines can help private individuals interested in displaying their flags do so in accordance with the law:

- Flags should only be displayed in public from sunrise to sunset,

unless the flag can be properly illuminated during darkness. In this instance, it may be displayed at all times.

- When displayed with other flags, such as on a single staff or lanyard, the U.S. flag should be above all other flags. If flags are displayed in a row, the U.S. flag goes to the observer’s left.

- During marching ceremonies or parades with other flags, the U.S. flag should be to the observer’s left.

- The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

- The flag is often displayed at half-staff on days of mourning, including Memorial Day. The flag should first be hoisted to the peak for an instant, then lowered to half-staff position, which is half the distance between the top and bottom of the staff.

- The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water or merchandise. It also should never have anything placed on it.

- A flag in poor condition should be destroyed with dignity, preferably by burning. Most American Legion posts and local Boy Scouts troops will have the resources to retire flags accordingly. Many will host annual flag retirement ceremonies on Flag Day.

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Rock painting with local artist set for Aug. 24

By Rose Chavez
PREVIEW Columnist

Join local artist Becky Crowe at 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 24, for a free rock art session.

We have gathered a variety of rocks of different sizes for your painting pleasure. Stop by the dining hall of the Pagosa Senior Center and either bring your own rock or select from our collection. We will provide the paint and rocks and you bring your own inspiration to create a colorful rock to place in your garden or to use as a paper-weight.

This activity is free and open to all ages.

New Monday music

Enjoy pleasant soft-rock songs from the 1960s, '70s and '80s, as well as international folk, humor and new music, too.

Dr. Erika Sueker has been playing music since 1967, teaching music since 1978 and working with older adults since 1983. Join the lunchtime fun upcoming Mondays.

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 in 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.

It meets 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.

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 at the Community Center between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. It is open to all. Pickup is avail-

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able 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.

Community Cafe menu

Thursday, Aug. 24 — Pork adovada with Spanish rice, calabacitas, biscochitos, garden salad, fruit and milk. Calabacitas is a favorite New Mexican side dish with yellow squash, corn, onions and green chiles.

Friday, Aug. 25 — Crispy chicken with country gravy, southern biscuits, glazed carrots, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Monday Aug. 28 — Tuna casserole, zucchini saute, garden salad, fruit milk and strawberry shortcake.

Tuesday, Aug. 29 — Pork and red chili tamales, refried beans, garden salad, fruit, vanilla yogurt and milk.

Wednesday, Au. 30 — Beef pot roast, root vegetables, focaccia bread, garden salad, fruit, milk and bread pudding with rum sauce.

Thursday, Aug. 31 — Chicken pesto wrap, orecchiette pasta salad, garden salad, fruit, milk and lemon bars.

Grab-N-Go meals

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Texting services are available for dine-in meal reservations, Grab-n-Go meals and Meals on Wheels recipients.

COVID-19 test kits available

Stop by the Senior Center to pick up a pack of six free COVID-19 tests kits for your personal use. These

kits are available to anyone in the public who needs affordable access for health promotion and disease prevention.

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. 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.

Bridge is a four-player card game with partners sitting oppo-

site 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.

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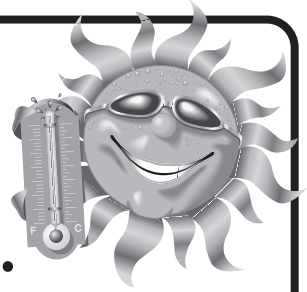
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Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County is seeking volunteers to help to finish its three builds this summer.

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Habitat for Humanity looking for volunteers

By Leah Ballard

Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County

One of the biggest challenges of expanding Habitat for Humanity's impact in Archuleta County is getting the volunteer numbers to fulfill our mission.

Habitat Archuleta has been growing. In 2023 not only have we tripled our new-build capacity by building three homes in one year, but we also closed four more USDA Direct Loans in the conventional real estate market.

How much does that multiply our impact? How many workforce families gained that sense of security and accomplishment by purchasing a home of their own? How many children know exactly where they're going to school from now on? Seven workforce families are here to stay because they have the security of homeownership

and the opportunity to build equity in their home.

Depending on where a person came from, homeownership is a huge feat. Home ownership is affordable housing.

Habitat Archuleta boasts two employees on the construction site: one seasoned with years of experience in all the variables that builders learn, and one seasonal novice with natural leadership, great communication and organization. Jeff Bouwer and David Hilborn make a great team.

As this organization transitions from a "working Board of Directors" toward a Board of Directors more geared toward governance — a common trend as nonprofit organizations mature, we still boast a handful of core volunteers on-site. Larry Parks, Gary Williams, Bob Carlos, Mack Orsborn and ■ See Habitat on next page

Call for Nominations For School Directors



The Archuleta School District 50 JT in the Counties of Archuleta and Hinsdale, State of Colorado, calls for nomination of candidates for school directors to be placed on the ballot for the regular biennial school election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

At this election three (3) directors will be elected representing the following director districts: Director District Two (2), Director District Three (3), Director District Four (4), for a term of office of four years, and one (1) director will be elected representing Director District Five (5) for a term of office of two years. To be qualified, a candidate must have been a registered elector of the school district for at least 12 consecutive months before the election and a resident of the Director District which will be represented. Legal Descriptions of the Director Districts are available at www.mypagosaschools.com under the School Board tab, or at the Administration office located at 309 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. A person is ineligible to run for school director if he or she has been convicted of committing a sexual offense against a child.

A person who desires to be a candidate for school director shall file a written notice of intention to be a candidate and a nomination petition signed by at least 50 eligible electors who are registered to vote in the regular biennial school election.

Nomination petitions may be obtained at the Archuleta School District Administration office located at 309 Lewis Street beginning Wednesday, August 9th, 2023. Office hours are 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Completed petitions shall be submitted to Heather Schultz, the school district's designated election official, no later than 3:00 pm on Friday, September 1, 2023.

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Duane Peter spend summers with us every year.

And, just like last year, we find ourselves in need of one last push as summer fades to fall. This is our annual call for new volunteers to come out and lend a hand.

One of the things we love about this community is the population of people who've chosen this place for retirement or their escape from the urban grind. We know the thought of construction work can be intimidating, but wait until you meet our crew. Many of these folks are well in to their mature years, but show no signs of slowing.

One of Bouwer's hallmarks is his ability to work with and train anyone who's never swung a hammer before. The ideal volunteer comes with a small group, say about three people, who can join us on the job site two or three days in a row — or one day a week for two or three weeks, year after year.

We will warn you, its easy to get wrapped up and keep coming back for more. It can be difficult to pin down exactly what tasks are needed on a given day, but there is always a light-duty option for

beginners. We always recommend work boots, gloves and a bandana to keep the sun off your neck when working outside. A change of shoes and an ice-cold water bottle might also be a good idea, but the cooler is always stocked.

If jobsite work still sounds like too much to take on, lunch for about 12 volunteers is always a boost for morale. Saturdays tend to be a bit busier, as that is the day most of our homeowners are out there earning their sweat equity.

And, finally, if you're not really the cooking or construction type, join us at our largest annual fundraiser from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 9 at the Ross Aragon Community Center. One hundred percent of the funds raised go to support our new construction here in Archuleta County.

We cannot thank our community enough on behalf of our homeowners, the businesses who employ them, and the children who rely upon them. Habitat Archuleta projects are a combination of volunteer labor, subcontractors, in-kind donation of products and services, and homeowner sweat equity. Habitat families work

alongside volunteers to build their home and pay a mortgage they can afford.

Starting June 20, we'll be on the jobsite Tuesday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please call (970) 264-6960 or email office@HabitatArchuleta.org before you arrive so we can plan for how many hands will be on deck.

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Centerpoint Church to present DivorceCare sessions

By Lorena Medina
DivorceCare

The DivorceCare divorce recovery seminar and support group will meet at Centerpoint Church each Saturday beginning on Sept. 2 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The church is located at 2750 Cornerstone Drive.

DivorceCare features nationally recognized experts on divorce and recovery topics. Seminar sessions include "Facing My Anger,"

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For more information, call Lorena Medina at (970) 731-2205 or email her at loremedina0817@gmail.com.

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2453 Running Horse Place
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MLS 806520

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Backpacks and bike repair kit ideal tools for late summer and fall fun

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Thanks to a partnership between the Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the Colorado State Library, we have two backpacks for free checkout that contain a state park pass, binoculars, a wildlife guide, a trees and wildlife guide, a book about the 42 state parks, and more.

The backpacks can be checked out for a full week and renewed for an additional week. They cannot be placed on hold. Consider it a “Lucky Day” pickup item, meaning that if you come in and it’s available, you can check it out.

Also, your library has a bike repair toolkit available for free check out.

This toolkit includes a handbook entitled “Essential Road Bike Maintenance Handbook” by Todd Downs and a toolbox filled with the essential tools needed for basic bicycle repairs. The handbook covers topics such as frame, pedals, brakes and more. The library also offers a variety of other bicycle resources for people of all ages including maps, guidebooks and historical information.

Activities calendars

Pick up monthly events calendars at the library so you don’t miss any of the free activities available to you and your family.

Kickoff to Kindergarten

The last session in our free four-week school readiness program for ages 4.5 to 6 to prepare youngsters for the first year of school happens today, Thursday, Aug. 24, from 10 to 11 a.m. Activities will include circle time, group activities, play-time and storytime while exploring reading, writing and math. Parents can participate for limited time periods each week. Preregistration is required in person or by phone at (970) 264-2209. Attendance at all sessions is recommended.

Read Baby Read tomorrow

Babies up to 18 months will love this free interactive storytime from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 25, where we will sing, bounce and laugh as we enjoy age-appropriate books and songs.

Video gaming tomorrow

Play free age-appropriate video games on an Xbox, Wii and other game systems Friday, Aug. 25, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Magic the Gathering tomorrow

Teens and tweens are invited to join us for this strategic fantasy

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card game on Friday, Aug. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. All playing levels are welcome. Bring your own deck.

LEGO Club Saturday

Kids aged 6-11 are invited to bring your imaginations on Saturday, Aug. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the free LEGO Club. Note the extended time of two hours rather than one. Bring your own LEGOs or use ours.

Adult knitting Saturday

Join new and experienced knitters this Saturday, Aug. 26, for our free Knitters Circle from 1 to 3 p.m. It is aimed at anyone over the age of 18 who would like to knit together or get some help if you are stuck on your project.

Action Drawing for teens, tweens

This month we have a free art program for teens and tweens called Action Drawing every Tuesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. led by Dean Dempster. You’ll take turns posing for each other in playful exercises and learn to capture the essence of your friends quickly and freely. You’ll also learn the basics of sketching figures, portraits, hands and feet. Registration is required.

Dungeons and Dragons

Next Tuesday, Aug. 29, from 4 to 5:30 p.m., join our Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young adults. Pre-registration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

Online author talks

There will be one more talk in August in our free online virtual series featuring New York Times best-selling authors with an opportunity to ask questions. Wednesday, Aug. 30, at noon will showcase higher education journalist Jeff Selingo, author of “A Year of College Admissions,” which explores who gets into college and why.

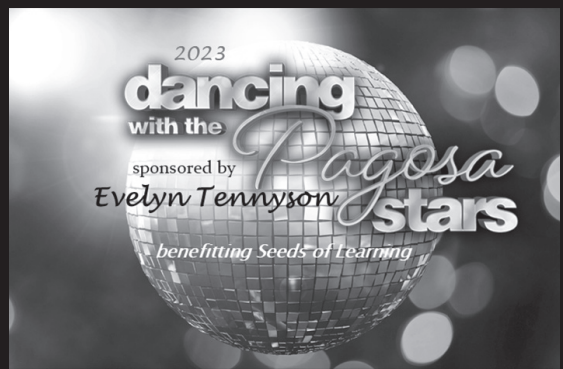
Teen movie

Join us for free popcorn, a movie and time with your friends next Wednesday, Aug. 30, from 4 to 6 p.m.

STEAM program

Camp Connect is a free STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) program for

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A special thanks to all who supported this event by voting, donating, and purchasing tickets. We are forever grateful to you!

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fifth- through eighth-graders next Wednesday, Aug. 30, from noon to 2 p.m. Registration is required.

Family storytimes

Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m., join us for a free educational hour of reading, singing and free play to build early literacy skills.

The Aug. 30 storytime will be replaced by Wee Play for ages 1 to 5, when youngsters will enjoy free play with our collection of toys.

ESL class times

Free in-person evening classes take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and there is a change in the way the time is divided: 4 to 5 p.m. is reserved for beginners, 5 to 6 p.m. for intermediate and 6 to 7 p.m. for 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.

Tech Time

Free in-person slots are available from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and 2 to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Judy helps you with basic questions relating to computers, smartphones and tablets and also provides assistance in accessing any of the library's online resources. No appointment is needed for these drop-in sessions, but it is important that you bring your device's charger with you.

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Mysteries and thrillers

"An Honest Man" by Michael Koryta begins with murders on a yacht. "What Harms You" by Lisa Black is a Locard Institute thriller set in a state-of-the-art forensic research center. "Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Defiance" by Brian Freeman is a Jason Bourne thriller. "The Collector" by Daniel Silva is a Gabriel Allon art conspiracy mystery.

Other novels

"The Keeper of Hidden Books" by Madeline Martin is based on

the true story of the underground library in World War II Warsaw. "Crook Manifesto" by Colson Whitehead is a darky comedic tale of Harlem in the 1970s. "Bad Hombres" by William W. Johnstone is a Slash and Pecos western. "Rise of the Red Blade" by Delilah S. Dawson is a Star Wars adventure. "Pete and Alice in Maine" by Caitlin Shetterly explores a fractured marriage during the COVID pandemic. "The Absolutes" by Molly Dektar focuses on two former lovers who meet again in New York. "The Rabbit Hutch" by Tess Gunty explores the lives of residents in a rundown building in postindustrial Indiana.

Nonfiction

"The War Came to Us" by Financial Times correspondent Christopher Miller is an inside story of Ukraine's long fight for freedom. "More Than You Can See" by Barbara Rubin is a memoir by the mother of a daughter who awakes a different person after a two-week coma. "Random Acts of Medicine" by Drs. Anupam B. Jena and Christopher Worsham is a work about health and economics looking at how invisible forces affect our health. "Better Living Through Birding" by Christian Cooper tells of his lifelong birdwatching hobby that became public after an infamous racial incident in Central Park.

Books on CD

"Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett, read by Meryl Streep, tells of a mother sharing details with her three daughters of her long-ago romance. "The Trap" by Catherine Ryan Howard is a mystery inspired by unsolved disappearances in Ireland. "Dead Fall" by Brad Thor is a Scot Harvath thriller. "Light Bringer" by Pierce Brown is the latest in the Red Rising dystopian sci-fi fantasy series. "After Death" by Dean Koontz is a suspense story set in a top-secret research facility after a disaster. "Implacable" by Jack Campbell is part of the Lost Fleet: Orlando sci-fi series. "Pink Lemonade Cake Murder" by Joanne Fluke is a mystery with more than a dozen dessert recipes.

Thanks to our donors

We are grateful to our generous monetary donors this week: Cheryl Flynn and Laura Metallo, Susan and Terry Arrington, Dot Alber, Rob Pew, and Keith Jacobson. We also thank Medora Bass and Carole Howard for their donations of materials.

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The Friends take fiction published in 2013 or newer and nonfiction from 2018 or newer. Limited workroom space means we can

only accept one or two small boxes at a time.

Quotable quote

"Optimism is sustainable. If you can find something to be grateful for, then you can find something to look forward to." — Michael J. Fox, Canadian and American activist and retired actor who is a leading fundraiser for Parkinson's research.

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DANCING WITH THE PAGOSA STARS

Photos courtesy Jeff Laydon

Scene ... helping area children while enjoying the entertainment of Dancing with the Pagosa Stars. The annual Seeds of Learning fundraiser raised more than \$228,000.



Dancing with the Pagosa Stars a huge success

By Danyelle Leentjes
Seeds of Learning

Last Saturday, Aug. 19, six Pagosa stars and their coaches took the stage to dance for Seeds of Learning's fundraiser, Dancing with the Pagosa Stars. Now, all the costumes have been put away and the final votes tallied, and we have been blown away by the results.

Through local community support, ticket sales and votes from friends and family from around the country, Dancing with the Pagosa Stars successfully raised more than \$228,871. All of the proceeds from this event go directly toward supporting our sliding scale tuition for families attending Seeds.

The families, teachers, administration and Seeds board of directors are filled with gratitude for this

amazing outpouring of support for Pagosa's youth. With 235 guests, several dozen volunteers, stars, coaches, committee members and production crew, this event illustrates the amazing support Seeds receives from this community. It is because of each and every one of these people that Seeds is able to continue to provide low-income and at-risk children with high-quality early education.

We could not have better representatives of Seeds of Learning than our stars and coaches this year. Every year we choose stars that are a broad representation of the Pagosa Springs community, are well-known and respected in the community and have giving spirits. And this year was no exception.

Our winners were:

- Mirror Ball Trophy Winner Star: Sherry Phillips and coach

Nolan King.

- Best Showmanship Star: Gustavo Palma and coach Kylie Ross.
- Best Male Dancer Star: Josh Butcher and coach Ashley Butcher.
- Best Female Dancer Star: Jessica Low and coach John Gilliam.
- Most Original Performance Star: Becky Deitemeyer and coach Nash McNichol.
- Paramount Video Award Star: Tim Wightman and coach Sharina Ramsay-Adams.

Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Barry Knott

This week's Bird of the Week, compliments of the Weminuche Audubon Society and Audubon Rockies, is the Bullock's oriole.

The colorful birds which we know as orioles are part of the diverse family of birds known as icterids. This group also includes many species of blackbirds and the meadowlarks.

A physical adaptation in the skull, shared by members of this family, allows these birds to feed in a method called gaping. Strong muscles allow the bird to use its thick, pointed bill to pierce the tough skin of a fruit or insect. Forcing its bill open once inside allows the bird to tap the nectar or soft organs within.

Among the icterids that we see here, the male Bullock's oriole with his tropical orange coloring is a standout. His orange is accented by a black head, eye stripe, throat and back, and large white wing patches. The female is colored a duller yellow with a gray back and wings. Both sexes are vocal and produce an array of sweetly whistled notes and harsh chatter.

Many of us have been surprised to look out and find a Bullock's oriole balanced on the hummingbird feeder. They do not come to seed feeders but are attracted to grape jelly syrup, sugar nectar and orange halves. In trees, they search for insects, which they glean from leaves, branches and trunks.

Another standout characteristic of these birds is their nest-building prowess. The female weaves a gourd-shaped nest of plant fibers and grass measuring 4-14 inches deep and suspended from the ends of a flexible branch. The inside is lined with soft materials like wool, grass or fur. Nest construction may take up to 15 days to complete.

Hidden by foliage in summer, nests are visible when deciduous trees shed their leaves in fall. Look for them in the cottonwoods along the river, especially in the large trees south of Yamaguchi Park.

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

Thursday, Aug. 24

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Yamaguchi Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Ruby's Writer's Guild. 9-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Ruby's Writer's 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.

Kick-off to Kindergarten. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For kids 4.5-6 years old. Registration is required. A free four-week school readiness program that aims to prepare a young child for their first year of school. Activities will include circle time, group activities, playtime and storytime while we explore reading, writing and math.

Guided Great House Tour. 10 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Meet at 10 a.m., tour at 10:30 a.m. See ancient Puebloan structures built more than 1,000 years ago and hear the archaeological details that connect this civilization to the Chaco culture located 90 miles southwest of this spot. The tour is available by reservation for up to 10 people and walk-ins are allowed if room allows. Recommended for ages 5 and up. Tickets are \$12 (ages 13 and up) and \$5 (ages 5-12) plus a booking fee. The USFS daily use fee must be paid (or applicable federal pass used) since this program occurs during the monument's regular daily open hours. For more information or tickets, visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call 1 (877) 444-6777.

Bridge. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Hand and Foot Card Game. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center. No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

Rock Painting. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center dining hall. Paint and rocks will be provided (or bring your own rock). You bring the inspiration to create a colorful rock to place in your garden or to use as a paperweight. This activity is free and open to all ages.

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Maui Fire Rescue. 6 p.m., Elkwood Manor Bed and Breakfast, 85 Easy St. One hundred percent of proceeds from this fundraising dinner will go to the Maui Fire rescue, specifically the Maui Strong Fund of the Hawai'i Community Foundation. Space is limited. Call (970) 264-9166 to reserve your spot.

'Godspell.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For tickets and show information, see pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

Friday, Aug. 25

Mysteries of Chimney Rock Tour. 8-10:15 a.m., Chimney Rock. Spotlight a number of general topics aimed at interpreting the history and significance of Chimney Rock and the ancestral Puebloans who inhabited the area over a thousand years ago. Guests must arrive 15 minutes before the program starts. Tickets are \$16 (ages 13 and up), \$8 (ages 5-12), under 5 free, and are considered a non-refundable, non-transferable donation.


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Community Clothes Swap. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 110 Trinity Lane. Come get clothes for the family for the fall season. We have women's, men's, teens, kids and baby clothes and shoes — all for free. This event happens seasonally, about every three months, so keep your ears open to events in the future. Children's Clothes Closet and Swap Pagosa also operates as a year-round clothes closet for women and children. Call (719) 424-5141 for details.


Labyrinth Guided Walk. 10 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. On Fridays through the fall a docent

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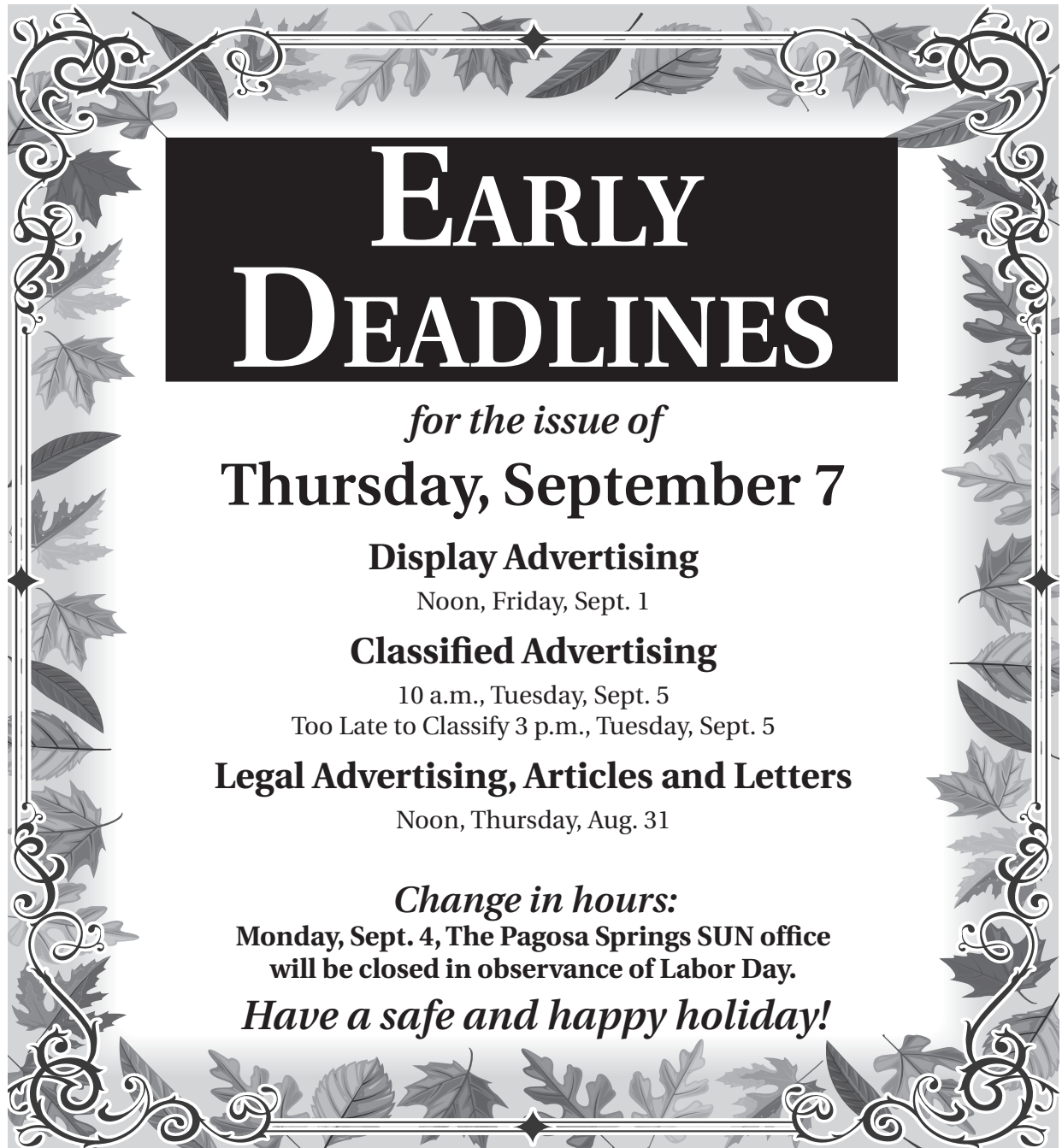
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 Noon, Thursday, Aug. 31

Change in hours:
 Monday, Sept. 4, The Pagosa Springs SUN office will be closed in observance of Labor Day.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

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is available for a guided tour of the Chartres-design labyrinth. The labyrinth is available to the public seven days a week dawn until dusk, in the wooded area behind the parking lot at the wooden cross.

Read Baby Read. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For babies 0-18 months. Babies will love this interactive storytime with singing, bouncing and laughing while enjoying age-appropriate books and songs.

Artist Studio Tour. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. More than 30 local studios are participating. Visit www.studiourpagosa.com to preview. Paper maps will be available the week of the tour at PJ's Fine Bamboo Rods, the Pagosa Springs Visitor Center, Two Old Crows Gallery, FABA and The Springs Resort and Spa.

Video Gaming. 1-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Play age-appropriate video games on an Xbox, Wii and other game systems.

Magic the Gathering. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us for this strategic fantasy card game. All playing levels are welcome. Cards are not provided.

'The Great American Trailer Park Musical.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For tickets and show information, see pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

Saturday, Aug. 26

Riverwalk Naturalist Tours. 8 a.m., Native Plants Garden on the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership site in Centennial Park. Join naturalist guides on a tour of discovery through the Riverwalk wetlands conservation area. Tours are free and last approximately 1-1.5 hours. The 1.5-mile paved trail is wheelchair accessible. Please bring water, sunglasses, a hat and your curiosity. Cameras and binoculars optional. Pets should be left at home. No reservations are needed. For more information, email pago-sawetlands@gmail.com.

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Pickleball. 8:30-11:30 a.m., South Yamaguchi Park. Social round-robin. Loaner paddles are available.

Community Clothes Swap. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 110 Trinity Lane. Come get clothes for the family for the fall season. We have women's, men's, teens, kids and baby clothes and shoes — all for free. This event happens seasonally, about every

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LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Sisson Library. For ages 6-11. Bring your own or use our LEGOs to build.

Knitter's Circle. 1-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join new or experienced knitters, get help with your project, or sit and knit.

'Jersey Boys.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For tickets and show information, see pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

Sunday, Aug. 27

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Yamaguchi Park. Loaner paddles are available.

'Jersey Boys.' 3 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For tickets and show information, see pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW (7469).

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.

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Health Benefits of Pets

In honor of "National Dog Day" on August 26, we are dedicating this column to our four legged friends! Besides the obvious value of a good snuggle, what's the connection between pets and our health? Studies have shown pet ownership may help increase fitness levels, relieve stress, lower blood pressure and cholesterol levels, and boost overall happiness and well-being. Pets also provide social support, which is an important factor in helping you stick with new healthy habits. It's no surprise that people who walk their dogs are more likely to get the recommended amount of physical activity than those who don't. One study found that pet owners who walk their dogs got up to 30 minutes more exercise a day than non-walkers.



Remember that pets can't do a lot of things for themselves and that they depend on us to make their life a quality life. Here are some tips for ensuring our pets live a happy life:

A PET'S TEN COMMANDMENTS...

1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you is likely to be painful.
2. Give me time to understand what you want of me.
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial for my well-being.
4. Don't be angry with me for long and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your friends, your entertainment, but I have only you.
5. Talk to me. Even if I don't understand your words, I do understand your voice when speaking to me.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I will never forget.
7. Before you hit me, before you strike me, remember that I could hurt you, and yet, I choose not to bite you, because I unconditionally love you!
8. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, I have been in the sun too long, or my heart might be getting old or weak.
9. Please take care of me when I grow old. You too will grow old.
10. On the ultimate difficult journey, go with me please. Never say you can't bear to watch. Don't make me face this alone. Everything is easier for me if you are there, because I love you so.

Take a moment to thank God for your pets. Enjoy and take care of them. Life would be much duller, less joyful without God's critters. We do not have to wait for Heaven, to be surrounded by hope, love, and joyfulness. It is here on earth and has four legs!

Please consider adopting a bundle of "Love and Joy" today for your health and their happiness. Contact the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs at (970) 731-4771 or visit at 465 Cloman Blvd.

"In that day the wolf(dog) and the lamb will lie down together, and the leopard(cat) and goats will be at peace. Calves and fat cattle will be safe among lions(cats), and a little child shall lead them all." Isaiah 11:6 TLB

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Line Dancing. 9:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m. PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m. Advance group at 10:15 a.m. If you have not attended before, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 for more information.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

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Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County. 10 a.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Veterans and family members are invited to share experiences with vets of all ages. Find out about the latest in vets benefits, vets news and community-focused events. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.

Women Helping In Pagosa Springs (WHIPS) Luncheon. 11:30 a.m., Elkwood Manor B&B, off U.S. 84. The cost is \$15. All women are welcome, but must make a reservation

by Sunday, Aug. 27, by calling (970) 946-1895.

Action Drawing with Dan Dempster. 12:30-1:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Take turns working through short poses with playful (sometimes hilarious) exercises to learn the basics of sketching figures, portraits, hands, feet and characters.

Pagosa Duplicate Bridge. 12:30 p.m. PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Duplicate players new and experienced are welcome. We are members of the Durango Bridge Club and play ACBL-sanctioned games with computer-dealt hands for maximum review options. Please email names of the playing pair to pagosaduplicate@gmail.com or text (970) 946-6454 for more information.

Bridge. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Mahjong. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Dungeons and Dragons. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Join the adventure.

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Grace in Pagosa Hosts Kerby Anderson. 6 p.m., Grace in Pagosa, 1044 Park Ave. Locals are invited to hear Kerby Anderson, host of the "Point of View" radio talk show, speak. Anderson will discuss defending and sharing a biblical worldview in today's culture. The presentation will highlight practical tips for parents, churchgoers, students and others. Attendees are encouraged to invite friends and come with questions. There is no charge for this event and registration is not required to attend; however, it will assist in knowing how many to prepare for: PointOfView.net/ps2023.

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Throat trouble
- 5 Lion sounds
- 10 Recite the rosary
- 14 Speak wildly
- 15 Plumed wading bird
- 16 Snap-together toy
- 17 Footnote note
- 18 Scythe-carrying figure
- 20 Cockpit datum
- 22 Cast blame
- 23 No-good
- 24 Stacked
- 25 Like Hopkins or Hoffman, e.g.
- 30 Butcher's cut
- 33 Roll back to zero
- 34 Atty.'s group
- 35 Bit of folklore
- 36 Supply party food
- 37 Dance maneuver
- 38 Set one's sights
- 39 Dunkable treat
- 40 Soft-napped leather
- 41 Drawing supply
- 44 Flat finish
- 45 Civil rights concern
- 49 Hypnotic state
- 51 "The Merry Widow", e.g.
- 53 Timepiece band
- 55 One billion years
- 56 Furniture giant
- 57 Beauty queen's crown
- 58 Urban haze
- 59 Coastal bird
- 60 Spread out
- 61 Sports award

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- 1 Tuck of Sherwood Forest

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- 2 Ham's device
- 3 Blatant
- 4 Ring thing
- 5 University VIP
- 6 Folklore fiend
- 7 Rarely rained on
- 8 "Losing My Religion" group
- 9 Kitchen gadget
- 10 Mineral deposit
- 11 Disavow
- 12 Census data
- 13 Yesteryear
- 19 Brilliant success
- 21 Remick's "The Omen" co-star
- 24 Bygone money of Spain
- 26 Mandarin, e.g.
- 27 Outfit
- 28 Not up yet
- 29 Back of the neck
- 30 "Right away!", in the ER
- 31 Narrow margin
- 32 Reunion spot
- 36 Asks for a recount
- 37 Put a stop to
- 39 Get rid of
- 40 Char, as a steak
- 42 High-kicking dance
- 43 Give money beforehand
- 46 List components
- 47 Posture problem
- 48 In sorry shape
- 49 Dimwit
- 50 Autumn tool
- 51 Spoken aloud
- 52 Legal lead-in
- 54 Inside info

Answers to Previous Crossword:

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Wednesday, Aug. 30

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Wee Play. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For ages 1-5. Enjoy free play with our collection of toys.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Community Center. Free beginner lessons. Reserve at www.pagosapickleball.org.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Author Talk: Jeff Selingo. Noon, virtual. Listen live or recorded. For details, go to <https://libraryc.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

Camp Connect. Noon-2 p.m., Sisson Library. A STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) program for those in 5th-8th grade. Registration is required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Senior Conversations. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center.

Teen Movie. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us for free popcorn, movie and time with your friends.

Pi Beta Phi. 4:30-6 p.m., Alley House Grille. Cash bar and \$10 donation for appetizers. Please come ready to pay your 2023-2024 school year international and local dues of \$55 by cash or check. RSVP to Joni Rose.

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Ruby's Writer's Guild. 9-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Ruby's Writer's 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.

Guided Great House Tour. 10 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Meet at 10 a.m., tour at 10:30 a.m. See ancient Puebloan structures built more than 1,000

years ago and hear the archaeological details that connect this civilization to the Chaco culture located 90 miles southwest of this spot. The tour is available by reservation for up to 10 people and walk-ins are allowed if room allows. Recommended for ages 5 and up. Tickets are \$12 (ages 13 and up) and \$5 (ages 5-12) plus a booking fee. The USFS daily use fee must be paid (or applicable federal pass used) since this program occurs during the monument's regular daily open hours. For more information or tickets, visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call 1 (877) 444-6777.

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Four Corners Folk Festival. Reservoir Hill. Visit www.ksutpresents.org for more information and tickets.

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

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Yamaguchi Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Labyrinth Guided Walk. 10 a.m.-noon, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. On Fridays through the fall a docent is available for a guided tour of the Chartres-design labyrinth. The labyrinth is available to the public seven days a week dawn until dusk, in the wooded area behind the parking lot at the wooden cross.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Saturday, Sept. 2

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voir Hill. Visit www.ksutpresents.org for more information and tickets.

Pickleball. 8:30-11:30 a.m., South Yamaguchi Park. Social round-robin. Loaner paddles are available.

Guided Great House Tour. 10 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Meet at 10 a.m., tour at 10:30 a.m. See ancient Puebloan structures built more than 1,000 years ago and hear the archaeological details that connect this civilization to the Chaco culture located 90 miles southwest of this spot. The tour is available by reservation for up to 10 people and walk-ins are allowed if room allows. Recommended for ages 5 and up. Tickets are \$12 (ages 13 and up) and \$5 (ages 5-12) plus a booking fee. The USFS daily use fee must be paid (or applicable federal pass used) since this program occurs during the monument's regular daily open hours. For more information or tickets, visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call 1 (877) 444-6777.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. This 13-week program

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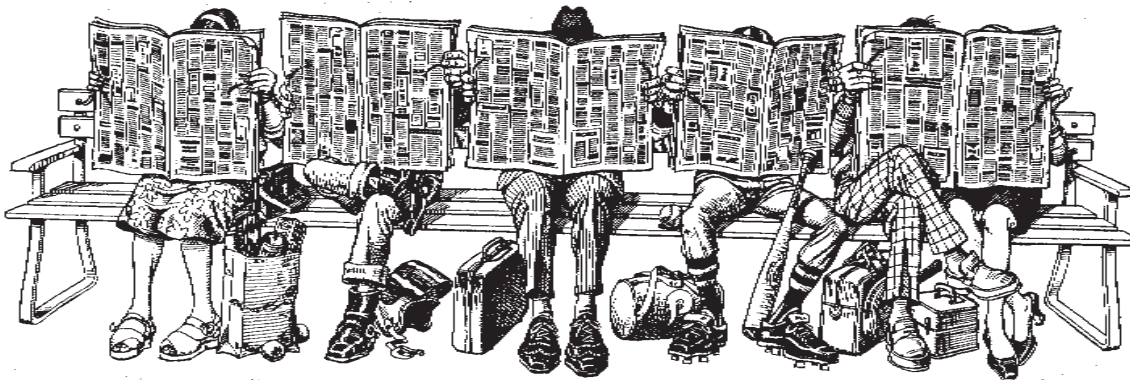
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The last feast of the Christian church

By Jeffery Smith
PREVIEW Columnist

The Christian faith finds vivid pictures of its major beliefs in the seven prescribed feasts of ancient Israel (Leviticus 23), found in the Hebrew Bible or what Christians call the Old Testament.

These pictures foresaw the basic steps needed for the Christian to become like Christ Himself. What should intrigue the student of both scripture and history is this: After the Reformation, when Protestants broke from the Catholic Church and embraced “Scripture Alone” as their guide, there has been a march of Church movements that follow the same pattern. This series of events gives us an idea of what lessons can be learned from our past, where we are today and what we need to do soon as we ready ourselves to rule with Him when He returns. Let’s look at those feasts.

Passover, unleavened bread and first fruits were combined into a week-long event in the spring and were centered on the barley harvest. Pentecost was centered on the wheat harvest in mid-summer and the fruit harvest in the fall was paired with a three-week Feast of Trumpets, the Day of Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles. While not taking away from the sacred task of an ancient people to be thankful for their food, these seven feasts are enlarged upon by Jesus and the writers of the New Testament into pictures of the Messiah’s death, burial, triumph over death, the birth of His Church and His return.

For instance, the springtime feast of Passover observed the painting of lamb’s blood over Israel’s doorways so the angel of death would pass over them and strike only their Egyptian slave masters (Exodus 12:11-13, 22, 23). Jesus enlarged on this meaning when He came to free human beings from the greater bondage to sin (John 8:34). This is our common, inborn, proneness to do wrong. It lures us, then enslaves us. Jesus became our Passover lamb (1 Corinthians 5:7). His blood paid the debt God required for sin (1 John 2:2) and with His help we keep His commands (verse 3).

Unleavened bread started that same evening and pictured the hasty bread Israel needed to leave Egypt the moment they were given leave by Pharaoh. Yeast or leaven, often pictured as sin (1 Corinthians 5:8), could not be used, but had to be removed from the house (Exodus 12:15). In the same way, the dead body of Jesus was removed and buried. Paul taught Jesus “became sin” (2 Corinthians 5:21) at that moment and those who follow Him are also “buried with Him” when they are baptized (Colossians 2:12). It is the Christian way of tell-

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ing ourselves and the world we are “dead” to the old life we used to live (Colossians 3:3) and have started our new journey to be like Him.

In the Feast of First Fruits, the priest waved the first buds of the grain harvest before the Lord (Leviticus 23:9-11). Likewise, Jesus was the “first fruits of them that slept” (1 Corinthians 15:20) when He rose from the dead on the third day. His rising pictured a future harvest of those who would be “made alive” (verse 22) or have the same nature He had. Paul describes this new risen life as a “walk” or a journey (Romans 6:4) where those faithful to Christ are no longer controlled by sin (verse 6).

Fifty days later was the feast of Pentecost. Here the priest waved two loaves of bread before the altar, thanking God for the wheat (Leviticus 23:18). Paul pictures bread as a symbol of oneness (1 Corinthians 10:17) and the two loaves foresaw the union of all (Galatians 3:28) who would “eat bread in the kingdom of God” (Luke 14:15).

After Jesus arose, He remained for 40 days and taught about the Kingdom of God. He returned to Heaven and, 10 days later, the spirit “fell” on His faithful remnant. This was not a meeting with a phantom-like presence. “Tongues” of fire rested on their heads. A “wind” filled the room with a “violent” noise, loud enough to draw a large crowd outside (Acts 2:1-4).

This Jewish feast drew pilgrims from distant regions. They then heard the message of Jesus from common and unlearned converts in 12 other languages (Acts 2:5-11), showing the new faith would go beyond the confines of Judea. The Apostle Peter was later sent to the house of a gentile. The spirit “fell” in the same manner and the new faith received their first, known gentile convert, a Roman soldier, and his household (Acts 10).

In the 16th century, Protestants broke from the Catholic Church based on the ideas that “Scripture Alone” (“Sola Scriptura”) and not church teaching should guide them and “Christ Alone” (“Sola Christus”) without pope or priest would save them. To explain this fracture, Martin Luther returned to the image of the Passover lamb: “Either sin is with you, lying on your shoulders, or it is lying on Christ, the Lamb of God.”

Jesus came to free us from sin, so it made sense to see Jesus as the lamb who was all we needed. This began the Reformation and a march of major Protestant Chris-

tian movements, and Protestant thinking, each growing the church in numbers and leading to the many worldwide denominations we see today. But it began with the images found in feast No. 1.

Early in this tumult, conflict arose over when to baptize and the fury aimed at the Anabaptists was heartbreaking. They refused to baptize infants because there was no conscious choice. Instead, they wanted to be baptized again as adults, hence the Greek term ana or “again.” This idea opposed both state church and king and, though small in numbers, the Anabaptists were huge in martyrs.

Today, most Protestant churches accept the Anabaptist idea as the better one. Baptism tells the world we are leaving our sinful ways, the way the Jews left Egypt with their bread unleavened, never to return to that form of slavery. But all players now agree to just disagree on the best way to do this. Jesus said certain matters have more “weight” than others (Matthew 23:23). This issue did not deserve the “weight” it was given and the

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■ **continued from previous page** price for learning this lesson on tolerance was high. Feast No. 2.

The Holiness Movement finds its roots in the 18th century preacher John Wesley.

Often preaching “in the open air,” Wesley traveled 4,000 miles a year and preached 40,000 sermons in his lifetime, drawing converts from the new factory-based working class. Wesley set the standard for Christian social action, taking the Judeo-Christian ethics of Jesus into the public square. He spoke out against the slave trade, child labor, a corrupt British justice system, a cruel prison system and for the idea of women preachers and schools for children. His teaching and his Methodist Church did much to pull England back from the chaos of the French Revolution and foresaw a harvest of worldwide social action yet to come. Feast No. 3.

Much like the events in the book of Acts, the Spirit “fell” on what the Los Angeles Times called a “tumbled down shack” on Azusa Street in Los Angeles in 1906. Thus began a recent, major church movement, unique to Protestant Christians, starting in America of all places; the other post-Reformation movements came from Europe. Speaking in “tongues,” faith healings, a “gold” to the air best described as “Shekinah,” a mixing of the races in worship, a black leader partnered with a white writer, “spirit led” services — these moving parts of a larger engine broke new ground for the larger Christian Faith in many areas in the same way Pentecost did in the early church. They even

described themselves as Pentecostal. Feast No. 4.

In the book “They Told Me Their Stories” by Edward Morris and Cindy McCowan, eyewitness accounts recalled the man who came in who had lost both arm and shoulder years before. The shoulder and limb were restored, and the man returned several weeks later with about 200 others. Also, he had gotten his old job back. It’s hard to fake an account like this and these kinds of healings were common in a way not found in prior movements. Jesus said His miracles were a sign (John 3:2), so Azusa Street’s miracles were also a sign, placing this movement at a nexus or crossroads of both scripture and history.

As with all Christian movements, the latest one was denounced by the former. The season of glory and miracles at Azusa Street waned after 10 years or so. Members withdrew to their race-based churches. Scholars were raised up to ground their growing numbers in scripture and curb some excesses. In 2011, the Pew Research Center placed the number of Pentecostals at 270 million and its sister Charismatics at 305 million. Wikipedia pegs the current, combined number at 644 million.

The Hebrew Feast of Pentecost in the Book of Acts is the last feast linked to an event in the new church. It is also now linked to a recent, major Christian movement, but the feast remains only No. 4, a midway point on a list of seven. The remaining three feasts and their

larger meanings are yet to come. This allows us to at least guess what that might mean.

The blowing of trumpets was to gather Israel (Exodus 19:13, Leviticus 23:4, Jeremiah 4:5) for the final two feasts. One can now see the pressure from a hostile Western culture driving diverse, faithful, Protestant groups, some Catholics and even parts of Judaism towards common ground. Doctrines may differ, but the ethics are much the same.

But the final, larger meaning of those last three feasts is best found, in their proper order, in the New Testament’s Book of the Revelation. The blowing of seven trumpets (Revelation 8-11) brings seven partial judgments on a rebel human race. Judaism also links the blowing of trumpets with the return of Messiah (Zechariah 9:14). The New Testament portrays the final triumph of the Christian faith at the “last” trumpet (1 Corinthians 15:52).

The Day of Atonement was when the high priest cleansed himself and, at risk to his own life (Exodus 33:20, Leviticus 16:13), entered through the large, thick veil into the Holy of Holies (Leviticus 16:1,2). There he brought in the blood of a slain bull and a goat to atone for his sins and the sins of Israel each year (Leviticus 16:15,16). In the Revelation, this veil is gone and the ark is exposed (Revelation 11:19), so there is nothing to protect a sinful world from a Holy God. From this most Holy place come seven angels with bowls in their hands (Revelation 15:7). Once used to carry blood in (Exodus

24:6), these bowls now carry out seven worldwide judgments. The prayers of a holy people for justice (Revelation 5:8; 6:10; 8:3-5), though long delayed (Revelation 10:6), are answered.

This last Feast of Tabernacles foresees the tabernacle, or dwelling of God, coming to earth and the nations healed at the close of the age (Revelation 21).

Critics have long scoffed at the many Protestant denominations, often still hostile to each other. Their scorn is correct. Seeing that pattern through this lens brings sense to it. It sees the basic ideas of “Christ alone” and “scripture alone” from which these factions were launched as being good, even though, for now, they conflict with the oneness Jesus also requires (John 17:21).

Christians who accept “solo scriptura” are being moved to unite. This is the rightful end to a long journey. Like a couple in a good marriage, building on their shared strengths while they shed their flaws, we can pool our common, good ideas and strengths, respect the lesser issues, and maybe shed a few things that never should have been there in the first place. This will allow us to speak with one voice to our once noble culture now fractured by gross sin; a culture, perhaps, on the cusp of great judgment.

Let’s invite them to a feast.

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Tips to make a computer run more smoothly

Special to The PREVIEW

Computers play an important role in daily life. Whether it’s a handheld device like a smartphone or tablet or a more traditional tool like a desktop or laptop, computers are ubiquitous and vital to life in the 21st century.

The daily reliance on computers is one reason why slow ones can be so frustrating. No one wants to miss a work deadline or struggle to read or watch a news story online because of a slow computer, but users know that such scenarios play out every day.

Thankfully, slow computers are often easily fixed, and these strategies might help users’ computers run more smoothly.

- Uninstall apps you don’t use. Applications use up memory even if they’re not used. Unused apps and other programs also may be updated automatically, leading

to computer performance issues that make it hard to do things quickly. Many computers utilize apps that users are unaware of, so it’s important that users familiarize themselves with such programs so they don’t uninstall anything that is necessary for the computer to operate. Once that research has been done, users can then begin to uninstall apps they don’t need or use.

- Install more memory. Extra memory can go a long way toward helping a computer run more smoothly and with greater efficiency. Online tutorials on sites such as YouTube can instruct individuals how to install RAM on their laptops or desktops, and this quick and relatively simple step can be great for users who have seen far too much of the dreaded color wheel in recent weeks and months.
- Clear data from your Web

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Words of encouragement for a little boy

By Daris Howard
Special to The PREVIEW

I presented a seminar this week-end about work I have been doing for many years. It was about an ancient civilization that I had researched extensively. I studied their culture, archeology and all I could about them. Often people will come up after such seminars to ask questions, but this time, as I was gathering my papers, a lady approached and said, "I am Em-maline Strange's daughter."

For a brief instant, I paused, then the recognition of the name flowed through me. I seldom heard her first name and called her Mrs. Strange, the greatest substitute teacher in the world.

When I was young, I was kind of a wild child and loved being away off on my own. Before I was even old enough to go to school, I would escape from the house and go exploring with my lamb and my dog, who were my best friends. We would find a bird nest or a pretty rock. Of course, there were always wild onions that were easy to find as the smell drifted across the breeze. If I was lucky, I might find a snake's skin, which I had to carefully add to my special collection so my mother wouldn't throw it out. My mother often worried about where I had gone, but I always returned home when I got hungry and the wild onions were all eaten.

My parents felt kindergarten was a waste of time.

"We do not send our children to school to play," my father said.

So, I didn't start school until I was old enough for first grade, and then I started a few days late. The principal ushered me to the room of a young teacher. As soon as I sat down at my desk, she asked me to recite the alphabet. I had no idea what the alphabet was. I could ride a horse bareback and identify many wild plants and animals, but I had no idea what she was talking about.

As a result, the teacher said, "I don't have time to waste teaching a child that is dumb."

I was put at a desk in the corner. I didn't mind too much because I was by myself, but the children joined in the name-calling, and the bullying was intense. More than once I got the paddle for fighting when, in reality, I was doing little more than defending myself.

That's where Mrs. Strange came in. About halfway through the school year, one of the teachers had surgery and would be gone for a few months. Mrs. Strange became her semi-permanent substitute. She saw how the other teacher and the children treated me and quickly learned about my situation. She asked that I be transferred to her class.

She tried hard to teach me, but I often told her I was too stupid. She would have none of that, and would always say, "You can do anything and be anything you really want to be."

Eventually, with her help and encouragement, I began to believe it. As I learned to read, it opened whole new worlds to my curious

mind. I took books with me as I herded cows, one thing I did a lot in the summer. I soon had read the whole of our family's extensive library.

Over the years, Mrs. Strange's words of encouragement stuck with me. I worked hard and became a top athlete and valedictorian. Mrs. Strange's daughter even mentioned that and said her mother thought of me like a son. She said there was something fun the family was going to do on the night of my graduation, but Mrs. Strange came to my graduation instead to be there for me.

I had a pleasant visit with her daughter, and after she left, I continued to think of my wonderful teacher. I have had my share of failures, but I have had successes, too. And each time I finished a degree, published a book, or received any honor, I often thought of Mrs. Strange.

My successes are very much the result of a kind little lady who kept telling a little boy he could be anything if he really tried.

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■ continued from previous page browser. Another contributor to poor computer performance is a lagging web browser. If websites are taking longer to load, the culprit could be a full cache, which includes files held as information about your Internet browsing and viewing habits. Individuals who use the Internet a lot but rarely empty their cache are likely dealing with lagging browsers that have nothing to do with their computers. Computers are different, but in general emptying the cache involves going into the settings of a user's go-to browser and choosing an option like "empty cache" or "clear browsing data." If this is what's behind a computer's poor performance, users will notice an immediate improvement upon emptying their cache.

• Turn automatic startup off. Many people may notice multiple programs starting up when they restart their computers. Though some of these might be apps users utilize every day, others might be set to start up the moment the

computer comes on, even if they're rarely used. In the latter case, users can adjust the settings on their computers so only those apps they use with great frequency open upon restarting. Users also can improve performance by closing apps and Internet tabs once they no longer need them.

A slow computer can be incredibly frustrating. But, a few simple strategies can help users improve computer performance so machines can run more smoothly.

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Put a face on your story

By **Betty J. Slade**
PREVIEW Columnist

If I were to put a face on God's love, I'd say, "I see the face of Janet Sorenson."

I met her 46 years ago. I listened to her children's hearts at her memorial service. They were full of love for their mama, a reflection of who Janet was to her children and her friends. What an awesome tribute to a beautiful, classy lady.

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"... Before we were even born, he gave us our destiny, that we would fulfill the plan of God who always accomplishes every purpose and plan in his heart." — Ephesians 1:11 (TPT).

God is the master story teller. He paints portraits of stories, events, journeys, prophecies, poetry and passion. Not with brush and paint, words and sentences, but with our lives. We become the face of God's story.

We see examples of this in the books of the Bible. He didn't name his books after towns and events. He named them after people. When he wrote about humanity, he used the life of Job to lay out the story of man's condition.

A proud, religious man, who cried out for answers, Job was the E.F. Hutton of his day. When he whispered, everyone listened. He championed widows, but wouldn't submit to God's mercy until the last chapter of the book. When he surrendered, he was rewarded double for all his pain and patience.

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God is the master story teller. He paints portraits of stories, events, journeys, prophecies, poetry and passion.

Ruth, a gentile, was a friend to Israel. She gave the world a son, the forefather of the king who will sit on the throne of God forever.

God wrote a love letter to Israel penned by Solomon. This beautiful song spoke of the love between a Shulamite maiden and the king. It portrayed the love between Jesus and his church, God and Israel, and a man and woman.

He prophesied His crucifixion through Jonah's experience in the belly of the fish for three days.

He wrote his story from before time to after time through the life and face of Isaiah.

He told the story of a husband's love for his wife through of Hosea and Gomer. Hosea was instructed to take a wife of prostitution, marry her and bear children. When she was unfaithful, Hosea was instructed to take her back from the slave block and love her. God showed redemption and second chances for Israel, his unfaithful wife.

I painted a portrait in oil in 2009 of Mary Magdalene, titled "Mary, do not cling to me." Her eyes haunted me and I felt she had something to say. I saw her pain and her yearning to tell me about her redemption.

With only eight verses in the Bible about Mary Magdalene, I wrote her story, fiction based on actual events. From a life snatched away in childhood to an unbearable, demon-possessed existence, she buried her inner self. She flaunted her pride and lost her dignity. When she came to herself, she turned from the seduction of lies, blew out the red candle and wrapped her soul in the promises of God. I put a face on the story of Israel, her unfaithfulness and her redemption.

God of the universe put a face on His plan and His story's destiny. God put Himself into His story. Jesus is the face of God's love.

Final brushstroke: Just as God gave us Janet Sorenson for a season, she was completed by Jesus and she also completed Him. We are the face of His plans and His story's destiny. We carry the face of Jesus to a dying world.

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John Fielder, the man who loved natural beauty

By **Betsy Marston**
PREVIEW Columnist

If you've ever bought a calendar or coffee table book featuring the grandeur of Colorado's 14'ers, the stunning color photographs were almost certainly by John Fielder.

His output was stupendous: more than 40 books of Colorado landscapes published during his career as a nature photographer, which began in 1981. No doubt he had many more books to produce before pancreatic cancer took him on Aug. 11. He was 73.

One book, though, became his blockbuster, appealing to almost everybody's curiosity about how Colorado had changed over the last 130 years. Called "Colorado, 1870-2000," the large format, brown-covered book paired 156 historic photos by William Henry Jackson along with Fielder's contemporary re-photographs.

In introducing the book, Fielder credited a call to Eric Paddock, photo curator for the Colorado Historical Society, for the book's genesis. Fielder was looking around for his next book, due out in 2000, when he called Paddock about Jackson's iconic photo of the Mount of the Holy Cross, outlined in snow. When Paddock told him he had that negative along with 22,000 others of Jackson's work, Fielder said he felt he'd won the jackpot: He could make more than a century of history of change come alive by showing how landscapes altered — or mostly stayed the same — over time.

For months he pored over the negatives there and at two other libraries, selecting those he thought most striking and reproducible. Then, with a helper, art student Eric Bellamy, he drove more than 25,000 miles and also hiked 500 miles, carrying 70 pounds of equipment in a backpack, to get the shots he needed.

Sometimes he had to climb mountains — it took two trips up 13,248-foot-high Notch Mountain to capture Jackson's photo of Mount of the Holy Cross. Other times he photographed from office buildings or knocked on the door of someone's house to ask if he could stand on their roof. He said he needed two landmarks to be confident he was photographing from the correct spot.

But Fielder wanted his historic book to include more than photos; he also wanted people to get other perspectives about the history of Colorado.

He asked Eric Paddock to write about Jackson's life and time, historian Roderick Nash to write about civilization's impact on nature, and journalist Ed Marston to write a memoir about coming with his family to Colorado from the wilds of New York.

Marston titled his first chapter

Opinion: Writers on the Range

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"A slow motion invasion of the rural West" by environmentalists like himself, starting in the 1970s. Old mining towns with unpaved streets like Crested Butte were being discovered by ski bums and other young people, he wrote, who thought they'd found a promised land. Of course, what they found they immediately wanted to change.

He also wrote about the hard-to-believe boom — and later bust — of oil shale, along with the changing roles of federal agencies. From their hard emphasis on mining, logging and grazing, the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management were coming to the reluctant realization that what was needed in the West was restoration, not exploitation.

Marston said it was a treat working with Fielder, another workaholic, and to his surprise, the book's huge sales actually made him some money.

The book's well-publicized debut in Denver was a heady time for Fielder and the book's writers, and all were on hand at a long table to sign each copy. People bought multiple copies as the line of buyers snaked around the block.

It was Fielder's vision and stamina that led to the success of "Colorado 1870-2000." He'd masterminded a wonderful book that still shows up on coffee tables and at banks and title companies.

Fielder said he always sought to celebrate the beauty of the natural environment while also inspiring people to become advocates for the land. Now, thanks to his generous donation of 7,263 of his images to History Colorado, much of his work will live forever.

Betsy Marston is the editor of Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, an independent non-profit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West. She lives in Paonia, Colo. Views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN.

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LOCAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY seeks experienced cleaning company to handle vacation rentals and long term move outs. Requirements: Excellent communication skills, reliable, flexible, references. Crew should have a minimum of 3 cleaners. Not hiring individual cleaners. Call (970)731-5515 to set up an interview appointment.

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.

ARCHULETA SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for the following positions:
School Bus Drivers – Hourly salary pay ranges from \$25.08 - \$29.16 to start based upon Route Driver Salary Schedule and years of experience. Starting range is step 1 through step 7. Part-Time employment. Training is available. Regular route drivers receive 10-25 hours per week, substitute assignments are on as needed basis. Extra activity route driving opportunities are available once the driver becomes qualified. Regular route drivers require a CDL while Special Education Drivers and Non-CDL Drivers do not have that requirement. Multiple positions are available. For more details and to apply for these positions see the following web-site: <https://www.applitrack.com/archuleta50/onlineapp/#>. E.O.E.

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. \$18 per hour. (970)264-5160.

JONES MECHANICAL. EXPERIENCE PREFERRED but will train right person. Excellent opportunity to learn the HVAC trade. (970)731-3046.

SAN JUAN DENTAL is seeking a patient relations manager for our growing practice in downtown Pagosa. Responsibilities include scheduling, collection, patient interaction, and inter office interaction. Candidate must be friendly, outgoing, team oriented, and computer and phone literate. Financial experience is a plus. Join a team with a wonderful staff and supportive management. Fantastic upside potential for financial growth. This is a professional position, so demeanor is important. Two of our core values are communication and care. These play significant into this position. Job Type: Full time, Salary: \$20.00+. Apply in person or email Dericcmsmithdds@aol.com.

PAGOSA LIQUOR IS HIRING a full-time cashier. Please come and apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

THE PAGOSA SPRINGS COMMUNITY Development Corporation has a full-time position available as PSCDC Administration Manager/ Main Street Coordinator. Our ideal team member would possess strong communication, organizational, administrative/ bookkeeping, and leadership qualities are essential as this position needs to keep track of every moving part of the corporation. The Administrative Manager would report to the Executive Director of the PSCDC and will provide administrative support to the organization along with leadership as the Main Street coordinator working closely with downtown businesses, property owners, and partner organizations on behalf of the Main Street America program. Some evenings and weekend work may be required for special events. The starting salary range for this dual role will be \$52k-55k dependent upon skills, experience, and qualifications. Healthcare stipend included. Interested candidates, please send your cover letter, resume, and any letter of recommendation to Emily@pagosapingscdc.org. Applications accepted until 8/30/23. See Pagosapingscdc.org for the full job listing.

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1ST SOUTHWEST BANK, a locally owned CDFI community bank, is seeking a Teller and a Personal Banker. Competitive compensation, generous benefits, and career development. Join FSWB's award-winning team dedicated to supporting rural Colorado's agricultural, nonprofit and small businesses. For details and to apply, visit fswb.bank/who-we-are/careers. EOE.

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire an Equipment Operator in our Public Works Department. The individual selected for this position performs a variety of entry-level, skilled, and technical duties related to the construction, installation, maintenance, and repair of the Town's streets, sidewalks, alleys, and related infrastructure. 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.

NORTH PAGOSA MARATHON is hiring a full-time cashier nights and weekends. Competitive wages. Please apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

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.

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.

LABORER LANDSCAPING. General help for assistance in landscaping around homes. For details, call Charlie at (970)264-0913.

MOUNTAIN HOME SOUND and Security is now taking applications for full-time and part-time security technician, experience a plus but not required. An interest in current technology, desire to work and learn in a fast-paced environment a must. Background check, valid driver's license and neat professional appearance required. Apply in person at 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., Unit B-3, Monday- Friday, 9a.m.-4p.m.

INCOME TAX PREPARER. Accounting firm is seeking a tax preparer to work Monday- Friday, 8a.m. to 5p.m. Submit resume to jjas@jjaccountingsvc.com or by fax to (970)264-4451.

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE seeks support staff. Food runners, host and bussers. Nights and weekends. Join our team. Great job for the summer and during the school year. Come by and see Chris, Tuesday- Friday, 3p.m.

DEDICATED CLEANERS, UP TO \$17/ hour. Must be detail oriented, trustworthy, reliable and committed. Text Pagosa Sparkles, LLC, (970)946-6446.

LOOKING FOR AUTOMOTVE TECHNICIANS to join our awesome Team. Experience preferred but will train on-the-job for entry level position. Full time 8a.m.-5p.m., M-F. Paid holidays, vacation, and PTO. Email resume to PiedraAuto@gmail.com or apply in person at 505 County Road 600, Pagosa Springs.

LANDSCAPE LABORERS WANTED. Must have own transportation. Call for an application. Good pay for good help. (970)946-2277.

LIKE GUNS? COME SELL them for us. The San Juan Trading Post is looking for a gun sales person. Computer literacy and ability to lift 45 lbs. is required. Starting at \$15/ hour, part time or full time. Stop by in person at 635 San Juan St.

WE ARE NOW HIRING! You belong on the Archuleta School District Team! Archuleta School District strives to achieve "Success for Every Student – Every Class - Every Day." Currently accepting applications for the following positions: **Lead Cook (1 Position Available)** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$28,871 up to \$33,146 for 175 days. **Assistant Cook (3 Positions Available)** Hourly position with a starting hourly pay of \$18.70 up to \$21.76 for 175 days. Benefits for all FULL-TIME positions include (but are not limited to) PERA State Retirement, Life Insurance, optional Health and Dental Insurance and paid Discretionary Days. For more details and to apply for these positions click on "Job Postings" on the following website: www.mypagosaschools.com. E.O.E.

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HELP WANTED

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.

CAFE COLORADO IS HIRING for all positions. Cooks, wait staff, dishwashers. We are looking for people who enjoy working, are dependable and fun to be around. Great pay for the right people. Apply in person.

SUBWAY IS HIRING- Enjoy working in a fun environment with a great team? Earn a strong hourly wage with tips while serving our wonderful community? Apply in person at either location or apply online at subway.com!

THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS is seeking to hire a Utility Operator in our Public Works Department. Performs a variety of working level, skilled and technical duties related to the construction, installation, maintenance, and repair of the Sanitation District collection system and pump stations, and Geothermal System. 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.

ARCHULETA SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for the following positions: **High School Special Education Aide.** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. **High School Library/Technology Aide.** Full-time position with 80% of the job spent serving the library and 20% assisting staff with technology problems. Starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. **Middle School Severe Needs Special Education Aide.** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. Position also receives a \$1.00/hour bonus throughout the school year. **Middle School Special Education Aide.** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. **Elementary School Severe Needs Special Education Aide.** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. Position also receives a \$1.00/hour bonus throughout the school year. (2 vacancies). **Elementary School Special Education Aide.** Full-time position with a starting salary of \$27,086 - \$29,810 for 173 days paid over a 12-month period. Benefits for all positions include (but are not limited to) PERA State Retirement, Life Insurance, optional Health and Dental Insurance and paid Discretionary Days. For more details and to apply for these positions see the following web-site: <https://www.applitrack.com/archuleta50/onlineapp/#.E.O.E>.

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.

ROOF LABORER NEEDED with some construction experience. Will train. \$20-\$25/ hour to start. (970)749-0830.

YARD SALES

MOVING SALE, 634 S. 8TH ST., APT. #6. Friday, August 18, Saturday, August 19, Friday 8/25 and Saturday, August 26, from 8a.m.-4p.m. Cash only.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25TH and Saturday, August 26th from 8a.m.-noon at 1689 Hersch Ave., Pagosa Springs 81147. Clothes, supplies, pottery, decorations, electronics, furniture.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 8A.M.-12P.M. 365 Arrowhead Dr. Items include alder bookcase, full size mattress, exercise bike, art table with stool, pub height table with 4 chairs, glass outdoor table, wine refrigerator, Roomba. Miscellaneous household items also.

GARAGE SALE SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 at 63 Monument Ave. 8a.m.-5p.m., household goods, some furniture, knickknacks, etc.

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SATIURDAY, AUGUST 26, 8A.M. Garage sale --249 Steamboat Dr. Toys, furniture, household items, and more.

MOVING SALE, AUGUST 25-26, 8a.m.-6p.m. 792 CR 600 (Piedra Road). Furniture, appliances, miscellaneous household items. All must go. Cash only.

BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

GIANT WAREHOUSE TOOL SALE. 16' log siding, 60+ pieces and construction supplies. Sat., 8/26 9a.m.-1p.m. 149 Turkey Lane, Aspen Springs.

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TERRI PRITCHARD ESTATE SALE. Located at the former Joy's Natural Foods, behind Boss Hogg's. Open every Saturday 10a.m. to 7p.m. through September 2 for the next 5 weeks. Private appointments accepted through text only, (970)946-3183. THIS IS NOT A GARAGE SALE NOR GARAGE SALE PRICES. High end furniture, antiques and eclectic items. Beautiful furniture added every week. Too many to list.

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BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR RENT: Fully furnished 2,200 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with mountain views on approximately 4 acres is for rent on a monthly basis and long term. This is an amazing home and property that adjoins National Forest with direct access to hiking, mountain biking, ATVing while also providing a quiet place to vacation, live or work remotely from. Rent is \$3,000 per month plus propane, all other utilities provided. Deposit and background check required. Call (970)398-0573 now for availability.

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