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Ballots to be mailed next week

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Ballot packets for the upcoming November election are slated to be mailed to active, registered voters beginning Oct. 16.

The Nov. 7 election will be held via mail ballot, and ballots must be returned no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day to be counted. Postmarks do not count.

Ballot information booklets, commonly known as the Blue Book, were mailed earlier this fall. It is also available at <https://leg.colorado.gov/content/initiatives/initiatives-blue-book-overview/ballot-information-booklet-blue-book>.

What's on the ballot?

The ballot will feature both local races for school boards, state ballot measures and, depending upon where a voter lives, a school district ballot measure or special district ballot measure.

Not all races included below

■ See Ballots A8

Commissioners table dog ordinance, discuss revisions

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) considered and tabled an ordinance for the control of dogs and other pet animals at its Oct. 3 meeting following commissioner and public concerns about the terms of the ordinance.

The meeting opened with Archuleta County Undersheriff Robert Hill outlining changes to the ordinance since its first hearing on Aug. 15, including added provisions indicating a variety of prohibited actions related to dogs, such as possessing a vicious or nuisance dog as defined in the ordinance, and allowing the accumulation of dog feces on the property where the dog is kept or not picking up dog feces from private or public property.

Commissioner Veronica Medina pointed out that the previous dog control resolution for the county — which would be superseded by the ordinance — states that the resolution is enforceable and includes fines and questioned what the goal of approving the ordinance would be.

Hill stated that law enforcement in Colorado is only allowed to enforce state laws or municipal ordinances, not resolutions.

Medina asked County Attorney Todd Weaver if the resolution is a legal document since it states it is enforceable.

Weaver stated that he is unsure but that ordinances provide more tools and “teeth” for enforcement than resolutions.

Medina stated that she raised

■ See Ordinance A9



Pirate homecoming court

SUN photos/Randi Pierce

The Oct. 6 homecoming football game included the traditional recognition of the homecoming court, including queen Annie O'Donnell and king Harley Armijo.



Colo. 151 full closure will begin Friday

■ 24/7 closure scheduled south of Chimney Rock National Monument Oct. 13-20

Colorado Department of Transportation

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is continuing culvert replacement work on Colo. 151, with a 24/7 full closure set to begin on Friday, Oct. 13, at 5 p.m.

The road is anticipated to reopen to motorists after seven days, on Friday, Oct. 20, at 5 p.m. The closure points are located on either side of the project site, 5 miles south of the U.S. 160 junction near Chimney Rock National Monument at mile point (MP) 28.

Implementing a full closure of Colo. 151 will reduce the amount of work time and traffic impacts required at this location. Work includes the installation of two new concrete box culverts, rebuilding and resurfacing of the roadway and re-establishing proper water drainage in the area.

In April, CDOT was alerted of erosion issues on the shoulder of the highway caused by heavy spring runoff in Stollsteimer Creek. Maintenance crews completed temporary repairs in May and per-

■ See Closure A8

Town's 2024 budget projects sales tax decline

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

Along with the colder air, budget season is now upon us.

At an Oct. 3 Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting, Interim Town Manager Greg Schulte introduced the town's proposed budget for 2024.

State statute and the town charter requires that a budget proposal must be presented to the public by Oct. 15 of each year.

The 2024 budget is aimed to financially support the goals and objectives of the town council, which the body set for itself earlier this year, with the council adopting the following as its top five priorities:

• Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District: “Develop a long-term strategy to provide essential sanitation collection and treatment services that are financially viable, future-oriented, and maximize the existing assets and partnerships in a community of our size with limited resources.”

• Staffing: “Ensure adequate staffing levels and appropriate employee benefit packages to carry out core services and desired programs for the community.”

• Workforce housing: “Support private sector and community organizations' efforts to provide housing of all types to ensure housing choices for residents.”

• Traffic management, parking and road maintenance: “Ensure safe and efficient roadways that are well maintained; explore opportunities for additional road networks; and understand parking needs in order to support a robust economy.”

• Parks and trails maintenance: “Enhance community pride and town culture through the upkeep of current parks, trails, open spaces, and rights of way through proper staffing levels, provision of equipment, and community partnerships. Focus on upkeep before adding new projects to maintain.”

In the current budget proposal, the town recognizes that revenues

■ See Budget A8



Photo courtesy Community Foundation

Making a difference: upcoming Bode Miller events to focus on mental health

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

On Thursday, Oct. 19, ski-racing legend Bode Miller will visit Pagosa Springs to take part in conversations about the mental health crisis affecting Rocky Mountain ski towns.

“It's a tough topic, but avoiding it doesn't make it better,” Miller said.

Miller's stop in Pagosa will be part of the Community Foundation's 2023 Making a Difference Speaker Series and will include two events — a panel discussion with local mental health profes-

sionals and the screening of “Paradise Paradox,” which Miller served as executive producer on.

The film explores the mental health crisis that is impacting Rocky Mountain ski towns and the innovative solutions happening in response.

Miller worked on the film with Brett Rapkin, Emmy Award-winning impact sports filmmaker. Miller explained he's known Rapkin for several years.

“Brett and I have known each other since 2005,” Miller said. “He spent the winter over traveling with me in Europe.”

■ See Difference A8

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OUR VIEW

A few reminders

It's been a little over a month since previous Pagosa Springs SUN owner/editor/publisher Terri House passed the torch and The Pagosa Springs SUN has been part of O'Rourke Media Group. With the change still fresh and a lot of questions still coming our way, we feel it's a good time to remind our readers and contributors how to submit items for consideration to run in The SUN.

Please note that deadlines may be changed due to holidays. Please check the weekly paper for adjusted deadlines or call (970) 264-2100.

SUN and PREVIEW articles

To be considered for publication, submit articles to editor@pagosasun.com by noon on Monday for that Thursday's paper. This includes submissions for our reader-written columns, "Matter of Faith" and "The Writers' Circle." The SUN reserves the right to edit submissions and to choose whether to run the article or not. Not all submissions accepted for publication will run immediately due to the space limitations we sometimes experience.

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

Obituaries

Obituaries should be submitted to editor@pagosasun.com by noon on Tuesday. If after the deadline, please email your obituary and we will try to accommodate printing the obituary that week, if possible.

Obituaries should be less than 500 words. Longer obituaries will be printed for an additional fee. Photo submissions are requested to be a minimum of 200 dpi. Please do not compress files for email.

Obituaries must be emailed, typed into the body of the email. The photo must be attached to the email, not embedded in a document. Photos will be cropped to just the face.

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One free memoriam per person being remembered per calendar year is allowed. Photo submissions are requested to be a minimum of 200 dpi. The photo must be attached to the email, not embedded in a document. Photos will be cropped to just the face.

To purchase a paid In Memoriam, email shari@pagosasun.com.

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Photo submissions

We welcome reader-submitted photos and ask they they not be heavily edited, be recent and be taken within Archuleta County or of Archuleta County residents, such as with sports teams. Photo submissions are requested to be high resolution. We also need to know who to give photo credit to, who is in the photo, and when and where the photo was taken.

We appreciate the community's involvement in the production of The SUN and know we wouldn't be the newspaper we are without you. Thank you.

Randi Pierce

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 12, 1923

Rob. Hott returned last evening from Kansas City, where he delivered a shipment of cattle. He reports only a fair market, and is planning another shipment the latter part of the month.

At the meeting of the town board Tuesday evening, a sidewalk resolution was passed which will be found elsewhere in this issue. All slot machines were ordered from public places and arrangements were made for the exchange of property in Hilltop cemetery between the town and Odd Fellows lodge.

Mrs. Jessie Hayden returned Saturday from Durango, where on Friday she attended the district meeting of the daughters of the Revolution, of which she is a member.

The official schedule for the arrival of the Pagosa Springs train has been changed from 5:30 to 5:00 p.m., but the time of departure from Pagosa Junction has not been changed.

Deer season opens today. May we state that we have not feasted on venison for some years?

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 15, 1948

Residents of the Upper Piedra have completed the necessary preliminary steps and the issue of their transfer from Hinsdale County to Archuleta will be voted on at the coming general election, November 2. As stated in the SUN last week, it is proposed to transfer all that part of Hinsdale County which lies South and West of the Continental Divide, into Archuleta County.

This will enable the people of that area to have year around access to the county seat of Archuleta County. It is now necessary for them to make nearly a 300 mile round trip when they desire to transact business at the county seat of Hinsdale County, Lake City.

It will be a big help to Archuleta County, also, as it will bring much valuable property to the tax rolls here.

Mrs. Pearl McComas, who returned this week from a vacation trip to Denver and Lafayette was on the welcoming committee to greet President Harry Truman while she was in Denver.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 11, 1973

The first real snowstorm of the season hit this area this week, leaving snow at elevations above town and heavy snow at high altitudes. As the SUN goes to press early Thursday the storm seems to be with us for a while. Chain stations on Wolf Creek Pass have been open for the better part of this week, there have been several cars in the ditch on the Pass and the usual run of first storm mishaps.

Big game seasons open here on a regular basis this Saturday. Hunters will find it rather soggy going because of the mid-week storm. Game may be hard to find and are reported scattered and have not gathered in herds.

Local Wildlife Conservation Officers predict a large number of hunters, particularly during elk season. This area is acclaimed as one of the top hunting areas in Colorado. The WCOs say, however, that elk hunting will be tough this year. The animals are plentiful, they are hard to find, and have not started bunching up for the winter. Feed and water is plentiful, the animals are not traveling long distances and are not generally on the move.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 15, 1998

According to auditor Mike Branch, School District 50 Joint "is in excellent financial shape." Branch gave his report on the district's yearly audit during the school board's regular monthly meeting Tuesday night.

Branch's audit indicates that the new high school will tap into only \$176,000 from the capital reserve fund. This figure, Branch said, is based "on the fund balance now available in the capital improvement fund and the cost of completion (of the school) and retainage, after the budgeted \$400,000 is spent from the donation trust fund."

In a cover letter to the board, Branch stated the cash reserves of the general fund "are adequate now to allow an increase in contributions to the capital reserve fund. It also appears that the general fund should be able to fund the increase in costs resulting from the new building and still maintain an excess of revenues over expenditures."



LOOKING BACK

From the July 18, 1974, Pagosa Springs SUN. OLD FIRE LOOKOUT — The old Forest Service fire lookout tower on Chimney Rock will be developed into an observation platform under proposed plans for the Chimney Rock Archeological site. YCC workers removed debris and trash from the old fire lookout.



Letters

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

Letters to the Editor are opinions and information in them has not been verified for accuracy.

The opinions of letter writers do not necessarily represent those of the paper.

Trump in court

Dear Editor:
News this morning of Trump in a NY court for years of civil fraud that if confirmed his guilt will fine & bar him, family and business from doing business in NYState reinforced everything he has proven time again. Very oddly, some of his supporters will for the 'ump-teenth' time believe his categorical liar's statement that the Judge is "a rogue...the AG is racist..it's a witch hunt, etc" amazing!

Before the last Presidential election, Trump said if he loses it will be a lie, as he did prior to when he did win the presidency. So when you win the election process it's OK, and if you lose it's a sham?

Worse, General J. Kelly, Trump's longest serving Chief of Staff confirmed Trump grossly demeaned wounded veterans, dishonored dead veterans in France, Gold Star families, the dead Vet's at Arlington as suckers "I don't get it, what's in it for them", and branded 40 yr. veteran Joint chief of Staff General

Millie as guilty of treason for defending the Capital during Trump's January 6thinsurrection!

Let's once again review what every politically minded person knows is true about 'Trump's Lie': 8 state court cases (conservative judges), dismissed for lack of any. any evidence; major attorneys are disbarred or in danger of same for supporting 'Trump's Lie'; Georgia's (major Red State) Grand Jury brought charges of election interference against him (which later he admitted in an interview)! Add to these clear facts of attempt to 'rig' the election and..yet..you still hear Trumps supporters say Biden isn't President?

Add to that, the GOP is the only political party attempting to rig several state election districts to assure their congressional positions. Never mind, a very 'conservative' SCOTUS has repeatedly denied these GOP rigging efforts...this effort has the same supporters...their banners should say...we rig elections, but if you win...it's a lie? To ignore these facts and 'hold-your-nose' to support Trump for President isn't a political or party choice it's a personal decision that borders on purposely choosing immorality and national shame.

Dave Blake

Christian nation

Dear Editor:
In response to a letter from C. Groh, Santa Fe, New Mexico; America was and is a Christian nation in that our founding fathers formed it on Christian, biblical principles and that Christopher Columbus

was a professing Christian. Also the founding fathers sought God on how to write documents that reflect those principles and guarantee certain rights to all people. It would be useless to argue with someone who embodies the ignorance and extreme denial that is trying to destroy our nation, to the point of confusing our children on what bathroom to use and break the family unit. I can only offer that C. Groh has, whether she likes it or not, an appointment in her destiny, as everyone, to stand before God on judgement Day. It does not depend on anyone actually believing in it's existence for it to occur; and she can perhaps discuss her feelings with God. But until then, her letter is what is spewing out venom and poison, among untruths. She has that right due to our Christian founders, but I'm sad that poison and hatred from her is spewed out in my city.

Peg Ellis

Pulling the fire alarm

Dear Editor:
I attended a large, city, high school with 3,600 students during the late '60s and early '70s. Back then there were many riots in school. We used to count the police vehicles at our high school games. We would have over 20 police vehicles there to take disruptive students to the police station, but I do not recall ever having one of our classmates pull the fire alarm to force about 4,000 teachers and students to evacuate the building.

Likewise, I taught school for 45 years and no one ever did that prank of pulling the fire alarm to disrupt what was going on in the building.

Why is it that we have a U.S. Congressman (a former school principal who would have been in charge of fire drills) who turns out to be the one that does that prank when thousands of immature students refrained from doing that stunt?

Yours for the improved maturity of our future leadership,

Dan Manka
Fairmont, W.Va.

Mill levy override

Dear Editor:

The upcoming Mill Levy Override ("MLO") is a simple vote. Support of it provides the following:

1. Allows funding for recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers and staff;
2. Continues investment in school safety and security;
3. Continues investment in mental health support;
4. Ensures that these same services are also provided to the Pagosa Peak Open School; and
5. This MLO will not raise our taxes!

This MLO was approved by voters in 2018, with a 7-year expiration and is now seeking for a continuation of this funding beyond 2025.

Please support this ballot initiative—our children and our teachers are worth it.

Thank you -

Joni and Marty Rose

Ballot measures

Dear Editor:
The November election is upon us. There are several issues on the ballot that are extremely important, especially the local initiative that supports the school district – Ballot number 5A.

It's important to note that 5A and Proposition HH are NOT related. Proposition HH is a state initiative related to property taxes and state revenue. 5A is a local issue.

Prop HH was placed on the ballot by the Colorado State Legislature, and you can learn more about the pros and cons of it in the blue book that was mailed to your home. 5A was placed on the ballot by our local school board and is simply a continuation of the Mill Levy Override (MLO) our community approved in 2018. 5A is a local issue which strengthens our local schools and passing 5A will continue to fund salaries for local teachers and staff, and provide safety and mental health for our students. More information can be found at www.vote5a.com.

Voter turnout is likely to be low in this election. Please remind your family and friends to vote. Thank you for being part of a community that values education, and supports teachers, staff, and students. Ballots will be mailed October 16.

Lisa Scott and Brooks Lindner



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Obituary

Paul Lerno

The family of Paul Lerno are saddened to announce Paul Lerno's death in Pagosa Springs, Colo., on Sept. 14, 2023. He was 85 years young. Paul was born in Garden Grove, Calif., on May 26, 1938, to George and Leora Lerno.



Although we are sad for his leaving us, we are comforted to know he is now with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Anyone who knew Paul knew how much he loved Jesus and his wife, Linda, with his whole heart. If you had the privilege to talk to him you knew that he would know everything about you before the conversation ended; he truly cared about the people he talked to. Paul spent his career as a teacher and principal in Julian, Calif., then retired to take up ranching in the

Allison/Tiffany area of Colorado. His students knew him to be a fair and caring teacher, and we all knew him to be a loving and hardworking man. He is survived by his wife, Linda; his daughters, Laura Rand and Brenda Wanket; his sister, Dorothy; many grandchildren and great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. We will celebrate his life on Saturday, Oct. 21, at 10 a.m. at Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colo.

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Business

Sales tax revenues up 4.3 percent in August

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

Sales tax revenues for Archuleta County in August rose compared to August 2022, according to a report released by Archuleta County Finance Director Chad Eaton.

Sales tax revenues rose by 4.3 percent in August compared to the previous year.

The report notes that the town and the county jointly received \$1,867,837 in gross sales tax revenue for the month of August, with \$935,740 going to the town and \$932,097 going to the county.

August gross sales tax revenues are 4.3 percent, or \$74,419, higher than August 2022.

According to the report, the categories that are up in comparison to August 2022 include:

- Retail Trade at 6 percent, or \$52,127.
- Finance and Insurance at 10 percent, or

\$228.

- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services at 80 percent, or \$8,806.
- Accommodation and Food Services at 7 percent, or \$22,791.
- Other Services (except public administration) at 5 percent, or \$1,187.

Categories that were down for August in the month-to-month comparison include:

- Construction at 8 percent, or \$2,783.
- Manufacturing at 12 percent, or \$8,931.
- Information at 18 percent, or \$5,124.
- Real Estate and Rental and Leasing at 19 percent, or \$9,364.

The report notes that on the year-to-date comparison, sales tax revenues for January through August of 2023 are 2.1 percent, or \$251,627, lower than January through August 2022.

According to the report, the categories that are up in the yearly comparison include:

- Finance and Insurance at 11 percent, or \$1,044.
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services at 190 percent, or \$120,012.
- Other Services (except public administration) at 8 percent, or \$13,217.

The categories down in the year-to-date comparison include:

- Construction at 4 percent, or \$9,726.
- Manufacturing at 17 percent, or \$81,525.
- Retail Trade at 3 percent, or \$178,505.
- Information at 7 percent, or \$14,342.
- Real Estate and Rental and Leasing at 23 percent, or \$68,185.
- Accommodation and Food Services at 2 percent, or \$34,614.
- Miscellaneous at 0.2 percent, or \$2,732.

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Rotary Club hears from student about leadership conference

By Lisa Scott
Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs

The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs recently heard a presentation from the high school senior who attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) conference.

Amelia Berndt attended the three-day conference in June at Colorado Mountain College (CMC) in Leadville with more than 50 other junior and senior high school students from Rotary District 5470.

RYLA is an "award" to the students that are selected to attend an all-expenses paid camp where they are inspired by a diverse group of exceptional speakers, make life-long friends through fellowship activities, and discuss the ethical and social issues of today. These activities are conducted in an atmosphere of trust and respect. The result is that these students return to their schools and communities motivated to take on additional leadership roles and to find additional ways to serve.

While Berndt described the conference as "super fun," she also described the activities that encouraged teamwork, being heard and how to lead.

"I made a lot of new friends and loved having a mini-college experience in the CMC dorm," she stated in her presentation.

She also said this experience helped her gain experience and confidence in talking about her opinions to other people.

Berndt also talked about what they learned about Rotary and the impact it has in communities all



Photo courtesy Lisa Scott

Amelia Berndt poses for a picture after giving a presentation to the Rotary Club about her experience at a Rotary Youth Leadership weekend. Pictured left to right are Livia Lynch, Rotarian and former club president; Berndt, Pagosa Springs High School senior; and Charlotte Duranton, Rotary exchange student from Annonay, France, spending the school year in Pagosa Springs and a junior at Pagosa Springs High School.

over the world, especially the mission to eradicate polio worldwide.

Berndt's family moved to Pagosa Springs four years ago and she has a twin sister.

RYLA is a program that originated with Rotary International and is implemented within various Rotary districts.

The Pagosa Springs Noon Rotary Club has been involved in RYLA for more than 15 years. Rotary District 5470 organizes the conference and local Rotary clubs select the students they want to send at the clubs' expense. Rotarians Cindi Galabota, Codie

Wilson, Deborah Fox and Katie Cloudman have been the leaders of this project for several years. Applications are available in March to high school sophomores and juniors.

Rotary clubs in town include the Pagosa Rotary Club, which meets Thursdays at noon at The Den, and the Mountain Club that meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Ramon's Mexican Restaurant. Rotary is always accepting new members and invites anyone who would like to explore the opportunity to contact any community Rotarian

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Region 9 executive director to serve on Colorado's Policy Academy Coalition

Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado

The Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado is pleased to announce that Laura Lewis Marchino, executive director, has been appointed to Colorado's Coalition to the 2023 Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness Policy Academy.

This committee is made up of a core team of economic development stakeholders in Colorado that are working with six other states to identify ways to align the work that states and regions do around economic development.

The Economic Development Administration funded the Policy

Academy to ensure more impactful, coordinated and collaborative implementation of state and regional strategies.

"In economic development we are only as strong as our weakest community, business, partnership or organization," said Marchino. "I look forward to the collaboration this Policy Academy Coalition will create to promote alignment between the state, economic development organizations and our economic development stakeholders."

Marchino will join the Colorado team at the Economic Development Council of Colorado Drive. Lead. Succeed. Conference Oct. 18-20 in Grand Junction, and in Cleveland, Ohio, in November.

Marchino replaces Trish Thibado, former Region 10 deputy director, on the committee.

For more information on the Policy Academy, contact Kim Woodworth, kim.woodworth@edconline.org.

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Archuleta County, on Tuesday, the 7th day of November, 2023.

Eligible Voters: All Active Registered voters.

Mail Ballots: Beginning on October 16, 2023 the Archuleta County Clerk & Recorder will send a mail ballot packet to every Active voter who is registered in Archuleta County. To be counted, mail ballots must be returned to and in the hands of the Archuleta County Clerk & Recorder no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7, 2023. Postmarks do not count.

Polling Locations: Beginning Monday, October 30, 2023 the Election's Office located at 449 San Juan St. (behind the old courthouse), will serve as the official Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC). The VSPC hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday from October 30 through November 6, 8:00 a.m. – Noon on Saturday, November 4, and 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Election Day, Tuesday, November 7, 2023. On Election Day ONLY 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.: PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave., Pagosa Springs, CO.

Drop-Off Locations: You may also drop-off your voted ballot at the Election's Office located at 449 San Juan St. (behind the old courthouse), between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning October 30, 2023. Tuesday, November 7th the office will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES

Archuleta County School District 50 JT Board of Directors – District 2 – 4 Year Term
(Vote for One)
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(02) Robert Lynch

Archuleta County School District 50 JT Board of Directors – District 3 – 4 Year Term
(Vote for One)
(01) Jessica Trujillo
(02) Amanda Schick

Archuleta County School District 50 JT Board of Directors – District 4 – 4 Year Term
(Vote for One)
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(04) Jay Dee Brunson
(05) Gina M. Schulz

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STATE BALLOT MEASURES

Proposition HH (STATUTORY)

Shall the state reduce property taxes for homes and businesses, including expanding property tax relief for seniors, and backfill counties, water districts, fire districts, ambulance and hospital districts, and other local governments and fund school districts by using a portion of the state surplus up to the proposition HH cap as defined in this measure?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

Drop-Box Locations: The County installed secure ballot drop-boxes, which will be open 24/7 with video surveillance. There are two locations: (Old Courthouse) 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, CO located outside on the sidewalk near the flagpoles open from October 18th through 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7th, 2023. (Tara Community Center) 333 Milton Lane, Arboles, CO open from October 23rd through 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7th, 2023.

ALL ballot styles have been added together for this notice. Contents are shown below and be aware that your ballot will only contain the races and issues for which you are eligible to vote. Feel free to call our office at 970-264-8331 if you have any questions.

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Proposition II (STATUTORY)

Without raising taxes, may the state retain and spend revenues from taxes on cigarettes, tobacco, and other nicotine products and maintain tax rates on cigarettes, tobacco, and other nicotine products and use these revenues to invest twenty-three million six hundred fifty thousand dollars to enhance the voluntary Colorado preschool program and make it widely available for free instead of reducing these tax rates and refunding revenues to cigarette wholesalers, tobacco product distributors, nicotine products distributors, and other taxpayers, for exceeding an estimate included in the ballot information booklet for proposition EE?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT MEASURES

Archuleta County School District 50 JT Ballot Issue 5A - Extension of Expiring Tax

WITHOUT INCREASING TAXES, SHALL ARCHULETA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50JT BE AUTHORIZED TO EXTEND THE \$1.7 MILLION ANNUAL TAX APPROVED BY THE VOTERS IN 2018 SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE IN 2025, TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND AND USED FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: RECRUITING AND RETAINING HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS AND STAFF, AND PROVIDING SCHOOL SAFETY, SECURITY, AND MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS;
WHICH REVENUE FROM THE PERMANENT EXTENSION IS FOR GENERAL FUND PURPOSES PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 22-54-108, C.R.S.; AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

SPECIAL DISTRICT BALLOT MEASURES

Upper Pine River Fire Protection District Ballot Issue 7A

WITHOUT RAISING ADDITIONAL TAXES, SHALL THE 1.46 MILL LEVY THAT UPPER PINE RIVER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT CURRENTLY ASSESSES FOR RETIRING ITS OUTSTANDING BOND DEBT, WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO BE PAID OFF IN 2024, CONTINUE TO BE ASSESSED AS PART OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL OPERATING MILL LEVY FOR AN ADDITIONAL 20 YEARS, SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING NEEDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, SUCH ASSESSMENT TO COMMENCE IN ASSESSMENT YEAR 2024 (FOR REVENUE COLLECTION IN 2025) AND TO SUNSET IN ASSESSMENT YEAR 2044 (FOR REVENUE COLLECTION IN 2045), WITH SUCH TAX EXTENSION CONSTITUTING A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 29-1-301 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AND ANY OTHER LAW?

YES/FOR _____ NO/AGAINST _____

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Is your business engaging in the Archuleta Health Fair and Expo?

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce

We have been focusing on the upcoming Archuleta Health Fair and Expo to be held on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pagosa Springs High School.

The Chamber has partnered with Healthy Archuleta and the new Archuleta County Public Health Department to help bring this absent program back to our community.

Why is the Chamber involved? Healthier employees mean healthier businesses. Obviously, healthy employees mean less call-outs and absences. However, healthier employees don't just mean during cold and flu season. Are you actively encouraging your employees to live healthier lives and take care of themselves and look at preven-

tative measures, not just reactive measures?

If your employees could participate in this health fair, get some low-cost blood work and discover a latent or pre-critical problem, wouldn't benefiting them benefit your business? Perhaps your business can't afford "regular" health care benefits. However, have you thought of signing them up for the lab work and then paying for the lab work to have your employees participate? It could be a benefit that is financially feasible for your business and shows your staff that you care about them and their health.

There are only 200 lab work slots available. In addition, since the fair opens at 7 a.m., shift workers could still attend by signing up for the early slots or perhaps those slots closer to 10 a.m. Help your employees register for the Health Fair. Go to <https://www.foodcoalition4archul->

[eta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo.html](https://www.foodcoalition4archul-eta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo.html) for more information and to register.

Could your business also give interested employees time off to attend some of the cooking demos or connect with a health care provider or attend some of the educational classes for themselves or the health of a family member such as insurance coverage and management, senior services and youth mental health?

Volunteers have been putting up posters and delivering paycheck inserts. Are you making your employees aware of this program in your staff meetings? Being an employer and interested in providing health care benefits doesn't just mean offering health care coverage. We can support ourselves and our staff through other "healthy" measures.

Getting engaged in this Health Fair and Expo is one way of support-

ing your employees' health. Talk this health fair up around your business and support those employees that would like to engage in any component of the expo. Transportation from some of the more remote areas of our county such as Arboles and Aspen Springs will be receiving transportation services. Stay tuned for a schedule of this amenity.

If you are a business that is engaged in the health care arena, whether medical, products or services, you could reserve a booth at the health fair. This is a low-cost way to get the word out about your product or service. Contact Mary Jo at the Chamber for an application and more information.

For more information about the health fair, how to get posters or payroll inserts, how to sponsor or for registration, you can contact the Chamber at (970) 264-2360 or Healthy Archuleta at (401) 206-4579.

Christa Laos Archuleta School District 50 Jt Director District #2



I hope I will get the opportunity to serve as a bridge between the School Board and the community it serves.

Paid for by Christa Laos

Commissioners discuss Proposition 123 commitment

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) discussed the implementation process for Proposition 123 with Development Director Pamela Flowers at its Oct. 3 work session.

Proposition 123 is a 2022 ballot measure that allocates a certain amount of state tax revenues for promoting affordable housing.

Flowers opened the discussion by explaining that opting into Proposition 123 funds — which would allow organizations in the community to apply for funds generated by the proposition — requires the county to set a baseline of area median income (AMI) values and number of affordable housing units available in the community.

Flowers explained that the county could take its own AMI numbers, those of a neighboring county or statewide numbers.

She stated that, on initial inspection, the numbers for Rio Arriba County, N.M., looked desirable due to the lower baseline amount of affordable housing in the county, meaning that Archuleta County's Proposition 123 commitment would only necessitate building 30 affordable housing units in three years,

as opposed to 61 units using the Archuleta County baseline.

However, she explained that using the Rio Arriba County baseline for the number of housing units would also require using Rio Arriba County AMI numbers for determining what projects count as affordable, which are unrealistically low for Archuleta County.

Flowers stated that, if the county fails to construct 61 affordable units in three years, it will then be ineligible for Proposition 123 grant funds the next year, but could reapply the following year.

Therefore, she proposed that the county should use its own baseline given the "worst-case scenario" would not have a severe impact on the county.

Flowers added that she is optimistic that 61 affordable housing units could be completed in the county in three years with the recent donations by the county of properties for affordable housing to local nonprofits and planned multifamily development projects.

Commissioner Veronica Medina explained that she attended a presentation on Proposition 123 that acknowledged that the baseline numbers contain inaccuracies.

Flowers agreed, commenting that the county does not have the 611

affordable housing units that the baseline claims.

Medina continued, indicating that the presentation discussed the possibility that counties could set their own AMIs and housing unit baselines based on local information.

Flowers stated that that option is not currently available and the county would have to opt in to Proposition 123 based on the existing data, although adjusted processes for calculating baselines will likely be introduced in the next two years.

She added that the statute associated with Proposition 123 would have to be changed and that state agencies understand the issues with the formula, although she noted that the county would be able to make the current baseline numbers "work" if necessary.

The group then briefly discussed the issues with the tool that calculates these baselines before Flowers concluded that she would move forward with drafting the county's Proposition 123 commitment based on the Archuleta County baseline numbers and present it to the BoCC on Oct. 17, ahead of the Nov. 1 deadline.

Flowers explained that Archuleta County is designated as a rural resort community, which allows the county

to petition to have the AMI percentages allowed for affordable housing projects raised.

She noted that this would require a housing needs assessment, which she is working with the Town of Pagosa Springs on.

Flowers added that houses for purchase that are classified as affordable would rise from up to 120 percent AMI to up to 160 percent AMI and affordable rentals would rise from 60 percent AMI to 100 percent AMI with the petition, allowing more projects to qualify and making completing projects more feasible.

She explained that the county and town applied for a Stronger Communities planning grant to cover the housing needs assessment, with the 10 percent grant match to be split with the town.

Flowers also briefly discussed an upcoming application for a More Housing Now grant for infrastructure in the Chris Mountain Village II and Trails subdivisions, noting that this application will come before the BoCC soon and that the properties the BoCC already donated for housing in the area will likely supply the match for the grant, although she was still working on fully confirming this.

Medina commented that in-kind matches can be weaker than cash matches and encouraged Flowers to examine the match criteria to ensure the grant application is as strong as possible.

Flowers stated that the application for this grant would occur in November.

"Nice work," commented Commissioner Ronnie Maez. josh@pagosasun.com

Axis Health nationally recognized for efforts to improve blood pressure control

Axis Health System

Axis Health System's integrated clinics in Pagosa Springs, Cortez, Durango and Dove Creek, have been recognized by the American Heart Association and American Medical Association for their commitment to improving blood pressure control rates, earning Silver-level recognition as part of Target: BP™.

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Town council decides to opt in to state program supporting affordable housing

By Derek Kutzer
Staff Writer

At an Oct. 3 meeting, the Pagosa Springs Town Council voted unanimously to opt in to a statewide program supporting affordable housing.

The program was approved by Colorado voters as Proposition 123 — a ballot measure from November 2022 authorizing the state to retain money from existing tax revenue to support affordable housing programs throughout the state.

Opting in to the program will require the town to meet a baseline commitment to add a certain number of affordable units to the town's housing inventory, Community Development Director James Dickhoff explained to the council.

First, the town will need to establish a baseline number for its currently existing affordable housing units — which it has determined to stand at 214 units — and then commit to provide “an additional 3% more units every year for the next three years (or 9% more units over the next three years),” states agenda documentation on the matter.

This would require a commitment from the town to add about 21 affordable units over the next three years, Dickhoff stated.

The program would allow the town to use a neighboring community's baseline requirement, but this would also require the town to commit to that community's area median income (AMI), which might “pigeonhole” the town to commit to build units that don't

match the unique needs of the local community's AMI levels, Dickhoff explained.

He suggested that what Pagosa Springs is really in need of are units that fit within the so-called “missing middle,” which range from 60 percent to about 140 percent AMI.

Dickhoff, therefore, recommended that the town “use our own Pagosa Springs community survey data, which estimates that we have 214 existing affordable units, which equates to a commitment to provide seven additional units each year for the next three years, or 21 total units over the next three years, ending Dec. 31, 2026.”

Dickhoff explained that the only danger of not meeting the required unit commitment, after the three-year period, is that the town wouldn't be eligible for grant funding through the program after 2026.

But, since the funding can be used for either public or private housing projects and programs, the town “would easily meet” its obligation, Dickhoff suggested.

The 21-unit obligation “wouldn't have to be a town project. It could be a private builder project as long as deed restrictions” are established to keep the units at or below 60 percent AMI, he added.

He pointed to a Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) project on Alpha Drive, expected to break ground next year, with 40 units being built under 60 percent of the AMI, which would mean the town should quickly meet its additional unit obligation, Dickhoff explained.

“I don't think we're going to have

a challenge meeting that commitment with that LIHTC project coming on board,” he said.

But, later in the meeting, during public comment, resident Bill Hudson questioned whether this LIHTC project could be built within the three-year timeframe, saying that the Rose Mountain Townhome development took around four years to complete.

Hudson also noted that the town should go far beyond the program's 3 percent annual requirement, pointing to the town-commissioned Root Policy Study, which determined the area needs around 800 units added to housing inventory to solve the workforce housing problem in the community.

“I think the problem is bigger than what the state is gonna help you do. The state is gonna help you with 3 percent a year with funding that came from Prop. 123, but we really need 20 percent per year to even approach what Root Policy told us that we need,” he said.

Mayor Shari Pierce asked Dickhoff if he anticipates that the proposed LIHTC project on Alpha Drive would be done within the time frame required by the program.

He replied, “Yes, I do.”

He explained he has been working with the developer and that the sketch plan is coming soon and that the builder hopes to break ground in spring of 2024.

Typically, “a project like that,” once it breaks ground, takes “about a year and a half to construct,” he explained, adding he anticipates that it would be done by 2025,

and that the 21-unit commitment wouldn't be due until 2026, leaving plenty of time.

Another point that was uncertain was if the town would be able to funnel the grant money toward building units that serve the missing middle, or those in the community making between 60 percent and 140 percent AMI.

Proposition 123 programs are largely geared toward housing at or below 60 percent AMI for rental units and at or below 100 percent AMI for ownership units.

Based on conversations with staff members from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), Dickhoff explained that the town would need to petition to funnel money into projects geared toward higher AMIs in order to “justify its request for higher AMIs.”

However, since the area is designated as a “rural resort community in the program,” this would “provide a little bit more flexibility” to petition or “apply for the ability to use higher AMIs for some of the grant programs,” Dickhoff said.

He added, “So, that helps us get into that more missing-middle category... whereas a lot of the program, right now” is aimed toward those “low-income categories,” below 60 percent AMI.

He explained to the council that U.S. Department of Housing and Development (HUD) programs are geared toward zero to 30 percent AMI and LIHTC projects are geared toward 30 to 60 percent AMI.

When opened to discussion on if the town should opt in to the program or not, council member Gary Williams suggested that the town would “be fools not to jump in” on the opportunity.

After it was motioned to approve to submit the town's Proposition 123 opt-in application, using the American Communities Survey data and committing the town to 21 additional affordable units over the next three years, the motion was carried unanimously by the council.

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Commissioners hear request for approval of Community Based Development Organization designation

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard a request from Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (PSCDC) Executive Director Emily Lashbrooke for approval of the PSCDC's effort to become a Community Based Development Organization (CBDO) at its Oct. 10 work session.

Lashbrooke explained that the PSCDC was invited to become a CBDO by the state of Colorado, which would assist the organization in creating affordable housing on parcels donated by the county by opening up additional grant opportunities, and subsequently submitted an application to become a CBDO.

She stated that she recently learned from the state that the PSCDC needs to obtain BoCC permission to apply to become a CBDO.

She indicated that this requirement was not stated in any of the documentation she examined and that the application is currently on hold while the PSCDC seeks approval.

Lashbrooke stated that the county would be the fiscal agent

for grants connected to the CBDO and that the PSCDC would manage the projects.

She added that the CBDO would allow the PSCDC to apply for Community Development Block Grant funds and use them for “vertical construction,” making housing construction more affordable.

She concluded by emphasizing that she did not know that the application would require county approval and that she was “humbly” asking the BoCC for approval.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez asked County Attorney Todd Weaver if it would be possible for the county to draft and sign an approval letter and then ratify it at a later meeting, which Weaver indicated would be feasible.

Maez commented that he supports signing a letter for later

ratification to move the affordable housing project forward.

Commissioner Veronica Medina and Commissioner Warren Brown both expressed support for moving forward with the approval.

In response to a question from Brown, Lashbrooke noted that the CBDO designation would not create additional liability for the PSCDC and that it would operate similarly to the Archuleta County Broadband Management Office.

Lashbrooke also expressed gratitude to the state for allowing the PSCDC time to correct the error.

She concluded by noting that the CBDO designation would allow other entities in the county working on housing projects to partner with the PSCDC and utilize the designation.

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County landfill to reopen Oct. 23

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County landfill will reopen to the public on Oct. 23 following a closure to allow for the installation of a new liner in landfill Cell 4A and the removal of accumulated materials, according to a county press release.

The landfill closure began on

Oct. 9, the press release notes.

It adds that the landfill will continue accepting commercial trash trucks during the closure.

Additionally, County Manager Derek Woodman explained to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners on Oct. 3 that the county transfer stations will remain open during the closure.

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Axis

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evidence-based quality improvement program and recognizes organizations, like Axis, that are committed to improving blood pressure control.

“By committing to helping more people in rural Colorado control their blood pressure and reduce their risks for future heart disease and stroke, Axis is taking a key step to helping more people live longer, healthier lives,” said Yvonne Commodore-Mensah, Ph.D., MHS, RN, FAHA, Target: BP advisory group volunteer and associate professor at Johns Hopkins School of Nursing. “Axis’ participation in the Target: BP initiative shows its dedication to turning clinical guidelines into lifelines for patients and their families.”



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Ballots

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will appear on all ballots.

School board elections

For voters within the Archuleta School District (ASD) boundaries, the following school board director races will appear:

Christa Laos and Robert Lynch are running for a four-year term for the ASD board representing District 2.

Jessica Trujillo and Amanda Schick are running for a four-year term on the ASD board representing District 3.

Dana Guinn is running unopposed for a four-year term in District 4 and Ray "Butch" Mackey is running unopposed for a two-year term on the ASD board representing District 5.

Voters within Bayfield School District will vote for three school board members to serve a four-year term and will choose from Molly Orendorff, Debbie Wilhelm, Justin Talbot and Amy De Prospro Davlin.

Voters within Ignacio School District will also choose three candidates to serve a four-year term on the school board and will choose from Ross Melton, Sheryle

Hunter, Jerry Allen McCaw, Jay Dee Brunson and Gina M. Schulz.

State ballot measures

Two state ballot measures will appear on the ballot.

Proposition HH asks if the state shall reduce property taxes for homes and businesses, including expanding property tax relief for seniors, and backfill counties, water district, fire districts, ambulance and hospital districts, and other local governments and fund school districts by using a portion of the state surplus up to the proposition HH cap identified.

Proposition II asks if, without raising taxes, the state can retain and spend revenues from taxes on cigarettes, tobacco and other nicotine products; maintain tax rates on cigarettes, tobacco and other nicotine products; and use the revenues to invest \$23,650,000 to enhance the voluntary Colorado preschool program and make it widely available for free instead of reducing the tax rates and refunding revenues to cigarette wholesalers, tobacco product distributors, nicotine

products distributors and other taxpayers for exceeding an estimate for Proposition EE.

School district ballot measure

Ballot Issue 5A asks for voters within ASD's boundaries to vote to extend the district's mill levy override in perpetuity.

It asks if ASD, without increasing taxes, shall be authorized to extend the \$1.7 million annual tax approved by voters in 2018 (currently scheduled to expire in 2025) in perpetuity for educational purposes including but not limited to:

- Recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers and staff.
- Providing school safety, security and mental health support for students.

The measure also asks for the collection to be excepted from limits that would otherwise apply under the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR).

Special district ballot measure

Voters within the Upper Pine River Fire Protection District will be asked to vote on Ballot Issue 7A, which asks if the district's current 1.46 mill levy currently used for retiring its outstanding

bond debt (scheduled to be paid off in 2024) shall, without raising additional taxes, be continued for an additional 20 years for the purpose of funding needed capital improvements.

The measure indicates the extended assessment would commence in assessment year 2024 (for revenue collection in 2025) and sunset in assessment year 2044 (for revenue collection in 2045).

It also asks that the revenue be excepted from TABOR and other limitations set forth in law.

Voter Service and Polling Center

Beginning Oct. 30, the Archuleta County Election's Office — located in the downstairs of the county building at 449 San Juan St. and accessible via the rear of the building — will serve as the official Voter Service and Polling Center.

The hours will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday from Oct. 30 through Nov. 6. The center will be open 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 4 and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Budget

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from sales taxes, which are the primary revenues supporting the budget, are projected to decrease by about 6 percent through the fiscal year 2024. The document also states that "sales tax is expected to not meet the budgeted revenue for 2023."

"[F]or about a decade, the Town has enjoyed consistent year-over-year increases in the growth of sales tax," the budget document states.

Overall sales tax revenues are larger than they were a decade ago, rising from \$4.1 million in 2014 to \$8.8 million projected for 2024. The decrease is on the year-to-year scale, immediately following the unique boom years of the pandemic period, from 2021-2022.

Schulte explained the sales tax scenario as "a plateauing," saying that the revenues will continue to be much larger than they were a decade ago, but that they would not match the high levels of the pandemic years.

The budget will need to reflect this new reality, he stated.

The budget document describes that "the overall economic picture shows that the economy for the community is stable, but cooling a bit."

Another potential challenge cited in the document is the town's ability "to attract and retain employees to carry out the work entrusted to them by the community."

The document mentions that it's a struggle to find and keep employ-

How to turn in your ballot

Voted ballots can be returned via mail, or delivered to a drop-off location or drop box.

Postmarks do not count if returning a voted ballot via mail.

You may also drop off voted ballots at the Archuleta County Election's Office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning Oct. 30.

The county has two secure drop boxes that will be open 24/7 beginning Oct. 18. They will remain open through 7 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 7.

The drop boxes, which are under video surveillance, are located at the county building at 449 San Juan St. in Pagosa Springs and the TARA Community Center at 333 Milton Lane in Arboles.

BallotTrax

Voters can track the status of their ballot through BallotTrax, the state's service for voters to receive notifications by phone, email or text about the status of their mail ballots, from the time their county clerk and recorder mails

the outgoing ballot packet to when their mailed ballot is received and counted.

To sign up for BallotTrax, go to BallotTrax.coloradosos.gov. There, enter your first name, last name, date of birth and residential zip code to access the voter portal or to sign up.

How to register to vote and check your voter registration

Eligible people can register to vote up to and including Election Day and vote in the November election either online at govotecolorado.gov or in person at the Archuleta County Election's Office.

The final day to register to vote in order to receive a ballot by mail is Oct. 30, according to the Colorado Secretary of State's Office.

Voters can also check their registration at www.govotecolorado.gov, with Archuleta County Clerk and Recorder Kristy Archuleta urging voters to check that their registrations are up to date.

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Closure

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manent structures are expected to be in place by late November.

Travelers are reminded that Chimney Rock National Monument's visitor center and visitor services will be closed for the winter season beginning Monday, Oct. 16.

With the seven-day, around-the-clock closure in place, motorists will need to use U.S. 160 and Colo. 172 as an alternate route. Travelers are advised that a resurfacing project is also occurring on Colo. 172, between Ignacio and Elmore's Corner, at the U.S. 160 junction. Delays up to 30 minutes can be expected on Colo. 172 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., depending on traffic volumes. Visit COtrip.org for Colo. 172 project traffic impacts.

Traffic impacts

Motorists will encounter daytime and nighttime closures between Arboles and the U.S. 160

Junction Oct. 13-20. Traffic impacts will include:

- The south closure point is located at MP 28.1, north of Old Gallegos Road.

- The north closure point is located at MP 29, south of Cabazon Canyon Road.

- Do not attempt to bypass road barricades at the closure points.

Travelers are encouraged to seek alternative routes and check COtrip.org for the most current road conditions.

Remember: Slow for the cone zone

The following tips are to help you stay safe while traveling through maintenance and construction work zones.

- Do not speed in work zones. Obey the posted speed limits.
- Stay alert. Expect the unexpected.
- Watch for workers. Drive with caution.

- Don't change lanes unnecessarily.

- Avoid using mobile devices such as phones while driving in work zones.

- Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you.

- Be especially alert at night while driving in work zones.

- Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.

- Allow ample space between you and the car in front of you.

- Anticipate lane shifts and merge when directed to do so.

- Be patient.

- Download the COtrip app. The free COtrip Planner mobile app was designed to meet the growing trend of information on mobile and tablet devices for the traveling public. The COtrip Planner app provides statewide, real-time traffic information and works on mobile devices that operate on the iOS and Android platforms.

Difference

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That, he noted, gave them the chance to talk a lot and get to know each other, and they've since worked on "quite a few" projects together, such as "The Weight of Gold," which centers on the mental health challenges Olympic athletes face.

"This was just something that came up in conversation around ... just life discussions of how do you transition out of sports? How do you manage emotional and mental health? I mean, that's what that is, really, is adjusting to changes and being adaptable and having support structures."

Miller explained it became more obvious to Rapkin it was something that needed more attention while he was working on "The Weight of Gold."

He noted Rapkin has been focused heavily on social awareness missions and helping create solutions.

"I've spent so much time in these small towns and have known a lot of people who have struggled with the dynamic," Miller said, noting the situation has spread beyond small towns. "Since then, it's really kind of jumped to the forefront of peoples' minds everywhere."

Colorado and neighboring ski states consistently rank in the top states for the highest suicide rates, giving the Rocky Mountain region the descriptor "The Suicide Belt," according to National Geographic.

Miller explained he and Rapkin's initial conversation happened in 2018 or 2019 and the project was put on hold while "The Weight of Gold" was finished.

"It's really encouraging to see the number of people that can relate to it that are willing to step up and be involved," he said, "and kind of conversely, it's a little bit disappointing to see ... the number of people kind of come out of the woodwork who have, for whatever reason, struggled through and made it through ... really difficult, dark times without any help because there hasn't been any."

Miller acknowledged that people "need help here and there," but that there isn't a lot of infra-

structure in the United States that educates kids.

"It's really crazy to me. I mean, to me, when you talk about all these things that we're dealing with of bullying and lack of tolerance and all these things, a lot of that just comes down to education. It just comes down to an understanding," he said, adding it's "crazy" that little effort is spent building that from a young age and educating kids on skills for dealing with people, managing stress and more.

Miller expressed "Paradise Paradox" was always designed to be a solution-based project and a conversation starter.

He added the hope is to provide a loose framework for communities to be able to start to address the problem on their own.

He added large-scale solutions don't really work.

"The root of the problem is that we're becoming more and more disconnected as people," he said. "We're more divided. We're further apart."

That, he added, is why they encourage small-group watch parties and smaller efforts that can be easily modified and scaled up to make a bigger impact on treating the cause — disconnection.

Miller suggested looking at the impact of weekly sledding races or other events that help people feel connected and show appreciation for some of the underappreciated demographics who are the lifeblood of resort towns.

The film debuted last weekend in Utah.

"It needs to be talked about. It needs to be more of a mainstream conversation," he said, adding he hopes the film can facilitate that on a larger scale.

Miller noted it's easy to turn a blind eye to issues like this, but that he encourages people to engage with the film and conversation and find a way to fit into the solution.

"The reality is that virtually every human on the planet has a role to play for one person or another when it comes to this topic," he said.

"Bode Miller has been a house-

hold name in the skiing world for years," said Briggen Wrinkle, executive director of the Community Foundation. "We are honored to bring Bode to Pagosa Springs to share how his personal and professional lives have been impacted by mental health throughout his career. We expect everyone who attends these events to come away empowered and hopeful, with a knowledge about how we can make a difference and foster mental health wellness."

Making A Difference Community Panel

The first event on the day on Oct. 19 will be a panel discussion with local mental health professionals.

Miller will facilitate a conversation on the unique mental health challenges experienced in Pagosa Springs, including programs and resources available to assist in the community.

Local panelists, according to the Community Foundation, include:

- Stephanie Allred, Ph.D., Axis Health System.
- Ashley Breed, Pagosa School District.
- Erik Foss, Authentic Solutions Consulting.
- Marcia Newth, LCSW, Pagosa Springs Medical Center.
- Ashley Wilson, MPH, Archuleta County Public Health Department.

The event will be at the Tennyson Building Event Center from 2 to 4 p.m. on Oct. 19. Tickets are \$25 and are available at swcommunityfoundation.org/bode. Limited seating is available.

'Paradise Paradox' screening

The second event will be the same evening at the Liberty Theater beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Guests will watch "Paradise Paradox" and hear from Miller about why he is passionate about mental health wellness in the Rocky Mountains.

There will be time for questions at the end of the presentation. The \$40 tickets will be available at pagosamovies.com.

ees, and yet it's absolutely essential to "providing all town services and maintaining all the town infrastructure."

It states that "without the proper staff levels, the Town will not be able to fully achieve the greatness the community deserves. For the 2024 Budget, changes to staff compensation are being proposed to help address this very important issue."

The town has a total of six separate funds, and each is accounted for separately. These funds are the General Fund, Capital and Improvement Fund, Lodgers' Tax Fund, Geothermal Enterprise Fund and the Trust/Impact Fees Fund.

The General and Capital Improvement funds are the two largest funds within the town's budget and both receive the bulk of their funding through sales tax revenues.

General Fund expenditures encompass things such as general government functions, public safety, recreation, initiatives and economic development, according to the document.

Capital Improvement Fund expenditures pay "for capital projects for almost all departments of the Town and includes general government, police, community development, parks, streets, sidewalks, trails, and town facilities," the document states.

On the Capital Fund, the document also notes that "the total annual revenue from all sources is estimated to be \$4,830,949 and the projected expenditures out of

the Capital Improvement Fund are anticipated to also total \$4,830,949. This means that the Town is projecting to spend the same amount of money that it is taking in for the fiscal year" in the Capital Fund.

This means that certain projects on the town's horizon are not accounted for in the budget. The document states that "capital projects for 2024 that are not currently budgeted include:" river restoration projects, sidewalk replacement and repairs, the Piedra Road intersection improvement project, drainage maintenance and new culverts, and the town's share of funding for the Colorado Department of Transportation's main street restoration project, which is \$800,000.

For all six of the town's funds within the budget, "the total expected revenue for 2024 is \$11,859,341 and the total expenditures for the six funds are \$11,978,317. The total projected year-end capital reserves for all five funds are \$7,088,661. Overall, the Town continues to be in a healthy financial position," the document states.

Going forward, two budget work sessions — where the council and town staff will collectively review, critique and revise the budget document — are scheduled for Oct. 12 and Oct. 26.

After that, the budget draft will move into public hearings on Nov. 16 and Dec. 5, with the final adoption of the budget scheduled for the latter date.

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Ordinance

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the issue due to her belief that there are “important changes” that need to be made to the ordinance and that she would like to review it further with Weaver.

“I actually would like to table this and have more conversation because I’m not about making more government — we should have less government — and if a resolution will fit our need, then I think we should stay with a resolution,” Medina said, adding that she would like to assess further if an ordinance is necessary and change certain definitions. “And not the definitions that some might think because we already established that some of these definitions go back to case law and so there’s some things that we can’t change, but I’m not prepared to move forward.”

Commissioner Ronnie Maez raised the possibility of making the resolution the ordinance and stated that he did not agree with certain definitions within the ordinance, particularly concerning the definition of an animal as “any living dumb creature.”

He added that he would prefer “a clear and specific” definition of the separation between humans and animals.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked Weaver if a resolution would only allow civil penalties compared to an ordinance, which would allow civil and criminal penalties, which Weaver confirmed.

“So, in my mind, therein lies the differentiation,” Brown commented, noting that criminal enforcement of animal control offenses is in line with Colorado law and the ordinance would support this.

Medina asked if there is a “huge issue” with dog control in the county.

Hill stated that he was unsure of the precise statistics, but estimated that the Archuleta County Sheriff’s Office (ASCO) is “on five calls a day” involving nuisance animals.

Brown commented that how important animal control issues are in the county is dependent on whether one lives next to a nuisance dog or not.

Sheriff Mike Le Roux explained that the intent of the ordinance was to keep consistency with other issues in the county that are governed by ordinances.

He added that the contents of the resolution were taken to the ordinance with updates to align the county with current practices and rules in other Colorado counties.

He stated that drafting the ordinance was a joint effort between the ACSO and the county attorney’s office.

Le Roux added that, in the first six months of the year, the ACSO had approximately 432 animal calls out of about 3,000 total calls and emphasized that animal calls are a “significant portion” of the ACSO’s activities.

Maez asked Le Roux about the definition of a “living creature” in the ordinance.

Le Roux responded that he understood this definition to be in state statute and that he would prefer to be “bound by statute,” though he would be open to changes if statute allows them.

Maez asked Weaver if the county could alter the state definition of “living creature.”

Weaver noted that the definition of animal is at issue.

“We could be considered animals, and some of us are,” Maez responded.

“Someday, common sense has to come back into play,” Weaver said, adding that the ordinance specifically refers to dogs and other pet animals.

He added that the county could clarify the definition to indicate it does not include any human being, though he indicated he felt this would be “unnecessary verbiage.”

Le Roux commented that the definitions need to align with state statute, but that the definition of what the ordinance applies to could be changed.

He added that he does not favor additional government and would potentially like to review the need for other ordinances, but that he feels the dog ordinance addresses a “significant issue in this county.”

The BoCC then heard three public comments on the ordinance which questioned the origins of the ordinance, suggested that the ordinance might apply to humans, questioned if the ordinance places government above citizens due to exempting government agencies from the ordinance, and suggested it might be part of a broader nationwide agenda concerning the implementation of dog ordinances as a step to subjugate the population, which commenters compared to Nazi Germany or “The Communist Manifesto.”

Following public comment, Medina reiterated her desire to have the resolution tabled to clarify the language of the ordinance and discuss the need for an ordinance with the ACSO.

Brown stated that he would not oppose tabling the ordinance, but that he supports an ordinance since it would give ACSO staff the tools needed to successfully perform their duties.

He noted that the ACSO makes attempts to remedy issues with barking dogs, but that those living near properties with repeated nuisance dog calls “have to believe that the government is also there to serve them. In that instance they need to have — the deputy — the tools to enforce the ordinances.”

Brown stated that he researched the legal definition of animal and would be open to clarifications to the definition that would not undermine adherence to state statute.

He questioned where the potentially dangerous implementation of dog ordinances referenced by public commenters is occurring, noting that he had not heard of the issue before despite reading a variety of legal journalism, but that he might be aware of how widespread the problem could be.

However, Brown added that an ordinance is necessary to address the problems with barking dogs in Archuleta County, noting that he personally moved due to dog issues with a neighbor.

Maez stated that the county could “tighten up” the ordinance and commented that he “felt bad” for dogs, suggesting that barking is “what they do” and that humans

choose to live in dense neighborhoods where barking is an issue.

“Dogs are not dumb creatures,” Maez added. “They have us taking care of ‘em and that’s not very dumb. That’s pretty smart.”

He concluded that he supported tabling the ordinance to clarify it.

Medina reiterated her questions about why the ordinance is necessary when the prior resolution might provide “the tools we need.”

Maez stated that he would prefer to make the resolution the ordinance, although he commented that “we’re here to collaborate and compromise, too.”

Brown stated that he did not have further comments and that, if the ordinance was tabled, further discussion on it could be held later.

Weaver noted that an ordinance requires adoption over two public hearings while a resolution requires no hearings and that the BoCC would not hear public comments on it.

Maez reiterated his willingness to consider making the resolution the ordinance, highlighting that the resolution is shorter.

The BoCC then moved to table the consideration of the ordinance and move it to the Nov. 8 BoCC meeting.

At the Oct. 10 BoCC work session, the board discussed the dog ordinance briefly, with Medina explaining that she met with Le Roux and Weaver to discuss changes.

She explained that she and Le Roux came to an agreement to add verbiage specifically indicating that the definition of animal does not include humans and to remove the clause excluding governmental agencies from the ordinance.

She stated that a section later in the ordinance defines activities of governmental agencies, such as using police dogs, to which the ordinance would not apply, making the exclusion unnecessary.

Weaver stated that he would investigate the issue more to ensure removing the exclusion would not make the activities of police dogs and other dogs owned by government agencies subject to violations if they are performing work in a manner that would violate the ordinance.

The board then briefly discussed the definition of police dogs further before Medina pointed out that dogs could be controlled under voice command as well as on leashes and that nonaggressive dogs approaching people would not be considered vicious dogs under the ordinance, which she noted were concerns that citizens expressed.

“I feel good about this,” Medina commented, adding she and Le Roux discussed the need for a resolution versus an ordinance, concluding that a resolution would not allow criminal enforcement and might necessitate Weaver to prosecute dog-related civil cases.

Weaver explained that recent Colorado law removed the ability of ordinances to include criminal penalties, making the ordinance similar to the resolution.

However, he noted that Le Roux would still prefer an ordinance since he feels it is a “stronger document.”

Maez commented that he would “not mind” approving the ordinance although it is no different than the resolution.

Weaver stated that he spoke to Le Roux and that Le Roux commented that the process of adopting the ordinance is nearly complete, whereas a resolution with the changes from the ordinance would require restarting the process.

Brown questioned if the district attorney would take dog control cases without an ordinance.

County Manager Derek Woodman indicated that Le Roux spoke with the district attorney, who indicated that he would prosecute with an ordinance, but not with a resolution.

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Outdoors

Arborglyphs: holding on to history

By Alex Handloff
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In the beautiful forests surrounding Buckles Lake to the south of Pagosa Springs, a tree comes crashing down. It is an aspen tree. Its life has not been cut short despite the aspen harboring a fungus and some diseases for quite some time — no, the aspen falls because it is old, because it has reached the end of its life.

Our instinct is to lament the fallen aspen for we admire the beauty and fragility of this iconic species. And rightly so. All the more we lament when we see that there are arborglyphs dating back to the early 20th century of names in Spencerian script, dates and various artistic drawings. These were carved in a different time by Spanish sheep herders, mostly young men, who lived in these forests.

“The shepherd, away from loved ones for months at a time, expressed his loneliness and boredom on the vast slate available, the soft, white bark of the aspen trees,” said Peggy Bergon, an arborglyph expert who has photographed thousands of examples of aspen art. “Most are dated from the earliest years of the 20th century through the 1950s. The carvings illustrate the story of the young men

alone in the woods throughout the summer months. Using a knife tip, or even a nail, he sketched visions of home, hearth and missed loved ones that have adorned thousands of aspens throughout the Western forests. I believe the exquisite handwriting and pictorial charm of the carvings serve as a written record of who was on the land at a time when this part of the country was still remote and unpopulated. Although, it is a rapidly disappearing history due to age, disease, fire and climate change.”

In late September, the San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership organized a tour of the arborglyphs and aspen forests at Buckles Lake to better understand the cultural and historical importance and the future of the aging aspen groves. Bergon joined, along with staff from the San Juan National Forest, interested community members and others, including Matt Tuten, the former silviculturist on the San Juan National Forest and currently the Cooperative Forestry Program manager for the U.S. Forest Service Rocky Mountain Region.

“Aspen establishes after large disturbances like wildfire,” Tuten explained. “With harvesting, we can simulate wildfire and regenerate aspen stands. In the Buckles

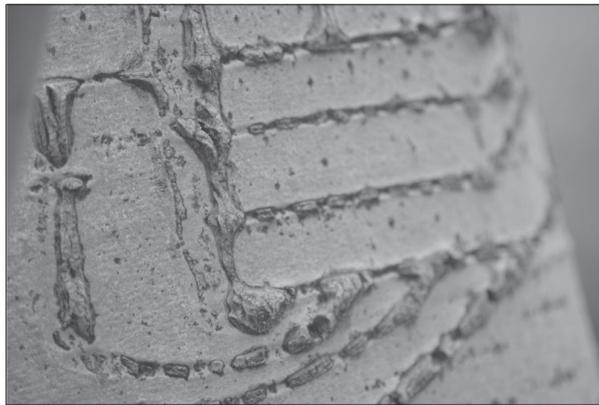


Photo courtesy Alex Handloff

An arborglyph is pictured near Buckles Lake.

landscape, harvests have successfully established young aspen two other times over the last 40-50 years.”

Aspen trees are peculiar. One grove is usually composed of one singular organism that exhibits root sprout where new trees pop up nearby directly from the roots. Aspens are relatively short-lived trees, and as is the case at Buckles Lake, the aging groves are often pushed out by longer-lived, shade-tolerant trees like firs and pines. This is a natural process.

Without the disturbance that Tuten mentioned, the forest transitions to a mixed-conifer type and the aspen trees die. There is nothing malicious about the conifers, and, yet, our human sensibilities tell us that we must hold on to aspen, especially ones with carvings.

“History was written on the trees,” added Bergon. “We have this incredible time capsule hidden in our aspen forests. Photographic documentation is the most permanent and preferred method for their preservation. If one is lucky enough to find a grove with

arborglyphs, take a moment to appreciate the beautiful handwriting with dates possibly over 100 years old. Discover the story they tell and leave them be so that another adventurer may also catch a peek into the past.”

It's worth asking how there are any aspen at all given this seemingly inevitable fate they all face. However, as Tuten has seen first hand in the forests near Buckles Lake, eventually a disturbance such as fire or cutting the aspen occurs and they come back again, resilient as ever, given life by the disturbance that provides space and sunlight. As humans, we have a choice in the matter, and to promote a future filled with these valued trees, we can mimic these disturbances.

Unfortunately, while aspen may once again dominate these woods, these arborglyphs cannot.

The history of the trees at Buckles Lake date back even further than these arborglyphs, existing as the traditional homeland of the Jicarilla Apache since time immemorial and other tribal nations before that. There are multiple layers of values, history and interests, with different views of how to move forward and what to hold on to.

But what we can say confidently is that we all hope for a thriving future for these forests, and most likely one that includes aspen and the cultural and historical memories associated with them — both of the arborglyphs that adorns the bark-like pages in a journal as well as the Jicarilla Apache's much older relationship with the woods. The arborglyphs may disappear and the forest is bound to change, but our appreciation and respect for how people interact with the forest doesn't need to.

“It was nice to have such a diverse group assemble to share and broaden their knowledge of forest dynamics in the Buckles Lake area,” said Bergon.

If you're interested in learning more, joining upcoming tours or discussing topics like aspen, wildfire and natural resources, reach out to the San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership by contacting its coordinator, Alex Handloff, at alex@mountainstudies.org.



Photo courtesy Alex Handloff

Peggy Bergon explains the history of the Buckles Lake area in front of three old aspens.

Great House eclipse experience at Chimney Rock National Monument set for Oct. 14

By Nadia Werby
Chimney Rock Interpretive Association

Come join a select few on Saturday, Oct. 14, for a guided tour up to the Great House Pueblo for a magnificent viewing spot of the annular solar eclipse.

The gate will open at 8:30 a.m. with check-in from 8:30 to 9 a.m. The eclipse will begin at 9:10 a.m. and reach a maximum of 93.1 percent solar coverage at 10:35 a.m.

The eclipse will conclude by noon. Because of limited parking, shuttles will transfer participants to

the trailhead. The 2/3-mile round-trip trail is considered moderate with some rough, rocky sections and steep drop-offs. Bring something soft to sit on while viewing the eclipse.

The fee is \$25 per person. This will cover the Forest Service's entry fee and NASA-approved protective glasses for each participant. Tickets are limited to 35 people.

For tickets, please visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call (877) 444-6777. A booking fee applies to each ticket purchased online or through the call center. Purchasing your tickets in advance is the only

way to guarantee a spot for this program.

This Ancestral Puebloan cultural site is located 17 miles west of Pagosa Springs and 3 miles south on Colo. 151. To view the Chimney Rock National Monument 2023 Calendar of Events, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

The Chimney Rock Interpretive Association is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that offers interpretive programs at Chimney Rock National Monument in partnership with the USDA Forest Service and the San Juan National Forest.

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New members needed for Greater Rocky Mountain Resource Advisory Committee

USDA Forest Service

The USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Region is seeking new members with diverse backgrounds and interests to serve on the Greater Rocky Mountain Resource Advisory Committee.

Committee members recommend special projects that should be implemented on Forest Service lands with Title II Secure Rural Schools funds.

The committee functions under a formal charter in accordance with the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act and is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

The Greater Rocky Mountain Resource Advisory Committee is the largest of its kind, representing the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, Gunnison, Routt, Pike, Roosevelt, San Isabel, Rio Grande, San Juan and White River national forests in Colorado, and the Medicine Bow, Bighorn and Shoshone National Forests in Wyoming.

The committee consists of 15 people who work in collaboration with natural resource managers and community members to help make project decisions that benefit federal lands and local communi-

ties. Serving on the committee provides an opportunity for citizens to have a voice in future management actions across the region.

Members volunteer to serve a four-year term without pay, but may be reimbursed for travel expenses.

Projects are funded primarily by Title II and must improve forest health, fish, wildlife, soils, watersheds or other resources; maintain, decommission or obliterate roads; improve trails and other infrastructure; or control noxious weeds.

Previous projects have included meadow restoration in wetland areas, wildlife habitat improvements and the installation of aquatic organism passages to replace undersized culverts. The projects must be located on or provide a direct benefit to national forest lands.

The committee is also responsible for monitoring projects and making recommendations for improvements.

Those who are interested in serving on the committee are invited to submit nominations. Final selections will be vetted and approved by the secretary of agriculture. Nominees must:

- Be a resident of Colorado or Wyoming; committee members

will vote on projects in both states, regardless of their state of residency.

• Provide a cover letter stating why they want to serve on the Greater Rocky Mountain Resource Advisory Committee and what they can contribute.

Provide a resume that shows experience working successfully in a collaborative setting and/or in work related to forest management activities.

Complete Form AD-755, Advisory Committee or Research and Promotion Background Information. The AD-755 can be obtained at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd674657.pdf.

• Identify the interest group they would like to represent and their qualifications to represent that group. Interest groups include:

Category One: Five members who represent energy and mineral development, the commercial timber industry, organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups, developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle users or commercial recreation, or federal grazing or other land permits or represent nonindustrial private forest landowners.

Category Two: Five members who represent nationally recognized environmental organizations; regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations; dispersed recreational activities; archaeological and historical interests; or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations.

Category Three: Five members who are elected state officials; are county or local elected officials; represent Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the council is organized; are school officials or teachers with knowledge in natural resource management or the natural sciences; or represent the affected public at large and/or are employed by a state agency responsible for the management of natural resources, land or water.

Nominations must be received by Dec. 1. Please email nomination packages to Karley O'Connor at Karley.O'Connor@usda.gov, or mail them to O'Connor at Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests, 2250 South Main Street, Delta, CO 81416.

You may also contact O'Connor for assistance with the application process.

Weminuche Audubon Society announces October events

By Jean Zirnhelt

Weminuche Audubon Society

October is the month when Weminuche Audubon Society chapter members set aside time to share stories and photos of places we've been and wildlife we've seen in the past year.

There are some excellent photographers in our group and we

look forward to seeing their favorite captures. Some of us have traveled far and others develop relationships with the critters we see in our own backyards.

If you have photos to share, please bring them on a flash drive. We will project them on the screen and you can narrate. Those who don't use a camera can paint a picture with words to describe a

special experience.

Everyone is welcome to join us on Wednesday, Oct. 18, for this fun get-together. We will meet in the Community United Methodist Church on Lewis Street starting at 6 p.m. for social time, with the meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. Please enter through the side door closest to the parking lot. In appreciation for our meeting space we ask that you bring a donation of nonperishable food for the church food bank. Also in October, we hope that

you will join Weminuche Audubon in participating in Global Big Day on Oct. 14. On this day, bird enthusiasts from across the globe count birds wherever they are and enter observations on ebird.org. You can count for as little as 10 minutes or as long as all day to make a valuable contribution to this effort that maps species across the globe in one 24-hour period. It will be interesting to see how birds react to the solar eclipse that morning.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, Oct. 12

Main Street Advisory Board meeting. 4 p.m., Visitor Center, 105 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

San Juan Water Conservancy District and Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District joint meeting. 4 p.m., PAWSD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave. For a Zoom link, visit www.pawsd.org.

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

Upper San Juan Health Service District special meeting. 5 p.m., 95 S. Pagosa Blvd. Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83611276692>, meeting ID: 836 1127 6692.

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

Tuesday, Oct. 17

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 at: <https://zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxtZz09>, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter>.

Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board meeting. 4 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Wednesday, Oct. 18

Upper San Juan Library District Board meeting. 4 p.m. via Zoom. Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83398449146>.

Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors meeting. 5 p.m., 3133 Cornerstone Drive. For more information, visit: <https://pagosapeakopenschool.org>.

Thursday, Oct. 19

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

Tuesday, Oct. 24

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>.

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

Public meeting information should be sent to editor@pagosasun.com with "Public Meeting" in the subject line. The deadline is noon Monday each week prior to publication for that week's issue.

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Seeds of Learning hosted a back-to-school event for all the families whose children attend the nonprofit preschool on Sept. 28. Families enjoyed a fun-filled evening of dinner and various activities. Families were able to tour the three classrooms, meet the teachers and staff, and children showed off their various projects and play-based activities around the school.

Commissioners hear early childhood council budget request

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its Oct. 10 work session, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard a 2024 budget request from the Early Childhood Council of Archuleta County (EECAC) for additional funding for food and a counselor position.

EECAC Executive Director Laura Mijares and EECAC board member Jan Santopietro presented the request.

Mijares explained that the EECAC submitted two requests at the recommendation of Commissioner Veronica Medina, although she noted that the EECAC's current operations are self-sufficient and funded through state grants and contracts.

However, she stated that she encounters other approaches to creating an "early childhood safety net" at conferences she attends and that EECAC is "looking to expand" its initiatives.

Mijares explained that the EECAC recently launched an early literacy initiative through grant funding and that it received requests to assist with rising food costs from local early childhood centers.

She added that the reimbursements received through the federal Child and Adult Care Food Program are not covering expenses, necessitating centers to cover food expenses through operating funds.

Mijares then requested that the BoCC provide \$1 per day for the approximately 220 children in local early childhood centers to reduce

food costs, which she stated would amount to approximately \$20,000 per year.

She also stated that the state recommends that the EECAC have a mental health professional to work with children, parents and teachers in the area on behavioral and learning challenges.

She indicated that this position would be somewhat equivalent to a school counselor and would cost approximately \$90,000 per year for a master's degree-level, 180-day contract according to the Archuleta School District's salary schedule.

In response to a question from Medina, Mijares explained that the funding for food would be divided between institutions based on enrollment numbers.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez asked if the early childhood mental health professional was a request or requirement from the state.

Mijares stated that there is a regional professional based in La Plata County, but that she is spread too thin to be effective.

Santopietro added that the state mandates that each early childhood council have a mental health professional and that the EECAC has been sharing such a professional with La Plata County.

Maez stated that he would like to see this mandate to help justify the potential expenditure of funds.

Commissioner Warren Brown asked if the position could potentially serve multiple agencies, and Maez asked if the EECAC investigated this possibility.

Mijares responded that the "best

bet" of such an arrangement would be with the San Juan Board of Cooperative Educational Services, also commonly known as BOCES.

Medina asked why the professional from La Plata County is not able to provide effective services and what governs how their time is divided.

Mijares responded that the effectiveness of a counselor is heavily impacted by how well they can follow up on cases, which the division of time makes unfeasible.

Maez asked if a master's degree is required.

Mijares stated that she was unsure, but that most counselors are licensed with a master's degree.

Medina asked how likely it would be that the EECAC could fill the position if it were funded.

Mijares responded that there is at least one local resident who previously expressed interest in the position.

She also stated in response to a question from Maez that the position would not provide benefits, but that the salary was raised to help fund the staff member independently obtaining benefits.

"I appreciate the information," Brown said. "This is some good food for thought."

County Attorney Todd Weaver proposed that the counselor position could be tied to the county's public health department and could potentially be funded through state public health programs or grants.

He added that Archuleta County Public Health Department Director

Ashley Wilson could potentially investigate this.

Mijares noted Wilson is on the EECAC board and is aware of the need.

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Colorado students continue to miss school at higher rate than before pandemic

Colorado Department of Education

An analysis by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) on reported absences in Colorado public schools in the 2022-2023 school year found nearly 270,000 students missed more than 10 percent of school.

That amounted to more than one out of every four students and was the second highest number of chronic absences recorded, topped only by the 2021-2022 school year that was heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Every day a student is in school is an opportunity for them to learn, build relationships and access support," said Susana Córdova, Colorado's education commissioner. "We know districts are working

hard to ensure students attend school regularly. But we need everyone, including educators, parents, students and community members, to make a renewed effort on this important matter. Last year, more than a quarter of our students missed 10 percent or more of school. The surest way to make improvements in our recovery from the disruptions of the pandemic is for kids to be in school."

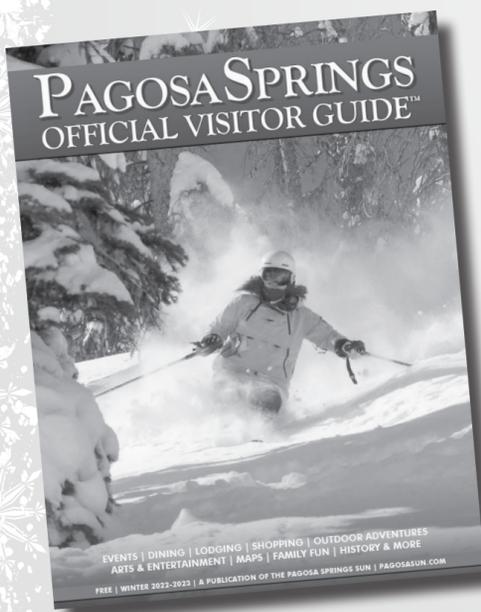
Overall, the rate of chronic absenteeism in Colorado in 2022-2023 was 31 percent, representing 269,582 students who missed more than 10 percent of school. A student is considered chronically absent when they miss 10 percent or more of the days they are enrolled in the school year. This number includes both excused and unexcused ab-

sences.

Last year's rate was an improvement over 2021-2022, when chronic absenteeism was at an all-time high. In 2021-2022, 36 percent of students missed 10 percent or more of school days — 5 percentage points higher than last year or 48,000 more students. Chronic absenteeism has been calculated since the 2016-2017 school year, and rates have ranged from 18 percent to 24 percent prior to the pandemic.

Additionally, the majority of Colorado's school districts showed improved attendance over 2021-2022, with 124 of the state's 185 school districts having better rates in 2022-2023 and 22 districts improving by more than 10 percent. ■ See Students page A13

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I recently vacationed with family in Pagosa Springs and found the Official Visitors Guide published by the Sun so helpful and interesting that I want to send my compliments on a job well done. The magazine was full of suggestions on all kinds of activities with actual executable details on how to experience them. On top of that, the narrative sections of the guide were quite well written and interesting to read like a magazine article. It all made our trip to the area go better and be more fun. Thank you to those responsible in the Sun's organization!.....Dale via email

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Commissioner visits Pagosa Peak Open School for Career Week

By Ashley Springer
Archuleta County

Commissioner Veronica Medina visited Pagosa Peak Open School first-graders on Sept. 28 for its Career Week event. The purpose of her visit was to inform students of the tools used to do her job effectively.

Medina spoke on various topics, including the difference between the town and the county, the Amer-

ican flag, the Colorado Constitution and a class favorite, potholes. She presented and explained the 50 states and 13 stripes of the American flag and what they represent, displayed a county map and stressed the importance of reading by showing students the Colorado Constitution.

"This is full of the rules we have to follow," she said, showing the class a physical copy. "This is why it's important to know how to read."

Medina encouraged the importance of learning all topics taught at the school.

"Early education, specifically that which involves hands-on learning, is crucial to the future of our students," Medina said.

She then asked the class if they had any questions, to which one student responded, "What is your favorite part of your job?"

"Serving the county," Medina stated, "and everyone who lives

here." Medina left the class with American flag-printed wooden airplanes.

Pagosa Peak Open School is a tuition-free, public charter school. More information about the school can be found at pagosapeakopenschool.org.

Medina can be reached by calling (970) 264-8300 or by emailing veronica.medina@archuletacounty.org.

Students

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age points. Despite the year-to-year trend showing improvement, there continues to be areas of concern.

The number of excused absences were two times the number of unexcused absences. Typically, excused absences are due to health-related absences or school-related activities.

Kindergarten, 10th, 11th and 12th grade had the highest rates of chronic absenteeism — all grade levels were above 35 percent.

Some individual student groups had higher rates of chronic absenteeism than the statewide average of 31 percent:

- English learners: 40 percent.
- Students with Individualized Education Programs: 39 percent.
- Students who qualify for free/reduced-price lunch: 43 percent.
- Students experiencing homelessness: 60 percent.
- Migrant students: 43 percent.

State and district chronic absenteeism data and state, district and school-level truancy rates are posted on the state's attendance

statistics Web page.

Attendance awareness

Attendance is important. Missing 10 percent or more of school can translate into students having difficulty learning to read by third grade, achieving in middle school and graduating high school, according to numerous studies.

The CDE is highlighting the issue to raise awareness around the importance of regular school participation.

AttendanceWorks, a nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of attendance, provides resources to help schools, districts and communities understand the importance of maintaining regular attendance at school.

Sickness-related absences

With the majority of absences in 2022-2023 being excused and many likely being health related, it is important for schools and districts to create specific guidance on when

students should call in sick.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has updated guidance to help parents know when to keep their students home. "How sick is too sick?" is available in both English and Spanish.

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County approves purchase of new dispatch protocols

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its Oct. 3 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved the purchase of new emergency dispatch protocols for the Archuleta County Combined Dispatch Center.

At the BoCC work session earlier in the day, Emergency Communications Director Devin Moffat outlined the benefits of the new protocols, beginning by explaining that the center currently uses a set of scripted questions contained on cards for emergency medical dispatch calls to determine what response is needed.

Moffat stated that the current system through the Association of Public-Safety Communication Officials (APCO) is "cumbersome," does not meet American Heart Association or American College of Surgeons standards, does not provide graduations in types of emergency response required, has outdated or lacking quality assurance protocols, and does not offer a path for dispatch center accreditation.

He noted that the new protocols and programs would be supplied through Priority Dispatch and use International Academy of Emergency Dispatch (IAED) protocols.

He explained that the new protocols would allow for greater graduation in what kind of emergency response is sent for a given call, which Moffat indicated will allow for more efficient resource use.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez stated that emergency services agencies might desire to continue to go on calls due to the importance of call volume for grant funding.

Moffat noted that there are intergovernmental agreements that

govern which agencies respond to calls and that agencies would be consulted in developing new response guidelines.

He stated that the IAED offers protocols for fire and law enforcement calls, which he indicated the center does not have, and which would improve dispatch responses to such calls and allow dispatchers to provide effective instructions to callers before emergency services arrive.

Moffat added that the IAED operates internationally and that it would assist with continuing dispatcher education as well as integrating with the Oracle computer-aided dispatch program the center is currently working on implementing.

He noted that the center would receive a discount for purchasing all protocols for all three disciplines at once and that the system would assist with triaging emergency calls if necessary.

He explained that the center has a vacancy savings of approximately \$250,000 as of the end of August and that leaving APCO would save approximately \$5,200, while the IAED protocols would involve a \$12,600 annual license renewal split between user agencies and an initial cost of \$150,000, including approximately \$30,000 of funding for training new staff and continuing education.

Moffat stated that the new protocols would allow Pagosa Springs Medical Center Emergency Medical Services to explore new response options, improve triage for medical calls and assist the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office's Division of Emergency Management by having specific questions for backcountry rescues.

He added that the protocols would assist the Pagosa Fire Protec-

tion District in better handling calls in the future when the district has more than one staffed center and that they would benefit citizens by improving the care provided by dispatchers before emergency services arrive on scene.

The group then discussed details of the protocol purchase, with Commissioner Warren Brown noting that the cost of the purchase would be shared by the user agencies for the dispatch center.

Moffat stated that purchasing the protocols was unanimously approved by the Archuleta County Combined Dispatch Board, which contains representatives of the user agencies.

County Manager Derek Woodman, who sits on the dispatch board, noted that the new protocols are one of the few that offer accreditation.

Moffat commended the work his dispatchers do with the current protocols and concluded that the new protocols would give them the tools to work more efficiently, which the commissioners expressed agreement with.

At the meeting later that day, the BoCC approved the software implementation agreement with Priority Dispatch, with Maez highlighting that the agreement would be shared between all entities involved in the dispatch center prior to the vote.

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Sports

FOOTBALL



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Pirate Gavin Lindahl avoids a tackle by the Kirtland Central Broncos on Oct. 6. Lindahl logged 83 rushing yards in the 46-6 win.

Pirates tame Broncos with 46-6 homecoming win

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate football team picked up a big homecoming win on Friday, Oct. 6, against the Kirtland Central Broncos.

With the 46-6 win, the Pirates moved to 3-3 on the season and the Broncos dropped to 2-5.

The Pirates remain the No. 13 team in the 2A football Selection and Seeding Index following the win.

"I thought they played well," coach Nathan Morales said. "We executed. They've continued to grow and get better each week, so that's a positive, and we hope to continue to do those things so we're playing our best football at the end of the season."

The Pirates began scoring early in the game, with Harley Armijo turning a fumble recovery into a 48-yard touchdown with 11:04 left in the first quarter. It was followed by a successful extra-point kick by Elijah Castro.

The Pirates scored again with 8:38 left in the quarter on an 11-yard run by Colton Lucero, putting the Pirates up 13-0.

Armijo logged his second touchdown of the night with 5:34 left in the first quarter on a 61-yard pass play that was followed by a two-point conversion scored by Lucero to give the Pirates a 21-0 lead.

With 1:53 left in the first, Blake Laner scored on a 44-yard pass play, giving the Pirates a 27-0 lead at the end of the quarter.

The Pirates picked up another 19 points in the second quarter.

With 9:07 left in the second quarter, Seth Aucoin scored on a 19-yard pass play, putting the Pirates up 33-0.

The Broncos scored with 5:47 left in the second on a 7-yard pass play to make it a 33-6 game, but the Pirates countered with another touchdown shortly thereafter.

With 5:22 left in the quarter, Armijo tallied his third touchdown of the night, which came on a 65-yard run. It was followed by a successful extra-point kick by Castro.

The Pirates' final touchdown of the night came with 4:29 left in the first half on a 50-yard punt return by Gavin Lindahl, giving the Pirates a 46-6 lead.

Many of the team's younger players took the field in the second half to gain varsity experience, with Morales explaining they mixed the younger players in with the varsity players in the third quarter before playing primarily younger players in the fourth.

"I thought they played well," he said. "They held them scoreless,

and that's just a positive thing for the younger guys to continue to grow as well."

The Pirates logged 457 all-purpose yards against the Broncos, including 153 rushing yards, 239 receiving yards, 15 yards on kick returns and 50 yards on a punt return.

The Broncos had 264 all-purpose yards.

Lindahl led the team with 83 rushing yards on six carries. Lucero had 31 rushing yards on three carries, and Ty Richey logged 29 yards on three carries. Creede Dozier had 8 yards on one carry. Jayton Ross had 7 yards on seven carries. Seth Aucoin had 1 yard on one carry and Stetson Osborn lost 6 yards over four carries.

Dozier had 206 passing yards, completing seven of eight pass attempts. Richey logged 33 passing yards, completing two of four pass attempts.

Aucoin led the team with 76 receiving yards on three receptions, and Armijo followed with 66 yards on two receptions. Laner had one 43-yard reception, Hudson Mazur had one for 32 yards, Seth Zeigler

had one for 21 yards and Devin Gonzalez had one for 1 yard.

Eighteen different Pirates combined to log 57 total tackles in the affair, including 37 solo and 20 assisted tackles.

Lucero led the team in tackles with eight — six solo and two assisted. Jayden Martin followed with seven — six solo and one assisted — and Zeigler had two solo and four assisted for a total of six tackles.

The team had three sacks, with Laner, Lucero and Martin each recording one.

Armijo had two fumble recoveries and caused one fumble, while Mazur recovered one fumble.

Mazur kicked off eight times for a total of 160 yards, and Dozier punted twice for a total of 65 yards.

"I think we're just starting to ... execute better. I think there's still places we need to do things better ... there's always something. We're not perfect, and, just like in life, it's hard to be perfect," Morales said, adding the Pirates continue to grow and work as a team.

The coach noted the team is in its second week with an unusual practice schedule due to school

events, but that he hopes to have a good week of practice ahead of this week's game.

"There's a good Cortez team coming to town that are hungry and wanting to beat us, so we've gotta make sure we're doing the right things and execute," he said.

■ See Football A15

Triple Impact Student-Athlete of the Week

Seth Aucoin
Football

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Live pep music and a halftime cheer performance round out Pagosa Springs High School's homecoming festivities at the Pirate football game on Oct. 6.

CROSS-COUNTRY

Pirates take third, sixth at Intermountain League meet

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate cross-country teams raced at the Centauri Invitational in Alamosa on Oct. 7, with the girls' team taking third place and the boys' team taking sixth.

Coach Rachael Christiansen comments on the race in a communication to The SUN, "This last weekend we headed back to Alamosa to race in our Intermountain

League Meet, hosted by Centauri. While the course was flat and fast, it was a bit long, coming closer to 3.2 miles. That extra .10 mile can equate to 30-40 seconds added to times. So while we didn't see any actual [personal records (PRs)] like we were hoping, we did see a lot of our team run a PR pace. We know that can be discouraging, however we have a couple more opportunities for a PR this season and we can tell we have a few who are there fitness wise!"

The girls' team finished third out of four full teams at the meet.

Pirate Sienna Rose took eighth place out of 49 runners with a time of 22 minutes, 20.5 seconds.

Christiansen explains that Rose reduced her time 34 seconds from the previous week's meet in Salida and that her time was only 31 seconds short of her personal record.

Charlotte Duranton took 13th place with a time of 23:25.70 in what the coach notes was her fastest race of the season so far and a

26-second reduction in time from the Salida race.

Kaiya Lyons finished in 23:41.40 to take 15th place, reducing her time 31 seconds from last week and falling only 12 seconds short of her personal record, according to Christiansen.

Madisen Stretton took 26th place with a time of 25:40.80, Hailey Sams took 27th with a time of 25:48.10 and Marie Smith took 28th with a time of 25:59.80.

Johanna Beaird took 48th place with a time of 34:40, which Christiansen notes is comparable to her performance at the Salida race.

The boys' team placed sixth out of eight teams at the meet.

Miles Baker took 12th out of 76 runners with a time of 19:12.50, reducing his time by 27 seconds from the Salida meet, according to the coach, and falling only 12 seconds short of his personal record.

Jesse Beck took 19th with a time of 19:37.60 and Connor Thomas placed 35th with a time of 20:43.80.

The coach explains that Beck reduced his time by 27 seconds from last week and was 42 seconds short of his personal record while Thomas was 35 seconds faster than the previous week.

Dylan Dempster took 45th place

■ See Cross-country A16



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Pirate Blake Laner catches a pass that resulted in a 44-yard touchdown during Pagosa's 46-6 victory over the Kirtland Central Broncos on Oct. 6. The win evened the team's record at 3-3 on the season.

Football

■ Continued from A14

The Pirates will host the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers, who are 4-3 on the season, at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, at Golden Peaks Stadium.

Montezuma-Cortez is the No. 16 team in the Selection and Seeding

Index and sits second in the Intermountain League (IML) with a 2-0 league record.

Delta leads the league with a 2-0 league record and 7-0 overall record, while the Pirates are in third with an 0-1 league record and 3-3 overall record.

Bayfield is in fourth with an 0-1 league record and 0-6 overall record, and Salida is in fifth with an 0-2 league record and 4-3 overall record.

The Panthers defeated the Kirtland Central Broncos 54-40 earlier this season.



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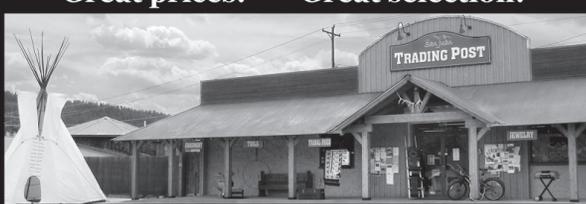
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VOLLEYBALL

Lady Pirates fall prey to Wolverines

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate volleyball team dropped its league matchup with the Bayfield Wolverines 3-1 on Tuesday evening in Bayfield.

The Lady Pirates now own a 6-9 overall record and are 3-4 in Inter-mountain League (IML) action, placing them third in the league.

"We were walking into a pretty intense gym," coach Katie Lorenzen described following the game. "It was their senior night, they were doing their pink-out and it was also homecoming week, so they were just really fired up and brought ... really focused energy the entire match."

The Wolverines won the first match 25-17. The Lady Pirates evened things out with a 25-22 win in the second set.

Bayfield sealed its victory over the following two sets, winning 25-15 and 25-22.

"We did have a harder time breaking them down, even though I did think that we had a lot of improvements that we were working on recently," Lorenzen said. "Specifically, I think our offense was in a better rhythm than it has been probably most of the year. The setters were delivering really good balls to our hitters and it just helped our offense tremendously."

Lorenzen noted Aspen Pitcher stood out on the night.

"The big standout was Aspen Pitcher really just banging balls in a good rhythm with setters delivering her nice sets," the coach said.

Pitcher notched another double-double with 12 kills and 11 digs

against Bayfield.

Lorenzen highlighted Pitcher led the hitters in hitting percentage, was taking a lot more swings than anyone else and had almost half of the team's 27 kills.

Kynslie Limebrook followed with six kills on 22 swings.

"After that we did struggle a bit offensively with the rest of the hitters either hitting zero or negative," Lorenzen said. "So, we need a little more out of other hitters in order to be able to beat a good team."

The coach pointed out the team had five players with two service aces each: Pitcher, Lexi Campbell, Annie O'Donnell, Limebrook and Sophia Sottek.

"That really helped us," she said.

"We did have a lot of really tough serves, but tonight I'd say what got us was a number of unforced errors where there were a few miscommunications, hesitations. The gym was very loud and we were right next to their student section, so I did think that did affect everyone being able to hear themselves call the ball. So, those few little hesitations would definitely deflate us, because sometimes they were at the end of a really incredible rally back and forth and then at the very end we would make a little mistake, and it was kind of deflating."

Lauren Monterosso led the team with 16 of its 54 digs, with Lorenzen noting she had a "couple really amazing saves."

The coach noted the team also had some "awesome hustle plays" against Bayfield.

In one, she described, Grace Walker went after and saved a ball "almost out of the bleachers."

"Our passers, overall, did well,"

she said. "Maybe not as great as most of our games this season, but our passing has typically just been very stellar. And, Grace passed really well."

The coach noted Walker also had a lot of great digs.

"She held the back row really well," Lorenzen said. "She talks to our hitters from back there, she has a great view, and she really helps the hitters with knowing exactly where to put the ball in order to score."

Lorenzen pointed out the team's progress was evident in the game.

"We were really working on hit-table balls from our setters recently, and that showed up big time. And, our blocking did a tremendous job of following Bayfield's hitters," she said, adding the Wolverines' hitters ran a lot of different patterns offensively. "They had a lot of things going on where our blockers really had to watch what they were doing, and we overall did a really great job. I would say probably 90 percent of the time we were communicating correctly and getting a double block up on Bayfield's different patterns. And I'd say that is a huge improvement from where we started the season in not tracking the other teams' hitters very well."

Lorenzen noted the team also made some other changes on the night, adding it's nice to be able to put people into different positions and have them be able to adjust.

"Bayfield just came out hot and heavy," she said. "They have in recent years been a really strong team and they've got a great coach, and they were just fired up about the night, so it was a tough gym to walk into and go up against them."

The Wolverines are now 3-5 in

IML play and 5-13 overall. They sit fourth in the IML and 43rd in the 3A volleyball Selection and Seeding Index.

The Lady Pirates are now the No. 41 team in the Selection and Seeding Index.

The Lady Pirates have a pair of home games over the next week.

On Saturday, the Lady Pirates will host the Centauri Falcons, with varsity play anticipated to begin at 1 p.m.

"They are really just continuing to improve and they have an outside hitter who can hit from anywhere on the court — just a really amazing athlete," the coach said of the Falcons, adding, "We've got our work cut out for us to really just cover the court and be on top of how she reads our defense and just places the ball wherever someone is not. She's really good at that, so we've got to be really good at being set and ready to just take off and run anywhere."

The team will also continue working on its communicating with block location and set locations, according to the coach.

"We're looking to be a different team than when we played Centauri at their place," she said.

Pagosa lost to Centauri 3-0 on Sept. 16 in La Jara.

The Falcons are 10th in the Selection and Seeding Index and second in the IML with a 6-1 league mark and 12-5 overall record.

On Tuesday, the team will host the Buena Vista Demons for a 6 p.m. match.

The Demons are 11-6 on the season and are the No. 21 team in 2A volleyball.

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DUST2 Pagosa finishes second at Chalk Creek Stampede

By Hadley Phillips
DUST2

The Pagosa Springs DUST2 Mountain Bike Team just finished its fourth and final race before the state race.

This race was held in Nathrop on private property owned by the McMurry Land and Livestock Co. The Chalk Creek Stampede is a 6.7-mile course with only 443 feet of elevation gain. This is the longest mileage but the smallest incline out of all the races. It runs counterclockwise with an initial ascent,

a flat section on top of a plateau overlooking the picturesque Mount Princeton and then a loose descent into the Chalk Creek basin. A meandering trail follows the creek until it pops out at the finish.

The trail, both single and double track, is lined with cactus and yucca plants, giving the racers one more obstacle to maneuver around. Although the racers' day started in the 30s, it ended in the 70s.

The first race of the day was JV girls, followed by sophomore and freshman girls. Warming up was a

freezing event, but the races started intensely with a pileup in the start chute. Two out of the three JV girls made it through unscathed, but senior Hadley Phillips suffered from a slashed tire and the need for a different bike. She headed out alone after a mad dash to find a bike and quickly began to make up places.

The sophomores and freshmen headed off after course marshals removed the problem rock in the start chute, and the day began.

Rylie Carr finished first for the team in 11th place with a time of 1:12, Natalie Mashue finished 12th with a time of 1:13 and Hadley Phillips finished in 19th out of 31 girls with a time of 1:23.

Pagosa's three freshmen girls were next up, with Sophia Alexander finishing in fourth with a time of 1:09, Adelyn Hittle finishing in fifth with a time of 1:11 and Kenli Bush finishing 24th with a time of 1:39. Kaylee Hensle, sophomore, finished in ninth out of 16 girls with a time of 1:30.

After DUST2's gaggle of girls raced, the sophomore boys lined up. Weston Phillips finished in 21st with a time of 1:02 and Brady Ziminsky finished in 41st out of 68 boys with a time of 1:09.

The following race was the freshmen boys with four racers. Jackson Chaney finished first in 14th place with a time of 1:05, Van Halterman finished in 17th place with a time of 1:06, Aaron Sowle finished in 35th with a time of 1:13, and Justin Sewell finished in 45th out of 57 boys with a time of 1:17. Sewell crashed after the initial incline and was having a hard time breathing due to a handlebar to the ribs. Thankfully, he wasn't seriously injured, but it did affect his race and placement.

Following these boys was the Senior Sendoff. Gathering up all the seniors was an emotional time for many of the parents and coaches. All four of Pagosa's seniors — Mashue,

Hadley Phillips, Jack Hittle and Bradley Lameraux — are Legacy Riders. This means they have raced all four years of high school. This year's seniors had it especially hard. Starting their freshman year during COVID-19 was a challenge because there were no races. Riders had to complete one or more of the posted Strava Challenges to be considered for the Legacy Rider title. The seniors took a joy ride through the tents with people cheering and horns honking, pictures were taken by the podium and tears were shed. Quickly after, the JV boys left to warm up.

Pagosa's one JV boy, Jack Hittle, placed 58th out of 101 boys with a time of 1:08 in the heat of the day.

This was followed by the varsity races. Lameraux finished in 13th place out of 34 varsity risers with a time of 1:22 for three laps.

Along with Lameraux's three laps around the course, he won the Yeti Skills Course. This is a complicated skills course at every race and was Lameraux's sixth time winning it throughout his three years of racing.

This final race day ended at the podium with Alexander taking her fourth-place medal and snagging Adelyn Hittle's fifth medal. The team then climbed up on the second-place platform for the fourth time this season. Although the entire team was not present due to the homecoming dance back in Pagosa, the remaining racers represented Pagosa perfectly.

Following the regular awards were the regional championship awards. Pagosa placed second for the whole season as a team and had three of our girls represent us up on the podium. Carr, a junior, placed fifth overall for the season and freshmen girls Adelyn Hittle and Alexander placed third and fourth, respectively, for the season. Everyone is now eagerly waiting for official regional placements to be posted for the state-qualifying race.

GOLF



Photo courtesy Dawn Robel

Pagosa Springs High School sophomore Johnathon Smith was named to the all-state team recently after he finished tied for 10th at the state championship on Oct. 2 and 3. He is the school's second all-state golfer.

Cross-country

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with a time of 22:17.10 while Peyton Jackson completed the race in 22:21.20 for a 48th-place finish.

Elias Sanchez took 50th with a time of 22:43.50. Isaac Hanto finished in 22:45.90 to take 51st and Asher Burk took place with a time of 23:26.20.

Christiansen notes that Hanto was 40 seconds off of his personal record while Burk reduced his time by 44 seconds from the previous week.

JC Allen was the Pirates' final runner, completing the race in 24:14 for a 61st-place finish.

Christiansen states that Allen reduced his time from the prior week by 2:35 and was only 19 seconds short of his personal record.

"We definitely miss [Levi Hinger] in the front of our pack, but these boys are working hard and we're seeing some positive growth," Christiansen concludes on the boys' team.

The cross-country teams' next race will be the Eric Wolff Invitational in Monte Vista on Oct. 13.

Christiansen explains that this will be the teams' last regular meet of the season and comments, "It is wild that we are already at this point in the season. This course is flat and fast and not too long, so we are looking forward to seeing a few new [PRs]!"

The girls' race will begin at 10 a.m. while the boys' race will take place at 10:45 a.m.
josh@pagosasun.com



Triple Impact Student-Athlete of the Week

Lauren Monterosso
Volleyball



Favorite subject: Art and math
Comments from coach Katie Lorenzen: "Lauren Monterosso is the kind of player who can bring a flash fire of energy to light her team up, yet also sustains a steady burn to keep the energy going. She put in a ton of time in the off-season to improve her skills, which was immediately noticeable once summer camps began. She pushes her teammates to be their best through her example of giving her all, all the time. As a libero, Lauren consistently sacrifices her body to keep balls off the ground, and even though the glory often goes to whoever gets the kill, she's 100% all about the outcome for this team. The Lady Pirate Volleyball program is better through Lauren and her hard work!"

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Please send your service picture along with your name, branch of service, rank and hometown to:

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If you were in last year's veteran's pages, we will use the same information unless you email to update before October 31.

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Public Notices

DISTRICT COURT
ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO
Court Address: 109 Harman Park Drive
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Phone Number: 970-264-8160
Plaintiff:
Daniel L Fiedler #47916
190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
970-907-8528
Case Number 2023CV30059
Plaintiff:
STEFANIE RENEE LITTLE and RICHARD L. LITTLE
v.
Defendants:
RANDOLPH K. CLARK, ARCHULETA COUNTY PUBLIC TRUSTEE, and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
PLAINTIFF: STEFANIE RENEE LITTLE and RICHARD L. LITTLE
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL

UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the claims of the Plaintiff to Quiet Title Pursuant to Rule 105 filed with the Archuleta County District Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this Court an Answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the last day of 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 with 35 days 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 without further notice.
This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Margaret E. McRae Case Number 2023 PR 30033
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before February 26, 2024, or the claims may be forever barred.
Daniel L. Fiedler, Attorney at Law
190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Published October 19, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*. (218493)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF BERNALILLO SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case No.: D-202-CV-2023-00519 U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST C/O U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. LUCY R. GLASCOCK AKA LUCY ROSE GLASCOCK; UNKNOWN HEIRS DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF LEAMAN P. GLASCOCK SR. AKA LEMAN PIKE GLASCOCK, DECEASED; DONNA GRIME, KNOWN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF LEAMAN P. GLASCOCK SR. AKA LEAMAN PIKE GLASCOCK, DECEASED; VIRGINIA LIPOW, KNOWN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF LEAMAN P. GLASCOCK SR. AKA LEAMAN PIKE GLASCOCK, DECEASED; ROBIN ROSE, KNOWN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF LEAMAN P. GLASCOCK SR. AKA LEAMAN PIKE GLASCOCK, DECEASED; LEAMAN GLASCOCK JR., KNOWN HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF LEAMAN P. GLASCOCK SR. AKA LEAMAN PIKE GLASCOCK,

DECEASED; BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A. AKA BOKF, N.A., Defendants . NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, Virginia Lipow, Known Heir of the Estate of Leaman P. Glascock Sr. aka Leaman Pike Glascock, Deceased and Donna Grime, Known Heir of the Estate of Leaman P. Glascock Sr. aka Leaman Pike Glascock, Deceased to be published on: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff U.S. Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For Rcf 2 Acquisition Trust has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 5724 Piedra Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87114. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows: LOT NUMBERED THIRTY FOUR (34) IN BLOCK NUMBERED EIGHT (8) OF UNIT NO. 3, ROB-ERSON'S RIO VISTA SUBDIVISION, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE REPLAT OF BLOCKS 10 AND 11 AND PORTIONS OF BLOCKS 8, 9 AND 33 OF SAID SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON FEBRUARY 16, 1962, IN MAP BOOK D3, FOLIO 21. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you. MCCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP By: /s/ Katherine L. McCarthy Jason Bousliman Katherine L. McCarthy Attorneys for Plaintiff 6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900 kmccarthy@mcCarthyholthus.com IDSPub #0188357 9/28/2023 10/5/2023 10/12/2023
Published September 28, October 5 and 12, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*. (216966)

This notice is to inform Carrie Church, last known address: 135 County Center Drive, Ste #74, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, that the items stored in unit C16 of Renner's Mini Storage located at 177 Bastille Drive, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 will be sold or disposed of due to lack of payment. This notice will be published in the Pagosa Springs Sun on both October 12 and October 19, 2023 with the sale or disposal of items taking place at a later date of our choosing.
Published October 12 and 19, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*. (218503)

UPPER SAN JUAN HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION
(Pursuant to Section 29-1-106 and Section 29-1-109, C.R.S.)
NOTICE is hereby given that a proposed budget for fiscal/calendar year 2024 has been submitted to the Board of the Upper San Juan Health Service District ("USJHSD"). The proposed budget will be considered at a public hearing which will take place during a special meeting of the Board of USJHSD on **October 12th** commencing at 5:00 pm, at 95 South Pagosa Blvd., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 and via Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83611276692>. Meeting ID: 836 1127 6692. You may also phone in using the following phone number: (719) 359-4580.
A copy of the proposed budget is available for inspection on PSMC's website, pagosaprimedistrict.org. Any interested elector within the USJHSD service territory may inspect, comment or register objections thereto at any time prior to the adoption of the budget by contacting Clerk to the Board, Laura DePiazza, at Laura.DePiazza@PSMmedicalcenter.org.
Published October 12, 2023 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*. (218702)

Total Due:\$363.16
R015108 AFFELD JOHN ANDREW
Parcel:589309408019
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:441
86 ROUNDT CT
Total Due:\$363.16
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Parcel:569920166001
Subdivision:SAN JUAN MOUNTAIN AND GOLF RESORT AT THE TIMBERS PHASE THREE Unit:101
431 TALISMAN DR #101
Total Due:\$1,585.14
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Subdivision:ASPENWOOD UNIT II Unit:262
247 DAVIS CUP DR #4262
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Parcel:589315404115
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Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:128
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1093 HILLS CIR
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Subdivision:PAGOSA IN THE PINES 2 Lot:312XA
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Subdivision:PIEDRA ESTATES Lot:63
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Subdivision:CANDELARIA Lot:12
Total Due:\$89.02
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69 BEUCLER LN
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Parcel:589315304052
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:510
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R015383 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
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Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:11 Lot:9
936 RACCOON DR
Total Due:\$825.01
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Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:5 Lot:15
Total Due:\$41.00
R003769 CARGILL STEVAN
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51 ROBIN DR
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176 PROSPECT BLVD
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Subdivision:TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:19 Lot:17
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126 RETREAT CT
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Parcel:569310404020
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304 UTE DR
Total Due:\$800.40
R015753 COX DONALD R & SHEILA L
Parcel:589316308137
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:31&41
134 APPLE CT
Total Due:\$1,003.53
R009568 CROSBY DAYTON LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY INC
Parcel:569919148002
Subdivision:SADDLE MOUNTAIN TH 4 Unit:2 BUILDING 6
620 LAKESIDE DR #6-2
Total Due:\$343.55
R015723 CRUMM GEOFFREY T
Parcel:589316308101
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:250
643 WEST VIEW RD
Total Due:\$276.66
R002878 CULLEN JULLANN
Parcel:569302308007
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:14 Lot:9
376 JACK RABBIT RD
Total Due:\$386.18
R007498 DANEA GEORGE
Parcel:569915620717
Subdivision:PAGOSA IN THE PINES 2 Lot:369
110 S DRIVER CT
Total Due:\$1,135.10
R002864 DAVIS ROBERT S
Parcel:569302307031
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:6 Lot:32
465 BUTTERCUP DR
Total Due:\$386.18
R002865 DAVIS ROBERT S
Parcel:569302307032
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:6 Lot:33
437 BUTTERCUP DR
Total Due:\$386.18
R001912 DAVIS TIMOTHY M
Parcel:558336208020
Subdivision:PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:647
336 SADDLE CIR
Total Due:\$331.06
R000727 DAVIS WILLIAM G
Parcel:558323203005
Subdivision:WILDFLOWER Lot:51
89 INDIAN PAINT BRUSH DR
Total Due:\$1,882.72
R007094 DENNISON PROPERTIES LLC
Parcel:569915117001
Subdivision:PS DAWSON MINOR COMM Lot:4
1887 EAGLE DR
Total Due:\$3,002.46
R007095 DENNISON PROPERTIES LLC
Parcel:569915117002
Subdivision:PS DAWSON MINOR COMM Lot:8
1887 EAGLE DR
Total Due:\$8,217.26
R003936 DETLEFSEN JANETTE J & JAMES J MOLLENDOR
Parcel:569315103011
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 5 Lot:217
240 CORRAL CT
Total Due:\$782.12
R015620 DIEHL CHERYL JOAN BIRDSELY
Parcel:589316204003
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:179
118 FAR VIEW
Total Due:\$276.66
R004165 DORSEY TROY AND LESLIE REVOCABLE TRUST
Parcel:569525310036
Subdivision:ELK PARK MEADOWS 3 Lot:36
833 STARLING CIR
Total Due:\$630.76
R003053 DRYBURGH BRUCE
Parcel:569310404007
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:27 Lot:7
296 UTE LN
Total Due:\$450.47
R014584 DURHAM STEPHEN R
Parcel:589801100040
RURAL Twn:34 Rng:1.5W
ECHO LAKE ACCESS ESMT
Total Due:\$168.33
R014831 DUTTON LIVING TRUST
Parcel:589155202913
Subdivision:PAGOSA MEADOWS 4 Lot:326
1739 HARVARD AVE
Total Due:\$1,357.06
R015460 EDWARDS GREGORY CHASE
Parcel:589315404127
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:803
3262 CROOKED RD
Total Due:\$758.33
R010149 EDWARDS KEVIN E & RHONDA J
Parcel:569919422002
Subdivision:PAGOSA VISTA Lot:632
15 FORTUNE DR
Total Due:\$103.62
R013868 FARLEY CONCETTA D
Parcel:589101000115
RURAL Sec:10 Twn:34 Rng:2.5W
X US HWY 84
Total Due:\$1,383.12
R003380 FARNSWORTH JOHN S
Parcel:569311411020
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:8 Lot:20
324 STARLIGHT PL
Total Due:\$744.85
R015534 FELDHAUS TYLER R
Parcel:589316103017
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:600
452 DOC ADAMS RD
Total Due:\$363.16
R019939 FICHTER MAGDA E
Parcel:589726302048
Subdivision:RIO BL SUB A Block:2 Lot:24X
208 POND CT
Total Due:\$1,678.98
R003063 FICKETT ANDREW H
Parcel:569310404017
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:27 Lot:11
125 NAVAJO PL
Total Due:\$217.16
R019159 FIRST SHELTER LLC
Parcel:569924232010
Subdivision:PAGOSA RIVERWALK Sec:24 Twn:35 Rng:2W
X S 5TH ST
Total Due:\$1,824.82
R012357 FLORES ISAAC
Parcel:589301030111
Subdivision:PAGOSA VISTA Lot:341
137 PROSPECT BLVD
Total Due:\$132.12

2023 DELINQUENT MOBILE HOME TAXES ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO TREASURER'S TAX LIEN SALE

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County of Archuleta)

Public notice is hereby given that I will, according to law, offer at Public Auction, in the office of the Archuleta County Treasurer at 10:00 A.M. on **November 2, 2023** according to the rules set forth therein.

Payments of all taxes must be made with certified funds, (cash, money order, or certified check) and be received in the Treasurer's office by 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 to avoid being offered at tax lien sale.

Additional fees may be added in October and November. Please look up your account at www.archuletatax.com or call 970-264-8325 for up-to-date payoff information.

All Archuleta County offices will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day, Friday, November 10, 2023.

ALL ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID BY CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK, OR CREDIT CARD
Online credit card payments may be made at www.archuletatax.com

MOBILE HOMES WILL BE DISTRAINED AND RE-ADVERTISED BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 28, 2023. ALL COSTS ENTAILED IN POSTING DISTRAINTS WILL BE BORNE BY THE TAXPAYER. TAXES THAT ARE NOT PAID BY OCTOBER 31, 2023 WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE ARCHULETA COUNTY TREASURER AT 10:00 A.M. ON NOVEMBER 2, 2023 ACCORDING TO THE RULES SET FORTH THEREIN.

DESCRIPTIONS are not to be considered legal descriptions and should not be used to convey title. You may want to research accounts with the unique identifier - Parcel Number.

M002210 BARR JASMINE
Parcel:990012352156
TITLE:UNK SERIAL:1PTX5974TX YEAR:1998
MAKE:CROH SIZE:16X80
222 RIVER RUN DR
Total Due:\$271.47
M002105 CARPENTER ANN
Parcel:990012352099
TITLE:UNK SERIAL:13505668 YEAR:1983
MAKE:FLAMINGO SIZE:14X60
3020 County Rd 988
Total Due:\$199.18
M002042 CLARK HAROLD D & LISA A
Parcel:990012352042
TITLE:NOT TITLED SERIAL:UNKNOWN YEAR:2008
MAKE:SKYLINE SIZE:12X46
28619 COUNTY RD 500
Total Due:\$148.25
M001891 CLINTON MATTHEW
Parcel:990012351891
TITLE:20E403360 SERIAL:102362845 YEAR:1982
MAKE:BRIGHTON MANOR SIZE:16X70
Total Due:\$233.38
M001386 CORDRAY DAVID N
Parcel:990012351386

TITLE:48E056030 SERIAL:CLW001935TX YEAR:1994
MAKE:CLA SIZE:16X80
8345 COUNTY RD 600
Total Due:\$126.51
M001908 FURER ANGELINE T
Parcel:990012351908
TITLE:UNK SERIAL:NEB 105338/37 YEAR:2001
MAKE:BONNAVILLA SIZE:27X80
701 CATCHPOLE DR
Total Due:\$987.47
M000606 GLASSCOCK JOHN STEPHEN
Parcel:990012350606
TITLE:48E066078 SERIAL:1PTX5485TX YEAR:1997
MAKE:FLEETWOOD SIZE:16X80
22 HOMESTEAD DR
Total Due:\$311.15
M001899 GOMEZ Y GOMEZ INC
Parcel:990012351899
TITLE:NOT TITLED SERIAL:UNKNOWN YEAR:2001
MAKE:FLEETWOOD SIZE:16X57
15157 COUNTY RD 500
Total Due:\$218.27
M001564 JONES SUSAN L
Parcel:990012351564
TITLE:48E1118088 SERIAL:TXCT9C71820A/B
YEAR:1997 MAKE:CAV SIZE:28X76
400A EIGHT MILE MESA RD
Total Due:\$1,047.95
M001903 LAYNA NICK V
Parcel:990012351903
TITLE:UNK SERIAL:NEB10-A28407 YEAR:2001
MAKE:BELLAVISTA/CHEIF SIZE:30X61
182 COX CIR
Total Due:\$799.54
M001653 LIONHEART FINANCIAL LLC
Parcel:990012351653
TITLE:48E110854 SERIAL:CLW007017TX YEAR:1997
MAKE:CLAYTON SIZE:15X76
11 PINON HILLS PL

Total Due:\$215.49
M001590 LYONS JOHN R & BLAKE MELISSA K
Parcel:990012351590
TITLE:48E064102 SERIAL:1PTX4476TX YEAR:1997
MAKE:RIDGWOOD SIZE:16X80
550 BEUCLER LN
Total Due:\$354.80
M001842 MARMADUKE STEVE & SHELLY
Parcel:990012351842
TITLE: UNK SERIAL:UNK YEAR:2000 MAKE:CAVCO
SIZE:32X70
19894A & 19900 CTY RD 500
Total Due:\$995.22
M001665 MONTANO V MERCEDES
Parcel:990012351665
TITLE:UNK SERIAL:PF5532846 YEAR:1998
MAKE:REDMAN SIZE:16X56
381 BUTTERCUP DR
Total Due:\$336.53
M001523 POWELL DAVID
Parcel:990012351523
TITLE:48E156448 SERIAL:TXCT9C71916A/B
YEAR:1997 MAKE:TOWN&COUNTRY SIZE:28X48
42 BEUCLER LN
Total Due:\$863.44
M001976 ROCK RIDGE LLC
Parcel:990012351976
TITLE:04R902533 SERIAL:HOCO015F03200 YEAR:1998
MAKE:OAKWOOD SIZE:16X76
189 BUTTERCUP DR
Total Due:\$355.57
ELSA P. WHITE
TREASURER OF ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO
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R010301 ARCHER HOLDINGS LLC
Parcel:569919429006
Subdivision:PAGOSA VISTA Lot:553
92 FORT AVE
Total Due:\$242.72
R017869 ARCHULETA MATTHEW
Parcel:616119101009
Subdivision:CANDELARIA Lot:12
Total Due:\$89.02
R017669 ARMENDARIZ JOSE LUIS
Parcel:616117210010
Subdivision:PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Tract:4
240 WILLARD WAY
Total Due:\$677.31
R003275 AVRITT PAUL D
Parcel:590011214004
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:16 Lot:15
69 BEUCLER LN
Total Due:\$762.31
R003312 AVRITT PAUL D & JOY J
Parcel:569311314031
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:16 Lot:21
336 DYKE CIR
Total Due:\$450.47
R000833 BARKOFF JEFFERY E TRUSTEE
Parcel:558324401137
Subdivision:RESERVE PAG PEAK PH4 Lot:137
470 LUCAS BLVD
Total Due:\$898.63
R007188 BARNAS KATHERINE
Parcel:569915310011
Subdivision:OLD WEST LANDING Lot:20-22
120 COUNTRY RD 600
Total Due:\$2,518.50
R015382 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304032
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:531
63 FRED'S CT
Total Due:\$363.16
R015363 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304033
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:530
95 FRED'S CT
Total Due:\$363.16
R015364 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304034
Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:529
107 FRED'S CT
Total Due:\$363.16
R015385 BEASLEY RYAN MICHAEL WILLIAM
Parcel:589315304035
Sub

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Total Due:\$111.96	Subdivision:FAIRWAY LAND TRUST MINOR SUB Parcel:24 Twn:35 Rng:2W X HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due:\$1,718.20	Subdivision:PAGOSA LODGE CONDOMINIUMS Block:BLDG 4 Unit:17 217 PINON CSWY #3017 Total Due:\$769.24	Total Due:\$386.18	335 S 7TH ST Total Due:\$531.89	R015310 VAUGHT JASON Parcel:589315202023 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:625 Total Due:\$276.66
R012619 FORDYCE KENNETH A & KAREN R Parcel:5693220202 Subdivision:PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot:21 49 MARMOT CT Total Due:\$536.85	R019572 HOWARD JASON Parcel:616315100023 RURAL Sec:15 Twn:32 Rng:6W 816 COUNTY RD 988 Total Due:\$211.77	R002213 LANDRY JEFFREY PAUL Parcel:568330200007 RURAL Sec:30 Twn:35 Rng:5W Total Due:\$368.25	R012601 MILLER ANN M Parcel:569932101016 Subdivision:PAGOSA MEADOWS 2 Lot:101 1520 MEADOWS DR Total Due:\$1,042.52	R002326 RIVERA-TORRES ARASELI Parcel:569301101013 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:3 Lot:13 267 OAK PL Total Due:\$472.68	R004252 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569524406050 Subdivision:PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:353-356, 371-372 698 TRAILS BLVD Total Due:\$253.16
R003176 FREER FRANK JR Parcel:569311113004 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:10 Lot:10 Total Due:\$1,506.60	R003475 HOWELL BILLY J Parcel:569312101045 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block:7 Lot:8 39 SUMMIT TRAIL Total Due:\$386.18	R015335 LAPORTE BRYCE Parcel:589315204018 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:493 121 GUN BARREL RD Total Due:\$363.16	R012661 MILLER BRANDON KEITH Parcel:589316101004 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:659 AS 6 Sec:16 Twn:34U Rng:3W 595 JUSTIN'S RD Total Due:\$363.16	R001721 ROSS KENNETH E Parcel:558336203027 Subdivision:LAKE HATCHER PK Lot:181 15 MORFO CIR Total Due:\$413.10	R004255 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569524406053 Subdivision:PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:345-349 78 LANDAU DR Total Due:\$394.36
R017645 FREER FRANK JR Parcel:616117209066 Subdivision:PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:4 Lot:11X 241 PINON HILLS CIR Total Due:\$966.59	R017023 HUDSON CHRIS Parcel:614913103014 Subdivision:CROWLEY RANCH RES 3 Lot:C-14 1137 HENRY'S LAKE DR Total Due:\$1,070.83	R017981 LA TIENDA DE ROSA LLC Parcel:616313100117 RURAL Sec:13 Twn:32 Rng:6W 1648 COUNTY RD 975 Total Due:\$1,585.33	R012683 MILLER DAVID E Parcel:616117314079 Subdivision:PIEDRA PARK 5 Block:1 Lot:7X 11 PINON HILLS PL Total Due:\$447.56	R001721 ROSS KENNETH E Parcel:558336203027 Subdivision:LAKE HATCHER PK Lot:181 15 MORFO CIR Total Due:\$413.10	R004262 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569524407043 Subdivision:PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:302-306, 333-336 49 LANDAU DR Total Due:\$394.36
R003553 GALLEGOS JERRY Parcel:569312203017 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 3 Block:4 Lot:15 606 HILLTOP DR Total Due:\$292.54	R000977 HUDSON JAMESON ARLINGTON & DONNA B Parcel:558325302054 Subdivision:PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:88 42 COLUMBINE CT Total Due:\$194.74	R016223 LB FARMS LLC Parcel:569908311025 Subdivision:RIO BL CAB SITE 2 Block:1 Lot:13 5280 COUNTY RD 335 Total Due:\$239.59	R015516 MILLESON DONITA CHRISTINE Parcel:589316102017 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 6 Lot:616 459 DOC ADAMS RD Total Due:\$363.16	R014264 ROSS TRINITY COY Parcel:588727400016 RURAL Sec:27 Twn:34 Rng:1W 10026 US HWY 84 Total Due:\$368.42	R004270 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569524408033 Subdivision:PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:244-253 20 ELDRADO ST Total Due:\$797.75
R014282 GALLEGOS STEVE R Parcel:588728102002 Subdivision:RIO BL SUB A Block:2 Lot:2 Total Due:\$1,008.75	R010573 HUESTIS BETTY JO TRUSTEE Parcel:569920151005 Subdivision:ASPENWOOD UNIT III TOWNHOUSES Unit:4317 301 TALISMAN DR #4317 Total Due:\$1,158.08	R016228 LB FARMS LLC Parcel:569501205014 Subdivision:RIO BL CAB SITE 2 Block:1 Lot:10 348 CABBALLO PL Total Due:\$239.59	R017381 MURPHY MARIE Parcel:616107400066 RURAL Sec:7 Twn:32 Rng:5W 18241 STATE HWY 151 Total Due:\$122.41	R013630 RTN-LGN II LLC Parcel:570529200004 RURAL Sec:20 Twn:35 Rng:2E 12130 COUNTY RD 326 Total Due:\$3,636.20	R004324 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569525104059 Subdivision:PAGOSA TRAILS Lot:290-297 216 ROOSEVELT DR Total Due:\$646.15
R017677 GARDNER ALLEN Parcel:616117211017 Subdivision:PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:13 43 LAKE FORK Total Due:\$217.85	R019763 HUGHES SELENA Parcel:569924226003 Subdivision:PS PIERCE 2ND ANNEXATION NOT SUBDIVISION Lot:3 X PIERCE ST Total Due:\$229.62	R005637 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST Parcel:569908311026 Subdivision:LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:10 573 CLOUD CAP AVE Total Due:\$1,533.65	R001905 NEWELL MATTHEW Parcel:558336208007 Subdivision:PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:616 110 MONTE VISTA DR Total Due:\$331.06	R002509 RUNNER ANDREW Parcel:569301305006 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 1 Block:14 Lot:8&7 440 PETITT'S CIR Total Due:\$701.72	R010090 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569919419005 Subdivision:PAGOSA VISTA Lot:360 154 GREENWAY DR Total Due:\$132.12
R017678 GARDNER ALLEN Parcel:616117211018 Subdivision:PIEDRA PARK SUB 1 Block:1 Lot:12 19 LAKE FORK Total Due:\$217.85	R01743 HUSCHITT JEFF Parcel:615105102011 Subdivision:COOL SPGS RANCH ALLP Lot:21 865 TOP RIDGE PL Total Due:\$51.96	R005636 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST Parcel:569908311025 Subdivision:LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:7 W2 AND - Lot:8&9 565 CLOUD CAP AVE Total Due:\$1,978.13	R011285 NEWELL WILLIAM R Parcel:569921111007 Subdivision:PAGOSA ALPHA Lot:21-22 63 BLAIR CT Total Due:\$1,671.55	R016550 RYAN TIMOTHY TRUST C/U THE DENISE RYAN REVOCABLE TRUST Parcel:569925103010 Subdivision:ALR COY PK 1 Sec:25 Twn:33 Rng:1W 688 STALLION PL Total Due:\$1,621.69	R010318 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:569919434041 Subdivision:LAKEWOOD VILLAGE Lot:41 33 SANDLEWOOD DR Total Due:\$141.84
R005484 GEIER MARK L TRSUTEE Parcel:569908307008 Subdivision:LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:12 Lot:12 32 FROLIC CT Total Due:\$343.55	R017296 JACQUEZ HAROLD DEAN & JACQUEZ LEANNE KINNARD- Parcel:615916400010 RURAL Sec:16 Twn:32 Rng:4W 32-4W SEC 16 32651 COUNTY RD 500 Total Due:\$375.31	R005637 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST Parcel:569908311026 Subdivision:LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:16 Lot:10 573 CLOUD CAP AVE Total Due:\$1,533.65	R003361 OFIARA PATRICK Parcel:569311323006 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:20 Lot:21 41 HAYSTACK LN Total Due:\$652.78	R019685 SAN JUAN BUILDERS LLC Parcel:569909203013 Subdivision:LOMAN IND PARK PH 3-COMM Lot:21X 216 INDUSTRIAL CIR Total Due:\$1,178.92	R014180 VERO ATLANTIC I LLC Parcel:588718303023 Subdivision:LOMA LINDA 3 Lot:115 X WINTERWOOD PL Total Due:\$107.43
R002246 GILLESPIE JANET D Parcel:569511300018 RURAL Sec:11 Twn:34 Rng:5W 34-5W SEC 11 24910 W US HWY 160 Total Due:\$2,651.37	R009522 JKBAM LLC Parcel:569919144002 Subdivision:EATON PAGOSA ESTATES Lot:25 67 GLEN EATON DR Total Due:\$600.51	R006111 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST Parcel:569912201001 Subdivision:LEEPEER MINOR Lot:1 X COUNTY RD 400 Total Due:\$67.92	R011621 ORTEGA DELILAH & TUCSON JOAQUIN Parcel:569923102003 Subdivision:TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Block:56 Lot:11-14 474 S 10TH ST Total Due:\$1,855.59	R020132 SANTISTEVAN JOHN ERIC Parcel:569312603064 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:1 Lot:5 X BLUE JAY CIR Total Due:\$261.59	R003174 VILLARREAL EMILY ANN Parcel:569311113002 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 4 Block:10 Lot:12 116 NUTRIA CIR Total Due:\$461.55
R019036 GIRARDIN JERRY DAVID Parcel:557925300031 RURAL Sec:25 Twn:36 Rng:1W 820A USFS RD 666G Total Due:\$202.96	R005772 JKBAM LLC Parcel:569908420006 Subdivision:LAKE PAGOSA PARK Block:19 Lot:6 132 CLOUD CAP AVE Total Due:\$320.76	R006112 LEEPER MARCIA N 2007 TRUST Parcel:569912201002 Subdivision:LEEPEER MINOR Lot:2 LEEPR MIN Sec:12 Twn:35 Rng:2W 1390 COUNTY RD 400 Total Due:\$2,754.56	R013975 PACK CODY W Parcel:588715100032 RURAL Sec:15 Twn:34 Rng:1W X CATCHPOLE DR Total Due:\$794.19	R002049 SAWYER SANDRA R Parcel:569536412023 Subdivision:MARTINEZ MTN EST Lot:83 380 HORSESHOE CIR Total Due:\$3,024.25	R014043 WINING BRIAN TIM Parcel:588717109009 Subdivision:LOMA LINDA 4 Lot:174 279 SADDLEBACK DR Total Due:\$2,032.15
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R017133 GOMEZ CORA V Parcel:615104300007 RURAL Sec:3 Twn:32 10291 COUNTY RD 542 Total Due:\$396.07	R011494 JKBAM LLC Parcel:569921327001 Subdivision:PAG LAKES RANCH Lot:32 84 VISTA SAN JUAN Total Due:\$996.19	R001976 LEGACY LAND LLC Parcel:558336210013 Subdivision:PAGOSA HIGHLANDS EST Lot:746 159 SADDLE CIR Total Due:\$264.97	R013955 PACK DIANE F Parcel:588714200019 RURAL Sec:14 Twn:34 Rng:1W 701 CATCHPOLE DR Total Due:\$526.10	R017289 SCHOFFIELD STEPHEN Parcel:615913400030 RURAL Sec:13 & 24 Twn:32 Rng:4 28619 COUNTY RD 500 Total Due:\$552.59	R002703 WALLIS PAMELA J Parcel:569302109018 Subdivision:ASPEN SPRINGS SUB 2 Block:7 Lot:18 716 RACCOON DR Total Due:\$201.29
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Homecoming week celebrations

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Homecoming week at Pagosa Springs High School was a busy one, with spirit days, competitive games and a pep rally, sports, crowning homecoming royalty and the traditional homecoming dance. The week's activities centered around a Barbie theme.



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Archuleta Health Fair and Expo

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October 12, 2023

Archuleta Health Fair and Expo just around the corner

Register now for labs, lunch

Healthy Archuleta

One week from this Saturday, on Oct. 21, our community will experience the first ever Archuleta Health Fair and Expo, and what makes this event so unique is that it is the brainchild and production of our own community — sponsorship, planning, and execution are all locally generated. That is something to be celebrated.

Organizers have only one important requirement: The participating public must preregister for labs and the Farm to Table lunch, both of which are at very low cost. It is imperative that they know the numbers to expect for these two events, at least for this first time.

Preregistration is quick and easy and can be accomplished by following the prompts at <https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/archuleta-health-fair-and-expo.html>. Please register as soon as possible as spots are expected to fill up quickly.

Healthy Archuleta got the ball rolling and partnered with the Archuleta County Public Health Department and Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and has received support from the local health care organizations and Labcorp in hosting the Archuleta Health Fair and Expo.

Fortunately, there is still time for individuals, nonprofits and businesses that have an investment in the health of our community to play a role in this inaugural community event.

For more information on becoming a sponsor, helping with the event or participating, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com or call us at (401) 206-4579.

This event aims to offer low-cost wellness labs and connect community members to primary preventative

care and so much more.

Let's take a look at what's going on during this very busy morning. Here's the schedule:

- 7-10 a.m.: Lab draws for a complete blood panel.
- 7-11:20 a.m.: Connect with health care providers (Pagosa Springs Medical Center, Pagosa Medical Group and Axis Health).
- 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Child care (limited spots available).
- 7-8 a.m.: Sunrise yoga with Margaret.
- 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Vendors and exhibitors (wellness and farmers market).
- 7:30-10:00 a.m.: Food demos with local chefs featuring local and regional ingredients.
- 8-11:20 a.m.: Children- and youth-centered activities.
- 8:30-10 a.m.: High school growing dome tours.
- 8-11:20 a.m.: Concurrent health, wellness and nutrition sessions.
- 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Farm to Table luncheon, land acknowledgment and keynote presentation.

Between the four food demos, the Pagosa Farmers Market vendors and the Farm to Table lunch, all of which feature food available locally or regionally, participants should come away with new ideas about what is available, where it can be found and what to do with it.

Throughout the morning, a variety of thought-provoking presentations on health, wellness, and nutrition will be available to enlighten participants and allow for questions to be answered. Simultaneous translation will be available at the session for our Spanish language community members.

Presentations include:
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‘Marrow’ one-man drama to open Friday at Thingamajig Theatre Company

By Carole Howard
Thingamajig Theatre Company

Actor Craig MacArthur Dolezel and director Melissa Firlit are returning to the Thingamajig Theatre Company stage for a one-man performance of “Marrow,” the headline feature of the theater’s fall season that opens at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 13, at 7 p.m.

The show plays for five performances, closing Friday, Oct. 20.

“Marrow” is a deeply honest and occasionally darkly humorous drama about a gay artist who takes a euphoric journey through his memories while recovering from a vicious hate-inspired beating. It is an urgent plea for mutual tolerance and respect regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

The show was very well received at the 2019 and 2022 Edinburgh Fringe Festivals, where Broadway

Baby called it “solo theatre on a big topic at its finest.”

As well, an early workshop production earned Dolezel the Gypsy Rose Award for best actor by the Seattle Critics Group and Seattle Theater Writers.

Firlit said, “Hopefully people come away from the show contemplating the destructive nature of hate and possessing a renewed

appreciation for everyone’s right to exist and love.”

New York City-based artists

The star of the one-man, 55-minute play is Dolezel, who has wowed Thingamajig audiences in the past with powerful performances in “Red,” “A Few Good

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Health

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- “Cultural and Traditional Practices of Food and Health” — Isaac Julian Sr.

- “Whole Body Wellness” — Jackie Rea, P.T., Doctor of Physical Therapy, and Dr. Scott Anderson, D.C.

- “Diet, Physical Activity, Sleep, and Primary Healthcare: Pathway to Health” — Julie Buchner, M.D.

- “Cooking to Promote Health and Wellness” — Ana Smith and Carolyn Ritermann, RDN.

- “Partnering with Primary Care Providers: What can I expect from annual visits, labs, and services” — Amber Reiss-Holt, M.D.

- “Navigating the Finances of Health Care” — Angelene Talamantes with Hometown Insurance; Caryn Hill with San Juan Basin Area on Aging; Doug McCarthy, health care advocate, Local First Foundation in Partnership with Peak Health Alliance.

- “Supporting the Mental Health of our Youth” — Stacey Foss, Authentic Solutions.

- “The Big C: Cancer and What Do I Need to Know About It” — David Shaeffer, M.D., MPH, keynote speaker.

Wellness vendors, growers, and producers with products and/or information relative to the health and welfare of participants will be available throughout the morning. Stop by, learn who they are and what they have to offer.

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Second annual Pumpkin Contest and Auction to be held Oct. 13

By **Kate Simmons**
Humane Society of Pagosa Springs

On Friday, Oct. 13, Riff Raff Brewing Company will host this year's second annual Pumpkin Contest and Auction to benefit our community's only animal shelter.

From 3 to 8:30 p.m., pumpkin art masterpieces created by local artists will be displayed throughout Riff Raff Brewing Company, located at 274 Pagosa St. You can view, vote and/or bid on your favorites.

This is a free, fun and family-friendly event, so come get in the Halloween spirit while supporting a great cause.

Professional and experienced painters and artists will submit their

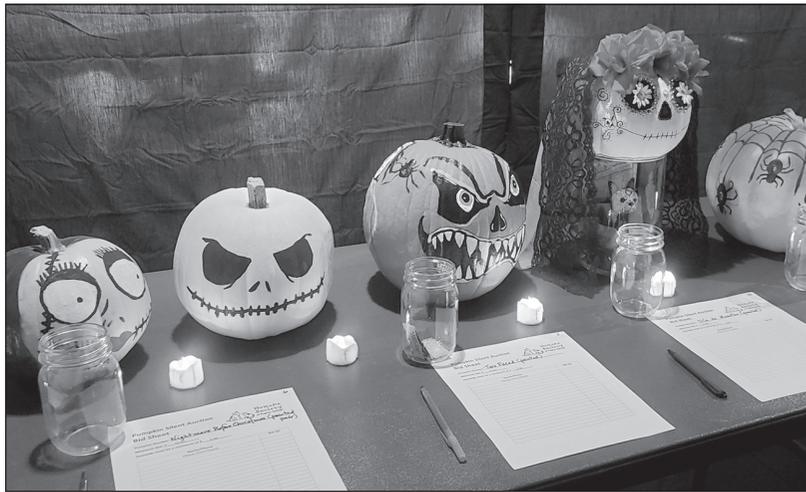


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Folks can celebrate the spooky season and help local animals at the second annual Pumpkin Contest and Auction on Oct. 13, with proceeds benefiting the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs.

Drama

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Men," "Good People," "Steady Rain," "Misterman" and "It's a Wonderful Life." Well-known for his solo performances that are multilayered, Dolezel also is a versatile actor in other genres and a teacher of master classes in voice and diction.

"Marrow" is directed by Firlit. She is greatly admired by Thingamajig audiences for her work as the director of multiple hits, from serious dramas like "Red" and "Proof" to blockbuster musicals like "Jekyll and Hyde," "Aida" and "West Side Story." She also serves as artistic director of the Thingamajig Playwrights Festival, which develops and workshops the work of emerging playwrights.

Brian Quirk is the author of "Marrow." Several of his other plays have been workshopped at the Thingamajig Playwrights Festival in previous years.

Laine Wong is the lighting designer for "Marrow." She also is a distinguished veteran of previous Thingamajig hits, including "Le-

gally Blonde," "West Side Story," "Thoroughly Modern Millie" and "Hairspray."

All four artists are residents of New York City.

Tickets available now

Tickets for this featured fall show are \$35 and are available with the performance schedule on the theater's website at pagosacenter.org or by phoning the box office at (970) 731-SHOW (7469). They are included in the theater's current winter season ticket package. Evening performances are at 7 p.m. and matinees are at 3 p.m.

Thingamajig Theatre Company was co-founded in 2011 by Tim and Laura Moore. It is an award-winning live professional nonprofit 501(c)(3) theater in residence within the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Its talented actors, directors and production experts come from across the U.S. to produce musicals, comedies and dramas year-round. Thingamajig also is dedicated to providing theatrical experiences

and educational opportunities for youth and teens in our community.

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Blood drive set for Oct. 17

By Sharee Grazda
Special to The PREVIEW

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terpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive.

Blood can only be given to a surgical patient, a new mother or newborn, or a victim of a catastrophic injury by a generous person donating ahead of time.

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Please join other local donors and sign up for an appointment at vitalant.org or call (877) 258-4825.

For a local contact, you may call or text volunteer Sharee Grazda at (970) 946-2760 for more information or to set an appointment.

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artistic pumpkins in two categories: painted and mixed media. They will try to win the votes of the public and the top painted pumpkin and best mixed-media pumpkin winners will receive cash and prizes. It's just one dollar per vote and all proceeds go toward the care of our animals.

"This event is similar to the popular Festival of Trees, but Halloween style," said Robson Reyes, executive director of the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs. "We are excited to have more than 20 confirmed artistic pumpkin entries that will be a part of this year's contest and silent auction. Last year we had some incredible works of art. We look forward to seeing what artists come up with creatively to try to win the votes of the public this year. We hope our community will come out to get in the Halloween spirit on 'Friday the fur-teenth' and enjoy browsing the pumpkins ... to support this generous restaurant partner and the animals in our community."

In addition to voting for your favorite pumpkins, you will have the opportunity to take one (or more) home by bidding on pumpkins in the silent auction. We will be auctioning off all contest pumpkins so you can impress your neighbors (and your Halloween trick-or-treaters) with your new pumpkin masterpieces.

If you are feeling hungry while browsing the works of art, dine in or carry out at Riff Raff Brewing Company on Oct. 13 and a portion of their sales will also support the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs on this event day only.

If you have any questions or for more information, visit hspsauction.org, or contact hsfundraising@humanesociety.biz or call (970) 264-5549.

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Bet on education at ‘Viva La Pagosa’ fundraising gala

By Abbie Karas
Pagosa Peak Open School

Experience the excitement of the “Viva La Pagosa,” a casino night fundraising gala benefiting Pagosa Peak Open School, on Oct. 21 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

The venue will transform into a casino-style hall, offering poker, blackjack, craps and roulette tables for a night of gaming. Guests can test their luck at the tables, groove to the smooth melodies of Bob Hemenger and be dazzled by Vegas-inspired entertainment featuring local performers.

Explore the abundance of local experiences and services up for bid at the silent auction tables and walk away with something special. Capture memories at The Little White Chapel, where a surprise guest awaits to make your photos truly unique.

Your tickets not only include gaming vouchers, but also invite

you to savor delectable small plates and conclude your evening with irresistible desserts. VIP guests will indulge in champagne pours served by our aerial bartender, Sass A Frass, enjoy dedicated drink service at the tables, unwind in the exclusive lounge area and take home a gift bag with local treats. As the night unfolds, exchange your chips for a chance to win top jackpot prizes. Celebrate art, education and community collaboration where every bet supports our children's future.

Don't delay, grab your tickets now and be part of an unforgettable experience you won't want to miss. Tickets are limited and can be purchased at PagosaCenter.org. Follow the event on Facebook for more details.

All proceeds from this event will go toward operations and programming at Pagosa Peak Open School — Pagosa's first district-authorized, public, tuition-free, K-8 charter school. Pagosa Peak Open School is an intentionally small school with a hands-on, project-based learning environment designed to foster a joy of learning, confidence, and academic excellence through multiage collaborations, and original and meaningful work.

Reaching our mission to develop brave and experienced lifelong learners requires extensive funding; and the school's operational budget relies heavily on grants and fundraising events. To learn more about the school, please visit pagosapeakopenschool.org.

Solar eclipse to be visible Saturday

By Dena Laterza
San Juan Stargazers

The San Juan Stargazers want to make sure you don't miss the annular solar eclipse.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9:12 a.m. to 12:05 p.m., Pagosa Springs will see an awesome partial eclipse with 88 percent coverage which will peak at 10:35 a.m.

Ideally, you want to be in the path of the moon's shadow, called annularity, to view the “Ring of Fire.” In order to get in the moon's shadow (or umbra), you will need to travel west of Durango or south to the Farmington, N.M., area.

You must use eclipse glasses to view this spectacular event. We recommend they be ISO 12312-2 certified. Be sure to examine them for scratches or any other damage prior to use.

The next total solar eclipse in Colorado won't be until 2045.

Important safety message

Never use eclipse glasses to view the sun through binoculars or a telescope. This can cause permanent eye damage. Light must be filtered going into the telescope using a special solar filter specifically designed for the telescope tube.

‘Surviving the holidays’ GriefShare session to be offered Oct. 15

By Marie Rascoe
Centerpoint Church

Are you grieving the death of a loved one or do you know someone who is?

Will this be the first holiday season without your loved one or do you still struggle after many holiday seasons?

“Surviving the Holidays” can provide encouragement, support and valuable tools to navigate the challenges of the season. Join us for this two-hour seminar.

Centerpoint Church's GriefShare ministry will offer this one-session seminar for those who have experienced the death of a loved one on Sunday evening, Oct. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Centerpoint Church is located at 2750 Cornerstone Drive. The phone number is (970) 731-2205.

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Things are getting spooky: Halloween Hootenanny slated for Oct. 28

By Jennifer Green
Visit Pagosa Springs

The Town of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County would like you to join us Oct. 28 for a ghoulish day of fun for the whole family. The Halloween Hootenanny is a huge Halloween party returning for the second year with even more events added, including trick-or-treating and kids activities, a witch and warlocks hot air balloon fly-in, a witch-costumed paddle boarding event, a 5k fun run/walk, live music, food trucks, a beer garden, multiple costume contests and a huge fireworks display.

Schedule

Following is the schedule for the day's festive events:

- 7:30 a.m.: Witches and Warlocks Fly in Hot Air Balloon Ride. Witches and warlocks get a free hot air balloon ride. Come costumed and ready to have a "bewitching" time over Pagosa Springs. All participants must register in advance

by contacting Marissa at (970) 946-4450.

- 9:30 a.m.: Monster Dash 5K Fun Run/Walk. The Monster Dash 5K Fun Run/Walk will be followed by a costume contest with prizes. Trick or treat goodie bags will be given to the first 100 registered participants. The race will start/finish near the pickleball courts on the south side of Yamaguchi Park. Register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/CO/PagosaSprings/HalloweenHootenannyMonsterDash5k>.

- 11 a.m.: Witches on Water Paddleboarding Event at Lake Pagosa. Gather your coven and tell them not to forget their magical paddleboards. Meet up at the Lake Pagosa dam off of Cloud Cap and Park avenue. No registration is necessary. Costumes are encouraged. Come ready to have a "bewitching" time on the lake. Life vests/personal flotation devices required to participate.

- 1 to 3 p.m.: Annual Trick-or-Treating and Kid's Carnival. This annual event is sponsored by the

Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Department and includes loads of fun and candy for kids. Stop by and visit several stops along the way and collect candy and treats at Yamaguchi Park. Come have a hootin' good time trick or treating at Yamaguchi Park. Costumes are encouraged, but not mandatory. The costume contest for kids will be at 2 p.m.

- 1 to 3 p.m.: Costumed Pickleball Play organized by the Pagosa Pickleball Club. Join in on the pickleball craze and get free candy. Don your favorite Halloween garb and play pickleball on the new outdoor courts at Yamaguchi Park.

- 1 to 7 p.m.: Live music with Nu Bass Theory and Tomorrows Bad Seeds. We'll be featuring two fun bands this year. Nu Bass Theory is a Colorado-based duo playing "funky beats." Tomorrows Bad Seeds is the musical embodiment of surf and street culture from Los Angeles — a perfect blend of hip hop, punk, reggae, rock and soul.

- 1 to 7 p.m.: Food trucks and beer garden. Several local food trucks will be offering their delicious food options and an assortment of beverages.

- 7 p.m.: Fireworks at Yamaguchi Park. We are excited to light up the sky to top off the Halloween Hootenanny. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Learn more at www.visitpagosaspings.com/halloween or call the visitor center at (970) 585-1200. See you at the Hootenanny.

Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship to hear 'Reflecting on Divinity'

By Joan Ward
Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Please join the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Sunday, Oct. 15, at 10:30 a.m. either in person or on Zoom for Michael Demchak's presentation on "Reflecting on Divinity."

In this service Demchak will present some of the concepts that attempt to describe and understand a higher power of the universe. He will look at various religions, trilogies, concepts of God, gods and goddesses, prophets and more.

Demchak will also review what science has to say about the divine state and other phenomena. Having been blessed by divine encounters himself, he will also share some of his experiences and

theories on this fascinating subject.

Demchak is a member of the Steering Committee and Sunday Service Committee.

Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8991941305>. The meeting ID is 899 194 1305 and the call-in number is (346) 248-7799.

Masks are optional at this time. Social distancing will be encouraged and, to that end, the maximum capacity of the fellowship has been reduced to 25, a very good reason for arriving a few minutes early.

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Lookin' good or looking back?

By Stan Counsell
PREVIEW Columnist

Oh, those mirrors of ours; we can't live without them. We are deeply convinced that they are of far greater value than most of our possessions, save toilet paper. We all remember the toilet paper shortages during COVID-19: "Give me your toilet paper and nobody gets hurt!"

Judging by the number of mirrors we have, they must be of profound importance. Everyone, and I mean everyone, has them, lots of 'em. They are in our bathrooms, bedrooms, living room, vehicles, purses and briefcases. We can't get enough of seeing ourselves. While looking at that presentable person in front of us, we start to think, "Look out, world, here I come!" We so love seeing ourselves that we take quick ganders of ourselves in store windows. Well, at least I do.

We want to be sure that everything is perfect, that our hair isn't

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out of place or, God forbid, we have spinach stuck in our teeth. But, what about that terrible daily urge called vanity: "Mirror, mirror on the wall, who's the fairest of them all?" We want to love what we see, plain and simple.

But, that can be a "poison pill," too, wanting to love what we see. Concerts can be ear-splitting, blinding synchronized lights, lasers numbing our senses, "look at me" clothing, with everyone screaming, swaying and clapping. The band, or singer, can miss many a note, but who cares? It's money well-spent.

Sadly, love can go awry, finding a dark alley within our heart. Such an alley is smack-dab between two

streets, Self Circle and Entertainment Drive. When on Self Circle, we tend to go nowhere, things become a blur as we "spin our wheels" following after this or that infatuation. We can't understand why so much is just out of reach, we gotta try harder, harder. So, like a merry-go-round, we ride straight to where we started from. Maybe another go 'round will work.

Entertainment Drive is rightfully situated there, too. Entertainment is, well, entertaining. Loving fright, laughter, crying, showing our "32 smile," the electrified atmosphere, popcorn, hot dog, over-cooked pizza and refreshing drink – such fun. It pulls at us, says we're missing out, being a dolt or wet blanket.

Broadway and Vegas are known for their allure, the hype is 24/7 and, wow, the lights are stunning. We become like a monster fish being enticed by that hook that's all fancied up. We get tempted, really tempted. But, the wrong decision makes us someone's meal. Yes, temptation is alive and well on planet earth.

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Fellowship

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diversity and invite everyone to share in our faith community.

Find us in Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza, 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., on the north side facing the mountains.

Services are on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10:30 a.m. Meditation, based on

cultivating the Four Immeasurables (love, compassion, joy and equanimity), is on the second and fourth Sundays at 9 a.m. Qigong is on Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m.

For more information about the fellowship, our services and the other activities, please see the website, www.pagosauu.org, or email info@pagosauu.org.



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There is a word found in the Bible that the world finds a killer of fun, leading to a boring life. It's called "repent." This "horrible" word is found some 42 times in the Bible. In the Old Testament the Lord said it as did his prophets and godly kings. In the New Testament we see Jesus, John the Baptist and the disciples saying it with great urgency.

In Hebrew, the word means: "to return, recover, restore." In Greek, it means: "to change one's mind for the better, abhor one's past sins, to think differently." Because of God's never-ending love and grace, he wants us to return to him, be restored and recover from our wrong choices.

Really, it's a no-brainer, we need to return to God and be engulfed in his love, joy, strength, guidance and his awesome salvation; see the fancy fishhook for what it is — death.

In Genesis, Lot was told to flee the impending doom of Sodom and Gomorrah with his wife and family, not to look back as they fled. But, Lot's wife did look back. After all, she had such privilege, many cavalier friends and enjoyed all that the city offered. But, it cost her dearly — her life (Genesis 19:17, 26).

In the New Testament we have the tragedy of Paul's co-laborer, Demas. He strongly felt moved to go with the apostle on his hard, dangerous, and seemingly never-ending missionary journeys. Later, Paul wrote of Demas as being a

"dear friend" in his service to the Lord (Colossians 4:14).

Two years later, Paul wrote of Demas sending his greetings to the brethren but the phrase "dear friend" was missing (Philemon 1:23-24). Demas was still working with Paul but something may have developed, becoming a concern to Paul. Was Demas' dedication starting to pine for his former days of comfort, the bright lights, popularity, wild parties and other self-fulfilling thrills?

Years later, Paul said that Demas had deserted him. Writing to young Timothy, Paul penned, "Timothy, come to me quickly for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me" (2 Timothy 4:9-10). Paul made it clear that Demas was deeply drawn to, and entangled with, the evils of the world. Demas left Paul in a lurch, willing to let Paul's missions die in a ditch. How could this happen? It was the fancied hook that Satan made to bring him back into the fallen human condition.

Today, as in biblical times, there is the never-ending pull to sway us into that which brings us and our witness great harm. That hook is self at all costs, a life of desired ease and fleshly pleasures.

With great angst, there were, and still are, "ministers" that willingly twist God's Word. Paul wrote disdainfully of such frauds, "we are not like the many hucksters who preach for personal profit" and "We reject all shameful deeds and underhanded methods ... to trick you or distort the Word of God" (2

Corinthians 2:17; 4:2).

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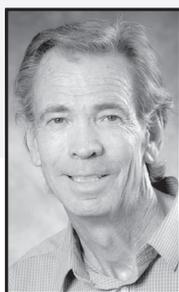


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Local adults and youth with intellectual/developmental disabilities were welcomed at Elk Trace Bed and Breakfast to participate in a two-day event hosted by No Limits Ranch and Aspen House as an opportunity for them to share experiences that let their abilities shine and give them extra courage and determination to take on new experiences.

The LASSO Horse Rescue and

Equine Therapy volunteers were on-site to ensure the safety with horse education, grooming and riding experiences.

Artist Fabi shared her love of art by leading a tie-dying class, Joanne Irons gave cooking instruction as the adults assisted with preparing food for the Friday evening hoedown, and Bruce Blankenship led everyone in Karaoke Thursday evening.

The Friday night hoedown was a fundraising event for No Limits Ranch and Aspen House that featured Tim Sullivan and his band

along with dancing with Beverly Chester. It was a wonderful evening for all.

Aspen House will be launching a capital funding campaign in 2024 that will help it build a permanent home for adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities along with supplying a full range of services and transportation to help them to lead successful and fulfilling lives in the town they call home.

For more information on Aspen House, visit www.aspenhousepagosa.org.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month: domestic violence's impact on children

By Amanda Briggs
Rise Above Violence

As we enter the second week of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we are focusing on the impact domestic violence has on children.

Tragically, children who are raised in homes with domestic violence are believed to be abused and neglected at a higher rate than the national average.

According to the National Coali-

tion Against Domestic Violence, one in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90 percent of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence.

These statistics can seem sterile until we come face to face with their reality. Just last week, my dear friend called me to tell me her cousin was murdered in a domestic violence situation in another state. The murdered woman's three children were present in the home for

the crime, and the oldest, a teenager, is currently working through feelings of guilt that he couldn't save his mother.

Domestic violence and its impact on children is a real problem. It happens to real people. Real children carry the physical, mental and emotional scars of domestic violence. It is far more than a number or statistical fact.

That is why your involvement in Domestic Violence Awareness

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Continue support for Pagosa Peak Open School staff salaries and school safety.

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Celebrate Three Sisters at Your Thanksgiving Table with Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership

By Sally High and Rose Chavez
Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership

The Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) will host a harvest party on Nov. 11 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse.

Live music, prize-winning photography and great food highlight the celebration of the Three Sisters — corn and beans and squash.

The term “Three Sisters” refers to these three plants, grown together for thousands of years. Indigenous peoples cultivated the Three Sisters across the North American continent. Here in the Four Corners, successful varieties were selected through countless generations of pre-Colombian farming. European newcomers quickly recognized that the Three Sisters are easy to grow in the

short-season high desert.

Today we call it companion planting. Corn, beans and squash produce good yields when grown together. They provide the basis for a healthy diet with protein, carbohydrates, vitamins and other nutrients. They can be dried and stored for use over the winter or in lean years to come. Some of today’s most successful seeds have been found through archaeological pursuits in the Four Corners. Red and white pinto beans are a perfect example.

You are invited to share your favorite recipes that feature corn or beans or squash or a combination of these native plants. Pumpkins are squash. Whether you have a new recipe you want to try or a treasured family recipe from generations past, you are encouraged

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Awareness

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Month is so important and valued. Together, we can raise awareness around domestic violence and find ways each of us can be part of the solution. Together, we can work toward a world where children are not witnesses to or harmed by domestic violence.

If you would like to participate in Rise Above Violence’s Domestic Violence Awareness Month awareness activities, we invite you to support our mission to end domestic violence by donating on behalf of individuals or teams participat-

ing in our second annual iRise Adventure Challenge. Simply visit our website, www.riseaboveviolence.org, and look for the Challenge under the “Events” tab. You can also donate directly to Rise if you would like to do so.

Additionally, you are invited to participate in Domestic Violence Awareness Month by interacting with our educational content on Facebook and Instagram. Domestic violence is a terrible reality for too many, but together we can prevent it and help those who have experienced it heal.

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ANSWER:

Are beavers always the answer? Not really

By Ted Williams
PREVIEW Columnist

Beavers, through their assiduous dam building, can recharge groundwater and provide habitat for fish and wildlife. In the Pacific Northwest, for example, managers are bringing back beaver as part of trout and salmon management.

“God bless beavers and their industrious nature,” writes Trout Unlimited’s Idaho-based Chris Hunt in Hatch magazine. “They make habitat for the fish we love, and opportunities to catch them.” True enough, in Idaho.

But the notion, ubiquitous in

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America, that all beavers everywhere are a panacea for what ails an ecosystem is misinformed. Yes, beavers are beneficial — in the right places.

In the wrong places — watersheds degraded by humans — they’re a scourge. The environmental community and the public tend to have trouble grasping these two

realities simultaneously.

In his essay “Thinking Like a Mountain,” Aldo Leopold, father of wildlife management, described how killing wolves for the supposed benefit of deer resulted in obliterating deer habitat along with the deer themselves. Everything he

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Celebrate

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to celebrate the Three Sisters with the GGP community.

Guests will bring favorite dishes for others to taste. All guests will enjoy a taste of the array of dishes. Expert tasters will award prizes for favorite dishes in a variety of imaginative categories.

The GGP will serve a savory succotash stew with a green salad and sweet pumpkin cookies and muffins. All guests share this feast and share ideas and recipes.

There will also be non-GMO blue corn meal for sale, as well as brews sourced from Indigenous plants.

Each guest will receive one drink ticket for a choice of beverage. Three Sisters at Your Thanksgiving Table is a family-friendly event.

Live music will be provided by local favorites Brooks-I and Cuatro Cruz. The amazing Pagosa Photography Club will lead the photography exhibit, although photographs from all amateur and professional photographers are welcome. Contact ggp@pagosagreen.org to donate a photograph to benefit the

GGP or to volunteer for this event.

The GGP is a homegrown grassroots educational 501(c)(3). The volunteer- and donation-driven nonprofit organization operates three dome greenhouses in Centennial Park. Weminuche Audubon’s Native Plants Garden and the Rotary Club’s Xeric Garden share the GGP site. The GGP is truly a partnership.

Proceeds from Three Sisters at Your Thanksgiving Table benefit GGP and its ongoing community-service operations. Tickets can be purchased at www.pagosagreen.org and donations can always be made at www.coloradogives.org/geothermalgreenhousepartnership.

Cooks who bring a dish to share will be admitted at no cost. A regular ticket is \$50 for adult guests. Seniors and veterans are \$20. Children between 5 and 12 years old are \$10 and teens are \$20. Tickets for youngsters under 5 years old are free. GGP supporters can sponsor a veteran, for this Veterans Day event, by purchasing a veteran’s ticket at www.pagosagreen.org.

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Wildlife managers suggest beavers are not always the answer to help recharge native ecosystems.

Writers

■ continued from previous page wrote about deer applies equally to beavers. Both species depend on essentially the same forage — in unnatural abundance because of massive logging — and the main predators of both are wolves that are no longer around.

Beavers affect native ecosystems the way red wine affects human bodies: One glass a day helps the heart; 20 blows out the liver.

In the wrong places, beavers grossly overpopulate, blocking trout migration, stripping streamside cover, choking spawning gravel with silt and muck, and converting oxygen-rich streams to deadwater. That's because humans have eliminated wolves and old growth from most of the West, and stream corridors now grow willow and aspen — beaver candy.

Consider the debacle in Nevada. Kim Toulouse, the Nevada Department of Wildlife's former conservation educator, said: "Historically, virtually every stream in the northern half of Nevada held some form of cutthroat trout. Additionally, many small-order streams also held native redband and bull trout. When the push started [for trout recovery] we discovered that many single-order streams were infested with heavy populations of beavers.

"Extremely high numbers of beaver dams on these systems led to loss of gene flow and precluded the ability of fish to move up and down these systems. Additionally, fish found it difficult to find suitable spawning grounds due to heavy siltation caused by the dams. The loss of riparian habitat led to erosion, more siltation, less shade, higher water temperatures, loss of native riparian vegetation, and establishment of noxious invasive plants."

So, Nevada initiated major beaver

control. But politicians, incited by the Humane Society of the United States, shut it down.

Beaver damage to Minnesota and Wisconsin trout streams is even worse. Fisheries managers have to hire Wildlife Services, a federal agency, to trap beavers and blow up dams. It's expensive, so only a small percentage of streams can be salvaged.

And Trout Unlimited reports that in Minnesota's Knife River watershed, "artificially high beaver numbers ... threaten the survival of coldwater fisheries, as well as the health of the watershed and Lake Superior."

But an outfit ironically called Advocates for the Knife River Watershed is fighting to nix beaver control, circulating junk science and such fictions as "beaver have been totally eradicated in the whole Knife River valley — over 200 square miles."

California's Silver King Creek watershed is the only refuge for threatened Paiute cutthroat trout, yet overpopulated beavers block migration and destroy habitat. It got so bad in Four-Mile Creek that Trout Unlimited volunteers had to reroute the stream.

"The biggest problem I see is that beavers move into an area that doesn't have enough forage, and they abandon their dams," said retired state fisheries biologist Bill Sommer. "When beavers leave, the dams blow out and that causes erosion."

Leopold could grasp two realities about deer simultaneously. Were he still alive, he'd applaud Phil Monahan, who wrote this in Trout Unlimited's Trout Magazine: "Many anglers see the beavers' work as predominately destructive — turning a babbling trout stream into a slow-moving wetland, for instance. Wildlife biologists recognize that

each of these 'destructive' effects has a flip side: situations in which that very same effect is beneficial to trout.

"After looking at all the data, then, the question, 'Are beavers good or bad for trout streams?' can be answered only with a definitive: 'It depends.'"

Ted Williams is a contributor to Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, an independent non-profit dedicated to spurring conversation about the West. He writes for several national publications about wildlife. Views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN.



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Put your weeds to bed

By Ethan Proud
PREVIEW Columnist

Extension Viewpoints

The summer field season is winding down, and in the next month we will transition to fall in earnest. The aspens and oakbrush will paint the hillsides in a splendid covering of gold and red, native grasses will become rolling fields of orange, and we may see a dusting of snow on the mountain peaks — or even a few feet of it.

It's easy to forget about yard work at this time of year and start waxing skis, but diligence in the fall will reward you in the spring.

Biennial weed species like musk thistle, common mullein and houndstongue seeds will be germinating, and rosettes that are both highly susceptible to herbicide or easy to pull will begin to sprout from the ground and, likely, many of them already have.

Perennial species like Canada thistle will be moving nutrients from the shoots into the roots and will be taking herbicide deep into the root system, making this an effective time to treat. Rust fungus can also be applied on Canada thistle at this point for a natural measure of control that is chemical free.

Seed heads of the weeds you missed this year can be gathered and put in a contractor bag and tossed with the rest of your weekly trash. Be sure not to pack the bag so full it rips. The moisture and heat trapped in the bag will cause the seeds to rot; a torn bag only serves to spread the seeds.

Fall weed management can be

done up until the first hard frost, when temperatures consistently drop below 27 degrees Fahrenheit and the plants stop metabolizing.

The final step in putting your weeds to bed is to seed with desirable species. You can purchase seeds from suppliers (make sure they are native or at least noninvasive — shop Colorado local rather than national), or collect seeds from native species already on your property and spread them around.

I prefer to seed right before the first snowstorm of the year, as the snow helps insulate the seeds from frost and protects them from birds and rodents. Birds and rodents are a necessary part of the local food web, and I recommend waiting until spring to cut down last year's plants, as this will provide food for vertebrates and shelter for pollinators. This ethos pertains more toward pollinator and native gardens rather than vegetable gardens. Spent plants in a vegetable garden can harbor overwintering pests.

A little work in the fall can reward you with emerging wildflowers and native grasses rather than a population of troublesome weeds.

Archuleta County Weed and Pest is your local resource for managing noxious weed populations and controlling other pests.

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- Look for dishes that are steamed, grilled, stir-fried or baked.
- Select dishes based on rice (whole grain brown rice is better if available) or pasta (again, whole grain is better) and plenty of vegetables.
- Choose dishes that are not fried or battered, and avoid dishes that are served with creamy sauces.
- Order salads with low-fat dressings, or request that the dressing be served on the side and use sparingly.
- Choose fresh fruit for dessert, or alternatively, select fruit sorbet instead of ice cream.
- Ask for ice water or mineral water instead of soft drinks.
- Don't eat the entire meal, but take some home for lunch the next day.

So enjoy those special occasions dining out, but remember these tips for your health!

*If your favorite restaurant doesn't serve whole grain dishes, like brown rice and whole grain pasta, make a suggestion to them to start providing these options.

"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me." Revelation 3:20

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Scene ... enjoying the runway at the inaugural Runway for Rise Fashion Gala. The event was a night full of fun, creativity and beautiful guests. Teams "We Can Do It" with Tanya Quinn, Stephanie Shepherd and Michela Marsh, and "Rise of Fall" with DeEtte Phillips, Ronnie Doctor, Lvonne Wilson and Hadley Phillips tied for the winner of the Catwalk Creative Award. "Rise of Fall" also won the Pagosa Prada Award for most money raised for Rise Above Violence programs. Over \$60,000 was contributed through the generosity of Runway Benefactor Claudia Rosenbaum, numerous sponsors, online voters, wine pull buyers and auction bidders.



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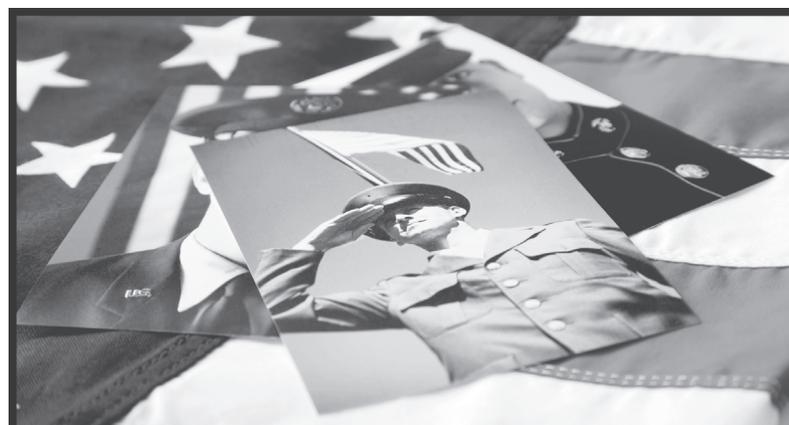
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Preview Calendar

Wednesday, Oct. 18

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Kids Kare. 9:30-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. Kids Kare is a program for children ages 3-5 that meets each Wednesday and includes Bible time, songs, crafts, games and more.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for an educational hour of reading, singing and free play while building early literacy skills together. For all ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

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: Ruth Ware. Noon, virtual. Listen live or recorded. Featuring Ruth Ware, British author of psychological thrillers like "The It Girl" and "The Woman in Cabin 10." For details, go to <https://libraryc.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

Elementary Tutoring. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Build essential skills in core subjects. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Spanish Fiesta Committee. 5:30 p.m., Senior Center dining hall, Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd. Members of the Spanish Fiesta committee and the general community interested in supporting

the 22nd Annual Pagosa Springs Spanish Fiesta are invited. The meeting will discuss headliners for 2024, royalty program development and the 2024 Hispanic and BIPOC scholarship fund. Join on Zoom <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86987941913?pwd=PV4gTuNq64IKBFYteKmaynYHm6PP0j.1>. For more information, contact rosa@pseniors.org.

Thursday, Oct. 19

Ruby's Writers Guild. 9-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Ruby's Writers Guild will welcome writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members will provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

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.

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Basic questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets, etc. Bring your device chargers. We provide assistance with accessing any of the library's online resources. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Making a Difference Speaker Series Panel Discussion. 2-4 p.m., Tennyson Building Event Center. Ski-racing legend Bode Miller will facilitate a conversation with local panelists on the unique mental health challenges experienced in Pagosa Springs, including resources available to assist in the community. Tickets are \$25 and are on sale at swcommunityfoundation.org/bode.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email

for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate students from 5-6 p.m. and advanced students from 6-7 p.m.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency. GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Fall Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 6-7:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Communicating with sexual abuse survivors using trauma-informed responses. with Kathleen Davis, BSN-RN. Pick up a brochure with more details at your library or go to <https://pagosalibrary.org/adultservices>.

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Pagosa Springs Varsity Volleyball. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa Springs High School vs. Ignacio.

Making a Difference Speaker Series Presentation of 'The Paradise Paradox.' 6:30-8:30 p.m., Liberty Theatre. Ski-racing legend Bode Miller will present the documentary he recently executive produced that explores unsettling suicide statistics found in Rocky Mountain ski towns. Attendees will hear from Miller about why he is passionate about mental health wellness. Tickets are \$40 and are on sale at pagosamovies.com.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Marrow.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. "Marrow" is a deeply honest and occasionally darkly humorous drama about a gay artist who takes a euphoric journey through his memories while recovering from a vicious hate-inspired beating. For tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Friday, Oct. 20

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Dia de Los Muertos Educational Event. 1-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Archuleta Seniors Inc. is hosting a hands-on and educational event to learn how to build an ofrenda and share the history of Dia de los Muertos. Email judy@pagosalibrary.org for information.

PAWS to Read. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. All ages. Read with Muppet or Maple, therapy dogs who love stories.

Youth Pickleball. 3-4:30 p.m. For ages 9-16. This event is free, but please register beforehand. Online registration is available through pagosaparks.gov by clicking on the "Parks & Rec" tab on the main page. Please call the Recreation Department with any questions, (970) 264-4151, ext. 524.

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Saturday, Oct. 21

Archuleta Health Fair and Expo. 7 a.m.- 1 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. The event will begin with low-cost labs and connections with local health care providers with the primary objective of reaching community members who experience barriers to primary preventive health care. It will continue with presentations, workshops and

activities all in support of physical, mental and nutritional health, as well as food demos from local chefs, visits with on-site wellness vendors, a farmers market, and a farm-to-table luncheon.

Friends of the Library Book Sale. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Friends members and teachers with ID receive a "buy one, get one" special.

Winter Clothing Giveaway. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, 225 S. Pagosa Springs Blvd. Free distribution of gently used winter clothing to those who feel the need for new winter clothing.

Rosa Cemetery Cleanup. 9 a.m., Rosa Cemetery, Arboles. The Carmelitas of St. Peter-St. Rosa Catholic Church will hold a community fall cleanup of the historic Rosa Cemetery. Attendees are asked to wear gloves and hats and bring what they can, including rakes, shovels, weedwackers and rider mowers. Lunch will be provided by the Arboles Carmelitas. The event is open to all. For more information call (970)883-2556.

Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt Guild. 10 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. Enjoy fellowship, show and tell, and snacks. Use the rear entrance.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. This 13-week program provides support and encouragement after the death of a family member or loved one and offers biblical concepts for healing from grief. Contact Marie Rascoe at marierascoe67@gmail.com for more information.

DivorceCare. 4-5:30 p.m. Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. This divorce recovery seminar and support group will meet at Centerpoint Church each Saturday. DivorceCare features nationally recognized experts on divorce and recovery topics. Seminar sessions include "Facing My Anger," "Facing My Loneliness," "New Relationships," "Kid Care" and "Forgiveness." For more information, call Lorena Medina at (970) 731-2205 or email her at loremedina0817@gmail.com.

Pagosa Peak Open School Gala Fundraiser: 'Viva La Pagosa.' 6-11 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, 2313 Eagle Drive. Get ready for a thrilling casino-style experience at the PPOS Gala Fundraiser "Viva La Pagosa." The Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts will transform into a Vegas-themed casino hall with games, live music and entertainment. The event includes auctions, delightful cuisine and VIP options. Join us in celebrating art, education and community collaboration at this

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Inbox clogger
- 5 Ship renovation
- 10 Fruity pastry
- 14 Broadway award
- 15 Figure out
- 16 Next in line?
- 17 Insurable item
- 18 Hearty soup
- 20 Pictorial display
- 22 Pieces of hair
- 23 California slugger
- 24 Things on rings
- 25 Part of a conductor's cry
- 27 Methane
- 31 Ballpark figure
- 32 Amtrak stop
- 34 Far from wordy
- 35 Pupil surrounder
- 37 Mars explorer
- 39 Social outing
- 40 Thorny blooms
- 42 Squad-car sound
- 44 ___ and vigor
- 45 Play interval
- 47 Indiana team
- 49 Disgusting
- 50 Great balls of fire
- 51 Training session
- 54 Party animals?
- 57 Kind of engineer
- 59 Boater's haven
- 60 Qualified
- 61 Piano piece
- 62 Maritime speed
- 63 Foot-wiping spots
- 64 Does data entry
- 65 Uses needle and thread

DOWN

- 1 Male deer
- 2 Dispense liquid
- 3 Story villain

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- 4 Nearsightedness
- 5 String around a finger
- 6 Authoritative order
- 7 Good times
- 8 Peggy Fleming, for one
- 9 Perfume sampler
- 10 Stirred about violently
- 11 Billion years
- 12 Watermelon waste
- 13 Dos y uno
- 19 Secret meeting
- 21 No walk in the park
- 25 Flaming
- 26 Red ___
- 27 Netflix offering
- 28 Cemetery sight
- 29 Moving about
- 30 Appears to be
- 33 Descendants
- 36 Church events
- 38 Snakes and lizards, e.g.
- 41 Start of a March holiday
- 43 Indian flat bread
- 46 Red wine
- 48 Sarcastic remarks
- 50 Garden tool
- 51 Clothing line?
- 52 Island in Italy
- 53 Hot sandwich
- 55 Swear to
- 56 Adjusts, as a clock
- 58 Soup serving

Answers to Previous Crossword:

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year's spectacular fundraising gala. General admission tickets are \$85. VIP tickets are \$150.

Monday, Oct. 23

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

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

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Tuesday, Oct. 24

Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:30 a.m., advanced group 10:15 a.m. If you have not attended before, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 for more information.

Tech Time. 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Basic questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets, etc. Bring your device charger. We provide assistance with accessing any of the library's online resources. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

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.

Pagosa Springs Stitchers. 10 a.m.-noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Bring your current stitching project and a snack/drink if you wish, and enjoy the fellowship of other stitchers. All are welcome.

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

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

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ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Dungeons and Dragons. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Join the adventure. Preregistration is required because space is limited. Contact Josie@pagosalibrary.org to join.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate students from 5-6 p.m. and advanced students from 6-7 p.m.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency. GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

Kids Kare. 9:30-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. Kids Kare is a program for children ages 3-5 that meets each Wednesday and includes Bible time, songs, crafts, games and more.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for an educational hour of reading, singing and free play while building early literacy skills together. For all ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. Free beginner lessons. Reserve at www.pagosapickleball.org.

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Elementary Tutoring. 3:30-4:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Build essential skills in core subjects. Registration required. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Thursday, Oct. 26

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

Ruby's Writers Guild. 9-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Ruby's Writers Guild will welcome writers who are looking for opportunities, support and camaraderie with other writers. Members will provide support, resources and guidance for each other.

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.

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Author Talk: John Irving. 5 p.m., virtual. Listen live or recorded. Featuring John Irving, Academy Award-winning author of multiple bestsellers. For details, go to <https://library.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

Archuleta County Republican Central Committee Meeting. 5:30-7 p.m., Grace in Pagosa.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency. GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970)

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264-2209 for more information.

Fall Lifelong Learning Lecture Series. 6-7:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Dr. Janice McIntyre and Santos Ocanas will talk about Ruby's Writers Guild, the weekly writers support group that meets every Thursday morning at your library. Pick up a brochure with more details at your library or go to <https://pagosalibrary.org/adult services>.

Friday, Oct. 27

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Saturday, Oct. 28

Halloween Hootenanny. 7:30 a.m., Yamaguchi Park. Celebrate the spooky season with trick-or-treating and kids activities, a witch (and warlock) hot air balloon fly-in, a witch-costumed paddle boarding event, a 5k fun run/walk, live music, food trucks, beer garden, costume contests and a huge fireworks display. For more information, visit <https://www.visitpagosasprings.com/halloween>.

GriefShare. 10-11:30 a.m., Centerpoint Church, 2750 Cornerstone Drive. This 13-week program provides support and encouragement after the death of a family member or loved one and offers biblical concepts for healing from grief. Contact Marie Rascoe at marierascoe67@gmail.com for more information.

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- CRATE
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- DISEASED
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- FOSTER
- GENETIC
- GROOM
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- HUMANE
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New Thought Center to continue series on compassion Sunday

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

At the Sunday service on Oct. 15 at 10:30 a.m., Larry and Evelyn Malone, marriage and family counselors, will continue our exploration of compassion, moving to its application with other individuals and groups.

“A felt sense that suffering is present coupled with motivation to act to alleviate that suffering comprises compassion. Sometimes compassion for others is easy. But when we perceive the one suffering as a potential threat to our core needs — safety, belonging and competence — it takes courage to engage compassionately. We must look past our own fear and pain to appreciate the other’s fear and pain.” — Larry and Evelyn Malone.

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.

Oct. 15: Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. with Drs. Larry and Evelyn Malone, who will be hosting the services. They will present the second talk in a two-part series on compassion.

Oct. 22: Sunday service with White Eagle on “Winds of Change.”

Oct. 29: Sunday service with Stephanie Morrow.

Nov. 4: Vets4Vets fundraiser at the Pagosa Lodge. Tickets are now on sale.

Nov. 5: Sunday service with Dr. Elaine Harding, Ignite Your Life group meeting after the service.

Nov. 12, 11 a.m.: Sunday service with Julie Loar, “A Presentation on Spiritual Egypt.”

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve celebration on Zoom. Join White Eagle for a beautiful ceremony.

Jan. 1, 2024: Burning bowl ceremony to welcome in the new year with intention and purpose. The time is to be announced.

Jan. 20, 2024: Quintangled Masquerade Ball Fundraiser with Loar.

About us

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

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Save the date: Dia De Los Muertos Dance Party set for Nov. 3

By Rose Chavez
PREVIEW Columnist

Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) invites you to celebrate with us at the Dia de los Muertos Dance Party on Nov. 3 from 7 p.m. to midnight at the CSU Extension Building.

There will be music by DJ Marcus Rivas. Come join us on a day to gather, remember and celebrate our loved ones who went before us. Tickets are \$20 and are available at 451 Hot Springs Blvd. at the Pagosa Senior Center, at the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce or online at <https://givebutter.com/DDLM4ASI>.

There will be a cash bar and Mexican food by the Guadalupanas. Please bring a photo of your loved one(s) to place on the community ofrenda. Bring a dozen homemade cookies and share your recipe for \$5 off your ticket price. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

Awards for the top cavalera face painting and Day of the Dead costume will be awarded. There are limited tickets, so get them early. Tickets will be available at the door if we don't sell out first. For more information, call ASI at (970) 264-2167.

The Day of the Dead is a holiday traditionally celebrated on Nov. 1 and 2, though other days, such as Oct. 31 or Nov. 6, may be included depending on the locality. It is widely observed in Mexico, where it largely developed, and is also observed in other places, especially by people of Mexican heritage.

In preparation for this year's celebration in Pagosa Springs, ASI is partnering with the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library to host a free educational afternoon on Friday, Oct. 20, from 1 to 4 p.m. Come learn about Day of the Dead and help build a community ofrenda.

In many homes people set up ofrendas, or altars, to the departed loved ones. These are decked with lighted candles, special food and

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whatever the dead enjoyed when they were alive. Bring a photo of your loved one(s) to share. Also learn tips on how to do simple cavalera (sugar skull) face painting, build a flower crown to wear and learn simple scarf hair braiding tips to get your killer outfit ready for the Nov. 3 Dia de los Muertos Dance Party and contest.

Spanish Fiesta Committee to meet Oct. 18

Members of the Spanish Fiesta committee and the general community interested in supporting the 22nd Annual Pagosa Springs Spanish Fiesta are invited to an Oct. 18 meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Pagosa Senior Center dining hall in the Ross Aragon Community Center (451 Hot Springs Blvd.).

The meeting will discuss headlines for 2024, royalty program development and the 2024 Hispanic and BIPOC scholarship fund, among other details.

We look forward to hearing ideas and input from the greater community and will form subcommittees to engage in our planning process for 2024. The heart of the Spanish Fiesta is the people of Pagosa, and the rich heritage and ancestry from our history, our families and our ancestors. We welcome absolutely everyone to join in on the organizing of this special community event. Please bring your positive energy and motivation to make the 2024 fiesta the best yet.

The meeting will also have a Zoom component so more community members can join and participate virtually. For more

information and to get the Zoom link for this meeting, contact Rose Chavez at rosa@pseniors.org.

Senior conversations

Join us Mondays 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

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and indulge in a potluck lunch together.

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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 Ross Aragon Community Center between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. It is open to all. Pickup is available all week, including Fridays.

Our dining hall is open to all ages and welcomes you all with kindness and warmth. We provide hot/cold meals for anyone in the community interested in a nutritious and delicious meal. For those 60 or older we request a suggested donation of \$10, but no one will be turned away. There is a \$10 charge for guests under the age of 60.

Meals include a main course, side dish, fruit/dessert, garden salad plus beverage. Some popular menu items include Frito chili pie, pork tenderloin with harvest chutney, Singaporean pork ribs, vegetarian lasagna, Hawaiian shrimp with coconut rice and always a beautiful green salad. Many of our items are locally sourced and organic.

Our chef works with a team of local food professionals to hand-prepare your meal for dine-in service in our cozy dining room (with an amazing view of the San Juans) or for takeout (via our convenient drive-through). Our menu changes daily.

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

Community Cafe menu

Thursday, Oct. 12 — Pork sole, cabbage, lime, radish, tortilla, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Friday, Oct. 13 — Tuna sandwich on wheat bread, potato salad, garden salad, fruit, chocolate pudding and milk.

Monday, Oct. 16 — Barbecue beef with steak fries, garden salad, fruit, brownies and milk.

Tuesday, Oct. 17 — Mahi mahi with mango salsa quinoa rice pilaf, garden salad, fruit and milk.

Wednesday, Oct. 18 — Mexican stuffed peppers (with rice, beans, veggies and cheese), jalapeno cornbread, garden salad, fruit, flan and milk.

Thursday, Oct. 19 — Polish kielbasa with peppers, potatoes au

gratin, garden salad, pistachio fruit salad and milk.

Friday, Oct. 20 — Chicken piccata, peas and pearl onions, dinner roll, garden salad, fruit, vanilla yogurt and milk.

Grab-N-Go meals

Dine-in and Grab-N-Go meal reservations and cancellations are required. Please call or text by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you want to pick up a meal. A suggested donation of \$10 helps to sustain our program. No one will be turned away for their inability to donate. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to make a reservation.

Meals on Wheels

We deliver fresh Meals on Wheels five days a week (and provide frozen Meals on Wheels for weekends) to homebound Archuleta County residents. Call or text us at (970) 264-2167.

Text reservations

Don't forget that we offer a convenient texting service for you to communicate with us. Text us at (970) 264-2167. When texting, please include your name, phone number and the days you want a meal. If you are canceling a reservation, please include your name, phone number and the days you want to cancel.

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

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.

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 2.

Hand and foot card game

Whether you are new to hand and foot or interested in learning, please join us most Thursdays at 1:15 at the Senior Center.

This card game involves four rounds of playing until the final round is reached — some two to three hours later. Plan to stay and meet some new friends or catch up with those you have missed over the last couple of years.

No experience is necessary, so come willing to learn.

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Free solar eclipse events on tap, Friends of the Library announce new donations guidelines

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

We all know how people's habits are shifting from DVDs and CDs to other entertainment avenues like streaming. With tastes evolving, the Friends of the Library have noticed major changes in what sells and what does not sell at their annual major summer book sale and at their pop-up sales.

As a result, they have announced new guidelines for what they will accept as donations from now on:

- They want popular fiction books published in 2013 or later, nonfiction books published 2018 or later, and children's and young adult books — all in excellent condition, please.

- They do not want CDs, DVDs, Blu-ray, VHS or cassette tapes, or textbooks, outdated travel books or reference books.

- They cannot accept more than two boxes at a time because of space constraints.

The Friends are grateful for your generous donations, but ask that you follow these new guidelines so that they do not need to dispose of materials that will not sell.

Also, a reminder that we ask you leave only magazines published within the last 12 months on the free magazine rack in the front entry. There are no age rules for mass media paperbacks also available free in the entry.

Friends' pop-up book sale Oct. 21

Save the date of Saturday, Oct. 21, for the next Friends of the Library pop-up book sale in the library's large meeting room from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. These book sales offer you great bargains and benefit your library with funds for much-needed projects and services. Friends members and teachers with ID will receive a "buy one, get one" special.

Three more solar eclipse events

Home-school kids in grades two through five are invited to learn about solar eclipses today, Thursday, Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to noon as you build your own eclipse viewer at this free session.

We also have two free all-ages events for the solar eclipse. Tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 13, from 1 to 3 p.m., join us to build your own solar system mobile. All supplies will be provided.

Then, on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., come to the solar eclipse watch party, where we'll view the sun from the library garden courtyard. Pick up special glasses at your library now while supplies last.



Lifelong Learning lectures

Every Thursday through Nov. 9, our free fall Lifelong Learning series offers talented speakers talking about a wide variety of interesting topics.

Today, Oct. 12, features Connie Cook, deputy chief of the Pagosa Springs Medical Center's EMS (Emergency Medical Services) unit, explaining its many services to our community.

Oct. 19 will focus on communicating with sexual abuse survivors using trauma-informed responses. It will be led by Kathleen Davis, BSN-RN, and is offered to both the public and professionals.

On Oct. 26, Dr. Janice McIntyre and Santos Ocanas will talk about Ruby's Writers Guild, the weekly writers support group that meets every Thursday morning at your library.

On Nov. 2 Donna Wynn will discuss Upper San Juan Search and Rescue, which trains and organizes volunteers in search, rescue and other emergency services.

Nov. 9 will showcase the Project Healing Waters fly-fishing program for disabled veterans and wounded warriors with Paul Wilson, the program lead, a retired wildlife biologist.

Pick up a brochure with more details at your library or go to <https://pagosalibrary.org/adultservices>. Note no registration is required.

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.

Virtual author talks

Our highly popular virtual author talks continue this month with two more opportunities for you to interact with New York Times best-selling authors with an opportunity to ask questions. For details and to register, go to <https://library.org/pagosalibrary/upcoming>.

On Wednesday, Oct. 18, at noon we'll interact with Ruth Ware, British author of psychological thrillers like "The It Girl" and "The Woman in Cabin 10."

On Thursday, Oct. 26, at 5 p.m. we'll meet with John Irving, Academy Award-winning author of multiple bestsellers including "A

Prayer for Owen Meany" and "The Cider House Rules," five of which have become movies.

Nature program for kids

Little Explorers aged 1-5 will explore the outdoors Friday, Oct. 13, from 10 to 11 a.m.

Legal clinic tomorrow

This month's legal clinic on civil issues is by appointment tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 13, from 2 to 3 p.m. Come to the library to meet privately via Zoom with our volunteer attorney. To schedule an appointment, at the beginning of the month send an email titled "Sign-up for Free Legal Clinic" with your first name and phone number to ruby@pagosalibrary.org, or phone (970) 264-2209 or stop by the library.

Werewolf party tomorrow

Eclipse and Halloween in the same month? Sounds like a perfect time for werewolves. Tweens and

teens are invited to enjoy werewolf crafts, games, stories and snacks at this free party Friday, Oct. 13, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Knitting and crochet lessons

Learn to knit or crochet on Monday, Oct. 16, at our free gathering from 2 to 3:15 p.m. for ages 8 and up. Supplies are provided. Note the new day and time.

Music fun Monday

Pagosa Unplugged is free from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16, for amateur musicians who would like a safe, supportive, non-bar setting to play, sing or both with other people. Anyone under age 18 is welcome with a signed parental permission, available at your library. For program information, contact Susan at (970) 946-3396 (not the library).

Tween/teen art camp

Monday art classes from 4 to 6

p.m. for teens and tweens will explore a different style or medium. This month it is fiber arts with Linda Lutomski teaching basic weaving and string art. Registration is required.

Adult DIY

At the free adult DIY next Tuesday, October 17 from 1-2:30 p.m., you will experience watercolor painting with local artist Catrinka. All supplies provided.

Spanish conversation

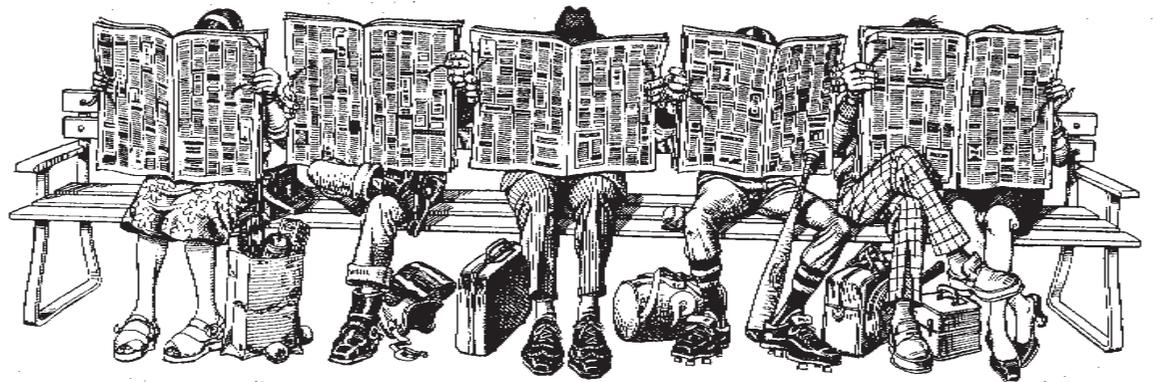
Practice your Spanish in a free group setting on Tuesday, Oct. 17, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. No minimum skill level is needed. Note this group now meets twice a month, on the first and third Tuesdays.

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Writers' support group

Thursdays from 9 to 11 a.m., Ruby's Writers Guild welcomes writers looking for opportunities, support, resources and camaraderie with other writers at this free gathering.

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.

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BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

GARAGE SALE. Saturday, October 14th, 9 a.m. sharp. Household items, decorative items, antiques, table and chairs, bedroom set, work benches and more. Hwy. 160 West, right on Piedra Road, right on Lucas (main entrance to The Reserve), right on Chase Court, house number 125. Rain or shine. AEHPOS.

GIT RID IT TWO MOVING SALE Everything goes. Lumber, 2X, 1X, ply, etc. Used doors, windows, beds, 5 gal. jugs, Mucho miscellaneous. Free stuff. East on Hwy 160 off Fawn Gulch Road. 850 W. Log Hill Road. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9a.m.-5p.m. 1/2 sale Saturday.

SMALL ESTATE SALE. Friday and Saturday, October 13th and 14th, 8 a.m. sharp. Furniture, household items, decorative stuff and more. Hwy. 160 West, right on Piedra Road, left on Aspenglow, house number 282C. Rain or shine. AEHPOS.

STORAGE SALE, tools, musical instruments, miscellaneous items. 103 Majestic, Pagosa Springs. October 14th, 9a.m.-1p.m.

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1ST SOUTHWEST BANK, a locally owned CDFI community bank, is seeking a **Loan Assistant, Portfolio Manager, Personal Banker, & Teller.** FSWB offers competitive compensation, generous benefits, & 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 www.fswb.bank/about/careers EOE.

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FORautobody tech. Apply in person at Precision Autobody & Collision.

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.

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ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. Hiring Bussers and Food Runners. Great pay and compensation. Nights only. Please email Contact@alley-housegrille.com.

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.

BOOKKEEPER. Accounting firm has an opening for a bookkeeper with QuickBooks online experience to work Monday- Friday, 8a.m.-5p.m. Submit resume to jjas@jjaccountingsvc.com or by fax to (970)264-4451.

BUSY URGENT CARE is looking for MA, EMT, Paramedic, RN or LPN. We are looking for both a Full Time and Part Time position. Flexible hours and schedule. Some benefits available. Please send resume and leave contact information at info@pagosamedicalgroup.org.

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CARPENTER(S) - TWO CARPENTRY POSITIONS. Background with finish carpentry, light framing, drywall and painting. Email resume to frontdesk@pagosalandcompany.com, (970)264-5000.

CDOT IS LOOKING FOR temporary highway maintenance specialists for Wolf Creek Pass for the winter season. Positions will be 40 hrs/week with opportunity for overtime. Pay is \$24.44/hr. If interested, <https://bit.ly/wolfcreekpass>.

DEDICATED CLEANERS, UP TO \$17/ hour. Must be detail oriented, trustworthy, reliable and committed. Text Pagosa Sparkles, LLC, (970)946-6446.

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One full-time employee

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Salary based on experience.
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HELP WANTED

DO YOU WANT TO help others in our community lead healthy and fulfilling lives? We are seeking compassionate individuals with exceptional organizational and communication skills to join our team of case managers. Full-time position with excellent benefits, FLEXIBLE schedule and work from home options. Starting rate of \$24.60 per hour. Review qualifications and submit application, resume and cover letter at www.community-connectionsco.org Employment tab. Hiring for multiple positions and locations. Open until filled. EOE.

EXPERIENCED EQUIPMENT OPERATOR needed and a CDL is a plus. We offer paid holidays, vacation time and retirement plan. Please call Tim Brown Construction LLC at (970)731-7071.

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SMALL MOTEL AND RV PARK hiring part-time maintenance person. 20 hours per week. Pool and spa knowledge helpful but not required. Pay depending on experience. Call (970)731-5345 for more information.

HOUSEKEEPERS/FRONT DESK/SERVERS: Full- and part-time positions available at Motel SOCO. Competitive wages, bonuses, tips and employee perks. Basic computer skills, customer service experience and ability to work weekends and holidays as needed. Team players apply at 651 W. US Hwy 160, call (970)264-1492 or email info@motelsoco.com.

HELP WANTED

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Ponderosa Lumber is seeking a customer service oriented individual to assist contractors with purchasing building materials. Knowledge of building materials is necessary.

Responsibilities include:

- Providing excellent customer service
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- Providing product information
- Data Entry

Please apply in person at

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P.O. Box 2800 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147



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Archuleta School District is Now Hiring!

We're looking for Outstanding
Employees to join our team!

Currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Middle School Bridges Case Manager/ Instructional Aide

Full-time position with a starting salary of \$31,570-\$34,678 for 175 days paid over a 12-month period.

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Full day pay \$150,
Half day pay \$75

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.

Archuleta School District strives to achieve "Success for Every Student — Every Class — Every Day."

For more details and to apply for these positions, click on "Job Postings" at www.mypagosaschools.com

EOE



HYGIENIST WANTED: Ask about \$10,000 full time first year bonus. Part time also available. The team at Pagosa Smiles is blessed to have family oriented hours with weekends and holidays off, great pay, 401K & bonuses in a beautiful facility. Colorado dental hygiene license required E-mail resume to PagosaSmiles@yahoo.com

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR CDL DRIVER with a minimum 2 years experience- Experience in forestry equipment helpful. Must pass drug test. Local driving only. Please send your resume to frontdesk@pagosalandcompany.com.

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.

INTERESTED IN A 4-DAY WORKWEEK? Piedra Automotive is now hiring Technicians. Entry-level and experienced positions available. Will train right person. Full-time 7 to 6 M-Th. Paid time off and Holidays. Apply in person at 505 County Road 600 or email resume to PiedraAuto@gmail.com.

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MOUNTAIN SPIRITS IS SEEKING customer service associates. Must be available nights and weekends. We offer \$16 p/h to start, accrued vacation/ personal time, performance-based bonuses twice a year, and employee discounts. Please apply in person.

NEEDED EMPLOYEES TIL Nov. 15th. \$30 an hour plus \$1000.00 signing bonus after six weeks. Must finish out season. Text (970)946-5206.

NORTH PAGOSA MARATHON is hiring a full-time cashier nights and weekends. Competitive wages. Please apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

NOW HIRING FULL-TIME Kitchen Line Cooks and full-time Front Counter Clerk. Work in a fast paced and clean kitchen. Pay negotiable. Apply within at The Buck Stops Here Market and Eatery.

NOW HIRING SEASONAL POSITIONS for the upcoming hunting season. Meat cutters, meat room assistant and meat wrappers. Must be reliable and ready to work. Great pay. Please apply in person at The Buck Stops Here, 19 Navajo Trail Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL is looking for a Part Time aide for Preschool, Monday-Friday, from 2:30-5:30p.m. Please contact Emily Martinez for job details and application at (970)903-2803.

OWNERS, THERE IS A LONG TERM RENTAL SHORTAGE IN PAGOSA SPRINGS. We have a waiting list for approved tenants. Need all types of rentals. Call us today for lowest commission and highest customer service. All you have to do is wait for your rent check to come in. We do the rest! Rocky Mountain Realty & Rentals (970)507-1192.

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OFFICE MANAGER. The Pagosa Springs SUN, now part of O'Rourke Media Group, is recruiting for a dynamic, versatile office manager to assist the GM and team with managing day-to-day business activity. This position is required to work at our office at 457 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. Typical hours are 8:00am to 4:30pm. Job Responsibilities: Account Management: Support the Advertising Dept with account management activity that's associated with customers running ads in the SUN, PREVIEW, special publications and on our

digital platforms. Administrative: Handle postal paperwork, insertion order processing and payment processing for advertising and subscriptions. Service: Provide personable, friendly customer service answering phones and interacting in person with customers that visit the office. Communication: Serve as a point of contact for internal and external communications. Answer phones, respond to emails and direct inquiries to the appropriate team members. Production Operation: Assist as needed with the production of newspapers each week. Project assistance: Assist with special projects and initiatives as requested by the Company. Requirements: This position requires a college degree. 3-5 years of experience working in an office. Excellent attention to detail and accuracy in data entry. Strong organizational and time management skills to meet payroll deadlines. Excellent communication skills on the phone and through all communication channels. High level of proficiency in MS Excel and other Microsoft Office applications. Compensation Range/ Benefits: \$16-\$22/hour depending on experience level. Eligible for medical, dental and vision benefits on the 1st of the month after 30 days of employment. Eligible to enroll in the company's 401 (k) retirement savings on the 1st of the month after 90 days. The company matches 50% of your contribution up to 2.5% of total compensation. 16 days of PTO plus 4-5 paid holidays. Opportunity for advancement and career growth within the company.

About the Company. O'Rourke Media Group is a fast-growing company that owns and operates hyper-local, community newspapers, websites, niche publications and a full-service digital agency. We are family-owned and mission-driven to save newspapers and local media companies by investing in the people, resources and technology needed to thrive for many years to come. We believe that every community can benefit from a well-run, properly resourced, local newspaper and website. Our News teams produce hyper-local, high interest local news and accurate and trustworthy reporting. Our Sales and Digital Fulfillment teams bring omnichannel advertising solutions to local businesses in the communities we serve. O'Rourke Media Group now operates in eight states and 28 markets with 41 publications and hyper-local websites. We started from ground zero in December 2018, totally bootstrapped, confident and with an entrepreneurial mindset. Send along your email or letter of interest directly to CEO Jim O'Rourke at jorourke@orourkemediagroup.com.

PAGOSA THERAPEUTICS AND THE GREEN HOUSE are looking for friendly and enthusiastic people who are eager to share their knowledge and help customers navigate the wide world of cannabis. Must be 21 years of age. A Marijuana Enforcement Division badge is required to start work. Come join a growing company with opportunities for advancement and involvement in outreach events. Please email your resume to employment@jandjinc.net.

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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.

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SOCIAL MEDIA EXPERT (Facebook, Google, Instagram) wanted to help create and manage advertising and marketing campaign for growing business. Please send resume to pagosad@yahoo.com.

TIM BROWN CUSTOM HOMES is looking for a few high quality, detail oriented craftsmen to help in the framing, interior finishing and painting of our custom homes. We have been building homes in Pagosa Springs for 23 years. Work year around with us and enjoy top pay, paid holidays, paid vacation and a retirement plan. Please call (970)731-7071 or stop by the office at 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., Unit B16.

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Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

HELP WANTED

THE PAGOSA SPRINGS SUN seeks a general assignment reporter who can do it all. If you can write strong news stories and compelling features, take solid photographs and are comfortable using digital tools, then you might be a good fit for our newsroom. A passion for community journalism, inspired storytelling and public service is essential for a successful candidate. Self-motivation and excellent time-management skills are a must. You must be proficient under pressure and consistent at meeting deadlines. Common topics in a week would include meeting coverage, coverage and photos from significant community events, school sports and more. The position is for 30 hours per week and would rarely involve overtime, though night and weekend working hours are common. However, the position offers some day-to-day flexibility in work hours. The pay is \$17 to \$18/hour. Benefits are included. Email resume with cover letter to Randi Pierce, editor@pagosason.com.

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HOMES FOR RENT

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SADDLE MOUNTAIN TOWNHOMES. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 baths. Open floor plan with gas fireplace, oversize 2-car garage. Close to the bike path, uptown City Market and rec center. \$2,550/ month includes: water/ sewer, lawn maintenance, snow removal. Call/ text (512)626-8499.

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When the colorful warblers, tanagers and orioles have left us for the winter, goldfinches provide the splash of yellow that brightens our trees, shrubs and feeders. This goldfinch is "lesser" only in comparison to the American goldfinch, which is heavier, brighter yellow, more abundant with a wider range and better studied.

In the United States, the lesser goldfinch is common only in California, Arizona, and parts of New Mexico, Colorado and Texas, but it does appear in areas in between and as far south as South America. They are found in patchy, open habitats as long as water is available. At this time of year they are often spotted along the road feeding on rabbitbrush, thistle and flowers in the sunflower family.

Even when insects are abundant these birds primarily consume the seeds, buds, flowers or fruits of plants. They feed in small groups with individuals clinging to the seed heads of tall plants, often bending the stem down and hanging upside down to eat. At feeders, nyjer thistle is the preferred seed.

This dry diet dominated by seeds means that a water source is crucial in their habitat and they drink frequently. Unlike most passerines that rely on insect protein to nourish young during breeding season, lesser goldfinches feed a regurgitated mix of seeds into the beaks of their nestlings.

The male lesser goldfinch does not undergo seasonal changes in coloration. He is yellow below and wears a glossy black cap. However, the amount of black color in his back varies within his range from mostly black to mostly green. Colorado birds often display mixed green and black upperpart coloration. Females and immature males are olive above and yellow below.

Reports suggest that milder winters and an increased availability of bird feeders may be allowing the lesser goldfinch to overwinter farther north than in the past.

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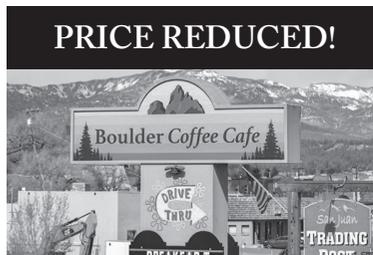
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