## **Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library** Expansion enters public campaign phase – A15

## **BoCC hears trail, Extension updates**

**Opposes pesticide legislation – A11** 



## Property, personal property tax changes highlighted

By Josh Pike Staff Writer

At the Archuleta County elected officials' quarterly work session on March 8, County Assessor Johanna Tully-Elliott and County Treasurer Elsa White discussed recent changes to state tax laws and their impacts on Archuleta County residents and departments.

Tully-Elliott described the impacts of Colorado House Bill 21-1061, which altered the rules surrounding the qualifying for residential property assessment rates.

According to Tully-Elliott, the assessment rate for 2022 on an improved property that qualifies for the residential rate is 6.95 percent of market value, compared to vacant land, which is assessed at 29 percent of market value.

Previously, to qualify for the residential assessment rate, the lots only had to be contiguous with a lot containing a residence and under a common owner.

However, Tully-Elliott explained, the new legislation requires that lots that qualify for the residential rate must directly touch the lot on which the residence is located and must contain an essential improvement for the residence, such as a



Photo courtesy Kevin Bruce/Wolf Creek Ski Area

Wolf Creek Ski Area is extending seven-day-a-week operations until Easter Sunday, April 17, which will also be the ski area's closing date for the season. The spring break crowd enjoyed excellent conditions with two back-to-back storms last week that refreshed the slopes for skiers and boarders. The midway base depth is at 109 inches and Wolf Creek's season-to-date snowfall is 357 inches. Spring break week will wind down with a visit from Smokey Bear today, Thursday, March 17.

## **Body cam footage of** Feb. 7 arrest released

#### By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

On Friday, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) released officer body camera footage relating to a Feb. 7 incident that resulted in the arrest of an Archuleta County man and an internal investigation. Those videos can be viewed on The SUN's YouTube page, available at: https://www.youtube. com/channel/UCUc04A2Z5w\_hP-

p3lS9RepZg. The Feb. 7 incident, according See Arrest A8

to an incident report released at the same time, began when a neighbor called in an alleged parking violation.

Upon arrival, the report indicates, the deputy spoke to the owner of the vehicle alleged to be violating the county ordinance related to parking. That man is identified as 68-year-old Gerald Manzanares.

As the incident progressed, the report outlines that Manzanares

## **Ballots mailed for April 5 town election**

#### By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

The Town of Pagosa Springs sent out the ballots for the 2022 regular election on Monday to all eligible registered voters, according to Town Clerk April Hessman.

The ballot will feature the election of a new town mayor. Shari Pierce, town council member, is on the ballot for this position, along with a write-in option for Sara Cole, who submitted a letter of intent to be a write-in mayoral candidate.

Hessman explained that all other write-in entries will not be counted.

Three town council seats are also on the ballot. The candidates are Madeline Bergon and Matt DeGuise, current council members who are running for new terms, and Gary Williams.

The sole ballot measure, Ballot Question A, asks if the Town of

#### See Election A8



## **Comparing short-term rental costs, processes**

## By Josh Pike

Staff Write

Short-term rentals (STRs) are one of the most hotly debated subjects in the area

With Town of Pagosa Springs voters set to consider a ballot issue that could increase fees on short-term rentals within town boundaries at the upcoming April 5 election, The SUN is looking at how the costs, procedures and regulations for obtaining a vacation rental permit compare between the town and county jurisdictions, as well as how the town costs would change if Ballot Question A is approved by town voters.

Both the town's and county's vacation rental permits last for one year and must be renewed every year thereafter.

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All vacation rental permit applications and payments are processed through munirevs.com, a Web platform commonly used by counties for processing business licenses application and tax revenue.

To apply for a permit to begin operating as an STR, the applicant must produce proof of ownership, agent authorization if there is a property manager, proof of paid property taxes for the property and proof of sales tax registration with the Colorado Department of Revenue (CDOR) unless the property is exclusively rented through Airbnb or Vrbo, which automatically remit tax revenues for their rentals to the state of Colorado.

Additionally, the applicant must complete Vacation Rental Disclosure and Agreement Form, which requires the applicant to detail the size and number of rooms and its safety features, as well as to certify that they understand the occupancy rules and have given or will give the appropriate notices to neighbors, guests and the county.

The applicant must also supply proof that they have notified the neighbors and the homeowners association the property is within (if applicable) of their plans to use it as a short term rental. Otherwise, this proof can be substituted with an affirmative statement that the property is not within an association.

This proof of notification must be 14

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	County	Town
New rental fees		
Owner occupied	\$400	\$350
Non-owner occupied	\$700	\$350
Renewal fees		
Owner occupied	\$400	\$250
Non-owner occupied	\$700	\$250
Additional fees		
Workforce housing surcharge first year	\$0	\$350
Workforce housing surcharge upon renewal	\$0	\$250
Application fee	\$0	\$50
Percent lodgers' tax paid	2.0	4.9
Percent county sales tax paid split equally between county and town	4.0	4.0
Percent state sales tax paid	2.9	2.9
Town Ballot Question A, if appr	oved	
Owner occupied, per-bedroom, per-month fee	\$0	\$0
Non-owner occupied, per-bedroom, per-month fee	\$0	\$150

Photo courtesy Will Gowar

The Oscar Mayer Wienermobile was spotted near Treasure Falls on the afternoon of March 14, leading the photographer to wonder if it was driven over Wolf Creek Pass

## LPEA election canceled

#### By Hillary Knox La Plata Electric Association

For the first time since 2004, the La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) Board of Directors has voted to cancel the LPEA director election in all four districts.

In accordance with LPEA Bylaws, one seat in each of LPEA's four districts comes up for election annually. If there is only one nominee for a position on the board for a district, the board may cancel the election for that district and, by resolution, declare the sole nominee elected to the board.

As no challenger applications were received, Holly Metzler (District 1 — Archuleta County), Dan Huntington (District 2 — South and West La Plata County), Joe Lewandowski (District 3 — City of Durango), and John Witchel (District 4 — North and East La Plata County) are re-elected as director of their respective districts for a three-year term as of May 12.

'The past year has been an important one for the LPEA board,

#### See LPEA A8

## County decides to not decide on remaining with San Juan Basin Public Health

#### By Josh Pike Staff Writer

At its meeting Tuesday, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) discussed whether or not Archuleta County will remain a part of San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH).

Earlier in the day, at its work session, the BoCC heard a report from SJBPH Executive Director Liane Jollon on the services provided in Archuleta County and the proportions of service activity that occur in Archuleta County compared to La Plata County and other areas served by SJBPH.

meeting's public comment period, several commenters urged the BoCC to form another investigative committee on the health district issue or to leave SJBPH entirely.

One commenter alleged that corruption and fraud had been proven within SJBPH and that this rendered the county's contract with SJBPH void.

Later in the meeting, County Commissioner Ronnie Maez opened the discussion, stating, "I don't know why we are making a decision. We never made a decision to leave; we never made a decision to stay."

Maez then acknowledged the public com-

Before the afternoon's discussion, during the ments and the other investigations into the health district issue that had been discussed before stating, "... But we still never made definite or even a legal decision for us to leave I don't see what the point is of us addressing thi issue right now."

> County Commissioner Warren Brown then highlighted "for the public knowledge" the origi nal purpose of the Health District Investigativ Committee (HDIC).

> He read the statement he had given the HDI as liaison, explaining its purpose and what th BoCC wished them to do.

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## **OUR VIEW Ballot question misses the mark**

Ballots went in the mail this week to registered voters of the town.

Voters are being asked to decide on Ballot Question A, which reads: "Shall the Town of Pagosa Springs Home Rule Charter be amended to initiate a workforce housing fee for short-term rentals amounting to at least \$150 per month for each permitted bedroom with all fees dedicated to creation and sustainability of workforce housing aimed at households earning less than or equal to 100% of Area Median Income, as set forth in Ordinance No. 974 (Series 2022)?'

We have read with interest letters and materials written by proponents of this effort and believe that those backing the initiative truly have the best of intentions. However, if we were eligible to vote in a town election, we would have to vote against Ballot Question A for a few reasons.

First, the question states "at least \$150 per month" and doesn't provide a cap to the amount of fees that can be charged.

Second, the question doesn't provide for how those fees will actually be used to create workforce housing. That is left up to council to decide if this initiative passes. We would like to see more clarity and direction in the ballot language.

Proponents of this citizen-led effort note that residential properties are assessed at a rate of 7.15 percent, while commercial properties are assessed at a 29 percent rate. It seems only fair that if someone is running a lodging business out of their home, they should pay the same rate as local hotels and businesses.

However, the state has never required that people running short-term or longterm rentals pay the 29 percent.

We sat in on some statewide county commissioner meetings recently where this topic was debated. One commissioner suggested that residential and commercial properties all be assessed at 14 percent. Numerous options were batted about.

It seems that most people want to see

prove this question. It is unclear how Dorothy Elder, dorothy@pagosasun.com Some locals have built businesses out of running short-term rentals (STRs) for many of these properties would be years and years. These local businesses considered affordable for the workforce if they are put on the market. This would are struggling with what the potential for their families.' and Circulation Manager

some STR owners with a huge increase with little time to prepare. We believe that incremental increases would be easier to adjust to and wouldn't put STR owners at risk of losing their properties. Those property owners are already coping with the same high inflation rates that we are all facing.

One disadvantage for STR owners in town is that STR owners outside of the town limits will have an advantage since they will not have to increase rates to vacationers to cover these possible new fees. This is another reason we would not vote in favor of this ballot question. We believe the playing field should be even.

Some local businesses already pay the higher tax rate for their STR as the STR is built into their commercial property. Ballot Question A doesn't take that into account. These businesses already pay 29 percent for their STRs and should this ballot question pass, they would be required to pay this new fee on top of that.

If action is taken at the state level to assess STRs at a higher rate, this ballot question has no language to allow for the fees to be reduced or eliminated.

The Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) conducted a survey of STR owners "to evaluate the impact and proposed reaction of the Owners regarding the citizen-led Town Charter Amendment."

Of the 200 emails sent out, 123 survey responses were received by the CDC. STR owners responding with properties in town totaled 65, with 58 STR owners responding from unincorporated Archuleta County.

One survey response noted that they only rented their house for 19 nights in 2021. Ballot Question A provides no break for people if they rent 19 nights a year as opposed to 365 nights a year; they will pay the same per-bedroom fee for their property. We believe a fee based on a percentage of rental income would be more fair.

Another observation from the survey changes where residential properties are is that 43 respondents said they would put their properties up for sale at "curused to generate income, yet no one has rent market value" should voters apcome up with a workable solution.

citizen-led effort when it was presented. Council had already implemented strategies to control the growth of STRs within town limits by enacting limits of 10 percent of units being STRs per zoning district and requiring a 250-foot radius between STRs. You also have to own your STR for two years before you can rent it. Council opted to wait to see the results of these new measures that they put into place in 2021 before considering additional fees or restrictions.

STR owners shared how they support the community through the survey: "Our property managers, housekeepers, snow removal business, maintenance people, etc. all live in Pagosa Springs and we pay a portion of their income. When we updated our cabin to do short-term rentals, all of our materials and labor were purchased locally (granite countertops, backsplash tile, etc.). Both our property taxes and the taxes that our renters pay go right back into the local economy, and our family regular [sic] frequents many local businesses to make purchases (grocerv stores, restaurants, spas, bakeries, gift shops, leisure activities, etc.). In addition, the people who rent our cabin also patronize these same local businesses."

Another owner wrote about how they support local causes: "We are in PS 4 months a year. We live as we do at home shopping our local businesses, eating out and so on. Most importantly to me I have become friends at church and I now offer a \$30,000.00 match with Our Savior Lutheran School for scholarships. This match has been meet [sic] by other supporters of the school."

Along-time resident added: "I created my STR to supplement my 'good' job here. I am not considered 'workforce' housing, but even being 'average' income ... in Pagosa I can't afford to live here anymore w/o my STR. I need 2 jobs to survive.

Another survey respondent wrote: "There will be a lot of second and third homes that are left sitting empty, when they could potentially be rented out with tourists who would be spending money in our town. I do not believe it will solve the housing issue, and in fact, it's going to push out the families who own 1 short term rental as a means to provide here

No one can deny that we need affordable workforce housing. We don't think this ballot question is the right method Terri Lynn Oldham House YOUR REPRESENTATIVES Archuleta County Commissioners aschaaf@archuletacounty.org • 264-8305 rmaez@archuletacounty.org • 264-8303 warren.brown@archuletacounty.org • 264-8300 Pagosa Springs Town Council Pagosa Springs Mayor Don Volger ddvolger@gmail.com mdeguise@pagosasprings.co.gov Madeline Bergon mbergon@pagosasprings.co.gov ndemarco@pagosasprings.co.gov mdegraaf@pagosasprings.co.gov spierce@pagosasprings.co.gov jposey@pagosasprings.co.gov NO IRISH SETTER

# LEGACIES By Shari Pierce 100 years ago Taken from SUN files of March 17, 1922

Petitions are being circulated for signatures to place two tickets in the coming town election, which will be held on Tuesday, April 4th. Fifty signers are necessary on each ticket and must be obtained not later than Saturday to ensure the tickets being placed upon the ballot. The proposed tickets are entitled the Taxpayers and Citizens respectively, but if there are any weighty issues at stake, those in the know are keeping them a dark secret. We hope and believe that a good business administration is the keynote of both parties.

The Liberty theatre was sold on Wednesday by Fidel A. Archuleta to Chas. F. Rumbaugh of this city. He will take possession on April 1st. Mr. Archuleta will assume charge of the big Archuleta ranch at Edith the coming season and found it necessary to dispose of his local interests.

Mr. Rumbaugh will maintain the high standard the theatre has attained and is contemplating adding improvements, among which will be the installation of a radio-phone receiving station for the benefit of his patrons.

## 75 years ago Taken from SUN files of March 21, 1947

The town-wide controversy on a question of whether children of newly arrived parents here should pay school tuition was settled to the satisfaction of all concerned when the State Department of Education, at the request of the school superintendent and school board, ruled against such payment. In a letter received here Wednesday by Marion H. Hays, superintendent, Nettie S. Freed, state superintendent of public instruction, cleared up the question. Previously the school board had held that two families, connected with the incoming oil drilling operations, must pay tuition. They sought the ruling to establish a policy which would cover future cases. Mrs. Freed points to a decision which reads: "A child living with a domiciled resident and taxpayer of a school district as a member of his family, with the expectation on the part of all parties that this relation will continue permanently, has a 'residence' there for school purposes and cannot be compelled to pay tuition as a non-resident."

## 50 years ago Taken from SUN files of March 16, 1972

No candidates had filed for any position in the town election by the deadline for filing. Town attorneys are now researching the legal aspects of such a situation. Whether the present town board will continue on until the next election is to be decided. The situation is a bit more complicated this year because an ordinance has been adopted providing for four year terms on the board. The Town Board met last night to discuss the matter and to arrive at a course of action.

Control of the Wolf Creek Pass Ski Area was transferred to a Dallas group of investors last Saturday. Completing the initial payment with a \$60,000 check were Ben Pinnell, Mike Ditka and Dave Edwards. The three men represent other interested investors. Ditka and Edwards are well known for their playing ability on the Dallas Cowboys Professional Football Team. The purchasers said that plans will be formulated to make Wolf Creek one of the major ski areas of Colorado.

25 years ago Taken from SUN files of

March 20, 1997 The county commissioners Tuesday approved allocating \$2,500 for a victim's assistance program in Archuleta County. Whereas the town of Pagosa Springs budgeted a similar amount for the program in the town's 1997 budget, the commissioners will take the money from the county's general fund reserves and amend its 1997 budget. (The Violence Prevention Coalition of Colorado accepted the application for consideration with the understanding the town and county would each provide \$2,500 towards the program's proposed \$37,000 budget.)

Deputy Debbie Tully, a Pagosa Lakes Public Safely employee who submitted the grant application, had requested the funds on Dec. 10, 1996 and again on Dec. 23. Tully administered a similar \$20,000 grant in 1996 as director of the county's victim's assistance program on a parttime, 20-hour-per-week basis. Tully said the 1997 victim's assistance program will be housed in the Public Safety office in Pagosa Lakes, it will be supervised by Larry Bass, Public Safety Director who is deputized by the county and it will offer its services county-wide.

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## 'Back the Blue'

Dear Editor:

Back the Blue? Yes. Back the Blue, because it is Blue, various actions were possibly not justified or the Blue is utilized to harass a public citizen? Hold on. I am not a police officer. Never have been but, I have been friends with law enforcement officers over the past several decades.

This publication has reported regarding an incident between the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office deputies and a local citizen (Mr. Manzanares). After an investigation by the Sheriff's Office, two deputies resigned, and all charges were dropped against the complainant.

Some have spoken out. I must speak up and inform of my knowledge prior to this incident. Mr. Manzanares and his wife have been harassed over the last several years. The dispute is over access and parking to, through and within a county cul-de-sac, found in the Pagosa Lakes Vista subdivision. Four properties are situated within this cul-de-sac. Two properties have driveways and two do not. The two that do not, including Mr. Manzanares' are restricted to parking within the confines of the cul-de-sac. The dispute has, over the years, involved who can park where and access through the cul-de-sac to the other two properties. On many occasions, both the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office and the Pagosa Lakes Property Owner's Association (PLPOA) have been involved in discussions with this dispute. The PLPOA Board and Mr. Manzanares agreed that his tow truck in question was allowed to park at a specified location in the cul-de-sac, with no expiration date, that also allows passage for the neighbor. Mr. Manzanares has religiously followed where he can and cannot park. The neighbor with a driveway apparently was not satisfied with the PLPOA decision and has called the Sheriff's office to continue complaining the placement of the tow truck and him not able to pass numerous times. This most recent call to the Sheriff's office brought out an officer who claimed Mr. Manzanares was in some violation of parking. Mr. Manzanares was asking the deputy to show him how and where he was in violation when the elderly Mr. Manzanares was tackled to the ground, restrained, and arrested

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him. Were those and following actions by the deputy deemed justified to determine an outcome?

I do not discredit any law enforcement agency, including the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, nor the words of Mr. Zenthoefer. Anyone speaking out without full knowledge of this or any situation casts shadows upon themselves. Thus, I am in short, compiling the past several years of knowledge of these unfortunate events to inform what I know happened and to understand why it happened. I do believe there are corroborating facts and circumstances determined by the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office investigation that are not available for this forum.

I fully believe the continued harassment and threats of fines and actions against Mr. Manzanares is unacceptable when a precedent of parking and passage has long ago been established.

> Drew Arrington Sugar Land, Texas

## 'Green' technology Dear Editor:

The cost of gasoline has now topped the four dollar mark in Pagosa. Joe Biden and his climate god worshipping crowd of fools in Washington want everyone to quick run out and buy an all electric vehicle. Before you drop \$50,000 or more on one of these devices you might want to think about how "green" they actually are.

It is currently true that about 40 percent of America's electricity is generated by coal-fired power plants. That means that your "green" EV is burning coal for nearly half the miles driven. To produce the batteries used in EV's, cell phones, and wind turbines requires the purchase of rare earth minerals. Unfortunately, 95 percent of the world's rare earth minerals are produced in China. There are some rare earth minerals mined in Africa, but they use children in mining the materials and this exposes them to extraordinarily toxic chemicals which has caused the death of many of these youths.

If you're interested in preserving the rain forests of the world, it may interest you to know that the Rio Tuba nickel mine in the Palawan rain forest of the Philippians continues to destroy the habitat at rapid rate due the the need for nickel in the lithium ion batteries that will power your new all electric vehicle.

According to the Pacific North-

world. There is a fallacy promoted by the green zealots in Washington that you must make a choice between fossil fuels and renewable resources. It is entirely possible to have clean burning fossil fuels and we have already proven that over the last five decades. Clean air standards have been met and exceeded in this nation for years. This hasn't stopped the Green New Deal crowd from cancelling the XL Pipeline, closing federal lands to oil production, and going hat-in-hand to Iran, Venezuela, Saudi Arabia, and even Russia to purchase their petroleum products when we can use our own if we'd just be allowed to do so.

What's the solution? Quit selling false "green" technology to the American people, and elect leaders in 2022 and 2024 who aren't willing to lie to us about their so-called "green" EV's and instead let us use our own resources to power our clean air fossil fueled vehicles.

If you want time to think about it, then when you're spending eight hours at some midwestern truck stop waiting for your EV to charge up, maybe you'll figure it out. Richard Bolland

## Godly right conservatives Dear Editor:

Obviously, Americans have at least noticed or maybe have become wholeheartedly deeply concerned that we are losing America we patriots love. This Leftist-Socialist Biden Administration, Congress and Senate Majorities, and sadly some Republican "Rhinos" do not love America. They are chopping away our fragile freedom. Their motive is power and control. For some of you who vote for this kind, it is no doubt, hard to believe what you're getting. But, there are ways to get America back on track. The Putin-Ukraine Invasion-War is an eye-opener of fragile freedom and what evil is and can do.

This is an "everybody problem". The first reminder is that our freedom comes from Creator Almighty God, not the government. That's Jesus Christ shouldering our country and exemplified in the Constitution. Then duly elected Godly, Bible-believing, Constitution-lov-See Letters A4



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west National Laboratory, the three electrical grids in this nation can only support a maximum of 24 million EV's. Of course, in California they already have rolling black outs so your mileage (pun intended) may vary. The Biden regime wants to spend \$170 million on a coastto-coast electrical charging system, but that does not help produce electricity to power them.

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So, what do we do and who are they? Christians and our Church leaders play a crucial part. Get "God's Word out there" and get the word out who these candidates really are.

The Bayfield Pine Valley Church congregation had Congresswoman Lauren Boebert as guest speaker. Meeting our elected 3rd District official upfront and hearing her personal direction by God to do this crucial job for us was a deal maker. We all shared powerful prayers for our elected leader and her for us. This type of event is the truly blessed hope for America. After a delicious lunch provided by the church, she shared crucial legislative facts and her fight for our Colorado 3rd District. She is defending us against the evil, deceptive legislation of The Biden, Nancy Pelosi, Squad-Girls Administration, and much done in darkness.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert definitely has a "bold as a lion " and "warrior spirit". What we need in these crisis times. There is a Biden War at our southern border. This Administration opened it up and deadly drugs poured in compliments of China, Mexico, and the cartels. They flooded our country with enough illegal fentanyl and drugs to kill every American. Recently, 2 miles south of the Texas border a mass grave, about 2000 charred bodies, cartel style, was found.

Sex trafficking of women and children into our country, with the demise of many, is increasing by the thousands. (Does this sort of sound like the bombing of maternity and children's hospitals by Putin, destroying lives?). Congresswoman Boebert has been to the border several times joining like-minded conservatives to fight these evils.

She's defending the rights of unborn babies, defeating infanticide, late-term abortions, and their funding. Joining with like-minded colleagues and much prayer, she did it. She's on the Natural Resources Committee stopping the closure of thousands of acres and a thousand miles of rivers on federal lands to we the people. That's our Colorado. Check her website for more. Re-electing Lauren Boebert and Godly right conservatives like her will save America's freedom and one nation under Almighty God.

### Jan and Tom Carnley

## 'Parking violation arrest'

Dear Editor:

Martin Zenthoefer wrote a nice letter about his one sided view of what happened in a parking violation arrest. He claims to be a former cop. So he must of had a lot of issues as a police officer if he jumps to conclusions before knowing the whole story. I was also in law enforcement. And it's always best to get the whole story. Law enforcement officers should uphold the law and should not abuse it. Apparently Martin condones police brutality and supports police abuse of power. There is way more to the story that he commented on. His one sided view is what got the two deputies into trouble to begin with. I stand and back law enforcement if they are doing their jobs by the law. Not using the law for their own purposes or simply abusing their authority. People need to wake up and watch what is going on. Not all cops are bad but the ones that are make the ones that are nots jobs harder. And there was no resistance or no failure to ID on the part of the person arrested. The deputy did not properly investigate the right of way and therefore violated the law. People learn both sides of the story.

Signed Ret. Sgt. Gerald Manzanares

## **'Small-town hospital'** Dear Editor:

We would like to share our appreciation of the Pagosa Springs Medical Center. From the initial Emergency Room visit throughout my husband's stay, our experience with the facility and staff was amazing. The Doctors, Nurses, and all the staff were knowledgeable, compassionate, and kind. Their efficiency and professionalism were truly astonishing. The diagnostic equipment and highly trained technicians and professionals gave us every confidence that we were in good hands. Going above and beyond is a culture that is evident at this small-town hospital. The medical needs of Pagosa Springs and its surrounding area is certainly being well served.

> With our thanks, Ken and Shellie Peterson

## **'Can't we do better?'** Dear Editor:

Letters

In Athens, young adults spent two years in public service. Many over 30 formed a huge city council to make laws for the population.

In Rome, citizens had extensive and regular civic duties. Elected officials served only one-year terms, so many would have the opportunity of being leaders.

In Israel, land owning parents administered the law among all relatives, boarders, and workers on their land. Parents taught law and literacy to their children.

In England, families contributed labor to the castle guard, just as in America men rotated duty as night watchmen. Both democracies had extensive militia and jury duty requirements.

Today, Americans shirk even jury duty and can't be bothered to vote in local elections. We have withdrawn from charitable causes, and civic, electoral, and church participation. We are too busy with social media, video gaming, Netflix binging, on-line shopping, porno, and the new sports gambling craze to be of service to our country and our fellow human beings.

The shame falls squarely on business, political, and even church leaders, who regularly invite us to lead highly privatized lives dedicated to their products, services and causes. Can't we do better?

Kimball Shinkoskey Woods Cross, Utah

## 'Move to another town'

### Dear Editor:

"We'd have to move to another town."

That's the common, sad response I hear when I ask Pagosa neighbors "What would you do if you had to find a place to live in Pagosa on your salary alone next month?" I ask you to give that question some heartfelt thought. The more thought you give, the sadder it gets.

And families with children are leaving. With rents for simple apartments doubling over the past six years and leases for family homes nearly tripling, is there really a better option, especially for young families facing \$2500 rents,

#### than leaving Pagosa?

Everyone's concerned. Okay, but passive concern is a problem, not a solution. Without serious investment in workforce housing there are no options for working families that make our tourism economy and our community — possible.

Town government at every level is at least making an intelligent, good faith effort, but \$1500 converted motel rooms and \$1600 micro apartments for singles/ couples is the best the Town can manage without a dedicated funding source.

The County's best policy is fulltime living in RVs. I'm not joking. Millions for prisons and new County offices but RVs for the working families paying for their construction. On workforce housing right now, the County is an episode of Reno 911.

Thankfully, Town voters can make a decisive and decent choice by passing Ballot Measure A next month.

The Workforce Housing Fee is fair and modest. The equivalent of a 7% tax. A little more than one night's rental per month of a short-term rental bedroom. And the folks paying the fee — nonresident short-term rental investors — already enjoy a massive 75% property tax loophole that no other commercial property in Pagosa benefits from.

Why should a business model which evicts working families and creates mini-motels in our neighborhoods receive this exclusive 75% tax break? Not even STR advocates can offer a commonsense argument.

The choice is stark. Do we want a future Town which is family friendly or an upside down town where tourists vacation in the houses while evicted families live in converted 330 square foot motel rooms charging \$1500 per month or recreation vehicles through the winter?

I hope Town voters choose wisely — and decently — and require non-resident STR owners to pay a fair Workforce Housing Fee to fix a problem they have turned into a crisis. For those STR owners who object to paying this modest fee to help house working families they have evicted, there is an obvious reply: "Move to another town." Glenn Walsh

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

The following meetings are subject to change.

## Thursday, March 17

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/.

Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District special meeting. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information: https://pagosasprings. civicweb.net/portal/.

## Tuesday, March 22

#### 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/9160904 8375?pwd=dlFFV0J1cGVKa1N HWHFsa2taeGxtZz09, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: http://archuletacounty. org/agendacenter.

Upper San Juan Health Service District regular meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Centerboard room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd., or Zoom: https://us-

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## Wednesday, March 23

Archuleta County Planning Commission meeting. 6 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. and via Zoom. For more information, visit: http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter.

## Thursday, March 24

San Juan Basin Public Health Board of Health meeting. 9 a.m. Zoom meeting. For more information, visit: https://sjbpublichealth.org/.

## Tuesday, March 29

Archuleta School District Board of Education school board training with CASB. 4-8 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

## Tuesday, April 5

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting at: https://zoom.us/j/9160904 8375?pwd=dlFFV0J1cGVKa1N HWHFsa2taeGxtZz09, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: http://archuletacounty. org/agendacenter.

#### Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners meeting. 1:30 p.m. Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting: https://zoom. us/j/91609048375?pwd=dlFFV 0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxt Zz09, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: http://archuletacounty.org/agendacenter.

## Wednesday, April 6

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

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# Business

## Businesses encouraged to complete short survey

By Mary Jo Coulehan Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce

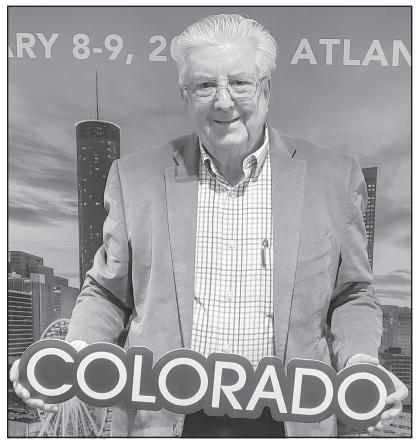
The Chamber just finished our 2022 Career Day at the High School on March 8. Over 25 businesses and organizations attended, giving our youth an idea of careers that are available right here in Pagosa Springs. These careers included jobs that need certification and others that require some type of continuing education or degree.

First, we want to thank those

individuals that gave up their time to speak to our youth. We also want to thank the high school staff for working hard to coordinate the classes and time frames. This is a project that certainly takes a village.

The new saying is, "You don't know what you don't know." This is true in the arena of looking toward the future, a possible career or even areas of interest to work in. If we could interest or shed light on some industries for even a few students, it is well worth our time.

**Biz Beat** 



Lee Riley attended the Sell-a-bration Conference in Phoenix, Ariz., March 4-6. Sell-a-bration is the Residential Real Estate Council's annual conference where the most successful REALTORS® in the industry come together to build relationships, learn new business strategies and obtain the latest resources aimed at growth and higher earning potential. He is looking forward to bringing this information home to service his customers in Pagosa Springs. Riley is a broker associate at Jann C. Pitcher Real Estate and can be reached at (970) 946-3856.

These business leaders spoke about not only careers, but also about possible intern programs so that students can get their feet wet. Many of the industries require that students be 18 years of age to intern, but our young adults can work toward that end.

Many of our businesses look for young adults to mentor and orient into the workforce. If your child has a particular interest or skill, contact a related business and inquire if they take on the younger population.

You can also have your child contact the Career and Technical Education (CTE) program at the high school. It works with our businesses to have intern programs during the school year. It will be looking at signing up students later this month or early next month for the next school year. In addition, businesses can contact the Chamber if they are interested in taking on students. We can also direct them to the school and set up the nexus for an intern program.

The Chamber is also working with Region 9 Economic Development District, Pueblo Community College, and local and regional private vendors to increase access to CDL training and certification. Not only Pagosa Springs, but southwest Colorado is short of certified CDL drivers. Many industries including government agencies, construction and related product industries, energy suppliers and many more are short of qualified drivers. We are working to try and expand the training opportunities to the public to qualify individuals and set them up for employment opportunities. Look for more information as we develop options in the next few months.

## Business survey

Why is the Chamber working on workforce development and housing issues? In January of 2020, just before the pandemic shut down regular business operations as we know it, the Chamber conducted a survey of our business community

asking what its three top business priorities were. Housing, broadband and qualified workforce were the top three answers. All of these issues affect our business community, so the Chamber wants to help try and solve some of the issues our businesses are facing.

The Community Development Corporation has been working diligently on broadband; thus, they should continue to take the lead with this initiative. Therefore, the Chamber has been trying to broaden opportunities related to the other two issues. However, two years have passed since that survey. Are these concerns the same, and does our business community feel we should be working on these issues?

A very short survey will be released on March 18 and run until April 1 asking these questions of our membership. We hope that you will take just one minute to take the survey. You can access it in a number of ways. The easiest is to go to the Chamber's homepage at www.pagosachamber.com and click on the survey link.

If these are not the issues you feel we should be working on, then what issues do you think we should be working on? Again, please just take a few minutes to complete the survey and help us develop our strategic plan to better work for our business community.







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## **Diana Roselee** Millan

Sept. 24, 1938-Feb. 4 Diana Millan went Feb. 4 to join the Lord in heaven along with

Redondo and Hermosa Beach,

Calif. She was a mother to five chil-

dren, four of whom are still living:

Dan Touchstone, Jamie Miller, Liz

Bishop and Matt Bishop. Her large

family, including 17 grandchildren

and 10 great-grandchildren, will

community here in Pagosa Springs,

Colo., along with her community

back in California. She truly left

work, some of which included Pa-

cific Coast Little League, Walteria

PTA, proud to be a Girl and Boy

Scout Leader and March of Dimes,

all in Southern California. Diana

won Woman of the Year in the 1970s

Since moving to Pagosa in 2006,

she's been very involved with

American Legion Auxiliary, Audu-

bon and Pagosa Seniors (known for

running games), which she loved.

Diana was also proud of being

voted Queen of the Red Hats. Her

joy and laughter will be missed

greatly here in our community. Very

important and dear to her heart

was her church and its community,

words to memorialize the bigger

part she played in lives of so many.

She was full of love and for those

that wish to join the celebration of

her life, our family will be having

a memorial and tree planting for

her this summer. Date to be an-

beautiful for its own time. He has

planted eternity in the human

heart, but even so, people cannot

see the whole scope of God's work

from beginning to end."

**Rev. Louis** 

"Yet God has made everything

nounced.

There could never be enough

John Paul II Catholic Church.

Her life was filled with volunteer

She loved and cared for her

her parents, Laura and Ray Millan; oldest son, Rick Touchstone; three brothers, George, Ray and Eddie; and sister Candy Millan. Diana was raised in

miss her greatly.

for all of her work.

an impact.



Fe. At the archbishop's request, he moved to Conception Seminary, Conception, Mo., and received an M.R.A. in theology and an S.T.B. in psychology. He was ordained to the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church by Archbishop Edwin Vincent Byrnes on May 24, 1958, in Santa Fe, N.M.

**Obituaries** 

He was assigned to serve at several parishes in New Mexico: Our Lady of Guadalupe in Santa Fe, N.M., San Antonio of Padua in Penasco, N.M., and San Miguel in Socorro, N.M. With the blessing of the archbishop, he entered the military. After combat training in the Navy, his first assignment as a chaplain was to Iceland. And then as a chaplain for the Marines in Vietnam. As the troops were being withdrawn from Vietnam by President Nixon, his tour of duty ended in 1969. The secretary of the Navy awarded him the Navy Achievement Medal, stating, "He willingly, courageously and regularly traveled through hostile territory to bring the comfort and consolation of religion to those in a combat environment."

By the time of his military discharge, a new archbishop had been assigned to the archdiocese of Santa Fe, James Peter Davis. Archbishop Davis gave him an extended leave of absence as of Dec. 31, 1969. The archbishop stated, "I thank you for making known so sincerely your desires and your concerns. In accord with your expressed wishes, I grant you an indefinite leave of absence for such study and work as will fit you to serve the needs of people in dire need."

With the sanction of the archbishop, he devoted much time and effort on inventions to alleviate harsh conditions of the Third World. His inventions for the benefit of those in need started with shock tubes for earth drilling of water wells, to solar power water pumping and sterilizing. He soon realized he would need a better understanding of chemistry and calculus for the inventions he had in mind

For these, he signed up for classes at the Catholic University of America. He also realized there was a real need to rejuvenate the soil in the Third World. So, he set to work on five simpler ways of nitrogen fixation for the soil. He was also well aware of the lack of commercial electric power in the Third World, which is evident by his inventions that used wind to power a turbine, variable capacitors to The Rev. Louis Richard O'Hare, produce electricity, thermal energy of Bayfield, Colo., formerly of to drive an electric power generator and a convection-powered solar engine. The list goes on and on, but the Trask Jr., of San Antonio, Texas, lack of funds and sponsors kept him from putting these patents into production and getting them to the Third World. Altogether, over a 19-year period, his inventions covered many different needs for which he was awarded 39 patents. The inventions slowed down when he took upon himself the care of our mother with chronic COPD for approximately 20 years. Not only did he keep his brilliant mind ever active with new inven-10, 1937, he

tions, he produced in-depth theological essays and other writings on topics such as: The Cultured War, Free Will, Men of Nature, The Occult Religion of Nature, The Truth Barrier, to name a few. We hope to get some of them published.

He had a passion for aircraft and flying. In his spare time, he took to the sky. Perhaps this was his way of being closer to the lord. After receiving his solo pilot's license, he dropped in on several of the towns in New Mexico. As soon as he had a multi-engine, passenger and instrument rating, he flew his mother to Minneapolis, Minn., to visit relatives. Looking at his logbook, he was still flying at age 65 and probably beyond.

I believe his fascination with radios led him to be a ham operator for many years. He enjoyed communicating with others, especially fellow priests in mission territories. To get the distance and right wavelengths, he put up his own antennas, sometimes strung from tree to tree.

He had in-depth knowledge of radio communications and later in life, his adventurous spirit took him to Alaska, where after obtaining a first-class FCC license, he was able to work on commercial aircraft radios. Alaska also saw his use of his airframe and power plant certification license from Colorado Aerotech to inspect and repair aircraft.

Fr. O'Hare would not let his medical problems slow him down. Early on, he had quadruple bi-pass surgery and later the replacement of a heart valve. Atrial-fibrillation was an everyday, not-to-worry, occurrence. After two broken hips from falls, he was restricted to a walker. His one regret was failure to secure funding and sponsorships to get his inventions into production and to the Third World. This is not surprising because there is not much profit in supporting charitable work.

We can say for sure Fr. Louis was a multitalented, in-depth thinker. He saw the needs of others and found a way to satisfy those needs while not neglecting family needs. He was keenly aware of the trauma for men in a combat zone and stepped up to help. He had a mind set to serve God by serving others. Church formalities and government conditions did not stop him. As a memorial to Fr. O'Hare, the plan is to find sponsors, get a few of his inventions into production, and then to the Third World.

## May he rest in peace. Farrell C. Trask Jr.

spent his early life in Washington state and Boise, Idaho. Raised primarily by his paternal grandmother and aunts and uncles on both sides of his family, he eventually attended Northrup Aeronautical Institute in Englewood, Calif. Enlisting in the United States Air Force, he was stationed at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, Texas, and Laughlin AFB in Del Rio, Texas.

While stationed in Del Rio, he met and married Roberta Robertson Trask, with whom he had a daughter, Tara. They lived in Corpus Christi, Denver and Phoenix while he worked with Western World Foods as a regional manager for multiple Whataburger stores across the southwest. In 1980 after 17 years of marriage, he lost Roberta to cancer.

Farrell relocated to Dallas, Texas, with Tara and opened Aero-Specialists at Addison Airport, a successful aircraft maintenance business he ran for many years. During that time, he met and married the love of his life, Barbara Burns Trask on March 16, 1991. That union, complete with Barbara's three daughters, Julia, Martie and Emily, would prove to be the foundation of his greatest joy in life - his family. In 2000, Farrell and Barbara "pre-retired" to Pagosa Springs, Colo., where they owned and operated a retail lighting business together. In their actual retirement, they moved to San Antonio, Texas, to be closer to family.

An avid outdoorsman all his life, Farrell was a skilled angler who enjoyed all kinds of fishing. He was partial to mountain streams and rainbow trout. In his late years, he loved to watch his grandchildren perform music and play sports.

He is survived by many loving family members: his wife, Barbara Burns Trask; children Tara Trask, Julia and Amir Weiner, Martie Maguire and Clem Moore, Emily and Martin Strayer; and grandchildren, Berta and Baden Bunch, Ya'el and Naomi Weiner, Eva, Katie and Harper Maguire, Gus, Julianna and Henry Robison, and Violet Strayer. He is also survived by Lee Lihou, Carlene Lalumondier, Jennifer Ely and Gayle Reeves. He was preceded in death by Farrell Trask Sr., Mary Skogerson Johnson, Todd Trask, Roberta Robertson Trask, Kerry Workman and Eitan Michael Weiner.

An internment service will be held at Fort Sam Houston Cemetery, Shelter No. 2, San Antonio, Texas, on Friday, March 25, at 9:15 a.m. A memorial service will be

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Pagosa Springs, Colo., was the oldest of five chil-

**Richard O'Hare** 

dren born to **Evelyn Frances** Luger O'Hare and John Augustus O'Hare. He was born in Milwaukee, Wis., on Sept. 14, 1931.



His early years saw him

not only in Milwaukee, but a short stay with paternal grandparents in Paxton, Ill., and for several years in St. Paul, Minn., until he completed the eighth grade. No matter where he lived, he was always an altar server.

From there, he entered the Maryknoll Junior seminary around September of 1945 in Palo Alto, Calif. With high school completed, it was off to the Maryknoll College in Glen Ellyn, Ill., where he received a B.A. in philosophy with a minor in psychology. His studies with the Maryknolls ended in 1956.

With the consent of Archbishop Edwin Vincent Byrne, of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, N.M., he changed over to be a diocesan priest for the archdiocese of Santa

## Community Marijuana Offset **Impact Fund grant** deadline nearing

Springs SUN

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#### By Mary Helminski Archuleta County

Archuleta County is accepting applications for grant funding from the Community Marijuana Offset Impact Fund.

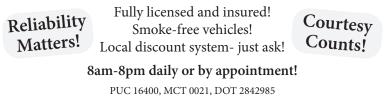
Applicants for award funding may be a graduating high school student or an organization providing programs that provide an alternative to marijuana use.

Find details at https://www. archuletacounty.org/CivicAlerts. aspx?AID=157 or contact Mary Helminski at (970) 264-8308.

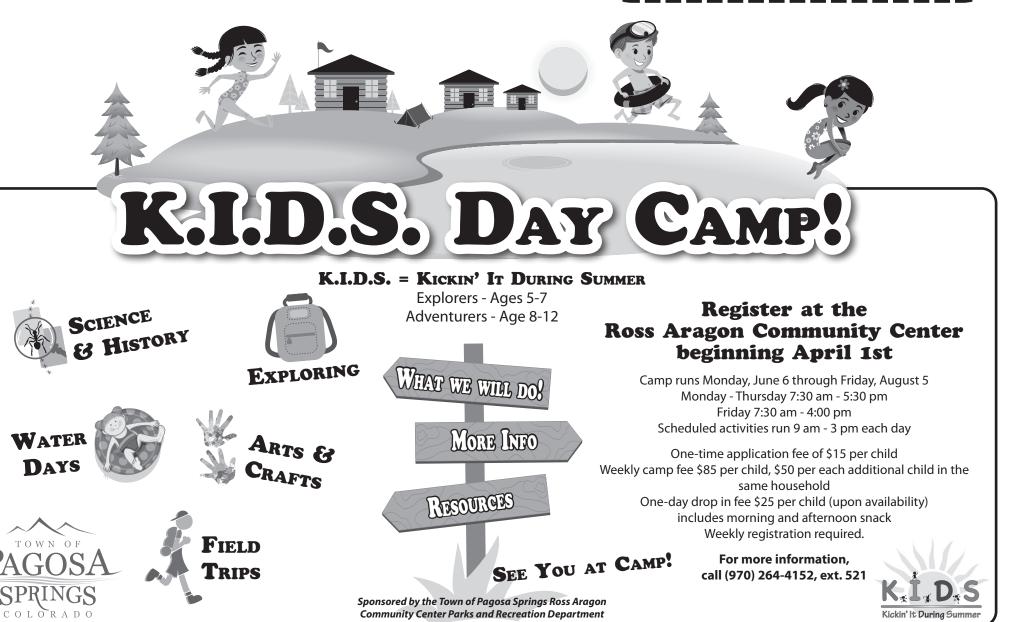
On Saturday, Feb. 19, Farrell C. passed on into God's graces. Af-

Born in Moses Lake, Wash., on April held at Colonial Hills Methodist Church on March 26 at 2 p.m. All are welcome to attend both services; more information is available at farrelltrask.forevermissed.com.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to American Parkinson Disease Association, email: adpa@adpaparkinson.org; Gifts of the Heart, Community United Methodist Church, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, (970) 264-5508; or Colonial Hills Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas, at https://pushpay. com/g/chumcsanantonio.







ter living with well-managed Parkinson's for the last 10 vears of his life, we finally lost him at 84 years of age.

## PSMC takes steps toward upgrading mammography services

#### **By Randi Pierce** Staff Writer

Following the recommendation of its Facilities Committee, on Feb. 22 the Upper San Juan Health Service District Board of Directors unanimously approved moving forward with the purchase of 3-D mammography equipment at Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC).

The effort to purchase the equipment began in November 2020, when the board approved a fundraising campaign to bring 3-D mammography to PSMC.

According to the resolution approved by the board on Feb. 22, "received generous donations from its donors and has sufficient cash on-hand to pay for the 3D mammo equipment" and issued a request for proposal for 3-D mammography equipment, ancillary equipment, biopsy equipment and specimen imaging.

The resolution further indicates that PSMC staff, including the contract radiologist, advised the board pursue the lowest-cost response, from Hologic, both because of the cost and "because of its rating ..."

The cost associated with that equipment is \$429,412, according to the resolution.

Facility renovations to house the equipment are anticipated to cost a maximum of \$30,000, the resolution notes.

On Tuesday, PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb explained the process is being impacted by supply chain issues, with the equipment delivery currently at least 15 weeks out.

Until it arrives and the construction takes place, Webb noted PSMC will continue using its current mammography equipment.

#### 2021 accomplishments

At the same meeting, Webb presented PSMC's 2021 accomplishments to the board, touching on topics such as the COVID-19 pandemic, financial stability, clinical services and more.

Those accomplishments are also outlined in a six-page document that was provided to the board.

"We got a lot done," Webb said. Among those things Webb told the board were that, during 2021, PSMC administered approximately 8,804 COVID vaccine shots and PSMC lab staff processed 4,602 COVID tests, with 4,578 of those processed in-house.

The report also notes that PSMC EMS responded to 2,131 calls and maintained operations "despite significant staffing challenges" and that members of the EMS team were recognized by the Emergency Medical Services Association of Colorado.

"We are in a very stable financial position," Webb told the board, with the document stating, "Despite COVID, at the end of 2021 PSMC is in the most stable financial position it has been in since the hospital opened in 2008 as evidenced by PSMC's days cash on hand at the end of December was 135.95 (at the end of 2020, PSMC had 61.1 days cash on hand)."

The report outlines that PSMC refinanced its 2006 bonds, which were associated with the initial construction of the hospital, resulting in a net savings of \$1,838,409.

#### Other business

In other business at the Feb. 22 meeting, the board convened an executive session about PSMC's annual report of 2021 peer-review activities and the annual evaluation of Webb.

Following the executive session, the board unanimously approved the annual report of peer-reviewed activities (which must remain confidential per state statute), as well as amending Webb's contract to be consistent with latest case law.

According to the resolution on the matter, "the CEO's contract contains provisions requiring forfeiture of her paid time off at separation from employment and at the end of each year ..."

That resolution further explains the Colorado Supreme Court concluded in a 2021 case "that employers do not have to offer vacation pay and employers offering vacation pay can cap the amount of vacation pay; however, employers cannot require an employee to forfeit such vacation pay even at termination of employment. Further, any contractual agreement that purports to forfeit earned vacation pay is void."

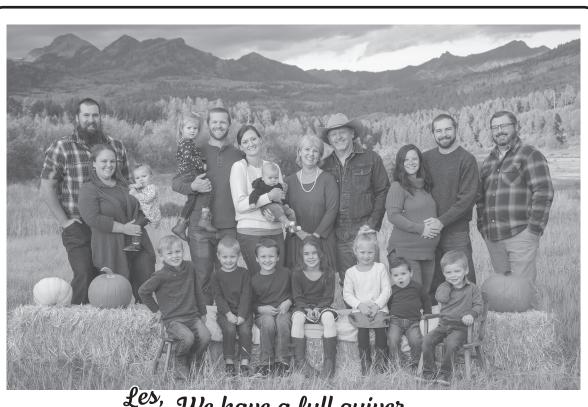
The approved resolution adds, "the Board of Directors and the CEO desire to modify her contract regarding the forfeiture provisions to be consistent with Colorado law."

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## County's unemployment rises slightly in January

#### By Josh Pike Staff Writer

According to a March 14 press release from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, Archuleta County's unemployment rate for the month of January rose to 3.8 percent after dropping to 3.4 percent for the month of December 2021.

This rise in unemployment is a change from the general trend of declining unemployment across 2021

After the start of the pandemic, the county's unemployment rate rose to 6.2 percent in March 2020, then to 15.1 percent. The county's unemployment rate declined every other month last year, with the exception of June, when it was reported at 5.3 percent after dropping to 4.8 percent in May, and November, where the unemployment rate rose from 3.6 in October to 4.0.

From December 2021 to January 2022, Archuleta County's labor force shrunk from 7,258 to 7,121.

For the month of January, there were 6,849 individuals employed in Archuleta County, according to the press release. This figure is down slightly from the December 2021 report of 7,008 individuals

cember 2021 to 4.1 percent for January.

The state's labor force grew from 3,170,700 for December 2021 to 3,187,400 in January.

The press release notes, "According to the survey of households, Colorado's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased in January to 4.1 percent from the revised December rate of 4.2 percent. Colorado's unemployment rate of 4.1 percent marks the lowest level since it was 2.8 percent in February 2020. The national unemployment rate moved upward by one-tenth of a percentage point from December to 4.0 percent."

Employers in Colorado added 6,700 nonfarm payroll jobs from December 2021 to January, bringing the total number of jobs in Colorado to 2,812,500.

Nonfarm payroll jobs measure the number of workers excluding farmers.

The private sector added 6,300 nonfarm payroll jobs and the government sector added 400 jobs.

The press release notes that, over the past 21 months, Colorado has gained back 368,400 of the 374,500 nonfarm payroll jobs lost between February and April

lates to a job recovery rate of 103.1 percent and outpaces the U.S. rate of 89.8 percent."

Private-industry sectors with significant job gains in January included:

• Construction at about 2,000. Professional and business services at about 1,900.

• Trade, transportation and utilies at about 1,100.

• Manufacturing at about 1,000. The press release notes there were no industries with significant over-the-month declines.

It further notes, "Since January 2021, nonfarm payroll jobs have increased 147,500, with the private sector growing by 134,200 jobs and government adding an additional 13,300 jobs," the press release notes.

Since January 2021, the largest private-sector job gains include:

• Leisure and hospitality at about 64,800.

• Professional and business services at about 30,800.

• Trade, transportation and utilities at about 11,000.

No industry experienced significant job losses over this period of time.

The press release notes that

dropped from 4.2 percent in De- March and April 2020. That trans-

employed in Archuleta County. County-level unemployment

rates are not seasonally adjusted.

According to the press release, the county with the highest unemployment rate for January was Huerfano County at 7.2 percent, followed by Pueblo County at 6.3 percent.

Next is Rio Grande County at 5.7 percent, then Las Animas and Rio Grande counties at 5.6 percent.

The state's unemployment rate

of 2020. "That translates to a job recov-

ery rate of 98.4 percent, which exceeds the U.S. rate of 86.9 percent," the press release states.

The press release also states, "After annual revisions and the January gain of 6,300, Colorado's private sector has fully recovered jobs lost in early 2020. Since May 2020, the state has added 370,000 private sector payroll jobs, compared to losses totaling 358,800 in

Colorado's rate of job growth over the past year is 5.5 percent, compared to the U.S. rate of 4.6 percent. According to the press release, "Over the year, the average work-

week for all Colorado employees on private nonfarm payrolls increased from 33.5 to 33.6 hours, while average hourly earnings rose from \$31.12 to \$34.27, two dollars and sixty-four cents more than the national average hourly earnings of \$31.63." josh@pagosasun.com

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# Health

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It read: "The committee is to evaluate the current level of service by [SJBPH] to the citizens of Archuleta County and determine if the value of the services and dedicated staff received by Archuleta County are adequate for the associated costs or if it would be more feasible and improve the level of service to the citizens of Archuleta County if Archuleta County were to create their own public health department or join with another regional public health department."

Brown continued, "That's what their purpose was. That's why they were seated, in total. I know that ... there's an argument that the contract we have with SJBPH is null and void ... I'm not going to argue the legal position on that. But, as far as I understand it, it does require

a year advance notice. And, if you look at this and compile this with our current budgeting process and the timetable, if we were to leave SJBPH, and I'm not saying we are, but if we were to leave them, in my opinion, based upon these factors, I think it would be a minimum of two years before we could consider this at all.'

He added, "And, I think there's some significant considerations because I think we are obligated to find the service that is best for us, for Archuleta County. No other county but us. There are significant associated costs, personnel costs, setting up contracts with providers. Because SJBPH does not provide all these services; many of them they contract with to be provided. And I think that there is a lot of work to be done, if that is the direction that we are headed. I'm not necessarily opposed, but there's a lot of work to be done on the way to get there. I can tell you, in my opinion right now, we are married to SJBPH for the moment."

Brown continued to state that while he thought there needed to be some improvement, he was encouraged by the presentation and the service and financial details for programs in Archuleta County provided by Jollon's update earlier in the day.

He added that it helped clarify how Archuleta County is spending its citizen's money and that, similarly to Maez, he had not expected the matter to come to a vote since the BoCC had never voted to leave the district.

County Commissioner Alvin Schaaf commented that he agreed

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with key decisions made on broadband, future power supply, capital credit refunds to members and other issues directly impacting the communities we serve," said LPEA CEO Jessica Matlock. "We thank our community for support-

ing us in these efforts and hope this uncontested election means our members are confident in our current board and happy with our communications and decisions over this past year."

Members will not receive a ballot in the mail this year, given the cancellation.

Members are still encouraged to attend and participate in LPEA's 2022 annual meeting at the LPEA headquarters in Bodo Park — or via Zoom — on May 12 at 5 p.m. For more details, visit: lpea.coop/ annual-meeting.

with the other commissioners that there is no need for a vote to stay in SJBPH since the BoCC never voted to leave and that he was also "encouraged" by Jollon's presentation, which had made "a large stride" in the direction of answering the BoCC's and the community's questions.

Schaaf added there was "no reason" why the county could not continue investigating the possibility of Archuleta County starting its own health district, but the two

# Election

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Pagosa Springs Home Rule Charter should be amended to initiate a workforce housing fee for shortterm rentals amounting to at least \$150 per month for each permitted bedroom with all fees dedicated to creation and sustainability of workforce housing.

Hessman directed voters to the official town website to read the full ordinance for Ballot Question A should they seek clarity on the measure.

Voters can find that on the "Elections" page, under the larger "Gov-

STRs

## entities should "continue mending

the relationship" in the meantime. Maez also again spoke of the need for alternates to have voting power on the SJBPH Board of Health.

County Attorney Todd Weaver then clarified that Archuleta County's relationship with SJBPH was created through a resolution passed by the BoCC, not a contract, and that the requirement that Archuleta County give a year's notice before leaving is in state

statute.

Brown also added that, if Archuleta County decided to leave SJBPH at any point to form its own health district, he would prefer that the district "have the resources and people in place" before the year's notice.

He added that this is "more of a responsible approach."

Schaaf then asked for a motion on the agenda item, and, since no motion was made, the item died. josh@pagosasun.com

ernment" tab of the website.

The ballots need to be returned to Town Hall by 7 p.m. on April 5. Voters can mail back their ballots, but Hessman noted that it will not be counted if it hasn't been received by 7 p.m. on April 5, regardless of the postmark date.

With unpredictable mail times, Hessman recommended that voters physically deliver their completed ballots to Town Hall, leaving them in the drop box outside of the building in order to guarantee their ballot is counted.

Hessman stated that all eligible

voters should receive their ballots, but if an individual doesn't, they can go to Town Hall to be issued a replacement ballot.

Town residents who aren't registered but wish to vote in this election can go to the Archuleta County Elections Office at 449 San Juan St. to begin the process or can register online at www.govotecolorado.gov, according to Hessman.

After registration, they'll be issued a certificate that they can take to Town Hall to receive their ballot.

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## Taxes

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driveway, shed or other structure. Tully-Elliott clarified that the requirement that lots touch does include lots that share a corner.

Lots that do not touch the lot with the residence and contain essential improvements will no longer qualify for the residential rate and will be taxed as vacant land.

Additionally, the lots must now be under an identical owner, compared to the common owner previously required.

According to Tully-Elliott, implementing these changes will require the assessor's office to re-examine approximately 600 accounts and conduct a large number of additional inspections to verify the existence of essential improvements on lots claimed for the residential rate.

County Commissioner Ronnie Maez commented, "So we might be seeing a lot more lot consolidations?

Tully-Elliot responded, "Exactly," and continued to explain that if multiple lots which may

or may not qualify for residential rates are consolidated into one lot that contains the residence, then the entire property will qualify for residential rates.

White mentioned that the state has raised the ceiling on exemptions on taxation for business personal property through HB21-1312.

White explained that, "[Business] personal property is anything it takes to run your business or ... office, like adding machines, computers, chairs and so forth ..."

Formerly, according to White, possessing more than \$7,900 of personal property would result in taxation for it. However, this year, the state raised that limit to \$50,000.

White added that the state is planning, for this year at least, to pay any money lost from this exemption change, a policy which will result in Archuleta County receiving approximately \$50,000 from the state which would have otherwise been collected as tax revenue

White explained that she hopes

the county will receive this money by April.

Both White and County Commissioner Alvin Schaaf expressed objections to the personal property tax, with Schaaf mentioning that he believed it was "double taxation" since the equipment taxed as personal property had already been taxed through sales taxes when purchased.

White suggested that the raise in the exemption ceiling made in HB21-1312 was likely a step toward eliminating business personal property taxes entirely in Colorado.

In other news, Tully-Elliott announced at the work session that the Assessor's Office intended this year and into the future to require annual documentation of agricultural status for all property owners claiming that status.

She explained that the proof is supposed to be supplied yearly, but that it had not been in many cases. She expected this process to af-

fect approximately 600 accounts.

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Continued from front days in the past, as shown on a U.S.

Postal Service (USPS) certificate of mailing before the county will move forward with an application. According to County Planner Brandon Wolff, this delay is to ensure that the recipients of the notification have an opportunity to receive the notice and respond

site water treatment system (OWTS), the applicant must supply a OWTS permit from San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) with their initial application. Otherwise, the applicant must provide Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District or metro district documentation.

The applicant must also present a parking plan for the building, copies of their rules for renters and advertisements. A parking plan and copies of advertisements are not required for permit renewals.

Once all these documents are submitted on munirevs.com and reviewed by the Archuleta County Planning Department, the applicant will be prompted to pay an annual fee through munirevs.com of \$400 if the property is owner-

chuletacounty.org/588/Vacation- only 10 percent are allowed per Rentals.

#### Town of Pagosa Springs

According to Town Clerk April Hessman, the process for the town is similar, albeit with some key differences.

Hessman stated that the town is currently in the process of switching its permitting process to munirevs.com — the same platform used by the county.

According to Hessman, this platform offers the advantage of being able to process permitting and lodgers' tax payments as well as simplifying some elements of compliance enforcement for STRs.

Once this switch is complete, Hessman explained the town intends to launch a Web page which will explain the vacation rental licensing process and provide necessary documentation, similar to what the county currently offers.

This page will also request that applicants make a call to the town prior to initiating the application process. During this call, town staff will pre-screen the applicants for eligibility to rent and understanding of the application process.

zoning district.

Additionally, the town does not require that the applicant produce copies of future advertisements or rules for renters, though they do require an affirmative statement that the applicant will follow advertising rules and inform guests of required rules.

The costs for a new vacation rental license in town include a \$350 fee, a \$350 surcharge to help fund workforce housing and a \$50 application fee. License renewal fees include a \$250 fee and a \$250 surcharge.

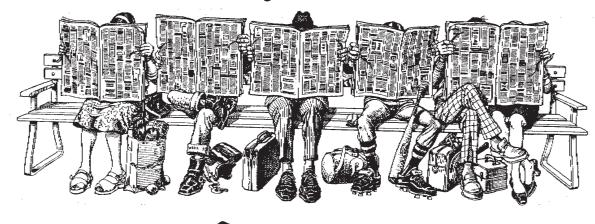
The Community Development Department must complete an inspection of the property prior to any renting.

Through this inspection, the department verifies that the property contains proper safety features, such as fire extinguishers and CO2 and smoke detectors, as well as that proper routes of egress exist in case of emergency. This inspection is repeated annually.

Hessman stated that, once the proper paperwork and inspections are completed and deemed satisfactory, the process of issuing a new license typically takes one to two weeks. Town Ballot Question A, which is up for a vote on April 5, would introduce another fee for owners of STRs in the town. This fee would charge renters \$150 per bedroom per month if the property they are renting is not owner-occupied. Over the year, this fee would accumulate to an additional cost of \$1,800 dollars per bedroom for an STR located within the town boundaries.

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This fee can also be submitted to the Planning Department.

These fees are the same for new applications and renewals. However, for renewals, the applicant must also pay all pending fines the property has accumulated before renewal can be granted.

After the funds are submitted, the staff of the Planning Department must perform a mandatory inspection at the property before renting can begin. This inspection must be repeated annually when the permit is renewed.

Once the initial inspection is complete and the results are deemed satisfactory, the applicant will typically receive a permit in no more than 10 business days. This permit must be displayed in the rental property.

For more information on the county's STR policies and procedures, visit: https://www.ar-

## Arres

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declined to move his vehicle, at which point the deputy told him he would be writing a citation and Manzanares declined to provide identification to the officer.

The report further indicates Manzanares resisted the officer's commands after being told he was under arrest and a deputy was called for backup, with another deputy arriving to aid in the arrest and to transport Manzanares for medical clearance.

In the days following the arrest, Manzanares' family released a video showing a portion of the incident and voiced complaints over the arrest and how it was carried out, as well as claiming Manzanares was unlawfully arrested.

The Sixth Judicial District Attorney's Office dismissed the case, with District Attorney Christian Champagne explaining in an email to The SUN that his office "felt that the original infraction did not justify an arrest, and that it was in

In terms of requirements, the town requires that an applicant has owned and, in the case of new construction, possessed a certificate of occupancy for the property they intend to rent for two years before beginning renting. The county possesses no residence requirements before renting can begin.

The town requires that the applicant supply proof of ownership and the identities of any local caretakers or property managers.

The town also requires sales tax registration with CDOR if any renting is occurring outside of Airbnb and Vrbo. However, for these companies, the town has an agreement where they automatically remit sales and lodging tax revenues, making registration nonmandatory, although it is still preferred. The town also requires a parking

plan.

New STRs in the town cannot be within 250 feet of another STR, and

According to Hessman, the specific logistics of enforcing and collecting this fee will be determined if the ballot measure passes.

Taken together, the permitting costs for a first-time, single-bedroom STR not occupied by the owner would be \$700 if the STR is located in the county and \$750 if the STR is located in the town.

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the interests of justice to dismiss the case."

Archuleta County Undersheriff Mike Le Roux previously explained the incident was "immediately flagged for review" because the ACSO has a "response to resistance" form that is completed by deputies.

Both deputies involved in the incident were placed on paid administrative leave during the investigation, which looked into possible violations relating to abuse of force, failure to intervene or other ACSO policy violations.

"Over the course of the investigation, our office conducted an internal investigation, which was also reviewed by outside use-offorce experts to give a outside review," Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez said on March 1. "The investigators were basically tasked with examining for any potential criminal and/or sheriff's office policy violations."

That investigation concluded on Feb. 28.

At the conclusion of the investigation, Valdez reported on March 1, it was determined there were no policy violations for use of force or failure to intervene by Deputy Cody Civiletto.

Le Roux explained on March 1 the look into Civiletto was more specifically for failure to intervene because he was the second to arrive at the scene, with that deemed unfounded.

'The investigation determined there were no policy violations relating to use of force by Sgt. Reis, but there were additional sheriff's office ... policies that violations ... were sustained," Valdez said of Sgt. Brian Reis.

Le Roux reiterated that the use of force claims were unfounded.

He added later the sheriff's office policy violations that were sustained related to conduct and performance.

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## County commissioners award funding to local nonprofits

By Josh Pike Staff Writer

At its March 15 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved funding requests for several local nonprofit organizations.

These included funding awards to the Pagosa Springs History Museum, Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation and the Veterans Memorial Park Charitable Foundation (VMP).

The BoCC unanimously voted to award an annual allotment of \$10,000 for 2022 to the Pagosa Springs History Museum.

However, as County Attorney Todd Weaver explained, the county was not capable of satisfying the museum's initial request for an ongoing yearly allotment of \$10,000 since the county cannot approve funding awards that extend beyond the current fiscal year.

However, he did suggest that the museum can apply for the funding again in a year.

According to a letter from mu-

seum board director Loretta Ross discussed by the BoCC at its Feb. 15 meeting, the funding will be used to help address the financial shortfalls the museum has suffered due to its closure during 2020 and to fund lighting, air conditioning and security improvements to the museum building. The funding will also assist the museum in hiring a full-time manager and a seasonal employee to assist in running the museum.

The letter mentions that the museum is seeking additional grant funding and a matching \$10,000 allotment from the Town of Pagosa Springs.

The BoCC unanimously voted to award \$20,000 to the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation as the first portion of its request for \$100,000 in county funds over five years.

Similar to the museum, the county was unable to fund the entire requested amount because the request extended over multiple fiscal years. However, as Weaver indicated, the library will be able to

reapply for funds next year.

This funding will support the foundation's ongoing capital campaign to expand the library building and services. This expansion will include the addition of a community room, new and improved spaces for children and teens, and a new reading garden. The expansion will also include library programming and study spaces for the library.

The BoCC also voted to award \$50,000 to the VMP.

According to the presentation given by the foundation at the March 8 BoCC work session, this funding will be used to help fund work on completing the remainder of the parking lot for the park, located off Vista Boulevard.

The parking area improvements will include the expansion of the gravel parking adding roughly 30 additional parking spaces; surrounding sidewalks, curbs and gutters; and settings for future parking lot lighting.

According to VMP president Karin Daniels, the total cost for

the parking area expansion will be \$226,000.

However, according to VMP treasurer Jim Van Liere, the true cost would likely be less than this as many contractors would be willing to donate time and materials once the project has begun.

However, Van Liere explained that initial funding of approximately \$145,000 would be required to complete engineering and begin construction.

Once the construction is initiated, Van Liere stated, interested contractors and donors could begin scheduling work and donations to the park.

Van Liere described the situation as a "vicious cycle" where "there's no activity in this park because there's no money. And there's no money, so there's no activity."

The \$50,000 in county funding will supplement the VMP's preexisting fund of approximately \$71,000 and its broader fundraising efforts for the project, according to Daniels.

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## Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board approves more funding for events

By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board approved funding for seven more 2022 community events during its review of applicants for the board's event funding at its March 8 meeting.

The board approved \$15,000 to the Town of Pagosa Springs for 2022 holiday festivities, most of which will go toward the purchase of new lights for the Streets Department in town. The rest will fund prizes for the town's annual lighting contest and the second annual Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration, according to the event's application.

The board will also give \$2,500 to fund the returning Mountain Chile Cha Cha, which is set to happen on Sept. 24. It will also give the same amount to the Pagosa Farmers Market, which will begin in June and last until September, and to KSUT's Four Corners Folk Festival, which is happening Sept. 2-4.

In addition, it approved \$1,500 in funding to the Conquer Pagosa Springs Adventure Race, which will happen on June 25.

Two new events were also approved for funding by the board. Art! Pagosa was given \$2,500 for its Sept. 10 event, which will feature a juried

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art show, children's art and music in a community festival. Additionally, the Wolf Song Trail Running Series, which will hold four trail races spaced out over the summer, was approved for its request of \$4,880.99.

The board will now hear applications on a rolling basis as they come in, following the recommendation of Tourism Director Jennifer Green.

After all of the approvals that took place at its March 8 meeting, the board has about \$45,319 left for event funding, according to the funding chart provided to the board by Green. *dorothy@pagosasun.com* 

**Biz Beat** 

## Spring Fling Fun Race results announced

By Julie Martinez Wolf Creek Ski Area

Wolf Creek Ski Area kicked off its spring break week by hosting its Spring Fling Fun Race on Sunday, March 13. There was a good turnout of 63 racers from as far away as Weisbaden, Germany, with local racers taking the two fastest times of the day.

The race course was immaculately groomed with the new snow from the storm last week which, along with the cooler days, made the base almost perfect for racing.

The overall winner for the day was David Sciole, of South Fork, with the fastest time of 26.28 sec-

Girls 9-11 with a time of 38.25.

Wolf Creek will be hosting the second-to-last Fun Race of the season, on Sunday, March 20. The race course will be a modified grand slalom course on the lower Charisma run. It is free to all ages and ability levels with the purchase of a lift ticket. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. at the top of the race course, and the course will be open between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

## Pagosa Brewing Company

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onds, with Rich Carson, of Pagosa Springs, right behind him with a time of 26.85 seconds. Third place went to Jesse Schedler, of Albuquerque, N.M., who crossed the finish line in 28.15 seconds.

In the women's race, Meredith Jameson, of Amarillo, Texas, took first place with her time of 29.40 seconds, while second place went to Madeline Watkins, of Houston, Texas, with a time of 30.63 seconds. Megan Harris, of Amarillo, was right behind for third place with a time of 32.16 seconds.

Shepard Williams placed first in the Boys 6-8 with a time of 35.08.

In the Men 61-70, Carson placed first with a time of 26.85.

Tom Kisko placed first in the Men 71+ with a time of 34.41 and Gary Brewer placed second with a time of 36.48.

MerciWilliams placed third in the



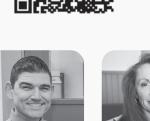
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#### By Nadia Werby

Chimney Rock Interpretive Association

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CRIA must recruit new volunteers each year to meet increased demand in visitation and to replace volunteers who leave the area or can no longer volunteer.

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## WRITERS ON THE RANGE A dangerous game of chicken on the Colorado River

#### **By Kyle Roerink** SUN Columnist

Seven western states and their leaders — all depending on water from the Colorado River — remain divided

Split into basins by an imaginary border at Lees Ferry, Ariz., each state can share blame for the rapid depletion of reservoirs that once held over four years' flow of the Colorado River. But now, Lake Powell and Lake Mead edge closer to empty. With water savings gone, the Lower Basin has been trying to cope, though the Upper Basin carries on business as usual. Meanwhile, 40 millions Americans depend on flows from this overdiverted river.

So far, leaders in the Upper Basin states of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming appear to be hoping that their counterparts will agree to use less water. This is hardly a useful strategy and seems a lot like a dangerous game of chicken.

The brunt of low flows has been borne by the Lower Basin states of Arizona, Nevada and California. Thanks to a series of agreements between 2007 and 2021, by the ects would drain billions of gallons end of this year the three states will curtail their river use by more than 1 million acre feet — 325 billion gallons. But it's likely these cuts won't change much.

Lower Basin's water savings account, will continue to lose water for years to come. Lake Powell, the Upper Basin's savings account, is also vulnerable. But that raises the obvious question: What are Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and New Mexico doing to limit their water use and conserve? The answer is not much.

In the Upper Basin's four states there are no self-imposed curtailments of Colorado River allocations - no blockbuster, big-city conservation initiatives, no real signs that leaders are convinced that climate change is not only happening but also a major threat to the region.

More discouraging is that in 2016, the interstate collective of Upper Basin officials, known as the Upper Colorado River Commission, officially decided to take more water out of the river. That decision stands today.

Some of the largest projects on the Upper Basin's wish list include the Lake Powell Pipeline, Green River Block Exchange, Wolf Creek Reservoir and the Fontenelle Dam expansion. These proposed projfrom the system, reports the non-

predicts Lake Mead will drop another 30 feet by the end of 2023 - leaving the reservoir 160 feet lower than in the year 2000. It also predicts more cuts for Nevada's and Arizona's shares of the river, as well as for California.

In the Upper Basin, where the Colorado River begins, no cuts are proposed. And according to a new report from the Utah River's Council, a nonprofit fiscal and water watchdog, most of the Upper Basin states continue to use more than their share of the river, even though drought and aridity have reduced river flows.

While the three Lower Basin states use more water than the drought-stricken Colorado can deliver annually, leaders in Arizona, Nevada and California share a spirit of sacrifice when it comes to limiting water use. From my experience running a nonprofit river-protection group, I know that collaboration toward these efforts represents a resolve to act.

The Lower Basin states, for example, are working to fund a waterrecycling facility near Los Angeles. The plant would reduce California's reliance on the Colorado River and give Nevada and Arizona some of that river water in return for their joint funding. Collaborations like this need to start happening in the Upper Basin, but where are the examples?

to deal with the river's decline, but only the Lower Basin's actions can be quantified. It's time for the Upper Basin to blink in this game of chicken and ensure equitable and prudent uses of the river. The lines dividing the states are invisible, but bathtub rings on Lake Powell and Lake Mead are all too visible.

*Kyle Roerink is a contributor to* Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, a nonprofit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West. He is the executive director of the Great Basin Water Network, a nonprofit that defends water supplies from undue political and corporate influence in the nation's two driest states, Nevada and Utah. Views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN.

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Federal data released last month predict that Lake Mead, the largest reservoir in the nation and the

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The Bureau of Reclamation, which manages the Colorado River's infrastructure, released a report in mid-February that

Water managers in both basins tell folks they are doing their best

## **EXTENSION VIEWPOINTS**

## CSU and biotech company partnering on RNA-based method for weed control

#### By Anne Manning and **Robin Young** SUN Columnists

For generations, farmers have relied on the spraying of herbicides to prevent invasive plants and weeds from choking their soybean, corn and wheat crops. But over the last several years, this tried-andtrue system has been faltering.

Weeds are quickly evolving resistance to even the most advanced herbicides, including glyphosate better known as Roundup — which was first introduced to farmers in the 1970s by agrochemical giant Monsanto. Herbicide-resistant weeds have brought farmers to their knees, desperate for solutions for protecting their crops.

Todd Gaines, an associate professor in the Department of Agricultural Biology at Colorado State University, is one of weeds' worst enemies. His expertise is in the molecular and genetic underpinnings of the most highly evolved superweeds of the world, with the goal of helping farmers target these foes with new, genetically precise

and sustainable methods. Gaines is now leading a project aimed at changing the game of weed control by using an entirely new mode of action to combat the most out-of-control weed species, king among them, a noxious, highly herbicide-resistant weed called Palmer amaranth.

Gaines is partnering with biotechnology company AUM LifeTech to research the application and methods of an emerging genesilencing weed control technology. Their method uses molecular tools called antisense oligonucleotides, which are next-generation singlestranded nucleic acid molecules, to infiltrate the cells of weed plants and target single strands of RNA. The molecular targets would be so specific that the crops would remain untouched.

Their goal is to optimize a delivery system in the form of a nanoparticle-based, shelf-stable spray. If they're successful, their technology would give farmers a nongenetically modified, environmentally conscious tool to control weeds that are rapidly gaining the upper

hand against legacy herbicides. "This is the most exciting thing I have ever worked on in terms of promise," Gaines said. "If we can solve this problem, this will be something every single person out there managing weeds will be affected by."

He added that among his larger goals is to help make farming systems more sustainable, both by helping farmers maintain their livelihoods and by making products that are safe for the public and the environment. "We need to help ensure we are not harming other organisms while also managing these weeds."

Gaines and collaborator Veenu Aishwarya, founder and chief executive officer of AUM LifeTech, are funded by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency for their two-year project in which they will prove out the fundamental technology and test a delivery system.

Their system will focus on Palmer amaranth as a test case, a hardy and aggressive pigweed that exhibits extensive herbicide resistance See Viewpoints on next page



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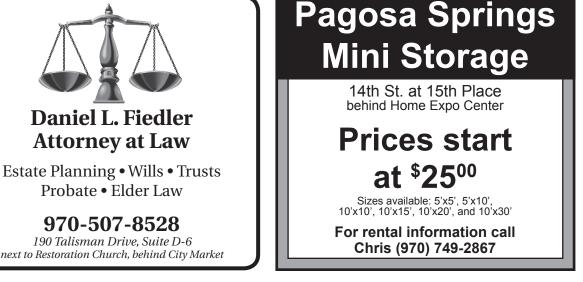
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## County commissioners hear trail, Extension updates, oppose pesticide legislation

#### By Josh Pike Staff Writer

At its March 1 work session, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard updates from DUST2 and the Colorado State University (CSU) **Extension Semi-Annual Report** and discussed a letter of opposition to SB22-131, which would revise Colorado pesticide laws.

DUST2 member Annie Sewell provided an update on the group's progress in developing a mountain bike trail system on Jackson Mountain.

According to Sewell, the group recently completed the first phase of a contract with the International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) Trail Solutions team to define potential trail locations on the mountain.

This first phase, completed in 2021, involved fieldwork with the IMBA team mapping trails on the mountain as well as meetings and discussions with research groups and stakeholders conducting work on the mountain.

From this work, IMBA produced a catalog of potential trail corridors as well as a science-based proposal requesting a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis for the trail system.

According to Sewell, this catalog was larger than previously expected as the IMBA team was able

## Viewpoints

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and is a growing problem for commodity farmers. Its genome has been sequenced thanks in part to an international weed genomics consortium that Gaines also leads.

Antisense oligonucleotide technology is better known in life science applications because of its promise as a targeted therapeutic device for a host of diseases, including neurological and autoimmune disorders. But Aishwarya has long seen the potential for these single-stranded DNA molecules to be useful in agricultural settings and he wants to expand his company in that direction.

"Since our gene silencing products use a non-GMO and nonpermanent approach, this makes this technology very attractive for such applications," said Aishwarya in a press release announcing the partnership.

conference several years ago paved

the way for the partnership; now,

AUM LifeTech's proprietary gene

silencing technology will form the

basis of the RNA-targeting system

he and Gaines will develop and test

with AUM LifeTech in RNA target-

ing to develop next-generation

"Todd's work in collaboration

together.

to find many new potential trail increased population and visitacorridors during its fieldwork. Sewell stated that this work has

been submitted to the U.S. Forest Service, which will consider the viability of the proposal and potentially perform NEPA analysis for trail areas it considers viable.

Sewell commented that the first phase of the project was "a super good experience for everyone involved" and a "really good success."

Sewell also explained that the next portion of DUST2's contract with IMBA, which would involve flagging trails specified for NEPA analysis, could cost up to \$22,695 more than expected due to the large number of potential trails identified. Sewell stated that DUST2 felt IMBA's quality of work justified the cost and that the organization would seek additional grants and funding to make up the difference.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez commented that DUST2's progress was "good work."

## **CSU Extension update**

During the CSU Extension update, Archuleta County CSU Extension Director Robin Young explained that the extension's activities would focus on four core areas in 2022 based on the Community Needs Assessment done in 2021. The first area is community and

economic development to "address the growth and the threat of wildfire and ... other hazards with

tion," Young explained. The second area is student agri-

culture Young commented, "We basically know that we need to grow

food and healthy access to it." The third was natural resources, where Young mentioned that promoting water conservation is a core priority.

The fourth is personal-property and small-acreage management.

Young stated, "That's the big one. We've got a lot of people moving into the county that don't understand that you can't run five cattle on one acre; you can't sustain anything like that.'

Young also explained that her office is working on developing a naturalist and stewardship program to educate citizens "about our natural environment and taking care of it" with Weed and Pest Supervisor Ethan Proud and Audubon Rockies Community Naturalist Keith Bruno. This program also includes collaboration with Mountain Studies Institute and San Juan Mountain Association.

Young mentioned that she hopes the program will launch in 2023.

#### Pesticide legislation

In discussion of state Senate Bill 22-131, dubbed "Protect Health Of Pollinators And People," Proud reported that the county had already

voiced opposition to the bill when it had been presented in 2019.

He explained that, while other clauses, including new regulations on the usage of pesticides on school grounds, had been introduced to the bill, the main purpose was still to end state preemptions on local governments in Colorado regulating pesticides.

According to Proud, this change would shift the responsibilities for pesticide regulation to local governments, at considerable expense to them.

Proud suggested that this would enable "knee-jerk reactions" and "politicize the use of pesticides."

Proud also commented that the use of pesticides is already heavily regulated at the federal and state levels and that the revision of the Pesticide Applicator Act, which is "sunsetting" in 2023, would be the ideal context to consider the concerns about pesticides raised in SB22-131.

The commissioners expressed agreement with Proud's concerns. Commissioner Ronnie Maez

commented that SB22-131 is "another unfunded mandate."

At the BoCC meeting later that day, the board unanimously approved a letter of opposition.

On March 3, the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources postponed the bill indefinitely.

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## By Donna Wynn

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## BASEBALL

## Pirates open season with narrow loss in Shiprock

#### **By Randi Pierce** Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate baseball team started off its 2022 campaign with a narrow, onerun loss to the Shiprock Chieftains Monday in New Mexico.

"I'm real happy with our first [game]. Even though we came out on the short end, there's a lot of things I think we can build upon after our first game, and it's just exciting and we're only gonna get better, so that's what's exciting,' said coach Nathan Morales, who is in his first year at the helm of the program.

Pagosa's offense started early in the game, with Pagosa scoring in the top of the first inning.

By the end of the third inning, the Pirates built a 10-2 lead over the Chieftains, who scored two in the bottom of the first.

Pagosa scored five in the second and four in the third.

The Pirates' five-run second inning came on a series of singles that were followed a triple from junior Kaison Clifford.

The four-run third came on a triple by sophomore Jaden Tuggle-Reed, a series of singles and a triple by junior Triston Iguchi.

Unfortunately for the Pirates, they were unable to score after the third, while Shiprock was able to pick up nine runs over the remainder of the game: five in the fourth, one in the fifth, one in the sixth and two in the seventh.

"I thought we came out with our hair on fire ... with hitting. And then as soon as we had that crooked number ... the switch kind of turned off," Morales said of Shiprock's fiverun inning, adding, "We've gotta do a better job understanding it's baseball and keep fighting."

Morales expressed he was happy with the Pirates scoring 10 runs in the first three innings.

"We've gotta learn to keep the gas pedal on and keep punching like it's a 0-0 game regardless of the score and stay focused," he said. Pagosa's 10 runs came on 14 hits

and two walks. Sophomore Hunter Pouyer be gan the year batting 1.000, going on defense and have timely hit- hitting are more important than

4-for-4 on the day with three RBIs and two runs scored.

Iguchi and senior Rhead Kay each went 3-for-4 on the day. Iguchi's day included the triple, RBI and a run scored. Kay's effort included a pair of RBIs and a pair of runs scored.

Four other Pirates also had a hit on the day: Tuggle-Reed, Clifford, freshman Cooper Ralston and freshman Carson Young-Martinez.

In addition to the triple, Tuggle-Reed also had an RBI and a run scored. Clifford's hit was also a triple, and he logged three RBIs. Ralston and Young-Martinez each scored a run, and Ralston walked once.

Also scoring for the Pirates were freshman Seth Aucoin and junior Aaron Aucoin (who also walked).

Pagosa tallied seven stolen bases in the matchup, with two by Pouyer and one each by Aaron Aucoin, Iguchi, Kay, Ralston and Young-Martinez.

A trio of Pirates took the mound on the day: Clifford, junior Braylon Cotts and Kay.

They combined to allow 11 runs, all earned, on 14 hits and five walks. They collectively struck out 12.

"I thought we pitched better than our box score showed. Rhead Kay pitched a heck of a game. Kaison came in and did a really good job," Morales said. "We just had a couple miscues with throwing." The Pirates committed a pair of

errors in the game. The Pirates will be back in action

tomorrow for the Delta Tournament.

"We're excited to go compete. I think it'll be a good, fast-and-furious test for us — you know, three games in two days," the coach said, noting it will be a good experience for the team.

Pagosa's first tournament game will be against Olathe at 11 a.m. Friday, March 18, in Olathe.

At 4 p.m. Friday, the team will take on Cedaredge in Cedaredge for another tournament game.

At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, the Pirates will round out tournament play against Montrose in Montrose.

ting, that's our focus this week," Morales said. The tournament will be the first

of two over a three-week period for the Pirates.

"We're going to get a lot of games in the next three weeks," he said. "That way we're ... hopefully clicking ... on all cylinders by the time we start league play."

#### 'Win each inning'

Morales explained the Pirates' roster comprises about 25 players currently, though that could increase after spring break.

Of those, three are seniors: Rhead Kay and Timmy Hittle, who are in their fourth seasons with the program, and Wil Aucoin.

Morales suggested the team will be led by its returning players, but that he looks forward to some of the team's "young core" to step up as leaders over the course of the season.

"Our young core is good," he said, adding, "We've got a good amount of juniors and sophomores and freshmen, so our young core is good. I feel ... that's a strength. You know, we're going to have the same the same 22 kids for two, three years, which is a bonus. You're able to develop stuff. ... I look forward to people beginning to step up as leaders.'

Morales noted the team has some experience with pitching, but still has "a lot of growth that needs to happen.'

He added, "I'm excited for the guys that are returning. I feel like they're startin' to come into their own, and by the middle of the year we'll have decent pitching depth."

Morales explained 15-18 players have been working on pitching "just because at any point we're going to probably need to lean on them a little bit."

He added he's excited about the core group of five to seven players who will see more time on the mound.

"I think we can get deep into games with our starters," he said.

In terms of hitting, the coach explained stringing together hits, getting runners on the bases and in scoring position, and having timely

averages and are areas the Pirates will improve in as they see more live pitching.

In terms of defense, Morales explained the team is working on its communication and is already improving.

"We've got to essentially stay two steps ahead," he said, adding later, "If they can't score, we can't lose."

The coach explained the team will have a smaller focus in its work to tally wins over the course of the season.

"We want to win each inning. If we lose an inning, so be it, let's win the next couple. ... That's going to be our mindset: Win each inning," he said.

#### Schedule

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

Following the Delta Tournament and spring break, the Pirates will head back to New Mexico to take on Bloomfield High School at 4 p.m. on March 29.

On April 1 and 2, the Pirates will head to Salida for the Salida Tournament, with games scheduled for 4 p.m. on April 1 and 11 a.m. on April 2.

The Pirates will delve into Intermountain League action on April 9 with a doubleheader against Centauri in La Jara. The games are set to begin at 11 a.m.

Pagosa will host Monte Vista at 4 p.m. on April 12 for a nonleague affair.

On April 16, Pagosa will host Bayfield for a league doubleheader set to begin at 11 a.m.

Pagosa will again host on April 23, this time taking on Alamosa for a doubleheader that will begin at 11 a.m.

The Pirates will head to Del Norte for a 4 p.m. nonleague matchup on April 26.

On April 30, the Pirates will head to Cortez to take on Montezuma-Cortez in a league matchup that is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m.

The Pirates will round out their regular season in Durango on May 3, with that game set to begin at



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## BASKETBALL How are allconference honors determined?

#### By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

A crew of Pagosa Springs High School Pirate basketball players were recently named to the Intermountain League all-conference teams and Pirate coach Wes Lewis was named the boys' Coach of the Year.

But, how are those players and coaches selected?

According to PSHS coaches Lewis and Charles Rand, each coach in the league is allowed to nominate a certain number of players based on how they finished in the league standings.

This year, the Pirate boys' team finished tied for second, meaning both Lewis and Alamosa's coach were officially allowed to nominate four players.

To help make the decision, Lewis noted he put forward all five of his starters and asked the other boys' coaches in the league to help determine which four would be officially nominated.

The Lady Pirates finished third in the league standings, meaning Rand could nominate three.

Each coach then casts votes for the players they feel did the best over the season, with coaches not able to vote for their own players.

Rand noted the number of votes each coach is allowed also follows the order the teams finish league play in.

The coaches also vote on Coach of the Year honors.

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Four Pirate basketball players recently garnered all-conference honors for their work on the court this season, with coach Wes Lewis named the Intermountain League's Coach of the Year. From left to right are Kayson Shahan, Gunner Dozier, Lewis, Colt Lewis and Logan Harper.

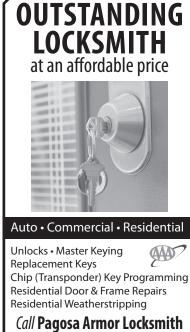


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On Saturday, March 5, Pagosa Springs Middle School hosted 10 wrestling teams in the sixth annual Wolf Creek Rumble. The Pagosa Pirates ended up winning the very competitive tournament featuring teams from the San Juan Basin as well as the San Luis Valley. The very next weekend, the Pirate wrestling team was crowned league champions at the San Juan Middle-Level League Wrestling Tournament.



## Lady Pirates kicking off season today against Salida

#### **By Clayton Chaney** Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate soccer team will kick off its spring 2022 regular season this afternoon against Salida.

The game is set to start at 4:30 p.m. in Salida.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason explained in an email to The SUN that this year's team features five seniors, five juniors, five sophomores and two freshmen.

He mentions that the team traveled to Canyon City earlier this month for a scrimmage day, where it competed in four scrimmages.

"Each game had good improvement from the last. It was great to play outside on grass in sunny weather for the first time this season," Kurt-Mason wrote.

He went on to explain that Salida's home field is made out of turf instead of natural grass, and that has an effect on how the ball moves

"The ball does different things outdoors on grass, turf and indoors. Salida has a turf field which will take some getting used to, but from what I have seen from this bunch is that they will embrace the challenge," he wrote.

#### Schedule

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

The Lady Pirates' season will continue on Tuesday, March 29, with another away game against Ignacio at 4 p.m.

The Lady Pirates will then host their first home game of the season on April 2 against Manitou Springs at 11 a.m. at Golden Peaks Stadium.

On April 8, the Lady Pirates will take on the Bayfield Wolverines at 4 p.m. in Bayfield.

The following day, on April 9, the Lady Pirates will host Lake County, with the match starting at 11 a.m.

On April 14, the Lady Pirates will host Montezuma-Cortez, with the match starting at 4 p.m.

On April 16, the Lady Pirates will travel to Alamosa to take on Alamosa at 4 p.m.

On April 19, the Lady Pirates will host the Durango Demons at Golden Peaks Stadium, with action starting at 4 p.m.

On April 22, the Lady Pirates will host the Bayfield Wolverines at 4 p.m. at Golden Peaks Stadium.

On April 26, the Lady Pirates will be traveling to Cortez to take on the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers at 4 p.m.

On April 29, the Lady Pirates will be traveling to Gunnison to take on Gunnison at 3:30 p.m.

On April 30, the Lady Pirates will host Ignacio at Golden Peaks Stadium at 11 a.m.

The last regular-season game is scheduled for May 5, with the Lady Pirates set to host the Alamosa Mean Moose at Golden Peaks Stadium at 4 p.m.

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# TRACK

## Pirate track and field team set to start season at Bayfield Invitational

#### By Josh Pike Staff Writer

The season for the Pagosa Friday, March 18.

Springs High School Pirate track and field team will commence at O'Donnell explained that the girls' the Bayfield Invitational tomorrow, team will be the largest she has

On Tuesday, coach Connie ever coached, numbering "about





SUN photo/Randi Pierce

Three Lady Pirate basketball players recently garnered all-conference honors for their work on the court this season. From left to right are Karsyn Shahan, Chantelle Caldwell and Trista Tully.

' while the boys' team numbers "about 25," which is "less boys than ... a normal year before COVID but way more than last year."

O'Donnell added that last year's delayed season resulted in many athletes not participating due to the season continuing into June.

According to O'Donnell, the teams contain both a large number of freshmen and 12 seniors, who she believes will provide "a lot of good leadership."

"I also think the seniors have ... definitely gotten the short end of the stick when it comes to track and field in high school. ... I think that they're ready to make it a normal See Track A14



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## Track

#### Continued from A13

season and to work really hard and to enjoy themselves," O'Donnell said

The team also contains a returning state qualifier for high jump, sophomore Jordan Lindstrom.

O'Donnell mentioned that the team had just gotten on the track "pretty much yesterday" since it was previously covered in snow.

"It is hard when our first meet is on Friday and it's really hard when you haven't really seen anybody run on a track yet and you're trying to show kids how to do certain field events in ... a hallway or ... a parking lot," O'Donnell explained.

She added that field events, hurdles and relays had been particularly impacted by the delay in track access, as they are all difficult to practice outside of the track.

'So, I'm hoping that we can get a lot of that stuff done over the couple of days so that students feel comfortable with the track meet," she concluded.

She also mentioned that the size of the team makes it so that it is not possible to enter everyone in many meets and it is difficult to make entry decisions "when [students] haven't raced or competed yet."

O'Donnell also explained, "We're a little short in the distance events, so I'm looking to move some of these kids that might be a better fit for distance. They may have chosen to start off with sprinting, but if they're not going to be able to compete there, they might be able to move to distance, where

we have some openings."

She added, "We really think that we have some individuals that have some chance at state qualification, but I really feel like our relays are gonna be pretty strong. And we would really love to take a bunch of relays to state, as well as individuals."

#### Schedule

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

The track season will begin with the Bayfield Invitational on March 18 at Bayfield High School.

The Pirates will then participate in the Mancos Blue Jay Invitational at Mancos High School on April 1, followed by the Pine River Invitational at Bayfield High School on April 2.

The season will continue with the Abel Velasquez Invitational at Ignacio High School on April 9, the Del Norte Tiger Invitational on April 16 at Del Norte High School and the Ron Keller Invitational on April 23 at Durango High School.

The Pirates will attend the league meet hosted by Centauri in La Jara on April 30 before returning home for the Terry Alley Invitational on May 7 at Golden Peaks Stadium.

The regular season will conclude with the Tiger Invitational at Grand Junction High School before the state championships occur on May 19-21 at Jefferson County Stadium in Lakewood. josh@pagosasun.com

**RECREATION NEWS AND COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS** 

## Register now for adult coed volleyball and soccer

Photo courtesy Sumiko Caldwell

Sixty-three racers participate in the Spring Fling Fun Race at Wolf Creek Ski Area on Sunday, March 13. The next Fun Race is set for Sunday, March 20.

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evidence of debt are as follows

The name, address, and business telephone numbe

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District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado Court Address: 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Tel. 970.264.2400 Peregrine Property Owners Association, Inc.

Darvin Patrick, et al Case No.: 2021CV30037 COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM

SHERIFF SALE 2021-28 This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is iven pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the

Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses, recorded on August 2, 1990, at Book 303, Page 104, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County Colorado Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered November 15, 2021, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof

Owner(s): DARVIN PATRICK EMMA PATRICK ROBERT F OVERBY REDA OVERBY CATHERINE UNDERHILL DEBORAH K DYER, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF DENICE A MACMILLAN VIOLET C CARPER GORDON I MCPHERSON HELEN W MCPHERSON ELIZABETH A PARR WILLIAM M SEARS NEDRA C SEARS MICHAEL DAVID PRICE MAXINE COOK BOBBY COOF JOE W GIVENS SHARON GIVENS MARK MUNSELL MARY W KOEPP ETHAN DEUTENBERG JANET HARRIS LEO HOEHN DEBORAH BALLWEG GWENDOLYN E ASHTON AWRENCE J ASHTON **BRANDON J JARAMILLO** JACLYN JARAMILLO CHARLES PORTILLOS MARY V PORTILLOS LUIS ROMERO JEAN ROMERO NATHAN NOTAH KEVIN ARP DEANNE ARF HORACE SEBORN CALAHAN, JR, TRUSTEE OF THE HORACE SEBORN CALAHAN, JR AND MABLE JUNE CALAHAN REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST MABLE JUNE CALAHAN, TRUSTEE OF THE HORACE SEBORN CALAHAN, JR AND MABLE JUNE CALAHAN REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST

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BARBARA PUCKET CARPENTER Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Protective Covenants

and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses, recorded on August 2, 1990, at Book 303, Page 104, as

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office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta

Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the

Declaration: Peregrine Property Owners Association, Inc.

Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it

secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein

described including, but not limited to, the payment of

Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft, Smith, Arkansas 72901 INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, 85 Harman Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147, 970-264-8434. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed this 29th day of December, 2021. Rich Valdez, Sheriff Archuleta County, Colorado By: /a/ Lorena Medina orena Medina, Office Manager EXHIBIT "A" Peregrine Townhouses Matter Amount DARVIN PATRICK and EMMA PATRICK (C#170209050) A 210,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7881-7882 in Building Number(s) 41. Unpaid Assessr Costs: \$221.67 nents: \$1,233.53 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,455.20 ROBERT F OVERBY and REDA OVERBY (C#170304232) A 105,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7871-7872 in Building Number(s) 36, Unpaid Assessments: \$751.28 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$1,972.95 CATHERINE UNDERHILL (C#170601942) A 154,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7849-7850 in Building Number(s) 25, Unpaid Assessi Costs: \$221.67 nts: \$1,473.63 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,695.30 DEBORAH K DYER. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF DENICE A MACMILLAN (C#171107956) A 77,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7813-7816 in Building Number(s) 7 & 8, Unpaid Assessments: \$698.98 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$1,920.65 VIOLET C CARPER (C#179605142) A 77,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7807-7810 in Building Number(s) 4 & 5, Unpaid Assessments: \$835.45 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$2.057.12 GORDON I MCPHERSON and HELEN W MCPHERSON (C#179606298) A 105,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7807-7810 in Building Number(s) 4 & 5 Unpaid Assessments: \$953.12 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,174.79 ELIZABETH A PARR (C#179608187) A 77,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7807-7810 in Building Number(s) 4 & 5, Unpaid Assessments: \$695.68 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$1.917.35 WILLIAM M SEARS and NEDRA C SEARS (C#179703137) A 84,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7813-7816 in Building Number(s) 7 & 8, Unpaid Assessments: \$812.21 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,033.88 MICHAEL DAVID PRICE (C#179704630) A 154,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7813-7816 in Building Number(s) 7 & 8, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,101.92 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$2.323.59 MAXINE COOK and BOBBY COOK (C#179706957) A 199,500 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7817-7820 in Building Number(s) 9 & 10, Unpaid Assessments: \$1.695.45 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,917.12 JOE W GIVENS and SHARON GIVENS (C#179710173) A 84.000 / 35.486.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7817-7820 in Building Number(s) 9 & 10, Unpaid Assessments: \$762.58 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$1,984.25 MARK MUNSELL (C#179804174) A 84,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers

7825-7826 in Building Number(s) 13,

Unpaid Assessments: \$816.41

Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00

Judament Amount: \$2.038.08

Costs: \$221.67

and SCOTT ALAN ROSENTHAL, TRUSTEE OF THE ROSENTHAL FAMILY TRUST, DATED MARCH 14, of each of the attorneys representing the holder of the 2000 and SHELLEY ANN ROSENTHAL, TRUSTEE OF THE ROSENTHAL FAMILY TRUST, DATED MARCH 14, 2000 (C#179909353) A 77.000 / 17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7845-7846 in Building Number(s) 23, Unpaid Assessments: \$934.39 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,156.06 DONALD M KNUDSON and HELEN H KNUDSON (C#179912522) A 154,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7855-7856 in Building Number(s) 28. ents: \$1,686.82 Unpaid As Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,908.49 JOE SILVA SR (C#179916135) A 126.000 / 17.743.000 individed fee simple absolute in 7861-7862 in Building Number(s) 31, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,527.93 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,749.60 DANIEL D CORPUZ and FRANCISCA N GUMATAOTAO (C#430004952) A 105,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7873-7874 in Building Number(s) 37. Unpaid Assessr Costs: \$221.67 ents: \$1,157.81 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,379.48 ANDREW STITELMAN (C#170008437) A 126,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7877-7878 in Building Number(s) 39, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,454.58 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,676.25 EILEEN M HEMPFLING (C#170012371) A 105,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7879-7880 in Building Number(s) 40, Unnaid Assessments: \$1 274 12 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,495.79 WILLIAM K VEAZEY and JANE D VEAZEY (C#171107105) A 126.000 / 17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7883-7884 ir Building Number(s) 42, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,380.14 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,601.81 JOHN MAC CARPENTER and BARBARA PUCKET CARPENTER (C#170014245) A 192,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7885-7886 in Building Number(s) 43. Unpaid Assessr Costs: \$221.67 nts: \$2,330.08 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$3,551.75 In Peregrine Townhouses All as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said buildings as depicted on the Plats recorded in Reception Numbers 173553-173555, 98002629, 99006555, 99011974 20005495, 20010666, and subject to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded as Reception Numbe 173556, as has been amended, supplemented, and or restated, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Published February 17, 24, March 3, 10 and 17, 2022 ir The Pagosa Springs SUN. DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION DATE FILED: January 19, 2022 Case No. 2021DR38 In re the Marriage of: KRISTINE DIANE RUE, Petitioner MARIO RUE, Respondent Action for Dissolution of Marriag TO THE ABOVE NAME RESPONDENT: A copy of the Petition and Summons may be obtained from the Clerk of this Court during regular business hours Default judgment may be entered against Respondent if Respondent fails to appear or file a response within thirty-five days after date of Publication COMBINED COURT ARCHULETA CO., COLO. /s/ Debbie Tully Debbie Tully Clerk of the District Court Archuleta County 46 Eaton Dr, Suite Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Published February 24, March 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2022 in The Pagosa Springs SUN. COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2022-001 To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On January 10, 2022, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records. MARY W KOEPP (C#179810254) A 84,000 / 17,743,000 Original Grantor(s) Jamie Lee Potter undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers Original Beneficiary(ies) John I Current Holder of Evidence of Debt John DiMuccio Date of Deed of Trust June 29, 2021 County of Recording Archuleta Recording Date of Deed of Trust June 29, 2021 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 22104851 Original Principal Amount \$96,912.00 Outstanding Principal Balance \$96,912.00 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: Failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof. THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN Lot 9 of Block 13 in Amended Aspen Springs Subdivision No. 1, according to the plat thereof filed for record March 22, 1971 as Reception No. 74229 Also known by street and number as: 675 Petitt's Circle, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST. NOTICE OF SALE The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 05/12/2022, at the Archuleta County Treasurer's Office at 449 San Juan St Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication 3/17/2022 Last Publication 4/14/2022 Name of Publication Pagosa Springs Sun IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; DATE: 01/10/2022 Elsa P. White, Public Trustee in and for the County of

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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 las publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the Complain without further notice. This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Col more particular described as follows LOT 318 IN ASPEN SPRINGS SUBDIVISION NO. 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD AUGUST 3, 1971 AS RECEPTION NO. 74690 Respectfully submitted this 8th day of March, 2022. /s/ Daniel L. Fiedler Daniel L. Fiedler First publication: March 17, 2022 Last publication: April 14, 2022 Published March 17, 24, 31, April 7 and 14, 2022 in *The* Pagosa Springs SUN. NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of James John Sawicki, Deceased Case No. 2022 PR 30013 All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the persona representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County Colorado on or before July 17, 2022, or the claims may be forever barred. Daniel L. Fiedler, Attorney at Lav 190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Published March 17, 24 and 31, 2022 in *The Pagosa* Springs SUN. County Court Archuleta County, Colorado 46 Eaton Dr, Suite 1 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Case No. 22C15

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

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Public notice is given on March 11, 2022 that a Petition for a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Archuleta Combined Court. The Petition requests that the name of Lindsey Erick son be changed to Lindsey Fernley Erickson. /s/ Clerk of Court

Published March 17, 24 and 31 in The Pagosa Springs

DISTRICT COURT, WATER DIVISION 7, COLORADO

WATER RESUME

(This publication can be viewed in its entirety on the state court website at: www.courts.state.co.us : ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN WATER APPLICATIONS IN SAID WATER DIVISION NO. 7 Pursuant to C.R.S. 37-92-302, you are notified that the following is the resume of all water right applications filed in the Office of the Water Clerk during the month of February 2022, for Archuleta County and Mineral County 22CW3008 Archuleta County, Application for a Finding of Reasonable Diligence. Applicant, Fawn Gulch, LLC, P.O. Box 81200, Albuquerque, NM 87198. Please direct all correspondence to Amy N. Huff, Colorado Water & Land Law, LLC, 679 E. 2nd Ave, Ste 11B, Durango, CO 8130 (970) 403-1770, amv@waterland-law.com, Structure FAWN GULCH LAKE (Reservoir). Date of Origina Decree: 2/24/2016, Case No.13CW3042, District Cour for Water Division No. 7. Description: NW1/4 SE1/4 S26 T36N, R 1W, NMPM, at a point 1594' from the S Section line and 1349' from the E Section line of said Section 26 UTM: Northing 413252 Easting 330172, Zone 13, NAD 83. Source: Coal Creek, tributary to the San Juan River and tributaries of Coal Creek upstream of the proposed Fawn Gulch Lake. App Date: 12/31/2013. Amt: 150 AF Conditional, Uses: Domestic, stock water, piscatorial firefighting, supplemental irrigation of approximately 500 acres, freshening flows, recreation, and incidenta wildlife and aesthetic purposes. Description of what has been done toward completion of the appropriation: During the last diligence period, Applicant worked toward improving the real property at issue and due to several factors, including a limitation on resources Applicant was unable to construct the Fawn Gulch Lake. Applicant fully intends to construct the structure to hold the water right decreed to the Fawn Gulch Lake as soon as practical. Landowners: Applicant owns the land on which the Fawn Gulch Lake will be constructed Remarks: Additional details about Applicant's activities and expenditures during the last diligence period wil be provided upon request. See application for maps. (5

pages including exhibits) THE WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED BY THE FOREGOING APPLICATION(S) MAY AFFECT IN PRIORITY ANY WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED OR HERETOFORE ADJUDICATED WITHIN THIS DIVISION AND OWNERS OF AFFECTED RIGHTS MUST APPEAR TO OBJECT AND PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY STATUTE OR BEFOREVER BARBED

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE until the last day of April 2022, to file with the Water Clerk, a erified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must also be served upon the applicant or the applicant's attorney and an affidavit or certificate of such service shall be filed with the Water Clerk, as prescribed by Rule 5, CRCP, (Filing fee: \$192.00; Forms are available through the Office of the Water Clerk or on the Judicial web site at www.courts state.co.us; Kandi McCoy, Clerk of Court, 1060 E. 2nd Ave., Room 106, Durango, CO 81301; 970-247-2304) Published: before March 31, 2022 /s/Kand McCoy Clerk of Cour

**By Breezy Bryant** and Trevor Gian SUN Columnists

The Recreation Department has opened registration for adult coed indoor volleyball.

The competitive league is 4v4, recreation league is 6v6, and the cost to register a team is \$50. There is a limit to six teams in each division.

The deadline to register is April 1. There is no online registration option. Stop by the Ross Aragon Community Center to fill out a form.

Season play will be around April 12 through May 20. The schedule will depend on how many teams register.

Please call the Recreation Department with any questions, (970) 264-4151, ext. 232 or 233.

Adult coed soccer (6v6) league

Registration is also being accepted for adult coed soccer.

The team registration fee is \$100. The deadline to register a team is April 15. There is a limit to eight teams.

There is no online registration option. Stop by the Community Center to fill out a form.

Season play will be around the end of April and run through the end of May. The schedule depends on how many teams register.

Please call the Recreation Department with any questions, (970) 264-4151, ext. 232 or 233.

The Recreation Department is looking for adult soccer referees. Please contact the office for more information.

DIVISION 00 – PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS SECTION 00 10 00 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Mineral County, Colorado

Runway 07/25 Reconstruction Project

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Runway 07/25 Reconstruction Project will be received by Mineral County, at the office of the County Administrator (1201 North Main Street, P.O. Box 70, Creede, Colorado 81130), until 4:00 PM local time on April 12, 2022. Bids received will be publicly opened and read at the Mineral County Board of County Commissioners meeting on April 13, 2022, at 10:00 AM. The Project consists of

· Base Bid (Schedule A) - Runway 07/25 pavement removal, grading, pavement construction, and pain

 Bid Alternative 1 (Schedule B) – Apron and crack cleaning, crack sealing, replace tiedowns, seal coat, and paint markings. Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and/or unit price basis, with

additive or deductive alternate bid items (if any) as indicated in the Bid Form.

Complete bidding documents for this project are available in electronic form. Printed copies of the bid docu-ments are <u>not available</u> from the Engineer or the Owner. Bid documents may be viewed online and downloaded without charge and without deposit from <a href="http://www.mineralcountycolorado.com">http://www.mineralcountycolorado.com</a>. Downloaded files may be printed on the plan holder's equipment. Printed copies may be ordered from reprographic companies by contacting a reprographer directly. Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs

and plans. No hard copies will be sent. Addenda to the project will be posted on the website. The BIDDER is re-sponsible for periodically checking the site. The CONTRACTOR that is awarded the project will be responsible

for printing all documents necessary for performing the work. There will be a <u>mandatory</u> pre-bid conference held at 11:00 AM local time on March 23, 2022 at the Mineral County Courthouse, 1201 North Main Street, Creede, Colorado 81130. Interested parties are <u>required</u> to attend and only bids received from registered attendees will be considered as qualified by the Owner.

For questions, please contact Nick Westphal, Project Engineer at nick.westphal@dibblecorp.com

The project is funded with grant funds from the Colorado Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics Award of the project will be contingent upon receiving funding and award concurrence from the above lister funding agencies

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to Mineral County in an amount not less than Ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the Bid. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract amount. Insurance as required shall be provided by the successful Bidder and

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled time for the receipt of Bids noted above.

MINERAL COUNTY AIRPORT

RUNWAY 07/25 RECONSTRUCTION

The right is reserved to reject any or all Bids received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the con tract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid which is in the best interest of the Owner.

Mineral County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Owner: Mineral County

- By: Janelle Kukuk
- Title: County Administrator Date: March 15, 2022

Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901 Association Assessments Due to: Property Owners Association, Inc. Peregrine Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A" Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare

Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY

ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION.

The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when the indebtedness was due and owing and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on April 15, 2022, Sale Number 2021-28 in the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, 85 Harman Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147 sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: February 17, 2022 Last Publication: March 17, 2022

Name of Publication: The Pagosa Springs Sun

NOTICE OF RIGHTS YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL

PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS

IS ATTACHED HERETO. IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED.

THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN §38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN §38-38-103.2, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL (1-800-222-4444) THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (1-855-411-2372), OR BOTH, BUT THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE

7833-7834 in Building No Unpaid Assessments: \$659.40 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$1 881 07 ETHAN DEUTENBERG (C#179905732) A 154,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7847-7848 in Building Number(s) 24, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,210.51 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 \$2,432.18 Judgment Amount: \$2,432.18 JANET HARRIS (C#179909882) A 154,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7851-7852 in Building Number(s) 26, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,011.46 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,233.13 LEO HOEHN (C#420003055) A 210.000 / 17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Num 7873-7874 in Building Number(s) 37, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,502.67 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,724.34 DEBORAH BALLWEG (C#170603690) A 35,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7807-7810 in Building Number(s) 4 & 5, Unpaid Assessments: \$783.26 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$2.004.93 GWENDOLYN E ASHTON and LAWRENCE JASHTON (C#179606504) A 49,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7807-7810 in Building Number(s) 4 & 5 Unpaid Assessments: \$1,132.39 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,354.06 BRANDON J JARAMILLO and JACLYN JARAMILLO (C#170502785) A 154,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7817-7820 in Building Number(s) 9 & 10. Unpaid Assessments: \$1,868.78 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$3,090.45 CHARLES PORTILLOS and MARY V PORTILLOS (C#179706981) A 105,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7817-7820 in Building Number(s) 9 & 10, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,212.09 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 \$2,433.76 Judgment Amount: LUIS ROMERO and JEAN ROMERO (C#179708326) A 84,000 / 35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7817-7820 in Building Number(s) 9 & 10, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,317.19 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$2,538.86 NATHAN NOTAH (C#179802384) A 105,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7823-7824 in Building Number(s) 12, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,225.84 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,447.51 KEVIN ARP and DEANNE ARP (C#179811849) A 105,000 / 17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7835-7836 in Building Number(s) 18, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,347.00 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judament Amount: \$2,568.67 HORACE SEBORN CALAHAN, JR. and MABLE JUNE CALAHAN, TRUSTEES OF THE HORACE SEBORN CALAHAN, JR AND MABLE JUNE CALAHAN REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST (C#179901962) A 84,000 17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Unit Numbers 7839-7840 in Building Number(s) 20, Unpaid Assessments: \$1,077.72 Costs: \$221.67 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Judgment Amount: \$2,299,39

Archuleta, State of Colorado By: /s/ Elsa P. White, Public Trustee The name, address, business telephone number and bar

registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: John C Seibert #21437 LAW OFFICE OF JOHN SEIBERT P.O. BOX 2120,

DURANGO, CO 81302 (970) 403-0999 Attorney File # POTTER The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.

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DISTRICT COURT ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address: 109 Harman Park Drive Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Phone Number: 970-264-8160 Attorney for Plaintiff: Daniel L Fiedler #47916 190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 970-507-8528 Case Number 2022CV30004 CARA FAWN BALLOU

Defendants: ANN B. MCTAGGART, ANN L. RENCKENS RICHARD RENCKENS, ARCHULETA COUNTY PUBLIC TRUSTEE and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION PLAINTIFF: CARA FAWN BALLOU 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 pear and defend against the claims of the Complaint

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## FOR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HEARING ON April 5, 2022 PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to CRS 30-28-116 that the Board of County Commissioners of Archuleta County, Colorado, will hold a public hearing to consider revising the County Land Use Regulations. The language proposed to be adopted is available for review at the County Development Services Departmen 970-264-1390.

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Commissioner's Meeting Room at 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado and via Zoom Link, at which time all interested parties will be heard. Written comments may also be submitted to the Archuleta County Board of Commissioners, P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, at or prior to said public hearing.

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#### FOR PLANNING COMMISSIONERS HEARING ON March 23, 2022

MITCHELL & ZANA CRAWFORD, have applied for a Conditional Use Permit for the Paradise Ranch Lodging Establishment, on the RURAL parcel in Sec 35, Twn 34, Rng 2.5W at 11011 US Hwy 84, Pagosa Springs CO (PLN22-010). The property is zoned Agricultura Ranching (AR). The proposal is to operate a lodging establishment with special events at the site.

Comments regarding this proposal may be submitted to Archuleta County Development Services-Planning Department, P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970) 264-8381 or to pFlowers@ archuletacounty.org prior to the public hearing by the Archuleta County Planning Commission on March 23. 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the County Administration Office Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs. Public ent will be taken at the meeting

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#### Request for Proposal

The Archuleta School District is accepting proposals for the installation of an HVAC / mini-split system for Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Details of the RFP are located on the district's website mypagosaschools com under District and Bids/RFPs/RFQs. Please contact Josh Sanchez at jsanchez@pagosa.k12.co.us with any questions. Published March 17, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

#### **Request for Proposal**

The Archuleta School District is accepting proposals for the installation of a solar panel system for Pagosa Springs High School Grow Dome. Details of the RFP are located on the district's website mypagosaschools com under District and Bids/RFPs/RFQs. Please contact Josh Sanchez at jsanchez@pagosa.k12.co.us with any Published March 17, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN.* 

#### NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF ELECTION

And CERTIFIED STATEMENT OF RESULTS

1-13.5-513(6), 32-1-104, 1-11-103(3) C.R.S. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Alpha Rockridge Metropolitan District, Archuleta County, Colorado, that at the close of business on the sixty-third day before elections, there were not more candidates for director positions than offices to be filled, including candidate filing affidavits of intent to be write-in candidates; therefore, the election to be held on May 5th, 2022 is hereby cancelec pursuant to Section 1-13.5-513(6) C.R.S. The following candidates are hereby declared elected: Eric Porter 3-year term until May 2025 William (Bill) Kingsley 2-year term until May 2024 Tom Watts 2-year term until May 2024 Gary A. Lansdale Designated Election Official

For Alpha Rockridge Metropolitan District Published March 17, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

## **Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library expansion** enters public campaign phase

#### By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

Looking to expand the programming, available space and resources for Pagosa Springs' Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation has entered the public phase of its expansion and renovations campaign and is calling on community members to support and donate to its efforts.

The planned construction would expand the library by 50 percent, taking it from its current 7,300 square feet to 11,000 square feet, Cindi Galabota, executive director of the foundation, said.

The process for the proposed expansion started shortly after the foundation's 2018 founding, when, in 2019, the foundation held a financial feasibility study, she explained. They hired a consultant who interviewed more than 60 people to figure out the community's interest and potential in funding the expansion.

That was followed by a design feasibility study, which focused more on what the community would want to see featured and added in the expansion, she stated. From that, the foundation was able to create a big-picture, rough design for the library's renovation.

Both of the studies resulted in the campaign's goal of raising \$4 million, she explained. Of that, \$3 million would go directly to the construction and service needs of the library, and \$1 million would be set aside for an endowment for upkeep of the new programs and features.

Among some of the new rooms that the expansion will include is a children's discovery room that will feature an updated children's book collection, a designated spot for the library's storytime program and a bathroom designed for children and families, Galabota said.

Connected to the children's room will be an outdoor children's exploration garden, designed for children's programming. The access to the garden will be through the library only, making it a safe place for children, she stated.

Separately, the library will also add a reading garden meant for library programs and outdoor reading space for community members. It will connect to both the library and the planned Town-to-Lakes trail and will include artwork, such as sculptures, she explained.

Additionally, a new community and multipurpose room will be built that will hold up to 150 people. The room will be able to be broken up into smaller rooms if necessary, and will hold a small catering kitchen, Galabota described.

Galabota explained that, currently, the library's community room isn't very big and is within the library, making it so that the time and space is limited for the community to take advantage of the room. This new room will be disconnected from the main library, therefore making it usable to the public outside of library hours, she stated.

The expansion will also feature two smaller rooms, she explained. The first is a "collab lab"

meant for open, free-use space, such as skill-building classes, art and 3-D printers. The second is a teen room, meant for teenager use and new programming that's designed for the age group.

"Teens often feel like they're a little bit lost in libraries," she said. "They maybe don't know where they fit within a library, and so this will give them a space that's their own."

The last element of the expansion is to add a couple of study spots, meant to hold one or two people in them. These will be ideal for community members in need of a quiet place for things like business meetings, Zoom classes and studying, she explained.

"The pandemic has really highlighted the need for that space within our community," Galabota said.

All of the new space will allow the library to add new programs and increase capacity for its more popular current programs, such as the Pagosa Adult Learning Services program, which offers tutoring for community members for things like obtaining GED diplomas, commercial driver's licenses and assists with college preparation, an English as a Second Language program and the lifelong learning lecture series, Galabota mentioned.

"The library does so much more than just provide books," she said.

Currently, the campaign has raised about \$1.15 million from pledges and actual gifts, she stated. A community member who wants to offer a pledge can pledge up to five years.

The current goal is to raise the rest of the needed money by the end of 2023 and to start construction in 2024.

Much of the campaign so far has been in its "silent" phase, meaning the efforts have been on securing larger gifts that go toward things like naming opportunities, she explained.

As the campaign progresses into its public phase, more fundraising events will start to happen. One such event is the upcoming April 9 kickoff event for the public campaign. The event, called The Library Affair, will feature 17 creatively decorated, book-themed tables by table decorators in the Pagosa Springs

Beginning this week, the public can vote online for their favorite table for \$1 per vote, Galabota stated.

On the actual night of the event, which takes place at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association clubhouse from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., attendees can bid in a silent auction on the tables, and the highest bidder for each table will go home with all of the table's contents. The event will feature live music, a cash bar and food made by the Pagosa Springs High School culinary class. Tickets are available for \$50.

For more information on the foundation, visit: https://pagosalibrary.org/library-foundation/.

For more information on The Library Affair, visit: https://pagosalibrary.org/library-foundation/the-library-affair/. dorothy@pagosasun.com



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Joel Racheff

Items listed in The Blotter report where an alleged incident occurred and the nature of the incident. Readers should not assume employees or owners of a place of business or a parking lot reported as the scene of an event are involved as perpetrators of the incident.

#### Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Calls for service for week: 213. March 7 — Information only, West U.S. 160.

Second-degree bur-March 7

Feb. 17 - Weaving, drove vehicle when license revoked, Pagosa Street.

Feb. 18 — Violation of restraining order, Boulder Drive.

Feb. 18 - Criminal trespass, trespass warning, Eaton Drive.

Feb. 19 — Careless driving, hit and run, 7th Street.

Feb. 19 - DUI, weaving, Eagle Drive.

Feb. 19 - Assault, San Juan Street.

- Criminal mischief, Feb. 20

financial transaction device, Aspen Village Drive.

March 10 - DUI, careless driving, Apache Street. March 10 — Violation of restrain-

ing order, assault, 8th Street. March 11 - Failed to give infor-

mation after damaging another vehicle, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 11 — Warrant arrest, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 11 - Animal at large, Pagosa Street.

Theft, Hermosa March 11

March 10 - Linda Spargo, illegal weapon-possession, 12 months probation, fines and costs - \$844.50. March 10 - Anthony Victor Poma Jr., criminal mischief-under \$300, 12 months probation, fines and costs - \$36.

March 10 - Merlin Smith, driving under restraint-alcohol-related, 60 days jail, fines and costs -\$254.50.

March 10 — Tyler Jay Goldman, driving under restraint-outstanding judgment, fines and costs \$148.50.



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glary, all other thefts, Flatiron Drive. March 7 - First-degree introduc-

ing contraband, Harman Park Drive. March 8 - Dog at large (first offense no injury), Lake Forest Circle. March 9 — Recovered property, information only, Harman Park Drive. March 9 — Obstructing highway or passageway, stopping, standing or parking prohibited, County Road 326

March 10 — Rabies vaccination required (first offense), dog at large (third plus offense, summons), unlawful ownership of dangerous dog-misdemeanor, Roxanna's Court.

March 10 - Dog at large (first offense no injury), Aztec Drive.

March 10 – Federal warrant, Aspen Village Drive/West U.S. 160. March 11 — Found property, Navajo Trail Drive/Vista Boulevard.

March 11 – Operated vehicle with improper/unsafe tires, vehicle with defective or no stop light(s), possession of handguns by juveniles first offense, vehicle had defective, improper or no mufflers, Aspenglow Boulevard/County Road 600.

March 12 - Information only, dog at large (first offense), Jaunty Court. March 13 - Speed exhibition,

Eagle Drive.

#### **Town of Pagosa Springs Police** Department

Calls for service for four weeks: 303.

Feb. 13 - Turned left in front of approaching traffic, drove vehicle when license suspended, drove vehicle without insurance, County Road 600.

Feb. 13 – Careless driving, failed to present evidence of insurance, 8th Street Alley.

Feb. 13 - Agency assist, U.S. 160.

Feb. 15 - Careless driving, Lewis Street.

Feb. 15 - Animal at large, Pagosa Street.

trespass warning, San Juan Street. Feb. 22 - Criminal mischief, 5th Street.

Feb. 23 - Criminal mischief, 8th Street.

Feb. 25 — Violation of restraining order, 9th Street.

Feb. 26 — Menacing, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Feb. 27 — Violation of restraining order, violation of bond condition, 8th Street.

Feb. 27 - Failed to notify police of accident, Aspen Village.

Feb. 28 - Criminal mischief, violation of restraining order, violation of bond condition, 15th Street.

March 1 - Possession while under the influence, DUI, resisting arrest, harassment, failure to use turn signal, obstructing peace officer, weaving, unlawfully carrying a concealed weapon, U.S. 160.

March 3 - Trespass warning, Pagosa Street.

March 3 — Information only, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 3 - Following too closely, careless driving, 14th Street.

March 4 - Fraud by check, Eagle Drive.

March 6 — Harassment, trespass warning, Aspen Village Drive.

March 6 — Assault, U.S. 160. March 7 - Found property, Hot

Springs Boulevard. March 7 - Assault, disorderly

conduct, Hot Springs Boulevard. March 7 - Failed to give informa-

tion after damaging another vehicle, failed to notify police of accident, operated vehicle without insurance, Eagle Drive.

March 7 - Careless driving, Lewis Street.

March 7 - Theft, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 7 — Stripping, 5th Street. March 8 - Criminal mischief, 9th

Street

March 9 - Unauthorized use of



Street.

March 12 - Assault, Pagosa Street.

**Pagosa Springs Municipal** Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

March 7 — Daniel Valdez, unsafe backing, two points off, fine and costs - \$72.

March 7 - Robert Bucher, changed lanes when unsafe, three points off, fine and costs - \$146. March 7 - Delvin Chama, changed lanes when unsafe, three

points off, fine and costs - \$146. March 7 — Clayton Prichard, stopped, stood or parked on designated snow route, costs - \$35.

March 8 - Linda Rivas, animal running at large prohibited, fine and costs - \$85.

March 8 - Michele Montoya, possession of drug paraphernalia, fine and costs - \$185.

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punctuality.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

March 11 - Christian Beck, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs - \$210.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

March 7 - Flavio L. Garcia, violation p/o-criminal, 18 months probation, fines and costs -\$1,203.50.

March 7 - Megan Celeste Marez, violation p/o-criminal, violation of bail bond conditionsfelony, 18 months probation, 18 months probation, fines and costs - \$1,366.50.

March 7 — Christian Victor Tuller, vehicular assault-DUI, public servant-attempt to influence, six years Department of Corrections, four years Department of Corrections, fines and costs - \$643.50. March 8 — Flavio L. Garcia,

trespass 1-dwelling, 18 months probation, fines and costs - \$1,373.50.

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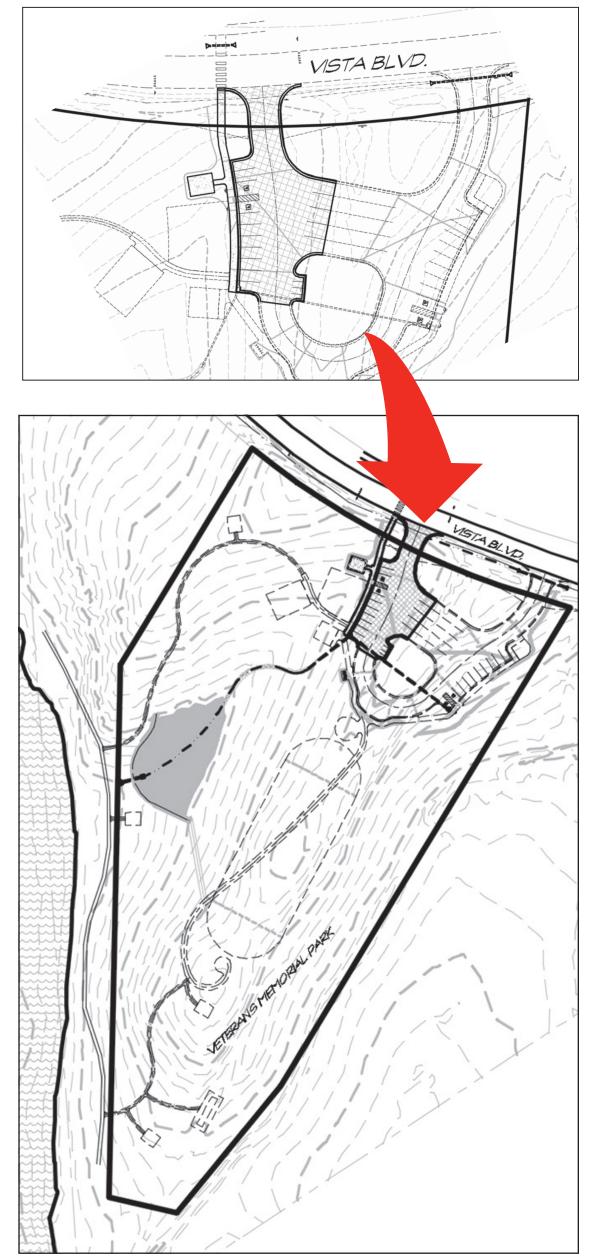
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We need to raise a minimum of \$85,000 by March 31st to secure local contractors for this coming construction season and get on their schedules. This will give us the opportunity to advance construction on the remaining two-thirds of the parking lot.



The Veterans Memorial Park is used every day. Many special events have also been taking place at the park. Completion of the parking lot will enhance this amenity for the many people that visit to participate in events, pay their respects and celebrate its beauty.

## Please visit our website for up-to-date information, ways to donate and get involved: www.vetsmemorialpark.org

- Make your tax-deductible\* donation online: www.vetsmemorialpark.org
- Mail us a check: Veterans Memorial Park Charitable Foundation, PO Box 2642, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
- Call us to arrange a time that is convenient for you: (970)335-8011

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## Thank you for your continued support of the park.



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The mission of the Veterans Memorial Park Charitable Foundation is to support the development and maintenance of the Veterans Memorial Park of Archuleta County which is being built to honor all past, present, and future Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States of America; to be a place for Veterans, their families and the public to remember, reflect and contemplate the sacrifices of these individuals; and to serve as an educational venue.

# Dreview ARS& Free St. Patrick's Irish Festival

Saturday, March 19 • 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. • St. Patrick's Episcopal Church parking lot, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.



# St. Patrick's Irish Festival and parade set for Saturday

**Bv Nicki Rippee** St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Mark your calendars for a fun family time on Saturday, March 19, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Patrick's Episcopal Church parking lot, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

The weather is predicted to be in the 50s with sunshine. There will be a parade, vendors, children's activities, free chili dogs and nonalcoholic drinks (beer and Irish coffee for \$5 with ID). Activities for children include riding on St. Patrick's float, face painting, games and more.

The "world's shortest" St. Patrick's Day parade will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the north end of the parking lot and traverse to the south end of the lot. Participants, please line up on the north side of the Parish Hall by 11 a.m. The parade will be led by bagpipers, followed by St. Patrick's float (children needed), a fire truck, a trash truck, the Shriner's little cars and what else? Come see for yourself, but don't be late or you'll miss it.

Free vendor spaces and spaces for nonprofits are still available. Call Lynne McCrudden at (970) 731-5801 as soon as possible to reserve your spot. The entire event is free of charge, though nonperishables such as canned goods, peanut butter and jelly, cereal and 1-pound bags of rice for the church's food pantry will be gratefully accepted.

Please park in the hospital's or John Paul II come join the fun and shamrock your world.



Photo courtesy St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Catholic Church's lots. Handicapped parking St. Patrick's Irish Festival and parade is set for Saturday afterwill be available at St. Pat's. Dogs are welcome, noon at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. but must be kept on a leash. Snow or shine, The event will feature the "world's shortest" St. Patrick's Day parade, activities for kids, food and more.



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

## Friday

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: San Juan Mountain Boys, 5 p.m.

Saturday

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Jason Theis, 5 p.m.

## Tuesday

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Joel Racheff, 5 p.m.

## Wednesday

Coyote Moon Bar and Grill: Karaoke, 8 p.m.

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## Pagosa Springs Rotary Ice Melt Contest coming to an end

By JoAnn Laird Pagosa Springs Rotary Club

St. Patrick's Day is upon us and spring is surely around the corner, even though people are still skiing and ice fishing.

However, with great anticipation, the Pagosa Springs Rotary, in conjunction with Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA), is waiting for the ice to thaw enough that a huge barrel will drop into Lake Hatcher and stop an attached clock. The astute person guessing the closest day, hour, minute and second of when the clock stops will win a cool \$1,000, second place will garner \$500 and third place will get \$250.

To be counted, entries must be turned in to Rotary no later than midnight, March 17. You're in luck, as the ice still has not melted enough to sink the barrel and stop the clock. Even though the deadline is fast approaching, your guess could be in April and if the lake doesn't thaw by then, you could still win. Tickets for your guesses are \$5 each, \$20 for five

## Back Country Horsemen to hear about health, wellbeing of horses

By Annie Pack San Juan Back Country Horsemen

The San Juan Back Country Horsemen will have their monthly general meeting on Monday, March 21, at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. .

The potluck will be at 6 p.m. and the general meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Our speaker this month will be Dr. Cara Finstad, of San Juan Veterinary Hospital, discussing the health and well-being of our equine friends.

Please join us, meet members and see how we're making a difference in our community. Any questions? Contact Annie (210) 215-9566.



and \$100 for 30.

Guess forms are available through links at www.pagosaspringsrotary.com and www. plpoa.com, and ticket guesses can be gotten through the PLPOA administration office, PLPOA Recreation Center, The Choke Cherry Tree, Chamber of Commerce and Ski and Bow Rack.

As in most fundraisers that Rotary presents, all net proceeds will go to the Pagosa Springs Rotary Scholarship Fund.

The clock is still ticking, so you better hurry with those guesses. May the luck of the Irish be with you.





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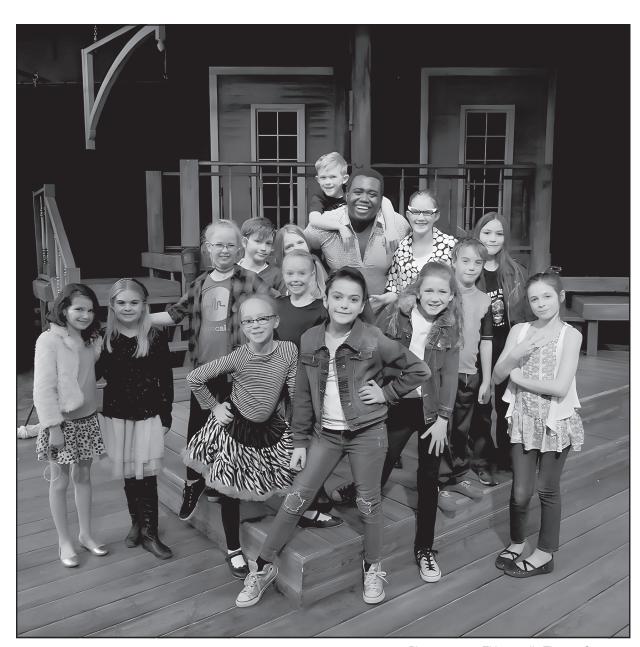


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Registration is now open for the Whatchamawhozits Children's Theatre Summer Camp, set to run July 5-15. The camp will conclude with public performances of "The Music Man Kids."

## Registration open for Whatchamawhozits Summer Theatre Camp for Kids

## By Amy Wolfe

Thingamajig Theatre Company

The Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts is a lively place in the summers, this year with three major musicals running in repertory: "Bright Star," "Guys and Dolls" and "The SpongeBob Musical" with over 40 professional artists, design-

ers and performers rehearsing and performing — dancing, singing,

acting — for four months straight. And right in the middle of it all is the Whatchamawhozits Children's Theatre Summer Camp. This super fun and wildly popular summer camp is in its 11th summer at the Center for the Arts.

The camp works with 7- to

12-year-olds (you can inquire about special requests for 6- or 13-year-olds) and is taught by the professional performers that come in for Thingamajig's main stage shows. From singing to costume design, from dancing to character development and storytelling, from painting with lights to aerial See Camp on next page

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## Tickets on sale now for the Library Affair

## By Sally Neel

Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation

If you haven't bought your tickets for the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Foundation's Library Affair, scheduled to take place on April 9 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse, located at 230 Port Ave., don't wait. Due to space limitations, only 200 tickets are available.

You do not want to miss this wonderful opportunity to enjoy an evening with friends while supporting the exciting new building expansion of the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library. Tickets are \$50 each and may be purchased both online and at the library (cash or check only).

The evening will feature 17 dining tables designed by some of Pagosa's most creative artists. Each fabulous table design will be based on a book theme and the entire contents will be auctioned to the highest bidder.

In advance of the event, you may go online to get a peek at the table designs and, for only \$1, vote for your favorite tables. The table that wins the most votes by April 8 will receive the prestigious Pagosa Pulitzer Prize. You may vote, buy tickets, make donations and learn more about the upcoming library expansion at: pagosalibrary.org/ library-foundation/campaign.

"This is such an exciting time for

our public library," said Lynne Mc-Crudden, event coordinator. "You only have to look at the weekly library updates in The Pagosa Springs SUN to realize the importance our library plays in the daily lives of our community."

The Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library is a community resource that offers free services to the young and old alike. The current building opened its doors in February of 1989 and underwent its first major expansion in 2005. As the needs and services of our evergrowing community evolve, the library now is preparing to expand its current building by 50 percent to 11,300 square feet.

The addition will offer community meeting space, dedicated space for children's literacy programs, a room exclusively for teens and tweens, private study rooms, an intergenerational hands-on learning space, easy access to self-checkout and drop off, and a beautiful outdoor reading garden.

Nearly \$1.5 million has already been raised toward this \$4 million project. The goal of the Library Affair is to bring the fundraising closer to its initial \$2 million goal so that construction can begin. The Library Affair is being underwritten by numerous generous sponsors so that the auction proceeds and other donations can go directly to the campaign.

The Library Affair offers a fun evening with friends, the opportunity to see and bid on the beautiful

## Camp

■ continued from previous page silks — theater is the place where all the art forms come together and create collaborative masterpieces. Theater teaches students the valuable skills of teamwork, collaboration, public speaking, articulation, critical thinking, self-confidence, physical fitness and, above all, empathy.

This summer the two-week camp runs from July 5-15, Monday through Friday (Tuesday through Friday the first week) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with public performances of "The Music Man Kids" on July 16 and 17.

Camper's registration includes an invitation to see the main stage production of "The SpongeBob Musical" Wednesday, July 13, at 2 p.m., which features all the camp counselors. To register, please visit www.pagosacenter.org. The cost is \$375 for the camp and spaces are extremely limited.

For additional questions on the best summer activity in southwest Colorado, please contact Educational Director Laura Moore at laura@pagosacenter.org. Watch for information about ThingamaWHO's Teen Program coming in April.

## What parents say

"Thank you for your awesome work with the kids during the improv class. It was great fun to watch their growth."

"Many thanks for your invaluable instruction and encouragement to all the kids in the Whatchamawhozits program. [My son] had a blast and it was a fun program to watch."



Shop Pagosa Springs first. table settings designed by teams of local artists and, most importantly, the opportunity to enable the continued growth of our wonderful library. If you are unable to attend the event, please consider making a generous contribution in support of one of Pagosa Springs most valuable treasures, the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library.



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## Vista Lake Community Garden invites community for garden reveal on April 7

By Rose Chavez

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Members of the Vista Lake Park and community garden, alongside Healthy Archuleta, invite the greater community to come see the progress that has been made in preparation for the growing season ahead on April 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Community members from the Vista neighborhood and surrounding community have been meeting regularly to plan for a future community garden and park at 230 Port Ave., to be located behind the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association administrative building.

Save the date for a fun and family-friendly event and learn more about the opportunities to get involved with the community garden programming and upcoming events.

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The evening's activities will include: seed planting, rock painting, a scavenger hunt, drawings and healthy refreshments. You will also have the chance to weigh in on design and programming components and learn about opportunities within the community garden effort to increase your access to freshly grown local, affordable and nutritious foods.

Best of all, come meet and get to know the local leaders from the Vista neighborhood and around Pagosa who are committed to creating a community gathering space that is focused on food sustainability, nutrition security and education in Archuleta County.

## Archuleta County Food Summit to feature local food heroes

#### **Bv Rose Chavez**

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

The upcoming food system summit, to be held April 9 at the CSU Extension building from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., will feature a selection of local food heroes.

These local food heroes are exceptional individuals, businesses and/or organizations making a positive impact on the local/ regional food system in our area. These honorees nurture our community through food, service and socially and environmentally sustainable business practices.

The opportunity to meet in person and hear from these local chefs, growers, artisans, advocates and other food professionals is not to be missed at the first annual Archuleta County Food System Summit.

Those planning to attend, please register by visiting the Healthy Archuleta website event page: https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/archuleta-food-summit. html. Please register before March 24 to help us with planning. Your registration ensures we have adequate supplies for your full participation in the day's activities and for the delicious locally prepared lunch that will be served.

For additional information, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@ gmail.com or call (401) 371-3227. To donate to support the work of Healthy Archuleta, doing business as FSFE-Food Coalition, please visit our website: https://www. foodcoalition4archuleta.org/donate.html.

three years. Over the past weeks

See Update on next page

## **Update provided on Nutrition Security** and Healthy Equity Assessment effort eta County Nutrition Security and ber 2021 and will run for the next

The process began in Decem-

Health Equity Assessment.

#### **By Rose Chavez**

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

This past Monday, I joined the weekly meeting of the Healthy Archuleta Community Learning and Leadership Circle (CLLC), which is a group of diverse community members who are committed to co-leading the ongoing Archul-





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## Sunday devotionals offered by the Baha'i Faith

## By Paulette Heber

Baha'i Community of Archuleta County

The Baha'i Community of Archuleta County hosts weekly devotionals every Sunday morning from 10 to 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. All are welcome.

Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/ 884668836?pwd=bkdEeVlaSWN0 bFRMdFhidXpzWjV5Zz09, call-in number: (669) 900-6833, meeting ID: 884 668 836.

A weekly theme is reflected in the prayers, music, poetry and selections from world religions and

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and going forward, CLLC members

have been and will be engaging

in intensive capacity building by

learning through module presen-

tations facilitated by Healthy Ar-

chuleta and partner organizations

about the concepts of nutrition

security and health equity and

what that means in terms of the

services and resources available

in Archuleta County. The CLLC

members identify questions as

a result of their participation in

these presentations that will then

Update

various sources. All are encouraged to contribute inspirational pieces. This Sunday, March 20, our theme is fasting.

"Fasting is essentially a period of meditation and prayer, of spiritual recuperation, during which the believer must strive to make the necessary readjustments in his inner life, and to refresh and reinvigorate the spiritual forces latent in his soul." — Baha'i writings.

The Baha'i Faith is an all-embracing world religion founded on the principle of unity. It recognizes

Monday's activities included

a brief presentation by Angela

Reali-Crossland from Pagosa Peak

Open School about the school and

community health-based efforts

followed by small group activities

and discussion that generated

lots of additional learning and

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humanity's spiritual nature and the innate nobility of every human soul.

It is in this spirit of community that we cordially invite you to our devotionals.

To learn more about the Baha'i Faith, please visit the official international website of the Baha'i Faith at www.bahai.org. Our local contact is archuletabahais@gmail. com.

To obtain the passcode for our Sunday devotionals, call Paulette Heber at (970) 731-8610 or email to the above email address.



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Archuleta County. Do you have a question about primary health care access and utilization that you want to be included in the assessment? For additional information and to submit your questions, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com or call (401) 371-3227. To donate to support the work of Healthy Archuleta, doing business as FSFE-Food Coalition, please visit our website: https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/donate.html.

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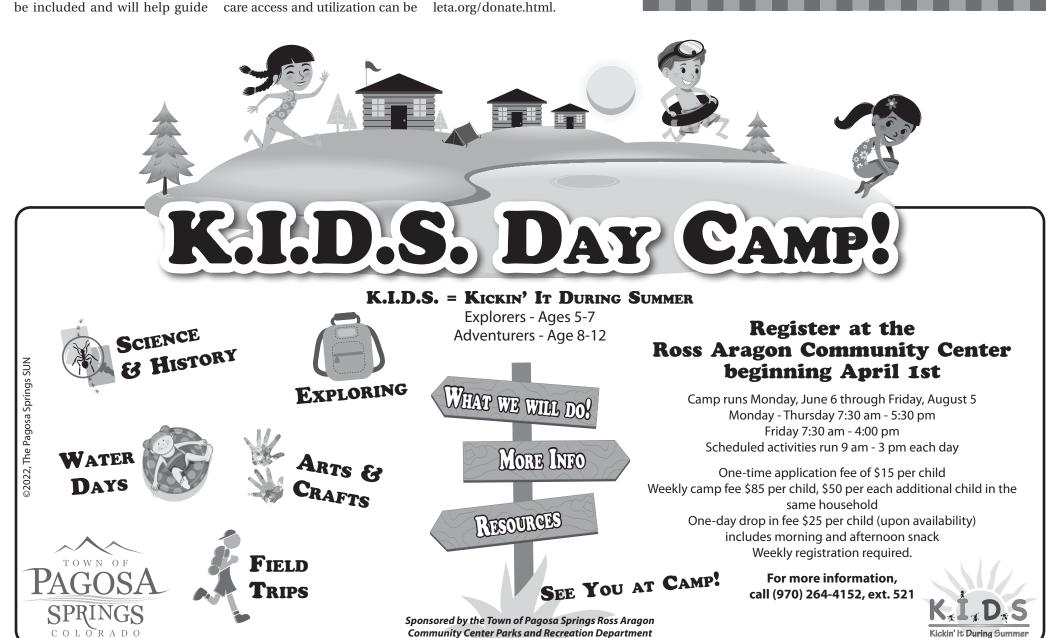
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The types of questions that the CLLC is grappling with include

understanding what additional types of information is needed to understand how primary health care access and utilization can be

## Get fit, have fun and support a great cause with Rise Above Violence's Push-Up Challenge

By Ashley Wilson Rise Above Violence

The 30-day push-up challenge will launch April 1. Rise Above Violence for the ninth year is hosting the Push-Up Challenge during the month of April, which is Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Over the last two years, the challenge has taken on a new life as a 30-day challenge that people can do on their own time, from wherever they are. Registration for the event is \$25, which covers your shirt and access to the tracking app to count all of the push-ups you complete.

For those that would like to fundraise to support victims and survivors in our community, we have a great platform that you can utilize to share out with friends and family.

Our goal this year is for our community to complete 35,490

## Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship to celebrate spring

By Pauline Benetti

Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Please join the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in person or on Zoom on Sunday, March 20, at 10:30 a.m.

The Zoom link is https://us-02web.zoom.us/j/86176360552, meeting ID: 861 7636 0552 or phone (346) 248-7799.

Our in-person services at the fellowship hall are on the first and third Sundays of the month. This Sunday, join our fellowship and Michael Demchak as he leads us in a celebration of the spring equinox which occurs this Sunday, March 20. As the earth awakens from winter, may our spirits be reborn and renewed as well. We'll draw inspiration from nature and focus on the spiritual aspects of this season. We'll also discuss different ways to inaugurate and welcome spring into our lives.

Depending on the current recommendations concerning CO-VID, please be prepared to wear a well-fitting mask if deemed necessary while in the building. 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.

Our fellowship offers each individual support in our unique spiritual path and an opportunity See Unitarian on next page push-ups — someone in the U.S. is sexually assaulted every 73 seconds, so 35,490 represents the number of victims in the 30 days of April.

As a participant, you can commit to any number of push-ups, you can complete each day or follow one of our plans to build up your strength. We have created a beginner, intermediate and advanced month-long challenge that will push you to increase your level of fitness. You can also register and find more information on our website, www.riseaboveviolence.org.

Through the challenge, we are hoping to raise \$15,000 that will go directly toward supporting victims of sexual assault in our community with resources and support to help with their healing.

On April 1, our launch party will be held at CrossFit Pagosa at 6 p.m. where you can get registered, learn how to use the fundraising platform and the app, and have a coach check your form to ensure a successful month of push-ups.

There is a Facebook event and group page to increase community around the challenge and where you can post all of your pictures for the prize categories we have like the person who does push-ups in the most unusual place. Other prize categories include: for the person who recruits the most people to participate in the challenge; for the person who wears the best costume while doing push-ups; for the person who does the most regular push-ups in the month; and for the person who raises the

push-ups — someone in the U.S. most money during the month.

Join us for the month of April to support victims and survivors in our community. Challenge someone to do the Push-Up Challenge with you as a team or compete with someone to keep you motivated. If we have 30 challengers do 40 push-ups per day, we will hit the goal of 35,490.

## Upcoming dates to remember

April 1, 6 p.m.: Push-Up Challenge Launch Party at CrossFit Pagosa.

April 5: Wear teal day.

April 27, noon: Denim DayWalk, at the bell tower.

#### About Rise

Rise is a nonprofit organization which promotes the belief that all people have the right to live free from violence. Rise provides 24-hour support and advocacy services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or other forms of violence, serving more than 350 victims each year. Rise also works to eliminate violence through education for youth and our community. All programs and services are free and confidential, including emergency prevention education and empowerment programs.

Visit www.riseaboveviolence. org for more information or call (970) 264-9075 to talk to an advocate today. If you want to be part of the team to help those in our community, volunteers for advocacy are always needed and welcomed. CLAQUAND

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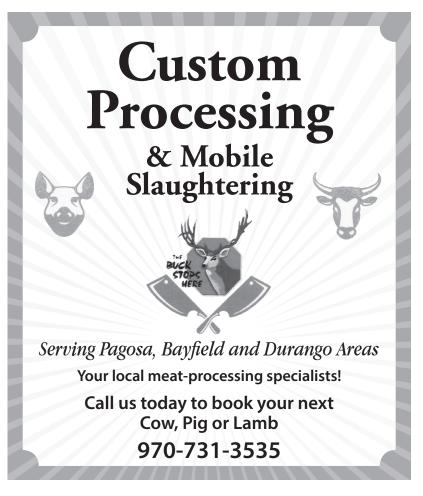
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## Countywide Women's Bible Study studying Galatians

#### By Stan Counsell Special to The PREVIEW

Regardless of your denominational background or being unaffiliated, if you are looking for Bible answers or just plain curious, this weekly study heartily welcomes you. Yes, this evangelical/born again Bible study is for every woman in and around Pagosa Springs. This ministry has existed for some 50 years.

Do you desire to know more of God's Word, the "difficult" being made easy to understand? In this study, you can let your hair down and kick up your feet in a joy-filled, casual and unstructured environment that's just for you. It could be the answer to your prayers or desires.

'Bert (Roberta) Counsell has been a women's pastor, chaplain, encourager, worship composer and counselor for over 35 years. Her ministering license will soon be elevated to full ordination by a worldwide (116 nations) Christian organization that endorses her. She guides each study with humor and God-honoring simplicity without any monotone lecturing. All ladies are totally free to laugh, ask questions, make comments and share experiences. She has been married to a now-retired ordained pastor for 37 years.

Currently, the topic of learning is the Book of Galatians. All are discovering why the apostle Paul was worried that so many new Galatian believers were being confused by numerous false doctrines about the Gospel. Why did Paul say, in Galatians 1:7, "You are being fooled by those who twist and distort the truth regarding Jesus Christ"? Doesn't that sound familiar today? Why were some Jewish Christians and gentile converts spiritually struggling with each other? Why did Paul openly confront the apostle Peter over his surprising actions towards gentile believers in Galatia? Who are now the true children of Abraham? Why is there no longer Jew nor gentile, slave nor free, male nor female? Why is there now one body of Christian believers and not two, none holding privilege over another?

These questions and many others are easily addressed each Tuesday morning from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at CrossRoad Christian Fellowship in the spacious confines of their fellowship hall. The address is 1044 Park Ave., right across the street from the Recreation Center. For additional information or questions, please call Counsell at (970) 264-9931. She'll be happy to take your call. Remember, bring the Bible of your choosing.



## Spiritual Experiences Group to discuss inner guidance

## By Laurah Brock Young

Eckankar, the Path of Spiritual Freedom

Inner guidance has always been available to me and to all of us if we choose to follow it. Help can come as a nudge, a dream, a vision or a quiet voice within us.

Have you experienced anything like this? While wondering whether it was the right idea to move to Colorado, I asked the question inwardly, "Should we move to Colorado?" Soon after, I was driving in my car and I pulled up to vehicle where the entire back window was covered, in huge letters, with the word "future." That made me aware to pay attention and, sure enough, the next vehicle I saw had a moving company website pasted to the back window. I knew immediately that we were moving to Colorado and I begin to prepare in earnest.

These experiences happen to us all the time. We can tune into these types of experiences by learning how to connect with our everpresent divine guidance, often called the Holy Spirit. During this in-person discus-

sion offered by the Spiritual Expe-

riences Group of Pagosa Springs,

we will discover how to listen to the voice of God, work with an

inner guide, and benefit from

dreams, waking dreams and gold-

en-tongued wisdom. You will learn

how to ignite your creativity to

us for a very creative and lively

discussion on Sunday, March 27,

at 1 p.m. The location is the Pagosa

Lakes Property Owners Association clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. This event

is sponsored by Eckankar. People of

all faiths and beliefs are welcome.

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## New Thought topic: 'Maturing Spiritually -Why We Must Release Shame and Blame'

By Shayla McClure New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

Sunday service is at 11 a.m. with Dr. Elaine Harding: "Maturing Spiritually — Why We Must Release Shame and Blame."

"We have within us, a power that is greater than anything we shall ever contact in the outer, a power that can overcome every obstacle in our life and set us safe, satisfied and at peace, healed and prosperous, in a new light, and in a new life." — Dr. Ernest Holmes.

#### Upcoming events

Meditation Mondays are at 11 a.m. with Madison Humes.

Spirit Heart Band practice is every Tuesday at 6 p.m. We welcome musicians and singers to join our band. Please text Shayla White Eagle McClure at (970) 510-0309 for band information.

Thursday March 30, 6 p.m.: "Basic Healing Techniques 101," with Shayla White Eagle McClure on angels and flower essences.

Friday, April 1, Channel Circle: 'Messages From The Angels."

April 3: Sunday Service at 10 a.m. (summer hours).

April: Spring Fling Fundraiser dates to be announced.

#### Library

The New Thought Center has a large library of inspirational and spiritual books. To borrow or donate a book, please come to the New Thought Center prior to Sunday service or Meditation Circle.

### About us

The New Thought Center promotes living a spiritually centered life, and promotes philosophies similar to Centers for Spiritual Living and Agape Centers. We honor all lifestyles, cultures and religious paths to the divine. The vision of the New Thought Center is to empower possibility through revelation of spiritual truth and to have our members experience self-

Thought) or YouTube (Pagosa New Living).



# Skiing in a blizzard with Denverites

By Gregg Heid **PREVIEW** Columnist

Skiing in a blizzard on Wolf Creek Pass, in 40 inches of new snow, I skied alone — not smart.

One of my pleasures up on the mountain is talking to people on the lifts.

That day three young men and I shared a lift. I used my same starter question. "Where're you from?"

"Denver."

"What about you?"

"Boulder."

"And you?"

"Also Denver."

Curious, I asked, "How do you guys get time off during the middle of the week to come down here to ski?

One by one they gave their reasons. "I work out of my home." "I'm unemployed, looking for work." The third man stated he worked for a finance company and had a flexible schedule.

I thought about these Denverites; must be a thousand of them here today. They follow the snow on their weather apps and cut up our powder with their boards and fat skis.

I decided to head over to the Alberta lift and get away from those who don't know the mountain.

Later that day, I went alone on a slope next to one of the waterfalls. I skied the trees so I could see. The slope was steep, so I turned 10 feet swaths to control speed; one turn to the right, then another to the left, right, then left. When I came around that tree on my left turn, there was a 10-foot tree with only



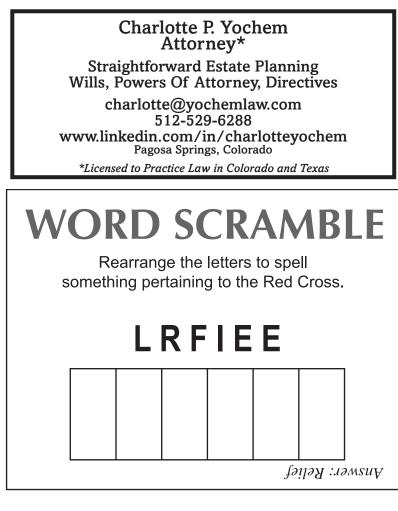
5 feet above the snow directly in my path.

My left ski went deep into the

snow, my body hit the tree straight on, and I found myself bent over the tree parallel to the snow. I tried to push myself to an upright position, but to no avail as my poles sank out of sight up to my elbows. Now I'm worried. I pushed again and my stomach cramped.

"Help, down here, help me." No one came. I waited. My ago-

See Circle on next page





## Tax help for seniors available in Durango

By Cheryl Wilkinson PREVIEW Columnist

Due to COVID-19, the Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will not be coming to Pagosa Springs to prepare federal and state income tax returns this year.

VITA will be preparing 2021 tax returns at no charge as part of the VITA program in Durango. Please register at: DurangoVITA.org

#### **Desk volunteers needed**

The Community Café in the Pagosa Senior Center is requesting volunteers to help with the lunch desk. Please call (970) 264-2167 to volunteer or for more information.

## Meals on Wheels volunteers needed

The Senior Center Meals on Wheels program delivers approximately 3,000 fresh and frozen meals a year. We deliver fresh Meals on Wheels five days a week (and provide frozen Meals on Wheels for weekends) to homebound Archuleta County residents to help them stay healthy and independent in their own homes

The Senior Center needs volunteer Meals on Wheels Drivers for one day a week (or become part of our substitute driver team). Please join Senior News

us as part of our driver team and build wonderful relationships with the seniors in our community. Call (970) 264-2167.

#### Take-out meals continue at Senior Center

In order to continue providing meals, the Senior Center is offering take-out hot meals and a salad with a drive-up option under the portico at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

These meals will be available Monday through Friday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. There is a \$4 suggested donation for lunch for those age 60 and better. If you need to have your meal delivered, please call (970) 264-2167 to see if this option is available in your area.

The cost per meal for the public age 59 and under is \$8.50. The meals include a salad, hot meal, drink and dessert or bread.

Please call (970) 264-2167 to make a reservation for pickup. We are also continuing our Meals on Wheels program.

There will be no games, classes or presentations during this time. The staff will be available by phone. If vou need to speak to a staff member. please call (970) 264-2167.

### Community Café menu

Thursday, March 17 - Beef Irish stew, cabbage steaks, milk, salad and Irish lemon pudding.

Friday, March 18 - Chicken and sausage jambalaya, collard greens, milk, salad and bread pudding.

Monday, March 21 — Turkey wild rice soup, wilted spinach, cornbread with butter, milk and salad.

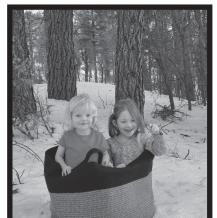
Tuesday, March 22 — Beef meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, milk, salad and brownie.

Wednesday, March 23-Chicken piccata, broccoli with butter, focaccia bread with butter, milk and salad.

Thursday, March 24 — Pork posole, roasted cauliflower snowflakes, whole-wheat tortilla, milk and chocolate mousse.

For your convenience, you can make your reservations in advance or have a standing reservation on days you know you will always pick up. Please cancel if you cannot attend on your standing reservation days.









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help. Let me take off your skis." He reached for my right ski.

"No," I said, "I'll fall into the tree well.'

He popped the left ski binding with his pole. The tree I leaned over held me up. Then he popped

off the right ski and I somersaulted over the tree.

I lay there looking up as the snow fell on my face, my body relaxed in the deep powder. I looked at him, "Man, thanks so much. You came at the right time. I could have been here all night."

and smiled, "Glad I could help.' "Where're you from?"

call 264-2629



The man looked down at me

"Denver."

# **Preview Calendar**

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

## Thursday, March 17

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## Friday, March 18 Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community

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# **Bird of the Week**

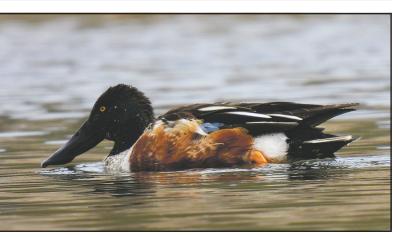


Photo courtesy Charles Martinez

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

The northern shoveler belongs to a group of seven species of dabbling ducks known as the blue-winged ducks for the blue patches displayed on their wings in flight. Two other species in this group, the blue-winged teal and cinnamon teal, also occur in North America.

The more obvious characteristic that these species share is noted in their genus name, spatula. All three have spatulate bills, but the northern shoveler takes this characteristic to an extreme with its huge, spoon-shaped bill. Swimming in shallow, muddy water with its large bill barely submerged, the shoveler sucks water into the front of the bill and squirts it out the sides. Small crustaceans, seeds and aquatic invertebrates in the water are trapped inside the bill by tiny comb-like projections on the edges.

Shovelers also feed with only their heads submerged in water and while sweeping their bills side to side. Unlike many dabbling ducks, they rarely tip upside down to find food.

They can be found in stagnant, polluted waters avoided by other ducks. Fairly social, especially in winter, groups will swim together in circles to create a whirlpool-like effect which brings food to the surface.

In breeding plumage, the male has a glossy green head and neck, yellow eye, white chest and rust-colored flanks. Females are mottled brown. Both sexes can be identified by their large, spatulate bills, black in the male and dirty orange in the female.

North American populations breed near shallow wetlands in the prairie grass of Canada and the north central states. As is the case with many duck species, once incubation by the female starts, the male leaves her to raise the brood alone. A brightly colored male nearby would only serve to broadcast the location of a camouflaged female and her hidden nest. For information on events, visit www.weminucheaudubon.org and

www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.

# Reasons to **VOTE NO** on Ballot Question A on April 5th

- ✓ It ignores legal risk; expect lawsuits at taxpayer expense.
- ✓ Citing the legal risk, the Mayor and the Town Council oppose it.
- ✓ Citizens had no input in crafting the amendment; no public surveys; no qualified attorney review.
- ✓ There are better alternatives to address workforce housing; 254 dwelling units already in progress or planned.
- ✓ Short Term Rentals (STR) are restricted already and pay a third of all lodging taxes.
- <sup>4</sup> Ultimately, penalizing STRs will hurt tourism dollars that support Pagosa Springs' businesses and our local workforce.

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## Ron and Edna, together again

#### By Daris Howard Special to The PREVIEW

Ron and Edna were very young when they got married, but after a bit of a rough start, they did everything together. They especially liked to garden together. Many people in our small, rural community were recipients of produce from Ron and Edna's garden. I often received the biggest pumpkins I have ever seen outside of a National Geographic magazine picture.

Ron got so he really didn't like to do anything without Edna. If it was something just for the men in the community, he didn't want to go. But if something exciting or unusual was happening, he would rush home to get Edna, even if that meant he would miss part of it.

It could be when the girls and their fathers were having a mud pit pig catch for the daddy-daughter dates. It might be an old gravel road finally getting paved or ground being broken for a new home. If it was something he was interested in, he wanted to share it with Edna.

But then Edna got really sick. Ron never left her side, other than to get things she needed. Even then, he might ask a neighbor to pick up a prescription or grab some groceries so he could stay by her side. With Ron's tender care, Edna pulled through.

Then came the year that Ron and Edna didn't plant a garden. Even as they grew old and struggled to maintain the garden, they had always had one. So, when no garden was planted, I knew their health must be declining. The good people of the community returned the favor they had received over the years and shared their garden harvest with Ron and Edna.

A few more years went on, and then, in a very short time, Ron's

health plummeted. He suddenly didn't have the strength to take care of himself. Ron was a big man, and Edna was a small woman. She could not manage alone, but she didn't want Ron to be in an assisted living home or anyplace away from her.

After a while, Dude got used to me and greeted me at the door. He seemed happy to see me because, once Ron settled into his chair, Dude could curl up in his lap.

With Edna's permission, the men of the community organized to help. I took two mornings and one evening each week. I would go in the morning and help get Ron up, to the bathroom, or anything else he needed, and then to his chair. At night, I would reverse the process. Ron had always been independent, and it was hard for him to accept the help, but he was grateful to stay with Edna.

When I would knock on the door, their little dog, Dude, would make a fuss trying to protect them. Ron or Edna would yell, "Dude,

knock it off. He's OK." Dude would then let me come

in. After a while, Dude got used to

me and greeted me at the door. He seemed happy to see me because, once Ron settled into his chair, Dude could curl up in his lap. When I finished helping Ron, I often sat down to visit, and his positive spirit helped me.

Sometimes he told me stories about him and Edna. He knew his time was growing short, so other times he asked me to share my feelings about what happens after death.

And then one morning, just as I was leaving to help Ron, I got word from Edna that he was gone.

Ron's loss was hard on Edna, and the good people from the community often stopped to visit. One time when I stopped in, Edna expressed how much she missed him. Then she said, "Tell me again what you shared with Ron."

I nodded. "I believe that when we die, we will be with those we love. The Savior told us to love one another, and love transcends the greatest challenges of all, even death. If we are not with those we love in heaven, it wouldn't be heaven. It would actually feel like a punishment for loving others as we have been told. God would never punish us for doing what he asked. You and Ron will be together again."

Edna smiled. "I believe that, too. I just like hearing you say it."

Recently, Edna left us to join Ron. I imagine some big, exciting event was happening in heaven, and Ron didn't want Edna to miss it, so he came to get her. That's what he always used to do when he was here.

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## Saturday, March 19

- St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Parade at 11:30 a.m. The "world's shortest" parade will be followed by the festival, with booths featuring nonprofits and vendors, along with beer, Irish coffee and great food. Park at PSMC or JPII. Put on your "green" and join in the fun. Bring a canned good for the food pantry. For more information. email st.patrickspagosa@gmail. com or call (970) 731-5801.
- Discovery Time. 2:30 p.m., Facebook.For all ages. Join us every first and third Saturday for new games. art ideas, science experiments, history, activities and more.

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## Sunday, March 20

Bingo. 5:45 p.m., Parish Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m., early-bird bingo at 5:45 p.m., bingo from 6-8 p.m. Concessions and cash prizes. No outside food or drink.

## Monday, March 21

- Medicare Mondays. For anyone who needs help navigating Medicare plans, fraud concerns and/ or troubleshooting issues that they may be having. By appointment only. Please call our Medicare line at (970) 264-0501, ext. 4. Someone will return phone messages within 24 hours.
- Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.
- San Juan Back Country Horsemen Meeting. 6 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Potluck at 6 p.m., general meeting at 7 p.m. Our speaker this month will be Dr. Cara Finstad, San Juan Veterinary Hospital, discussing the health and well being of our equine friends. Please join us, meet members and see how we're making a difference in our community. Any questions? Contact Annie (210) 215-9566.

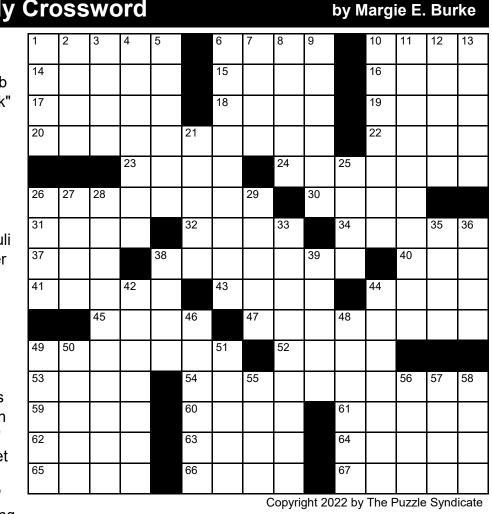
### Tuesday, March 22 Veterans for Veterans of Archul-See Calendar on next page



## **The Weekly Crossword**

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- 10 "Back In Black"
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- squeak
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  - one
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- 19 Certain sax
- 20 Moving
- backward
- 22 Fish stories
- 23 Vicinity
- 24 Extra helpings
- 26 Richie's gal on "Happy Days"
- 30 Glazier's sheet
- 31 Costner flick
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- 32 December song
- 34 Organ part
- 37 Female soldier in WWII
- 38 Baby-food choice
- 40 NHL surface
- 41 Melancholy verse
- **43** Slangy assent
- 44 or less
- 45 Surveyor's map
- **47** Kitchen gadget
- 49 Movie ship
- 52 Coop group
- 53 "Woe is me!"
- **54** Type of pronoun
- 59 Cropped photos?
- 60 Miscellany
- 61 Dentist's directive
- 62 White as a ghost
- 63 W-4, e.g.
- 64 Corby of "The
- Waltons"
- 65 Best poker pair 66 Gratis
- 67 Joaquin's "Walk the Line" co-star



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- 4 Topography 5 Gather on the
- surface. chemically
- 6 Like some birds
- 7 "Carmen" selec-
- tion 8 Pinochle combos
- 9 Dead to the
- world
- **10** Pearly shell
- **11** "Because You Loved Me" singer
- 12 Like wood
- paneling, e.g. 13 Church figure
- 21 She played
- Thelma
- 25 Toy gun ammo
- 26 Rob, formerly of
- "The West Wing" 27 Fall birthstone

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eta County. 10 a.m., Tennyson 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 communityfocused events. We welcome your participation in fundraisers to benefit fellow vets. You served once, join us in continuing that service. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.

- Pickleball. 1:30-4 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available
- Dungeons and Dragons. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens and young adults. Come to the library and participate in our new inperson game every other Tuesday. Registration is preferred as space is limited.
- English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate and advanced students from 5-7 p.m.

## Wednesday, March 23

- Pickleball. 8-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available
- Family Storytime: Hora de Cuentos. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Come practice your Spanish with some books, songs and games. Join us for great stories, fun songs, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's

#### a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., GoogleMeet. For youth in the 6th-12th grades. Help us plan teen programs. Contact the library at (970) 264-2209 for further information.

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## Friday, March 25

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- Gaming. 2:30-3:45 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Enjoy video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.
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## How to find new books that match your likes and interests

#### By Carole Howard

PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

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There are categories for all genres including fantasy, historical novels, Christian fiction, mysteries, romance, sci-fi, westerns and more.

Access is available free by clicking on "Online Resources" on the top of the library's website. Scroll down to NoveList, click on the icon, enter your library card number and see the many opportunities for all ages. They're presented for adults, teens, ages 9-12 and ages 0-8:

• One section is called "I'm in the mood for ..." that offers a selection of books that are thoughtprovoking and reflective, haunting and compelling, suspenseful and action-packed, and lush and descriptive.

• You can also make your own combo to appeal to your personal interests.

• There also is a category called Awards to introduce you to awardwinning books for all ages.

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## Cardboard construction contest

Creative people of all ages are invited to show off your building skills by competing in our first-ever free cardboard construct-a-thon that offers prizes for each of five age categories: Preschool, ages 5-7, ages 8-11, ages 12-17 and adult 18 and up. Submissions must be brought to the library between Monday, March 21, and 5 p.m. on Friday, March 25. Winners will be announced on March 26 at 12:15 p.m.

Entries may not exceed 36 inches in any direction and must be built ahead of time. Your creation must be made entirely of cardboard but tape, glue, paperclips or brads may be used to hold pieces together. While you are welcome to decorate your creation, please note that we will be judging based on construction and not final decorations.

Cardboard is available at the library. You also are welcome to use your own. One entry per person.

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## Spanish conversation today

This evening, Thursday, March



17, from 6 to 7 p.m., we will gather in person at the library to practice speaking and listening skills together. There is no minimum skill level required to attend. As an alternative, you can learn Spanish and many other languages using the Transparent Language Learning database available at: https:pagosalibrary.org/onlineresources/.

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## Fun By The Numbers

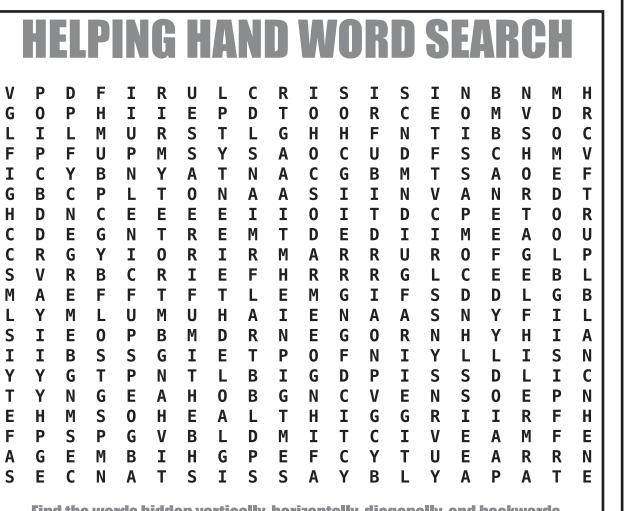
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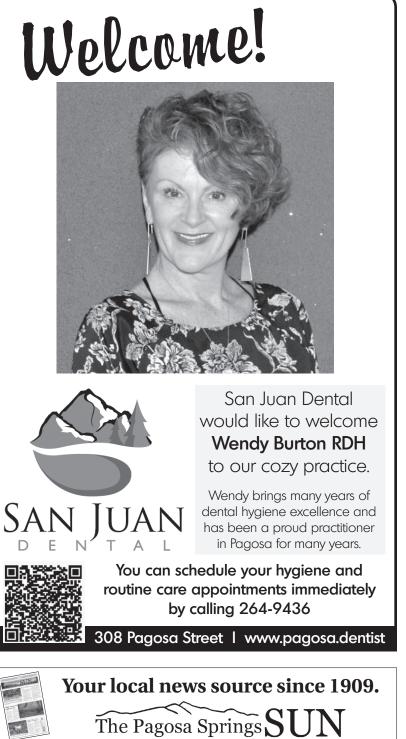
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## Teen advisory board virtual this month

Next Wednesday, March 23, the teen advisory board will meet from 4 to 5 p.m. on GoogleMeet. Sixththrough 12th-graders are invited to bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs.

#### **Dungeons and Dragons**

Join us every other Tuesday from 4 to 6 p.m. for our in-person Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young adults. The next one is Tuesday, March 22.

#### S.T.E.A.M. enrichment kits

Participants in this free enrichment program for youngsters aged 5 and up receive a kit guiding you through science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (S.T.E.A.M.) projects. The kits are available all month, but registration is required by calling your library at (970) 264-2209.

### **Family storytimes**

Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m., join us for free in-person children's stories, games and plenty of reasons to get up and move. March 23 is Hora de Cuentos, when you can practice your Spanish with books, songs and games.

The next Discovery Time takes place Saturday, March 19, on Facebook at 2:30 p.m.

#### ESL classes

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

### **Tech Time**

Free in-person slots are available from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and 2 to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Brad will help you resolve issues with your computer, smartphone, tablet and other electronic devices. Note there will be no Tech Time March 22 and 24.

#### Adult education

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) session take place on Thursdays from 5:30 to 8 p.m. when Mark helps with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more.

#### In-person gaming

Enjoy free all-ages video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect on Fridays from 2:30 to 3:45 p.m.

#### Library hours

Most of our programs are happening in person. Also, our hours have returned to pre-COVID levels — and even more on weekdays: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, the library is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays, the

library is open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. • Saturdays, the library is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

As well, curbside service continues. Phone (970) 264-2209 when you are in the parking lot so staff can bring the items out for you. If you put a hold on something, please wait for your usual alert (email, phone call or text) before coming to pick it up.

#### Mysteries and thrillers

"Think of Me" by Frances Liardet starts with a wartime romance in Egypt in 1942. "Nothing To Lose" by J.A. Jance is a J.P. Beaumont thriller. "Run, Rose, Run" by Dolly Parton and James Patterson centers on a young singer-songwriter trying to find a future in Nashville. "Killer View" by Roy Johansen features an army vet and former PI.

#### Nonfiction

"Healing" by Dr. Thomas Insel outlines a path from mental illness to mental health by reforming the mental health system.

#### Large print

"Her Hidden Genius" by Marie Benedict focuses on a scientist's work on DNA. "Lightning in a Mirror" by Jayne Ann Krentz is book three in the Fogg Lake trilogy. "Ice and Stone" by Marcia Muller is a Sharon McCone mystery. "Olga Dies Dreaming" by Xochitl Gonzalez forces the heroine to confront long-held family secrets. "One Step Too Far" by Lisa Gardner is book two in the Frankie Elkin mystery series. "Robert B. Parker's Bye Bye Baby" by Ace Atkins is a Spenser mystery.

#### Books on CD

"Diablo Mesa" by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child is a mystery featuring an archaeologist and an FBI agent. "Steal" by James Patterson and Howard Roughan is a triple-cross suspense story. "Death of a Green-Eyed Monster" by M.C. Beaton features Scottish Sgt. Hamish Macbeth. "The Lady's Mine" by Francine Rivers is set in a lawless mountain town in the 1870s. "Caramel Pecan Roll Murder" by Joanne Fluke is a Hannah Swenson mystery with recipes. "Gwendy's Final Task" by Stephen King and Richard Chizmar focuses on an old button box. "Abandoned in Death" by J.D. Robb is a Det. Eve Dallas mystery.

## Downloadable e-books and audiobooks

We have a wide variety of downloadable e-books and audio books for all ages — children, tweens, teens and adults — in cloudLibrary. The items in cloudLibrary are purchased separately from physical items, so the books available are different — and it continues to use the consortium's contributions as well as those that we bought. Select AspenCat Union Catalog when setting up cloudLibrary for use. Email or phone us at (970) 264-2209 if you need our help setting up this service on your device.

#### Donations

Many thanks to Patricia Hestekin for the generous monetary donation. Please put your materials donations into the drop box at the library — not at City Market, which is reserved for returns.

#### Quotable quote

"... kindness is a choice; you can't force someone else to be kind. You hope that by inspiring other people to spread kindness that they will somehow see it and, you know, change their ways and be more kind in the future." — 11-year-old Orion Jean, Mansfield, Texas, Time magazine's 2021 Kid of the Year.

#### Website

For more information on library books, services and programs and to reserve books, e-books, CDs and DVDs from the comfort of your home — please visit our website at pagosalibrary.org.



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COPPER: I'm Copper, a 7-month-old Lab mix boy with lots of energy and a desire to please. Got time to exercise and train a 50 lb. happy boy? If so, stop by and meet me, or call the Shelter at (970)731-4771.



JANIE: I'm Janie, a 3-year-old girl who was found wandering and just want a cozy home to call my own. Got room in your life for a plump girl? I'm 10 lbs. of purr and meow! Call the Shelter (970)731-4771 to apply!

## THINK HAIR THINK ELIZABETH 970-903-5152 **Runs With Scissors**

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EQUIPMENT TRAILER. BIG TEX 30,000 GVWR. 30 feet long. Excellent condition. \$11,000. Phone (970)946-5917.

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MICHAEL CAPONNETTO- THE FOUNDER of Stop The Rocks- for County Commissioner District 3. Help us continue to bring structured, thoughtful and future-thinking change to Archuleta County. Thank you for your continued support. Paid for by Michael Caponnetto for County Commissioner District 3.

DUMP TRUCK. 2000 FREIGHTLINER FL60. Single axle, 45,000 miles. Very good condition. \$25,000. Phone (970)946-5917.

ALL WINTER WEAR ON SALE. Classic winter coats, Andie's swimwear, Ice-Breaker base layers for men and women, Eddie Bauer jackets, Pendleton shirts, sweaters and blankets... all at a discount of 15% until March 19, in Puja's booth, San Juan Mercantile.

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY HELP WANTED ADS - tinyurl.com/d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

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DO YOU LIKE WORKING in the fresh air and sunshine? Pagosa Springs Golf Club is accepting applications for all staff positions: Retail Pro Shop, Bar/ Snack Bar, Beverage Cart, Golf Carts, Groundskeeping and Housekeeping. We are seeking outgoing, reliable and responsible applicants with excellent customer service skills for our 2022 team. Full- and part-time positions available with golf benefits. Training available for all positions. Apply online at www.golfpagosa.com.



SPOT: I'm Spot, a year-and-a-half-old Heeler boy who loves people. I am looking for an active experienced owner who will continue my training, since I'm super smart and love to learn. I'm 34 lbs. of energy, so if you love to go on runs, I'd love to be your wingman! Call the Shelter to arrange a meet up! (970)731-4771.



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LUCY'S TAMALES WILL OPEN 4/2, 9a.m.-3:30p.m. at the Eastside Market. Variety of tamales, breakfast burritos and menudo some days. (970)317-9409.

CAN'T WAIT TO GET THERE S.P. Vacation cleaning and lawn maintenance services. Call today to see if we can meet your spring and summer needs. (970)946-8501.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NEW THOUGHT CENTER INSPIRATIONAL Living- Meditation Mondays, 11a.m. Basic healing techniques class, Thursdays, 6 p.m. Intuition and Prosperity classes, workshops. (970)510-0309.

**RESTORATION FELLOWSHIP FOOD PAN-**TRY is Open Mondays 11a.m.-1p.m., Wednesdays 4-6p.m. 264 Village Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

**PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES** Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Tuesday and Thursday, 7p.m. Tennyson Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail. Contact Charlotte/ Ken at (970)903-9690 or Nate (970)507-1004.

THERE IS A SOLUTION GROUP of Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-6:30p.m. at the Restoration Fellowship Church, 264 Village Drive. Questions? Contact Richard at (970)903-1456 or Diamond at (970)264-1073. More resources at www.aa.org, www.aa-westerncolorado.com, (970)245-9649, or (888)333-9649 (24 hours).

AL-ANON TRADITIONAL FAMILY GROUP. Mondays, 7p.m., Tennyson Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail. Contact (970)903-9690.

**CONCERNED ABOUT ANOTHER'S DRINK-**ING? Pagosa Springs Al-Anon Family Group, Tuesdays 6-7p.m., Pagosa Bible Church. Questions? Call/text (303)815-8569. www. al-anon.org.

PAGOSA AA: M-W-F 5:30P.M.; Sunday 10a.m., noon M-F; Saturday 7p.m. Zoom Sunday 10a.m., ID 858 319 763, password 754 234, 315 N. 2nd St., County Road 200 (.2 miles off 160). Information, call Marcia (970)946-8475, Kathi (970)946-1482, or Central Óffice (888)333-9649

## **SERVICES**

SNOW REMOVAL, \$150/ HOUR, \$80 minimum charge, depending on driveway, snow and ice buildup. (970)507-0142.

GET YOUR PAINTING, STAINING done on your house, barn, garage and deck. Have references. Call Rick or John (970)946-1737.

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Call today for a free estimate! 575-418-7796

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PAGOSA SPARKLES, LLC, GROUP of high standard cleaners, reliable, trustworthy and affordable. Window cleaning also available. Text/ call KIM. (970)946-6446.

WE HAVE A GREAT GROUP of people for all of your maintenance needs- plumbing, painting, installs, also small remodeling jobs. All veterans and seniors will be on a discounted rate. (830)220-4883 or email your needs to adwatup@gmail.com.

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**REDMAN RENOVATIONS IS AN LLC** in Pagosa that specializes in finish carpentry. Bathrooms, kitchens, plumbing, electrical, flooring, siding, paint, tile and more. Call or text Nolan at (970)946-0050.

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HOME REPAIRS, IMPROVEMENTS: Decks. Masonry. Tile. Carpentry. Painting. Drywall Plaster. Adobe. Rocket mass heaters. More! Honest, well experienced craftsman. David, (970)264-4923.

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THE PLUMBING COMPANY LLC. Licensed and insured. From service calls to new construction. Call Ben at (970)880-4380. Honest, professional and reliable

BAZ THE HANDYMAN PAGOSA Springs is your one stop shop for wide range of home maintenance and repair solutions. Just call Baz (480)433-1776.

DUMP RUN- HAUL OFF unwanted household clutter. Reclaim your attic and garage. Reasonable rates. Free estimates. Arlie's Chimney Sweep. (970)731-2543.

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ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. Hiring Door People and Food Runners. Nights and weekends. 3-4 shifts a week. Please email Contact@Alley-HouseGrille.com.

SUB-CONTRACTORS WANTED! Living Space Design & Construction is currently booking our 2022 build season and we are looking for high quality, skilled, motivated contractors to help us build our custom home lineup. Looking for: Excavation, concrete, framing, roof and siding contractors. Interior trim, painters, flooring and more. All Sub-Contractors must be insured and ready for a busy season. Please contact our office at: LivingSpaceDandC@gmail.com (970)903-0520.

BWD CONSTRUCTION IS LOOKING for project managers, construction/ excavation laborers and equipment operators. Competitive pay, great benefits (including health insurance, PTO and 401K) and a positive work environment. Come join our growing team! Apply today at: www. bwdconstruction.com/apply.

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PHYSICAL THERAPY AIDE- No experience necessary. Competitive pay/ benefits. Energetic, dependable, multi-tasker a must. Submit resumes to Rocky Mountain PT, 35 Mary Fisher Cir.

DENTAL ASSISTANT WANTED. SAN JUAN DENTAL is seeking a Dental Assistant to join our lovely practice. Are you kind, caring, compassionate and friendly? Come join our team. Competitive benefits and a great place to spend your working hours, Monday- Thursday. Email resume to drericmsmithdds@aol.com.

SMALL HOTEL HIRING part-time housekeeper, \$17/ hour. Must be flexible. Sign on bonus available. Call for details (970)731-5345.

ASSISTANT BREWER. Opportunity of a lifetime! Will train. Must be 21+ years old. Applications on Facebook and at Pagosa Brewing, 118 North Pagosa Blvd. No phone calls.

**MOUNTAIN PIZZA & TAPROOM** is a fast growing, successful Pizza Brand. Are you looking for a career opportunity and not just a job? We are looking for full- and part-time people. Amazing opportunity for career progression. Wonderful teams- ain't no Family like a Pizza Family. Apply in person at 175 Pagosa Street. Pagosa Springs, CO.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME OR full-time, at Pagosa Bar and Silver Dollar Liquor Store. Must be able to work weekends and nights. Apply at Silver Dollar Liquor Store.

HILLSIDE INN IS LOOKING for a responsible, friendly team player to join our housekeeping staff. Must be able to work on weekends and holidays. Monthly performance bonuses are given as well. Please send your resume to Natalie at hillsideinnpagosa@gmail.com or stop by the hotel to pick up an application.

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CABE'S COLLISION AND CUSTOMS LLC now hiring all positions including automotive refinish painter, painter's helper/ body shop helper, front office positions. Pay depending on experience, willing to train the right motivated, hard working team member. (970)731-4600.

DISHWASHING GURUS! Earn up to \$24/ hour with our shared tips! If you like a clean and organized environment, join the team at Pagosa Brewing & Grill. All Team Members share tips! Apply on FB, or email info@pagosabrewing.com, or in-person at 118 N. Pagosa Blvd. Cheers!

JOIN OUR GREAT TEAM! Mountain Eye Care is seeking a part-time Patient Service Representative. Responsibilities include checking patients in and out, scheduling appointments and monitoring billing and coding. Please send your resume to k.derr. mountaineyecare@gmail.com.

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THE GEORGE T. SANDERS COMPANY is looking for a dedicated and passionate Counter Associate to join our team. Do you have plumbing knowledge or previous plumbing experience? Do you have a passion for being a team player and willingness to do what it takes to succeed? Are you a go-getter looking for your next opportunity? Then come work for us. \$17-\$19/ hour. Go to https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/ All/459799af-dd77-40f9-9c86-48c9bd7f2f1b/ George-T-Sanders to apply.

## HELP WANTED

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE Seeks experienced Line Cooks <sup>\$</sup>18 per hour to start.

**Classifieds** 

<sup>\$</sup>300 signing bonus. Contingent on 6 months of work

Please send resume to Contact@alleyhousegrille.com Or see Chef Beau after 1pm Tuesday – Friday

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PAGOSA THERAPEUTICS AND THE GREEN HOUSE are looking for friendly and enthusiastic people who are eager to share their knowledge and help customers navigate the wide world of cannabis. Primary responsibilities: Greeting and checking in customers. Advising customers on the best product for their needs and preferences. Processing payments through a pointof-sale system and cash handling. Ensuring product security and compliance. Maintaining store appearance and organization. Required qualifications: Outstanding customer service and communication skills; strong organizational skills and attention to detail: reliable and professional; full-time availability and ability to work nights and weekends. Must be 21 years of age. A Marijuana Enforcement Division badge is required to start work. Previous retail, food service, and/or cannabis industry experience is preferred but not required. We provide an extensive training program on product knowledge and compliance requirements, with opportunities for continuing education. Benefits include paid sick leave, sales bonuses, and employee discounts. We are growing company with opportunities for advancement and involvement in outreach events. Please e-mail your resume to employment@jandjinc.net

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A CHANGE, flexible hours, good wage with wage increases and PTO available after 90 days, keep us in mind. Looking for good Honest Cleaners, Stockers, Organizers and in between. Unsure? We can train! Starting at 18/ hour. Cleaning and amenities include traveling to different homes throughout the county. For longer drives, fuel accommodations can be discussed. We at Simply Home Cleaning & Maintenance understand life is more than a 9-5. Flexibility, fun loving team and great wages. Give us a holler! Call or email, we'd love to hear from you. (970) 731-1485 propertymanagement@simplyhome.us.

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OFFICE ASSISTANT NEEDED for established construction company. QuickBooks, multi-layered scheduling, sales. Please call (970)403-5119 and submit resumes to info@ fullertonworks.com.

CALLING COOKS! Earn more here (!) with up to \$24/ hour in shared tips for cooks. If you enjoy preparing high-quality food, join us at Pagosa Brewing & Grill. Apply on FB, or email info@ pagosabrewing.com, or in-person at 118 N. Pagosa Blvd. Cheers!



KITCHEN HELP, MORNING AND afternoon shifts. No experience necessary. Flexible schedule and competitive wages. Apply in person, Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa Springs. EOE.

BOOKKEEPER NEEDED FOR COLORADO DREAM HOMES. Basic bookkeeping, Excel and Word experience needed, 5 days a week full time, (5) paid holidays, paid vacation. Signing bonus \$1,000, after 30 days. Duties: Payroll, Accounts Receivable, Payables, Excel job costing, filing. Will train on present accounting system our company is using (Sage). It is much like QuickBooks accounting system. \$23 per hour starting \$25+/ hour after 3 month review, if applicant has more experience. Housing is available with this job, if needed. Please call (970)731-3071 for an application or to schedule an appointment. Or send resume by email to coloradodreamhomesinc@gmail.com. To apply in person or to pick up an application, our address is 2283 Eagle Drive, Pagosa Springs, CO. 8a.m.-5p.m. Monday thru Friday.

ROADRUNNER HEALTH SERVICES is looking for EMT/ Paramedic/ LPN for FT, PT and PRN positions at Rio Arriba County Detention Center in Tierra Amarilla. Housing is offered with no fee. Wages: Basic EMT \$22-\$23 per hour, Intermediate EMT \$24-\$25 per hour, Paramedic EMT \$26-\$27 per hour, and LPN \$35-\$40 per hour. Apply at roadrunnerhealthservices.com website. Call Lindy, Office Manager, at (575)588-7350 or email 1.dugar@roadrunnerhealthservicesnm. com for more information.

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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Association is seeking a grant writer to assist in identifying appropriate grantors and pursuing grant funding for educational and interpretive programs at Chimney Rock National Monument. This is a temporary-contract position that offers a great opportunity to assist with the development of enriching educational and experiential programs that are offered within our local community and share in an amazing piece of history and culture that exists just minutes from Pagosa Springs. Current contract is from April 1-August 30th, 8 hours/ week. Duties include: overseeing grant application process from beginning to end-researching grant opportunities, completing grant applications, maintaining documentation and tracking, completing post grant reports. Please be prepared to provide resume, hourly fees and proposal. Contact Pattie Copenhaver at (970)731-7133 for more information.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Animal Shelter Kennel Tech. Full time and part time available, may include some weekend work. Job requires cross-training in all aspects of the shelter operation, including working with animals and the public. Must adhere to shelter procedures to maintain animal health and safety. Previous animal care experience helpful but not mandatory. Job may include some desk work but also entails standing for periods of time and some lifting. Must be a team player. Reliable transportation, valid driver's license, social security card and background check required. Pick up application and apply in person at the Humane Society Animal Shelter, 465 Cloman Blvd.

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MASSAGE THERAPIST WANTED at Overlook Hot Springs. Minimum pay- \$37.50/ hour, tips-17-18%. Full-time, part-time or on call positions available. Apply in person.

PAGOSA VETERINARY CLINIC is seeking a Veterinary Assistant with animal experience. Please apply by resume, either emailed to pagosavet@gmail.com or hand deliver to Pagosa Veterinary Clinic. No phone calls please.

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. Seeks experienced bartender. 3-4 nights a week. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. \$13 per hour to train then \$15 per hour plus tips. Email and resumes to Contact@AlleyHouseGrille.com.

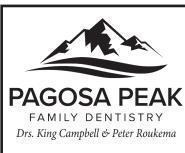
**PARKS SEASONAL STAFF.** The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire seasonal staff to help maintain the Town's multiple parks and common areas. Compensation ranges from \$15 to \$18 per hour dependent upon experience. Hours are flexible between 20 and 40 hours per week with some weekend work. For more information or to apply, please go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov and select Employment.

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Full and part-time positions. Great hours, competitive pay, and benefits available.

Please contact "hello@pagosapeakfamilydentistry.com" with inquiries, resumes, and favorite ice cream flavor.

HEAD FOOTBALL COACH NEEDED at Del Norte Jr/Sr High School. The coach's responsibilities include: leading training sessions, providing motivation and advice during gameplay, developing game plans, and attending tryouts. as well as scheduling team meetings. The coach should be able to identify the individual abilities of each player and provide one-to-one coaching wherever required. The coach should demonstrate great love for the game of football, and be able to foster good sportsmanship in your players. Outstanding candidates are highly motivated, committed, disciplined, and patient. We are looking for the following abilities in our Coach: Experience as a football coach or assistant coach at the high school or college level is preferred. Must possess: effective coaching techniques and skills; a thorough knowledge of the rules, regulations, strategies, and techniques of the sport; and have the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with school administrators, parents, and students. Please contact Richie Madrid, Athletic Director, at: rmadrid@urtigers.co, (719)657-4020; or David Grabowski, Principal, at: dgrabowski@ urtigers.co, (719)657-4020.

FRONT OF HOUSE MANAGER. We are looking to add to our front of the house management team. We are seeking an experienced and dedicated hospitality professional. Prior experience of oversight of a team in a fine dining establishment is a must. Ideal candidate will uphold service expectations, quality standards, and company policies. Organize schedules, reservations, and lead service team with integrity and positivity. Perform opening and closing duties. Strong wine knowledge preferred. This is a full-time position and pay will be based on prior experience. Meander Riverside Eatery is a new farm to table restaurant in Pagosa Springs dedicated to local ingredients, seasonally changing menus, and integrity in all things food and service. Please send resume to info@meandereatery.com.

ESTABLISHED CONSTRUCTION COMPANY hiring All Positions, including Project Manager, reliable transportation a must. Submit resumes to info@fullertonworks.com or call (970)403-5119. TUTOR FOR 9TH GRADE STUDENT. (970)398-9136.

UTILITY OPERATOR. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire a Utility Operator in our Public Works Department in support of the Town's Utility Division which includes sanitation and geothermal. This is a full-time position with benefits. For more information on the position and to apply, go to the Town's website at www. pagosasprings.co.gov and select Employment.

# **Advertising Sales**

**Classifieds** 

HELP WANTED

Our multimedia organization has an opening for advertising sales person. Willingness to learn various multimedia platforms and a desire for growth in this position are a must.

We are taking applications for a part-time (up to 30 hours per week) business development position.

Successful applicant will have computer experience, creativity, organizational skills and demonstrate proficiency with spelling and grammar. Ability to use Adobe InDesign is a plus.

Position offers salary, plus commission. Work hours will be split between office and being in the field. Applicant must have reliable transportation.

**Submit your resume** to helpwanted@pagosasun.com or drop off at 457 Lewis Street. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls.



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.

DANDEE's. Home repairs, handyman work, interior and exterior construction. Punctual, responsive and very ethical. (970)507-0289 text ONLY, for additional details please email me dandeecontractors@gmail.com.

FRONT OFFICE RECEPTIONIST needed at The Pagosa Springs SUN. Must type a minimum of 40 words per minute, be able to lift 50 pounds and stand for long periods of time. Good work ethic, accuracy and ability to meet deadlines important. Excellent customer service skills necessary. Newspaper experience not required. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com. No phone calls please.

LABORERS NEEDED, \$18-\$35/ HOUR. Framers, landscapers, painters, pay depending on experience. (970)403-2228.

MAINTENANCE PERSON NEEDED for Lakeview Estates Apartments. Must have experience and own tools. Starting pay \$15 an hour. Apply in person, 857 N. Pagosa Blvd. or send resume to mountainsiderhonda@gmail.com.

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL SHOP SEEKING** reliable, self starting person of all trades, all wrenching, small engines, diesel engines, electrical, hydraulics and welding a plus. Valid driver's license is a must. Apply in person at Pine Valley Rental, 305 Bastille Drive.

VISITOR CENTER STAFF. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire seasonal staff to work in the Visitor Center. This position is part time at about 20 hours per week with some weekend work. For more information or to apply, please go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings. co.gov and select Employment. NEW OPENING: ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CAREER? If you are a self starter, with the ability to multi-task, The Pagosa Springs SUN has an opportunity for you with our multimedia organization. Successful applicant will have computer experience, creativity, organizational skills and demonstrate proficiency with spelling and grammar, ability to use Adobe InDesign is a plus. We are currently taking applications for a part-time advertising position up to 30 hours per week. Position offers salary, plus commission. Reliable transportation is a must. If you like getting out in the community, meeting new business owners and developing relationships, this is the perfect job for you. We offer a fun and challenging, team-oriented work environment. Email your resume to helpwanted@pagosasun. com. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls, please

SEEKING SHELTER MANAGER to manage animal welfare, staff, facility, services and HSPS mission. Cultivate a team atmosphere, supervise and train staff, promote adoptions, animal enrichment programs, and enforce a high standard of animal care (physical, mental, emotional). Foster community relationships, boost volunteer programs, develop services and educate public, manage shelter and grounds, work with veterinarians, manage budget. Perform daily rounds to ensure cleanliness and each animal's health. Research best practices and keep shelter current. Must have strong management skills and a love for animals. Prefer shelter experience but will train the right person. Must be detail oriented and possess excellent customer service, computer, and PR skills. This is a hands-on position. \$43k DOE. (970)264-5549 or email cover letter and resume hsdirector@humanesociety.biz.

HIRING ALL NEW KITCHEN STAFF. Wages from \$16-\$25/ hour based on experience, with culinary arts degree or certification. Must be able to work days or nights. Apply in person, Boss Hogg's Restaurant.

## Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

264-2100

## HELP WANTED

**HELP WANTED** 

## Growing Spaces gardens that thrive 365

## **Quarterly Bonuses**

We are looking for hard-working individuals who want to join a fast-growing team. Strong work ethic, attention to detail, positive attitude, team-player, ability to read and follow work instructions and learn new processes.

## Now Hiring!

Full time includes paid sick/vacation/holidays, 401(k) match, quarterly bonus plan.

- Installation & Maintenance Crew: Install and perform maintenance on Growing Dome Greenhouses in the feild, under the direction of a supervisor. Exeperince on ladders, using hand tools and light construction. Travel required, mostly within Colorado with some out-of-state jobs. Seasonal position from April through November, perfect for Wolf Creek employees! Year-round positions may also be available. \$20+ based on experince.
- Growing Dome Advisor / Inside Sales: Full-time position for someone with exceptional communication skills, answer questions about the benefits and challenges of the Growing Dome, discuss greenhouse gardening best practices, enter quotes in CRM/QuickBooks and build strong customer relationships. \$18+ based on experience.
- Production Crew: Perfrom light fabrication of Growing Dome components, fabricate lumber, assemble crates and package Growing Dome kits. Experience using saws, drills, presses and hand tools preferred. \$17+ based on experience.

Go to www.growingspaces.com/employment to view all positions and print an application. Send resume to employment@growingspaces.com, or mail to PO Box 5518, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

**PART-TIME MASSAGE THERAPIST-** Healing Waters Resort & Spa is looking for a licensed therapist who would like to work Saturday & Sunday and possibly some late afternoon/evening hours. We are a small but busy resort with a friendly team of therapists and staff in place. We are looking for someone who enjoys their work, is genuinely interested in the health and well-being of their clients and who is looking for a place that is the right fit for them. Medical or sports therapy background is a plus. If this sounds like you, let's talk! Email Kanaka at sales@pshotsprings.com or drop your resume by Healing Waters Resort & Spa at 317 Hot Springs Blvd.

**GENERAL LABORER NEEDED** for Construction, to include Framing, year around! No experience OK, will train the right person. (970)946-8660.

WAYNE'S WILD WEST GUNS- part time. Contact Lorenzo (970)731-4869 Wednesday through Saturday.

HOUSEKEEPING/ INSPECTORS. VIP Vacation Services is hiring more Housekeepers. Employee or Contractors. Will train with some experience. \$20/ hour plus drive pay. If you have a good eye for details, we are hiring inspectors to inspect our vacation homes before and after our guests. \$20/ hour plus drive pay. Call or text Stuart at (818)963-0836. OFFICE MANAGER. YOU ARE LOOKING for a full-time job that will keep you challenged with a wide variety of administrative duties for an established Pagosa technology firm. You have a "servant's heart," as you work closely with like-minded co-workers, and engage with interesting clients. Requirements: Exceptional verbal, written and interpersonal skills; minimum 5 years employment in customer service and office administration: extensive knowledge of MS Office and QuickBooks. Finally, a good sense of humor and a sincere, innate desire to help others are required! Position offers a competitive hourly rate based on experience, paid time off and profit sharing plan. (970)585-1235. Or email resume to it4corners@protonmail.com.

**SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM STAFF.** The Town of Pagosa Springs is recruiting staff for our summer Kids Camp Program. We will be accepting applications for Lead Counselors and Counselor positions with compensation at \$14 to \$18 per hour dependent upon experience and position. For more information or to apply, please go to the Town's website at www.pagosasprings. co.gov and select Employment.

NORTH PAGOSA MARATHON is hiring a fulltime cashier and a full-time deli cook. Deli hours are Monday thru Friday, 5a.m.-1p.m. Please come apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.



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## YARD SALES

**BE SURE TO CHECK** for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

HUGE ESTATE SALE. Friday and Saturday, March 18 and 19, 8a.m. sharp. Every household item imaginable. Furniture, antiques, kitchen items, refrigerators, stove, decorative items, picnic table, bikes, exercise room (yes, I said room), train room (yes, I said room), office stuff, tools, snowblower, log splitters, engine hoist, 2 stairlift chairs, engine stand, shop press, welder, parts washstand, drill press, lawn mower, weed eaters and lots more. Hwy. 160 west, right on N. Pagosa, left on Sweetwater, left on Twincreek, house #583. Rain or shine. AEHPOS.

#### SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY YARD SALE and FOR SALE AD UPDATES — tinyurl.com/d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

**1780 PIEDRA ROAD, APT. C.** Saturday, March 19, 9a.m.-4p.m. Sewing materials, furniture, sports equipment.

## WANTED

LOCAL ARTIST SEEKING to rent a small art/ workshop studio for summer months. (623)243-0113.

## LIVESTOCK

TACK & CONSIGNMENT SALE. Saturday, April 2, 9a.m.-3p.m., LPC Fairgrounds, 2500 Main Ave., Durango, CO. Saddles, tack, trailers and more. Consigners check-in Friday, April 1, 9a.m.-7p.m. Benefits 4 Corners Back Country Horsemen. (970)884-2355, email: jksherer1@ outlook.com.

## PETS

DOG BOARDING IN MY HOME. www.rover. com/sit/jessicac177. ADOPT FROM THE Humane Society. Stop by or call (970)731-4771. You'll be amazed at what we have to offer. www.humanesociety.biz.

**DOGGY DAY CARE 81147.COM.** Open 365 days of the year! Full day and half day doggy day care and overnight boarding. Conveniently located just 1 mile from downtown Pagosa. Call (970)264-9111.

## PERSONALS

NO MAS! DEJA QUE TE AYUDEMOS. 24-horas violencia domestica o/y asalto sexual Linea directa. Confidencial. (970)264-9075.

FOR SALE

FREE: COME SALVAGE OLD HOUSE. Windows, sheetrock, insulation, lumber, etc. Jim at (970)749-7263.

FIREWOOD RUNNING LOW? I've got a Pine/ Aspen mix, \$250 a cord or \$475 for a HUGE dump truck load! Loads are GUARANTEED to be full cords. Contact Dan with FIRE&ICE at (970)582-0006.

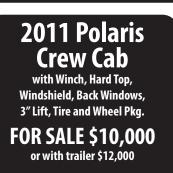
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INVERSION TABLE- IRONMAN 5000. New, used three times. Assembled, can deliver. \$200. Call Paul (970)309-5035.

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FOR SALE: ASPEN AND pine firewood. \$250 per cord, split and delivered. Rough sawn pine and fir lumber. Contact for prices, lumberor-ders@gmail.com, (970)317-3837.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES



Call Anthony Toups 985-696-9900

AIRSTREAM 2007 RV CLASSIC LTD. 27', excellent condition, \$42,500. (850)585-5718. 2016 R-POD TRAVEL TRAILER. 20', weight 2,600 lbs., tows easily with small SUV. Excellent condition, \$16,000. (970)946-3720.

## PagosaSUN.com

## AUTOS

**2012 RAM 3500 LARAMIE** Longhorn Mega cab. 6.7 diesel, adjustable 5th wheel hitch, auxiliary fuel tank. \$25K. (970)946-1700.

**1996 LEXUS LANDCRUISER** restoration project. Second owner since new. Straight body, no rust, needs cosmetic and mechanical restoration. Great investment for collectors and rebuilders. \$5,000. (970)749-4905.

**2010 MERCURY MARINER.** AWD, low mileage on recently replaced motor. Call Wayne (970)946-3720.

GUARANTEED CREDIT APPROVAL! 4X4 Auto Sales, 21698 Hwy. 160 West, Durango. (970)385-7940.

## VACATION RENTALS

OWNERS, WE ARE BOOKED UP AND NEED MORE VACATION RENTAL PROPERTIES! 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! www. NexthomeRMR.com (970)507-8655.

## **RESIDENTIAL RENTALS**

**ROOM FOR RENT.** Uptown in great neighborhood. Walk to City Market and bus. Bike and walking trails, nonsmoking, no addictions. Call (970)398-0023 for more information.



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8599 for your long term rental needs. pagosaspringsrealty.com.

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8 MILES NORTH OUT OF TOWN. Studio apartment, furnished, one dog, quiet, fenced yard, duplex. \$1,200 monthly. (970)731-2010, leave message.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PURCHASE a home but can't qualify for a conventional mortgage because your income isn't high enough? You may qualify for Habitat for Humanity's Affordable Homeownership program if you are an Archuleta County resident (1 year+), have good credit and dependable household income. We will be building three homes in 2023 and are looking for potential homeowners who are willing to put in sweat equity to build their own home alongside volunteers. Pick up an application packet at Habitat Archuleta, 703 San Juan St., #201 (above TBK Bank downtown), download an application at HabitatArchuleta.org or email Director@HabitatArchuleta.org. Completed applications should be returned by June 28, 2022.

## **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**

LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION. You have a business in mind, this is the spot. Half acre with great views, easy access to 160. \$210,000. Give Deb Archuleta at Archuleta Properties a call (970)903-2817.

## **COMMERCIAL RENTALS**

**OFFICE FOR RENT** near north Pagosa Blvd. and Park Ave. The office is 11'5"x9'5". It has a window that opens and a thermostat that you control. Monthly rent is \$150, including utilities and Internet. (720)272-4428.

PRIME COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR LEASE. Locate your business in Pagosa's busiest shopping center. Country Center/ City Market Plaza. High traffic area with abundant parking. Common area maintenance included. For more information, please call Charlotte at (970)903-7690.



## **BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES**

**GREAT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY!** Reputable lawn maintenance business for sale. Serviced Pagosa Springs area since 2004. Most equipment purchased after 2015. Fabulous clients and well maintained equipment. Call or text for pricing. Only serious inquiries, please. (970)749-3875.

## HOUSES FOR SALE

**3/2 LOG CABIN.** 2,550 sq. ft. on 1.46 acres zoned commercial or residential with highway frontage on 84/64 just south of Chama Village Limits. Bedrooms on ground level. Great for live/ work opportunity. No Realtor Solicitation. Call Dianne (505)249-4415.

3 BEDROOM, 1-1/2 BATH HOME on 1 acre in tall pine trees. \$185,000. Give Deb Archuleta at Archuleta Properties LLC a call (970)903-2817. SELLING OR BUYING? I am INDEPEN-DENT, I work for YOU! 18 years in Pagosa. Peggy Andrews, Independent Real Estate Broker (970)946-0473 www.peggyandrews. com.

## PROPERTY

7 PLUS ACRES. 1/2 MILE to national forest and river access. Great recreational property. \$150,000. Give Deb Archuleta at Archuleta Properties LLC a call (970)903-2817.

VACANT LOT FOR SALE. Lot 299, P in P II, Pagosa Springs. (505)215-0289.

**MOUNTAIN VIEWS, MEADOWS.** Unique high elevation and complete privacy. 5.6 acres bordering national forest, (970)769-3588 blancoretreat@gmail.com.

**ONE OF THE BEST VIEWS** in Pagosa, with electricity, 5th wheel and two sheds on 2.14 acres. \$175K Give Deb Archuleta at Archuleta Properties a call (970)903-2817.

**1.3 ACRE LOT FOR SALE.** Please email debbiejennings@me.com for information.

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Upgraded Pagosa Lakes Home 134 Arrowhead Drive



Majestic Hunter's Cabin 71 Rocky Ridge 2



Village Lakefront Home 67 Northbay Cr



**Mountain Views** on 8.72 Acres 208 Peace Place



Large Downtown Charmer 259 S. 9th St



Cabin in the Woods Aspen Springs



Multi Lots on W. Hwy. 160 10883, 913, 941, 995 Hwy. 160

Commercial or

Multi-Family

59 Greenbrier

Aspen Springs Lot w/ Electricity 20 Blue Jay



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**Opportunity!** 

Creek Front & No HOA 10200 W. Hwy. 160

Large Garage

+ utilities on 1.5+ acres

875 Crooked Road

Several Building Sites 2620 & 2676 Crooked Road

**Buildable Wooded Lot** with Views 352 Blanca Place

Under Contract

**Commercial Gem!** 

84 Goldmine



Downtown Pagosa Home 140 San Juan



Mini Ranch 23 Mervin Ct.

2 Buildable Lots w/Seasonal Creek 1061 & 1097 Hurt Dr.



1+ Acre near **Rio Blanco River** X Caballo



Vacation Home w/Lake Views 89 Beaver Ct.



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