Sanitation district considers development

Issues will-serve letter - A11

Two injured in head-on collision

June 1 accident causes highway closure - A14



Landfill fee increases tabled

By Josh Pike Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) discussed and tabled increases to landfill fees at its June 7 meeting.

The discussion began with County Manager Derek Woodman outlining the proposed fee increases, which would have raised dumping costs at the landfill for most materials by approximately 100 percent.

Public Works Director Kevin Pogue then spoke on the reasoning behind the changes, highlighting that the landfill has been "lacking for years now," with problems including repeated violations of state regulations and fees behind those of other nearby landfills.

He explained that the fee increases would help cover the costs of improvements, including fences to contain windblown trash priced at \$230,000 and a replacement for the current undersized compactor, priced at \$728,000.

He then commented that he had found that the Archuleta County landfill was charging approximately a third of the rate that other nearby landfills are charging and that the proposed price increase would get the county approximately 50 percent of the way to the "finish line."

■ See Landfill A8



This critter made an appearance at a home up Piedra Road recently. Agile climbers, ring-tailed cats are seldom-seen mammals that do their foraging exclusively at night, feeding on mice, birds and insects.

PSHS Class of 2022 earns more than \$1 million in scholarships

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

Staff Writer

Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) staff, students,

provided by PSHS Guidance Counselor Mark Thompson as of June 6.

Morehouse: Four-year National ROTC Scholarnip. \$30.000. renewable: CU Boulder Horace M Hale Fourth of July fireworks



Photo courtesv Becky Jacobson

Tucker Jacobson recently finished the 2022 Colorado State Junior High Rodeo Finals as state champion in the bull riding and reserve champion in the bareback steer riding. Tucker competed in 18 rodeos around Colorado from August 2021 to May 2022. He has qualified for the National Junior High Finals Rodeo, in Perry, Ga., June 19-25, where he hopes to bring home another championship.

Flag Day celebration June 14

By Linda Hobbs

Daughters of the American Revolution

Local groups will join to celebrate and commemorate National Flag Day. June 14 annually is the day of honor for nation's flag.

This year, the American Legion, the Vets 4 Vets and the Daughters of the American Revolution invite all citizens to gather at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, at the old Ameri-

can Legion Building located at 287 Hermosa St. (adjacent to Town Park) for the commemoration.

Mayor Shari Pierce will be reading the town's proclamation, the American Legion will be conducting the flag ceremony and the Daughters will be on hand with remarks and selected readings.

For more information, please contact Linda Hobbs at (713) 304-2028.

Applications now available for Fourth of July parade

By JoAnn Laird Special to The SUN

The Pagosa Springs Fourth of July parade will be held Monday, July 4, at 10 a.m. Applications, waivers and general information are now available online at: www. pagosasprings.co.gov.

Think red, white and blue. Get those wheels turning to come up with the best parade entry that depicts what pride in your country means to you. Wave those flags, honor our military and express your love of freedom.

Because of the continuing Mc-Cabe Creek/6th Street construction, the parade route has a change this year. The staging area will on the vacant parcel to the south of Bank of the San Juans, on Hot Springs Boulevard. This will also be the area for checking in at the regis-

■ See Parade A8

friends and family members celebrated 81 graduating seniors during a ceremony Saturday at Golden Peaks Stadium.

The class earned upward of \$1 million in scholarships, with many receiving renewable scholarships.

The class had five students earn the highest distinction with a 4.0 GPA: Sierra Liverett, Davis Parker, Lauren Peart, Nell Taylor and Ebanie Wilkins.

Those graduates earning great distinction with a GPA of 3.9 are Olivia Craig, Stormie Mitchell and Nikolas Slead.

Those receiving academic distinction with a 3.8 GPA are Wilhelm Aucoin, Timothy Hittle, Audrey Martin, Joel Munoz and Michelle Sauceda.

Those in the National Honors Society with a GPA of 3.4 or higher are Aucoin, Thomas Barker, Arden Blakemore, Vinicio Carranza, Craig, Camilla Gostynski, Griffin Grose, Rhead Kay, Samuel Kinsley, Liverett, Martin, Jordyn Milioto, David Morehouse, Samantha Owen, Parker, Peart, Sauceda, Slead, Caroline Smith, Rachel Smith, Taylor, Keira Torrez, Lexie Valdez and Wilkins.

The following is a list of the scholarships awarded

The Upper San Juan Health

Service District Board of Direc-

tors, which oversees Pagosa

Springs Medical Center (PSMC),

celebrated the "best of the best"

Trauma Nurse Coordinator and

Nurse Manager Memi Fox, who

was honored with the 2021-2022

Trauma Nurse Coordinator (Lev-

el III-IV) Award by the Colorado

you all to Memi Fox," Chief Nurs-

ing Officer Kathee Douglas said,

"Memi Fox was nominated to be

trauma centers in the state.

"I'm very proud to introduce

explaining Fox's role at PSMC. Fox

in UC Memorial in Colorado Springs."

Trauma Nurse Coordinator of the Year by our peers

Douglas explained there are 15-20 Level III-IV

PSMC holds a Level IV trauma center designa-

The board recognized nurse

at its meeting on May 24.

Trauma Network.

Esteemed Scholar, \$16,000.

Aucoin: Adams State Presidents Scholarship, \$12,000; AIM Higher Scholarship, \$5,000; American Legion Scholarship, \$1,000; Colorado Mesa Presidential Scholarship, \$14,000; Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; Fort Lewis Presidential Tuition Scholarship, \$20,000; Helen Droeger-Faris Scholarship, \$3,000, renewable; McNeese State Presidential, \$26,000; Vets for Vets Scholarship, \$1,000; Western Colorado University Taylor Merit Scholarship, \$18,000.

Rachel Smith: AIM Higher Scholarship, \$5,000; Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; Durango Elks Lodge Scholarship, \$1,000; Marymount Manhattan College Scholarship, \$14,000, renewable; Michigan State University Scholarship, \$5,000, renewable; Pace University Scholarship, \$26,000, renewable; Rotary \$2,500, \$2,500; Talent Search Scholarship, \$1,000; University of San Francisco Scholarship, \$64,000; Vic and Ethel Poma Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000, renewable; WHIPS Scholarship, \$1,200.

See Scholarships A8

canceled, citing fire danger

By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

At its June 7 meeting, the Pagosa Springs Town Council unanimously approved the cancellation of this year's Fourth of July fireworks show.

The motion was approved with the provision that town council look into the potential of rescheduling the show.

The decision comes after the

■ See Fireworks A8



"And Memi was selected as the best of the best," Douglas told the board, which was met with applause and congratulations. "She is the Trauma Nurse Coordinator of the Year."

'She has two very hard jobs," PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb said.

According to a social media post on the recognition, the award was presented at St. Anthony Hospital at the Colorado Trauma Network Spring Conference.

work website explains that nominees for the award "include a trauma nurse coordinator who exhibits excellent skill at leading

an initiative to improve care for injured patients across the continuum."

The Colorado Trauma Care Network is "A Group Dedicated to Trauma Care, Prevention, and Education," according to its website.



The Colorado Trauma Net-

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Editorial

Advice for the class of 2022

Members of Pagosa Springs High School's and San Juan Mountain School's class of 2022 accepted their diplomas on Saturday.

We share with you some advice for the class of 2022 as submitted to The SUN:

"Don't worry about what other people want. Follow your dreams. Happiness is paramount - money comes second. Do what you love, what you find interesting, and yes, something that will allow you to live a comfortable life. And don't be worried or feel like a failure if it doesn't wind up being what you do forever most adults have changed careers, too."

Hannah Taylor
"Take a comprehensive aptitude test

prior to committing to college, college is not right for everyone." — Mike Moore "Don't get caught up in chasing hap-

piness. Learn to enjoy what you're doing in the moment." — Brandon Butler "There is no wrong way to start your edult life Evenue of internet

adult life. Everyone's journey is different and no one has the same destination in the end. Congratulations." — Kathryn Looper

"Do what is good." — Jackie Miller "Follow your dream. Don't listen to naysayers. A lot in life is good luck and timing." — Robyn Bell

"Be Humble and kind." — Kimberley Lynch

"There will be times in life that seem very hard and like they'll never end. But if you figure out how to push through and learn from the hard things- you will get the BEST rewards and self worth as a result of your perseverance. And when you look back, those hard times that felt they lasted forever will just be a blip on the timeline of your life. So try not to let them knock you all the way down. Great effort yields great reward." — Callie Anne

"Don't get your education, facts and truth off of social media." — Sandra Jones

"Go to a trade school or tech school. You will make money and faster than any book school. Jobs for life." — Louanne Knowles Burgess

"Don't take anything personally, don't make assumptions, do your best, and always be impeccable with your word. Also, register to vote, and then vote." — Scott Hoenes

"Keep your mind open, never say never." — Patty Bartlett with it. Some jobs that are lovable don't pay very much. Some jobs that are not all that lovable may pay much better. Decide what's important to you and your future plans and choose wisely. Then, choose to be content in your choice." — Dan Mayer

"Truths show up everywhere." — Mary Tighe

"Gratitude will change your life. Practice it daily." — Angel Brenda

"Learn at least one thing from everyone you meet." — Randy Aab

"To be offended is a choice. Choose wisely as it will affect your mindset, emotions, your relationships, and general success in life." — Sandi Dillon

"Find yourself." — Cheri Harlow Greene

"Please be kind and have your own thoughts." — Matt Spencer

"Be the change you want to see in others." — Donna Clemison

"You will each find differences with those you meet. Keep your minds open. Not everyone grew up like you have." — Cindy Laner

"Continued education is important." — Arleen Coates

"Stay Humble and do what is best for you. Never forget your roots as they have cultivated you this far." — Frances K. Belarde

"Don't rush this life. Hold all the memories and don't work so hard trying to get to where your going that you miss all the good stuff along the way. Always stay humble and kind." — Stephanie Perez

"Utilize your accesses, sources, and opportunities." — Lilia Navarro

"Listen." — Siobhan Egan

"This is the beginning of adulthood choose wisely so in 50 years you will be happy." — Nita Hughes Bise

"Think independently; look deeper, don't accept anything without questioning, study, for the rest of your life. Learning never stops." — Christy Herman

"Enjoy being young, travel when you can, be cautious but enjoy meeting new people and listen to life stories for we all have a story to share. Always be kind. Life flies by so make it count." — Lyndsey Lucero

"Work the muscle of your heart and love everyone that passes your path and every Minute of your life And remember those minutes and those people are Unreplaceable." — Deb Phillips Archuleta "Enjoy your accomplishments briefly, but next step is college. If you get a degree in something that excites you, your life will be more fulfilling. Your salary will be greater affording you more opportunity to do more enjoyable activities in your life." — Bjorn Hillerud

"Travel. Experience other cultures and expose yourself to as many ways of living and working as possible before you make big choices." — Kathy Hanson "Take the high road." — Gail Hershey

"Take the high road." — Gail Hershey "Everything will be okay in the end, and if it isn't okay, than it's not the end." — Diane Munson

"Follow your heart and dont be afraid to dream." — Rose Salas

"Follow your bliss." — Kristeen Harris "From a graduate of the PSHS class of 1986, life goes faster than we ever think possible. Don't rush things...savor and enjoy the journey." — Deanne Auburn Lachner

"The path you are meant to take will likely be winding. Know that where you start May not be where you end and be okay with that. Enjoy the ride, no matter where your path leads." — Brandye Byrd Kiker

"Be true to yourself." — Kathleen Wells Steventon

"Stay in school and get the most education you can. You will be rewarded." — Sylvia McDaniel

"Travel whenever you can and learn how to use power tools." — Lee Sanchez Eden

"Explore, ask questions, learn what is out there. There is much good to be done." — Sally Logee Neel

"Fully get to know yourself and walk with integrity. Commit yourself to self development and be kind to yourself and others knowing that it is a process. Appreciate small gain and allow yourself and others to make mistakes through it all. Find joy but learn how to tolerate discomfort. You got this."—Sanya Peterson

"Be yourself. Do what you have a skill for & do it well. Further your education in college or get educated in life by hard work. Do not give up." — Janet Valdez

"Follow no path; make your own." – Lizzy Jane

"Plan ahead, travel lightly and have no fear." — Mark Garcia

"Find that which is the intersection of your deep passion and the world's great need...(taken from Dr. Mayer)." — Martin Herman "Nothing is 'free.'" — Scott Torres Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago Taken from SUN files of

June 9, 1922

Fifteen cars of range cattle were unloaded here Sunday for Whitney Newton. The animals were purchased at Pueblo and will be placed on summer range in this county.

All school districts in Archuleta county, as well as all counties in the district, have granted their teachers two weeks vacation on half pay in order that they may attend the teachers' institute which convenes in Pagosa next week.

More rooms are needed to entertain the teachers coming in to the institute. A good many of the teachers will arrive Sunday so rooms will be needed for Sunday night. Anyone not already solicited please leave address and number of rooms at the courthouse.

W.E. Colton has received word that Prof. J.A. Jeancon and twelve men will leave Denver tomorrow in five Ford cars for this city to resume work this season excavating the Chimney Rock ruins southwest of Pagosa Springs.

75 years ago Taken from SUN files of

June 13, 1947

Pagosa Springs will have an airstrip by July 4, the local group which has been working on the community field, reported this week. On the land leased at a very nominal charge to the city by David Hersch, the airfield will provide a landing strip 100 feet wide and 3000 feet long.

While the town officially sponsors the strip, the work is being financed by local interested residents and most of the work already done has been voluntary. Elmo Lowell and Earl Mullins, who are in charge of the financial arrangements, have received a number of donations already.

CAA inspectors have termed the location on Sunetha very desirable and the strip will be adequate for dry weather use. No surfacing is planned at the present time. Grading is progressing rapidly, and it is hoped that the county will make some additional equipment available next week.

Meanwhile, the roof of the high school building has been painted with the town name for pilot aid and a directional marker will be painted there as soon as the field is ready.

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50 years ago Taken from SUN files of

Taken from SUN files of June 8, 1972 The housing shortage in town and surrounding area seems to be at an alltime high. There are large numbers of construction workers, engineers, and builders looking for places to live and very few houses, if any, are available for rental. There are plans to provide low cost rental homes for low income individuals but no rental homes are in sight at present. In a normal week The SUN will receive more than 15 inquiries concerning rental property.

June weather promises to be a little wetter than has been the case to date this year. Scattered showers have been reported throughout the area with substantial rains at some spots. Fire danger is still very high almost everywhere and Forest Service officials urge that anyone in the woods use extreme caution with all types of fire. The rains have caused the countryside to green up and it looks much better now than a month ago.

> 25 years ago Taken from SUN files of June 12, 1997

There is no question the new high school under construction in South Pagosa will rest on a solid base. And there is no question the construction project will make a big impact on the surrounding area.

According to construction manager Robert Lea, workers excavating at the site hit a shelf of solid rock on Monday — an obstacle that will need to be blasted away. "The earthwork was progressing very well until yesterday." Lea told the school board Tuesday night. "We hit water three weeks ago and installed a drain system that is running at several gallons per minute. We hit solid rock yesterday (at the northwest end of the building site). This happened at a bad time."

Lea described the section of rock as approximately 250-feet-by-150-feet in size. He said the required cut through the rock runs at least 12 feet at the deepest, and he anticipates blasting will produce at least 7,000 cubic yards of material. "We have no other choice." Lea said of the upcoming blasting. Whether the problem with the rock will delay construction is unknown.

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Senior Center

Dear Editor:

The Senior Center needs support from all of us. It needs financial support as well as enthusiastic local support. Because many people come here to retire, it is mandatory that we maintain an active Senior Center.

The immediate need is for a building. Space at the Community Center, for which the Senior Center has been paying some \$2,300 monthly for rent, is no longer large enough for services.

An active Senior Center needs kitchen and dining space and office space, but it also needs an exercise room, library, meeting room, game room, lounge for informal social gatherings. Space in the current Senior Center provides only kitchen/dining space and office space.

The Board of Directors has identified a building or two for possible purchase, but money is needed for such action. A grant is available through the State of Colorado for which the Board plans to apply. One criteria for grant approval is evidence of financial and local support.

All donations to the Senior Center are tax-free. Checks can be made out to Archuleta Seniors, Inc. or simply to ASI. The mailing address is Box 3444. Donations can also be dropped off at the Senior Center office located at the back of the Community Center at 451 Hot Springs Boulevard. Individuals as well as community service organizations and local businesses are encouraged to step up to help in this effort.

Our Senior Center is worth our help.

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that is willing to be engaged with the Beverly Arrendell

Commissioner

Our county is facing many chal-

lenges. Workforce housing, educa-

tion, a struggling health district,

and a lack of interest in controlled

substance enforcement, are among

them. Our commissioners are paid

approximately \$75000 annually.

That is substantially above the cur-

rent median income for a house-

missioner Schaaf is currently em-

ployed by the State of Colorado as

a brand inspector ((a law enforce-

ment position). Although I'm sure

as the amount of time required to

fulfil his duties to the state of Colo-

rado. My research would lead me

to the conclusion that employment

as a brand inspector can be time

consuming, as there are 3 in our

county, and my understanding is it

pays approximately 38,000 annually.

double-dipping government pen-

sions and salaries should be pro-

hibited at all levels of government,

with the exception of combat vets.

matter. It should be the first priority

on any elected official's list of priori-

ties. Our county needs our well-paid

elected officials working to provide

solutions to problems, first, and

serving two masters is clearly a dif-

ficult road to trudge. I think it is fair

to say our county commissioners

are struggling to find prudent solu-

tions to any of our current issues.

We need someone with new ideas,

The citizen's business is a serious

My personal opinion is that

I was surprised to learn that com-

hold in Archuleta County.

race

Dear Editor:

citizens of our county, and that is clearly Veronica Medina. If she puts in half the effort as a commissioner as she has as a candidate, Archuleta County will be the winner.

Ken Bowles

Uvalde shooting Dear Editor:

Mr. Bolland's article on the senseless loss of life in the Uvaldi [sic] shooting requires a response.

His comment on the 50's and 60's is what caught my attention. He made the claim that back then having better ethics and morals was the reason there was no school shootings. I'm 73 and graduated high school in 1967 so I can speak of my experiences then. In Indiana, everyone I knew had their hunting weapons, shotguns, 22s and deer rifles but no one had a semiautomatic weapon and rarely did anyone have a handgun. Mr. Bolland also blamed fatherless households for the violence, a not so subtle dig at minorities. He incorrectly stated that 63% of suicides are from those households. It's actually 63% of youth suicide. What I found interesting in the suicide statistics is that White American men commit suicide at more than twice the rate as other ethnic groups, 17%/100,000 compared to 8%/100,000 for Black Americans and less for all other groups, except Native Americans at 22% (2019). Why are white men so unhappy? Does FOX lies contribute to their despair? Just asking.

the government was making huge investments in infrastructure, education and science. The middle class was growing and White America was united.

The NRA mission has also changed. In 1977, what was once a hunting, conservation, and marksmanship promoting organization was turned into a lobbying organization for gun ownership and then lobbyists for arms manufacturers. They do not have the best interests of US citizens in mind. The NRA also has quite a checkered past on where they obtain their funding, with ties to other countries being very trou-

access to Russian spies.

We are no longer a united country. After nearly 40 years of FOX lies and right wing hate radio, the people in this country are more divided than anytime in my life. Many Republicans and right wingers speak of civil war and second amendment solutions to their perceived problems.

White Nationalism and racism have reared their ugly heads. Sanctioned violence, hatred, and easy access to firearms are what is fueling the mass shootings.

Allowing an eighteen year old or anyone, for that matter, to acquire a military style weapon on the same day as purchased with no training, mental screening, or back ground check is stupid.

Period. Thoughts and prayers do nothing. Dave Butcher

'Stand behind Mike Le Roux' Dear Editor:

Mike Le Roux, for Archuleta County Sheriff.

As a Naturalized Citizen of the United States of America Mike has an appreciation for our Nation. He has gone through the process legally to enjoy the privileges that America offers to its citizens. Like many before him, he came here in the right way, and he is exercising upon the opportunities that our nation offers each and everyone of us.

Mike Le Roux has had the rare opportunity to observe other governments throughout his life. These governments have not always offered their citizens the same freedoms we so enjoy in the United States of America. He recognizes that our freedoms are rare, fragile and a privilege. He understands our rights as law abiding citizens and is dedicated to defending them. He has worked hard and diligently to protect and defend those under his command.

The benefits of the expertise Mike Le Roux brings to our County has only improved things for all of us who reside here. He brings integrity by observing the law, and we can only express gratitude for the enforcement we've observed he has implemented in our county already. We find that he serves with

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it is common knowledge in the ranching community, I do not believe it known to the rest of the general public. I would compare this, for example, to have a sheriff be working at another agency as

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a law enforcement officer, but not informing the general public he is employed elsewhere. It is not mentioned on on his Archuleta County Commissioner's Biography page which is likely by design. I believe it is a full- time salaried position with benefits. I think Mr. Schaaf owes it to the county residents to clarify the duties, salary, and benefits of the position, including whether this employment contributes toward a law enforcement pension while acting as a commissioner, as well

Another reason there were fewer shootings in the 50s and 60s is they were times of great growth in the US. After emerging from WWII and Korea, corporations and the rich were paying their fair share of taxes,

bling, including, providing political

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humility, but takes pride in the badge that he stands behind, and he is reliable in his word and in his actions.

We know that one man cannot do it alone, but it does take one man to step up to the plate, take the heat, and set the record straight. He's a man that is physically fit to do the job and mentally strong to take the strain of a leadership position. Therefore we stand behind Mike Le Roux and support him, as our next Archuleta County Sheriff.

Chadd and Christa Carnley

Support Boebert Dear Editor:

"The truth will set us free."...John 8:32. The lying and defaming of one candidate over another and plotting schemes in an attempt to sway certain voters, so evident at all levels, needs to be called out. Conservatives really have a duty to do so. I applaud some recent really truthful letter authors. We join them.

The letters, "Coran Cares" and "Vote For Change" are examples of "liberal, socialist, alternative facts-lying, get the evil agenda out. We must defend Congresswoman Lauren Boebert and of course Pres. Trump.

Lauren Boebert, a true advocate for rural Colorado through the Appropriations Committee. Ref. Boebert.House.Gov.(public official document):

1) 1.8 billion for Community Health Centers.

2) 137.6 million water conservation combating western drought.

3) Fully funded Payment in Lieu of Taxes Program. 55% of Colorado is federal land, this helps fund education, search & rescue law enforcement, etc.

4) 13 million for addressing bark beetle infesting and wildfires.

5) 10 million BIA Irrigation fund maintenance backlog.

6) 1 million for livestock killed by wolves, compensates ranchers & farmers, (important food source).

7) Natural Resources Committee, bipartisan amendments to HR.1506. Protect critical energy infrastructure, supports American energy dominance.

8) Fought the "woke" Defence Bill.

9) Fought against hidden "wish lists" liberal-socialists portraving "help for the people" filled with their "pure pork", inflating the economic mess we are in.

Future of Americans Freedom

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Task Force, actions when we take back the Conservative Majority. Key goals: holding China accountable for Covid 19 origin; securing our Southern Border, stopping fen-

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tanyl flow; restoring reliable energy, focusing on rural economy; Beat China Act, combat supply chain crisis; Champion Our Parents Act; support Veterans and Law Enforcement.

We will never get our country back with another moderate Rino. We must have "bold as a lion spirit" that Lauren radiates.

We stand in support of Pres. Trump, and Congresswoman Boebert in wanting the Constitutional Right of investigating the 2020 election. We may never really know just who or what instigated the physical break-in of the "House Building" Quite clearly the videos of the Capitol police waving the people into the building, doors wide open. The darkest hour is on liberal left, their evil tactics used against us.

There is much evidence bringing to light evils of 2020.

Strong Christian Constitutional Conservatives, the hand of the Creator God, can turn our darkness to light. We have heard Lauren's profession of faith in Jesus Christ and her special calling to be in this position, there's no question checking the boxes of truth. She will fight for the Constitution, Right to Life, Free Speech, Bear Arms, and selfprotection and use the common sense approach. We must vote the Bible, the truth, and line it with prayer. Our country and families are worth it.

Jan and Tom Carnley

'Can't afford the alternative'

Dear Editor:

As a former CEO and head of a division of a Fortune 200 Company, I have read my share of resumes. After a while you begin to spot red flags that you need to pay attention to. If you see a trend of repeated employment changes not accompanied by significant promotions, this is a potential problem. If you see linear employment changes within an organization not accompanied by increased responsibility, you need to pay attention. This brings me to Boyd Neagle. Prior to coming to the Pagosa Springs Police Department, Mr Nagle had been with at least four other Police Departments over the last 26 years, never rising beyond the level of Corporal. Hardly a ringing endorsement of leadership capability by his fellow officers. If you scratch the surface a little beyond the resume it is pretty easy to find areas of concern, including the infamous tasing incident in Cortez. Under oath Boyd Nagle admitted that he had administered 350,000 watts of electricity, or seven administrations of the Taser, five of which were in a two and a half minute period while the victim, who suffered from a mental disability, was in handcuffs. In doing so he violated at least three of the department's stun gun policies. The victim was eventually acquitted after a very brief jury deliberation but not after the victim had spent 297 days in jail (Durango Herald December 8th, 2014). In the subsequent civil suit brought against the City ,Boyd Neagle and fellow officers, the victim's family, was awarded \$200,000 of tax payers money. One can only imagine how many millions of dollars would have had to have been paid out had the victim passed away from his tasering at the hands of Boyd Neagle. Subsequently Boyd Neagle ran for the position of Mancos Marshall but was beaten out in the evaluation process by a much less tenured officer who had nonetheless attained the rank of Sergeant. All of this begs the question, how did Boyd Neagle get a position with the Pagosa Springs Police department?

On the other hand if you review Mike Leroux's resume you would find a history of professional growth and increasing responsibility both in the private and public sector. Shortly after joining Search and Rescue, he was promoted to Commander of Emergency Services. His efforts there have been recognized statewide when he was awarded the Emergency Manager of the Year award by the State of Colorado. After joining the Archuleta County Sheriff's Department he was rapidly promoted to Undersheriff. This is a resume with all attributes you are looking for. In addition Mike Leroux has been an active member of this community and has given freely of his time to local organizations well before he ever considered running for public office. Ultimately a leader is the one person that is responsible for creating a positive, ethical organizational culture. The choice is obvious. Vote for Mike Leroux, we can't afford the alternative.

Simon Fuger

'Cannot imagine anyone more capable'

Dear Editor:

Five years ago, my father-in-law and I were on a hunting trip in the San Juan Mountains outside of Pagosa Springs. A few hours into the trip, one of the members in our party was in a desperate situation leaving our hunting party calling for help. Our hunting party was packing in horseback. We were on the trail for about 3-4 hours when one of the horses lost its footing coming down a switchback, launching the horse and its rider off the side of the mountain. Although badly injured, the rider survived but the horse was not so lucky. In an area with no signal, our guide was able to take our coordinates, climb a high peak and radio out. We were able to contact a local wrecking service by radio in a nearby town. They radioed back that help was on its way.

In no time at all, and much to our surprise as we were expecting a calvary, we noticed a single headlamp making its way up the trail at a rapid pace. It was Mike LeRoux. When Mike received the call for help, he waisted no time. He made the call to his SAR team to meet him on the mountain and took off on his own. By this time, it was already dark. Mike had our coordinates but no way to contact us. He made it through the backcountry, on foot, in the dark, alone with nothing more than a headlamp and made better timing than any of us on horseback. Mike immediately sprang into action. Assessed the situation and gave us all a job to do. Because of the terrain and the severity of the situation we were not able to walk him out or land a helicopter. Mike and his team provided the best medical attention they could, built their best overnight shelter and fires to keep him alive. The next morning, they were able to airlift the rider out and to a hospital. I believe the rider would not be alive today if it had not been for the help of Mike LeRoux and his team. Mikes leadership, and determination to save his life was truly impressive. Mike was tough and relentless in his expectations that night. Even leaving my father-in-law and I joking later ... "I would never want to make a guy like Mike mad.". Kidding aside, If a similar situation should ever unfortunately unfold on me or my loved ones, I hope Mike LeRoux is not far away. A full story of this encounter was published in the Pagosa Sun not long after. I understand Mike LeRoux is running for Sheriff. I cannot imagine anyone more capable for the job. I would welcome someone of his caliber and character as Head of Law Enforcement in my community any day. Justin Hawkins Stephenville, Texas

'Best qualified candidate' Dear Editor:

I have researched Mike Le Roux's record as Archuleta County Director of Emergency Management and as Undersheriff as well as his contributions to our community while he was still working for GECKO. I have also spoken to Mike and to people I know and trust who have worked with and for him.

In addition, I have read all the letters to the editor in support of Mike Le Roux from people I know, trust, and respect who have worked closely with him over the last eight years. With what I personally know of the way he has operated, I believe that he has the knowledge, experience, and compassion necessary for the job and is the best qualified candidate for our next Archuleta County Sheriff. Please join me in voting for Mike Le Roux for Sheriff. Jim Huffman

'Support of Boyd Neagle' Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in full support of Boyd Neagle for Sheriff of Archuleta County. As a Deputy District Attorney for Archuleta County for almost 16 years, I have had the opportunity to work with many law enforcement officers and agencies. When it comes to the leadership of those agencies, you need someone with honesty, integrity, and experience. You need someone who is willing to go the extra mile in leading and training those within the agency and who truly cares about the community that they serve.

Boyd Neagle is the type of officer that has the experience and willingness to go that extra mile to ensure that justice is served. As a detective, his hard work has helped hold those accountable for their actions and bring justice to their victims. As an instructor at the law enforcement academy, he has been able to build relationships and trust among a new generation of officers who have dedicated their lives to the service of the community. Further, Boyd Neagle has volunteered his time on several boards and groups within the community to help victims of crime.

Boyd Neagle has the leadership experience as well to lead the department in a new direction of competency, integrity and service of the people. His goals of change from the status quo, to move forward from





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Primary Election Tracker

The SUN asked candidates to provide a brief bio and answer the following questions. Answers are printed as they were received. **County Commissioner Candidates**

County Sheriff Candidates



Mike Le Roux

I have called Archuleta County home for 10 years, working as the Sheriff's Office Emergency Management Commander and more recently as Undersheriff. I have served on numerous community/ non-profit boards, and volunteered in several capacities. My wife and I have been together 29 years, and I enjoy an active, outdoors lifestyle.

If elected, you will be taking over a department that was run by the same individual for eight years. What changes, if any, do you intend to make and what would you keep the same?

Mike Le Roux

Constructive sustainable change doesn't occur overnight. It is a process of value integration. Evervbody's personality and personal style is different and unique to them and that tends to impact and often drive the organizational culture. For me, mine has always been about accessibility and participation, and I deeply value communication and relationship building, which leads to trust. Wherever I lead teams, groups or organizations, ultimately that becomes a key focus.

Having a background in project management and engineering, I tend to be process driven and structurally oriented. This will become more evident, and creates transparency and efficiency in operations.

High level physical fitness and conditioning has always played a significant role throughout my life. A healthy body leads to a healthy mind, and greater productivity. This has always shaped my work ethic



Boyd Neagle

I began my law enforcement career in 1994 and then graduated from the HCCS police academy in early1995. I moved to Colorado in 2012 where I continued my law enforcement career. I am a husband of a wonderful lady, father of 5 amazing children, and grandfather of a darling little girl.

Name two things that distinguish you from your opponent.

Mike Le Roux

Leadership experience: I bring a fresh approach to the role of Sheriff, with proven management and leadership credentials both within the Sheriff's Office, in law enforcement, and in my previous career. I have a professional background in corporate business in the private sector as a high level project manager: involving leading teams, administration, budget management, and large scale program development and delivery.

In-depth working knowledge of Archuleta County: I have 10-years of extensive, intimate knowledge of every square inch of our County, mostly traversed on foot, engaging everyone I meet. I know the residents and visitors, organizations and agencies, the borders, and the wide open spaces from river trail to mountain top. I am passionate about it. Also, I have worked closely with the Board of County Commissioners and with the County Administration: managing and negotiating ACSO budgets, and working on human and financial resources, as well as asset management.

Bovd Neagle

The two things that distinguish me from the other candidates are



Alvin Schaaf

I'm the incumbent Commissioner and the Brand Inspector. My wife and I have three children and we live on a cattle ranch. In 2007 I became a County Deputy, I worked my way up from Corporal, to Sergeant in charge of the jail. I've also been a small business owner/ operator.

What would be the top two goals you would like to accomplish during your term as a county commissioner?

Alvin Schaaf

One of the top goals I'd like to accomplish during my second term as commissioner is the quality of our roads and the answer to fulfilling the most road projects must also deal with the situation that I expressed in question number four. During my first term as commissioner my main goal was to improve the level of service the county provides to the citizens; it has improved but not to the level I know we can achieve so this will remain one of my top priorities. Every citizen has a list of what they believe should be the priorities of their government, and every list doesn't hold the same priorities; I believe our decisions must be for the benefit of the greatest number of citizens and to provide quality service even when we're unable to provide it in the capacity that some may desire.

Veronica Medina

I will work to break down costly barriers that have been preventing new affordable housing options,

I will encourage job growth with etter wage levels to improve cost of living challenges.



Veronica Medina

My family ties to the community for more than 25 years, Master's degree in Business Administration, Human Resources Manager 15 years, former grant writer, Bilingual English/Spanish. I am very involved in Archuleta County; I sit on a few boards and volunteer for other organizations

Veronica Medina

I would actively ask residents what their greatest concerns are. I bring life experience, education and leadership.

How would you propose meeting the health needs of the county?

Alvin Schaaf

The county is required by statute to establish a public health board, Archuleta County, along with La Plata County accomplished this by contracting with SJBPH. There has been some discussion of accountability and the services provided by SJBPH, as well as the possibility of forming our own public health board; there is much to consider before undertaking such a project. Legal and financial liabilities must be researched as well as the pros and cons of another expansion of local government. I am open to doing a cost analysis of establishing our own public health board to see if it's a feasible option.

Veronica Medina

I would focus on rebuilding a good workable relationship with SJBHD.

What do you see as the biggest issue with the landfill? How would you



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and discipline, and I would like to see more of this integrated into the Office.

Boyd Neagle

When elected I will restructure the entire department from the ground up and rebuild it to better serve our community. With the restructure I will increase the size of the patrol division and divide the county into three districts. Each district will have a deputy covering 24 hours a day. The public safety of our citizens will be the priority. We will retrain all the staff with the skills and knowledge they need to properly and successfully serve our community. There will be no more special deputies with badges and guns that are not POST-certified officers. I will put the county sheriff back in the county serving all citizens. I will be fiscally responsible with the budget and plan for the future not just react to it.

my many years of experience in Law enforcement and my commitment to my community.

I have more law enforcement experience and training than all other candidates combined. I have supervised and trained officers and cadets. I have a practical working knowledge of all areas of law enforcement and will not be learning the job as I go, I know the job. I will not be relying on past members of the administration for guidance, I have the experience to stand on my own. I will pass on this knowledge and experience to all members to have the most knowledgeable and trained staff to be the pinnacle of law enforcement in the state.

I am committed to my community and not running because I want to be the sheriff, I am running because the community needs and deserves better from its sheriff's office.

See Tracker A7

What do you bring to the office that your challenger does not?

Alvin Schaaf

Experience! During my first term as a commissioner, I've learned what must be done, what needs to be done, what I'd like to see done and who to rely on to get it done. Experience has shown me I cannot make promises to change anything because I am only one vote, I can only promise to try. People that don't know me take my mild-mannered personality as acquiescence which couldn't be farther from the truth, I will always stand up for what I believe in! Archuleta County is a wonderful place to live and raise a family, as county commissioner I promise to try and keep it that way.

remedy it?

Alvin Schaaf

The landfill is filling up much faster than anticipated and we are already making adjustments to the items we can receive at the landfill. Short term we need to require pre-sorting of construction refuse and recycle/repurpose every item possible. We also need to improve the process for household recycling making it easier to incentivize the citizens to recycle. The long-term solution, we must begin searching for a new location for the landfill.

Veronica Medina

The biggest issue is that the land fill is filling up fast. Current recommendations from the County administrator on recycling materials are a good start to prolonging the life of the landfill. With that the challenge will be to educate the public on the importance of recycling and to recycle more.

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Primary Election Tracker

County Sheriff Candidates

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What is Archuleta County's most pressing law-enforcement issue?

Mike Le Roux

Recruitment and retention is notably a nationwide issue, compounded in Archuleta County where affordable housing is unavailable and remuneration packages are below par. The over time required to meet the shortfall disillusionment. Recruitment and retention par-

ticularly within the patrol and detention divisions are extremely challenging. Law enforcement staff are undoubtedly held to a higher standard - and so they should be, but the risk versus the return to an individual looking to move into law enforcement as a career isn't as attractive as it once was.

The well-publicized ever-changing cultural environment for policing in general, for example: use

inevitably results in burnout or of force, profiling, accountability, de-escalation training and officer safety has become overwhelming terrain to navigate for many.

Aligning agency values with community values is a dynamic, evolving process which takes time, effort and relationships, and often staff bear the brunt of these lessons.

Boyd Neagle

What is Archuleta County's most pressing law enforcement issue is a tough question with all the recent scandals and incidents involving

the agency.

The public has seen the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, the District Attorney's Office, and the FBI look into the Sheriff's office. They have seen the sheriff's office in the paper and on the news for several issues. As I go door to door meeting the people of Archuleta County, the biggest issue I hear is about the public's mistrust and lack of faith in the sheriff's office. This is a leadership issue and shows a frailer of the administration in serving our community.

See next week's SUN for additional candidate questions and answers. Questions and answers were also printed in the June 2 edition of The SUN.

Letters

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the many issues the department is currently facing, and the regain trust in the community is what Archuleta County needs in a sheriff. A leader who brings new ideas to hold deputies to a high standard of excellence while giving them the training and tools to meet those high standards. A leader who is accessible to the people and willing to serve all. A leader who is willing to give his time, energy and experience to the community to make it better for all citizens.

These are the reasons that I am happy to give my full support to Boyd Neagle as Sheriff of Archuleta County.

Alex Lowe

'Moral failings' Dear Editor:

"Mass shootings are a symptom four moral failings". The editorial by George Brauchler in the May 29th issue of the Denver Post says what I have been thinking for a long time. Taking prayer out of schools was the

wrong thing to do. I was hoping the media would realize this too. George Brauchler has finally done that. His OP-ED says it better than I can, he writes "God has been expelled from our schools to protect our kids from the undue effect of his principles, values, and teachings. The legislature has all but abolished accountably for criminal conduct, focusing more on prohibiting arrests and incarceration than in prohibiting arrests and incarceration than in preventing crime and victimization. Cops are bad, criminals are victims". Isn't it strange that school shootings increased when prayer was removed? Isn't it time to teach our children about God again and encourage church attendance? Isn't it time to stop killing babies before they are born?

John Meyer

'Ousting Lauren Boebert Dear Editor:

On a recent Saturday afternoon,

my husband and I were delighted to find our favorite barbeque joint here in town overflowing with guests. Normally we'd be bummed to find every table filled. But as we gently squirmed past the folks in the doorway, we were greatly encouraged to learn we are not alone.

People in Southwestern Colorado care about ousting Lauren Boebert.

For the first time in my long life, I went to hear a candidate speak. Were the stakes in the upcoming elections not so high, I would never have succumbed to this invitation. Even if it involved free barbeque.

But of the many crises our country is facing, few are more dangerous than the reign of Lauren Boebert. Those who still support her seem to ignore her faults, but the rest of us realize the peril of allowing her continue as our US Representative. To say she is an embarrassment to our district, as well as our state, is an understatement. She has got to go. In the upcoming primary, Demo-

crats and unaffiliated voters have

the opportunity to elect a man who is eminently qualified to represent all of us in Colorado District CD3 in the US House of Representatives.

That candidate is Adam Frisch. I listened to him speak with the proverbial grain of salt. I expect politicians to change the subject when they don't know the answer. I expect them to blast the opposition and glorify their own accomplishments. I expect promises they can't possibly keep.

Imagine my shock when I heard a thoughtful man, intimately familiar with the issues facing Pagosa, Archuleta County, the CD3 District, as well as the United States. In the Q&A session he listened intently to his future constituents and didn't dodge a single issue. He understands the challenges we face. And he and his wife Katy have served their community for decades.

Among other accomplishments, Adam has a long record of public service and fiscal responsibility. He chaired Pitkin County's financial ■ See Letters A9







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- There are over 20 active ranches in the area, including cattle, sheep, and goats.
- The district also has hundreds of small farms and ranches starting at 35 acres up to several hundred acres, that produce or support the production of agricultural products.
- The area runs thousands of cattle and yields several million dollars in agricultural business each year.

If you haven't thought about it this way before, consider now that a big part of the reason you chose to make your home in Archuleta County is because of its surrounding wide-open spaces, lush green pastures, its western heritage and its ranching community.

I represent and respect this way of life, I care deeply about it, and I have a firsthand understanding of their specific needs and challenges - Why? Because I am one of them.

Starting in 1995 my wife and I spent a large portion of our time working on my in-law's cattle ranch in Chromo. Making Archuleta County our home in 2005. We live on a 5th generation agricultural property and my wife, and I have volunteered for several non-profits locally over the last 20 years and worked to keep our western heritage alive. I started out in Masonry and operated my own business before transitioning to Law Enforcement where I served Archuleta County citizens for 12 years. I am a part time Colorado Brand Inspector and have deep roots as well as relationships in all facets of the agricultural operations in Archuleta County.

I am the only Commissioner running for this District that has this necessary expertise, experience, background, and understanding.

Elect a Commissioner for this District that has a heart, a passion, and a true understanding of what this District represents to our wider community and County.

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Landfill

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He also explained that an increase of \$18 per cubic yard of trash, from \$17 to \$35 as proposed, would cause an potential price increase for households of approximately \$3, as six households' worth of household trash could be held in a cubic yard.

He added that one local trash hauler he contacted had increased their prices by \$6 in eight years, plus implementing a fuel surcharge. Meanwhile, although operating costs have increased, prices at the landfill had increased only once in five years, putting the landfill behind in pricing and causing an uptick in trash from outside the county being deposited at the landfill due to its low prices.

In response to a question from Commissioner Warren Brown, Pogue explained that, at the current rate, the landfill will fill in four years and that he is trying to expand the landfill's lifespan by promoting recycling and separating out materials deposited at the landfill which could be put to alternate uses, such as ground tires or vegetation that could be employed as daily cover.

He added that, if the county is unable to extend the landfill's lifespan, trash hauling prices will also increase because trash will have to be hauled elsewhere for disposal while the county works on building a new landfill, a process that could take eight to 10 years.

Pogue also explained that, because the landfill lacks a scale, the county can only charge per cubic yard of trash, which is less accurate than charging by tonnage and has an adverse impact on landfill capacity.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez stated that the landfill had brought in approximately \$170,000 in revenues in the last year, which Pogue commented was not even enough to cover the needed fencing.

Pogue added that the landfill is also understaffed and that addition of two or three employees would also consume these profits.

Maez also commented that he is concerned about the impact of major development projects in town limits on landfill capacity, to which Pogue responded that he is looking into segregating out construction debris and attempting to reuse that debris to reduce its impact.

In addition, Pogue stated that the improvements to the landfill would likely cost millions of dollars and would be a process over years.

He added, on the subject of the fee increase amount, "If we agree on a lesser amount, all that means is that we're still running at a deficit; we're just not running in as much of a deficit. At some point, it's gonna catch you again and I'm just here want. Not for what I'll settle for,

to say that if we don't start charging ... what our surrounding landfills are charging, it's going to continue going down the same path that it's been on."

Pogue then highlighted the importance of having a scale so that trash can be charged for by tonnage, as charging by cubic yards is far less accurate, and Maez explained that the previous BoCC sold the scale that was previously at the landfill.

Commissioner Alvin Schaaf added that he felt the recent price increases in all services and commodities had increased citizens' concerns about the increase in landfill prices.

Pogue commented that he is "not trying to make enemies" and is trying to do the price increases gradually to reduce their negative impacts

Woodman also pointed out that the landfill is an enterprise fund that receives no county General Fund money, and Pogue highlighted the differences between the landfill's profits and the costs of the equipment needed.

The board then heard public comments on the issue, which highlighted disagreements about the mathematics used for pricing waste and the fees charged by other landfills, concerns about a lack of vision and plans in the county about how to move forward with the landfill, a desire for the formation of an advisory board to advise the county on how to manage the landfill, and concerns about trash being dumped on roadsides.

Commenters also suggested that the landfill issues could potentially be mitigated by banning waste from outside the county, using incinerators to burn waste or creating a transfer station to haul waste to a location outside the county.

Several commenters also indicated a support or understanding of a smaller rate increase than the one proposed.

Pogue then responded to the comments, highlighting that, while he is not opposed to any of the ideas presented, they all cost money.

He also stated that the part of disagreements about landfill prices is that the county was charging by cubic yard whereas most landfills charge by tons, making the numbers difficult to compare.

Brown then commented on the situation, "I have to say, I think the county has not been very good at actively managing the landfill for years, and this is what we have. But, this is not what we have to And I think this is just another one have. And I'm not a fan of fees, but of those problems that has been I also understand ... as a business compounded. I totally understand person ... I have to pay for what I

but for what I want. Like two-lane access to get in and out. Like us not having to be towed out when we go to the landfill and it's raining and we have trash up under the hood of our vehicles because we have to be towed out ...

"I think that we're certainly on the hook for that, whether it was us individually as we sat here or whether it was a previous commission, the fact is that I don't think we as a group were well served. And, so, we find ourselves here."

Brown also discussed the staffing and wages of the landfill staff.

'The fact of the matter is that our staff down there is understaffed and they've been paid horrifically. You wouldn't believe it," he said, adding later, "But no one cared because they didn't see it. It was out of sight, out of mind and we need to be able to pay these people at a rate that is livable ...

He continued, "We need to have the equipment that's capable of processing this. This is not a nicety, it's a necessity."

He suggested the machine Pogue referenced to grind up various items to make more room is \$10,000 a week or \$600,000 to buy used.

These things cost and we have not been done any favors by there being a lack of foresight, a lack of vision and a lack of definition as to who we are and where we wanna be," he said, adding, "But, that doesn't mean we always have to do what we've always done because this is what we're always going to get. If we want to be different and we need to be different, then we have to do things differently and better ...

"This is not like this is insurmountable. This is just one of these obstacles that we're coming against together and we have to move forward. One price increase in five years. Tell me anything else that you've had that hasn't had more than one price increase in five years. I'm not a fan of price increase, but we need to be able to operate. We need to be able to conduct business and we need to be able to do it better tomorrow than we're doing it today and that means all these things we've spoke about."

Schaaf added, "We see the same thing, just a little bit different, with our roads. We do collect the tax for our roads, but we haven't had an increase to that tax ... in 35, 40 years, but we've increased the number of our roads. ... Our use has skyrocketed, unprecedented numbers in the last three years. ...

bers, with the price of everything else that has increased, some of it 150, 200 percent. ... And I'm not opposed to a reduction, maybe it's not 100 percent, but with the caveat that, guess what, there's gonna be another increase. Maybe we'll do it yearly to get to where we need to be and not such a large increment, but, I mean, it's gonna have to happen."

Maez then asked Pogue how long it would take for the county to acquire and implement a scale. Pogue indicated that it could take 60 days to get a scale available, which Maez stated his approval for.

Maez then commented, "I grew up here, I've lived here all my life. And ... nobody likes change. Not me, I know I don't, but ... we all

Parade.

Continued from front

tration desk, and the start and end of the parade. The parade will proceed north to the stop light, making a right onto Pagosa Street/U.S. 160, right onto 2nd Street, right onto Hermosa and making a left onto Hot Springs Boulevard, back to the staging area.

Separate waivers will be required from all participants and are included with the application.

Fireworks

Continued from front

Town of Pagosa Springs entered Stage 1 fire restrictions on May 20. With low moisture levels, the fire restrictions, a close call with the

recent Plumtaw Fire and no signs of increased moisture by July 4, the decision seems like the most responsible and safe one at this time, Mayor Shari Pierce stated.

In addition, the town wants to lead by example and feels the decision would discourage residents from doing their own at-home fireworks, council members Mat

Scholarships

Continued from front

Ethan Hart: American Legion Scholarship, \$1,000; Freedom Alliance Scholarship, \$10,000, renewable; Vets for Vets Scholarship, \$1,000; VFW Scholarship, \$1,000, renewable; ASU Grizzly Scholarship, \$3,200, renewable.

Kay: American Legion Scholarship, \$1,000; Community Mari-

gotta learn to live with it. And the thing is, this is our home, this is all of our problem. This isn't just the BoCC's problem. This is the whole community's problem. And if we don't see it and we don't pay for it, then we'll never get it fixed. Now ... I don't agree with that 100 percent increase ... but the thing is, we've got to start someplace. And if we don't start anywhere, we never get anywhere. And we'll be back where we are today. Just somebody else's problem. Somebody else up here, sitting here talking to a whole different group of people about the same thing again."

The board then discussed a potential lesser fee increase, with Pogue asking if he could have the opportunity to meet with local

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of your driver's license for any entry

that is a street-legal vehicle. It is

important to note there will be no

parking along the entire parade

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by the July 1 noon deadline. Either

deliver it to Town Hall or down-

So, Pagosa, put on your creative

route.

trash haulers to reevaluate what fees would be appropriate.

The board then agreed to table the decision on the landfill fees to allow Pogue to meet with the haulers, with Schaaf commenting that he hopes this will generate buy-in from the community on the new fees

The board then unanimously passed a resolution to amend the county fee schedule, excluding solid waste fees, so as to allow other minor fee schedule revisions to be implemented.

The BoCC indicated that the landfill fees will be reconsidered at its meeting on June 21 and that the fees would be discussed at the June 14 BoCC work session.

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tractor, Acme Fireworks, time and

freedom to seek income elsewhere,

members acknowledged the enjoy-

ment that the annual display gives

them and the town, but felt it was

the most responsible decision in

light of the drought and recent

possibility of rescheduling the dis-

play and will give future updates at

dorothy@pagosasun.com

Town staff will now look into the

Overall, many town council

deGraaf noted.

wildfires in the area.

a later date.

deGraaf and Madeline Bergon agreed.

All fireworks are banned under the fire restrictions currently in effect throughout the region, including those otherwise deemed permissible in state law.

Town Manager Andrea Phillips also indicated that town staff had received concerns about the risks around the fireworks show from the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office and the local fire district.

This decision, and its early notice, will also give the show's con-

Patty Aragon Memorial Scholarship, \$750; UCCS Bridge Forward Scholarship, \$2,500, renewable; University of San Francisco Scholar, \$27,000, renewable; University of Portland Presidents Scholarship, \$24,000, renewable; Vets for Vets Scholarship, \$1,000.

Taylor: Boettcher Scholarship, \$20,000, renewable; Community juana Offset Impact, \$750; EOU Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; CSU Boettcher Finalist Award, \$1,000, renewable; CSU Cost of Attendance Match, \$10,449, renewable; CSU Green and Gold Scholarship, \$4,000, renewable; CU Boettcher Finalist Award, \$4,000, renewable; CU Boulder cost of attendance match, \$12,026, renewable; CU Outstanding Colorado Student, \$1,000, renewable; CU Regent Scholarship, \$1,000, renewable; CU Sewall Esteemed Scholar Award, \$7,000, renewable; DU Chancellor Scholarship, \$28,000; DU full tuition and fees match, \$36,439, renewable; DU Residence Hall Grant, \$3,000; Durango Elks Lodge Scholarship, \$1,000; IBC Scholarship, \$1,000; Tri-State G&T Scholarship, \$500; Yale University Scholarship, \$40,000. Wilkins: Chama Peak Land Alliance Scholarship, \$500; CMU Distinguished Scholars Tuition Award, \$6,864, renewable; CMU First Generation Scholarship, \$1,000; Daniels Fund Scholarship, all unmet need, renewable; Fort Lewis Presidential Tuition Scholarship, \$5,000, renewable; Levy-Shear Memorial Scholarship, \$4,000, renewable; NAU Founders Gold Tuition Scholarship, in-state tuition and \$6,000, renewable; Rotary \$2,500, \$2,500; Talent Search Scholarship, \$1,000; UCCS Chancellor's Award, \$2,500, renewable; UNC Founders Grant, \$2,161; UNC Trustee Scholarship, \$4,500; University of Texas Scholarship, in-state tuition and \$10,000, renewable; University of Utah WUE tuition discount, \$14,000, renewable; UNM Scholarship, in-state tuition and \$2,500, renewable; Western Colorado University First Generation Scholarship, \$500, renewable; Western Colorado University Taylor Merit Scholarship, \$4,500, renewable. Slead: Chama Peak Land Alliance Scholarship, \$1,000; Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$450; Redefining Rural Scholarship, \$1,000, renewable; Vets for Vets Scholarship, \$1,000; SD School of Mines Copper Scholar, \$3,000, renewable. Grose: College of Charleston Academic Scholarship, \$6,000;

Edwardian Scholarship, \$20,000; Elon University Engagement Scholarship, \$20,000; Elon University Experience Grant, \$2,000; NAU Founders Gold Tuition Scholarship, \$24,000; St. Edwards Presidents Merit Scholarship, \$88,000; St. Edwards Red Door Award, \$8,000; Texas Tech Presidential Merit Scholarship, \$4,000; University of Tampa Merit Scholarship, \$52,000.

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Carolyn Foster: Andrea McGinn Memorial \$750 Scholarship, \$750; Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$450; The Patty Aragon Memorial Scholarship, \$750.

Taylor Capistrant: Andrea Mc-Ginn Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000), \$500, renewable.

Liverett: Azusa Pacific University Scholarship, \$21,000, renewable; Biola University Scholarship, \$21,000, renewable; Chama Peak Land Alliance Scholarship, \$500, renewable; CSU Scholarship, \$2,000, renewable; CU Boulder Scholarship, \$4,000, renewable; GCU Scholarship, \$9,700, renewable; Gordan College Scholarship, \$13,000, renewable; Pueblo Community College, \$1,000; Whit Newton Good Citizen Award, \$500.

Ashlyn Bickel: Barker Family Scholarship, \$400; Fort Lewis College Equity Scholarship, \$2,000, renewable; Provost Resident Tuition Scholarship, \$5,000, renewable; Talent Search Scholarship, \$1,000.

Martin: Belmont University, \$5,000; Lipscomb University Scholarship, \$15,000, renewable; Rotary \$4,000, \$4,000; Schick Memorial, \$500; Talent Search Scholarship, \$1,000; University of Hawaii, \$2,000; Northern Arizona University Scholarship, \$17,500.

Craig: Bethany Scholarship, \$2,000; Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; CSU Green and Gold Scholarship, \$2,000, renewable; H.A. Arnold Scholarship, \$2,000, renewable; Setan Hall University Scholarship, \$20,000, renewable; SHU Summer Scholarship, \$4,500; SPU Faith for the Future Merit Scholarship, \$17,550; Rotary \$4,000, \$4,000; San Juan Rangers Scholarship, \$250; Regis University Presidential Scholarship, \$22,000, renewable; Talent Search Scholarship, \$1,000; The

Ethan Robel: Colorado School of Mines Grant, \$900; Ethan Robel Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; UCCS Chancellor's Award, \$2,500, renewable.

Charlotte Rodina: Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$750; CU Denver Provost Scholarship, \$10,000, renewable; DU Scholar Award, \$26,000, renewable; Western University Merit Scholarship, \$2,500, renewable.

Torrez: Community Marijuana Offset Impact, \$450; Uncle Leroy Lucero Scholarship, \$500; Toni & Guy Full-Ride Scholarship, \$20,000; WHIPS Scholarship, \$1,200; Rotary \$3,000, \$3,000.

Parker: CU Boulder Academic Scholarship, \$4,000, renewable; Embry-Riddle Presidential Scholarship, \$16,000, renewable; Rotary \$4,000, \$4,000; Embry-Riddle Scholarship, \$5,000, renewable.

Isabella Shortridge: GCU Provost, \$6,300, renewable; Pagosa Springs Arts Council, \$5,000; Prescott College, Presidential Scholarship, \$22,000, renewable; SCAD Academic Honors, \$5,000, renewable; University of Arizona Excellence Award, \$12,500, renewable; University of San Francisco Hilltop Scholar Award, \$18,000, renewable; Seattle Pacific University Merit Scholarship, \$14,600, renewable.

Hailey Moya: Jicarilla Apache Department of Education Scholarship, \$16,500, renewable.

Hittle: LPEA John Voelker Memorial Scholarship, \$5,000, renewable; ReSport Legacy Scholarship, \$600.

Sauceda: QB National College Match Scholarship, about \$72,000, renewable.

Barker: ReSport Legacy Scholarship, \$600; San Juan Rangers Scholarship, \$250.

Sophie Heidelmeier: Schick Memorial, \$500.

Stephanie Lucero: Trista Lynn Nauman Memorial Scholarship, \$5,000.

Kelsey Britton: UNC 1989 Founders Grant, \$3,120; UNC Presidential Scholarship, \$3,500, renewable.

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review committee from 2005 to 2011, and then was elected to Aspen City Council. As a City Councilman, Adam played a vital role on a number of important issues:

• Worked to develop housing opportunities that serve workers and their families:

• Helped lead efforts to pass a sales tax to support schools;

• Passed legislation to enable the City to meet its aggressive renewable energy goals;

• Expanded and secured long term water rights for the community;

· Increased childcare subsidies and the total number of slots available for infants and toddlers.

And on June 4, 2022, Adam secured the endorsement of the Durango Herald as the Democratic candidate in the upcoming primary.

I believe people sometimes skip voting in the primary elections, believing that any candidate from their party will be better qualified than their eventual opponent. But in this case, the stakes are just too high to remain uninvolved. Adam Frisch has a good chance of beating Lauren Boebert. To learn more, visit AdamforColorado.com.

Rachel Ophoff

Assault weapon Dear Editor:

What is the definition of an assault, or military style, weapon? No one can settle on this. Semi-Automatic, or bolt action, both can be used as such.

M-1 Garand: This rifle was designed as a combat rifle for the US armed forces during World War II. It is a semi-automatic, gas operated, clip fed (there is a difference here from a magazine) of eight 30.06 caliber rounds. It is accurate out past one thousand yards. In its time it was used as an assault/military and sniper rifle. It was, and still is very heavy. It has a heavy recoil and as a shoulder fired rifle hard to control in an automatic mode. It is an excellent hunting and match rifle. Should this be included as an assault rifle? You tell me.

M-14: This rifle was a modification of the M-1 Garand. It is a semi-

automatic, gas operated magazine fed rifle of the 7.62x51mm NATO, (civilian equivalent is the Winchester .308) caliber. It was the standard rifle of the US military from just after the Korean War to half way through the Vietnam War. It is still used as a sniper rifle. There are magazines with the capacity from five rounds to thirty. It has a heavy recoil, and as a shoulder fired weapon does not do well as an automatic weapon. It is now offered as the M1A. Like the Garand it is heavy, and also like the Garand it is an excellent hunting and match grade rifle. Should this be considered as

an assault rifle? You tell me. AR-15, or as it's military nomenclature, the M-16, but also as the present M-4. It is a magazine fed, gas-operated, semiautomatic weapon in its civilian mode, but is also manufactured as an automatic rifle for the military. It is primarily chambered for the 5.56mm NATO (Remington 223) caliber. It is a light rifle, and has a buffer so the recoil is easily manageable. It usually comes with a magazine of twenty, or thirty rounds, but it can be fitted with a drum magazine of eightyfive rounds as well. The .223 was invented as a varmint round and as such is well suited. It was designed as a short/close range, jungle/ urban rifle. Is this an assault rifle? Maybe, but in all its variations the most popular rifle in the world for whatever purpose.

AK-47: This weapon is cheap and is mostly seen in the third world. It has been mass produced primarily by Russia and China. It is a simple design and very hardy. It is chambered for the 7.62x39mm caliber round, and is gas operated. It, like the AR-15 was designed for close range combat. Because of its caliber it has a manageable recoil. It is found with 20 round to drum magazines. Is this an assault rifle? It like any firearm can be used for hunting, but I've never seen it as such. This to me is an assault rifle.

Semiautomatic does not necessarily mean an assault rifle. Doug Roberts

'Master of civil discourse'

Dear Editor:

Letters

If a candidate for an elected office, or one of their supporters, regularly speaks negatively about the opponent and not the positive qualities of the candidate campaigning for office, beware.

Additionally, anyone who cannot speak, very specifically, to the characteristics that makes someone a qualified candidate, and instead rely on criticism of another candidate, think twice about who you are voting for.

Elected officials need to be able to articulate their skills and abilities and be a master of civil discourse which requires respect for everyone. Lisa Scott

'Unchecked growth'

Dear Editor:

Sepp D.

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Ramsperger,

colonel USMC

(retired),

March 21,

1941-May 13.

held on Fri-

day, June 24,

at 10 a.m. at

the Immacu-

late Heart of

Mary Church,

445 Lewis St., Pagosa Springs. A

reception for family and friends

will follow at the Parish Hall next

door. Burial will be at the U.S.

Marine Corps National Cemetery,

Quantico, Va., Sept. 30.

Mass will be

Ramsperger

We have enjoyed owning two homes in the Pagosa Springs area since 1994. The first home was on a 7 acre parcel and the newest home is on 35 acres. When we first discovered Pagosa there was only one traffic light in town. Over the past 28 years we have watched the town and surrounding areas grow with more development to the point now that we are wondering if we are going to

the serious impact on river flows and the critically low water levels in Lake Powell and Lake Mead. It appears that the Town Council and County Commissioners are catering to developers rather than the charm of Pagosa and the need to conserve water. The Put Hill subdivision plan is just the latest example of developers building more and more homes, condos and apartments to attract more people to move to Pagosa Springs. If our elected officials and government agencies don't begin to throttle back on development and discourage unchecked growth, we and our children and grandchildren will wonder what ever happened to our wonderful little town in Southwest Colorado.

lose the reasons we first fell in love

with the area. Our main concern

with continued unbridled develop-

ment is the scarcity of water. Several

weeks ago the SUN reported on the

PAWS Board seeking professional

assistance in forecasting growth

to apparently justify building the

ill-conceived Dry Gulch Reservoir.

The following week the SUN pub-

lished an excellent article about

the 23-year megadrought and

David and Debbie Seely

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Trista Nauman

ward at a reception at Pope John Paul II Church.



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Memorial military honors will be held for Trista Nauman at Veterans Memorial Park on Saturday, June 18, at 10 a.m. Please join family and

friends after-

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I am very involved in the community: Republican Women for 4 years, House County Republican Central Committee Secretary, board member for Archuleta County Housing, Rotary Club, Loaves & Fishes volunteer, and my family has

I attend the Archuleta County Veterans (Vets 4 Vets) meetings on a regular basis

My brother is currently serving in the Army and has for 20-plus years. My step dad, Sevedo Martinez, and my brother

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Outdoors



The Treasure Falls cleanup crew of San Juan Back Country Horsemen and Girl Scout Troop 25075.

Photo courtesy John Nelson

Photo courtesy Lisa Nelson

Sue Conroe, left, and Girl Scout Kelly Anne Kubelka give the Treasure Falls sign a new coat of paint.

REASURE FALLS

Local group celebrates National Trails Day by cleaning up Treasure Falls

By Annie Pack

By Randi Pierce

the Bear Dance Fire.

Plumtaw Fire

tained and 721 acres

Staff Writer

Colorado.

San Juan Back Country Horsemen

This past Saturday, the San Juan Back Country Horsemen celebrated National Trails Day by cleaning up the gateway to Pagosa Springs: Treasure Falls.

As locals, we tend to forget this heavily traveled area and just how many visitors stop and view the falls — many of us are deeper in the forest and wilderness areas.

There were 21 members and other volunteers who came out in force

Officials released their final up-

Stage 1 fire restrictions remain

San Juan National Forest fire

As of that update, the Plumtaw

Fire was listed at 91 percent con-

officials issued their final update on

the Plumtaw Fire on June 2.

dates on a pair of regional fires over

the last week: the Plumtaw Fire and

in effect for much of southwest

sweep, pick up debris and litter, paint signs, remove unwanted stickers on forest property, and weed eat. Trail work was also a priority. Shrub limbs and tree limbs were used to block dangerous "cut throughs" made by hikers. A special thank you to Katie Betts and Girl Scout Troop 25075; these young girls never cease to amaze us with their work ethic. Truly, they are a breath of fresh air.

The Forest Service provided "goodie bags" for the youngest of our volunteers; they provided so

armed with tools to trim, prune, many that we were able to hand them out to other young visitors; they loved them.

"Like many public land management agencies, the Pagosa Ranger District has come to increasingly rely on the help from volunteers to care for forest resources which are so important to our local community as well as visitors to the area. We are especially grateful in this instance for the work conceived, organized and undertaken by local chapters of the Back Country Horsemen and Girl Scouts to collect and dispose of litter, repair infrastructure and improve trail conditions at one of the most heavily visited and valued sites on the forest — Treasure Falls — in celebration of this year's National Trails Day," said Paul Blackman, district recreation program manager.

A special thank you to all in our community who get out there and get the job done; there is much to do and with the help of so many, it makes it easier and has such a positive result. Keep up the good



Photo courtesy Lisa Nelsor

Randy Betts, left, cleans up the Treasure Falls parking area while Mike Garding and Donna Fait clear brush around the Treasure Falls sign.

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north of Pagosa Springs.

According to the June 2 update, the fire was "showing little heat" and management of the fire was being passed to the Unaweep Wildfire Use Module and a Type 4 incident commander.

"Over the course of the summer, the public may see additional smoke from the fire area as interior pockets of fuel may continue to burn," the update explains. "Additional information, if needed, will be posted on the San Juan National Forest Facebook page and on Inciweb."

All roads and trails around the Plumtaw Fire are currently open, according to the update.

around a burned area as hazards, such as snags and rolling debris, are still present," it states.

Bear Dance Fire

The Bear Dance Fire broke out on June 3 on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, near Bear Dance Road in Ignacio.

The Southern Ute tribal campus was evacuated, and some housing developments and homes in the area were placed on pre-evacuation notice.

Because of the fire, La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) announced that power was shut off for 3.235 members in Bayfield and

LPEA later announced power had been rerouted and restored to those members.

On Tuesday morning, the tribe announced that the fire was 100 percent contained and had burned a total of 89 acres.

"Fire crews will remain in the area to work on the phased reopening of the popular recreational areas," Tuesday morning's update from Communication Specialist Lindsay Box reads. "At this time the area will remain closed. As the area is deemed safe for use, announcements will be posted to the tribal website and social media. Please stay away from the area while crews continue working on the reopening.' It further notes, "Individuals can use the walking trail from behind SunUte down to the Multi-Purpose Field, south towards BIA. Crews have set up a safety perimeter using cones. Please stay on the outside of the cones. Ute Park Road from CR 517 to Bear Dance Road remains closed." The update notes there were no structures lost and "crews were safe from injury." randi@pagosasun.com

work, everyone. Final updates issued on pair of area fires retardant safely."

The Plumtaw Fire was first reported on May 17 roughly 7 miles

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Pond owners must comply with state regulations before stocking fish

Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) reminds pond owners that all fish stocking in western Colorado must comply with state regulations, which require a valid stocking permit or license from CPW. The only exception is for licensed aquaculture facilities stocking salmonids.

To protect sport fisheries and native fishes of western Colorado, it is the landowner's responsibility to meet all state regulations prior to stocking.

Stocking Western Slope waters

stricted according to regulations concerned with the preservation of native and endangered fishes in the upper Colorado River Basin. The upper Colorado River Basin includes the Dolores, Green, Yampa, White, Colorado and Gunnison sub-basins.

These restrictions may require the construction of a berm and/ or installation of an inlet/outlet screen. Additionally, the stocking of triploid grass carp in the Rio Grande and San Juan river basins requires installation of an inlet/ outlet screen prior to stocking.

"It is important that pond own-

with any fish species may be re- ers help CPW protect our sport fisheries and native fish by complying with fish stocking regulations on the Western Slope," said CPW senior aquatic biologist John Alves.

The West Slope Fish Stocking Application is available online at www.cpwshop.com under the "Special License Application" catalog. There is no cost for submitting the application.

For more information on special applications, go to: https://cpw. state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/SWL-Applications.aspx.

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Sanitation district issues will-serve letter to 80-acre proposed development

By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

At its June 7 special meeting, the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District (PSSGID) unanimously approved the issuance of a prohibitive and contingent will-serve letter to a development that proposes an 80-acre subdivision.

The Pagosa Views development is in a very early stage, but is being proposed at 500 and 600 W. U.S. 160, just west of Pagosa Springs Elementary School and its fields.

According to the development application, the site would create a mixed-use residential community that features two-story townhomes, three-story condominiums and apartments, one-story cottages and a luxury RV park. The work will be done in phases over the course of eight years, and water and sewer lines will be installed in 2023.

The PSSGID was only tasked with the decision to issue a willserve letter at the time of the meeting.

Public Works Director Martin Schmidt explained that will-serve letters are used in order to acquire

lenders want to understand any potential impediment to the success of the development.

Schmidt also noted that the impact of a development such as this one can be extensive and that a project of this size requires careful consideration and will require the input of the PSSGID at every step.

Schmidt stated that this development alone would double the sewer flow at pump station one when fully built out.

This property is not currently in the PSSGID boundary and will need to be included to the district before service can be provided, according to Schmidt.

However, the property is within 400 feet of a sewer main, so district and state regulations require that the developers connect to sewer infrastructure, although they could petition the state for an exemption to this regulation.

The PSSGID reserves the right to refuse service based on its judgment and can also set requirements for connection, Schmidt stated.

The requirement factor of issuing the letter quickly caught the attention of board members, who

financing for projects, because have been faced with a multitude of issues with the sanitation district over the last few years.

> Schmidt suggested that the district could require the developers to improve both the size and condition of the sewer pipes, a move that would be advantageous for the district.

> Board member Madeline Bergon clarified that the will-serve letter does not actually commit the district to providing sanitation services to the development until the project formally requests services, but rather states that the district is open to considering the project.

The way that the letter is currently written "leaves the door open for the board to take information all the way up to the time of connection to say no," town attorney Clay Buchner said.

Buchner explained that it is the developer's responsibility to prove that their inclusion in the district is a benefit to the district itself, which they will certainly have to do for the board to consider it further.

Ultimately, several board members agreed that the move could be beneficial to the district, especially with the potential for the builders

to contribute new funding and infrastructure to the district. The letter is written with the fol-

lowing requirements: • Successful petition for inclu-

sion for any property outside of the district boundary. • Approval by the district on initial design and/or engineering plans that identify the drainage demands and the preferred locations of all taps and of all service

lines requested. • Approval by the district and/or the Pagosa Springs Town Council of project design and/or engineering plans for improved infrastructure including, but not limited to, upgraded service lines, lift stations and/or new treatment facilities as determined necessary by the district in its sole discretion to meet the demand for requested services. • Any and all other conditions

required by the district rules and regulation. The PSSGID's decision to issue

the letter was unanimous. The developer will have to return with a formal request for services at a later date, Schmidt explained.

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, June 9

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

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

Tuesday, June 14 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/elected officials quarterly work session. Noon, Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting at: https:// zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd= dlFFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2ta eGxtZz09, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: http://

archuletacounty.org/agendacenter.

- Archuleta School District Board of Education work session. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School, 309 Lewis St.
- Archuleta School District Board of Education work session and meeting. 5 p.m. work session, 6 p.m. meeting, Pagosa Springs Middle School, 309 Lewis St.

Wednesday, June 15

- Upper San Juan Library District Board Meeting. 4 p.m. Zoom: https://us02web.zoom. us/j/83398449146.
- agosa Springs Community Development Corporation work session. 4-6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Chamber of Commerce meeting

room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd. Hinsdale County Annual Luncheon. Noon, Upper Piedra.

Pagosa Peak Open School. 5 p.m. work session for interviews of potential board members, 6 p.m. work session for mission/ vision and regular meeting, Pagosa Lodge, 3505 U.S. 160.

Monday, June 20 San Juan Water Conservancy Dis-

trict regular meeting. 4 p.m., 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 5. A Zoom link will be provided on sjwcd.org. Public meeting information should be sent to editor@pagosasun. com with "Public Meeting" in the subject line. The deadline is noon Monday each week prior to publication for that week's issue.

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San Juan Mountain School commencement

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The San Juan Mountain School class of 2022 was joined by family, friends, and school and district staff for the school's second annual commencement ceremony on June 4. The standing-room-only ceremony was held in the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium.



Education

School boards hear draft budgets

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

Next week, two Archuleta County school boards are anticipated to consider approval of their respective budgets for the next fiscal year.

The Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education is scheduled to consider adopting the district's budget on Tuesday, June 14.

The Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) Board of Directors is slated to meet the following evening, with adoption of its budget anticipated.

ASD

The ASD board heard a draft budget presentation from Finance Director Mike Hodgson on May 31.

"The budget is just a plan," he said, especially the June budget when information about the numbers of students and the district's staff is unknown.

The January revised budget, he told the board, is the "really important" one.

Hodgson added that when the budget is presented for approval on June 14 it will have more details, a listing of capital projects for 2023-2024 and the vehicle replacement plan.

Hodgson further noted that the budget includes assumptions. such as for student count and assessed values, and indicated the state is predicting assessed values in Archuleta County will go down.

"Yeah, that seems hard to believe," board member Dr. Tim Taylor said.

base of \$1,000 for all full-time employees and \$500 for part-time employees, and step increases.

The proposed budget for the General Fund, he told the board, contains a deficit of \$269,329, which compared to an estimated deficit of \$998,988 last June.

Of that deficit, the draft budget notes, about \$185,000 is for onetime expenses related to starting up the automotive program and about \$84,000 is for incremental onetime maintenance expenses.

The budget also includes a deficit in the food service fund of \$23,531, which Hodgson noted is due to supply chain cost increases.

He added the district will resume charging for meals during the 2022-2023 school year following the federal government paying during the pandemic.

He added the state may take over paying for meals, though that would not start next year, and he discussed plans to help ensure families fill out forms for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program something that also helps determine at-risk funding received by the districts.

Hodgson further pointed out the grant funding in the proposed budget, explaining that the ESSER III grant is the largest and that the proposed budget does not reflect all of the remaining funds from that grant since the grant lasts until Sept. 30, 2024.

The proposed budget also shows Hodgson also highlighted that a decrease in capital projects

the budget includes a raise to the spending, with Hodgson pointing out the revised 2021-2022 budget included a large addition in January to allow projects to be contracted in the spring.

> The proposed budget is based off of a funded pupil count of 1,709.4, which is lower than the 2021-2022 funded pupil count of 1,768.0, and per-pupil funding after the budget stabilization factor of \$9,637 (compared to \$9,101 in the 2021-2022 budget).

> The draft budget and draft appropriation resolution show total appropriations across all funds of \$32,046,086, including \$26,763,384 in the General Fund.

> Total revenues for the General Fund are listed at \$18,185,750 and proposed expenditures at \$18,455,079.

> The ASD draft budget is available at: https://go.boarddocs.com/ co/asdco/Board.nsf/Public.

> The June 14 meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. at Pagosa Springs Middle School.

PPOS

The PPOS Board of Directors heard a proposed draft budget for the school on May 18.

Business Manager Chenni Hammon told the board the budget presented is based on the school having 147 students.

The school's 2021-2022 budget, it was noted during the meeting, was based on 133 students and was later revised to be based on having 120 students at the school.

The draft budget estimates a per-pupil revenue of \$9,640, compared to \$9,023 in the 2021-2022 revised budget.

Hammon also noted there is gray area surrounding if charter schools are exempt from Colorado's Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance, also referred to as FAMLI, which stems from Proposition 118 that was approved by the state's voters in 2020.

She noted school districts are exempt from the program, and changes can be made to the budget when it is revised in January.

She also told the board that raises could be given retroactively after the October student count, with School Director Angela RealiCrossland later noting retirement is going up a half of a percent and, with inflation, staff is basically taking a 5.5 percent pay cut.

Hammon noted there are ways to trim down the budget if needed. Board member Bill Hudson sug-

gested it would make him more comfortable seeing a plan when the budget is approved on where it could be cut if the enrollment goal is not met.

The draft budget estimates \$1,856,783.06 in General Fund revenue and General Fund expenses totaling \$1,836,112.70.

The PPOS draft budget is available at: www.pagosapeakopenschool.org.

The June 15 meeting is set to begin at 6 p.m. at the Pagosa Lodge, 3505 U.S. 160.

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Isabella Shortridge

Pagosa Arts Initiative awards art scholarship to Isabella Shortridge

By Sherry Phillips Pagosa Arts Initiative

Isabella Shortridge was born in Saudi Arabia to parents working in the oil industry. She moved to Pagosa Springs when she was 3 years old, so her entire schooling has taken place in our local school district. She became interested in art in the eighth grade when her teacher had the class create a mural. She loved playing with colors and the process of creating, so she focused on art in high school.

Last year, the Pagosa Arts Initiative did a call to artists in the high school to create 8-by-8 panels to be hung on the old courthouse building. Shortridge was one of three artists chosen to create a panel — her first piece of public art for which she was paid. As a high school student, that is quite an accomplishment. Nature is what inspires Shortridge when she is creating her art. She wanted her piece to be a colorful representation of nature and, as such, it has an abstract feel of our local mountains. flowers, trees and river.

Shortridge will be attending Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Ariz., in the fall and she will be majoring in graphic design. Her career hopes are to create art for marketing purposes. The Pagosa Arts Initiative doesn't doubt that she will be successful and that is one reason it awarded her its yearly \$5,000 art scholarship.

Congratulations and good luck to a very talented and poised young lady raised right here in Pagosa Springs.



Gabe Heraty

Gabe Heraty finished his freshman year at Arizona State University West Campus with a 3.75 GPA, making the Dean's List. Gabe is in Barret Honors College and W.P. Carey School of Business at ASU studying business. His parents are very proud of his accomplishments given the challenging junior and senior high school years of COVID, remote learning and on-again, off-again classroom time. Pagosa has certainly helped nurture some strong students.

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Two injured in head-on collision

The Blotter

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

Two were injured in a June 1 head-on collision west of Pagosa Springs.

The accident was called in at about 4:40 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, near mile marker 135, and the highway was subsequently shut down, the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) Public Affairs Section

reported that day.

According to an incident report provided by the CSP, a 2002 Ford Expedition was westbound on U.S. 160 at milepost 134.7 when it crossed into the eastbound lane of traffic and collided its front left with the front left of a 2004 Chevy Silverado.

The report indicates the Expedition "rotated counter clockwise approximately 30 degrees and traveled off the north side of the roadway on its wheels facing southwest."

The Silverado "rotated counter clockwise and and [sic] came to rest in the roadway facing northeast on its wheels," according to the report.

The report indicates that the driver of the Silverado stated he saw the vehicle drift into his lane.

The report notes the driver of the Expedition was transported to Pagosa Springs Medical Center with serious injuries, while the

driver of the Silverado had moderate injuries. Both were wearing seat belts.

The report indicates drugs are suspected.

U.S. 160 was shut down west of Pagosa Springs following the incident, according to the CSP, with traffic reportedly backed up 3.5 miles shortly before the roadway was reopened to alternating traffic. randi@pagosasun.com

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June 1 — Jeri Coffelt, driver's license-

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Calls for service for three weeks: 654. May 16 — Dog at large (first offense),

Harman Park Drive. May 16 — All other thefts, Alcazar

Place May 16 — Mental health-protective

custody. County Road 500. May 17 - Menacing-felony-aggra-

vated-weapon, West Stollsteimer Road. May 17 — Death by natural causes,

- Aspenglow Boulevard. May 17 — Left scene after damaging
- another vehicle, County Road 600. May 17 - Information only, County

Road 119. May 18 - Third-degree assaultsimple assault, disorderly conduct-petty, disorderly conduct-petty, USFS 629/ **USFS 923**

May 18 - All other thefts, Solomon Drive.

May 18 - Menacing-intimidation, bias-motivated crimes intimidation, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges. Harman Park Drive.

May 19 - Information only, Deer Trail.

May 20 - Resisting arrest, obstructing peace officer/police animal/fire-

fighter, Eagle Drive. May 20 — Disorderly conduct-petty, West U.S. 160.

May 20 - Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

May 21 - Criminal mischief, Cat Creek Overlook.

May 22 - Unlawful ownership of dangerous dog, Eight Mile Mesa Road.

May 22 - Prohibited use of weapon/ firearm when drunk, prohibited use of weapon/reckless with gun, menacingfelony-aggravated-weapon, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, County Road 359

May 23 — Cruelty to animals, Beverly Court.

May 23 - Cruelty/animals-nonaggravated torture, Weasel Drive. May 24 - County warrant, Oak

Place.

June 1 - Second-degree burglary, theft-from building, Navajo Trail Drive.

June 2 — Information only, Bonanza Drive June 2 - Death investigation, Old-

ham's Place.

June 3 — Criminal mischief, Cloister Place.

June 3 - Warrant arrest, Harman

Park Drive. June 3 - Trespass warning, East

Golf Place. June 3 - Aggravated motor vehicle theft, Eight Mile Loop.

June 4 — Trespass warning, Canyon Circle

June 5 — Information only, Cat Creek Overlook

June 5 - Violation of restraining order, Buttercup Drive.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

Calls for service for three weeks: 274. May 15 - Tampering with a motor

vehicle, County Road 600. May 15 - False imprisonment, ha-

rassment, North 5th Street. May 16 — Second-degree burglary, Eagle Drive.

May 16 - Fraud by check, identity theft, theft, Country Center Drive.

May 16 - Animal at large, San Juan Street.

May 16 — Trespass warning, Aspen Village Drive.

May 17 — Second-degree burglary, theft, Eagle Drive.

May 17 - Fraud by check, Pagosa Street.

May 17 - Harassment, menacing, East Pagosa Street.

May 20 - Animal at large, North 5th

Street. May 20 - Agency assist, Eagle Drive

May 21 — Shoplifting, Eagle Drive. May 21 - Animal at large, South 9th Street.

May 23 - Weaving, suspended license, failure to use turn signal, Aspen Village Drive

May 23 - Theft, Trinity Lane. May 23 - Criminal mischief, North

5th Street. May 23 — Information only, U.S. 160.

May 24 - Found property, Hot Springs Boulevard. May 24 - Tampering with a motor

May 18 - Caralyn M. Korndoerfer, fines and costs - \$233.50.

May 30 - Found property, Hot Springs Boulevard.

May 30 - Animal at large, Hot Springs Boulevard. June 1 - Camping prohibited, Riv-

erwalk June 2 - Warrant arrest, Eagle

Drive. June 2 - Unlawful possession of

controlled substance, warrant arrest, U.S. 160.

June 3 — Possess/consume alcohol by person under age 21, shoplifting, Eagle Drive.

June 3 - Careless driving, hit and run, Country Center Drive.

June 3 - Information only, Hot Springs Boulevard.

June 3 - Information only, Village Drive.

June 3 — Found property, San Juan Street.

June 4 - Weaving, illegal possession or consumption of alcohol by minor, DUI, Eagle Drive.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

May 24 - Juvenile, marijuana prohibited, six months supervised probation, 10 hours community service, fine, costs and fees - \$220.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

May 18 — Raymond L. Cooper Jr., improper mountain driving, fines and costs - \$179.50

May 18 - Eduardo Blanco, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs \$291.50.

May 18 — Arthur J. Serna, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs -\$210.50

May 18 - Brian G. Sacke, speeding -4 over limit, fines and costs — \$95.50. May 18 — Justan K. Hall, careless

driving, fines and costs - \$238.50. May 18 — Dee A. Abbott, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs -\$210.50

May 18 — Mark M. Lawler, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs \$198.50

May 18 - Shareese M. Stephens, speeding 10-19 over limit, driver's license-driving without, fines and costs \$253.50.

May 24 - Agency assist Rio Grande, Aspen Village Drive.

May 25 - Criminal mischief, seconddegree burglary, Rainbow Drive.

May 25 - Second-degree assaultcaused intended bodily injury, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, domestic violence, Sandstone Court.

May 26 — Violation of restraining order, Harman Park Drive.

May 27 — Failure to appear (bench warrants), Harman Park Drive. May 27 — Failure to appear (bench

warrants), Harman Park Drive. May 27 — Agency assist, North 8th

Street/North San Juan Alley.

May 28 — Second-degree aggravated motor vehicle theft, Paradise Drive.

May 28 — Second-degree burglary, County Road 200.

May 29 - Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

May 30 - Violation of restraining order, Harman Park Drive.

June 1 — All other thefts, Solomon Drive.

vehicle, burglary, criminal mischief, Hot Springs Boulevard. May 25 - Camping prohibited, Centennial Park. May 26 — Criminal mischief, Pagosa Street. May 27 - Disorderly conduct, harassment, assault, North 8th Street. May 27 - Violation of bail bond, careless driving, hit and run, East Pagosa Street. May 28 — Information only, Eagle Drive May 28 — Driving under restraint, U.S. 160 May 28 - Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive May 28 — Criminal trespass, Lewis Street. May 29 - Arson, South 5th/6th Alley. May 29 - Theft, Majestic Drive. May 29 - Suspended license, license plate violation, U.S. 160.

May 30 - Warrant arrest, East Pagosa Street.

May 30 - Hit and run, Country Center Drive

May 19 - Christopher Holmes, disorderly conduct-offensive gesture, fines and costs - \$100.

May 25 - Joshua Lee Holley, harassment-strike/shove/kick, 12 months probation, fines and costs -\$903.50

May 25 — Kevin Rodriguez Montano, careless driving, fines and costs -\$238.50

May 25 — An Tao, obedience to official traffic control device, fines and costs - \$170

May 25 — Sitney J. Redhouse, speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs -\$160.

May 25 — Stuart F. Hiserodt, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs 314.50

May 25 — Israel Galvan, speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs - \$290.

May 25 - Melissa Faye Royston, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 12 months probation alcohol evaluation and supervision, 24 hours community service, fines and costs - \$776.50.

June 1 — Peter Allan Macomber, license plates-expired, fines and costs -\$153.

June 1 — Maria Louize, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs - \$120.

June 1 — John Clark Hand, speeding 1-4 over, fines and costs - \$120. June 1 - Joshua Alan Ezernack,

speeding 5-9 over, fines and costs -\$160.

June 1 – Jesus Jose de la Cruz Jr.. speeding 20-24 over, fines and costs - \$314.

June 1 — Housing Cesar Chan Bravo, obedience to official traffic control device, fines and costs - \$170.

June 2 - Joseph A. Vasquez, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs

\$291.50. June 7 — Jennifer F. Graeber, obedience to official traffic control device, fines and costs - \$135

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

June 6 — Amanda Estelle Cruz, driving under restraint-alcohol-related, false reporting-false identification, 30 days jail, fines and costs - \$336.50.





Critical blood shortage: June 22 blood drive planned

By Diane Levison Vitalant

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via email at dianeunheard@gmail. com if you need help setting up one.

Walk-ins are always welcome, so please pass this on to your friends and family in case they'd like to donate also, but don't want to commit to an appointment. Walk-in donations may take a bit more time as appointments take preference.



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Business

Car Show on Lewis Street taking place this weekend

By Mary Jo Coulehan Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce

Pagosa Springs will host the Car Show on Lewis Street this weekend. It will be a busy weekend to enjoy classic cars, vendors of all types, the great outdoors and live music.

The Pagosa Springs Car Show will take place Friday evening, June 10, from 5 to 8 p.m. on Lewis Street. Enjoy delicious food, bever-

ages, various vendors, live music with The Rob Lowe Band and, of course, the start of the classic cars and motorcycles.

You will have a great opportunity to view a variety of cars in over 12 classes, including original, under construction and the traditional categories.

On Saturday, June 11, even more cars will arrive and fill up Lewis Street. The Show and Shine begins at 9 a.m., with the awards cer-

emony taking place at 2:30 p.m. New this year is the ability to vote for the People's Choice award electronically from the convenience of your mobile phone. Scan the QR code on a vehicle's display card and you can vote for all your favorite entries. There are so many cars to choose from; you will be able to select a few of your favorites for People's Choice.

While walking around, enjoy some of the delicious food served by a variety of popular vendors and well as enjoying a chilled beverage or shaved ice. There will also be a Children's Corner with activities for our youngsters. It is important to remember that Lewis Street will be closed to vehicular traffic from 10 a.m. on Friday, June 10, until about 3:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, from 4th Street to U.S. 160. The Lewis Street alley will be open for access. Please select an alternate route for getting around that area.

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Town council OKs Mill RV Park rezoning application

By Dorothy Elder Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council unanimously approved the rezoning application for the proposed Mill RV Park and Food Court Park at its June 7 meeting.

Council heard the rezoning application after the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission recommended approval of the application at the commission's May 24 meeting.

The development is being proposed in an area that previously housed a 28-unit RV park that closed "around 2005," according to Courtney King, representative for applicant James Prutsman. The proposed development is located at 1689 and 1647 W. U.S. 160.

King explained that this park would "revitalize and reactivate" the old park by updating 23 of the existing RV units with full hook-ups and reserving the other five for food truck spots.

The food trucks will be independently owned and operated, King stated

In addition, the site will feature a multiuse building that has a commercial kitchen and cold/frozen food storage for the food truck operators' use, as well as indoor seating, bathrooms and a bar area for customers.

The parcel that the RV park is set to go on is currently zoned as mixed-use residential, which does not allow RV parks at this time, Planning Director James Dickhoff

Loma Linda

The applicant sought approval from the planning commission for a planned development overlay,

explained.

which is a zoning designation that allows for "greater flexibility" in zoning, according to the town's current Land Use and Development Code.

Prior to town council's Tuesday meeting, the application had been met with public comments from nearby residents who expressed disapproval over the development.

Additionally, the planning commission expressed hesitancy over its approval, mainly due to the high standard for public benefit in issuing a planned development overlay designation.

Common concerns included traffic congestion and the unpermitted use of Rainbow Drive by guests of the park, noise and light pollution, and negative visual repercussions.

Additionally, the planning commission expressed hesitancy over its approval, mainly due to the high standard for public benefit in issuing a planned development overlay designation.

In response, Prutsman made some changes to the application

ties, according to the application. In addition, Prutsman explained that he is willing to dedicate the development's existing wetland area as a publicly accessible open space with a dedicated conservation easement.

Guests will be inclined to stay on the property using this open space and the provided trails as opposed to walking on a road network that lacks sidewalks, which may discourage guests from intruding on Rainbow Drive, he stated.

He also committed to providing dark sky-compliant lighting at the RV park and food truck park, which will reduce the need for people to use the lighting on the outside of their RVs and aims to address public comments about light pollution.

Prutsman and King also presented some additional research about the development, particularly around traffic, meant to ease the minds of nearby residents.

They argued that a 15-year-old study indicates that the average daily trips for an RV park is much lower than a large residential area, which could be built given the current residential zoning of the parcel.

King clarified that this finding is just meant to show discrepancies in traffic and that an updated traffic study will be completed by "the best traffic engineer that we can identify.'

The application also now commits the applicant to "fully support their recommendations and provide improvements specifically tailored to the use" following the traffic study.

For the second time during the application process, Prutsman

Public comments at the meeting were still plentiful, but varied from previous meetings.

Concerns included the infrastructure demand of the park given the area's current struggles with landfill and sanitation capacity, the ease at which developers can rezone parcels, noise pollution concerns and ill confidence in a roundabout's ability to solve traffic congestion.

Ultimately, the town council unanimously approved the motion with a few added contingencies.

These included the clarification that the dark sky lighting will be provided to the individual RVs, the crash gate at Rainbow Drive will be installed and used only for emergencies, and the workforce housing dedication will remain in perpetuity.

A final planning development agreement will now be drafted, according to Dickhoff. Council will see the application again after the planning commission hears and approves the final planned development overlay rezoning and planned development agreement.

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HOA bans short-term rentals

By Maggie Fischer

Loma Linda Home Owners Association

Effective May 23, short-term rentals (STRs) are banned in the Loma Linda Subdivision.

Existing rentals (seven) with current valid county permits can continue to rent until May 23, 2024, or until the property is sold or the permit lapses or is revoked.

prior to bringing the development before town council.

Prutsman announced at the June 7 meeting that he now plans to allocate four of the RV spaces for the installation of four tiny homes, meant to address the workforce housing needs of Pagosa Springs.

The rents will be provided at above the 60 percent area median income, which is currently about \$1,200 per month including utili-

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also noted that he had received early support from the Colorado Department of Transportation on the installation of a roundabout at Pike Drive and U.S. 160 to alleviate some of the traffic concerns.

He also clarified that Rainbow Drive will only be used as an emergency entrance to the parks, and that he is committed to installing a crash gate to mitigate unwanted use of the road.



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Pagosa Springs High School and San Juan Mountain School seniors took their annual "Grad Walk" down the halls of the elementary and middle schools on May 26.

Wilkinson retires after eight years at the helm of Archuleta Seniors Inc.

By Christina Knoell

Archuleta Seniors Inc.

After eight years of directing the Senior Center service operations and programs, Cheryl Wilkinson is retiring.

Wilkinson's love for food and caring for older adults led her to a volunteer position with Archuleta Senior Inc. (ASI), on the board of directors. In 2013, Archuleta County separated themselves from the aging and adult service program. Soon, Wilkinson assumed the chairperson position of ASI organization and formed a strong board of directors and received its first state and federal grant award. The rest is history. The Senior Center has been successful in responding to the pandemic with some of the best practices and an appealing presentation of grab-and-go meals (using recyclable and compostable containers), weekly grocery store shopping bags, holiday treats and more. One thing to mention is that the Senior Center meals have been cited as having some of the best food in the state of Colorado by the State Unit on Aging in Denver. The food is delicious, due to Wilkinson's leadership and creative staff in the kitchen.

generous she is as a person. She spoils the people she is close to and goes to great lengths to make people feel special, on their birthday, anniversary or any special day. If you ask her staff about her, they will tell you that she is a people person. She has a great laugh and a wonderful sense of humor.

"The senior center storage locker is full of fun decorations and special décor to make any celebration hosted by the senior center very special," stated Janet Monks, administrative assistant to Wilkinson. "It's hard to know what to get rid of because there are so many cute decorations."

Wilkinson moved to Pagosa Springs in 2011 with her husband, Mitch; their three horses; two





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Anyone who knows Wilkinson will say how new grandbaby.

dogs; and two birds. She and Mitch will be traveling to Spain this year and, in July, will be welcoming their first grandchild. Wilkinson's strong accounting background, well-spoken southern accent and her special talent for throwing parties (leaving no details out), is something that will be sorely missed at the Senior Center.

We cannot thank Wilkinson enough for her dedication, hard work and the love that she gave to Senior Center. If you are looking for a champion volunteer for your nonprofit organization, you better act fast before she holds that

Cheryl Wilkinson



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Sports

Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo celebrating 72nd anniversary

By Diana Talbot Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo

The Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo is celebrating its 72nd anniversary. Cowboys and cowgirls from various states will compete for prizes and prize money in this sanctioned rodeo series.

The rodeos are July 2 at 6 p.m., July 3 at 6 p.m. and July 4 at 2 p.m., and are presented at the Western Heritage Event Center arena and grounds.

This traditional American rodeo is a must-see event. More rodeo information is available by visiting www.pagosarodeo.com or calling (970) 749-3492. Tickets are available on the website and at the gate prior to the event. A limited number of box seats are available and can be purchased by calling (970) 749-3492 after June 10.

Traditional rodeo events are presented with a variety of exhibition events to make a varied and entertaining American rodeo experience. Each performance begins with an impressive grand entry with flags waving from westerners on horseback. The rodeo clown offers a variety of comedy throughout the event.

Cowpokes, 6 years and younger, will test their strength and stamina by riding a sheep as long as they can hold on in the mutton bustin' event. This contest is held daily with 10 new contestants each leaving the arena with a special trophy and the overall winner receiving the authentic rodeo belt buckle. See the website for how to register.

While there were rodeos in Pagosa Springs dating back into beginning of the century, the first Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo was in 1949.

In 1948, a group of local ranchers organized an effort to start a regular named rodeo series for this town. The initial group of volunteers included Glen Edmonds, Fred Harman, Daily Hott, Leon Montroy, Terry Robinson and Babe Shahan, to name a few. They collaborated with the owner of the rights to the Red Ryder registered trademark to brand this rodeo with the cartoon character that is so famous in this region.

In 1949, the first rodeo was held at the site of the current Ross Aragon Community Center. Photographs show how automobiles were placed in a large circular formation to create the boundary of the rodeo arena. Spectators stood behind the cars. Later that year, the committee advertised and sold stock in the rodeo organization, named Pagosa Springs Enterprises, and raised \$15,000. With these proceeds, approximately 40 acres of land was purchased for the expressed use of hosting the annual rodeo. That initial site continues as the current facility on the corner of U.S. 84 and Mill Creek Road. Construction of a rodeo arena with wood boards and woven wire was accomplished just prior to the 1950 Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo. Over time, the structures that exist on the rodeo grounds today were constructed as additional stock was sold for the purpose of raising money and creating a supporting membership. For over 70 years, this organization has been run by local, dedicated volunteers; funded with individual and business donations from the local community; and continues to be an independent, self-sustaining and successful entity. In the mid-1990s, the organization obtained its nonprofit status and renamed the organization the Western Heritage Event Center, whose mission is to provide an annual three-day Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo as well as a year-round venue for education and training for youth and equestrian events for Archuleta County. The Western Heritage Board is dedicated to preserving the history and traditions of the American West.



Photo courtesy Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo

Traditional rodeo events are presented with a variety of exhibition events at the Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo set for July 2-4. Cowboys and cowgirls from various states will compete for prizes and prize money in this sanctioned rodeo series.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY REBATES

Public Notices

DISTRICT COURT. ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address: 109 Harmon Park Dr. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Phone Number: (970) 264-8160 Plaintiffs: STEFANIE RENEE ROLSTON and RICHARD L. LITTLE

ROBERT JOE GROVE, SR. and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION. Submitting Attorney: Duke Eggleston, #24965 Eggleston Kosnik LLC 160 E. 12th St., Ste 7 Durango, CO 81301 Phone Number: (970) 403-1580 E-mail: deggleston@e-klaw.com Case Number: 2022CV30015 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

PLAINTIFFS STEFANIE RENEE ROLSTON and RICHARD L. LITTLE

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS ROBERT JOE GROVE, SR. AND ALL UKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to

appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court.

If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice.

This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado,

more particularly described as follows: Lot 194 in Aspen Springs Subdivision No. 6 according to the plat thereof filed for August 3, 1971 as Reception

No. 74689 Respectfully Submitted this 3rd day of May, 2022. Published in The Pagosa Springs Sun First Publication: May 12, 2022 Last Publication: June 9 Eggleston Kosnik LLC /s/ Duke Eggleston Duke Eggleston, #24965 160 E. 12th St., Ste 7 Durango, CO 81301 (970) 403-1580 Published May 12, 19, 26, June 2 and 9, 2022 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

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

To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to: NATIONAL RECREATIONAL PROPERTIES OF

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BENJAMIN M. OR BRITTNEY H. SEGOBIANO the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

LOTS 277 AND 278, IN CHRIS MOUNTAIN VILLAGE AT PAGOSA UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD JUNE 4, 1973 AS RECEPTION NO. 77868

Account Number: R004450

Schedule Number: 569525108007 Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2018- 04308

and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to BENJAMIN M. OR BRITTNEY H. SEGOBIANO That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the deline

property(and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2008 That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of NATIONAL RECREATIONAL

PROPERTIES OF PAGOSA SPRINGS, LLC for said year 2008.

That said BENJAMIN M. OR BRITTNEY H. SEGOBIANO on the 28th day of April 2022, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to

BENJAMIN M OB BRITTNEY H SEGOBIANO On the 12th day of October 2022, unless the same has been redeemed

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.

my hand this 9th day of May 2022

Recording Date of Deed of Trust June 04, 2020 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 22003039

Original Principal Amount \$297,124.00 Outstanding Principal Balance \$295,595.78 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby

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THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST NOTICE OF SALE

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET Of Pagosa Peak Open School

Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the Board of Education Archuleta School District 50JT for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and has been filed in the office of Pagosa Peak Open Schoo as well as our website www.pagosapeakopenschoo org where it is available for public Inspection. Such proposed budget will be considered for adoption at the regular meeting of the Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors at 3133 Cornerstone Drive on June 15, 2022 at 5pm. Any person paying school taxes in said district may at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget file or register objections thereto. Questions and comments may be emailed to Chammon@ppos.co of Billhudson@ppos.co

Published June 2 and 9, 2022 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Archuleta School District 50 Jt. Notice is hereby given that a proposed budget has beer submitted to the Board of Education of the Archuleta School District 50 Jt. on May 31, 2022 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and has been filed in the Administration Office of the School District where it will be available for public inspection. Such proposed budget will be considered for adoption at a regular meeting of the Board of Education of said District on June 14, 2022 at 6:00 pm in the Middle School Library 309 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado. A Zoom meeting link will be posted on the District's web site www.mypagosasaschools.com at least 24 hours prio to the June 14 meeting.

Any person paying school taxes in said district may at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget file register his or her objections thereto. BOARD OF EDUCATION May 31, 2022

Archuleta School District 50 Jt.

Mike Hodgson, Finance Director Published June 2 and 9, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs* SUN.

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P O BOX 15534 IRVINE, CA 92623-5534 You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 1st day of November 2018, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to LIVE OAKES LAND LLC

the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

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Schedule Number: 569525202004 Tax Sale Certificate Number: 201804486 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of

urchase therefore to LIVE OAKES LAND LLC That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property(and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2017

That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of National Recreational Properties of Pagosa Springs, LLC for said year 2017.

That said LIVE OAKES LAND LLC on the 28th day of April 2022, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property; That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property

to LIVE OAKES LAND LLC On the 12th day of October 2022, unless the same has

been redeemed

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed

Witness my hand this 17th day of May 2022 /s/ Elsa P White

Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado Published May 26,June 2 and 9, 2022 in *The Pagosa* Springs SUN.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Richard Mark Tulley, Decea Case No. 2022 PR 30034 All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the personal representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County Colorado on or before September 26, 2022, or the cla may be forever barred.

Daniel L. Fiedler, Attorney at Lav 190 Talisman Drive, Suite D-6 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Published May 26, June 2 and 9, 2022 in *The Pagosa* Springs SUN.

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2022-004

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is giv to the following described Deed of Trust: On March 31, 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. Original Grantor(s) Keaton Dean Tjelmeland and Shavleen Tielmeland

Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, as nominee for Freedom Mortgage Corporation, its successors and assigns Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Freedom Mortgage Corporation

Date of Deed of Trust May 06, 2020

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FOR BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HEARING ON July 5, 2022 DON MASTERSON, has applied for a FINAL PLAT APPROVAL for the MASTERSON MINOR SUBDIVISION AMENDMENT 2022-01, located in SEC: 12 TWN: 32 RNG: 6W at 19137 State Hwy 151, Arboles, CO (PLN22-036). The property is zoned AGRICULTURAL RANCHING (AR). The application is to divide a 16 acre tract and create two parcels where there is now only one 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) 264-1390 or to PFlowers@ archuletacounty.org prior to the public hearing by the Archuleta Board of County Commissioners on July 5 2022, at 1:30 p.m. in the County Administration Office Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs and via Zoom Link. Public comment will be taken at the meeting. Published June 9 and 23, 2022 in The Pagosa Spring SUN.

Public Hearing: The Town Council will conduct a public hearing at the Town Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 5:00 pm to consider and vote on opting out of the Colorado Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program (FAMLI) which was approved by Colorado voters in November 2020 with the passing of Proposition 118. To access the meeting agenda, staff report, and draft resolution, please go to www.pagosasprings.co.gov and select Meetings and Agendas. For more information and anyone wishing to provide comments, please contact the Human Resources office at hr@pagosasprings.co.gov or you may attend the public hearing where public comments will be taken. Published June 9 and 16, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs* SUN.

Request for Proposal: The Town of Pagosa Springs is soliciting proposals from qualified firms and individuals to conduct a nexus Study to analyze the linkage between the need for affordable/workforce housing and short term or vacation rentals in the community. Please visit the town website at https://www.pagosasprings.co.gov administration for details on the request for proposal. Published June 9 and 16, 2022 in *The Pagosa Springs* SUN.





The Pagosa Youth Soccer Rangers team U15 took first place at the GMIT Border Battle in Grand Junction in May.



Photo courtesy Natalie Ortega



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

Several Pirate athletes added all-conference honors to their resume following the spring track and field season. From left are Breck Wilson, Jordan Lindstrom, Reece Peterson, Lexie Valdez, Rylie Carr and Wil Aucoin. Not pictured is Sienna Rose.



In addition to being named the conference's Keeper of the Year, Lady Pirate soccer player Trista Tully also garnered an honorable mention for the spring's all-state team.



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Four Lady Pirate soccer players earned all-conference honors for their work on the pitch this spring. From left, are Liz Currier, Lauren Monterroso and Jeidy Moreno-Echavarria (honorable mention). Trista Tully, pictured above, was also named to the all-conference team.

RECREATION NEWS

Recreation pee-wee soccer registration opens By Breezy Bryant and Trevor Gian Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation

The Recreation Department will be opening registration for our pee-wee soccer program June 14.

The registration fee will be \$40 for the first child and \$20 for the second child. The deadline to register will be July 15.

Play will begin in August and run until September.

Recreation tee ball (ages 4-5 years)

The Recreation Department will be opening registration for our tee ball program June 14.

The registration fee will be \$40 for first child and \$20 for second child. Deadline to register will be July 15.

Play will begin in August and run until September.

Online registration will be available online through our town website or stop by the Community Center to fill out a form.

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



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

A trio of Pirate baseball players garnered all-conference honors for their work on the diamond during the spring season. From left are Rhead Kay (honorable mention), Hunter Pouyer and Kaison Clifford.



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Artists celebrated for achievements

By Rebecca Tenpenny Pagosa Springs Elementary School

After a long hiatus due to the pandemic, the Archuleta School District Art Show is back. This past week, more than 75 artists were celebrated for their achievements in art.

Artists from the Pagosa Peak Open School, elementary, middle and high schools were represented in the show.

Art was displayed in the entry of Pagosa Springs High School and jurors named the top three works in the storytelling, craftsmanship and creativity categories. Best in Show, Juror's Choice and People's Choice were also selected.

Congratulations to all of the

winners and artists who participated in the show.

Best in Show: Alex Howe — "Discomfort in Abnormal Absence." Juror's Choice: Jonathan Matney.

People's Choice: Asher Kurz -"Owl."

Creativity: First — Middle School Special Talents, "Fish"; second — Karissa Foster, "Renewal"; third — Cora Jackson.

Craftsmanship: First — Asher Kurz, "Eye"; second — Tim Hittle, untitled; third — Grayson Capist-rant, "Not Sorry."

Storytelling: First — Nikolas Slead, "Loyal Companion"; second - Shiloh Kossler, "1st grade"; third

— Emma Gantt, "Searching."













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'Winnie the Pooh' coming to Thingamajig Theatre Company

By Laura Moore

Thingamajig Theatre Company

"Winnie the Pooh KIDS" is a musical that will welcome you to the Hundred Acre Wood, where Winnie the Pooh is once again in search of honey. Along the way, he meets his pals, Tigger, Piglet, Rabbit and Owl, but soon discovers that Christopher Robin has been captured by the mysterious Backson. As they prepare for a rescue operation, the animals learn about teamwork, friendship and, of course, sharing snacks.

The show will be performed by the kids at Pagosa

Peak Open School who are attending a Whatchamawhozit Children's Theatre Intensive with Thingamajig Theatre Company at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts as part of their project-based learning curriculum. The intensive is taught by the professional performers in Thingamajig's Broadway in the Mountains summer season.

"Winnie the Pooh KIDS" is directed by the fabulous Thingamajig returner Tyler Price and plays at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts on June 18 at noon and 2 p.m., and June 19 at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Tickets are only \$5 and can be purchased at www.pagosacenter. org for this family-friendly event.

Pagosa Springs Community Band looking for musicians

By Susy Mekeal

Pagosa Springs Community Band

Are you looking forward to the Fourth of July and joining in playing some classic marches? We have the ideal opportunity for you.

Each Fourth of July, the Pagosa Springs Community Band gathers to play a concert of patriotic music, marches and local favorites to add to the wonderful small-town Fourth of July activities that Pagosa offers.

Rehearsals for the Fourth of July concert will be on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the high school band room. June 25 and July 2 will be the dates. We invite anyone to join that plays a wind, brass, percussion or string instrument.

All ages and ability levels are welcome in the band. If you have any questions, call Susy at (970) 270-2674. We would like to meet you and have you join us as new members to our band.



Friday

East Side Market: Open mic 9 a.m. The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Jackson Mountain Ramblers, 5 p.m.

Saturday

East Side Market: Open mic 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. East Side Market: Jack Ellis, 11 a.m. The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Taryn Jones, 5 p.m.

Sunday

East Side Market: Open mic, 9 a.m.

Monday

The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Dustin Burley, 5 p.m.

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

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Healthy Archuleta to host Community Conversation about preventive care access and utilization

By Rose Chavez

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Today, Thursday, June 9, from 2 to 3 p.m., Healthy Archuleta, doing business as the FSFE — Food Coalition, will host a community conversation that will engage the health care community and everyday residents about the types of preventive and primary care services that are available in Archuleta County.

Healthy Archuleta, in partnership with Archuleta County, is working to complete a nutrition security health equity assessment over the next couple of years. We are looking at two broad questions that will help capture people's voices/experiences related to food and preventative health care issues and opportunities in Archuleta County.

Thursday's conversation will

19th Hole Concert Series raising funds for Habitat for Humanity, others

By Rose Chavez Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Habitat for Humanity was chosen for this summer's 19th Hole Concerts. The organization is excited to participate in this fun event at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club.

Please come out Thursday, June 9, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for some great music by Bob Hemenger.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Your \$10 cover charge not only supports Habitat for Humanity but also four other local nonprofits that are part of the 19th Hole Concerts.

Funds from all the concerts are pooled and divided evenly. So, your attendance at multiple concerts helps support Habitat for Humanity, among others. Hope to see you there.

Please tell your friends and family and join together for the 2022 concert series:

June 9: Bob Hemenger — Habitat for Humanity.

June 16: Bo DePeña — Weminuche Audubon Society.

June 23: San Juan Mountain Boys — PM Morning Rotary Club. June 30: Jack Ellis and Out on Work Release — Healthy Archuleta.



continue to focus on our community's experience and will feature Tabitha Zappone as it relates to preventative health care access and utilization (coverage, timeliness, workforce and service).

According to HealthCare.gov, "Preventative services is defined as routine health care that includes screenings, check-ups and patient counseling to prevent illnesses, disease or other health problems." Join us on Zoom: https://us-02web.zoom.us/j/83978862954 for the virtual meeting.

For more information, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@gmail. org or (401) 371-3227. To donate to support the work of Healthy Archuleta, please visit: https:// www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/ donate.html.





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Broadway in the Mountains continues with 'Bright Star'

By Amy Wolfe

Thingamajig Theatre Company

After a successful opening weekend, Thingamajig Theatre Company's "Bright Star" will again grace the stage at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts this Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11, at 7 p.m., with doors opening at 6 p.m.

The story of "Bright Star" takes you on an emotional journey of the joys of love, the pain of loss and every emotion in between. The harmonious melodies, professional acting and dance will entertain and delight while tugging on your heartstrings.

In addition to June 10 and 11, "Bright Star" will be performed on June 18, 24 and 25, then in rotation with "Guys and Dolls" and "The SpongeBob Musical" through Aug. 24.

"Guys and Dolls" is currently in rehearsal and will have its champagne opening on Friday, June 17.

The high-energy musical is set in "Runyonland" also known as the underworld of New York City in the 1920s. Based on a blending of the short stories by Damon Runyon, "The Idyll of Miss Sarah Brown" and "Blood Pressure," the romantic comedy is filled with energy, great songs and characters from all walks of life.

Pia Wyatt returns to Thingamajig as the director and choreographer of "Guys and Dolls," sure to be a treat for audiences of all ages. To purchase tickets, visit our website, pagosacenter.org.

Thingamajig Theatre Company was co-founded in 2011 by Tim and Laura Moore. It is an award-winning professional nonprofit 501(c) (3) theater in residence within the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Its talented actors, directors and production teams come from across the U.S. and around the world to produce Broadway-level musicals, comedies and dramas



Photo courtesy Thingamajig Theatre Company Pictured from a scene in "Bright Star" are, left to right, Jesse Kortus, Cooper Clack, Allie Tamburello, Joey Carroll and Erin Fallis.

year-round. Thingamajig is also dedicated to providing educational

is also opportunities for youth and teens in our community.





Pablo, a high-powered lawyer, and wife Tania, a very pregnant doctoral candidate, are realizing the American dream when they purchase a house next door to community stalwarts Virginia (Christy Brandt) and Frank (Stuart Rider). But a disagreement over a long-standing fence line soon spirals into an all-out war of taste, class, privilege, and entitlement. The hilarious results guarantee no one comes out smelling like a rose. *Comedy / Mainstage Theatre*

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Most of these people have opposing views on many things, but one thing they are all united on is this: Vote Mike Le Roux for Sheriff on June 28th.

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Pagosa Farmers Market opening soon

By Pauline Benetti

Southwest Organization for Sustainability

The Pagosa Farmers Market offers something that you cannot buy anywhere else — garden-ripened tomatoes.

Only if you have your own garden or a generous friend will you enjoy this phenomenon this summer unless you are able to make it to the market before 10 a.m.; they sell out fast and only growers with greenhouses can possibly have tomatoes on opening day, June 25, and they will not promise. In any event, keep positive thoughts, mark your calendar and plan to be at the usual location — the east end of town co-located with the East Side Market. The market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

So, what else is to be found at the Pagosa Farmer's Market? The first couple of markets always start off a bit slow. Growers who do not work out of greenhouses are still struggling with cold nights. This past week is the first time this spring that temperatures have stayed in the 40s for several consecutive nights. If the temperatures hold, growers operating their own booths will offer a range of freshly harvested vegetables that will change as the season progresses.

Other producers will offer wonderful sourdough breads, sweet pastries, jams, local honey, pesto, farm-fresh eggs and a selection of naturally raised and USDA-inspected beef cuts. It's easy enough to shop for lunch, dinner or a snack on Saturday morning at the Pagosa Farmers Market. Then there is the Small Growers Coop where backyard growers can bring the excess they have to market. There will be tomato starts here for sure, but no telling what else; it depends on what growers have extra.

We continue to accept SNAP cards and continue to hand out free a \$20 value of Double up Bucks for the first \$20 SNAP purchase, essentially doubling purchasing power. In addition, we will be redeeming coupons from the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging which will be distributed to local seniors to encourage buying nutritious local food at the Pagosa Farmers Market.

Consider your visit an excellent



Photo courtesy Southwest Organization for Sustainability

Finally, Kim Barnes, local backyard grower, has these beautiful transplants outside, but under heavy cover. Two layers of protection in this hoop structure will keep Pagosa weather (wind, sun, cold) off tender shoots until later in the month when they can safely (she hopes) emerge. These transplants were started in March as seeds and kept inside under lights and then gently hardened off by spending a few hours outside each day, under cover, of course, until they could be planted.

time to renew your membership in Southwest Organization for Sustainability (SOS), the organization that supports the Pagosa Farmers Market and organizes our celebration of Earth Day plus other activities that promote sustainability in Archuleta County. Look for the SOS booth. Support also comes from the Town of Pagosa Springs and the Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board. Both of these entities recognize the important role played by the market both for locals and tourist.

See you soon.

WHIPS to meet June 21

By Nancy Ford WHIPS

WHIPS, Women Helping in Pagosa Springs, will have its monthly luncheon one week early due to Election Day.

The luncheon will be on Tues-

day, June 21, at 11:30 a.m. at Meltdown on Main. Seating will be outside, \$15 a person. All women are invited, but an RSVP is needed: (970) 946-1895.

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Photo courtesy Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Members of the Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution show off patriotic packets — complete with information about the flag, coloring pages, a flag and a bookmark — that were given to first-graders in Pagosa Springs, Bayfield, Ignacio and Durango.

Sarah Platt Decker Chapter presents patriotic packets

By Carolyn Paschal

Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

The Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NS-DAR) recently presented first-grade classes in local elementary schools with patriotic packets containing information about the flag of the United States. Each packet held 10 pages of patriotic worksheets, coloring pages, a small American flag and a bookmark about the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nearly 450 packets were distributed to schools in Pagosa Springs, Bayfield, Ignacio and Durango.

Sharing information about our national flag's history, use and care is one of the missions of the Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the NSDAR, and the education of our young people is paramount. With the upcoming celebrations of National Flag Day on June 14 and the celebration of our independence on July 4, the group strives to instill the spirit of patriotism.

The Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the NSDAR is a nonpolitical service organization meeting August through May alternating between Durango and Pagosa Springs. Membership is open to all women over the age of 18 who can prove lineal, bloodline descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American independence. For more information, email: spdregent@gmail.com.



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The celebrity men of Dancing with the Pagosa Stars

By Danyelle Leentje Seeds of Learning

The stars of Dancing with the Pagosa Stars (DWTPS) are getting ready to strap on their dancing shoes and prepare for their night on the dance floor.

They will be matched with a talented coach who will lead them through this performance of a lifetime to support Pagosa's Seeds of Learning. Three of these fabulous stars are Brooks Linder, Mike Garding and Dan Englund.

Lindner, aka "Brooksi," has been a live music performer his whole life. He has long been a student of the marquis style of dance which originated in Moose Jaw,

Saskatchewan. In order to train for Dancing with the Pagosa Stars, Lindner has been on a strict dietary regime of carambola, pepitas and tequila. He would not be where he is today without the patronage of Bob Brobst who saved Lindner from the Mata Atlântica in Uruguay.

Brooks Lindner

Garding explained, "I grew up in Minnesota, with 10 brothers and sisters, where I learned to love the outdoors. I graduated from the University of Minnesota in engineering after which I went to work as a field engineer in the energy business, eventually working my way into executive management, while living around the world with my wife and two daughters. I have



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Mike Garding

er, where I thought I could really make a positive impact on young kids lives and society in general. I often regret not following through on that desire. DWTPS and the contribution to Seeds of Learning is a wonderful way for me to help fulfill my desire to help young kids in learning. They are our future and deserve a good start.



paints a brand new canvas. The garden we live in. Seeds that we sow; hoping as they grow. But who will till the soil and work the hoe?

"Been here since 1999. This amazing place with so many beautiful people. Maybe this carpenter could give back, just a little.

These three male stars will be joined by three more female stars to compete for the coveted Mirror

Ball Trophy. Next week, we will highlight the amazing women. You can now go to the Seed's website at dwtps.org to learn more about all the stars and their coaches and vote for your favorites.

Voting is now open - start voting online today at: vote.dwtps.org. Each \$1 vote moves a star closer to winning the fabulous trophy and bragging rights for the next year. You can vote for as many stars as you would like as many times as you want. But, more importantly, all the proceeds go to sustaining Seeds of Learning's tuition mission to provide affordable, highquality early childhood education in Pagosa Springs.

All tickets include voting for your favorite star, a buffet dinner served by our fine-dining restaurant, a fabulous show which is sure to entertain and open dancing with the Tim Sullivan Band playing during voting. Ticket sales will open to the public at 9 a.m. on July 14. Watch our website and the DWTPS Facebook page at facebook.com/ Dancingstarspagosa/ for specific instructions on ticket purchase.

Seeds of Learning is a nonprofit, standalone preschool serving approximately 58 preschoolers yearround, ages 2.5 to 5 years old. The critical proceeds from this event are what make a sliding scale tuition possible for the families in our community. Please help support the most vulnerable population in Pagosa Springs — our children.



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Results announced for Healthy Archuleta participatory voting

By Rose Chavez

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

We are pleased to announce the results of our participatory voting process last week. A total of 148 people voted and the proposal ranked as the highest priority by the community was Grow More Local Produce.

1. Grow More Local Produce: 538 points.

2. Community Food and Nutrition Education Program: 489 points. 3. Free Food Mobile Market: 482

points. 4. Design of Local Food Hub: 371 points.

5. Nutrition Security Health Navigator Program: 340 points.

The Grow More Local Produce proposal is aimed at supporting increased and sustained local food production in Archuleta County. This program will attempt to increase the number of growers by supporting more growing spaces

(backyards, patios, indoor home environments as well as public spaces). This program will also help support more local farms to both increase production and extend the growing season.

We appreciate your participation and look forward to future participatory processes that invite and welcome the community's voice into Healthy Archuleta's decisions.

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

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Are you a weed warrior?

By Ethan Proud PREVIEW Columnist

Weed warrior might pique your interest, but before we go any further, let's preface what we are talking about. Noxious weeds are invasive, non-native plants that have been introduced through human behavior far beyond their natural ranges.

These plants can be injurious to wildlife by reducing available forage and altering migration routes, detrimental to livestock by crowding out desirable forage or through their toxicity, and harmful to human health by containing caustic saps or being toxic enough to kill within minutes.

In Archuleta County, the Weed and Pest Department manages these species on both public and private land with help from partnering agencies and individuals. Since 2017, the department has taken on a strong stance for public education and has installed bootbrush stations, written a slew of articles and put on several major events. But, there still seems to be a gap, from the transplant just moving to Colorado from an urban environment to the longtime local who just purchased land infested with thistles. As the educational outreach has increased, so has department demand. There simply aren't enough service providers in the county, nor enough staff to handle every private property.



While updating the Archuleta County Integrated Pest Management Plan, the Local Weed Advisory Board stressed the importance of homeowner associations (HOAs) and community-based outreach. This is where the weed warriors come into play.

The Weed and Pest Department is striving to do site-specific weed tours with a small number of participants to identify local weeds and management techniques. The participants of these HOA or community weed tours would then be armed with information to share with their neighbors and community leadership. The goal is not to report neighbors that have weeds to an authority, but rather create a network of information which can arm residents with the tools and know-how to manage their own property for noxious weed species. Weed warriors would understand plant biology, control methods, resources for herbicide use, herbicide alternatives and management goals.

During the 2022 field season, the Weed and Pest Department hopes to identify interested in-

dividuals, conduct a site-specific weed tour with each interested party or individual, get community feedback and synthesize a program to be administered in 2023.

The Weed Warrior program will not grant any participants the right to enter private properties or to conduct weed mitigation on properties that they themselves do not own. The focus of this program will be to extend the educational network of the department to amplify management efforts across the county.

If you think that you are a weed warrior or that your HOA would benefit from one, please reach out to the Weed and Pest Department at (970) 264-6773 or eproud@archuletacounty.org.

Volunteers needed

Archuleta County 4-H needs volunteers. We are looking for short-term commitment for superintendents at the county fair. Please contact our office at (970) 264-5931 or contact 4-H Coordinator Becky Jacobson at rjacobson@ archuletacounty.org.





Beginning Monday, June 13th, we will begin dinner service at 4pm. Live music and specials throughout the week.

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Summer Reading Program offers myriad activities for all ages

By Carole Howard PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

If you haven't already done so, we hope you will sign up now at your library or register online for this year's Summer Reading Program, which began June 6 with the theme "Oceans of Possibilities."

Pick up a bingo card because participants get a small prize every time they complete a bingo sheet.

The Summer Reading Program is one of our most popular events of the year. It includes activities for all ages that are fun, free and educational. And it encourages learning and new opportunities for everyone from toddlers to seniors.

Watch for details of special Summer Reading events in this and future "Library News" columns all summer. And pick up a copy of the events calendar each month at your library to be sure you and your family don't miss any of the fun. There are three versions children, teens and adults.

Save the date for book sale

This year's Friends of the Library book sale will open on Thursday evening, June 23, at 6 p.m. for members (memberships are available at the door), and then open to the public on Friday and Saturday, June 24-25.

It will be in a new location — in the Fellowship Hall at the Community United Methodist Church downtown . And it's a new time of year as well, moving to June to avoid the month of August which is so busy with community events, including the Archuleta County Fair.

You'll find lots more than books to buy at great bargain prices — there are audio books, DVDs, puzzles and games as well. While you enjoy these treats, you'll be contributing to the health of your library. Last year the Friends' book sale raised more than \$2,000.

The Friends always need help sorting, boxing and preparing for the sale. As well, year-round our volunteers go to the library to sort through donations to find the ones appropriate for the annual sale. If you would like to volunteer with the Friends, please contact Wennona Brown at wennona@ centurylink.net.

We hope you'll put the Friends book sale dates on your calendar for a fun summer outing.

Legal clinic tomorrow

The free legal clinic this month is happening by appointment tomorrow, Friday, June 10, from 2 to 3 p.m. Please come into the library to meet privately via Zoom with our volunteer attorney who will



answer your questions, show you legal documents and help you fill out the necessary forms.

To schedule an appointment, at the beginning of the month send an email titled "Sign-up for Free Legal Clinic," with your first name and phone number, to rubv@ pagosalibrary.org, or phone (970) 264-2209 or stop by the library. The volunteer attorney's time is limited, so it's first-come, first-served. This clinic takes place on the second Friday of every month.

Paws to Read Friday

Friday, June 10, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grades are invited to share their favorite books with Muppet, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories, at a free Paws to Read session. This is a great way for beginning readers to build confidence.

LEGO Club Saturday

Kids aged 6 and up are invited to bring your imaginations — LEGOs are provided — on Saturday, June 11, from 11 a.m. to noon for the free LEGO Club. LEGO challenges also are posted on Facebook if you can't make it to the library

Writing challenge

A new all-ages writing challenge will be posted June 13 on the library's Facebook page. We hope you will challenge your creativity by participating in this free activity.

Adult gaming

Enjoy free video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect on Monday, June 13, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Ruby's Book Club next Tuesday

Ruby's Book Club meets in person from 2 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, to discuss "Finding Dorothy" by Elizabeth Letts. Copies are available at your library. This book club is held the second Tuesday of each month, alternating between fiction and nonfiction titles. Anyone is welcome to attend.

In-person Dungeons and Dragons

Join us next Tuesday, June 14, from 4 to 6 p.m. for our ongoing in-person Dungeons and Dragons game for teens and young adults. Contact claire@pagosalibrary.org to learn how to join.

Free sessions take place at your library on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

Spanish conversation

Next Wednesday, June 15, from 4 to 5 p.m., we will gather in person at the library to practice speaking and listening skills together for this free session. There is no minimum skill level required to attend. You also can learn Spanish and many other languages using the Transparent Language Learning database available at: https:pagosalibrary.org/ online-resources/

Board games fun

Fourth- through 12th-graders are invited to a free board games session next Wednesday, June 15, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Join us to play a variety of board and tabletop games.

Summer Reading Club for kids

Join our Summer Reading Club for kids kindergarten through fifth grade next Thursday, June 16, when we'll explore the world of ships and sailors and you can build a boat of your own.

Virtual teen advisory board

Next Thursday, June 16, the teen advisory board will meet from 4 to 5 p.m. on GoogleMeet. Fourth- through 12th-graders are invited to bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Video call link: https:// meet.google.com/jav-wcht-szx.

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continued from previous page StoryWalk in new location

Our very popular StoryWalk has resumed at a new location. We are pleased to partner with the Town of Pagosa Springs to bring the Story-Walk to the Riverwalk downtown. It starts at the Ross Aragon Community Center and heads north toward the green houses.

The June 1-12 featured book is "Hey Water" by Antoinette Portis. The June 13-30 book is "Wonder Walkers" by Micha Archer.

Special family storytime

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

Special guests Lisa Baker and her friend Fluffy Dog will provide puppets, storytelling and silly fun on June 15.

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.

Adult education

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) sessions 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. No registration is required.

Library hours

Most of our programs are happening in person and curbside service continues. Also, our hours are back to pre-COVID levels - and even more on weekdays:

• Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, your library is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• Tuesdays and Thursdays, your library is open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

• Saturdays, your library is open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Activities calendars

To be sure you don't miss any of the free library activities available to you and your family, we encourage you to pick up a copy of the events calendar each month. There are three versions — children, teens and adults.

Downloadable books

CloudLibrary has a wide variety of downloadable e-books and audiobooks for all ages. Accessing your library's free digital collection has never been easier. You just need to download the cloudLibrary app, answer a few simple questions, select AspenCat Union Catalog for the name of your library, then enter your library card number and four-digit PIN. You are now ready to browse, borrow and read e-books and audiobooks using cloudLibrary. Library staff are happy to help you set up your device if you need assistance.

DVDs

"The Batman" includes a special feature on Gotham's villains and heroes. "Uncharted" is a buddymovie adventure. "Tyson's Run" features an autistic teen who wants to run a marathon. "Abraham Lincoln" is the three-part History Channel presentation.

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Books on CD

"E-Day III Dark Moon" by Nicholas Sansbury Smith is book three in the sci-fi series. "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michele Richardson follows a trailblazing woman in Kentucky's Appalachian Mountains. "22 Seconds" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro is a Women's Murder Club mystery. "The Ravaged" by Norman Reedus tells of a man who discovers a secret past. "When She Dreams" by Amanda Quick is a historical romance set in 1930's California. "Robert B. Parker's Revenge Tour" is a PI Sunny Randall mystery.

Mysteries and thrillers

'City on Fire" by Don Winslow features two criminal empires about to be broken up by a modern-day Helen of Troy. "Magpie" by Elizabeth Day follows a couple whose lives are upended by a new roommate. "Trust" by Hernan Diaz tells of a powerful wealthy couple whose source of wealth is a mystery.

Other novels

"Summer Love" by Nancy Thayer takes place at a reunion in Nantucket. "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michele Richardson follows a trailblazing woman in Kentucky's Appalachian Mountains. "The Good Left Undone" by Adriana Trigiani explores the lives of an Italian nurse, her daughter and granddaughter. "Flint of Mirror" by John Crowley is a story of history and magic in Ireland.

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Healthy Archuleta features Community Learning and Leadership member Joline LeftHandBull

By Rose Chavez

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

The Archuleta County Nutrition Security and Health Equity Assessment that kicked off in December 2021 continues its ongoing work to engage the community through a Community Learning and Leadership Circle (CLLC) that meets on a weekly basis.

The CLLC is made up of a group of diverse Archuleta County community members who are commit-

ted to contributing to the design of the assessment during this first phase of the project, which will onclude at the end of June. CLLC members engage in learn-

ing through module presentations facilitated by Healthy Archuleta and partner organizations about the concepts of nutrition security and health equity.

On a weekly basis, the CLLC members helped inform the assessment as it relates to 1) primary/ See Member on next page

Member

■ continued from previous page preventive health care access and utilization (coverage, timeliness, workforce and services) and 2) bolstering our community-based food system (food production, food transformation, marketing and distribution, getting and preparing food, eating nutritious foods, food safety, food waste prevention, and resource recovery).

A community-based participatory approach is used to capture people's voices and lived experiences related to access to food and primary/preventive health care in Archuleta County. Additionally, both food and health care organizations will have the opportunity to share information as it relates to primary/ preventative health care and food efforts.

Healthy Archuleta is sharing individual profiles of CLLC community members who are serving their community in this capacity. This week we are featuring CLLC member and community leader Joline LeftHandBull.

1. Health is the new wealth. What does that mean for you and your family's health in Archuleta County? "For me that means self care so I can take care of my family and community. For me it means taking care of myself so I can model and take care of others around me. For us, our family, we are trying to figure out if we can afford what it means to eat a healthy diet and be active on a daily basis. It is a matter of priorities. For me I define family as anyone that I am connected to on a regular basis because we are always interacting and those relationships are important and show how we are interconnected. We value those relationships in my indigenous culture and want to bring those folks closer in our circle since family and health goes beyond blood." 2. What are your ties to Archuleta County? "My kids are going to school here. That is what brought me here and ties me to this community. Also over the past few years I have been involved with the work of Healthy Archuleta to make positive changes so that more community members can benefit from having access to fresh and nutritious foods."

3. What do you see as your role on the CLLC for the Nutrition Security and Health Equity Assessment? "I see my role as using my voice and being involved in changes that will impact my kids and the community now and long into the future. I want my children and the next generation to be involved and take advantage of all the opportunities to be healthy in Archuleta County. I also see my role as learning and asking questions to be able to make changes in the community so that everyone can benefit. Sharing my lived experience and knowledge and also hearing and learning from others experiences around the issues we are discussing in this community has been really integral to the CLLC process. Sharing knowledge and skills is helpful to others so we can collectively excel and be healthy together."

4. What is your vision for a healthy Archuleta? "Having a space and room for dialogue in our community to support community members' diverse ideas and creativity is my vision so that we can create more leadership opportunities, events, and gatherings around being healthy. also want that vision to include helping the next generation to be involved and value working with a diverse group of people no matter their age, skin color, politics or the language they speak. I think also centering Indigenous and Hispanic knowledge will also provide a restorative framework for health that is accessible for everyone. Ultimately, we are all trying to do the same for our families and move our community

forward. There are many of us that want to be change makers for our children so that they can be more successful and overcome barriers that have been stumbling blocks for many generations."

5. What do you think is critical about the dynamics of learning and

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I attend the Archuleta County Veterans (Vets 4 Vets) meetings on a regular basis

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Joline LeftHandBull

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continued from previous page leading on the CLLC for this assessment?"Learning... the knowledge, the working, the phrasing, the ideas... how everything and all the people put in a lot of effort to this point every week since January. Just coming together with other community members that live different lifestyles than you but have similar values is amazing, motivating and uplifting to hear different perspectives each week. Finding solutions is easier when you have a variety of perspectives to work with. Having open minds, being positive. Having everyone at the table is powerful. This is optional but everyone shows up every week because this is important. This makes you feel valued as a human being and as a community member. Knowing that you are there on a weekly basis matters to the group participation. It is like a refinement of ideas. It is an intensive time every week and respectfully taking in everything that is being presented to us in that time and working together to accomplish in a timely manner is a worthy challenge for our communities health now and is an investment in the future."

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Photo courtesy Healthy Archuleta Thurman Reitz by the hoop house on their farm outside of Chama, N.M.





Local food heroes: Thurman and Diane Reitz

By Rose Chavez

Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Healthy Archuleta, a local nonprofit in Archuleta County also known as the FSFE — Food Coalition, continues to celebrate the local food heroes that make up the food system in Archuleta County and the surrounding southwest region.

These individuals uniquely contribute to the community's vision for a sustainable, healthpromoting and equitable local food system so that everyone has access to affordable, nutritious foods.

The effort to capture the profiles of these integral community members was initiated as part of the Archuleta Food System Summit that took place April 9.

Today we would like to feature Thurman and Diane Reitz, who shared this narrative with us:

"Chama River Farm is located in Los Ojos, New Mexico, south of Chama on the Chama River. We started Chama River Farm six years ago after Thurman retired, and we began selling our products at the Pagosa Farmer's Market three years ago. Our flock of over 150 chickens produces the eggs and controls the insects and pests that might damage the vegetables growing in the main greenhouse in the winter or the 4 portable greenhouses in the summer.

"We have always been interested in agriculture. Thurman is a veterinarian and has served on the New Mexico Livestock Board. We enjoy growing vegetables and bringing all the produce to the farmers' market where we have met a lot of good people. The farm is also home to dwarf Nigerian goats, but we don't sell any goat related products.

"The biggest challenge for us is usually the weather in this area. The growing season is shorter, so finding the right varieties to grow in this area takes work and time. We started with one main greenhouse, and have added 4 portable greenhouses to extend the growing season which has worked well, because it gives additional space for the chickens.

"We are proud to have gotten the garden established, and to be able to bring healthy products to market. It brings us joy to spend our retirement growing, which is a long held dream of ours."

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Before you vote for County Commissioner for District 3, here's some information about this unique district.

- A large portion of the district is zoned for agriculture currently in use as working agricultural businesses.
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- The district also has hundreds of small farms and ranches starting at 35 acres up to several hundred acres, that produce or support the production of agricultural products.
- The area runs thousands of cattle and yields several million dollars in agricultural business each year.

If you haven't thought about it this way before, consider now that a big part of the reason you chose to make your home in Archuleta County is because of its surrounding wide-open spaces, lush green pastures, its western heritage and its ranching community.

I represent and respect this way of life, I care deeply about it, and I have a firsthand understanding of their specific needs and challenges - Why? Because I am one of them.

Starting in 1995 my wife and I spent a large portion of our time working on my in-law's cattle ranch in Chromo. Making Archuleta County our home in 2005. We live on a 5th generation agricultural property and my wife, and I have volunteered for several non-profits locally over the last 20 years and worked to keep our western heritage alive. I started out in Masonry and operated my own business before transitioning to Law Enforcement where I served Archuleta County citizens for 12 years. I am a part time Colorado Brand Inspector and have deep roots as well as relationships in all facets of the agricultural operations in Archuleta County.

I am the only Commissioner running for this District that has this necessary expertise, experience, background, and understanding.

Elect a Commissioner for this District that has a heart, a passion, and a true understanding of what this District represents to our wider community and County.

A tale of two rural Western counties

By Dave Marston PREVIEW Columnist

Why would rural Delta County, Colo., say no to a solar farm that would enrich the county by \$13 million over 15 years at roughly the same time neighboring Montrose County said yes to a solar farm that might power nothing but the energy-draining cryptocurrency industry?

In early March, Delta County commissioners voted 2-1 to deny a 472-acre solar array built by Guzman Energy, a move that would help shift the local rural electric cooperative, Delta-Montrose Electric Association (DMEA), to clean energy. Many locals found the no vote not only mystifying, but also infuriating.

Unlike Guzman Energy, which financed DMEA's exit from its former power supplier, Tri-State Generation and Transmission, the business called Co Mine 1 Landco LLC in Montrose is secretive, though crypto mining, aka validating cryptocurrency transactions, is the likely use, according to the Colorado Sun. The Sun points out that the company's vagueness failed to trouble the Montrose County Planning Commission, which recently approved CO Mine 1 Landco LLC's land-use change.

As for Guzman's failure in Delta County, "The problem is some (people) got political, just because it was solar," said Delta County Commissioner Don Suppes, the sole yes vote. "We're sending the wrong message that we don't want people investing in Delta County."

Delta County is culturally split. Up valley, in the North Fork of the Gunnison Valley, residents support solar power and there is a thriving solar installation school in the town of Paonia. Down valley is a more conservative, row-cropping and family-values community. The county votes 70 percent Republican.

But the consensus, at least until now, was that the electrical co-op was a local champion, serving both Delta and Montrose with electrical power and fast Internet.

Producing electrical power from home is the holy grail of the energy transition, so Guzman's plans seemed tailored to Delta County, a right to farm community. Sheep could graze among the solar panels, said Suppes, and "it was still grazing — just as critical as row crops.'

How did these two counties, neighbors with similar geography, come to hold such starkly different worldviews?

You could say that Montrose County started with a deprived childhood. When white families forced out the Indigenous tribes and moved into Western Colorado in the late 1800s, Delta County prospered. Some came equipped,



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backed by Eastern money, with nothing more than pick, shovel or if lucky — mule scrapers. They dug miles of ditches below the West Elk Mountain range that brought water down for imported fruit trees. Coal in those same mountains was found early and mined.

Meanwhile, Montrose was left in their dust. No pick or shovel could divert water that simply did not exist in the barren Uncompanye Valley.

Montrose land speculators' lobbying efforts paid off in 1909, when the Bureau of Reclamation finished the Gunnison Tunnel, sending 500,000 acre feet of Gunnison River water annually to Montrose County, turning the valley into an agricultural force.

Right now, the two counties are neck and neck based on household income, though Montrose County is better at creating jobs. Its major town, Montrose, bustles with outdoor equipment businesses and an airport favored by the resort town of Telluride.

Delta County, in its North Fork, boasts vineyards and organic agriculture, a sizable number of Internet workers and a growing summer tourist trade. But Delta County still chases Montrose when it comes to economic growth.

"Delta has a long history of turning stuff away that ends up in Montrose," said Suppes, pointing out that in 1973, Russell Stover Candies wanted to build its factory (closed in 2020), in Delta but was turned down, so chose Montrose.

In the early 1980s, Louisiana-Pacific (LP) looked in the Delta-Montrose area for an oriented strand board plant (OSB) location. Manufacturing OSB — a substitute for plywood — involves brewing toxic resins with wood chips.

LP chose Montrose County, which agreed with the caveat, legend has it, that the giant glue factory situate far from downtown Montrose. The Delta-Montrose County line, where the plant landed, is just 7 miles from the town of Delta compared to 14 miles from Montrose. Like it or not, Delta got the criminally polluting factory, now closed.

The former LP plant now hosts the crypto mine.

In Delta County, Guzman is certain to keep looking for a home for its solar farm and Suppes is convinced that, now, Delta will say yes. Perhaps this time Delta County can get both the solar plant and the tax revenue.

Dave Marston is the publisher of Writers on the Range, writersontherange.org, a nonprofit dedicated to spurring lively conversation about the West. He grew up in Delta County.

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Bridge returns to Senior Center

By Christina Knoell PREVIEW Columnist

Bridge takes places at the Archuleta County Senior Center Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Bridge is a four-player card game with partners sitting opposite each other around a table. It is a trick-taking card game using a standard 52-card deck. Come alone or bring a partner. Proof of vaccinations is required.

Community Café menu

Thursday, June 9 — Beef Frito pie, coleslaw, milk, salad and blueberry cobbler.

Friday, June 10 - Chicken salad with green salad or as a croissant sandwich, carrot salad, milk and strawberry shortcake.

Monday, June 13 — Pork red beans and rice, cauliflower salad, milk, salad and French apple tart.

Tuesday, June 14 — Spinach and mushroom quiche, potato leek soup, milk, salad and fruit salad with whipped cream.

Wednesday, June 15 — Beef Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, milk, salad and peach cobbler.

Thursday, June 16 — King Ranch

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chicken, sautéed zucchini, milk, salad and chocolate toffee crackers.

Grab-n-go meals

Reservations and cancellations are required. Please call by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you want to pick up a meal. A suggested donation of \$5 helps to sustain our program. No one will be turned away for their inability to donate. For more information, call (970) 264-2167.

Donations needed

Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) has an immediate monetary need of raising \$100,000 from our community to strengthen a Round 2 state of Colorado grant opportunity.

ASI is proposing a \$2 million request to purchase a new senior center, including the cost of renovations for a large dining room, food storage, offices, a large commercial kitchen and space for

Applications being accepted for community garden

By Rose Chavez Food System/Food Equity Coalition

The Vista Lake Community Garden at 230 Port Ave. by the gazebo in Vista will soon sprout a bounty of food for local families.

The new community garden is taking applications for memberships available for 2022. Anyone can be a member of the garden, but preference is given to people who live in the neighborhood for the individual plots.

Successful applicants will be provided seeds/vegetable starts, tools, soil, water and gardening instruction. Gardeners will get to keep their harvest if it is an individual plot or if they are tending the community beds that will provide food to be distributed to the neighborhood and food pantry network according to the Community Learning and Leadership Circle (CLLC) members that oversee the leadership of the garden.

Applications for memberships to the community garden, which include guidance and supplies as well as a produce share, are available for \$15/year. Individual plots are an additional \$15/year. Scholarships are available for those with a demonstrated need. Please contact Jen Pitcher at jenp@plpoa.com to request/pay for a bed and/or membership to the community garden.

All gardeners are required to

complete one to two hours of volunteer work a month that benefits the garden as a whole. These hours can include weeding or watering common areas, composting, improving infrastructure, cleaning tools and helping with events.

Plots are assigned first-come, first-served to Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA) residents. Those who do not receive a plot will be placed on a waiting list and contacted if a plot becomes available during the season. Community members who do not live in PLPOA may still be members of the community garden, but will be restricted to growing in community plots and will enjoy all other member benefits.

Another opportunity to join in on the garden activities will be this upcoming Sunday, June 12, from 4 to 6 p.m. Come help us plant the community garden with fruits, vegetables and flowers that will be grown and shared with the Vista neighborhood and surrounding community through engaging programming opportunities this growing season.

We will have a guest speaker who will share the benefits of regenerative and sustainable agriculture.

For more information about the events and activities of the Vista Lake Community Garden, please contact the FSFE — Food Coalition at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com or (401) 371-3227.

Please consider donating to ASI by calling (970) 264-2167. You may also mail your donation to P.O. Box 3444, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. We are located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., in downtown Pagosa Springs. For general information about ASI, please visit: http://www.psseniors. org/.

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VeronicaMedina4Commissioner@gmail.com Paid for by Lauri Heraty and Veronica Medina for Archuleta County Commissioner Committee

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Scene ... kicking off this summer's 19th Hole Concerts at Pagosa Springs Golf Club. The concerts, which continue on Thursday evenings through the month of June, benefit local nonprofits.











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 western meadowlark.

When the Lewis and Clark expedition traveled west in 1805, Lewis noted a bird nearly physically identical to the bird known as the old field lark (sturnella magna) in the east.

The western bird's song was so different from that of the eastern that it kept the populations separate. Forty years later, feeling that this bird had been overlooked, Audubon gave the western meadowlark species status with the scientific name of sturnella neglecta.

Meadowlarks have a bright yellow breast with a black V shape in the center. The dark brown, streaked feathers of the back provide camouflage in their grassy habitat. White outer feathers of the tail flash in flight.

The flute-like song of the western meadowlark rings across open grasslands, meadows and fields in spring and early summer. Males may spend a month staking out and defending a breeding territory before females arrive. Songs may serve as audible fences to keep rivals out, and physical fence posts serve as ideal places to perch and sing.

Meadowlarks exhibit seasonal preferences in diet, utilizing what is most nutritious at the time. In summer, they feed on invertebrates, including some that are agricultural pests. In late fall they switch to weed seeds, adding grains in spring. Like other members of their blackbird family, they feed in a method known as gaping. Using strong muscles, they open their bill after sticking it in the ground or bark to create a hole and capture buried insects unavailable to many birds.

Faring better than many grassland birds, western meadowlarks are still widespread and common. For information on events, visit www.weminucheaudubon.org and www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.



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Members of the local Knights of Columbus led a patriotic rosary at Hill Top Cemetery on Memorial Day. The intimate gathering was dedicated to all 50 states in the nation and included prayers for both local and national leaders.

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 various sources. All are encouraged to contribute inspirational pieces. This Sunday, June 12, our theme is "Longing For God." "Blessed is he who, in his sore longing after Thee, hath cast away all except Thy self. Blessed is he who hath enjoyed intimate communion with Thee, and rid himself of all attachment to anyone save Thee."— Baha'u'llah.

The Baha'i Faith is an all-embracing world religion founded on the principle of unity. It recognizes humanity's spiritual nature and the innate nobility of every human soul. Among the teachings of the Baha'i Faith are the investigation of truth; the oneness of God; the oneness of mankind; justice; universal peace; the conformity between science and divine revelation; the equality of women and men; and the abandonment of racial, religious, worldly and political prejudices. 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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Group to discuss spiritual keys to solving problems

By Laurah Brock Young Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs

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- play a role.

• Experience a technique that can provide spiritual guidance.

People of all faiths and beliefs are welcome.

This discussion, sponsored by Eckankar is free of charge.

To find other in-person discussions and online events offered by the Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs, visit: https://www. meetup.com/pagosa-springs-spiritual-experiences-group/events/.

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Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

While the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is having our own services on the first and third Sundays of the month, we have the opportunity to join the Unitarian Universalist (UU) Fellowship of Durango service on Zoom this next Sunday, June 12, at 10 a.m., to hear the Rev. Munro Sickafoose.

We will be watching it at the Pagosa Fellowship or you can watch it at home on Zoom — the website link is below and you click on "click here."

If you are attending in-person, please plan on arriving by 9:45 a.m. so we are ready to join promptly at 10 a.m.

The UU Fellowship of Durango's website states about the service: "Our humanist roots are sourced deep in the Enlightenment. What did happiness, reverence, hope and reason mean to those who lived and thought in that time? How do they inform Unitarian Universalists today?"

If you are watching from home, the link is: https://durangouu.

org/worship/upcoming-worshipservices/.

Sickafoose has been serving as one of two targeted ministers for the Durango UU Fellowship for the last six months. Sickafoose received his M.Div. from Starr King School for the Ministry and serves as a community minister with the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Sante Fe and as a consulting minister with the Unitarian Congregation of Taos.

Depending on the current recommendations concerning COVID and the comfort level of those in attendance, please be prepared to wear a well-fitting mask while in the building. Social distancing will be encouraged and, to that end, the maximum capacity of the fellowship has been reduced to 25.

Our fellowship, based on its seven principles, offers each individual support in their unique spiritual path and an opportunity to participate in social and environmental action. We welcome diversity and invite everyone to share in our faith community.

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is located in

New Thought to hear from spiritual artist

By Shayla McClure New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

Sunday service is at 10 a.m. on June 12 with Shari Silvey, who will speak about her journey of faith and wisdom to create her works of art and insights for spiritual growth.

She is a spiritual artist from Sedona, Ariz., and the author of "The Power to Transform" book and card deck.

"I believe that art unlocks a very potent power to transformation. Using nature as a catalyst and creative outlets such as writing, drama, painting or drawing, we learn to trust our intuition and merge the spiritual with the earthly realms," she said.

Upcoming events

Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.: meditation and yoga with Madison Humes.

SpiritHeart Band practice is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. We welcome musicians and singers to join SpiritHeart band. Please text Mc-Clure at (970) 510-0309 for band information.

June 18: Playshop with Deborah Steddom, author and wisdom teacher.

June 18, 5 to 7:30 p.m.: United for Freedom with Bruce Wayne Classic Rock and Country, Pagosa Lodge Courtyard.

June 24, 5 to 8 p.m.: Courtyard Concert Fundraiser for Chimney Rock Interpretive Association, Bruce Wayne Classic Rock and Country, Pagosa Lodge.

About us

The New Thought Center 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 enhance our members' life experience through self-empowerment, inner peace and being part of an inclusive community. Our mission is to create a world that works for everyone through awareness of a higher power. We are the "Good Vibe Tribe" that practices Science of Mind principles of positive thinking.

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

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

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Trusting God and our storms

By Stan Counsell PREVIEW Columnist

If we were told to imagine a storm in life, what would come to mind? If we started a list, it could go for numerous pages. It isn't often that we see a real thunderous storm coming our way but, when we do, we can prepare for it. We would get our vehicles under shelter, close off certain windows, bring everyone in and provide for our pets. We would make certain that we had water, food, storm lanterns, flashlights and candles prepared, and more. We would always match each coming calamity with wise preparations.

But, most often it's a personal storm that arrives unannounced, a tragedy like an unseen sucker punch. We are caught flatfooted, our mind is in disarray, our chest tightens and breathing becomes painfully labored. Our feelings are awash with profound sadness, anger and despair. We didn't deserve this. Y'all get the picture, right?

"Why me? Haven't I been good enough?" Was God napping so that the storm slipped past Him? So many questions, tightly wrapped in groaning agony, grieve us significantly as if the emotional storm will last forever. Rarely is a personal storm easy to forget. A thunderstorm will pass, but what about that particular storm that ravages our heart?

The most common cry is, "Why, God?" Most people live their lives stiff-arming the Lord, like a running back avoiding a tackle, because we want things our way. Yet, when a catastrophe blindsides us, it's always God's fault. But really, just where was the Lord?

He was right there. His heart is perfect love. It is still broken at a fallen and rebellious world that overwhelmingly refuses His love, direction, comfort and salvation through His only Son, Jesus Christ.

When reading Matthew 11:28-30, we see Jesus calling out to all, not just some, of us. He knows and suffers our pains, for He said, "Come unto me all of you who are weary and laden with heavy burdens and I will give you rest."

An old secular saying declares, "Life is tough and then you die." We can chuckle at first, but then reality sets in and we realize that life can indeed be tough. The unexpected death of a family member, a lin-





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gering life-threatening disease, a divorce, a wayward child, a toxic work environment, gas prices and inflation — the list is endless. When relying on our own strength, life can be very hard to endure.

The operative wording is "our own strength." We are flawed, woefully limited in handling life's many curveballs. Our inner toughness can be a bar set too low. We can endure many things, but then comes the big "whammy" that not only rocks our boat, it washes us overboard.

Enter our beloved Peter, an apostle in the New Testament. He was an impulsive daredevil, strong, rugged and an often-opinionated fellow. In Matthew 8:14-27, his

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mother-in-law was bedridden, sapped completely of her strength with a high fever. This was serious if it disturbed Peter. Today, one might think or say, "Gee, it's but a fever, ya big baby! Take some Tylenol and get on with life."

That wasn't the case some 2,000 plus years ago. Some medical treatments could work: honey, herbs, wine, figs, olives and even salvia. But, much of medicine was archaic. Cures would be laughable today. In the ancient cultures, medical treatments could border on the bizarre. Imagine the diluted bile of an elephant being used to treat bad breath, python bile for genital ulcers, snail slime for warts, animal excrement was of use and urine for whitening teeth. That's sick.

Peter, and his household, knew death could be at the door. Knowing the limits of their medicine, they pleaded with Jesus to come inside and heal her. Jesus, always the personal Savior, took her by the hand, rebuked the fever and she was made well, so well that He helped her to her feet and she served all in the house.

A question for all of us is whether Jesus is in our house, too. In Revelation 3:20, Jesus is recorded as standing at the door and knocking to come inside for fellowship and an intimate shared meal. But, how odd, the door was closed to Him. Notice that He didn't barge in. We need to open the door and invite Him in. Having such a personal relationship would certainly include our needs and concerns, right?

Dear reader, Jesus wants to live with all of us, be our rock and strength in trying times. Let's check our heart to see if He's knocking or if He is helping to set the table for a meaningful time together. Let's go for the meal with that ultimate guest.

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Thursday, June 9

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- Labyrinth Guided Walk. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. A docent is available for a guided walk of the Chartres-designed labyrinth. The labyrinth is available dawn to dusk behind the parking lot at the wooden cross.
- **Open House.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 455 Heath Drive. Contact Jean Brittingham, listing agent, for more information, (970) 507-0885.
- Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.
- Archuleta County Virtual Pro Se Clinic Free Legal Clinic. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library To be added to the sign-up sheet, send an email titled "Sign up for Free Legal Clinic," plus your name and phone number, to ruby@pagosalibrary.org or call (970) 264-2209. All free. Space is limited.

- Paws to Read. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For Ages 5 and up. Come and share your favorite book with Muppet, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories. Paws to Read is a great way for beginning readers to build confidence.
- **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.
- 13th Annual Pagosa Springs Car Show: Street Party. 5-8 p.m., Lewis Street. The Car Show will kick off with stunning cars, food vendors, beverages and live music.
- Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Bright Star.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Inspired by a real event told in the song "The Ballad of the Iron Mountain Baby." For more information and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org.
- Movie in the Park. Dark, about 9 p.m., athletic field at Town Park. Enjoy a classic movie put on by the Pagosa Springs Police Department.
- See Calendar on next page

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- **TARA's Annual Treasure Trail**, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., TARA Community Center, 333 Milton Lane, Arboles. The biggest garage sale of the year. Refreshments will be served. At 3 p.m., a historical presentation will be made by Patty Tharp, author of the two volumes of "The Lost Communities of Navajo Dam." A video of two former Rosa community members will be shown. For more information or to sign up for the Treasure Trail, call Yvonne at (970) 799-3064 or email at taracommunitycenter101@gmail.com. The deadline to be included on the
- Treasure Trail map is June 1. 13th Annual Pagosa Springs Car Show: Show and Shine. 9 a.m., Lewis Street. There will be stunning cars and motorcycles, a costume contest, live music, voting for the People's Choice award and more. The awards ceremony will begin at 2 p.m.
- Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available
- LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 6-12 years old. We have the LEGO bricks, all you need to bring is your imagination. Contact the library at (970) 264-2209 for further information.
- Open House. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 455 Heath Drive. Contact Jean Brittingham, listing agent, for more information, (970) 507-0885.
- Open House. Noon-3 p.m., 141 N. 5th St. Contact Peggy Andrews, independent broker, for more information. (970) 946-0473.
- **DUST2 Summer Trail Work Night.** 5:30 p.m., location to be announced. Visit www.dust2.org or https://www.facebook.com/pagosabike for more information.
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Sunday, June 12

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- Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available. Moonlight Melody Program. 6:45-
- 9:15 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www. chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.

Monday, June 13

- 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. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.
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- Kids' Workshops. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Contact the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association office at (970) 731-7133 to register your child.
- Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Proof of COVID vaccination required. If you have not attended

before, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 for more information.

- Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.
- Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Come alone or bring a partner. Proof of vaccinations required.
- Adult Gaming. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect. Contact the library at (970) 264-2209 for further information.
- Cornhole League. 6-8 p.m., PLPOA clubhouse. Limited to the first 16 people at the door. For more infor-

mation, contact Barbara McDonald at (602) 622-9053.

Full Moon Program. 6:30-9 p.m. with an early tour at 5:30 p.m. Chimney Rock National Monument. There is a \$20 fee for attending or \$25 to attend with an early tour. Guests See Calendar on next page



10 SECRETS TO LIVING 10 TIMES BETTER

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"It is more blessed to give than to receive." — Acts 20:35

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- 7 Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them, ..."
- 8 "Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, ..."

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- 4. If possible, pay for a friend's, colleague's or a stranger's lunch.
- 5. At work or at school, perform a random act of kindness.
- 6. Find a worthy cause and volunteer.
- 7. Find a worthy charity and donate your time or whatever resources you can afford.
- 8. Join a church or a community organization and help the surrounding community.
- 9. Give to a non-profit organization doing work in a third world country.
- 10. Sponsor someone who wants to go on a missionrelated trip.

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who attend the early tour. check in at the gate by 5:45 p.m. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www.chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.

Tuesday, June 14

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- Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta 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 community-focused events. We welcome your participation in fundraisers to benefit fellow vets. You served once, join us in continuing that service. Contact (970) 880-8387 for more details.
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- Pagosa Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., PLPOA conference room, 230 Port Ave. Duplicate players new and experienced are welcome. This group will soon have a sanctioned game and director; at this time we will just gather and enjoy the game. Please email names of playing pair to pagosaduplicate@gmail.com or call (970) 946.6454 for more information.
- Ruby's Book Club. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. This month, we will be discussing "Finding Dorothy" by Elizabeth Letts. Copies of the book are available to pick up at your library. Anyone is welcome to attend.
- Dungeons and Dragons. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens and vound adults. Join us for our ongoing game. Contact claire@ pagosalibrary.org for details on how to join.
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The Weekly Crossword

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- **1** Stinging remark 5 Light on one's feet
- 10 we forget...
- 14 Direction at sea 15 Blanchett film
- set in 1950s 16 Quite fond of
- 17 Castaway's
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- 24 García Márquez 52 work, "Love in the Time of
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- **37** Eaten up 38 Watchful
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- officer
- 45 Cruise purpose
- 47 Roulette bet
- 48 Parlor piece
- 50 Winner's flag 52 Series of
- contests
- 54 Tariffed goods
- 57 Lock opener?
- 58 Buy alternative
- 60 Ending with hard or soft
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Family Storytime with Lisa Baker. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Join us for great stories, fun games, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. A great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Join our guest presenters, Miss Lisa and her friend Fluffy Dog, for some puppets, storytelling and lots of silly fun.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Beginner lessons 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Loaner paddles are available.

- Board Games. 3:30-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in 4th-12th grade. Come in for an afternoon of tabletop games. Escape from a sinking island, be the penguin with the most fish and lots more. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.
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- Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., Google Meet. For those in the 4th-12th grade. Join us to help plan library events. Let us know what you think the library should be doing for you. Video call link: https://meet. google.com/jav-wcht-szx.
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Pagosa Night Rodeo. 6:30 p.m. preshow, 7 p.m. rodeo. Western Heritage Event Center Rodeo Grounds. Tickets available at the gate. For entries and information, call (719) 480-3189.

Friday, June 17

- Riverwalk Naturalist Tours. 8 a.m. Native Plants Garden on the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership site in Centennial Park. Join naturalist guides on a tour of discovery through the Riverwalk wetlands conservation area. The area is rich in natural history and ecological treasures. Tours are free and last approximately 1-1.5 hours. The 1.5-mile paved trail is wheelchair accessible. Please bring water, sunglasses, a hat and your curiosity. Cameras and binoculars optional. Pets should be left at home. No reservations are needed. This program is sponsored by the Weminuche Audubon Society, Pagosa Wetland Partners and the Springs Resort. For more information, email pagosawetlands@gmail.com.
- Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available. Seventh Annual Vacation Bible Camp. 9 a.m.-noon, Pope John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. The cost is \$35 (limited number of scholarships available). A fun-filled week for kids pre-K through middle school at the outdoor pavilion. This year's camp theme is "Food Truck Party-On a Roll with God." Registration deadline is Friday, June 10. For more information, call (970) 731-5744 or email jpiioffice@gmail.com.
- Community news. The Pagosa Springs SUN 264-2100

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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

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Labyrinth Guided Walk. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. A docent is available for a guided walk of the Chartresdesigned labyrinth. The labyrinth is available dawn to dusk behind the parking lot at the wooden cross

- Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.
- **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.
- **D&D Meetup.** 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. For ages 10 and up. Adults are invited to participate. Need a group to play with? Come to the library for a chance to meet other players and DMs. Join us for some mini games and to hang out and talk about RPGs.
- Comfest 2022 Free Outdoor Concert Series. 5:30 p.m., Town Park. Featuring Dreem Machine and Ragwater.
- Night Sky: Stars and Galaxies. 7:15-10 p.m. Chimney Rock National Monument. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www. chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.



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SEPTIC SYSTEMS INSTALLED 7K, sand and rock hauling, leveling, grading driveways and drainage. Call (970)507-0142.

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LOCAL LAWN MAINTENANCE and yard cleanup. Mowing and weed trimming. Call (970)317-3120 for free estimate.

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TREE REMOVAL. Licensed and insured up to \$2 million. Free estimates. No obligations. Call OR text (970)903 8068.

NEED WORK FOR SMALL BACKHOE, truck and 18' trailer? Can dig holes for new trees, ditches, etc. or move dirt or other objects. Call Kurt at (801)201-2122.

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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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TIRED OF THE MUD? We gravel driveways. Reasonable rates. Call J.D. for a free estimate. (970)903-7091.

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HEALTH SERVICES

HOT SPRINGS HEALERS. Healing sessions in the hot springs! Chiropractic/ craniosacral and acupuncture. Serving Pagosa over 27years. Dr. Dean Sanna and Amanda. (970)844-0645.

HELP WANTED

BREAD BAKER, EVENING SHIFT. Passionate and responsible staff member to join our team. Previous food service experience a plus, will train in baking artisan breads and pastries. Play all day, work at night. Print application at https:// www.pagosabakingcompany.com/contact/ opportunites/, drop off at 238 Pagosa Street.

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.

GROWING SPACES IS HIRING a summer gardener. Wednesday- Saturday schedule with option for more hours. \$15+ an hour depending on experience. Go to www.growingspaces.com/ employment/ to fill out an application or email resume to employment@growingspaces.com. MAINTENANCE PERSON NEEDED. Part time to full time, \$18/ hour+ depending on experience. Valid driver's license and transportation required. Send resume to jared@itrip.net.

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY HELP WANTED ADS — tinyurl.com/d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

SAWMILL HELP. GENERAL LABORER needed for local sawmill. Please call (970)264-5000 for more information.

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.

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.

PRESS OPERATOR ASSISTANT — WILL TRAIN – Position open immediately to assist operating newspaper press. Must be able to lift 50 pounds and stand for long periods. 30 hours a week. Must have a clear driving record and driver's license. \$16-\$17 to start. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com, drop resume to, or fill out application at, The Pagosa Springs SUN, 457 Lewis Street. Qualified applicants will be contacted. No phone calls, please.

HELP WANTED

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PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a full time Senior Technical Support Analyst. The Senior Technical Support Analyst provides technical assistance in person. via telephone, or remotely to computer system users. Services network equipment, including servers, workstations PC's and printer hub. This includes new equipment evaluation, and set-up, hardware maintenance, software support and user education. Receives escalated problem requests from users and promptly diagnoses and troubleshoots "system level" problems in hardware, software, and networking; performs technical support, which may include field and remote site assignments to diagnose and resolve complex problem calls related to hardware and software. Compensation range is \$28.00-\$34 Starting Work Bonus 5%. Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Animal Shelter Front Desk. Part time, Friday and Saturday. Must be detail oriented and computer literate. Must be a team player. Reliable transportation. Background check required. Pick up application and apply in person at the Humane Society Animal Shelter, 465 Cloman Blvd.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a Health Information Management (HIM) Manager. The HIM Manager is responsible for supervision and daily operation of the HIM Department. This individual is responsible for assisting in Quality Improvement activities, must have expertise in all phases of HIM, must know Hospital Departmental Policies and Procedures, Federal Regulations, State Law, requirements of accrediting agencies, medico legal and ethical aspects of the health and delivery system and understand reimbursement methodologies. Daily activities will include planning, organizing and implementing strategies. Bachelor's degree in Health Information Management or related field. Ability to demonstrated leadership and supervisory skill. Excellent communication skills, collaborative interpersonal skills, and an outstanding record in clinical care and education. Must have experience as a Health Information Manager and operations management in the Electronic Health Record Environment, Must have knowledge of Federal Regulations, State Law, requirements as accrediting agencies, medico legal and ethical aspects of health and delivery system and understand reimbursement methodologies. Prefer experience as a Health Information Manager with coding background. RHIT or RHIA credential required with previous related operational and supervisory experience. Prior experience working within a Federally Qualified Health Center is preferred. Compensation salary for this position is \$56,000 to \$70,000 with a starting work bonus of 5%. Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, LTD, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

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JONES MECHANICAL. EXPERIENCE PRE-FERRED but will train right person. Excellent opportunity to learn the HVAC trade. (970)731-3046

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a Patient Registration Manager. The Patient Registration Manager's primary responsibility is to direct, supervise, and coordinate the daily activities for Patient Registration (Front Registration and Emergency Department) The manager is to ensure timely and quality services in accordance with contractual agreements. federal regulations, hospital policies and procedures while upholding professional standards. high levels of customer service and open communication. Associates degree or advanced college level courses required or equivalent experience. Courses in computer and medical terminology preferred. Compensation range for this position is \$56,000 to \$70,000 with a starting work bonus of 5%. Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, LTD, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Animal Shelter Kennel Tech. 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. Must be a team player. Reliable transportation. Background check required. Pick up application and apply in person at the Humane Society Animal Shelter, 465 Cloman Blvd.

NOW HIRING DISHWASHERS, SERVERS and busers for the upcoming busy summer season. Competitive pay. Please apply in person or ask for Jen or Kevin at The Buck Stops Here Market and Eatery.

HCCA IN IGNACIO CO is accepting applications for the following positions: Middle School Science Teacher; Middle School Math Teacher; 5th Grade Teacher. The job descriptions and application can be obtained by emailing hopecommunitychristianacademy@ gmail.com. To learn more about our school, visit HopeCommunityChristianAcademy.org, (970)563-0692.

ASSISTANT BREWER. Opportunity of a lifetime! Will train. Must be 21+ years old. Applications on Facebook, email: info@pagos-abrewing.com, or at Pagosa Brewing. No phone calls. Cheers!

ESTABLISHED CONSTRUCTION COMPANY hiring All Positions, including Project Manager, reliable transportation a must. Submit resumes to info@fullertonworks.com or call (970)403-5119.

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. 30-34 hours per week. \$16-\$17 to start. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com. Successful applicants will be contacted for interview. No phone calls please.

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Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL is hiring 2 teacher aides for the 2022-2023 School Year. Early childhood experience is preferred for both positions. If interested, please call Leah for more information at (816)585-2892.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire a Public Works Director. The individual selected for this position will oversee the major functions of the Town's Public Works Department which includes the Streets Division, Utility Division, and Facilities Division. 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 Job Opportunities.

THE UPPER RIO GRANDE SCHOOL District is seeking applications for a Jr/Sr High School Principal. Applicants must hold a current Colorado Principal license and previous experience as a Principal or Assistant Principal is preferred. Applications may be obtained online at www.urtigers.co. Please submit your application, resume, and cover letter to: Aaron Horrocks, Superintendent, ahorrocks@ urtigers.co, or call at (719)657-4040.

IN NEED OF RESIDENT COOK, Housekeeping Manager and Maintenance. Room and board plus hourly pay. Apply at taramandala.org/ connect/employment-opportunities/.

ELEVATION HEAD SHOP ISO a new team member! Must have excellent customer service, attention to detail, highly motivated. Drop by a resume.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a full time Call Receptionist. Operates clinic telephone switchboards and consoles to connect, hold and transfer telephone calls and provide information to assist callers or refer them to appropriate contacts, either in the organization or elsewhere. The Call Receptionist does daily problem solving for incoming callers by making informed decisions by communicating with the proper depart, as well as checking and confirming patients appoints. The Call Receptionist performs routine, and some non-routine, continuous work involved primarily with the operation of a telephone switchboard and the operation and maintenance of a computerized database of telephone information. Included in the non-routine work, the Call Receptionist retrieves and organizes incoming electronic faxes for appointments, referrals, authorizations and order requests for the following departments: Radiology, Clinic and Providers, Specialty Clinic, Surgery Scheduling, Oncology, Lab and Medical Records. The Call Receptionist reviews the faxes for complete and accurate information that includes: Patient Demographics. Insurance. Prior Authorization. Provider information and Signature, CPT and Diagnosis. Returns the incomplete fax back to the Outside Providers requesting updated information and following up until results are obtained. Compensation for this position starts at \$14.00 with a starting work bonus of 5% Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, LTD, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www. pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or guestions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.



er, Math Teacher, Boys' Asst Basketball Coach, Asst. Soccer Coach, Elementary-Asst. Principal, Classroom Teacher, Family School- Part-time Spanish Teacher, Classified-Paraprofessionals (all campuses), Evening Custodian, Part-time Assistant Cook. Bus Drivers. Substitutes all positions. For more information, contact Laura Mijares at Imijares@pagosa.k12.co.us.

Compensation for this position is \$14 with a

starting work bonus of 5%. Benefits include

generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision,

life insurance and retirement plan with employer

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www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may

be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk.

Please email applications, resumes or questions

to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at

heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to

(970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center

PONDEROSA LUMBER IS SEEKING a

customer oriented person for a full-time cashier

position. Knowledge of hardware and building

materials is a plus. We offer competitive wages

with Holiday pay. Please apply in person at 2435

WE ARE HIRING! San Juan Mountains Associa-

tion (SJMA) is searching for a visitor information

specialist in the Pagosa Ranger District office.

Full-time/ year around position. To learn more

OFFICE ASSISTANT NEEDED for estab-

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(970)403-5119 and submit resumes to info@

GENERAL LABORER NEEDED for con-

struction, to include framing, year around!

No experience OK, will train the right person.

Eagle Drive in Pagosa Springs.

and apply, visit www.SJMA.org.

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CNA CLASS STARTING SOON. Full-time positions available. Alternating weekends off. Competitive wages and benefit package. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa

GOODMAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE is looking for a part-time sales associate and a partl-time data entry/ shipping and receiving associate. Sales associate must be friendly, self-motivated, and willing to work weekends. Data entry associate must be tech savvy and good with accurate repetition. Come pick up an application at 402 Pagosa Street.

ARE YOU LOOKING TO WORK for a company focused on rural community development? Do you love working with a high driven and a fun team? 1st Southwest Bank is looking for a Personal Banker and Teller. Offering a strong benefit package and career growth opportunities. For more specific details, visit https://www.fswb. bank/who-we-are/careers. EOE

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN SCHOOL is hiring a janitor to clean the school for the 2022/2023 school year. If interested, please call Leah at (816)585-2892

education, and compliance. Gives feedback to the HIM and Patient Registration Manager, and gives suggestions for improvement initiatives. Responsible for obtaining authorizations for ordered services, timely and accurately, to ensure reimbursement for outpatient and inpatient services. The specialist is responsible for providing complete documentation of clinical information to payers in support of healthcare services to be authorized. High school graduate or equivalent required. Advanced level courses and/or AHIMA or AAPC certification preferred or three (3) years or more of equivalent experience. Courses in medical/clinical terminology and computer. 3+ years' experience in coding with primary focus in facility outpatient and inpatient and pro fee coding. Experience with a Critical Access Hospital and Rural Health Clinic preferred. Salary Range: \$23-\$27 with a starting Work Bonus of 5%. Applications may be downloaded at www. pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

NOW HIRING- COME JOIN our Lone Spur team. We are hiring all positions: cooks, servers, expos, press cooks. We offer 401K and insurance and the ability to move up and run your own store. Stop in the store or contact us, (970)398-2449

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INSTRUCTIONAL COACH NEEDED at Del Norte Jr/Sr High School. Candidate should be proficient in all areas of teaching and learning with an emphasis on professional practice and the teaching and learning cycle. The coach will be responsible for consulting with and supporting the instructional teaching staff in using resources that impact student learning. The coach will provide support and professional learning to instructional staff as needed. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree or higher and possess or be able to obtain a Colorado Teaching License. Please submit your application, resume and cover letter to: David Grabowski, Principal at dgrabowski@urtigers.co or contact David at (719)657-4020. Applications can be picked up at the District Office or online at: urtigers.co.

Apply online at tchs4c.org/careers/

COVID-19 Vaccination Mandated Employer

Durango 4C Council/Tri-County Head Start is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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.

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, also shift leads needed. 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.

an opening for a full time Financial Counselor. The Financial Counselor is responsible for providing key financial information to patients, offering charity and financial assistance and arrangements as needed. Screens for Medicaid eligibility and refers and assists eligible patients in filing the application. Works with patients to collect the out-of-pocket amounts due the hospital. Compensation range is \$15.78-\$17.85. Starting Work Bonus 5%. Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

ROOF LABORER NEEDED with some construction experience. Will train. \$20-\$25/ hour to start. (970)749-0830.

SUBWAY IS HIRING- Enjoy working in a fun environment with a great team? Earn a strong hourly wage with tips while serving our wonderful community? Apply in person at either location or apply online at subway.com!

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264-2100 Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday — Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

HELP WANTED

We Are Hiring

FLOOR ASSISTANT

\$14 per hour + Tips

• 4 pm - 9 pm • Greeting and welcoming

- customers
- Passing out samples
- Explaining how to order & use our beer tap wall
- Ability to gauge customer preferences

• Excellent communication skills

Stop in for application 175 Pagosa Street





PARKS MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire a Parks Maintenance Technician. The individual selected for this position will be performing duties related to the maintenance and upkeep of the Town parks. 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 Job Opportunities.

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.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT. Axis Health System is recruiting for a Full-Time Medical Assistant to join our integrated care team at Archuleta Integrated Healthcare. Responsibilities include assisting with patient care and procedures. phone communications and managing patient flow. Education and experience requirements: HS or GED. 1-3 years of experience as a MA. Certified Medical Assistant preferred. Pay Range: \$16-\$18.96 which includes a \$.50 locale differential at our Pagosa Springs worksite and considers preferred experience and preferred education. Benefits: PTO, Sick Leave, Public Health Emergency Leave, Health, Dental, Vision, Life, and 401k. Apply online or see detailed job description at https://axishealthsystem.bamboohr.com/iobs/ Axis Health System is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status or any other characteristic protected by law.

HELP WANTED

dadspaintdrywall@outlook.com

HELP WANTED

ASSISTANT/ APPRENTICE POSITION. Part time, but could grow to full time for the right person. Duties to include hanging, taping and texturing drywall, prepping doors, walls and ceilings for paint, cleaning tools and paint sprayers. Must be willing to learn and be a team player. Pay range is \$15-\$25/ hour depending on experience. No flakes. Please send resumes and references to

LOOKING TO LEARN A TRADE and spend your days in a fun, fast paced environment? Mountain Home Sound and Security has 2 positions: a Security Technician and Administrative Assistant. Experience is a plus but not required. Background check, valid driver's license and neat professional appearance required. Please pick up an application at 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., Unit B-3. Monday- Friday, 9a.m.-5p.m. or email resume to mhsspagosa@gmail.com.

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.

PAGOSA PINES CONDOMINIUM OWNERS Association has an opening for a Property Manager, Pagosa Pines Condominium Owners Association is a 17 building, 78 unit condominium complex which is bordered by Pinon Causeway, Village Drive and Davis Cup in uptown Pagosa. The position requires an individual with experience in property management and knowledge of Colorado Condominium Owner Association Regulations. This is a contracted position with an annual income range of \$50,000 to \$55,000. The Property Manager will have administrative and operational responsibilities to the COA Board, property and owners. A detailed list of responsibilities is available upon request. Please submit letters of interest and resume to Gregg Smith at PagosaPinesBoard@gmail.com.

PAGOSA PEAK OPEN SCHOOL is hiring for the following positions: Full Time Food Service Advisor; Part-Time Food Service Assistant; Part-Time Para Specialist, Please visit our website for a full job description and salary range at www. pagosapeakopenschool.org. Resumes may be submitted by email to Areali@ppos.co.

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

THE DEL NORTE HIGH SCHOOL Athletic Department is currently seeking High School football assistant coaches for the 2022 football season. Applicants must be able to meet all CHSAA and District certification requirements for coaching. If you are interested or have any questions, please email Richie Madrid, Athletic Director (rmadrid@urtigers.co) or Coach Henry Castillo (lcastillo@urtigers.co)

DEDICATED CLEANERS, UP TO \$17/ hour. Must be detail oriented, trustworthy, reliable and committed. Text Pagosa Sparkles, LLC, (970)946-6446

HOUSEKEEPING POSITIONS AVAILABLE full time. Elexible schedules and competitive wages. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr.

BWD CONSTRUCTION- Positions open for skilled construction and remodel laborers. 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

FULL-TIME LPN OR RN POSITION at Pine Ridge Extended Care. Apply in person, 119 Bastille Dr. Under new management

DISHWASHING DINNER GURUS! Earn more \$\$\$ here (!) with up to \$24/ hour in shared tips. If you like a clean and organized environment, join the team at Pagosa Brewing & Grill, All Team Members share tips! Apply on Facebook, email: info@pagosabrewing. com, or in-person at 118 N. Pagosa Blvd. No phone calls. Cheers!

PAGOSA PEAK OPEN SCHOOL is hiring a first/ second grade teacher for the upcoming school year. PPOS is a year round Place/ Project Based school with mixed aged classrooms. Teaching certificate encouraged but not required. If you enjoy working with children in a hands-on project environment, please visit our website at www.Pagosapeakopenschool. org for a full job description. CV or Resume may be submitted by email to Areali@ppos.co. PAGOSA LIQUOR IS HIRING a full-time cashier. Please come and apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

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PSMC HAS FOUR (4) Patient Registration Clerk openings: 2 full time Front Registration Clerks, one full time and one part-time Emergency Department Registration Clerk. The Clerk provides administrative support courteously greets all patients in person and on the phone in a timely manner, is responsible for the accurate and efficient entering of patient information in the Electronic Health Record through the Registration Conversation, is responsible for verifying insurance eligibility. and is responsible for collecting and posting insurance co-payments and patient payments. Compensation range is \$14.25-\$16. The ED Registration Clerk who works night shift also receives a night differential pay of additional \$5 per hour. Sign-on bonus of 5%. Benefits include generous PTO, health insurance, dental, vision, life insurance and retirement plan with employer contribution. Applications may be downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org or may be picked up at PSMC's front registration desk. Please email applications, resumes or questions to PSMC's Human Resources Manager at heather.thomas@psmedicalcenter.org or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

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Classifieds Office Hours: Monday — Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

YARD SALES

MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE. Saturday only, 9a.m.-2p.m. 435 Blue Jay Circle. Women's clothing sizes 3-16, housewares, books, DVDs, tools and more. Everything priced to sell

MOVNG SALE. SOME FURNITURE. household goods, some tools, kitchen items, 215 Sam Houston. Friday and Saturday, starting at 8a.m.

GREENBRIER PLAZA, UNIT B-15, 301 N. Pagosa Blvd. Household items, furniture, bicycle. Saturday, June 11, 7-11a.m.

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY YARD SALE and FOR SALE AD UPDATES - tinyurl.com/ d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

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BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

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YARD SALES

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8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Over 30 locations Maps available at South Fork Visitor Center 719-873-5512

GARAGE SALE! Saturday and Sunday, June 11th and 12th, 7a.m. to 3p.m. Cookwear, dishes, fabrics, curio cabinets, curios, and Christmas decor. Everything must go. 1719 N. Pagosa Blvd. Be there!

YARD SALES

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LARGE ESTATE SALE. Friday and Saturday, 8a.m.-4p.m. Four bedroom house, almost everything going. Furniture to jewelry and collectibles. 83 years of belongings. Follow signs from wildlife park on Hwy. 84. 571 Wildlife Park Road. (970)946-7859.

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MOVING SALE. 400 CACTUS DR. Saturday 6/11, 8a.m.-2p.m. Camping, sporting, tools, a bunch of everything. Priced to move.

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YARD SALE, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, 8a.m.-2p.m. 296 Circle Dr., Unit 1, Aspen Springs. Cheap junk.

YARD SALES

FOR SALE

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FLATBED TRAILER FOR SALE. 6'5" wide by 16' long, tandem axle with brakes on one axle, angle iron rails, bumper pull, 2" hitch. \$2,000. Can be seen in downtown. Call (970)946-5456 eveninas

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FOR SALE

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Interim Superintendent's message



Interim Superintendent Laura Mijares

Graduates,

On behalf of the Archuleta School District, I extend a sincere congratulations and best of luck to the Classes of 2022 for both Pagosa Springs High School and San Juan Mountain School. You have been exceptional representatives of our schools. I do not doubt that you will continue to serve as worthy ambassadors for the district by building upon our reputation for excellence.

I believe that graduates of Archuleta Schools are remarkable in that, regardless of your path forward, all of you have the opportunity to enrich the lives of those around you. As you embark upon and progress through your lives, I urge you to always remember your ability to impact your community and the world around you.

I would also like to give special thanks to our graduates' parents, extended families, and friends for their patience, understanding, sacrifices, and moral support during these challenging but rewarding years in high school. Families, although your guidance, comfort, and encouragement will continue to be sought and appreciated in the years to come, you can rejoice in the maturation and growth of your students. Relish the shared pride in what your graduate has accomplished and the abundant opportunities ahead.

Students, I would ask that you not forget your high school, former teachers, and fellow and future Pirates in the coming years. I encourage you to not only give back to our schools by supporting activities, programs, and scholarships but also by keeping us updated on the many achievements you will experience in your careers and personal lives. We will always take great pride in your accomplishments. Congratulations again to the graduates of our high schools.

Board of Education

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Principal's message



Sean O'Donnell

Graduates of the Class of 2022,

Congratulations and commendation to you on your achievement of graduation from Pagosa Springs High School. It has been an honor and pleasure to watch each and every one of you grow over these last four years. It seems like just a moment ago when you guys walked into the gymnasium as a starry eyed freshman for our opening assembly. I am sure at that time, graduation seemed so far away. Now here you are officially joining all of the past Pagosa Springs High School graduates as alumni.

As I reflect back on what you have been through these couple of years, I can't help but think of how many things you were forced to miss out on at the end of your sophomore year and junior year. Your ability to persevere through difficult times did not go unnoticed. I would be remiss to not take a moment to thank you, the class of 2022, for being leaders at PSHS as we came back to a more regular school year. You were able to reestablish many of our traditions, and have paved the way back for future Pirates. I would like to send off by saying, always be grateful, and look at the world with your eyes wide open. Do not forget your heart; follow it until the end. In the process of chasing your dreams, there will be difficulties, failures, disappointments, occasional embarrassments, and plenty of struggles. None of which are likely to be terrible or life shattering. Please trust me, much happiness will come from your struggles. All of you have demonstrated amazing effort and confidence over the past thirteen years. Class of 2022, as long as you have dreams, goals, and perseverance, you will achieve outstanding life accomplishments. You all have the ability to achieve great things!

To Your Continued Success,

Sean O'Donnell

Administration

Pagosa Springs High School Assistant Principal Chantelle Jordan Pagosa Springs High School Counselor Mark Thompson

Senior class advisors



"What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us." ~Ralph Waldo Emerson



Darcy DeGuise

"A (hu)man sees in the world what he carries in his heart." ~ J.W. von Goethe



Caitlin Forrest

"My wish for you is that you continue. Continue to be who you are, to astonish a mean world with your acts of kindness." - Maya Angelou



JD Kurz "The greatest use of life is to spend it on something that will outlast it." -- William James



Mylinda Blankenship "The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you."—B.B. King"



Heather Miller

"Life begins at the end of your comfort zone."—Neale Donald Walsch Keep challenging yourselves and pushing through your boundaries.



Senior class leadership



Head Boy Vinnizio Carranza



Head Girl Lauren Peart



Class President Ebanie Wilkins



Senior awards



Outstanding Performing Arts Student Alexandra Howe



Outstanding Visual Arts Student Ethan Mazur



Male Triple Impact Athlete of the Year Thomas Barker



Female Triple Impact Athlete of the Year Lexie Valdez



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Outstanding Female Student Nell Taylor





Outstanding Male Athlete Wilhelm Aucoin

Outstanding Female Athlete Trista Tully

All State Team / Pride Wall Recipients



Ethan Mazur - All State Choir & Band & All State Orchestra



Hayden Kiker - Choir All State



Trista Tully - Basketball All State

12 Sport Athletes



Thomas Barker

Breck Wilson



Nell Taylor

State Champions & Honors



Wilhelm Aucoin Wrestling State Champion

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." -Mark Twain





Wilhelm Aucoin Attend Fort Lewis next year to study to become a P.E. teacher



Tommy Barker Take a gap year, and work locally in the trades



Casey Beck Attend Fort Lewis and study Law



Ace Bickel Attend Fort Lewis College and study Graphic Design



Molly Bishop Attend Dermatology School



Arden Blakemore Work as a nanny and take a gap year to earn money



Sawyer Blakemore Move to New Hampshire to work at a car shop tinting windows



Cheyenne Booth Attend Palm Beach State College in Florida to study Criminal Psychology



Kelsey Britton Attend UNC and study Applied Mathematical Science



Amber Calabaza Attend University of New Mexico study Nursing.



Ryan Callado Attend University of New Mexico to study Hospitatlity Management



Taylor Capistrant Attend Grand Canyon University to study Nursing


Vinicio Carranza Attend Colorado State University, to study and major in Childhood Nutrition



Graysen Castro Take a gap year to rodeo and study nursing



Charles Copenhaver Attend trade school and study welding



Olivia Craig Attend the University of San Francisco and obtain a degree in Nursing



Mia Darago Attend massage therapy school



Ashlie Elliott Complete EMT certification, attend CSU to pursue a nursing degree to become a trauma/travel nurse



Jace Feirn Attend college to become an electrical engineer



Carolyn Foster Attend CU Boulder, major in Education and minor in Foreign Language



Tai Fulbright



Sean Gallegos Attend Colorado Real Estate School



Camilla Gostynski Attend CU Boulder to study Environmental Engineering



Molly Graham Attend college at San Juan in Farmington. Get two years within their nursing program and plan to become a psych nurse.



Robert Grose Attend Texas A&M University



Jessi Gurule Attend Chadron State College, majoring in Criminal Justice



Blaize Gutierrez Plan to travel and explore America and to continue to pursue career and passion for Tattooing



Logan Harper Attend CSU, major in Business



Ethan Hart Attend college for Outdoor Education



Sophie Heidelmeier Attend Aims Community College to earn my Commercial pilots license through their professional pilots program



Timothy Hittle Attend CMU, work towards an Associate's Degree in Business



Cannon Horton Stay in Pagosa to concentrate on work



Pryscylla Howard Plan to work and attend college through the Walmart program



Alex Howe Attend University of Utah to major in Art



Andre Jones Join the Infantry in the United States Marine Corps, the world's finest fighting force



Rhead Kay Move to Oregon to attend Eastern Oregon University



Samuel Kinsley Gap year, work in construction and masonry



Talon Knapp Enter into Job Corp and learn to weld and auto, then trade school



Sierra Liverett Attend Grand Canyon University, major in Communications



Joseph Lord Attend either NAU or UNM, major in Exercise Science



Kori Lucero Attend Cosmetology School



Stephanie Lucero Enter Workforce, work in construction and building



Audrey Martin Attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa to study marketing



Nicholas Martinez Start to learn computer science



Jonathen Matney Attend Fort Lewis College to study engineering



Kaden McKee Attend Otero College in La Junta to study welding and to rodeo



Tomas McNeill Become a biochemist, and genetically engineer a dinosaur



Jordyn Milioto Take a year off to work and enjoy life, then plan to attend Colorado Mesa University and work in the Forensics field



Stormie Mitchell Work full time at Pine Ridge



Luis Monterroso Attend trade school for journey lineman



David Morehouse Attend CU Boulder, CO to study mechanical engineering



Andrew Moya Continue a Military career, hitting the road maybe......



Hailey Moya Attend Grand Canyon University to study nursing



Joel Munoz Work at Froyo for 2 years and then attend college



Zachary Olson Attend Colorado State University to get a BFA in graphic design



Samy Owen Attend Colorado State University to study psychology



Milo Pacheco Stay in Pagosa Springs to seek local employment



Davis Parker Attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ to study Aeronautical Science and join the flight program



Lauren Peart Attend Brigham Young University and major in Family and Life Sciences



Ethan Robel Attend Colorado School of Mines



Charlotte Rodina Attend college to get a degree in chemistry



Kevin Rodriguez-Montano Attend Lincoln Tech



Dallan Rowell Attend a trade school to learn welding



Michelle Sauceda Attend Emory University in Atlanta, GA to study psychology



Mason Shoffner Attend Front Range Community College to study business



Isabella Shortridge Attend Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona to study Graphic Design



Chloee Sindelar Plan to take a fifth year to discover the world and myself.



Nikolas Slead Attend South Dakota School of Mines, major in Chemical Engineering



Blake Smith Attend Arapahoe Community College



Caroline Smith Attend Fort Lewis College, major in Musical Theater



Rachel Smith Attend Santa Barbara City College to study Environmental Science



Nell Taylor Attend CSU or CU Boulder to study biochemistry on a pre-med track as a Boettcher Scholar



Haley Thompson Becoming a Tattoo Artist



Taryn Torres Moving to Texas in July and training to become an EMT



Tianna Torres Attend TONI&GUY Hairdressing Academy in Fort Worth, Texas to become a hairstylist



Keira Torrez Attend Toni & Guy Hairdressing Academy in Scottsdale, AZ



Lexie Valdez Plan to go to college to study occupational therapy



Jack Walker Continue studying for Pilot's License while working at the golf course



Amaris Webb Attend Fort Lewis College then going to Montana State University to study criminal law



Ebanie Wilkins Attend Colorado Mesa University, major in Nursing



Breck Wilson Take off for Army Basic Training June 13th

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Principal's message



Stewart Bellina

It is hard to believe the second year of San Juan Mountain School is already behind us, and we are incredibly proud of these graduates for the work they put into continuing our school's growth and success. The class of 2022 at San Juan Mountain School will leave our campus better than it was before they arrived. These students took on the huge responsibility of designing their own campus this year and continued the work of the first graduating class of our new school. By creating a space that will serve our students for years and years to come, they ensured the school will continue to represent students just like them and be a welcoming place for learning.

These seniors did more than just work on the physical space. They also helped to create engaging curriculum and course offerings, design educational and exciting trips, and develop the culture of our school community. Some of their contributions which will be offered again next year include classes in Game Design, Robotics, World Cultures, and Community Service. Trips they helped to design which will certainly be repeated in years to come include an exploration of the Chaco Canyon National Historic Site, a Santa Fe museum tour, and trips to Wolf Creek Ski Area. These classes and trips helped our students remain engaged in learning throughout the year, and they would not have been nearly as successful without the support of our seniors.

But we are most proud of this class for the culture they created within our school. Students felt respected, heard and valued for their individuality. The seniors were leaders in creating an environment that was safe for all students and valued respect, creativity, learning, and supporting each other every day. Like any community, a school is a reflection of its leaders. These students took on leadership roles in many areas of our school and will leave a positive mark as a result. The entire staff at San Juan Mountain School will miss each of them tremendously. We are grateful they gave us the chance to support them in their journies as students, and we hope they continue to leave their marks wherever they go from here.

Administration

San Juan Mountain School Counselor Myron Carr San Juan Mountain School Special Education Becky Johnson San Juan Mountain School Secretary/Registrar Krisha Doocy San Juan Mountain School Special Education Steve Basinger

Pillar award



Senior class advisors



"May your trails be crooked, winding, lonesome, dangerous, leading to the most amazing view, May your mountains rise into and above the clouds." Edward Abbey



Jami Harms

"There is no passion to be found in playing small-in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living" Nelson Mandela



Andy Guinn "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, it's not." Dr Seuss



Austin Archibald Start work as a painter and bike the Colorado Trail.



Adrianna Archuleta Work at Pagosa Springs Medical Center and save money to begin trade school



Jonathon Armendariz Attend Central New Mexico Community College and study Mechanics



Logan Bollig Move to Gunnison to enroll in Western Colorado College to study Computer Science



Marques Brown Work and save money to go to college



Kellen Butler Pursue a career in social media



Yolanda Chavez Attend college and study Cosmetology



Chice Dawson Attend Avalon Institute in Phoenix and become certified in Cosmetology



Ryan Elliott Attend lineman school at Colorado Mesa University with a scholarship from LPEA



Isaiah Giles Move to Aurora to live with my family and work to save money



JD Guilliams Attend San Juan College and study ranching and automotive



Asaunda Hancey Attend Fort Lewis and study psychology



Lucas Huddleston Go to work for Yeti Construction in Pagosa Springs



Shawn Johnson Attend San Juan College and study Computer Science



Jaden Keating Attend San Juan College and study Mechanical Engineering



Russell Lopez Work on the trail crew for the Forest Service and become a wildland firefighter



Delainy Martin Take a gap year and explore careers that interest me



Monique Martinez Work and save money for college



Steven Neuman Take a gap year and explore careers that interest me



Betsy Pina Attend New Mexico University and study Criminal Justice



Akasha Plate Work and save money to go to college



Edwin Quintana Work and save money to go to college



Jacob Reynoso Enlist and serve in the Army



Samuel Rodriguez Move to Michigan, apprentice in automotive upholstery, and attend trade school



Zeb Salazar Move to Washington and enter the Job Corps program



Daesha Segura Continue working and take a gap year



Cordy Smith Move to Colorado Springs and attend Pikes Peak Community College



Arianna Stewart Save money to travel and move to the East Coast



Isabelle Talamante Attend Central New Mexico College and study Cosmotology



Gerardo Varela Spend time with family in Mexico before starting work in Pagosa



"If you want something you've never had, you must be willing to do something you've never done."—Thomas Fefferson

Valedictorians









Asaunda Hancey

Salutatorians









Russell Lopez