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Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County most expensive places to live in region

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Town of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County are the most expensive places for a family of four to live in the region, according to new livable wage estimate data released by the Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado last week.

Within Region 9 — Archuleta,

Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and San Juan counties — Montezuma County came in as the least expensive county for a family of four (two adults with a preschooler and a school-age child) at \$71,292 annually, and Archuleta County came in at the most expensive place to live at \$92,796 annually.

“Using housing and childcare

■ See Expensive A8

Commissioners to consider moratorium on new STRs

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its July 19 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) will consider a moratorium on new vacation rental permits.

A legal notice published in The SUN explains that the moratorium will be in place “while the County develops and potentially implements new regulations and/or ordinances concerning vacation rentals

within the unincorporated areas of Archuleta County.”

County Attorney Todd Weaver states in an email to The SUN, when asked about the reasoning for the moratorium, “Local governments, such as Archuleta County, have the authority to enact a moratorium under the Land Use Enabling Act. A moratorium must be implemented through a public hearing process and be of limited duration to enable

■ See Moratorium A8

Plaintiffs seek preliminary injunction in ongoing STR fee complaint, hearing date set

By Dorothy Elder
Staff Writer

The plaintiffs in an ongoing complaint against the Town of Pagosa Springs that questions the validity of recently enacted Ordinance 982, “Short Term Vacation Rental Fee Implementation,” have filed a motion for a preliminary injunction.

If granted, the preliminary injunction would bar the town from enforcing the short-term rental fee ordinance until the trial over

the validity of the ordinance has concluded, if the court finds the ordinance to be valid.

The motion was filed on June 27 by attorney Paul Kosnik of Eggleston Kosnik LLC in Durango on behalf of plaintiffs Clinton Alley, Monica Alley, Blackhead Properties LLC, Melissa Buckley, Escapa LLC, Gregg Fitts, John Grey, Kristin Grey, JLSFUN LLC, Peter Macomber, Nicole Buckley, Olivia Modern and Aaron Moore.

■ See Injunction A8

Town council continues Pagosa Views decision

By Dorothy Elder
Staff Writer

Although the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission approved the zoning sketch application for an 80-acre subdivision tentatively being called Pagosa Views at its June 28 meeting, the Pagosa Springs Town Council moved to continue the discussion at its July 5 meeting.

The decision by council members came after the recommendation of Planning Director James Dickhoff,

who reasoned that the turn-around time in between the planning commission meeting and town council’s meeting for both town staff and the developers was too short to have the application prepared for council.

Town council members are set to hear the application at their July 21 regular meeting.

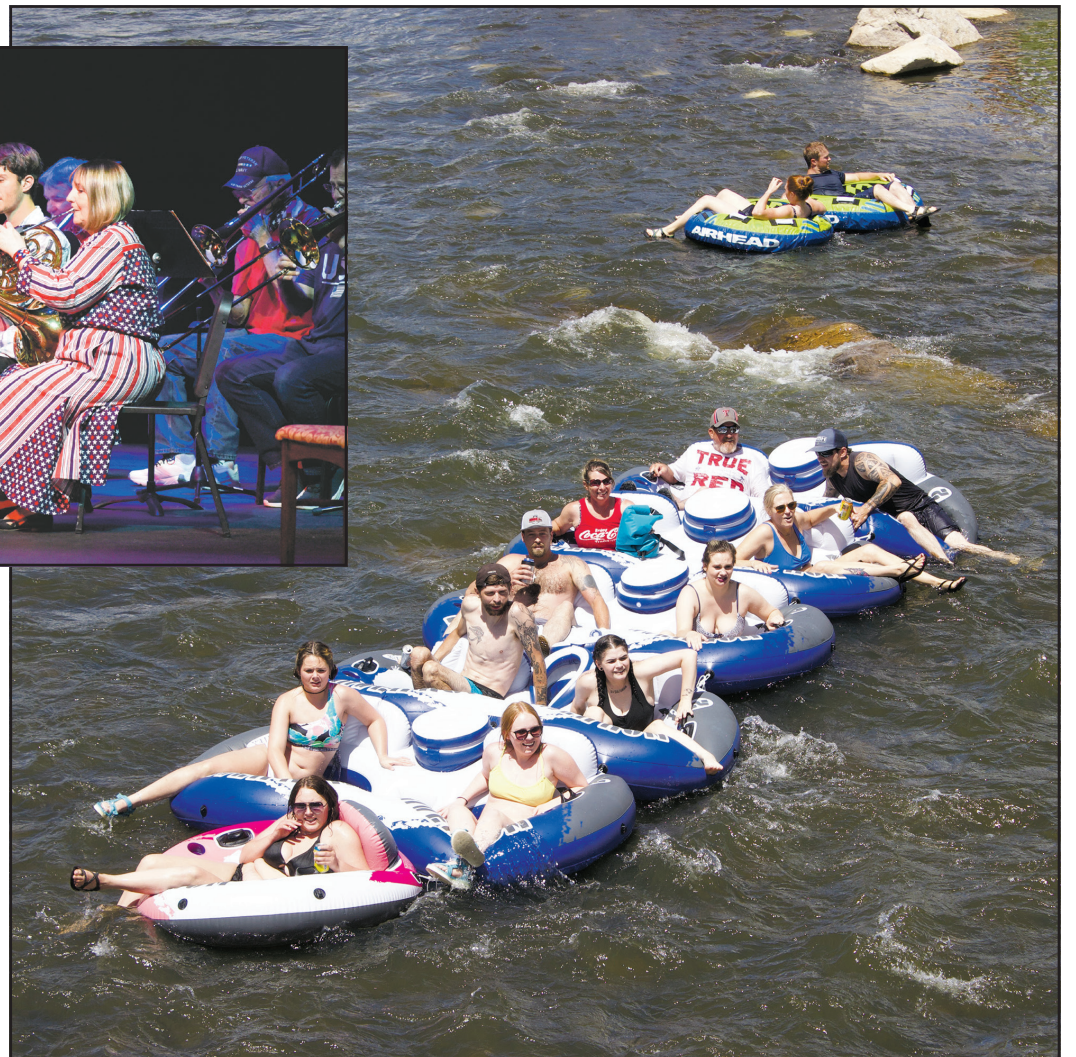
The development, to be located along U.S. 160 on Put Hill near Pagosa Springs Elementary School, is


■ See Views A8



Fourth of July festivities

SUN photos/Randi Pierce and Dorothy Elder
This year’s Fourth of July festivities included a number of local favorites and traditions, from the Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo to the Fourth of July Parade, Freedom Float, live music and more.



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OUR VIEW

Fourth of July: It takes a village

Weather reports calling for rain on Monday morning were thankfully inaccurate, with the annual Fourth of July parade set to begin at 10 a.m.

The parade route took some creative effort to realign with the McCabe Creek road construction in place, but the show did go on.

The one local group that doesn't have to follow the traffic flow is the all-volunteer San Juan Formation Squadron which was accompanied this year by members of the formation team of Chile Flight from Albuquerque, N.M. These beloved pilots have become an integral part of our hometown parade.

There's not a dry eye around when they take to the sky to kick off the parade.

Crowds were treated to a true hometown parade with families gathered along the route to cheer and wave at friends and neighbors in the parade lineup and to honor our country in celebration.

Town staff, the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club and many dedicated volunteers came together to pull off the best possible event considering the shortened route through town. We left the parade with a warm feeling brought on not only by the sun coming out for the event, but for the true sense of community that our hometown parade provides.

While many were disappointed that the fireworks had to be canceled this year, no one was disappointed when the monsoons started delivering the precipitation that this drought-stricken area has needed so badly.

The Fourth of July celebration included the perfect opportunity to cool off during the Freedom Float down the San Juan River.

The afternoon was topped off with

the Pagosa Springs Community Band Patriotic Concert featuring classic marches, military themes and local favorites at The Springs Resort.

The all-volunteer band is open to any musicians in the community. It features wind, brass, percussion and string players who come from many different musical experiences. Some of the band members have played in public school bands, others have degrees in music, some have published music and others currently play in large symphonies. The group's common bond is a love of music and the joy of many people coming together to make beautiful music at various performances throughout the year.

The Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo is produced annually by volunteers of the Western Heritage Event Center (WHEC). The organizers should be proud of the event that has become known as the best traditional American rodeo around. Cowboys and cowgirls from multiple states competed for prizes and prize money as part of the sanctioned rodeo series over three days around the Fourth of July.

It is no easy feat pulling off a three-day event that includes the presentation of flags waving from westerners on horseback, the national anthem, rodeo clowns who are both entertainers and bullfighters, the traditional Daisy BB gun giveaway, the mutton bustin' contest and traditional rodeo competition. WHEC volunteers make producing such an event look easy. We know firsthand that it is a labor of love preserving the tradition of this rodeo with a long history in Pagosa Country.

The event was named after Red Ryder, who is the feature cowboy character

in the popular long-running western comic strip created by Stephen Slesinger and artist Fred Harman. Red, with his horse Thunder, was a tough cowboy who lived on Painted Valley Ranch in the Blanco Basin right here in our San Juan Mountains.

Volunteers and local employees also made sure that multiple markets were up and running throughout the weekend. The Park to Park Artisan Market included local businesses as well as vendors from outside the area, with the Pagosa Farmers Market and East Side Market providing additional shopping opportunities.

Volunteers with Curtains Up Pagosa have produced over 85 shows in Pagosa Springs for more than a quarter of a century. Since 1989, CUP has been in service to our schools and community as the cornerstone of performing arts production in our schools and in bringing the best of community theater to our mountain town.

Curtains Up Pagosa's presentation of Pagosa the Beautiful: A Star Spangled Evening featured performances in honor of the community, country, and past and present service members.

Other community members could be found volunteering for Thingamajig Theatre Company and Chimney Rock Interpretive Association over the weekend.

It takes a village to pull off a successful Fourth of July weekend, and our hat is off to all of those who made the Fourth of July such a memorable event.

There are plenty of opportunities for more people to get involved and share in the love of volunteering for our local events throughout the year.

Terri Lynn Oldham House



LOOKING BACK

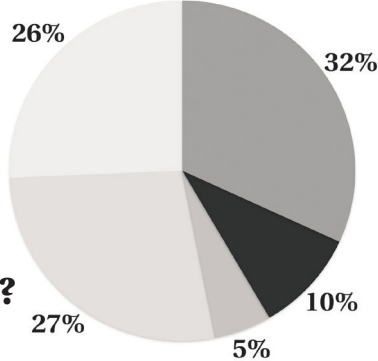
NEW OFFICERS — Guest speaker Gene Vories shakes hands with new Rotary president Bob Hand at the Rotary banquet held last Friday night at Pagosa Lodge. Rotary officers for 1981 from left to right are: Jelly Ingram, Earl Hoover, Bill Hannon, Russ Sanders, Lee Shaver, Herman Riggs and Bob Hand.

WHADDYA THINK?

What is your favorite Fourth of July activity?

Poll results (113 votes)

Parade — 32 percent
Rodeo — 10 percent
Floating down the river — 5 percent
Fireworks — 27 percent
Other — 26 percent



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Should the town approve the zoning request for Pagosa Views?

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LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 7, 1922

Leo McKinley's team, which was hitched near the Carther residence, became frightened about 11:30 Tuesday evening, and ran away, partly wrecking the Carl Carther roadster and doing considerable damage to the buggy, sidewalks, fences and porches before being captured on Lewis street.

On Wednesday evening the Rexall Drug Store of this city changed hands, W.C. McComas selling the fixtures, stock and good will to W.F. Brown, late of Clinton, Illinois and Kenneth D. Day of Pagosa Springs. The firm will be known as Brown & Day and the new owners took possession yesterday morning. Mr. McComas and family have not as yet made any plans for the future. Mr. Brown and family recently moved here to make their home, Mrs. Day being a daughter. With the change in ownership, Kenneth resigns his position with the Hersch Merc. Co., and Wm. McDevitt will remain in charge as pharmacist. We welcome the new firm and predict unqualified success in the conduct of this popular business.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 11, 1947

Pagosa Springs' newly constructed airfield was officially opened here July 4 and 5 and listed as being open on that date by the CAA. The La Plata Flying service had two planes here, piloted by Fred Klatt and Bob Toth, both of Durango. Ralph Bures, pioneer flyer of the San Juan Basin, brought his Cessna over and gave a number of local passengers their first rides. Other visitors who brought planes included Bill Ryan of Durango, John Joe and David W. Hersch of the Monte Vista Flying Service. All pilots expressed satisfaction with air conditions and the condition of the field.

Pagosa's first organized camp conducted under the recently approved Boy Scout charter, will open on the Piedra Monday at the Evans camp, the Rev. H.H. Hughes said this week. Rev. Hughes will be in charge of the camp. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts will take part, and about 60 are expected to register for the outing. Some mothers of the girls will attend the camp throughout, and parents are invited to visit during the week-long camp.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 6, 1972

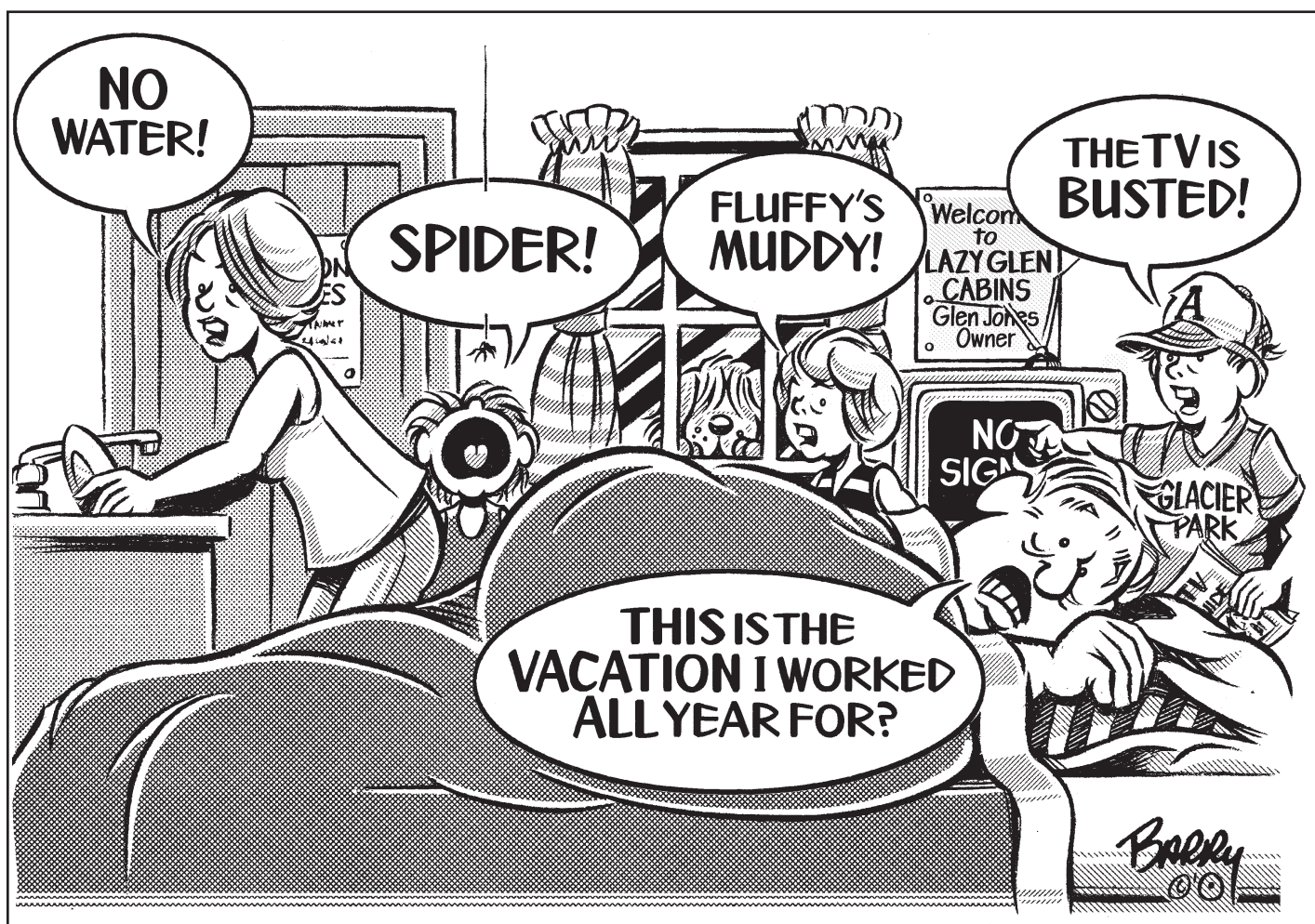
The 24th annual Red Ryder Roundup was a success in all ways. The two day celebration attracted thousands of visitors and rodeo fans, with large crowds both days at the rodeo and race meet. The fast moving rodeo was well received by the crowds. Contesting cowboys found the Buster Webb rodeo stock tough riding, tough roping and tough wrestling. Races on the track were exciting and some of the area's fastest horses were running here over the two day affair.

The U.S. Forest Service reported that the lightning that accompanied the rain and hail storm on July 4 started at least 10 fires on the San Juan National Forest in this vicinity. Most of these were small and were drowned out by rain. One such fire was somewhat larger and required the attention of fire fighting crews. Others may not be completely out and are being checked. More rain on July 5 may be of help in extinguishing the isolated blazes.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 10, 1997

With the final two bid packages (of five total packages) submitted for work on the new high school building, construction managers, architects and contractors are now looking for ways to cut costs and bring the project into line with the \$12,629,767 total budget. Construction manager, Robert Lea, reported on progress to the school board Tuesday. Lea said the fifth and final bid package (for finish work at the building) came in approximately \$190,000 under the projected budget of \$2,276,282. It was the potential costs connected with the fourth bid package (including concrete, steel, masonry and plumbing) that opened some eyes. The bids came in \$1.5 million above the projected budget of \$7,333,126. Explaining the overage reflected in the phase 4 bids, Lea said: "Construction is affected by supply and demand — by the design, and by who is available to do the work." In terms of working with design elements to reduce costs, the manager and architects set out to develop a list of value engineering items in the entire project that can be changed to reduce costs "without degrading the job."



Letters

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View on Pagosa Views

Dear Editor:
As an Archuleta County resident that depends primarily on Pagosa Springs for the basic necessities of life (food, gas, retail, dining, entertainment, emergency services, etc.) I am very concerned about the impact the proposed "Pagosa Views" development will have on not only the Town, but on Archuleta County, as a whole.

We live in Chromo and my husband commutes daily to his employment with the Town of Pagosa Springs. I make the drive at least twice weekly to attend church, grocery shop, get gas, and take advantage of other necessary services (medical/dentist appts., haircuts, etc.) — as well as social and entertainment activities.

We have been coming to Pagosa since 2006 and were excited to find our dream-property in Archuleta County. Can that be said for the out-of-state developers that are

only seeing dollar-signs? The changes we have seen in Pagosa over the past couple of decades were already alarming enough that we chose to look elsewhere in the County for our forever-home. Pagosa is speeding forward without looking at the bigger picture — to say nothing of retaining the quality of life in what is a (swiftly-disappearing) small, mountain town. The changes we have seen are doing nothing positive for Pagosa and are definitely contributing to the disappearance of what has made this town so special, for so long.

Anyone that lives here knows the struggles: the grocery store shelves are often empty of the goods we require to live comfortably. The water-situation in the county has been reduced to rationing in the past and we have no doubt that will happen again in the future. The drive through downtown and/or up and down "Putt Hill" is often slow and frustrating (since the only grocery stores are either just west of, or on the west side of Town) — I cannot imagine trying to navigate that with even more than the current traffic-load — tourist-season, or no. The response-time for emergency services is already less-than-ideal — especially if you live outside the Town (which is the bulk of the geographical land-mass of Archuleta County).

How in the world is Pagosa Springs going to absorb a development that will essentially almost double the population — along the most heavily-traveled thoroughfare? What about the impact on the already-stressed sewer system? What about police/fire/EMS/medical and any other emergency services to respond to what would basically be a doubling of the population? Is the money that might be gained in revenue really worth the loss of the essence of this beautiful, mountain town?

I propose that if these out-of-state developers really care about our Town and its residents (doubtful), they be mandated to take care

of any additionally-needed infrastructure/staffing (Hwy. 160, sewer services, grocery stores, emergency services, etc.) before the Town thinks about allowing them to build such a huge addition to this town.

If this development goes forward without such logical planning and afore-thinking, I predict a lot of trips southeast to Chama, NM for this family, instead of Pagosa Springs.

Edie Brogan

Construction zone concern

Dear Editor:

I'm writing this letter to express my concerns about the traffic control situation at the ongoing highway construction for the wildlife zone on US 160 In the area of the highway 151 junction. We have all seen the reminders about using caution in construction zones and giving the workers there extra consideration and caution. You see those reminders across the country and I wholeheartedly support the efforts to keep these workers safe. But, those responsible for the traffic control in these construction zones also have a responsibility to keep the motoring public safe. Those responsible for the traffic control at the wildlife project, are sorely lacking in any efforts to keep those stopped in traffic safe during their lane closures.

On Monday July 27th, mid-afternoon, I was westbound on 160 when I encountered a lane closure that was miles long and actually went beyond the construction warning signs. There are a number of rises on the highway on that stretch and they obscure the view for westbound traffic. There was absolutely nobody beyond the end of the traffic in the closure to warn of stopped traffic ahead. As I previously noted, this closure was well beyond the first construction warning signs. Then today, Wednesday July 29th, I observed another lane closure, this time eastbound that went all the way down to just east of the Devil Creek bridge. Again, the traffic was stopped well beyond the signs actually warning of a stoppage possible immediately ahead. This lack of concern for the motoring public is disturbing and bordering on negligence, possibly

criminally negligent. Who is monitoring the actions of this construction crew? In my regular travels through that construction zone, I rarely see the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) on site to observe what the construction company is doing. CDOT was nowhere to be found on the two days this week that I referenced. Unfortunately, what is going on at the new wildlife construction zone is a recipe for disaster.

So pursuant to CRS 24-10-101, the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, CDOT, you should be aware that you have a very dangerous situation at your construction zone for the new wildlife project. In the event somebody gets hurt, or God forbid killed, because of this situation, it wasn't because the State of Colorado was not aware of it. Once again CDOT, this is a call for you to do your job and do the right thing.

Andy Planeta

Our nation

Dear Editor:

Once again, we have celebrated the birth of our nation as "One nation under God with liberty and justice for all". We must remember that God is love, plain and simple. Those who show hatred towards another are simply supporting an evil that is man-made.

An example of good citizenship was observed when the National News reported last week about a train derailment in Missouri. They reported that there were two Boy Scouts on board, returning home from Scout Camp in New Mexico. The two of them stayed back to assist with the wounded. Yes, that is what "Scouting" teaches. So proud of them.

Attending the Annual Veterans Memorial Day Service this year, my heart sang when a local Tribal Chief brought his dear wife and their boys to join others to honor their loved ones. As always, the service was very inspirational and for his tribute, he gathered his family around the flag pole, which included the singing of "Amazing Grace". It was so beautifully sung.

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Patty Tillerson

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Sylvia McDaniel, president of the Friends of the Library

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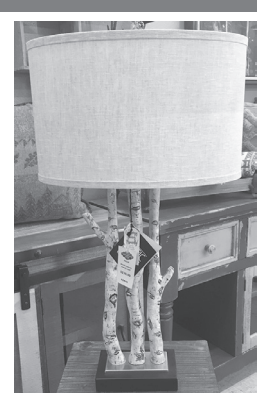
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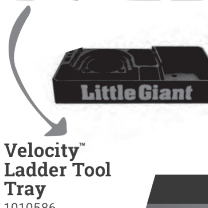
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Obituaries

Jason Luke Bruder (Jay)

Jason Luke Bruder (Jay) went home to be with the lord on June 30. He was at home surrounded by family at the time of his passing.



Jay's journey started on June 27, 1981, in Pagosa Springs. He attended Pagosa Springs schools through the 11th grade. During this time, he developed lasting friendships with some of his childhood friends. He enjoyed putting makeup on his family and friends as well as styling their hair. He did this throughout his short life.

Everyone who met Jay enjoyed his radiating smile and his contagious laugh. His laugh would turn the heads of people and make them smile and laugh, even if they didn't know why. One of Jay's favorite pastimes was to sit with his mother

on the couch trying to watch TV, but their conversations always took center stage and they had an unbreakable bond. As a child, his mom and dad would take him fishing and he enjoyed the great outdoors. Throughout his life, he enjoyed Cottons Hole and just playing in the river as well as soaking at the Spa Motel. Jay lived in Florida for a short time and he enjoyed the beach and the ocean. Jay loved to travel and went on many vacations with his Uncle Bill's family. Jay also liked to take long drives and take in the scenery and the wildlife. He just enjoyed being outside and the fresh air. He loved to talk on the phone with his friends and family and reminisce about the crazy things they did as children. Jay grew up as an only child, but he had a few cousins that he spent a large part of his time with, Chasity Renteria, Derek Manzanaras and Clinton Manzanaras. The four of them were more like siblings than cousins.

Jason is survived by his mother, Diana Bruder, and his father, Tom Bruder, of Pagosa Springs. He is also survived by his uncles and aunt, Vicente Manzanaras, Gerald Manzanaras (Jane), Bill Man-

zanaras (Lori), Fred Manzanaras (Jessica), Steve Bruder and Dave Bruder, all of Pagosa Springs. As well, Russell Bruder (Theresa), of Washington; Jimmy Bruder (Diane), of Michigan; and Cindy Isacs, of Michigan. He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Joe and Dora Manzanaras, of Pagosa Springs; Milton and Jane Bruder (formerly of Pagosa Springs); his Uncle Joseph (Adoro) Manzanaras, of Pagosa Springs; and his aunt and uncle, Jeanette Dean (Randy), of Oklahoma. He is survived by many cousins and extended family.

Please join us for his services at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church (IML) downtown on Lewis Street in Pagosa Springs on June 9. The services will start at 9:30 a.m. with a eulogy at 10 a.m. with Mass, followed by gravesite services at Hill Top Cemetery. Help celebrate his life at the reception at the Parish Hall around noon on June 9. We all love and miss Jay deeply.

Beatrice 'Bea' W. Douglass

Beatrice "Bea" W. Douglass

passed away on June 21; she was 100 years old.



Bea was born on Feb. 26, 1922, and grew up on a family farm with seven siblings. She joined the Army as a nurse in WWII. Throughout her life, she lived in West Virginia, Sicily, Puerto Rico, Louisiana, New Mexico and Colorado. She was an active cross-stitcher who loved to cook and read. Bea was also a volunteer at St. Charles Hospital in Luling, La., until she moved to New Mexico for health reasons.

Bea is survived by son Michael (Sandra) Douglass, and grandchildren Amber, Dusti and Kristopher Douglass.

She was preceded in death by husband Glenn C. Douglass; father Henry E. Wamsley; mother Elmeda S. Wamsley; and seven brothers and sisters.

Please send any desired remembrances to your local Red Cross.

Town and county discuss sales tax increase, transfer station site

By Josh Pike and Dorothy Elder Staff Writers

At a June 28 joint work session of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and Pagosa Springs Town Council, elected officials from both groups discussed several topics, from a potential sales tax increase to affordable housing initiatives.

County Manager Derek Woodman opened the discussion by explaining the county's interest in potentially placing a sales tax increase on the November ballot, with a focus on raising revenue for employee sustainability and other areas of interest.

Woodman highlighted that the sales tax revenues are split evenly between the town and county and that a 1 cent sales tax increase could generate approximately \$4 million of revenue.

County Commissioner Warren Brown commented that it has been a "long time" since the sales tax had been raised and that there was not another source of revenue he was aware of that would spread its impacts beyond the citizens of the county.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez highlighted the level of growth occurring in the community and that the county would be unable to keep up with demands for services without additional revenue.

The officials then discussed where such an increase would place the area in comparison to other mountain resort communities, with town council member Matt DeGuise highlighting that the increase would place the town

at one of the highest sales tax rates for a mountain resort town.

Brown responded that many other mountain counties "aren't as far behind" as Archuleta County in terms of development, while others highlighted that these counties also have far higher property taxes.

The officials then discussed the potential timeline for the fee increase, with Woodman proposing that hiring a consultant to poll the popularity of the sales tax increase would be an ideal first step.

Pagosa Springs Mayor Shari Pierce questioned whether the county had determined how the money raised would be spent and what language would be placed on the ballot.

Woodman responded that he felt that both governmental organizations would need to construct lists of priorities of how the money should be spent.

Town council member Brooks Lindner commented that, although he supported the potential for a ballot initiative, he felt that it was likely too late to refine the messaging and language, promote the ballot measure to the public and place it on the ballot before the November election.

Pierce added that, before a polling study could take place, the organizations would need a list of potential topics on which the money could be spent.

In the ensuing discussion, the potential of spending funds on 911 services, recreation, roads, early childhood services, and affordable or workforce housing were proposed.

Woodman then recommended

that the county and town create separate lists of priorities and then determine areas of overlap.

The boards agreed to do this and discuss potential overlap between lists of priorities at their next meeting.

The discussion moved on to the subject of the county landfill and recycling, with Woodman highlighting the county's efforts to slow trash accumulation at the landfill and promote recycling.

Woodman then mentioned that the county is currently leasing the site of the county transfer station from the town and proposed the possibility of the town donating the land to the county so that the county could develop further recycling facilities on the site.

Woodman highlighted that the town currently holds liability for the landfill that was previously on the site, which would transfer to the county if the donation occurs.

Pierce inquired whether the county would have any property to trade with the town for the transfer station site, which the commissioners indicated they did not.

Brown also mentioned that the current facilities could not shelter the paper and cardboard the county collects, which, when it becomes wet, becomes unusable as recycling.

The officials then discussed the county's recent move to make recycling free and its potential impact on traffic at the site and the operations of the grinder the county has rented for use at the county landfill.

The discussion also covered the need for an education campaign to encourage an appropriate mindset

Axis and The Center for Mental Health complete merger

By Haley Leonard Saunders Axis Health System

After a lengthy due diligence process, months of planning, and close collaboration with state agencies, Axis Health System and The Center for Mental Health have completed a merger of the two organizations.

The Center, which has locations in Montrose, Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, San Miguel and Ouray counties, will now operate as Axis Health System with no disruption to services in these counties. Prior to the merger, Axis served La Plata, San Juan, Dolores, Archuleta and Montezuma counties. Post-merger, Axis has more than 400 staff in the combined 11 counties and

is projected to serve more than 18,000 people across the region. Axis will remain headquartered in Durango.

The merger will better support the service continuum across the larger region and be positioned to respond more effectively to the state of Colorado's health care access and outcome goals.

"We believe we can leverage the larger staff and technology to have a greater impact on our patients' health and quality of life. The merger creates the opportunity to work within our communities with different resources while continuing to look for creative solutions and partnerships to close gaps," said Shelly J. Spalding, the former CEO of the Center now serving as

Axis' president.

The Axis board now comprises members from both organizations' respective boards.



for recycling in the community.

The group concluded the discussion with Pierce stating that the council would place the potential donation of the transfer station site on a future agenda after Woodman indicated that there was not a particular timeline for when the county needs to know whether or not the property would be donated.

Town Manager Andrea Phillips also updated the county commissioners on the town's workforce housing, noting that the town is still in search of a third parcel for its ongoing project with Servitas.

The county commissioners indicated that they would be open to collaborating with the town in its effort to provide workforce housing, but did not have any land that they could reasonably give to the town for housing.

At the end of the meeting, the town and county officials set priorities for their next meeting's agenda. Discussions about a secondary road network that defers traffic from U.S. 160, a combined recreational district and further conversation about the possible sales tax increase were discussed to be on the agenda for the upcoming work session.

That work session is scheduled for July 18.

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Club 20 Summer Policy Meeting to be held in Durango

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Pagosa Springs Area
Chamber of Commerce

Club 20, "The Voice of the Western Slope," will hold its summer policy meetings in Durango July 14 and 15.

These meetings are important to Archuleta County for several reasons. First, our county and town are members of the organization, as are many other organizations and private businesses. These policy meetings are free, open to the public and cover many topics that are important to the Western Slope and our community.

The summer meetings are broken into two segments and the first segment will be held in Durango while the second session will be held in Rangely, Colo. We are lucky

that some of these meetings will be conducted so close to Pagosa. On July 14, the topics of telecommunications, health care and education will be discussed over a full day. On July 15, the topics of transportation, tourism and outdoor recreation will be covered in a half-day session. If you choose to travel to Rangely July 28 and 29, then the topics of agriculture, water, business affairs, public lands, and natural resources and energy will be discussed.

At these meetings, relevant speakers will cover issues important to each topic. For example, director of the Colorado Tourism Office, Tim Wolfe, will be speaking at the tourism subcommittee meeting on July 15. In addition to speakers, policies important to each category are brought before the committees

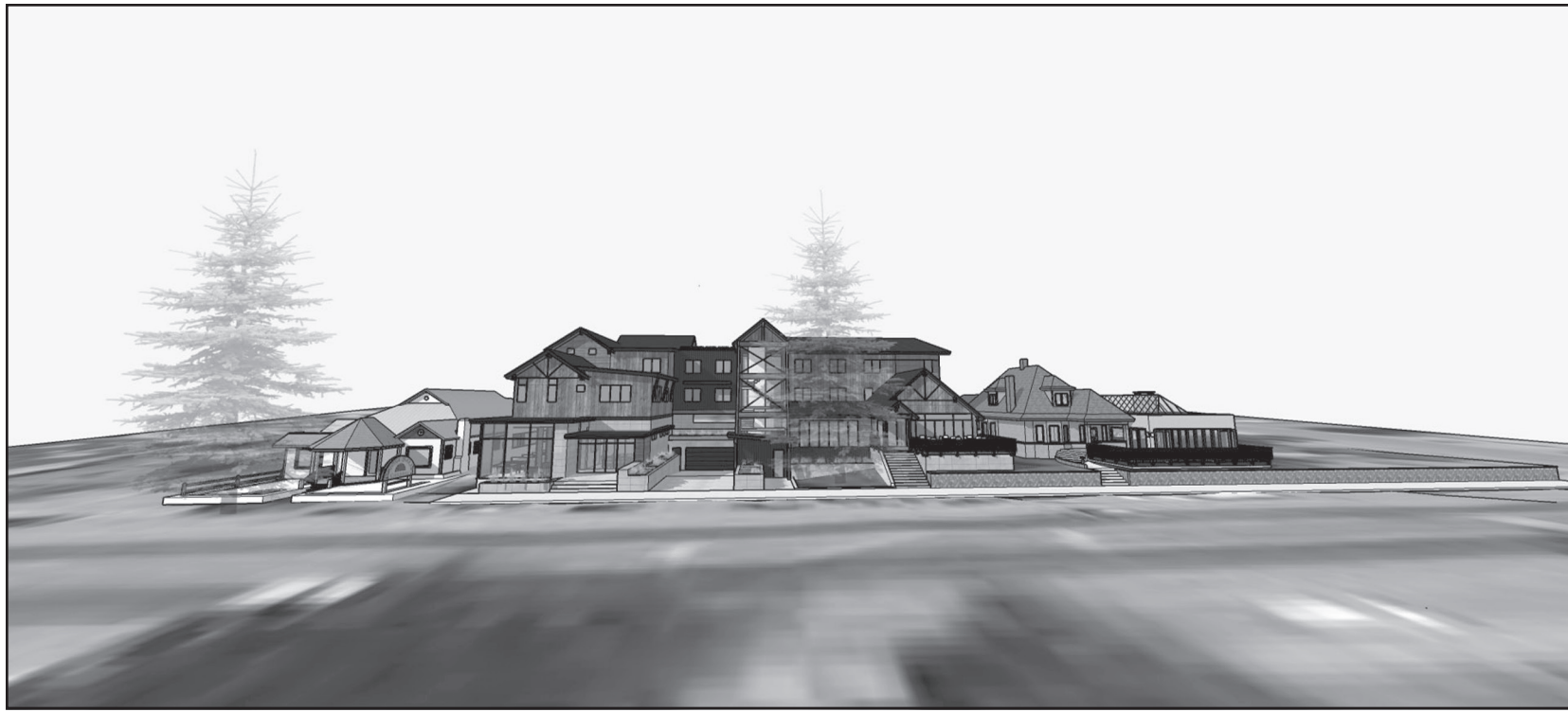
to discuss and then brought before the whole board in the fall. If you as an individual, business or organization are interested in any of these topics, think of attending the Club 20 summer policy meetings. You can go to www.club20.org, click on the events tab and then register for the policy meetings. If you would like to find out more about what Club 20 works on and does, please contact Mary Jo at the Chamber at (970) 264-2360.

Upcoming events

There are several events taking place after the very busy Fourth of July weekend. Saturday, July 9, will be a busy day for the athlete and music lovers. Rise Above Violence will hold its annual duathlon out in Turkey Springs. Along with a kids' race in the morning begin-

ning at 7:30 a.m., there will be the adult races to include trail run and mountain bike components. There will be women's and men's divisions, and if you want to compete in only one component, contact Rise at www.riseaboveviolence.org to be matched with a partner. You can also register for the event through the Chamber's website event page.

Take a break after the race or just head out for a music-filled afternoon in Town Park for the Music in the Mountains free concert in the park. At 2 p.m. on July 9, the Music in the Mountains strings ensemble will perform on its mobile stage. Bring your own chair or blanket, a picnic and nonalcoholic beverage, don't bring your pet, and enjoy the concert, which will be approximately 45 minutes long.



Rendering courtesy Reynolds Ash and Associates

A rendering shows the exterior view of a mixed-use development proposed to be located at 232 Pagosa St., between Alley House Grille and Pagosa Baking Company. A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall to hear comments about the proposed development.

Public hearing planned for proposed mixed-use development on Pagosa Street

By Dorothy Elder
Staff Writer

A public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, at 5:30 p.m. to hear comments about a proposed mixed-use development at 232 Pagosa St.

According to a public notice on the project, the approximately 43,800-square-foot development includes a three-story building that includes eight residential condominiums, 1,956 square feet of office space, 3,300 square feet of restaurant space, 17,778 square

feet of garage and a 749-square-foot deck.

The developers, Dirty Rose LLC and Reynolds Ash and Associates LLC, submitted an application for a sketch major design review to the Town of Pagosa Springs on June 6.

The property is being proposed in between Alley House Grille and Pagosa Baking Company.

The meeting will take place in person at 551 Hot Springs Blvd. or via Zoom at: <https://zoom.us/j/91425469027>.

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County hears presentation on Region 9 broadband project

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its July 5 work session, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard a presentation from Shak Powers of the Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado requesting a letter of support for additional broadband funding in the region.

Powers explained that there are currently two programs available through the Colorado Broadband Office, both funded by federal dollars: the Enabling Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure Program, which funds middle-mile infrastructure and is expected to receive \$5 million to \$100 million in funding; and the Capital Projects Fund, which funds Internet infrastructure construction with a

focus on benefiting unserved and underserved areas of the state and is expected to receive \$162 million in funding.

Powers also noted that grants drawing from these funds would require a 25 percent match, part of which could be in-kind, and highlighted that these grants would support Archuleta County's goals in the community plan and the government's constitutional obligations to provide for commerce.

He explained that the priorities in terms of broadband development that had been identified by the community were, in order of highest priority, extending broadband to the Hatcher Lake area looping up Piedra Road and down North Pagosa Boulevard, extending broadband along U.S. 160 to the Aspen Springs area, and extending broadband along U.S. 84 to Chromo and the border

with New Mexico.

Powers stated that Region 9 is currently working with local partners, including the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation and Echo IT Consulting to gather data about current Internet service in the county, the projected costs for improvements and the potential for monetary contributions to those improvements by Internet service providers.

From the BoCC he requested a letter of support stating that Archuleta County is part of a regional collaboration to apply for the available broadband funding, and permission from the BoCC to conduct regular meetings to solicit community input and keep the public informed about the progress of the project.

Commissioner Warren Brown inquired what the cost of the

matching funds might be as that would be a "direct impact to our budgeting."

Powers responded that, although the budget is currently not finished and the application cycle for the funds will open in 2023 at the earliest, the matching costs could be up to \$45,000 a mile, although he was hoping that Internet service providers would pay much of this cost as they would most directly benefit from the expansion.

Commissioner Ronnie Maez commented that he has always been supportive of broadband expansion, although the funding would be a "crucial part."

The discussion concluded with Commissioner Alvin Schaaf commenting that he appreciated Powers taking the time to present to the BoCC.

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Medical center under contract to purchase neighboring property

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD), which operates as Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC), is under contract to purchase 75 S. Pagosa Blvd.

That property, owned by James Pruitt Properties LLC, is adjacent to the property where PSMC sits.

The USJHSD Board of Directors began discussing the possible acquisition of the property in March, and on April 11 voted to move forward with negotiating an offer for the possible purchase.

Following an executive session on June 28, the board approved a resolution to proceed with the purchase and authorize the board chair (Matt Mees), vice chair (Jason Cox) and/or PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb to execute documents and take action to close on the acquisition, and to authorize the board chair to sign the financing terms sheet.

The resolution also includes that PSMC will require the seller to remove all equipment and other items stored in the building or PSMC will have the items removed and disposed of, with the cost of the removal and disposal charged to the seller at closing.

According to a document related to the lease purchase financing, the property is 2.3 acres and an 8,605-square-foot commercial building that borders USJHSD property.

"From 2014 to 2017, the District leased the Pruitt Property for administrative staff. The Pruitt Property is strategically located to serve the expanding space needs of the District," the document states.

The strategic aspect of the purchase was also emphasized by the board during the June 28 meeting.

"The strategic value of this property we feel is very important," Cox said. "There are a number of reasons to move forward on it, one of which is to develop the campus

strategy we've been talking about for a while. Some interest had come into the parcel, which is what propagated us moving forward on this over the spring, and we've done all the due diligence to say the term sheet is right, the financing model is right, it is a very small relative expense to the hospital — something we can afford — and it also gives us opportunity in the next period of time to plan how we would want to use it."

Cox also pointed out the financing option gives PSMC the opportunity to exit and possibly sell the building as early as Dec. 1, 2024.

"So, we feel with all these things it's a fairly low-risk entry and it's something that will give us a lot of flexibility as we move forward," he said.

"I agree," board member Kate Alfred said, adding the property preserves opportunities for future growth. "It buys us control of our future when we would own that property and we would be able to

determine what we wanted to do with it."

Purchasing that property also increases the value of the hospital asset, she noted.

"I think this also allows us to have a strategic ability to go forward with the community growing and health care needs that are going to be greater in the future than they are now," Mees said.

PSMC Chief Administrative Officer Ann Bruzzese explained after the meeting the anticipated closing date is Aug. 1.

"The contract price is the appraised value \$2,215,000, and with the cost of financing, the total amount financed is expected to be \$2,315,000," Bruzzese wrote in an email to The SUN, calling the interest rate "excellent."

The board opted to finance the property over 15 years at a rate of 3.54 percent with "Optional redemption permitted subsequent to December 1, 2024, at par plus accrued interest and without penalty," according to the document.

Pruitt, who also sits on the USJHSD board, recused himself from the executive sessions and decisions related to the purchase.

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RECREATION NEWS

Register now for pee-wee soccer and tee ball

By Breezy Bryant and Trevor Gian
Town of Pagosa Springs
Parks and Recreation

The Recreation Department is now accepting pee-wee soccer registrations for ages 3-4 years.

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

Online registration will be available through the town website at pagosasprings.co.gov/recreation-division or stop by the Ross Aragon Community Center to fill out a form.

Play will begin in August and run until September.

Recreation tee ball

The Recreation Department is now accepting tee ball registrations for ages 4-5 years.

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Expensive

Continued from front costs specific to each community we found that the Town of Pagosa Springs is also the most expensive community in the region for a family of four (\$21.97 per hour for each working adult) due to the high cost of housing," the 2022 report states.

In Region 9's 2020 livable wages report, Archuleta County ranked fourth out of the region's five counties, with La Plata County coming in as the most expensive county in the region and Dolores coming in as the least expensive county in the region.

The 2022 report notes that Archuleta County's being the most expensive place for a family to live is driven "primarily" by housing costs. "We found that in almost every community actual rental costs are substantially higher than Fair Market Rent estimates," the report states.

The report lists that, for Archuleta County and Pagosa Springs, actual rental costs are \$1,475 for a one-bedroom rental and \$2,300 for a two-bedroom, though Fair Market Rent estimates are \$901 for a one-bedroom rental and \$1,185 for a two-bedroom rental.

Livable wages

Views

Continued from front proposed to have a variety of housing and lodging options.

Correction

In last week's article, "It's the biggest development this community has ever seen": Planning commission narrowly approves zoning sketch

Region 9, according to the report, has estimated livable wages since 1999.

"A healthy community has a diverse and sustainable economy that pays livable wages and offers meaningful work," the report states. "But what level of income is necessary to support a given size and type of household? A livable wage addresses the essential financial needs for basic living tools such as shelter, health care, childcare, and nutrition. When one earns less than a livable wage, he or she is forced to make undesirable choices such as working two or more jobs, working longer hours, making longer commutes, sharing a residence, or giving up basic items such as a vehicle or insurance."

The report notes that a livable hourly wage for an adult in Archuleta County and Pagosa Springs is \$18.81, with that figure increasing to \$36.03 for an adult with a preschooler. For a family of four living in a two-bedroom rental with two adults, a preschooler and a school-age child, the livable hourly wage is estimated at \$21.97 for each working adult.

Cortez and Mancos are the least-expensive communities for a family of four with an hourly wage of \$17.07

for each working adult.

The report indicates that an adult would have to work 1.50 jobs at minimum wage (\$12.56) to be self-sufficient in Archuleta County, while an adult with a preschooler would have to work 2.87 jobs at minimum wage to be self-sufficient. A family of four would have to work 1.75 jobs at minimum wage to be self-sufficient.

Region 9, the document explains, "uses estimated expenditures prepared for the Colorado Center on Law and Policy (CCLP) by the Center for Women's Welfare University of Washington School of Social Work (UW)," the report explains. "The CCLP has allowed Region 9 access to the data inputs for our five counties (Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and San Juan), as well as the technical documentation."

The document further explains that housing and child care costs specific to the local communities was included, with housing information collected by calling property managers, looking at online listings and following ads in local newspapers "over a period of several months to obtain a median housing cost for 1 and 2-bedroom rental units in each county/community."

application for 80-acre Pagosa Views subdivision," the quote "It's the biggest development this community has ever seen" was erroneously attributed to planning commission member Peter Adams. In fact, planning commission member Chris Pitcher said the quote.

The paragraph containing the

quote went on to explain that Adams said the quote to express why he is hesitant about approving something so unclear, which also should have been attributed to the opinions that Pitcher was expressing at the meeting.

The SUN regrets the error. dorothy@pagosasun.com

Moratorium

Continued from front a local government to draft, develop and/or revise regulations, zoning plans, master plans, or study the impacts of new development.

"Regarding short-term rentals, a moratorium (if adopted) would be placed on any new vacation rental permits within the jurisdiction of Archuleta County. It would not prevent the renewal of existing vacation

rental permits. Essentially, a moratorium preserves the 'status quo' while it drafts, develops and revises its vacation rental permit regulations as directed by the Board of County Commissioners.

"A moratorium also prevents the County from being deluged by new vacation rental permit applications hoping to 'beat' the implementation of any new regulations. It will also

allow staff time to focus on the new regulations instead of processing a flood of new vacation rental permit applications."

The July 19 meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the county building at 398 Lewis St.

A date for the consideration of revised regulations by the BoCC has not been set.

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Injunction

Continued from front On July 1, the town filed an entry of appearance signifying that town attorney Clay Buchner would represent the town in this case, which is the only formal action that the town has taken since the complaint was filed on June 10.

The complaint argues that the short-term rental amendment is invalid because "it is an administrative, regulatory or executive function" that is not an allowable subject of the citizen-led petition that created it, that it is "unconstitutionally vague" and the ballot question was "vague, misleading, confusing or unconstitutional."

It also asks that the court declare that the amendment and ordinance impose invalid fees because the fee "is not reasonably related to the cost of the administration of the short-term rental program," "did not comply with statutory requirements for adoption of impact fees," or "has no essential nexus between short-term rental properties, where the owner does not live on the property full-time, and workforce housing."

The discrepancy in which short-term rental owners the fee applies to, particularly between owners of short-term rental properties who do and do not live on their properties

for nine months out of the year, is a common target in the complaint.

The complaint goes on to specify that if the fee is considered a tax, the court should declare it invalid because it "violates the equal protection clause," "is unreasonable or arbitrary or unequal and unjust," "was not adopted pursuant to the requirements of TABOR," referring to the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, or "is not uniformly applied as required in Art. X, Sec. 3 of the Colorado Constitution."

The preliminary injunction hearing is scheduled for July 11 at 9:30 a.m. in district court.

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Child care costs, it notes, are obtained through the Tri-County Early Childhood Program.

It further indicates mileage allowances were included for Silverton, Rico and Dove Creek.

Wages by job sector

The report also delves into wages by job sector, comparing 2020 wages by sector across the Region 9 communities, the averages for Region 9 and for Colorado.

"Since almost all working-age families meet their income needs with employment, a crucial question is whether the jobs available provide sufficient wages," the report states. "When we link our livable wage findings to average annual wages by sector in each county in our region, we find that most employment sectors do not provide enough income to meet the basic needs of a family of four, especially if there is only one bread winner in the household."

For Archuleta County, across all of the sectors listed, the average annual wage was \$39,247, with sectors ranging from \$16,161 for Private Education to \$103,559 for Utilities.

"Jobs in the mining and utilities sectors provide a good income in each county where they exist," the report outlines. "Professional and

management services also provide sufficient wages in most areas. The most numerous jobs in Region 9 are government (18%), health services (12%), and retail trade (12%). These occupations do not provide sufficient wages to support a family of four."

Of Archuleta County, the report reads, "Many (12%) of the service jobs in Archuleta County support tourism in accommodations (lodging) and food services with an average annual wage of \$24,335. Across all industries the average annual wage is \$39,247. This is only 42% of the estimated livable wage (\$92,796) for a family of four (two working adults, a preschooler and one school age child)."

Closing the gap

The report also outlines that closing the wage gap between current wages and the self-sufficiency standard requires both reducing costs and raising incomes.

Reducing costs, the report outlines, "means ensuring families who are struggling to cover basic costs have access to work supports" to help offer stability and resources while they become self-sufficient.

Those supports, it notes, include child care assistance, food benefits

and the Earned Income Tax Credit.

"Most individuals cannot achieve self-sufficiency through stopgap measures or in a single step, but require support through transitional work supports and programs, as well as the removal of barriers to help families work towards self-sufficiency over time," it explains.

The report further explains, "Raising incomes means enhancing skills as well as improving access to jobs that pay self-sufficient wages and have career potential. A strong economy will mean good jobs that pay self-sufficient wages, a workforce with the skills necessary to fill those jobs, and enhancing links and removing barriers between those jobs and the workers that need them."

"Key to raising incomes are public policies such as living/minimum wage policies and paid sick and family/medical leave, which increase wages directly. Likewise, access to education, training, and jobs that provide real potential for skill and career advancement over the long term are also important."

The report can be accessed at: <https://www.region9edd.org/livable-wage>. For more information, call Region 9 at (970) 247-9621. randi@pagosasun.com

Water district continuing to provide water for Chama

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) is continuing to provide water to Chama, N.M., with that community continuing to deal with a water shortage.

PAWSD Manager Justin Ramsey reported Wednesday the district will continue to provide water through July 10.

Ramsey elaborated on PAWSD's involvement in providing water for Chama in a June 30 press release.

The release states, "Due to a pipeline break and operator issues the community of Chama New Mexico is suffering a severe water issue. The state of New Mexico has declared a state of emergency due to this predicament. The Chama community has asked for our help to provide some relief to this dire situation. The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) has agreed to provide Chama with temporary emergency water."

"This may appear imprudent on PAWSD's part due to our own drought concerns. However, PAWSD has developed a plan allowing 6,000 gallon tanker trucks to use up town fill stations with water coming from our San Juan Water Treatment Plant to transport up to 150,000 gallons per day to Chama. Using these fill stations and water from the San Juan Water Treatment Plant has the lowest impact on our water reserves."

"PAWSD realizes that filling these tanker trucks may cause extended wait times at the fill stations and thus asks for patience as we aid our neighbors to the south."

Rivers and drought

Stream flow for the San Juan River on July 6 at approximately 9 a.m. was 328 cubic feet per second (cfs), according to the U.S. Geological Service (USGS) National Water Dashboard.

This is down from a nighttime peak of 499 cfs at 3 a.m. on July 6. Over the night, due to heavy rains, the flow rose from 239 cfs at 7 p.m. on July 5 to the peak early in the morning of July 6. Flows are down

from last week's reading of 402 cfs at 9 a.m. on June 29.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS) reports that 100 percent of the county is experiencing drought.

The NIDIS places the entire county in a severe drought, which the website notes may cause farmers to reduce planting, producers to sell cattle and the wildfire season to be extended, among other impacts.

The NIDIS also notes that a severe drought is associated with low surface-water levels and reduced river flows.

The NIDIS also provides an evaporative demand (EDDI) forecast, an experimental tool for predicting drought conditions through measuring atmospheric evaporative demand or the "thirst of the atmosphere."

The forecast for the area indicates that in the next two weeks, the majority of Archuleta County will be experiencing extreme wet conditions, while the four-week forecast shows the county will be experiencing a mix of extreme wet and severe wet conditions.

Water report

According to a July 4 press release from Ramsey, Lake Pagosa, Lake Forest and Village Lake are full.

Stevens Lake is estimated to be 24 inches from full, although the report notes the gauge is currently not reporting.

Hatcher Lake is currently 3 inches from full, up from 7 inches from full last week.

Total diversion flows for the district are listed at 8.5 cfs.

The West Fork diversion flow is listed at 3.0 cfs, the San Juan diversion flow is listed at 3.0 cfs and the Four Mile diversion flow is listed at 2.5 cfs.

In an interview with The SUN, Ramsey explained that the Four Mile diversion was reopened due to heavy rains and will remain open until the senior water rights holders for the drainage "need it again."

Water production from June 23

through June 29 was listed at a total of 15.12 million gallons. The Snowball water plant contributed 4.38 million gallons, the Hatcher plant contributed 6.46 million gallons and the San Juan plant contributed 4.28 million gallons.

Last year, total water production was listed at 17.75 million gallons for those dates.

Weather report

According to the Community Collaborative Rain Hail and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS) website, sites in Archuleta County received between 1.78 and 3.97 inches of rain between June 22 and July 6.

Higher precipitation totals were concentrated in the southern portion of the county, with the highest reported precipitation amounts (3.94 and 3.97 inches) located in the general vicinity of Echo Canyon Reservoir, south of Pagosa Springs.

According to the National Weather Service (NWS), mostly sunny skies with a chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon are expected in Pagosa Country today, Thursday, July 7, with a high of 74 degrees and winds at 10-5 mph.

Mostly clear skies are expected Thursday night with 5-10 mph winds and a low of 53.

For Friday, July 8, the forecasted high is 77 degrees with sunny skies, a chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon and 5-10 mph winds. The forecasted low is 55 degrees under mostly clear skies.

For Saturday, July 9, temperatures are forecasted to reach a high of 79 degrees with sunny skies and a chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. The forecasted low is 56 degrees with partly cloudy skies and a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight.

For Sunday, July 10, the forecasted high is 79 degrees with partly sunny skies and a chance of thunderstorms and showers after noon. The forecasted low is 56 degrees with partly cloudy skies and a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight.

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, July 7

Combined Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting. 5:30 p.m. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Monday, July 11

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation quarterly membership meeting. 7:30-9 a.m. Tennyson Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive.

Tuesday, July 12

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxtZz09>.

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

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

Town Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments and Design Review Board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. or via Zoom. See town website for participation information: <https://pagosasprings.civicweb.net/portal/>.

Wednesday, July 13

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation board meeting. 5:30-7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce meeting room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

Archuleta County Fair Board meeting. 6 p.m., CSU Extension building, 344 U.S. 84.

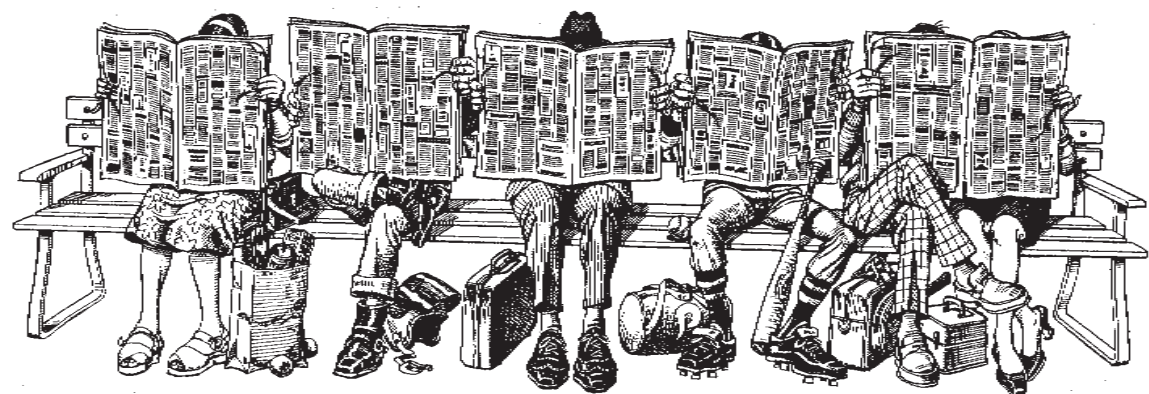
Monday, July 18

Joint town and county work session. 5 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Tuesday, July 19

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. View Zoom meeting at: <https://zoom.us/j/91609048375?pwd=d1FFV0J1cGVKa1NHWHFsa2taeGxtZz09>, meeting ID: 916 0904 8375, passcode: 4141885. For more information, visit: <http://archuletacounty.org/agenda-center>.

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Fourth of July Parade

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Monday's Fourth of July Parade through a portion of downtown entertained spectators young and old with a variety of floats that included everything from dancers to ponies and wagons, classic cars, and fire trucks. Six judges determined the grand marshals, Lindsey and Mary Kurt-Mason, garnered first place, San Juan Sled Dogs took second and third place went to The Springs Resort.



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3440 Running Horse Place **MLS# 793477**
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94 Conventional Place **MLS #793557**
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13 Grenadier Place **MLS# 790046**
\$48,000.00

.19 Acres in Pagosa Highland Estates. Open, level easy build lot, this subdivision allows modulars. The utilities are very close. This property has nice mountain views.

County approves leases, agreements

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its July 5 meeting, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners approved five items, including two property leases, an extension to a recreational vehicle permitting policy, an agreement for engineering and architectural services, and a pair of grants.

The first property lease approved was an agreement to lease a 0.31 acre parcel adjacent to Wings Early Childhood Center to the school.

As previously discussed at an April 26 county work session, this parcel will allow Wings to add a playground and a potential expansion to the parking lot as part of its broader development plans.

The term of the lease is for five years at a cost of \$12 per year with the option to extend the lease for two additional five-year terms.

Commissioner Warren Brown commented that this lease is a "good move forward" for the county, adding that the services Wings provides are "sorely needed."

Brown continued to propose

that the county should determine an estimated cost for the value of the lease as Wings is planning to seek funds to support its expansion and the county could use the value of lease as an "in-kind dollar support" for the effort.

The second lease-related item approved at the meeting was a third amendment to the purchase and sale agreement for the Hughes Pavilion Arena. The amendment alters the closing date on the agreement between the Western Heritage Event Center, which is selling the property, and the BoCC, which is purchasing it, from April 22 to July 22.

At the meeting, County Attorney Todd Weaver explained that the closing deadline was moved back due to difficulties in getting the plat finished and recorded.

The BoCC also approved an extension to a policy allowing temporary use permits for recreational vehicles (RVs) to last for 180 days and to be renewed at the end of the permitted period assuming the RV meets certain requirements in terms of emergency access, condition and weatherization.

Development Director Pamela

Flowers noted at the meeting that the county has only issued one such permit, primarily because it lacked the staff and time to enforce permitting.

However, she added that the Development Services Department is now finished up with its backlog of short-term rental inspections and plans to move forward with enforcing the permitting requirement.

Brown commented that a six-month extension, as Flowers proposed, would potentially create difficulties in relocating noncompliant RVs due to winter precipitation.

Flowers responded that she intends to have all RV residents notified of the policy in September and to begin working with them to ensure compliance then, thus mitigating the difficulties in December.

She also emphasized that the department would work to be flexible with RV residents and would focus on working with residents to ensure their safety and the renewal of their permits.

The BoCC then moved to adopt Resolution 2022-69, which extends the policy until Dec. 6.

The BoCC unanimously voted

for an agreement with Reynolds Ash and Associates (RAA) for the design and engineering of the new county transit center in Harman Park. The BoCC had previously accepted a \$224,980 bid from RAA for this design project, as well as for fulfilling National Environmental Policy Act requirements, at its June 7 meeting.

The agreement approved at the July 5 meeting gives the details of this agreement and the proposed timeline, which indicates that the schematic design and construction documents phases of the project should be completed by Oct. 31 and that bidding and contractor procurement should occur between Nov. 1 and Nov. 18.

Brown and Commissioner Ronnie Maez both commended Transportation Director Laura Vanoni for securing the RAA bid, which placed the estimated cost at approximately half that of the competing bid submitted by Short Elliott Hendrickson.

The BoCC then approved the agreement, with the cost being 8 percent of the construction costs, not to exceed \$224,980.

Additionally, the board accepted a grant from Colorado Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration for two additional buses for the Mountain Express Transit network.

The price agreements indicate that the award for the first bus is \$109,040, with \$16,356 coming from county matching funds, while the award for the second bus is \$152,605, with \$30,521 coming from county matching funds.

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Town council appoints new planning commission members

By Dorothy Elder
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council unanimously appointed a regular and an alternate member to the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission at its July 5 meeting.

Julie Gurule, a Pagosa Springs resident of 40 years, was appointed as a regular member to the commission.

According to her application, she has worked a variety of jobs including working in retail, the restaurant industry, health care and construction sales.

"I'm absolutely comfortable working and speaking with a variety of people, all walks of life," Gurule said during her interview with the planning commission on June 28. "As long as there's continued work sessions and everyone's respectful of each other, I am per-

fectly capable of opening up my mind to other people's opinions, and also being quiet at times so that I can absorb their opinions."

Chad Hodges, a resident of Pagosa Springs for one year, was appointed as an alternate member to the commission.

Prior to moving to Pagosa Springs, Hodges was a naval officer and focused on project and personnel management, advanced planning and execution of naval ship repair, serving as the senior advanced planning manager for the West Coast, according to his application.

"I moved here last year for a better life for my family, and I would like to be part of making it happen for the whole community," Hodges said at the town council meeting.

Town council appointed Gurule and Hodges following the recommendations made by the planning commission at its June 28 meeting.

At that meeting, the planning commission also recommended that Adam Buttons, who is already currently serving as an alternate member on the commission, stay in that position.

Other business

In other business at the meeting: • The town council unanimously voted to opt out of the Family and Medical Leave Insurance (FAMLI) program.

FAMLI is a statewide paid leave program that was approved by voters in 2020, according to the brief provided by town Administrative Services Manager Kathy Harker.

Reasoning that town employees can still opt into the program through the state, council member Jeff Posey suggested the town opt out.

• Town council unanimously

chose to award the bid for the short-term rental nexus study to Root Research Policy.

The bid amount stated in the motion was set to not exceed \$56,230, indicating the town will pursue both demand and supply studies, the latter of which is a newer method for data collection that "relies on proven econometric tools to isolate the impact of STRs on a potential loss of long-term rental stock," according to the proposal provided by the firm.

• Town council members unanimously chose to fund four public art projects that vary in mediums and artists.

The recommendations came to council after being selected by the Pagosa Springs Public Arts Committee. The award amounts for each project vary between \$3,500 to \$5,000.

• Town council members unanimously chose to award a bid to Hart Custom Builders LLC for the construction of a restroom at Dr. Mary Fisher Park.

The budgeted amount for the project was \$150,000, originally meant to be paid for out of the Lodgers Tax Fund. The bid came in at \$187,255.74, not including the \$4,999 the town paid to commission a design. Therefore, the town also approved spending \$42,254.74 from Capital Fund Reserves.

• Town council members set their priorities for spending if the county moves forward with putting a sales tax increase on the November ballot.

Increased funding for the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District, roads and bridges, law enforcement and a recreation district were the priorities suggested at the meeting.

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Keanan Paul Anderson, class of 2018 graduate of Pagosa Springs High School, graduated magna cum laude from the University of Denver on June 11. Keanan received a Bachelor of Science in business administration with degrees in analytics, computer science and mathematics. Keanan was student government president 2021-2022 and a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He currently has an internship with VF Corp in Denver, Colo.

Tanner Peart

Tanner Rodney Peart, of Salt Lake City, Utah, was named to the University of Utah's Spring 2022 Dean's List.

To qualify, students must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher in at least 12 graded credit hours during any one term. Peart's major is listed as marketing.



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Health district hears La Plata County update

By Josh Pike
Staff Writer

At its June 30 meeting, the San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) Board of Health (BoH) heard an update from La Plata County commissioner and BoH member Marsha Porter-Norton on the status of La Plata County's considerations of withdrawing from the district.

Porter-Norton explained that the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) held an executive session to discuss the legalities of separating from the district followed by a public work session on the topic.

The BoCC then moved on to direct staff to perform "due diligence" to determine the financial situation and personnel policies of SJBPH and inform the commissioners before any decision was made, Porter-Norton explained.

Porter-Norton indicated that

she expected to have a work product from her staff in 45 to 60 days.

She added that the board would be "very transparent" about when the issue would come to the BoCC for a decision.

As mentioned at the meeting, the BoH had previously submitted a report to the BoCCs of Archuleta and La Plata counties recommending the dissolution of the health district.

According to a copy of the report obtained by The SUN, the report was submitted on June 7.

It notes that the explorations of departing SJBPH by both counties have placed the district in a "position of continued uncertainty and disunified governance" and states that, to move forward as a combined health district, "major changes would need to be undertaken to repair relationships, protect the safety of SJBPH staff and Board of Health at all times, and re-develop a partnership of trust."

The report also highlights that it provides a recommendation to be acted upon by the BoCCs and that the BoH has no decision-making power in the potential dissolution of the district.

Additionally, BoH President Karin Daniels submitted her letter of resignation to the BoH on June 1, effective July 1.

In her letter, she highlights her 13 years of volunteer service to the BoH before commenting, "I am grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside the many talented professionals that make up such a successful organization."

In an email to The SUN, Daniels wrote of her resignation, "It has been an honor and a pleasure to be a member of the San Juan Basin Public Health Board of Directors. After 13 years of service, I felt it was time to step off and make room for new leadership as the organization prepares for the future."

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Final decision issued for Valle Seco land exchange

By Dorothy Elder
Staff Writer

The San Juan National Forest (SJNF) announced a final decision notice for the Valle Seco 2019 Land Exchange in a June 29 press release.

The decision signifies the end of lengthy negotiations between the involved parties, namely the federal government and Bootjack Ranch LLC, the owner of the nonfederal land up for exchange.

“The Responsible Official has chosen to implement Alternative 3 Modified for this project,” the press release states. “Alternative 3 Modified involves exchanging nine Federal parcels on the San Juan National Forest totaling approximately 379 acres for one non-Federal parcel totaling 880 acres.”

The nonfederal parcel (called Parcel A) is currently property of Bootjack, which is owned by billionaire energy executive Kelcy Warren.

According to Forest Service records, in May of 2019, the Forest Service and Bootjack signed an agreement to initiate for a value-for-value exchange, which was in discussion until the final decision notice was released.

In August of 2020, both the federal and nonfederal parcels of land were appraised by the independent Cortez-based William B. Love Appraisals INC.

That appraisal valued the nonfederal parcel at \$3,080,000 and the federal parcels at \$3,050,000.

The decision notice document released by the U.S. Forest Service states that the United States will provide a \$30,000 cash equalization payment to the nonfederal party to equalize the values.

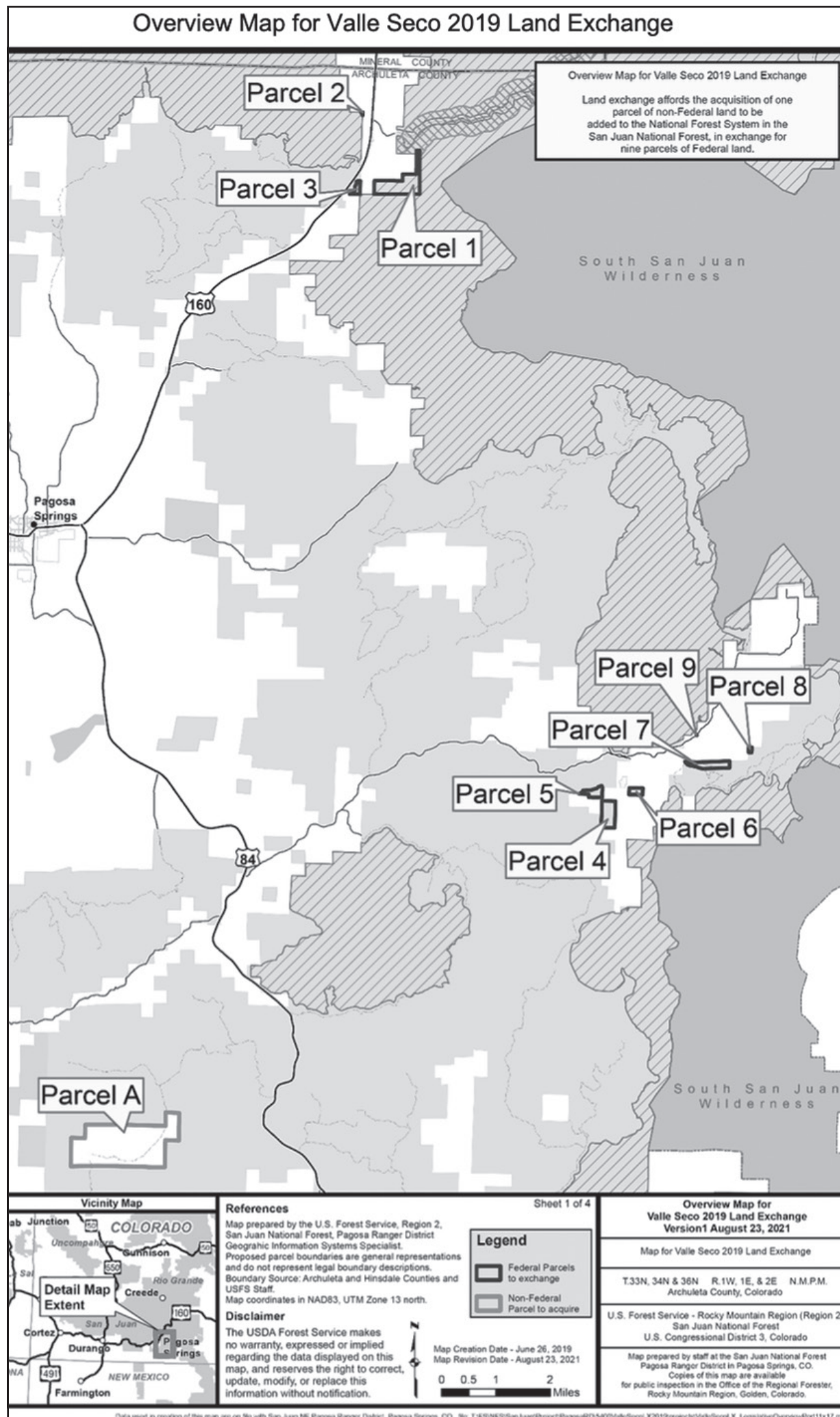
In the rationale section of the final decision notice, David Neely, acting forest supervisor, wrote that his primary reason for choosing the selected alternative was because of the “wildlife habitat values” gained in the transaction, particularly the winter range, winter concentration areas, severe winter range, and crucial migratory corridors for elk and mule deer in Parcel A.

Neely also indicates that the wildlife habitat that the federal government is losing control over in the exchange is less in-demand by the Pagosa Ranger District than what Parcel A offers.

“The Pagosa Ranger District has a vast amount of summer range, transition range and production areas for elk and mule deer (which is the type of habitat predominately found on the Federal parcels), but only limited amounts of winter range, particularly winter concentration areas and severe winter range which is the type of habitat predominately found on non-Federal Parcel A,” he wrote. “Therefore, on balance, I believe it is more important to obtain the more uncommon and valuable winter range habitat than retain the more common and widespread summer and transition habitat.”

Neely goes on to note that the Forest Service received public comments stating disappointment that recreation uses and experiences would no longer be allowed on the federal parcels after the exchange, particularly on Parcel 7, which spans about 54 acres in the Blanco Basin area.

“I also recognize that the recre-



ation experiences and opportunities that will be provided by the acquisition of non-Federal Parcel A will not replace those available on Federal Parcel 7,” Neely wrote. “However, I believe that the resource values gained by the public through additional recreation opportunities on non-Federal Parcel A and the protection of valuable wildlife habitat on non-Federal Parcel A... exceed the locally valued resources and recreation opportunities that will be lost on Parcel 7.”

Neely also wrote about concerns over the loss of Colorado Roadless Areas (CRAs) that would take place after the exchange.

He wrote that adding additional

acreage to another CRA in the Pagosa Ranger District was considered “to address concerns over transferring CRA acres out of federal ownership and to provide additional protection to important elk and mule deer winter range.”

The alternative that was selected adds acreage to the Winter Hills/Serviceberry Mountain CRA, which Becca Smith, Pagosa Ranger District lands specialist, clarified is an already-existing CRA within the Pagosa Ranger District.

According to the final decision document, the chief of the Forest Service is the responsible official for decisions regarding modifications or additions to CRAs, pursuant to the

Colorado Roadless Rule. “The Chief decided to remove 175.2 acres from the South San Juan Adjacent CRA (Parcel 1) and 0.66 ■ See Exchange A14

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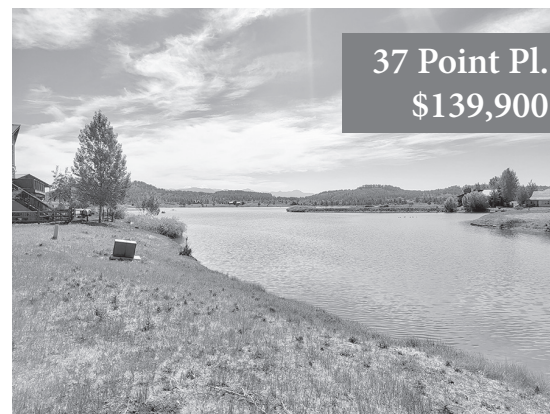
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Additional fire restrictions lifted

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

More local public agencies are lifting fire restrictions due to recent rain in the area, with the San Juan National Forest and Archuleta County announcing the lifting of their respective fire restrictions over the last week.

Those looking to visit or recreate in the area are urged to check local fire restrictions before planning and beginning activities.

More information on fire restrictions in Colorado can be found at: <http://www.coemergency.com/p/fire-bans-danger.html>.

San Juan National Forest

Stage 1 fire restrictions on all National Forest System lands within the San Juan National Forest, including wilderness, were rescinded effective July 1, with the announcement coming on June 30.

"Recent rains over much of the forest have lessened, but not eliminated, the danger from fire, allowing restrictions to be lifted. This means

campfires are now allowed outside of established campgrounds and recreation sites. The public is asked to continue to be careful with fire and to obey any localized fire restrictions," a press release explains.

"We appreciate the public's cooperation during Stage 1 and Stage 2 restrictions," said Acting Forest Supervisor Dave Neely, "and would like to remind everyone that the rain has not reached all parts of southwest Colorado equally."

Fire danger is still high, especially in the southernmost parts of La Plata and Montezuma counties, the press release notes, adding that new lightning fires are being reported daily, even in higher elevations where more rain has fallen.

The press release notes the public is asked to continue to follow local restrictions whenever and wherever such regulations are still in effect.

It is also possible, Neely added, that the San Juan National Forest may return to restrictions if conditions dry out later in the summer and fall.

Visitors are encouraged to prac-

tice these principles of outdoor fire safety:

- Clear all flammable material within 3 feet of campfire rings.
- Make a fire only if you have a shovel and sufficient water to put it out.
- Never leave a fire unattended.
- Keep fires small and manageable.
- Extinguish fires completely. If it's too hot to touch, it's too hot to leave. Every campfire should be put dead out before leaving it.

To report a fire on federal lands, please contact the Durango Inter-agency Fire Dispatch Center at (970) 385-1324.

For information on current fire restrictions, conditions and recreation opportunities on the San Juan National Forest, call (970) 247-4874.

Unincorporated Archuleta County

Archuleta County announced Tuesday that, due to the recent rains in the area, the county's Stage 1 fire restrictions have been rescinded effective immediately.

A press release from the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office notes that Resolution 2022-43 is rescinded in its entirety for all private lands in unincorporated areas of Archuleta County.

Archuleta County Undersheriff Mike Le Roux noted that open burning within unincorporated Archuleta County still requires a permit unless it is a recreational fire that meets the parameters outlined in the ordinance.

That ordinance is available at www.archuletacounty.org.

Burn permits are available through the Pagosa Fire Protection District.

Town of Pagosa Springs

Stage 1 fire restrictions remain in place for the Town of Pagosa Springs.

On Tuesday, Pagosa Springs Town Manager Andrea Phillips reported that the Pagosa Springs Town Council will likely consider rescinding the town's fire ban at its July 21 meeting.

Exchange

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acres from the Turkey Creek CRA (Parcel 2) and to expand the Winter Hills/Serviceberry Mountain CRA by 4,623 acres," Neely wrote in the document.

In the public interest determination section of the document, Neely wrote that the acquisition of Parcel A will allow for better management of federal lands and resources "by consolidating land ownership patterns and bringing management consistency across the landscape."

Neely also wrote that the needs of state and local residents and their economies will be met by securing important wildlife habitat.

The exchange will result in a split mineral estate between the United States and the private owners of the mineral estate on portions of Parcel A, the document reports.

According to the document, the United States will own 100 percent of the surface, mineral material and geothermal rights for all of nonfederal Parcel A and approximately 74 percent of the associated subsurface mineral estate. The remaining approximately 26 percent of the subsurface mineral estate is owned by 12 separate parties and will not be transferred to the United States.

"I believe that the net natural resource and mineral management benefits of acquiring non-Federal Parcel A outweigh the minimal, but potential development risk for the approximately 26% of the mineral

estate that will not be owned by the United States," Neely wrote. "According to the Mineral Potential Report, the risks of private mineral development impacting the purposes of this land exchange are minimal primarily because any future mineral development will have strong Federal representation and authority and allow federal mineral and surface use regulations to be applied appropriately to any future mineral development."

With the final decision notice comes a "Finding of No Significant Impact" statement by the Forest Service.

"After considering the environmental effects described in the [Environmental Assessment] and project record, I have determined that these actions will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment considering the context and intensity of impacts," Neely wrote. "Thus, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared."

Since the deal was initiated, the Valle Seco land exchange has been met with controversy by nearby residents and nonprofit organizations; during the public scoping period, the Forest Service received 3,044 written comments, according to Neely.

Additionally, land exchange watchdog Colorado Wild Public Lands (CWPL) issued a formal objection on the exchange, citing "multiple concerns including loss of protected

Colorado Roadless Areas and treasured recreation access," according to its website.

Additionally, CWPL filed a formal Freedom of Information Act complaint against the Forest Service due to "continued lack of [Forest Service] transparency" regarding the exchange, according to its website.

Graham Ward, community engagement director for CWPL, wrote to the SUN that, "Colorado Wild Public Lands stands by our opposition to this exchange and the Forest Service's decision to approve it. We believe the public is losing valuable lands and unique resources that have no guarantee of continued protections."

"What good are public lands protections like Colorado Roadless Areas if all it takes is someone dangling another piece of property in front of us to get them changed?"

"The decision falls into a pattern involving a playbook of private interests purchasing attractive properties to use as bait that compel land management agencies to play along many years in advance of public knowledge of the exchange. The agencies regularly withhold information, such as appraisals, making it difficult for the public to make informed input before a decision is made."

The next step for the land exchange will be the signing of an exchange agreement by all involved parties.

Neely stated that final implementation of the decision will not occur

until "satisfaction of any stipulations in the Exchange Agreement, including the actions described for each parcel under the decision heading."

"Other actions that will be completed include completion of the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment," Neely wrote. "Upon completion of all pending items in the Exchange Agreement, exchange of the patents or quitclaim deeds (to the non-Federal party) and the Warranty Deed (to the United States), will occur."

As the deal is written, federally owned parcels 1-3, all in the San Juan River area and totaling approximately 191 acres, will be exchanged to Bootjack.

David K. Skidmore and Cynthia A. Sites are listed as the proponents of parcels 4-6 (approximately 165 acres), and the David C. Lindner Trust and David C. Lindner Dynasty Trust are listed as the proponents of parcels 7-9 (approximately 58 acres), all in the Blanco Basin area.

It is not immediately clear what the relationship is between Bootjack and the other proponents.

As of noon on July 6, Bootjack had not responded to a request for comment.

Land exchange documents can be found at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57154>.
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July 4 operation aids injured hiker

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Flight for Life was mobilized to help a hiker with a broken ankle on July 4.

According to Archuleta County Undersheriff Mike Le Roux, the call for the injured hiker was received at about 3 p.m. on July 4, with a 58-year-old woman having suffered a broken ankle near Fourmile Falls.

"We deployed a 10-person search and rescue team," Le Roux said, explaining two people were sent in as a hasty team to make patient contact

and relay information on her condition. The remaining eight members of the team followed with equipment.

The undersheriff noted the woman was located on a technical rock section and it was decided that, based on the level of pain she was experiencing and the fact that similar operations have taken four to six hours to extricate patients from that trail, Flight for Life would be mobilized.

The team was able to transport the woman about a quarter mile to a landing zone, Le Roux explained. The woman's husband and two dogs

were able to walk out with the rest of the team.

"They flew out and the lightning came in," he said, adding that the operation concluded around 9:30 p.m.

Le Roux cautioned that anyone hiking in the mountains in the summer take into account that the potential for inclement weather and storm activity is high in the afternoons, with higher elevations more at risk.

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Public notice is given on June 17, 2022 that a Petition for a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Archuleta Court.

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Red Ryder Roundup

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ARTS & LIFE

Pagosa Duathlon

Saturday, July 9 • Registration starts at 7 a.m.



Photo courtesy Rise Above Violence

Get dirty for a cause with the Dirty Duathlon

By Ashley Wilson
Rise Above Violence

Violence is a dirty word; come get dirty for a cause. The 15th annual Pagosa Duathlon is so much more than a race. While people of all ages and abilities come out to challenge themselves on the off-road course, they are supporting a greater cause.

And, there is still time to register — all the way till the race begins.

Rise Above Violence serves between 300 and 400 victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other violent crimes every year with critical crisis support, emotional support, legal advocacy and much more. Rise also provides youth prevention education in the schools to help students identify healthy and positive relationships, bullying interventions and Internet safety.

With our community's lack of available, affordable housing and the increased need for assistance, events like the Pagosa Duathlon are critical to continue to provide the level of service victims and survivors need to heal and thrive. So, while you are coming out for a fun day of trail racing, you are doing so much more.

The Pagosa Duathlon is one of three annual events that raises funds to help support victims and survivors in our community. To learn more about Rise, go to www.riseaboveviolence.org. Coming out for the race is just one way to help. We have a monthly donation program and are always in need of volunteers — both hotline advocate volunteers and special-event help.

Race reminder

Pre-packet pickup is Friday, July 8, from 3 to 6 p.m. at Pagosa Mountain Sports' new location, 100 Country
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Live Performers



Thursday
Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Tim Sullivan, 7 p.m.

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.
Motel Soco: Red Ninja, 100 Year Flood, Selektta Razja, 3 p.m.
The Springs Resort lodge atrium: San Juan Mountain Boys, 5 p.m.

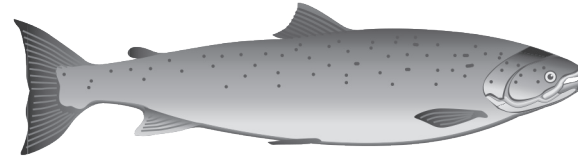
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The Springs Resort lodge atrium: Dustin Burley, 5 p.m.

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Center Drive. Come out early to pick up your shirt and race information and save time on race day.

More about the race

Race day is Saturday, July 9. Registration starts at 7 a.m. (and, yes, you can sign up the day of the race).

The Dusty Kids Gravel Growler is a great race to begin to inspire your youngest off-road racer: a 1-mile run and a 2-mile bike ride. The kids' race starts at 7:30 a.m.

The Dirty Sprint is made for beginning racers or those who want to come out for a quick race. It starts with a 3-mile trail run and then transitions to the 8-mile bike ride, all surrounded by beautiful scenery and single-track mountain trail.

If you are looking for a bit more of a challenge, we have the Dirty Du. Dirty Du'ers will run a full 6-mile loop mostly on single-track and ATV trails for a true mountain run experience. Then off to the 14-mile bike section, where you will sail down dusty trails, climb rocky slopes and wind your way through pines and aspens. The course includes improved trails like Catamount, Gopher Trail and Aspen Run. Obstacles not only include your normal downed trees, rocks and shrubs, but cows and their "presents," too (iâcet is called the Dirty Du for a reason).

With three divisions for each of the adult races — individual men or women's divisions or as a two-member relay team, one runner and one biker — there really is a race for everyone.

All racers receive an official

Pagosa Duathlon race T-shirt and post-race goodies. The top three finishers receive medals. For all your race information, course maps, bike directions, registration and driving directions go to www.riseaboveviolence.org/pagosa-duathlon.

All proceeds benefit Rise, a non-profit organization that promotes the belief that all people have the right to live free from violence by providing support and advocacy

services for victims and education for youth and our community. Trained advocates provide 24-hour comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Duathlon registrations and other donations help pay for emergency housing, food and transportation; counseling; support groups; court assistance; and youth violence prevention education and empowerment programs.

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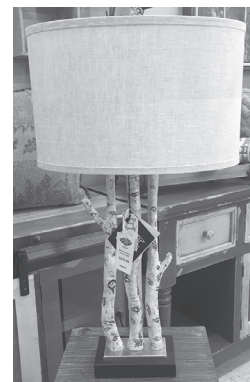
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Allison barbecue set for July 23

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Thingamajig Theatre Company roaring into July

By Amy Wolfe
Thingamajig Theatre Company

All three of the summer season shows of Thingamajig Theatre Company's Broadway in the Mountains have now opened and will continue in rotation through Aug. 24.

"Guys and Dolls" returned to the stage on July 5 and will have a second performance this week on Friday, July 8. "Bright Star" will have performances tonight, Thursday, July 7, and a matinee on Sunday, July 10. "The SpongeBob Musical" will take the stage on Saturday, July 11.

Please visit our website at pagosacenter.org to purchase tickets and view the dates and times of each show. Tickets are also available by calling the box office at (970) 731-SHOW (7469). Evening shows begin at 7 p.m. with doors opening at 6 p.m., while the matinee shows on Wednesdays and Sundays begin at 2 p.m. with doors to the theater opening at 1 p.m.

The Whatchamawhozit Kids Camp at Thingamajig Theatre Company is also underway this week which means "The Music Man KIDS" performances are just around the corner. Tickets go on sale today, July 7, for the shows on Saturday and Sunday, July 16 and 17, at 1 and 2:30 p.m. each day.

Tickets for "The Music Man KIDS" are \$5 and can be purchased by calling the box office at (970) 731-SHOW (7469) or visiting our website, pagosacenter.com.

The Whatchamawhozit camp is in its 11th summer and taught by the professional actors of the main stage shows. The 7- to 12-year-old camp attendees will be preparing "The Music Man KIDS" under the direction of Tyler Price, a favorite instructor of previous Whatchamawhozit camps and beloved actor of the summer season.

Thingamajig Theatre Company

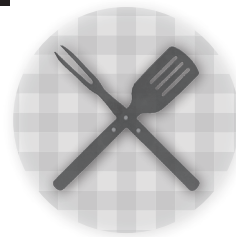


Photo courtesy Justin Treptow

Cassandra Brooks as Adelaide and Jesse Kortus as Nathan Detroit in "Guys and Dolls," being performed in rotation at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

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 year-round. Thingamajig is also dedicated to providing educational opportunities for youth and teens in our community.



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Dancing with the Pagosa Stars tickets go on sale July 14

By Danyelle Leentjes
Seeds of Learning

Tickets for the most-anticipated event in Pagosa Springs this summer are going on sale next Thursday, July 14, at 9 a.m.

You don't want to miss the fifth annual Dancing with the Pagosa Stars, where six Pagosa Springs celebrities and their coaches dance their hearts out to win the coveted Mirror Ball Trophy. The winners will join the ranks of a highly admired group of Pagosans.

This year, we are thrilled to announce that The Tim Sullivan Band will be playing live during open

dancing. You can witness this spectacular event for yourself on Aug. 20 at the Ross Aragon Community Center, where the doors open at 5:45 p.m.

We expect to sell out quickly as in previous years. So, get an early start to purchase your ticket online July 14 at 9 a.m. at register.dwtps.org. No tickets will be available at Seeds of Learning. All tickets must be paid for at time of purchase, and reservations require purchaser address, email, attendees' names as well as the star being honored with the purchase. Please visit the Seeds of Learning website at dwtps.org for additional ticket purchase instructions and for

more information on our stars.

If you would like to sit at the same table as your friends, we highly recommend purchasing your tickets through one designated person. One person can purchase up to eight tickets. Like buying an airline ticket, this is the only way to ensure you will sit together.

Tickets include a delectable meal designed especially for you by Pagosa's favorite five-star-rated fine dining restaurant, a cash bar serving beer and wine, and a dazzling show by Pagosa's star celebrities and their professional dance partners. Get your dancing shoes ready because, this year, open dancing is back during voting with The Tim Sullivan Band.

Can't make it to the event but still want to support Seeds and your favorite star? Visit vote.dwtps.org and vote today. Every dollar equals one vote, and you can vote for multiple stars as many times as you'd like.

You have enriched the lives of our next generation by giving them the tools to learn, as well as skills to navigate emotional and social challenges. Your investment in our children's future success benefits our entire community and we cannot thank you enough. We hope you will join us.

Healthy Archuleta to host community meal and celebration July 23

By Rose Chavez
Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Community members are invited to join Healthy Archuleta, doing business as the FSFE Food Coalition, for a community meal and celebration on July 23, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the athletic field across from Town Park on Hermosa Street.

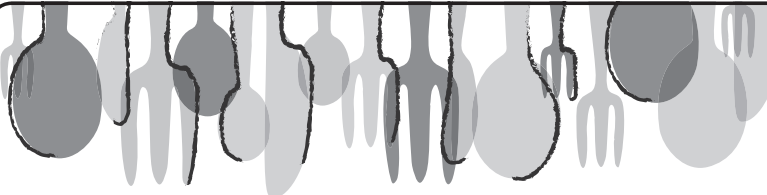
Community members will en-

joy the music of Los Mitotitos; folklorico performances; health booths; children's activities; food trucks; and will learn about and celebrate the work of Healthy Archuleta, which is dedicated to advancing food production, health and community wellness through food/nutrition resource assistance, educational programs, advocacy, systems work and promoting

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Vista Lake Community Garden to host July 10 summer planting

By Rose Chavez
Food System/Food Equity Coalition

The Vista Lake Community Garden located behind the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association buildings at 230 Port Ave. still has some community garden beds open and there are plans to plant the remaining beds alongside community members on Sunday, July 10, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Since the growing season in Archuleta County is fairly short, we will focus on a variety of plants that can still grow to maturity over the next few months. One of those plants is the squash blossom. We will be putting in a few beds of squash in the hopes to have a special harvest of blossoms to host a food demonstration later this summer of stuffed squash blossoms.

Come join in on the fun; we will connect, spend some time weeding and planning the future tilled site where we will be able to produce a larger quantity of food during future growing seasons. All are welcome.



Photo courtesy Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Planting of the Vista Lake Community Garden on June 12. The community is invited for a mid-summer planting on July 10 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@gmail.com or (401) 371-3227. To donate to support the work of Healthy

Archuleta, doing business at the FSFE — Food Coalition, please visit: <https://www.foodcoalition-4archuleta.org/donate.html>.

Local food heroes: Alice Chavez and Rose Chavez

By Rose Chavez
Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Healthy Archuleta, a local non-profit 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, health-promoting 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 on April 9. Today, I would like to share the stories of my mother and myself as we contribute to the vision of an equitable and local food system and healthy Archuleta.

We are a mother-daughter duo growing fresh produce in downtown Pagosa Springs. We grow a variety of crops from year to year. In the past, we have done a three sisters garden patch with a 63-day corn, squash and pole beans along

with a variety of New Mexico chiles from some of the different pueblos, including Chimayo. Originally, my mother selected this property on Lewis Street because of the apple trees we continue to enjoy. In addition to the vegetables I mentioned, we also love to have plenty of fresh greens, a variety of herbs, garlic and a selection of edible flowers like nasturtiums and bachelor buttons for garnish and embellishments.

I am a third-generation resident ■ See Food on next page

Celebration

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community-driven solutions that lead to a healthier Archuleta. All are welcome.

There will be a limited number of free meal tickets. Please register for a free meal ticket by registering online at: <https://forms.gle/swWfTeSKGAWv1GKd6>. The deadline for registering for a meal ticket is Wednesday, July 20. Donations are welcome and will support the event and the many efforts of Healthy Archuleta.

For more information, contact: fsfearchuleta@gmail.com, call (401) 371-322 or visit <https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/community.celebration.html>.

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■ continued from previous page of Archuleta County, my mother Alice Cora Chavez a 1959 graduate of Pagosa Springs High School and the granddaughter of our matriarch, Mary T. Archuleta, who was born and raised, homesteaded out on Colo. 151 along Stollsteimer Creek near the old Hispanic community of Frances, which is within the Archuleta County boundaries.

Since I am the second youngest of nine children, my mom, dad and siblings all had previous experiences in small-scale agriculture that I inherited through anecdotes and hands-on experiences. My mom grew up helping with her grandmother's gardens and my father's family always had a chile huerta, so this was a way of life that meant you either put the effort into growing your own food or you just don't eat. The healing power of food was a lesson my parents learned from their parents and taught me when they transformed their labors into nourishing foods for our family. For many years, my family worked the land in New Mexico and Nebraska and subsisted on their own labors from a few acres they cultivated before we returned to Pagosa Springs in the 1980s.

For my part, after my childhood, I left Pagosa Springs in 1999. I went on and pursued my education in public health nutrition and community planning, along with many other adventures. During some of those years, I worked the land in New Mexico in Albuquerque's South Valley, growing traditional medicinal plants and fresh produce as part of the Dragon Farm Charter School program for a handful of years along with three years growing intensively in and around Cuba, N.M., which has some similar growing conditions to Pagosa Springs. For some time in the past, I was also a member and leader of a handful of community



Photo courtesy Food System/Food Equity Coalition

Mother-daughter duo Alice Chavez and Rose Chavez.

gardens and permaculture cooperatives in the Front Range and currently facilitate the Vista Lake Community Garden.

For my mother's part, she has been gardening every year since we moved into this house on Lewis some 30 years ago. Growing up and today, mom still integrates these seasonal vegetables, fruit and herbs into our diet and has deeply influenced my skill set as a home chef and nutritionist. In addition to the crops we mentioned, mom always has a beautiful selection of flowers. Every year, we have a row of sunflowers to celebrate our ancestors and especially my mom's brother, James Archuleta. We sell our excess at the Pagosa Farmers Market Small Growers Coop booth on weekends and donate throughout the season to the Healthy

Archuleta Food Pantry Network.

Since I recently moved back to Pagosa Springs, I have enjoyed supporting my mother with her gardens, contributing to the work of Healthy Archuleta and being Pauline Benetti's right hand on weekends at the Pagosa Farmers Market. Mom shares her passion for growing and the healing power of having her hands in the soil by starting early in the season and designing the layout of the gardens, selecting which produce to

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Photo club topic: 'Have phone cameras finally caught up with big iron in image quality?'

By Gregg Heid
Pagosa Springs Photography Club

The July meeting of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club will be held on Wednesday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St..

Our program this month is "Have phone cameras finally

caught up with big iron in image quality?" and will be presented by Joe Sinclair. This will be a hybrid meeting, also available on Zoom. The Zoom link will be emailed to members; others who wish to attend may request the link by email to abulter@mac.com. If attending in person, feel free to arrive any **■ See Photo on next page**

Food

■ continued from previous page try and ordering seeds early. To my utter delight, she continues to rattle those pans and provides us with many of our nourishing and traditional foods of beans, chile, quelites, verdolagas and tortillas. Periodically, she enjoys doing public food demonstrations to share her knowledge and bring family and community together to connect.

The connection to the land and food through the act of gardening and caretaking is powerful in many ways and provides us many

opportunities to practice mindfulness that is a much needed balm in this complicated but beautiful world of ours. We are grateful to care for our community through these small but important acts that nurture our interconnectedness and well-being. To visit our garden, please contact us at (505) 920-0305 or send an email to tranquilrosa@gmail.com.

For more information, contact: fsfearchuleta@gmail.com, call (401) 371-322 or visit: <https://www.foodcoalition4archuleta.org/community.celebration.html>.

Photos courtesy Gregg Heid

Photos taken with a modern mirrorless camera, and with a smart phone. Which do you prefer? The July meeting of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club will feature a program titled "Have phone cameras finally caught up with big iron in image quality?"

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Save the date for Broadway Gala fundraiser for Thingamajig Theatre Company

By Carole Howard
Thingamajig Theatre Company

Mark your calendars for an exciting Broadway Gala fundraising event on July 26 at 5 p.m. that will include dinner and a cabaret show featuring the talents of the Thingamajig Theatre Company's summer musicals cast.

It's part of an elegant evening at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts to raise funds for Pagosa's only nonprofit professional live theater that also will include a live auction for unique interactions with the actors, live music by the actors, backstage tours conducted by cast members, and a catered sit-down dinner hosted by the actors. There will be a cash bar with tips going to the actors.

Only about half of the costs of Thingamajig productions are covered by ticket sales. The remainder of the theater's funding comes from private donors, business sponsors, program advertising, grants and proceeds from this annual Broadway Gala fundraiser — the most important event of the year to keep the theater up and running.

Tickets are \$250 for this dressy evening and are on sale now on the theater's website, pagosacenter.org.

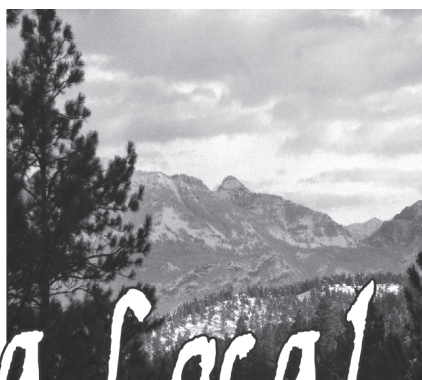
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Unique auction items

The actors are working on their acts for the cabaret concert and their individual contributions to the auction — and keeping them

a surprise for now.

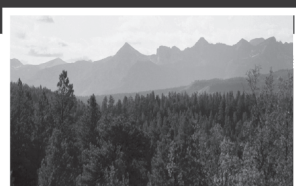
A look at a few of past years' one-of-a-kind auction offerings gives you a good idea of what very special fun will be available this year. They included actors' **See Gala on next page**



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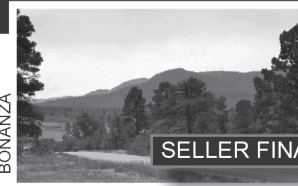
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time after 6 p.m.; the actual presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m..

Sinclair will give a short presentation on the latest expert thinking about smartphone camera image quality, based on a DXOMARK article. DXOMARK is the premier camera/lens testing organization. The presentation will be followed by a facilitated club member discussion about individual experiences with phone camera image quality. Just how good are smart phone photos? What's your experience?

Sinclair has been a member of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club for several years. In addition, he is a member of the Napa Valley Photographic Society in California. He has been photographing for 60 years and has received numerous awards for his photos.

The Pagosa Springs Photography Club promotes educational, social and fun interactions between all who enjoy making and viewing great photography. The club sponsors educational programs and outings to help photographers hone their skills. The club's membership year begins in January. For new members, dues are at \$25 per year (\$35 family). For more information about the club and to download a membership application, visit: <https://pagosaspingsphotoclub.org/about/>.



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Thingamajig Theatre Company's Broadway Gala fundraising event is set for July 26 and will include dinner and a cabaret show featuring the talents of the cast of Thingamajig's summer musicals.

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serenades at private parties, a brunch with several of the actors, a sunrise hike led by two actors and a personalized cocktail party featuring a drink created just for the winning bidder.

Some of the perennial favorites will be offered again this year. One is a progressive dinner for 10 people where actors chauffeur you and your friends to four incredible locations where you'll enjoy wine pairings, serenades and delicious food prepared by the cast. Cleanup is included. Another popular auction item is a photo shoot for four where the actors will do your hair and makeup as you enjoy champagne and chocolate, then provide costumes before you pose with the cast for a very special picture that could be your best Christmas card ever. A third is an evening campfire sing-along with the actors.

"We know from previous galas that our guests have been surprised and delighted by the evening's festivities — and especially the clever and creative auction opportunities," said Laura Moore, executive director and co-founder of Thingamajig Theatre with her husband, Tim. "We are deeply grateful for everyone's support because the

musicals that folks are seeing on stage this summer would not be possible without the funding raised at the gala."

The summer musicals

This summer's talented actors, singers, dancers, directors and designers are performing in a blockbuster summer season aptly titled Broadway in the Mountains. Tickets for all the shows are available on the theater's website at pagosacenter.org — \$42 for adults and \$25 for kids 12 and under. Evening performances are at 7 p.m. and matinees are at 2 p.m.

The musicals are "Bright Star," with the bluegrass score composed by Steve Martin and Edie Brickell; "Guys and Dolls," a romantic comedy involving a high-rolling gambler and a strait-laced missionary; and "SpongeBob the Musical," a family-friendly show based on the Nickelodeon animated TV series.

"As we begin our 11th year, we are super excited to be presenting these musicals, which represent the best of Broadway from classic to contemporary," Tim Moore said. "Guys and Dolls' is the iconic romantic comedy that's on everyone's favorites list. 'Bright Star'

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 is a powerful drama featuring bluegrass music that originated in the Appalachian region of the U.S. ‘SpongeBob’ showcases the latest in technological innovation and spectacle in its staging.”

Tim Moore pointed out that even the settings of the shows are remarkably diverse. “Bright Star” is set in North Carolina in the 1920s and ‘40s. “Guys and Dolls” is set in Damon Runyon’s New York City, with a side trip to Havana, Cuba. “SpongeBob” takes place in the underwater world of Bikini Bottom.

These three musicals are being performed in rotation with five to six shows a week until Aug. 24. All the dates are on the theater’s website.

‘The Music Man KIDS’

As well, a special production of “The Music Man KIDS” takes place on Saturday, July 16, and Sunday, July 17, at 1 and 2:30 p.m. This show is the culmination of the Whatchamawhozits Children’s Theatre Summer Camp, in its 11th season this summer.

The camp provides opportunities for youngsters aged 7 to 12 to be taught a multitude of skills from dancing and costume design to storytelling and character development as they interact with the professional actors performing in Thingamajig’s main musicals. They are led by Tyler Price Robinson, the much-admired actor who this summer is playing Nicely-Nicely in “Guys and Dolls.”

More about Thingamajig

Thingamajig 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 designers come from across the U.S. and Canada to produce

musicals, comedies and dramas year-round.

The theater was co-founded in 2010 by Tim and Laura Moore, both award-winning actors and directors in their own right.

Their mission is to provide high-quality theater experiences at a low cost to our community,

thereby making art accessible as well as providing a major economic driver for our tourist industry. They also provide youth, many of whom are recipients of scholarships, with low-cost, hands-on educational opportunities to see and participate in professional productions of important plays.



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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, July 7

Mysteries of Chimney Rock Tour.

7-9:30 a.m. Chimney Rock National Monument. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$8 for children 5-12. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www.chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.

Pickleball.

9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Summer Reading Club.

10-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. For those in K-5th grade. Dive under the waves to discover all the ocean resources there. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch.

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. Serving sloppy Joes, chips and dessert to go at the front doors of the Parish Hall. In addition, frozen prepared meals, meat and other staples are available for those in need. Masks and social distancing are required.

Bridge.

1 p.m., Senior Center. Come alone or bring a partner. Proof of vaccinations required.

Dungeons and Dragons

3-5 p.m., Discord. Ongoing game free for teens and young adults every other Thursday on Discord. Go on an adventure from the comfort of your couch. Contact claire@pagosalibrary.org to learn how to join.

English as a Second Language.

4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate and advanced students from 5-7 p.m.

PALS Adult Education.

5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Library Speakers Consortium: Alka Joshi, author of 'The Henna Artist.'

7-8 p.m. Live author discussion via computer link. The Library Speakers consortium is a partnership of public libraries working together to expand access to best-selling author talks. A live, one-hour interview with a best-selling author and a professional moderator. Event recordings will be available after each event if you are unable to view the live presentation. To access these engaging book discussions, please visit <https://pagosalibrary.org> on your computer, tablet or smartphone on the day of the event.

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 or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Friday, July 8

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.

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.

Pickleball.

10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Paws to Read.

1:30-2:30 p.m., Sisson Library. 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. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Free Legal Clinic.

2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Privately meet with a volunteer attorney via Zoom at the library or by phone to ask questions about all areas of civil law. Visit <https://checkerboard.co/> anytime to access many legal forms and other useful legal information. To schedule an appointment with the volunteer attorney, please contact the library at (970) 264-2209 or send an email at the beginning of the month to ruby@pagosalibrary.org. The clinic takes place on the second Friday of every month, but available appointments are limited, so please contact the library early in the month to reserve your spot.

Gaming.

2:30-3:45 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Enjoy video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Thingamajig Theatre Company

Presents 'Guys and Dolls.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for

the Arts. A musical based on short stories by Damon Runyon and set in 1920s New York City. For more information and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Saturday, July 9

15th Annual Pagosa Duathlon.

7 a.m., Brockover Trailhead off Turkey Springs Road. This is a race for everyone from kids to seasoned trail racers. For information and registration, visit www.riseaboveviolence.org/pagosa-duathlon.

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.

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Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. A wide variety of locally grown produce and food products.

Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. 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.

Riverwalk Naturalist Tours. 7 p.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.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'The SpongeBob Musical.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Based on the beloved Nickelodeon animated series "SpongeBob SquarePants." For more information and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Sunday, July 10

Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Bright Star.' 2 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 or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Vista Lake Community Garden Summer Planting. 4-5:30 p.m., behind the PLPOA clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. We still have some community garden beds open and there are plans to plant the remaining beds alongside community members. We will focus on a variety of plants that can still grow to maturity over the next few months. Come join in on the fun; we will connect, spend some time weeding and planning the future tilled site where we will be able to produce a larger quantity of food during future growing seasons. All are welcome. For more information, please contact us at fsfearchuleta@gmail.org or (401) 371-3227.

Bingo. 5:45 p.m., Parish Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m., early-bird bingo at 5:45 p.m., bingo from 6-8 p.m. Concessions and cash prizes. No outside food or drink.

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, July 11

Geology Tour. 7-8:30 a.m. Chimney Rock National Monument. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$8 for children 5-12. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www.chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.

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Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m.,

PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Proof of COVID vaccination required. If you have not attended, please call Beverly at (970) 264-2064 for more information.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Com-

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Game Night. 6-8 p.m., PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. We currently have cornhole and backgammon players. Bring your favorite game. For more information, contact Barbara at (602) 622-9053.

Tuesday, July 12

Flora of Chimney Rock. 8-9:30 a.m. Chimney Rock National Monument. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$8 for children 5-12. For more information, see the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association website at www.chimneyrockco.org or call (970) 731-7133.

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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.

Pagosa Springs Stitchers. 10 a.m.-noon, Community Methodist

Church, 434 Lewis St. Bring your current stitching project and a snack/drink if you wish and enjoy the fellowship of other stitchers. Open to all.

Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Come alone or bring a partner. Proof of vaccinations required.

Pagosa Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., PLPOA clubhouse, 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.

Mahjong. 1:15 p.m., Senior Center. Come to learn or play. For the safety of our participants, proof of vaccinations is required.

Adventure Club. 1:30-3:30 p.m., CrossRoad/Grace in Pagosa campus, 1044 Park Ave. Exciting Bible stories, songs, crafts, games, snacks and more. For kids in pre-K through 6th grade. Come and bring your friends. For more information, call Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Ruby's Book Club. 2-3 p.m. Sisson Library. We will be discussing "Hidden Valley Road" by Robert Kolker. Copies are available at your library.

Dungeons and Dragons. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens and young adults. Join us for our ongoing game. Contact claire@pagosalibrary.org for details on how to join.

English as a Second Language. 4-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call (970) 264-2209 or email for more information. Beginning students are encouraged to attend from 4-5 p.m., intermediate and advanced students from 5-7 p.m.

PALS Adult Education. 5:30-8 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equiva-

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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 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.

Riverwalk Naturalist Tours. 7 p.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.

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Wednesday, July 13

Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Kids' Workshops. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. For grades 4-6. Contact the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association office at (970) 731-7133 to register your child.

Adventure Club. 9:30-11:30 a.m., Amazing Grace Community Church, 77 Navajo Circle. Exciting Bible stories, songs, crafts, games, snacks and more. For kids in pre-K through 6th grade. Come and bring your friends. For more information, call Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. All ages. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Com-

munity Center. Beginner lessons 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Loaner paddles are available.

Zentangle. 1 p.m., Senior Center. A form of relaxation using easy-to-learn patterns drawn by focusing on single lines one at a time. For the safety of our participants, proof of vaccinations is required. Call (970) 946-4582 or text us at (970) 264-2167.

Adventure Club. 1:30-3:30 p.m., CrossRoad/Grace in Pagosa campus, 1044 Park Ave. Exciting Bible stories, songs, crafts, games, snacks and more. For kids in pre-K through 6th grade. Come and bring your friends. For more information, call Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'The SpongeBob Musical.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Based on the beloved Nickelodeon animated series "SpongeBob SquarePants." For more information and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Map Making for Teens. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Those in the 4th-12th grade are invited to make your own maps and sea charts of real or imagined places at a free event.

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.

Pagosa Springs Photography Club. 6:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Our program this month is "Have phone cameras finally caught up with big iron in image quality?" and will be presented by Joe Sinclair. This will be a hybrid meeting, also available on Zoom. The Zoom link will be emailed to members; others who wish to attend may request the link by email to abulter@mac.com. If attending in person, feel free to arrive any time after 6 p.m.; the actual presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 14

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Library Speakers Consortium: David Allen, author of 'Getting Things Done: The Art of Stress-Free Productivity.' 10 a.m. Live author discussion via computer link. The Library Speakers consortium is a partnership of public libraries working together to expand access to best-selling author talks. A live, one-hour interview with a best-selling author and a professional moderator. Event recordings will be available after each event if you are unable to view the live presentation. To access these engaging book discussions, please visit <https://pagosalibrary.org> on your computer, tablet or smartphone on the day of the event.

Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. Serving Thai beef salad and dessert to go at the front doors of the Parish Hall. In addition, frozen prepared meals, meat and other staples are available for those in need. Masks and social distancing are required.

Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Come alone or bring a partner. Proof of

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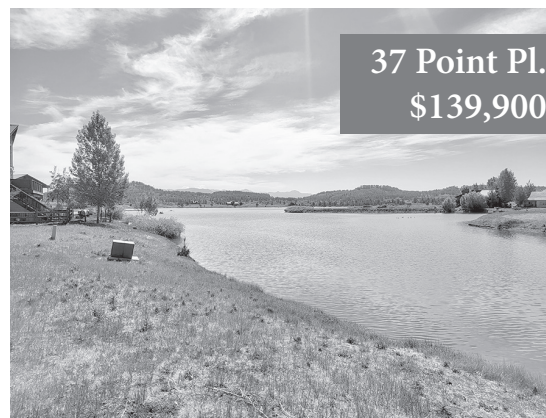
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Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., Discord. For those in the 4th-12th grade. Join us to help plan library events. Let us know what you think the library should be doing for you. Call (970) 264-2209 for more information.

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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.

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.pagosa-center.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

Friday, July 15

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.

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.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

Comfest 2022 Free Outdoor Concert Series. 5:30 p.m., Town Park. Featuring The Tim Sullivan Band.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Guys and Dolls.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. A musical based on short stories by Damon Runyon and set in 1920s New York City. For more information and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit www.pagosacenter.org or call (970) 731-SHOW.

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.

Saturday, July 16

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Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1

p.m., East Side Market. A wide variety of locally grown produce and food products.

Pickleball. 9-11 a.m., South Pagosa Park. Loaner paddles are available.

Maker Space. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For all ages. Come build, design and create at the library. We provide the material, you provide the vision.

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Sunday, July 17

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Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Byron Greco

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

Among cavity-nesting birds, fierce competition for nesting sites confers favor on those birds like the mountain bluebird who arrive early on their breeding grounds, before all of the good spots are taken. However, arriving too early can be perilous if late-spring snows are accompanied by freezing temperatures.

Secondary-cavity nesters like this one are unable to excavate a hole on their own and often rely on old woodpecker holes to nest in. A female mountain bluebird chooses as her mate the male that shows her the best nest site. House sparrows, house wrens and European starlings are among the competitors for these limited spaces.

The mountain bluebird is a resident of the West, found in open areas of alpine meadows, grasslands, fields, farmland, pastures and gardens, where it eats primarily insects and spiders, adding small fruits and seeds later in the season. These birds are considered a natural pest control in agricultural areas.

The sky-blue male and the gray female, with blue in her tail and wings, can be found perched on fence posts, tree tops and power lines while scanning for prey on the ground, in the air or on vegetation. Looking for food, they may hover over the field like miniature kestrels.

Mountain bluebirds have readily adapted to nesting in man-made nest boxes erected in suitable habitat. Much of what is known about their behavior has been obtained from observations at these sites.

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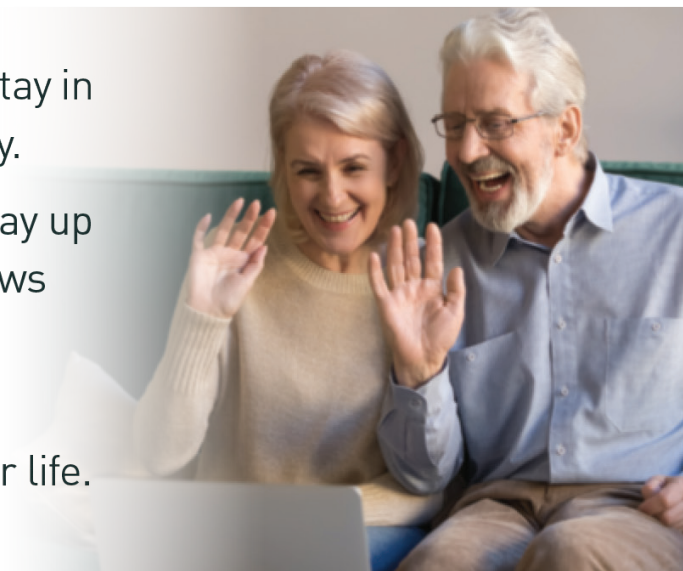
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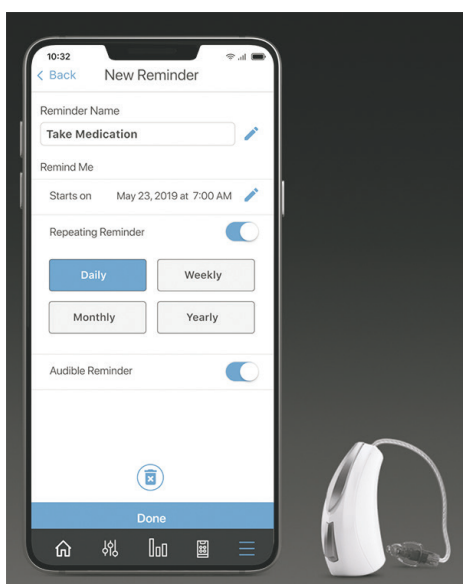
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By Stan Counsell
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“Depart from me, I never knew you!”

Matthew 7:15-23. Luke 6:46-49. Luke 13:22-28.

These portions in the Bible appear to be a disturbing head-scratcher to many a believer or curious reader. And, with the best of intentions, we try our hardest to figure it out based on our own reasoning or by what we have been taught.

Just what did Jesus mean in Matthew and Luke? Where do we fit in these verses? Are we accepted or are we just not “good” enough? Some will feel their salvation is in peril, thinking, “I haven’t done those works, they did and still got condemned.” Still others will think that perfect church attendance anywhere, and a few dollars in the plate, punches their “ticket” to Heaven. So, just what did Jesus mean?

Simply put, Jesus was warning His followers that there are two different faiths regarding Christianity, one to attain and one to sternly reject. Faith is either true or it is false. And, in its context, Jesus was teaching what type of faith people needed to have in order to follow Him.

True faith thrives within true Christianity, not in popular religious churchiness. Such faith cherishes God’s complete Word but steadfastly refuses alleged “inspired” books, false teachings and other practices. It is enamored with God’s abounding love and forgiveness for His people. It joyfully seeks and delights in a relationship with God, being made anew in Jesus Christ, becoming born again.

This faith births a continually changing life of turning from sin, growing in the Holy Spirit and committing to a local body of believers. It sees discipleship as a goal to joyfully grasp because it is active and alive, creating an exciting believer’s heart. It’s not muddled in continual excuses for inactivity.

Nominal Christianity and cult organizations and doctrines are rich breeding grounds for false faith. A constant is the continual changing of its “truths” and beliefs when they become unpopular. In short, they follow what seems right for now. In such deceit, one person’s “truth” is allowed to contradict another’s, but they are still considered the “truth.”

Jesus never said, “No one comes to the Father except by Me. But, gee, there might be other ways too.” False faith speaks about God, but it is lip service and “God talk.” It is void of biblical convictions and obedience. The Bible might be seen or displayed, but there is no attempt to genuinely study it as the only unchanging truth about God

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and humankind.

Its adherents claim Jesus is divine, but they have no genuine identity with the real Christ, they just claim to. Instead, Jesus is placed on the same pedestal with other false religious systems. Jesus is denied, ignored or seriously falsified into what He isn’t.

To be clear, Christianity has always been infused with false apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. Jesus said it would.

From the beginning of creation, Satan has been at work trying to distort or eliminate Jesus. We can become gods, have special/secret knowledge, possess books “equal” to the Bible, believe in reincarnation or cherry-pick Bible verses. In short, Almighty God is reinvented into what He isn’t. So, let’s study the real truths laid before that crowd of listeners.

False confessions can fool people, but not Jesus. On the day of judgment, He will separate His true followers from those of Satan. But, the rejected will take umbrage, loudly declaring they are “Christians” too, that Jesus is making a horrible mistake. Let’s see the lies put forth by them.

Not everyone who calls Jesus “Lord, Lord” will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. For Lord (kurios) means “anointed Savior, Master of all life, God, the Messiah.” To say Lord but not mean it is tragically abhorrent.

They will boldly declare, “We prophesied in your name.” But did they? Prophecy is speaking as an oracle of God, always being correct. But false prophets (Greek) means “act as if a prophet, lofty speech, to refute God’s teachings.” They are motivated by pride, elevated social/religious status, money and Satan.

“We cast out demons in your name.” Cast (ekballo) is “to cast, drive, or send away.” But, it cannot be achieved by human effort or gimmicks. Remember the seven sons of Sceva went about using their various “tools of trade” for deliverance. This time their “tool” was the incantation of the names of Jesus and Paul. Their reward was

a serious “beatdown” from the evil spirit. Casting out evil spirits is not to be for show or selfish gain.

Lastly, the rejected ones claimed that they “performed mighty miracles.” But, in this case, “performed” became twisted into a meaning of “transgressing the law, providing for self, to lay in wait, [saying inwardly] this doesn’t move me.” We should never seek to do God’s work to self-aggrandize ourselves. Only Jesus’ name should be lifted up, not ours.

Trying to impress the Lord is utmost foolishness. For Jesus proclaimed, “Leave Me, you who practice lawlessness” (NASB). Or, “Depart from Me, you law-breakers” (CBC). The Greek makes abundantly clear what Jesus meant. When He said, “I never knew you,” the Greek was “not ever, not as a friend.”

Let’s look at another portion of the verse, “you who practice lawlessness.” This word (poieo) has a very wide application to which we disgustingly find “produce contempt for the truth, wickedness.”

Jesus never wants for His followers to depart; He loves us and saves us. His disgust is for the fakes making money or a name for themselves. As a former lawless one, Jesus drew me to repentance and deliverance. So, what is Jesus saying? There is a divide between real and false faith. Where do we fit? Choose Him, not distorted words and actions.

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Sunday devotionals offered by the Baha'i Faith

By Paulette Heber

Baha'i Community of Archuleta County

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

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/884668836?pwd=bkdEeVlaSWN0bFRMdFhidXpzWjV5Zz09>, 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, July 10, our theme is

“Understanding.”

“Know thou that, according to what thy Lord, the Lord of all men, hath decreed in His Book, the favors vouchsafed by Him unto mankind have been, and will ever remain, limitless in their range. First and foremost among these favors, which the Almighty hath conferred upon man, is the gift of understanding.” — 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.

New Thought topic: ‘What is your Spirit Medicine on the Wheel of Life?’

By Shayla McClure

New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

The Sunday service on July 10 at 10 a.m. will be “What is your Spirit Medicine on the Wheel of Life?” with Shayla White Eagle McClure.

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 McClure at (970) 510-0309 for band information.

July 13, 9:30 a.m.: Karen Aspin memorial dance at Xanadu.

July 14, 5 to 5:30 p.m.: Courtyard concert — Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society benefit at the Pagosa Lodge. Bruce Wayne Classic Rock and Country. Rain or shine.

July 16: Spirit of the Medicine Wheel Playshop with Shari Silvey and White Eagle McClure.

July 21, 5 to 7:30 p.m.: Courtyard concert — Rise Above Violence benefit. Bruce Wayne Classic Rock and Country. Rain or shine.

July 28: New Thought Center Community Outreach Festival with benefit. Bruce Wayne Classic Rock and Country. Rain or shine.

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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 pagosacomunitynewthought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa

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Public health talk series launches and map making for teens

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Your library is hosting public health and resource professionals from San Juan Basin Public Health for four free in-person sessions on Mondays from noon to 1 p.m. from July 11 to Aug. 1 to talk about a wide variety of important health topics.

On July 11, Jenny Howell and Jenn Heath will share information about the Women, Infants and Children (commonly known as WIC) nutrition program, and SafeCare, which supports parents and caregivers of children aged 5 younger.

On July 18, Danette Jackson and Emilia Majewski will discuss the Nurse-Family Partnership, which provides a free personal nurse for women pregnant with their first baby, and the State Tobacco Education and Prevention Partnership, which works to reduce tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke.

On July 25, Francilia Pena will cover cancer prevention and early detection of breast and cervical cancer. Aug. 1 will explain health insurance enrollment and how to pick the best plan for you. Spanish interpretation will be available for this session.

More details on the presentations are available in flyers you can pick up at your library.

Map making for teens

Fourth- through 12th-graders are invited to make your own maps and sea charts of real or imagined places at a free event next Wednesday, July 13, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Library Speaker's Consortium tonight

Tonight is the first in our new Library Speaker's Consortium series featuring New York Times bestselling fiction and nonfiction authors giving live, professionally moderated book discussions you can view on your computer, tablet or smartphone with Internet access. If you are not available to view the presentations live, the recorded event will be available afterward.

The July 7 program will feature author Alka Joshi, who wrote "The Henna Artist" and "The Secret Keeper of Jaipur," from 7 to 8 p.m. The second program on Thursday, July 14, from 10 to 11 a.m. will feature David Allen, author of "Getting Things Done: The Art of Stress-Free Productivity." The third program on Aug. 3 at noon will feature Pulitzer Prize-winner Marcia Chatelain, author of "Franchise: The Golden Arches in Black America."

To access the consortium, click on the link on your library's home page at: <https://pagosalibrary.org>.

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Moving forward, we expect two or three book discussions a month.

PALS adult education expands

In response to popular demand, Mark is doubling the number of his free PALS sessions to Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 8 p.m. to help with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. No registration is required. This service is in great demand and is used by many people, so we are very happy to make it more available.

No Tech Times in July

There will be no Tech Times in July. Tech Time will return at a future date to be announced later.

Summer Reading Program underway

If you haven't already done so, we hope you will sign up at your library or register online for this year's Summer Reading Program, which is underway now with the theme "Oceans of Possibilities." Pick up a bingo card because participants get a small prize every time you complete a bingo sheet.

The Summer Reading Program 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.

Summer Reading Club for kids today

Our Summer Reading Club for kids in kindergarten through fifth grade takes place today, Thursday, July 7, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., when we'll dive under the waves to discover all the ocean resources there. The July 14 topic is ocean geology, when we'll discover how islands form, what the tallest mountain in the ocean is and more.

Legal clinic tomorrow

The free legal clinic this month is happening by appointment tomorrow, Friday, July 8, from 2 to 3 p.m. 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 ruby@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.

Gaming tomorrow

Enjoy free all-ages video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect tomorrow, Friday, July 8, from 2:30 to 3:45 p.m.

Ruby's Book Club next Tuesday

Ruby's Book Club meets in person from 2 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, July 12, to discuss "Hidden Valley Road" by Robert Kolker. Copies are available at your library. This book club is held the second Tuesday of

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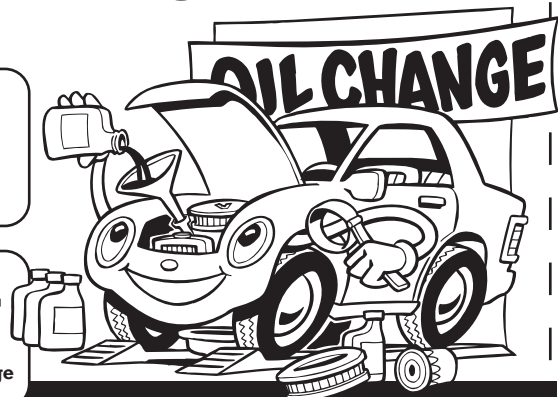


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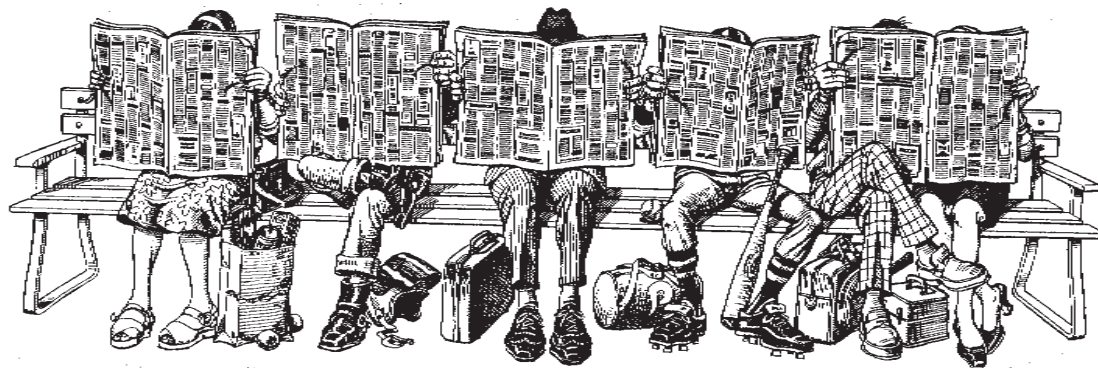
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each month, alternating between fiction and nonfiction titles. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Paws to Read Friday

Friday, July 8, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grade 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 on Saturday

Kids aged 6 and up are invited to bring your imaginations — LEGOs are provided — on Saturday, July 9, 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.

Dungeons and Dragons virtually and in person

Today, Thursday, July 7, from 3 to 5 p.m. is our ongoing virtual Dungeons and Dragons game free for teens and young adults, available every other Thursday on Discord. Then, join us next Tuesday, July 12, from 4 to 6 p.m. for our ongoing in-person Dungeons and Dragons game. Contact claire@pagosalibrary.org to learn how to join either or both games. Free in-person sessions take place at your library on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

Virtual teen advisory board

Next Thursday, July 14, the teen advisory board will meet from 4 to 5 p.m. on your library's Discord server. Fourth- through 12th-graders are invited to bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs.

Writing challenge

A new all-ages writing challenge will be posted July 11 on the library's Facebook page. We hope you will challenge your creativity by participating in this free activity.

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 StoryWalk to the Riverwalk downtown. It starts at the Ross Aragon Community Center and heads north toward the growing domes. The July 1-10 featured book is "Blue Sky, White Stars" by Sarvinder Naberhaus. July 11-25 features "Woodsy's ABCs," when you will explore the outdoors with Woodsy the Owl, a U.S. Forest Service mascot.

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 July 13.

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.

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Activities calendars

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Large print

"A Killing in Gold" by Ralph Cotton is a Ranger Sam Burrack western. "Last Stage to El Paso" by William W. and J.A. Johnstone is a Red Ryan western. "When She Dreams" by Amanda Quick focuses on someone impersonating a woman at a psychic conference.

Nonfiction

"30-minute Keto" by Mihaela Metaxa-Albu is a low-carb cookbook. "Protecting Your Children From Internet Pornography" by John D. Foubert is a practical guide for parents to apply in their own home. "A Dude's Guide to Baby Size" by Taylor Calmus is a guide for fathers-to-be to help understand a baby's development.

Novels

"Brotherhood" by Mike Chen is

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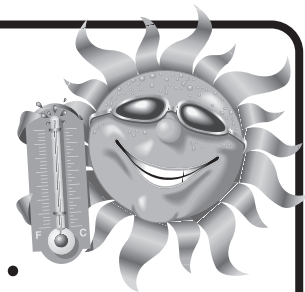
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When to keep one's mouth shut

I have come to understand that older people aren't more difficult, but they become less interested in maintaining their masks. They no longer pretend. They feel they have a right to say whatever is on their mind.

Maybe that's what happened to me. I was on a tangent. I'm not sure what got into me, maybe four months of keeping my mouth shut, and I had had enough.

My daughter waited in the car during my last doctor's appointment. When I arrived back at the car, I said to her, "I did it."

"Noooo. What did you do?"
"I told the receptionist I had a problem with her."

"You didn't."
"Yes, I did. She pushed me to my limit."

My daughter and I have been driving back and forth to Denver since February. It was our 10th trip and the last one to take care of the vein problems in my legs. For four months, we have dealt with a young 20-year-old receptionist.

She was not workable, flexible or interactive. If you asked me, I'd tell you I acted very pleasant toward her. But she didn't return the same courteous social skills, which I thought she was hired to do.

Throned, stationed at the front desk, the queen with the tightly woven blonde ponytail guarded the castle. There was no exchange of welcoming words. I told her I was there for my appointment and I took a seat. She looked as if I had ruined her day.

The nurse called my name and I stepped into the examination room. Once I passed the guard at the front desk, the visits became pleasant, professional and we even joked as old friends.

Making appointments to coincide with our arrival time, back-to-back office visits and hotel reservations became difficult. My procedures were finished except

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



for one more follow-up visit. My daughter's procedures were beginning and would overlap with my last visit.

I left the examination room and told the queen, "I need to make a follow-up appointment in August to fit the time with my daughter's appointment."

She didn't say anything.
I said again, "We need to come in on the same day. We drive six hours each way to get here."

No response. Apparently, she had no sympathy as to how many hours we drove.

"What time can I see the doctor?" I demanded.

She looked at me with no expression. She wouldn't tell me. I asked her again.

She finally said 10.
I asked what time my daughter's appointment was scheduled. I guess she thought it was privileged information and I didn't need to know.

"Do I need to go get my daughter from the car?" I asked.

Reluctantly, she said "10:30."
So, I said, "You're the face of this doctor's office. Are you happy? You don't act like it."

She stretched her arms, yawned and said she didn't sleep well last night.

She looked pregnant, so I said, "I see you are pregnant."

She said, "My sister is."
I said, "That's nice, have a good day," and I walked out. I had a lot more to say to her, but the sister thing threw me.

When I came back to the car and

told my daughter what I said to the receptionist, she asked, "What did she say when you told her you had a problem with her?"

She was appalled, surprised and taken aback. "Me? Why?" She couldn't believe I would ever have a problem with her. After all, her office clerical duties were perfect, impeccable and probably never had an overbooking or made a mistake. Maybe she wasn't hired to communicate with the clients.

Still on a tirade and wound up when we entered an upscale restaurant, I said to my daughter, "Look at all these fingerprints on the glass. You can tell how clean their kitchen is by the glass on the front door and the restroom."

At the restaurant, the young teenager sat with menus. I'm sure he heard my snide remark. He directed us to our seats without a word. On the way out, I looked to see if the fingerprints were still on the glass. They were.

My daughter said, "I don't think the young man knew it was his job to clean the glass. And, probably, the queen thought she was doing her job perfectly, guarding the treasure of her domain. She's not there to make friends."

"Wow! What is their problem then?"

She looked at me, "Mother, I think you might have the problem."

Final brushstroke: Is the burden of this age about accepting a younger generation in charge? Maybe it's not my job to tell them how to do their job, and maybe I need to learn how to guard my mouth. I guess we all have a lot to learn.

Readers' comments

Send your comment to betty-slade@centurytel.net.

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Senior

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The Community Café at the Senior Center is requesting volunteers to help with greeting customers. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to volunteer or for more information.

The Archuleta Seniors Inc. (ASI) Board of Directors has three vacant positions open for financial oversight and policy implementation for the organization and Senior Center staff. Terms are three years with an option to renew for an additional term. Potential candidates should be at least 55 years of age or older and must have a passion for adult and aging services.

Community Café menu

Thursday, July 7 — Chicken and mushroom crepes with broiled asparagus, milk, green salad and a roll with butter.

Friday, July 8 — Salmon with dill sauce, orzo pasta and broccoli with toasted almonds, a garden salad, milk and pistachio fruit salad.

July 9-10 — Closed.

Monday, July 11 — Barbecued chicken, baked beans, honey cornbread, milk and a garden salad, fruit for dessert.

Tuesday, July 12 — Beef cheeseburger, sweet potato fries, milk, a garden salad and brownies.

Wednesday, July 13 — Pork kielbasa, sauteed cabbage, German potato salad, milk, green salad, a buttered roll and fresh fruit.

Thursday, July 14 — Crispy catfish with tartar sauce, wilted spinach, milk, a green salad and cherry crisp cobbler.

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 ages 59 and younger, the cost is \$10. Please call or text us at (970) 264-2167 to make a reservation.

Fundraising need

ASI has an immediate monetary need of raising \$100,000 from our community to strengthen a Round 2 state of Colorado grant opportunity. So far, \$31,000 has been raised.

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 ample space for activities.

Please consider donating to ASI by calling or texting us at (970) 264-2167. You may also mail your donation to P.O. Box 3444, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. Donation checks can be written to: Archuleta Seniors, Inc. We are located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., in downtown Pagosa Springs. For general information about ASI, please visit <http://www.psseniors.org/>.

Folate/folic acid

What are folate and folic acid?

Folate and folic acid are two forms of the same vitamin:

- Folate is the vitamin found naturally in food.

- Folic acid is the form of the vitamin that is added to foods such as cereal and flour. Your body absorbs folic acid better than folate.

What do folate and folic acid do?

Your body needs this vitamin to build new cells. It is important for the nervous system, which includes the brain and spinal cord. The vitamin also helps limit homocysteine levels, which may protect against heart disease and cancer. Women need folate before and during pregnancy to protect their babies from birth defects, such as:

- Spina bifida (the incomplete development of the spinal cord or its coverings).

- Anencephaly (a defect in the closure of the neural tube during fetal development).

- Certain heart problems.

- Cleft lip or cleft palate.

How much folate/folic acid do you need?

Most healthy teens (ages 14 years and older) and adults need 400 micrograms (mcg) of folate per day. Pregnant women need 600 mcg per day. Nursing women need 500 mcg per day.

Some medications can interfere with your body's ability to use folate/folic acid. If you take these medicines, you may need more folate/folic acid. Check with your doctor or dietitian before taking folic acid supplements

How much folic acid is too much?

Teens between the ages of 14 and 18 years should not have more than 800 mcg folic acid per day. The safety limit for adults ages 19 years or older is 1,000 mcg per day.

Tips for getting enough folate/folic acid:

- Plan two or more meals per week with beans as the main protein.

- Eat a dark green vegetable on most days.

- Include one food from the grains group at each meal.

- Choose folate-rich foods for snacks.

- Instead of a soft drink, choose orange juice.

Medications that may interfere with folic acid:

- Antacids.

- Anticonvulsants.

- Aspirin.

- Methotrexate.

- Oral contraceptives.

- Pyrimethamine.

- Sulfasalazine.

- Trimethoprim.

- Trimetrexate.

Which foods have folate/folic acid?

Following are some foods, serving sizes and how much folate/folic acid they have, per the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

- Cereal, ready-to-eat, 1 cup, usually 100-400 mcg.

- Cereal, cooked (oatmeal, farina, grits), 1 cup, usually 75-300 mcg.

- Turkey giblets, cooked, 1 cup, 486 mcg.

- Lentils or black-eyed peas, 1 cup, 358 mcg.

- Pinto beans, cooked, 1 cup, 294 mcg.

- Chickpeas (garbanzo beans), cooked, 1 cup, 282 mcg.

- Okra, frozen, cooked, 1 cup, 269 mcg.

- Spinach, cooked, 1 cup, 263 mcg.

- Black beans, cooked, 1 cup, 256 mcg.

- Long-grain white rice (enriched), 1 cup, 238 mcg.

- Beef liver, cooked, 3 ounces, 221 mcg.

- Enriched egg noodles, cooked, 1 cup, 221 mcg.

- Spinach, canned, 1 cup, 210 mcg.

- Collards, cooked, 1 cup, 177 mcg.

- Turnip greens, cooked, 1 cup, 170 mcg.



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Enjoy Sunshine — Sunlight during the day increases the sleep hormone melatonin for a restful night's sleep.



Nutrition — Eating a lighter third meal at least 3 to 4 hours before bed helps to promote Refreshing Rest.



Exercise — Exercising early in the day will make for better sleep at night.



Water — The brain is 85% water and regulates all body processes for balance. It needs water for rest.



Live Temperately — Temperance will get you to bed before 10 pm — the best time for melatonin release.



Invest Time in Others — Serving others increases oxytocin, which promotes feelings of peace and rest.



Fresh Air — Night air is sweet. The more oxygen the better the rest.



Educate Yourself — Reading relaxes the mind, creating the conditions for Refreshing Rest.



PAIN SALVE

INGREDIENTS:

8 oz. Vaseline or non petroleum jelly
 7 Tbsp. 90,000 HU CAYENNE
 3 Tbsp. GINGER POWDER
 1 tsp. PEPPERMINT OIL
 1 tsp. WINTERGREEN OIL

Mix thoroughly in large glass bowl until smooth. Store in a glass container with lid out of sunlight. Apply topically on area, rubbing in thoroughly until salve disappears. Don't apply on open sores or irritated skin.

Note: Excellent for bone, joint and muscle pain. Will increase circulation.

Caution: When handling cayenne, always wash hands thoroughly; avoid contact with eyes.

If you missed any of the 10 Health Secrets printed over the last several weeks, please go to pagosada.org and select the "ministries" link. All 10 Health Secrets can be found there.

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THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

• **1608:** QUEBEC CITY IS FOUNDED BY SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN.

• **1775:** GEORGE WASHINGTON TAKES COMMAND OF THE CONTINENTAL ARMY AT CAMBRIDGE, MASS. DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

• **1886:** THE "NEW-YORK TRIBUNE" BECOMES THE FIRST NEWSPAPER TO USE A LINOTYPE MACHINE AND NOT HAND TYPESETTING.



WHICH TWO COUNTRIES CELEBRATE NATIONAL PRIDE AND INDEPENDENCE ON JULY 1 AND JULY 4?

ANSWER: CANADA & THE UNITED STATES

Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

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Answer: National Pride



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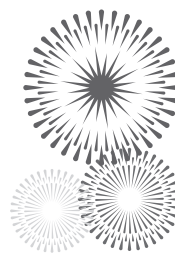
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FRENCH: Pays

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KRITTER GITTERS, SKUNK AND BAT Busters. We specialize in capturing and removing unwanted rodents and varmints. We don't trap pigs. 50 years experience, lifetime resident. Dan Snow, (719)849-8873.

EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR HOUSE painting and staining. Kitchens, bathrooms, decks, granite countertops and more. Call Josh Soniat (970)903-5892.

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.

METAL ROOF REPAIR, TIGHTENING or replacing. Chimney cleaning, chimney repair. Replacement or new chimney installs. Call (970)731-4585 office, or (970)946-1275.

SKID STEER EXCAVATOR, DUMP trailer for hire. Driveways, foundations, gravel, etc. Call Josh Soniat (970)903-5892.

HELP WANTED

NORTH PAGOSA MARATHON is hiring a full-time cashier and a full-time deli cook. Deli hours are Monday thru Friday, 5a.m.-1p.m. Please come apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

SAN JUAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION has several job opportunities available in the Durango and Pagosa area. For more information and to learn how you can become a member of this dynamic organization, sjma.org/about/sjma-job-opportunities/.

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.

KITCHEN HELP, MORNING AND afternoon shifts. No experience necessary. Flexible schedule and competitive wages. Apply in person, Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa Springs. EOE.

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING available. Call (970)264-9204.

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We Are Hiring

Salaried Manager or Assistant Manager positions

Stop in and talk to Angela

Floor Assistant

\$14 per hour plus tips, 4-9 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 your application
175 Pagosa Street



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. Knowledge of Mac computers and Adobe InDesign is helpful. 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.

ELEMENTARY TEACHER NEEDED at Del Norte Elementary School. We are seeking a hardworking and enthusiastic teaching professional to join our dynamic, vibrant and fun-loving team. 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: Amy Duda, Principal at aduda@urtigers.co or contact Amy at (719)657-4050. Applications can be picked up at the District Office or online at: urtigers.co.

STAFF BOOKKEEPER. Accounting firm has an immediate need for a detail-oriented bookkeeper with QuickBooks online experience to work Monday- Friday, 8a.m.-5p.m. Our ideal candidate will also have experience with payroll and sales tax preparation. Competitive hourly rate dependent on experience. Submit resume to jjas@jjaccountingsvc.com, by fax to (970)264-4451 or drop off at our offices by calling (970)264-5330 to get directions.

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.

ADMIN ASSISTANT. Full time assistant position. Proficient with MS Office, Real Estate, and light bookkeeping knowledge a plus. Please email your resume to frontdesk@pagosalandcompany.com.

IN NEED OF RESIDENT COOK, Housekeeping Manager and Maintenance. Room and board plus hourly pay. Apply at taramandala.org/connect/employment-opportunities/.

Terry's Colorado Home Supply & Ace Hardware
is currently making additions to our team in

Management • Delivery • Electrical • Cashier

We are looking for reliable, motivated, team-oriented applicants that enjoy a fast-paced environment. **Full time includes paid time-off, healthcare, profit share, discounts, \$15 minimum pay and more!** Must be able to work weekends and holidays.

Please apply in person; applications available on www.terrystate.com.

525 Navajo Trail Drive, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 • (970) 731-4022

PAGOSA THERAPEUTICS AND THE GREEN HOUSE are looking for friendly and enthusiastic people who are eager to share their knowledge and help customers navigate the wide world of cannabis. **Primary responsibilities:** Greeting and checking in customers. Advising customers on the best product for their needs and preferences. Processing payments through a point-of-sale system and cash handling. Ensuring product security and compliance. Maintaining store appearance and organization. **Required qualifications:** Outstanding customer service and communication skills; strong organizational skills and attention to detail; reliable and professional; full-time availability and ability to work nights and weekends. Must be 21 years of age. A Marijuana Enforcement Division badge is required to start work. Previous retail, food service, and/or cannabis industry experience is preferred but not required. We provide an extensive training program on product knowledge and compliance requirements, with opportunities for continuing education. Benefits include paid sick leave, sales bonuses, and employee discounts. We are growing company with opportunities for advancement and involvement in outreach events. Please e-mail your resume to employment@jandjinc.net.

REGIONAL CONVENER. Hiring for a Sector Partnership Convener to cover Region 9. Position will follow guidelines outlined by the Colorado Workforce Development Council's Scope of Work. Position will be responsible for developing, organizing, and implementing a NexGen Sector Partnership program from 2022 until 2025 and setting up a sustainable Sector Partnership program for future years. Position will include creating and managing sector partnerships and education partnerships to develop career pathways for the future workforce. Job is a contract position. Please send your resume and letter of intent to Mary Jo Coulehan at director@pagosachamber.com. For the full job description, please see www.pagosachamber.com/employment-opportunities.

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. Includes maintenance and janitorial duties. 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.

ASSISTANT BREWER. Opportunity of a lifetime! Will train. Must be 21+ years old. Applications on Facebook, email: info@pagosabrewing.com, or at Pagosa Brewing. No phone calls. Cheers!

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.

HIGH COUNTRY TITLE is looking for an office manager. Responsibilities include greeting clients, answering and directing calls, stocking, receiving/sending mail and maintaining proper records storage. The right candidate takes initiative and anticipates office needs, has excellent communication skills, is accessible, friendly and possesses the ability to learn and adapt. Salary varies with experience (30-40k) with benefits and opportunity to move up. High Country Title pays 100% of employee health insurance and has a 401k match up to 4%. Please submit resumes to Leo Hebert, chief operations officer: leo@teamtitle.co.

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.

BUSY RENTAL SHOP LOOKING for shop person to help service equipment, help load/unload equipment for customers. Welding/electrical skills a plus. Must have valid DL. Fulltime Monday-Friday. Apply in person at 305 Bastille Drive or call (970)731-4410 to get an application emailed.

COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER. Axis Health System is recruiting for a Full-Time Community Health Worker to join our fast-paced, technologically advanced patient care team at Archuleta Integrated Healthcare. Education and experience requirements: bachelor's degree in social service, health education, or public health. Experience working with community organizations as an advocate for high-need individuals preferred. Case Management tracking, documentation experience, and phone experience required. Pay Range: \$16.50-\$18.49 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/jobs/>. 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.

SUBSTITUTE MAIL CARRIER. Local postal contractor seeks substitute mail carrier for mail route. Responsibilities include sorting mail and parcels at post office and delivery in Pagosa Lakes area. Must have four wheel drive vehicle. Call Steve at (970)946-5470 for information



Preschool Teacher 2 at Pagosa Springs

TCHS will pay a sign-on bonus of \$1,500 for a qualified candidate after six months of completing a CDA program and an additional three months of successful employment. The offer is for external new hires only.

Join our dynamic organization. We are passionate about our impact on the families, children, and the communities we serve.

Tri-County Head Start employees have endless opportunities to make a difference in the lives of others. With ample opportunities for growth in both education and social services, working at Tri-County Head Start means you can develop your career alongside your community. You will gain national and federal curriculum-building experience, earn the tools and resources needed for career success, and make a difference in the lives of your community's children and families.

A career at Tri-County Head Start offers training and advancement, community impact, and work-life balance. Eligible employee benefits include;

- Paid professional development
- Paid sick, vacation & personal time off
- Paid breaks; Thanksgiving, winter, and spring break
- Health, dental, and vision insurance (for eligible employees)
- Employee contribution to a 403(b) retirement savings account
- Employee Assistance Program

Preschool Teacher 2: Full Time, 35 hours a week for 42 weeks, August to May.

This position serves in a classroom to provide an appropriate social and emotional environment to expand children's ability to learn, grow, and build trusting relationships. This role works in a classroom-based setting with typically and atypically developing children and provides daily supervision and support for children's developmental needs.

Salary: The hourly wage range is \$13.25 to \$18.90.

The minimum requirements for this position are;

- Must be 18 years of age and have a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent certificate
- Willing to obtain CDA within six months of hire. Tri-County Head Start will provide opportunities for training support to get a teacher's qualification, including CDA support and coaching.
- TCHS will offer financial support toward a BA or AA degree in Early Childhood Education.
- Previous experience working in early childhood with children ages birth through five years preferred.

Apply online at tchs4c.org/careers/

Durango 4C Council/Tri-County Head Start is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

COVID-19 Vaccination Mandated Employer

ESTABLISHED CONSTRUCTION COMPANY hiring All Positions, including Project Manager, reliable transportation a must. Submit resumes to info@fullertonworks.com or call (970)403-5119.

HOUSEKEEPING POSITIONS AVAILABLE full time. Flexible 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.

PAGOSA LIQUOR IS HIRING a full-time cashier. Please come and apply in person at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

VOLUNTEER TEACHERS NEEDED. St. Francis of Assisi School in Lumberton, NM. \$700 monthly stipend, free housing, Cigna health insurance. For more information, call (575)759-3252 or (970)398-0372.

NEW OPENING: ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW CAREER? If you are a self starter, with the ability to multi-task, The Pagosa Springs SUN has an opportunity for you with our multimedia organization. Successful applicant will have computer experience, creativity, organizational skills and demonstrate proficiency with spelling and grammar, ability to use Adobe InDesign is a plus. We are currently taking applications for a part-time advertising position up to 30 hours per week. Position offers salary, plus commission. Reliable transportation is a must. If you like getting out in the community, meeting new business owners and developing relationships, this is the perfect job for you. We offer a fun and challenging, team-oriented work environment. This position requires that you work in our office. \$14 per hour plus commission. Email your resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls, please.

SAWMILL HELP. GENERAL LABORER needed for local sawmill. Please call (970)264-5000 for more information.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IN CONSTRUCTION: framing, remodels, etc. Pay based on experience, but will train the right person. (970)844-4140.

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Front Office Receptionist

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Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com.

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JONES MECHANICAL. EXPERIENCE PREFERRED but will train right person. Excellent opportunity to learn the HVAC trade. (970)731-3046.

MOUNTAIN MAMA MASSAGE is looking for a caring massage therapist ready to share your healing gifts! Fun, relaxed work environment where you are honored and appreciated. TOP PAY: \$45-\$50/ hour plus tip. Email racheldevloo@gmail.com.

DEDICATED CLEANERS, UP TO \$17/ hour. Must be detail oriented, trustworthy, reliable and committed. Text Pagosa Sparkles, LLC, (970)946-6446.

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/jobs/>. 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.

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 Eagle Drive in Pagosa Springs.

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY HELP WANTED ADS — tinyurl.com/d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

MAINTENANCE PERSON NEEDED for Lakeview Estates Apartments. Must have experience and own tools. \$20 per hour. Apply in person, 857 N. Pagosa Blvd. or send resume to mountainsiderhonda@gmail.com.

BANK OF COLORADO is hiring for a Teller/ New Accounts. Provides quality customer service. Receives and pays money to bank customers and maintains accurate record keeping of deposits and withdrawals, negotiable instruments, and other bank transactions. Opens personal and business accounts. Answers phones and assists customers with all bank services. Must be willing to work rotating Saturdays. Full benefits package including health insurance, PTO, and 401K. Apply online at www.bankofcolorado.com.

HELP WANTED

PART-TIME POSITION AVAILABLE. Busy downtown car wash is looking for capable and responsible person to join the Operations Team. Must be strong, mechanically-inclined, able to problem-solve, and have a truck able to haul a trailer. \$25+/ hour depending on qualifications. 2+ days/ week or -10-20 hours/ week. Call Aurora (970)903-0329.

ROOF LABORER NEEDED with some construction experience. Will train. \$20-\$25/ hour to start. (970)749-0830.

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!

ALLEY HOUSE GRILLE. Seeks dishwasher. \$16 to start, 4-5 days/ week. Must be available weekends and holidays. Health Insurance available after 6 months of employment. Submit resumes and inquires to Contact@alleyhousegrille.com.

LOCAL LANDSCAPING COMPANY is offering top pay to experienced landscape techs. Non-experienced are encouraged to apply. Perks and bonuses. Call Buck Frisbee Landscaping, ask for Buck (970)946-0096.

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.

SPA/ HOT TUB WATER CARE and Maintenance Person wanted. Need clean driving record. Maintain water chemistry, cleaning of spa/ filters/ covers, etc., chemical treatment, and more. Deliver and replace covers, install accessories, help Spa/ Hot Tub Delivery Crew on deliveries and moving display tubs in and out of showroom. Training is provided. Please call (970)946-4673 for more information or visit us at Homespun Comforts, 301 N. Pagosa Blvd., B-6.

DO YOU LOVE WORKING with a high driven and fun team? 1st Southwest Bank has several opportunities with a high starting pay and strong benefits. 1stSouthwest Bank is looking for a Personal Banker and Teller. Offering a strong benefit package & career growth opportunities. For more specific details visit <https://www.fswb.bank/who-we-are/>. EOE.

HELP WANTED

ADVERTISING CUSTOMER SERVICE

This is a part-time (up to 30 hours per week) position.

Are you the right person? Are you willing to ...

- ... learn various multimedia platforms?
- ... multitask and meet deadlines?
- ... provide customer service?

Do you have ...

- ... organizational skills?
- ... accurate spelling and grammar skills?
- ... computer experience?
- ... creativity?

Position offers salary (\$14/hour) plus commission. Work hours will be split between office and being in the field. Applicant must have reliable transportation.

Submit your resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com or drop off at 457 Lewis Street. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls.


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 457 Lewis Street

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.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN SCHOOL IS GROWING! OSLS is hoping to add an additional class for the coming academic year: either a standalone 1st grade or combined 2nd/3rd grade. OSLS is a classical Christian school with high academic and character standards. Résumés may be submitted to: pastor.odom@protonmail.com. Please call (970)731-4668 for more information.

GREAT CAREER OPPORTUNITY. Come join our team for a fun and fast paced career as a chairside dental assistant. Paid vacation, holidays and dental benefits. Will train right candidate. Pay range is \$14-\$20/ hour. Please send resume to denprac@yahoo.com.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Animal Shelter Kennel Tech. Part time and full 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.

VOORMI IS CURRENTLY LOOKING to hire a part-time or full-time production sewer. Potential applicants should have experience sewing and an ability to sit for periods of time for production sewing. Experience with single needle, overlock, cover stitch and flatlock machines a plus. Attention to detail is a must. Please send cover letter and resume to hr@voormi.com.

HELP WANTED

THE GEORGE T. SANDERS COMPANY is looking for a dedicated and passionate Counter Associate to join our team. Do you have plumbing knowledge or previous plumbing experience? Do you have a passion for being a team player and willingness to do what it takes to succeed? Are you a go-getter looking for your next opportunity? Then come work for us. \$17-\$19/ hour. Go to <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/recruiting/jobs/All/459799af-dd77-40f9-9c86-48c9bd7f2f1b/George-T-Sanders> to apply.

HELP WANTED 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.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS Animal Shelter Front Desk. Part time, two to three days a week. 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.

PART-TIME HELP FOR LANDSCAPING WORK. Must be experienced with mowing, weed eating, trimming. Must have transportation. Call Eric, (970)946-2061.

YARD SALES

BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

BIG MOVING SALE. Lots of clothing- infant to adult sizes, couches, kitchen table, swingset, bikes, toys, everything must go. Holiday Acres, 355 Coyote Dr. 7/1/22, 7/2/22, 7/8/22, 7/9/22, 8a.m.-3p.m.

SIGN UP FOR WEEKLY YARD SALE and FOR SALE AD UPDATES — tinyurl.com/d64deel9. The Pagosa Springs SUN.

WANTED

MOVING SALE. FURNITURE, garage items, iron patio table and chairs, commercial grade outdoor grill, tools, clothing, exercise equipment, miscellaneous household items. 127 Northbay Circle. Friday and Saturday. 9a.m. to 4p.m.

GARAGE SALE, SOME INDOOR. Antique Lionel trains with track and accessories, antique cathedral style radio, nice wall clock, record albums, kitchen and miscellaneous. Saturday, Sunday, 10a.m.-4p.m. 66 Garnet Ct.

MOVING SUPPLIES. Clean, dry boxes and paper, used once, free. (949)394-9006.

HUGE YARD SALE, Friday, July 8 and Saturday, July 9, 8a.m.-2pm. 29 Bienvenido Circle, up Cemetery Road. Collectibles, jewelry, great books, furniture, tools, camping, sets of Fiesta-aware, hardware and much more. Free stuff.

MASSIVE YARD SALE! Way too much stuff to list. If you need it, we probably have it. Friday and Saturday, 8a.m.-3p.m. 10.5 miles down 84 on County Road 339. Follow the signs.

ESTATE/ MOVING SALE. Friday and Saturday, 8a.m. sharp. 60 Clover Lane (4 miles down Highway 84, right onto River Forest Drive, right onto Holiday Lane, right onto Clover Lane). Furniture, camping, tools, horse tack, mower, blower, etc. 1/2 price Saturday. Sale by The Organizers.

PERSONALS

NO MAS! DEJA QUE TE AYUDEMOS. 24-horas violencia domestica o/y asalto sexual Linea directa. Confidencial. (970)264-9075.

LOST & FOUND

LOST DOG



Lost in the Lewis Street area on Thursday, June 16. Very timid, if pursued Rosie will run. Pink printed collar with tags, less than 20 pounds, black with white face, pink around eyes and snout, dachshund/ chihuahua/terrier type mixed breed.

If seen call Nancy 512-650-7972 or Humane Society Shelter at 970-731-4771.

PETS

DOGGY DAY CARE 81147.COM. Open 365 days of the year! Full day and half day doggy day care and overnight boarding. Conveniently located just 1 mile from downtown Pagosa. Call (970)264-9111.

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PETS

FOR POOCH SAKES GROOMING. Appointments available with Kelly (303)819-2015. Mobile appointments with Barb (970)903-1290.

ADOPT FROM THE Humane Society. Stop by or call (970)731-4771. You'll be amazed at what we have to offer. www.humanesociety.biz.

LIVESTOCK

HORSE BOARDING AVAILABLE, up to 2 horses. Stall and running stream through 10 acre fenced pasture. \$100 per month. (970)883-2600.

FOR SALE

CULVERTS: HDPE PLASTIC, 10.25" ID. 25.75' and 19.25', 1" thick. \$13 per foot. Will help load. (970)507-0240.

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FILA MOUNTAIN BIKE CRUISER. 18 speed with handlebar grip shifters. Excellent condition, tuned up a few years ago and never ridden since. \$175, Call (970)946-1514.

1997 HONDA GOLDWING. 1500cc. Kept inside, 75,000 miles. Salvage title. Rebuilt. \$2,000. (970)264-0060 evenings.

SUPER HEAVY DUTY 16' FLATBED utility trailer with aluminum bed, floor/ aluminum I beam, 2' side rails. \$2,750. (970)731-2725.

SELL OR TRADE YOUR GUNS. We buy for cash or trade it. No hassle. Licensed, bonded, insured. San Juan Trading Post, 635 San Juan St. (970)731-PAWN (7296).

MOVING SUPPLIES. Clean, dry boxes and paper, used once, free. (949)394-9006.

1936 J2 PIPER CUB. Last flown 2 years ago. Many conversions. 65H continental engine, original 40H engine mounted on stand. All log books and papers. Wings off, stored 2 years. \$28,000. (970)264-0060 evenings.

DO YOU BURN FIREWOOD? Start stocking up now! \$250 a cord split and delivered or get a HUGE dump truck load for \$475! GUARANTEED full cords delivered. Pine/ Aspen mix. Contact FIRE&ICE at (970)582-0006.

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KENMORE TOP LOAD WASHER, \$150. Firewood- ponderosa full rounds- free! (970)946-0118.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES



27' Airstream 2007 RV Classic LTD
Excellent condition. \$42,700.
(850) 585-5718

AUTOS

CLASSIC 1995 JEEP WRANGLER. Winch, 4 studded snow tires, 2" lift, 112,000 original miles. \$9,500 OBO. (970)946-5619.

GUARANTEED CREDIT APPROVAL! 4X4 Auto Sales, 21698 Hwy. 160 West, Durango. (970)385-7940.

2002 TOYOTA MR2. 126,000 miles. Mint condition, kept inside. \$7,500. (970)264-0060 evenings.

2012 RAM 3500 LARAMIE Longhorn Mega cab. 6.7 diesel, adjustable 5th wheel hitch, auxiliary fuel tank. \$25K. (970)946-1700.

FOR SALE: 2021 DODGE RAM 2500. Diesel engine, gray cloth interior, white exterior. 24,000 miles. 4 door/ 4 wheel drive. Custom steel front cattle guard bumper and rear winch. Call Don for pricing: (561)345-9236 (c).

2009 MERCURY MARQUIS LS. 38,925 actual miles. Always garaged and well maintained. Best offer over \$5,500. (760)522-2597.

1997 LINCOLN TOWNCAR, "CARTIER." Runs great! New engine, \$4,000. 1989 Silverado Suburban, runs good, low mileage, \$7,000. Ford rims and tires, 6 hole, like new. Paul Nobles (970)946-1780.

1956 CORVETTE, 2 SPEED power glide. Totally restored. 265 V8. New clear coat, red and white. \$78,000. (970)264-0060.

OWNERS, WE ARE BOOKED UP AND NEED MORE VACATION RENTAL PROPERTIES! Call us today for lowest commission and highest customer service. All you have to do is wait for your rent check to come in. We do the rest! www.NexthomeRMR.com (970)507-8655.

ON BEAUTIFUL LAKE PAGOSA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, unfurnished unit with single garage. Rent \$1,150/ month plus deposit and utilities. No pets, no smoking. Available now, long term lease. (303)929-8860.

PAGOSA SPRINGS/ PAGOSA LAKES area. Rental available August 1st. Fully furnished home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Rent \$2,600 monthly plus deposit and utilities. No pets, no smoking. (505)604-5403.

OFFICE FOR RENT DOWNTOWN, upstairs in the Heritage Building. \$275/ month includes utilities, WiFi, conference room and shared kitchen. (970)946-2728.

SMALL SHOP IN TOWN. Garage door, 14 sq. ft x 24 sq. ft., electricity included. \$200/ month. Michael C. Branch (970)769-2036.

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