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School district releases executive session recording

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

On March 9, the Archuleta School District Board of Education voted on a settlement agreement with attorney Matt Roane in a case regarding an executive session that took place prior to the district's hiring of Superintendent Dr. Kym LeBlanc-Esparza.

It was alleged the board illegally made a decision during the executive session despite decisions in executive sessions being largely prohibited.

In the following days, the district released the recording of that executive session, including to The SUN.

At the March 9 meeting, the board voted on the settlement.

"If we continue with this, we're just spending more money," board president Bruce Dryburgh said.

Dryburgh noted he "hated" the almost \$20,000 settlement and that the district did what others have

■ See Recording A8

State Champions



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestlers have much to celebrate following Friday's first-ever class 3A state championship win for the team. Cameron Lucero is the Pirates' first-ever three-time individual state champion and all of the seven wrestlers the school took to state ended the state tournament on the podium. Coach Dan Janowsky was recognized at the tournament for 40 years of coaching wrestling, with 31 of those years as the head coach of the Pirates.

BoCC hears STR permit renewal appeal

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 16, in which it heard an appeal of the Archuleta County Planning Commission's decision in regard to a short-term rental (STR) vacation property renewal permit application.

The planning commission held a hearing at its regular meeting on Feb. 23 for a property located at 500 Caddy Circle, known as the Caddy Shack.

A hearing for the permit renewal was required to comply with the county's land-use regulations and STR policy, as that property had received nine complaints since April 2020.

At that hearing, the planning commission voted to approve the permit renewal contingent upon four conditions. Those conditions included that the property owner revise advertisements to accurately depict the neighborhood setting of

■ See Appeal A8

Community to receive nearly \$3 million from pandemic relief bill

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The Town of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County are both slated to receive funding via the recent passing of a federal COVID-19 pandemic relief bill.

According to the office of Sen. John Hickenlooper, the Town of Pagosa Springs is slated to receive \$410,000, while Archuleta County is projected to receive \$2.5 million.

This funding will go directly to the town and county for COVID relief, according to Hickenlooper's office.

In an interview on Monday, Town Manager Andrea Phillips explained that she was not sure yet what the town will do with the funds.

Phillips knew that the funds were coming to the town, but explained she was still in the process of learning what restrictions might be placed on

■ See Relief A8

March 20 declared as Archuleta County Ranching, Livestock and Meat-IN Day

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

March 20 has officially been declared as Archuleta County Ranching, Livestock and Meat-IN Day by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC).

The BoCC approved a proclamation establishing this day at its regular board meeting held on March 16.

Lindsey Candelaria presented the proclamation to the BoCC.

The proclamation states that Colorado is a right-to-farm state

and that "Archuleta County is very proud of our agricultural heritage and of the approximately 400 farms in the County."

According to the proclamation, more than 170,000 jobs in Colorado are related to the agriculture business and provides more than \$40 billion annually to the state economy.

The proclamation also outlines how "eating meat supplies the body with essential nutrients in qual-

■ See Meat-IN A8



Photos courtesy Pagosa Springs High School

Ethan Mazur, left, made All State Band, All State Orchestra and All State Choir accomplishing the first "Triple Threat" for Pagosa Springs High School. Hayden Kiker made All State Choir.

Pirates garner All State distinctions

By Dan Burch
Pagosa Springs High School

The all-state process for high school students in Colorado is quite rigorous. Students prepare material months in advance, pay for private instruction and spend hours and hours honing their craft. The auditions take place every fall and then there is waiting for the results months later.

For the first time in the history of Pagosa Springs High School, we have our first "Triple Threat." Ethan Mazur, a junior, made it into All State Band, All State Orchestra and All State Choir.

Hayden Kiker, also a junior, made it into All State Choir. He also auditioned for All State Orchestra on violin.

Both of these gentlemen have worked extremely hard and deserve the honors due them.

Unfortunately, in this crazy year of COVID, there were no actual festivals for them to attend. They will get the recognition of having a picture hanging on the "Pride Wall" at the school.

Both of these young men have another year as seniors to make it again and this time with actual performances with their fellow peers in the Denver and Greeley areas.

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EDITORIAL

The wins and losses of a championship season

At the beginning of the school year, it remained uncertain if Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) would have a wrestling season.

COVID-19 cases had spiked and the program had to be postponed.

But when he got the go-ahead, coach Dan Janowsky was prepared for almost anything.

However, on the second day of that season, Janowsky tested positive for COVID-19. He found himself forced to quarantine.

According to Janowsky, "The show went on with some parent support."

Then, right before regionals, three of the team's wrestlers almost had to quarantine due to a COVID exposure in a classroom.

The school's leadership team and administration checked seating charts and measured distances between students, which allowed for the athletes to get a variance and allow for them to wrestle.

The rest is history.

On Monday evening, the man who brought wrestling to Pagosa Springs in 1972, coach Ron Shaw, spoke to the crowd in attendance at the Pirates' first-ever state wrestling championship celebration held in the high school parking lot.

Being able to watch the boys wrestle in the past has always been a highlight for Shaw. "And this year, they took it away," Shaw said, referring to COVID-19 restrictions not allowing for spectators at wrestling events.

When Shaw got word that "we had won the state tournament and that we were champions, I got tears in my eyes." Good memories from the past gives Shaw hope for better days to come.

He attributed the championship to the team working together, moving forward and never giving in or quitting. "You've made history," he stated.

Shaw expressed his appreciation for the gift the team gave to the community.

"Combined with your dedication and hard work, the team had an outstanding and supportive cast made up of dedicated, caring, intelligent coaches from peewees, junior high and into high school. People who encouraged them to become the best that they could be," he said.

"From the first time you took the mat as wrestlers across from an opponent

they joined a brotherhood that will always be a part of you," he continued.

David "Hammy" Hamilton was the next speaker. Hammy coached with Janowsky in the 1990s.

Hammy spoke of what separates Pagosa Springs' wrestling program from others. He attributed the following statement to his little brother: "Other high school wrestling programs teach boys how to wrestle. Pagosa Springs High School's wrestling program teaches them not only how to wrestle, but to be men of character."

Hammy expressed his gratitude to Janowsky for mentoring his own sons through the wrestling program. Both of his sons attribute learning how to do hard things in their lives to "Coach J." One son said that his ability to endure and persist in the face of adversity was due to the to the training he received on the mat.

Hammy commended Janowsky for this year's achievement and for building individual champions, men of character, throughout his 40 years of coaching.

Myron Stretton, former PSHS wrestling state champion, focused on the historical perspective and how difficult it is to accomplish winning a state championship.

"We've never had seven placers before in the semifinals," Stretton said.

He also attributed this year's accomplishments to the result of many things over many years, including High Rollers fundraisers where Janowsky's brother Andy's band entertained the crowds, along with parents getting kids to tournaments and practice, and more.

"It is all a big undertaking and everything in the past and present contributed to this win," Stretton explained the huge impact of the coaches and also credited the junior high wrestling program and the kid's program.

"The common thread through it all is Coach Janowsky," he said.

Before he joined the high school wrestling staff, Janowsky had been asked to coach high school basketball.

"I thank God that didn't happen," said Stretton.

He gave credit to Janowsky for the tremendous impact the Wrestle the World camps made on Pagosa's wrestling program. "Our exposure to great wrestling is truly second to none and we have Coach Janowsky to thank for that."

"One thing that separates great coaches from those that are merely successful is that while winning is a goal common to both, winning isn't how great coaches define success. A great coach understands that his impact on individual lives is far more important than his win-loss record," concluded Stretton.

Three-time state champion Cameron Lucero said that winning the tournament by 30 points, "It isn't just winning, it's dominating that tournament."

When it was his turn to speak, Janowsky averted the attention from himself to his team while speaking of his many blessings.

He talked about wrestling mindset and being grateful for the opportunity to wrestle. He writes about that mindset in the championship section in this week's paper.

Janowsky encouraged his wrestlers to "be grateful for everything and entitled to nothing."

"The world doesn't owe us anything," he added.

As the sun went down and the temperatures continued to drop, the crowd's hearts were warmed by Janowsky and his stories of his team, his coaches and former coaches.

"Our success is definitely a team effort," he stated.

There wasn't a dry eye in the parking lot when Janowsky turned his thanks to his brother, Andy, who gave so much of himself to support the PSHS wrestling program over the years.

You see, Andy passed away unexpectedly from complications of COVID-19 on Feb. 10.

Andy was Janowsky's confidant. His best friend. Andy wasn't able to be there in person at the tournament to support his brother.

The boys on the wrestling team came up with "#AndyStrong" shirts to wear in support of their coach and his brother.

Janowsky explained that while his coaching team wore the "proper attire" for coaching at a state competition, he wore his #AndyStrong shirt.

"I wanted my brother with me," he said.

We think it was most appropriate. We are certain Andy was there with his brother and the whole team for the championship win.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 18, 1921

A new street light is being installed at the crossing on Lewis street near the Hatcher Hardware store.

Monday was moving day in Pagosa. The Pagosa Journal moved from the Lacy building on Fourth street into the Grant Shield's building on San Juan; the New Light & Power Co. office, the Kyle & Darnall office, and the Goodman plumbing shop in turn moved into the Lacy building from the old Stockmens and Merchants bank building on San Juan street. The last named building is being prepared by the owners, Fahrion & Brooks, for their new meat market, which will be opened to the public soon.

You don't have to pay \$2.50 for a shovel. You can get one just as good for \$1.75 — the genuine Maynard, at Hatcher Hdw. Co.

The county spelling contest will be held at the school house in Pagosa Springs tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. An impromptu program of music and readings will be provided.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 22, 1946

Pagosa Springs merchants who dispense food in "over the counter sales," attended a meeting of the War Price and Ration board in Durango Tuesday. Representatives from all the establishments in town were present.

Mr. and Mrs. West Carlin made a business trip to Durango Saturday. They returned as far as Bayfield, where they attended the dance Saturday night and remained as house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ludwig.

Contributions to the county drive for funds for the Red Cross still are coming in and those who have not yet made their donations are asked to do so immediately, Judge J.T. Martinez, chairman of the drive reported this week. Judge Martinez reminded those who have not yet contributed to the fund that there are still many needs for the Red Cross work throughout the world and that members of our armed services still receive many benefits from the Red Cross work.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 18, 1971

Retail sales in Archuleta County were up 1.4 percent in 1970 over 1969. This is the smallest percentage of gain in several years for this county.

Snowpack and runoff forecasts indicate that spring runoff water may be less than normal this spring. This could change if above normal snowfall is received in March and April. To date the snowfall has been below normal for March at high altitudes.

Classes at the local high school, under the direction of Ron Shaw, have been busily engaged in a beautification and improvement project on the downtown parking area the past several weeks. A stone wall is being built along the parking fill next to the river. A water fountain, of stone, is being constructed at the south end of the wall. The fountain will have a mineral water flow and eventually will be covered with mineral deposits, making it very colorful. The wall is to have space for planters and for small trees.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 21, 1996

Construction of the new Dr. Mary Fisher Medical Center is scheduled to be complete in early June, and the clinic door will open to the public. The question now confronting the directors of the non-profit organization and of the Upper San Juan Hospital District is whether the new facility will contain the equipment necessary for effective treatment of patients. The problem faced by the directors is that the amount of money obtained from a voter-approved 1993 bond issue is not sufficient to meet the costs of construction and to purchase the equipment and supplies needed for operations.

The Archuleta County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on April 9 to discuss a proposed addition to the county's subdivision regulations intended to allow for some improperly subdivided parcels in the county to qualify for building permits. At present, said County Manager Dennis Hunt, there are approximately 1500 improperly subdivided parcels of land in the county. An undetermined number of the parcels are accessed by roads. Some of the parcels are landlocked by adjoining pieces of property.

WHADDYA THINK?

Are you eager for spring?

Poll results (101 votes)

Only if it is a snowy spring. — 30 percent
Yes, I am ready for green grass and flowers. — 66 percent
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The bigger question

Dear Editor:
Thank you to San Juan Basin Public Health for their competency and efficiency in getting the COVID vaccine into the arms of Pagosa citizens. The team of dedicated healthcare workers have made the whole process seamless, from signing up to getting the vaccine. Very well done. Also, congratulations to Liane Jollon, Executive Director of SJBPH on her recent award from the AMA. From what we have experienced living in Pagosa Springs throughout this pandemic, SJBPH has done everything that exemplifies organization, communication, professionalism and follow through. The bigger question is why, at this time, would our County Commissioners be looking into leaving SJBPH for a smaller, out-of-area medical/health group? All of us should pay close attention to the County's moves on this subject.

Kathy Campbell and Lori Schwanz

'Saying the Unsaid'

Dear Editor:
2020 was a hard year. America

struggled with a global pandemic, divided government and an explosion of racial violence and protest. Many of us were shaken to the core by the brutal killing of George Floyd by a police officer who knelt on his neck for 8 minutes, squeezing his life out while he cried "I can't breathe." This was after the horrific, fatal shooting of Breona Taylor by police, who broke into her house without a warrant while she slept and the murder of Ahmad Arbery by vigilantes while he was jogging. We know that these were just a few of the many many brutal killings of Black Americans in recent years. The outrage expressed by the Black Lives Matter protests made millions of white people painfully aware of the injustice and systemic racism that plagues our country, born of slavery and perpetuated by white supremacy.

In response to this, a group of people in Pagosa Springs began talking about the ways in which we, as privileged people in this country, ones who don't have to fear that a routine traffic stop might end in our death, could start a conversation in our community about a topic that is difficult to talk about, systemic racism and unconscious bias. Our group, Working for Racial Equality, began by telling each other our own stories of encounters with racism and educating ourselves about our country's history of slavery, reconstruction, Jim Crow and all that has followed.

We are now ready to open this conversation to the community in the hopes that thinking about and sharing our personal experiences with racism will be the first step in moving beyond our past and opening our minds to just and equitable ways of resolving our problems in the future.

To this end, we are launching our website called Working for Racial Equality and our first project, "Saying the Unsaid," where everyone is welcome to submit their personal stories with racism and privilege. We hope that this will begin a conversation that will lead to deeper understanding and changes in people's hearts and minds that will allow for new kinds of solutions to arise that are so desperately needed.

You can find us at: <http://sites.google.com/view/wrepagosa>
Naomi Julian

Re-balancing

Dear Editor:
In the ancient Roman democracy there were two economic classes. Roman aristocrats (patricians) owned land, and the lower class plebians largely did not, but wanted to.

In America, the divide is not so much over land as over wealth and income. This divide touches such issues as interests rates, salaries and wages, rents, unionization, social welfare benefits, and taxes.

The Roman historian Livy wrote, "Political decisions always have been and always will be influenced by party spirit and concern for property." Livy reported that aristocrats suppressed the plebians because they thought the commoners had a goal to expropriate their lands entirely. Republicans seem to express a similar fear about theft of their wealth by socialist

progressives today.

Re-balancing of wealth and income does not have to "go all the way." It never did in Rome. It can be done reasonably, and perhaps by the states, so as to avoid one rigid national policy for all.

Kimball Shinkosky
Woods Cross, Utah

'Governmental approval or not'

Dear Editor:
After listening to the speech by our obviously declining president, where he told us that, if we behave ourselves, get the shot and so on, he might allow us to celebrate Independence Day with cookouts and family gatherings.

Might, maybe, if he so decides. Obviously, he and his followers who cheer this, have no clue what 'Independence' means.

They do have the 'dictator' part down pat.

As for me and my family, we will have friends, family and neighbors over for celebrations and visits any time we want, governmental approval or not.

Barry Smith

'Be a good listener'


Dear Editor:

Common sense is an integral part of success and, in most cases, it grows from experiencing the "ups and downs" of doing the "work". I love the following from the "Good Book" in which King Solomon states: "Let the wise listen and add to their learning" (Proverbs 1:5). Hmmm, let the "wise" listen. I like that. No matter how much "education" one has, no matter how much success one seems to have gained, the art of learning continues throughout life as we listen to what others have to offer — good ideas often result from relationships, with those who have done the work.

Quoting King Solomon in Proverbs 13:10: "Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice". There is an old saying that I grew up with: "two heads are better than one".


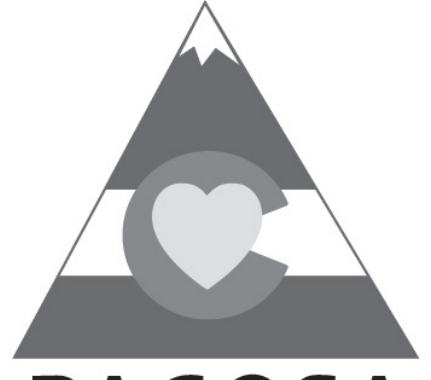
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On Tuesday, the Archuleta County commissioners signed a proclamation making March 29 Vets4Vets Day and recognizing those “who served with honor while defending their country and remain thankful to those who fought in the Vietnam conflict and all other wars and conflicts. We are grateful for their brave service and draw inspiration and pride from all that they are. The servicemen and women who served in the Armed Forces represent a generation who exuded the very meaning of courage, bravery, honor and sacrifice.” Pictured, left to right, are Commissioner Warren Brown, Tanice Rampsperger, Commissioner Ronnie Maez, Joe King with Vets4Vets, Commissioner Alvin Schaaf and Linda Hobbs.

Veterans for Veterans to honor Vietnam-era veterans

By Richard Walker
Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County

The Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County will hold a public event on March 29 at 6 p.m. at the Tennyson Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive, to honor and welcome home all Vietnam-era veterans.

The commemoration recognizes all who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of Nov. 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975, regardless of duty location, and their families. There is no charge for admission. Plan to arrive early for best seating.

We make no distinction between veterans who served in-country, in-theater or who were stationed elsewhere during the Vietnam War period. All were called to serve, and none could self-determine where they were stationed.

Special recognition will be made to the memory of three “Sons of Pagosa” whose names are inscribed on the Vietnam Wall in Washington, D.C., as well as their families:

- Jose Adoro Manzanares.
- Jesus Magin Archuleta.
- Marcus Guy Fiebelkorn.

Invited guests to the event are Sen. Michael Bennet, Congresswoman Lauren Boebert, State Congresswoman Barbara McLachlan and State Sen. Don Coram.

At the end of the ceremony, there will be a screening of the award-winning documentary film “In the Shadow of the Blade.”

“In the Shadow of the Blade” captures the untold stories of Vietnam War veterans and their families as it follows the journey across America of a restored Vietnam War UH-1 “Huey” helicopter.

As they again fly in the iconic aircraft that

once carried them to war, veterans are inspired to share their experiences, reunite with wartime comrades and pay tribute to their fallen.

The film, which won two Worldfest Film Festival gold awards and a Vietnam Veterans of America President’s Award, aired on the Discovery Military Channel. It has previously screened at the Lyndon B. Johnson and Ronald Reagan Presidential libraries, the Women in Military Service to America Memorial, the Library of Congress Veterans Forum and many veteran and educational events across the United States.

The “In the Shadow of the Blade” helicopter is now permanently displayed in the Smithsonian Museum of American History “Price of Freedom: Americans at War” exhibit.

For more information, contact Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County, 507-3005 or vets4vetspsco@gmail.com.

Letters

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good listener and you will surprise yourself.

Live with love.

Patty Tillerson

Health care and pricetransparency

Dear Editor:

As a resident of Colorado’s Third Congressional District, I’m writing to take issue with the high cost of healthcare and lack of price transparency. The confusion, frustration and financial impact of healthcare is a worthy topic for Congressional members to actively and aggressively pursue. To that end, I’ll share a scenario that illustrates price disparity and obfuscation practiced by hospitals and insurance companies. To fully appreciate the end-to-end process of scheduling a diagnostic imaging procedure, I’ll discuss the cash pay vs. insurance claim decision, the disparity of cash pricing across different providers and the ridiculous accounting behind insurance negotiated fees.

First, given high deductibles associated with most healthcare plans, it’s prudent to “game” the system to determine whether to submit a claim to insurance or pay the cash price (usually substantially lower). For example, my wife and I are pretty healthy and, barring a

major medical issue such as surgery, unlikely to meet an individual \$6,000 deductible. So choosing an imaging procedure cash price of \$800 over an insurance contract price of \$4,000 is a pretty clear choice...unless you think you will in fact exceed the deductible. To optimize the decision process, it seems a master’s degree in game theory might help identify the best of several uncertain outcomes.

Second, price disparity exceeds a reasonable range for competitive pricing. As with anything else, it’s smart to shop around for healthcare services and 10-20% variance seems reasonable given differences in equipment, labor cost, utilization rates, etc. In our diagnostic imaging example, I priced the procedure in Durango, Farmington and Denver at \$800, \$2,200 and \$1,200, respectively - a difference of 175% or almost 3x. Further, providers do not publish cash price or patients actual out of pocket expense; estimates are often over the phone with an implied “wink-of-the-eye” and the hope that the same number shows up on the bill.

Third, I was provided a “detailed” cost breakdown if a claim is provided to insurance. Top-line cost is \$20,000; insurance covers \$16,000 and patient responsibility is \$4,000 (not to mention expensive monthly premiums). Of course insurance

pays \$0 because the deductible is not met. Even in a scenario where the deductible is met, no reasonably intelligent person can believe the hospital will ever get \$20,000 for a procedure where they are willing to accept \$800 cash. Is a scheme for a large tax write-off involved? Is there collusion between hospitals and insurance to defraud insured patients? Is there a “stealth tax” wherein people with insurance are paying for those who pay nothing? What questions am I not informed enough to ask?

In conclusion, to be clear, I’m not asking for an investigation into the specifics of my scenario; punitive action for isolated cases does little for sweeping reforms. Rather, I implore Congress to take broad action to promote transparency and fairness in healthcare cost. Profit is a fair expectation for providers and insurance companies just as fairness and transparency is for patients.

Ron Toland

Politics and religion

Dear Editor:

You know that old saying...never discuss politics & religion in company. One could say these issues are hard-wired in folks, maybe genetic. Given today’s gulf between

Trumper’s and the rest-of-the-world, one might just throw in the towel on bipartisanship. Take heart, there’s a dim hope/threat on the horizon and it came about due to the pandemic.

The Covid-19 vaccine is the result of cooperation between normally competing pharmaceutical Co.’s and different countries scientists. Thus, believe it or not, Donald had almost squat to do with the vaccine success. ‘CRISPR is a DNA gene editing technology, add to that very recent research has enabled the genetic programming of RNA. RNA is more molecular & essentially does what your DNA wants and was ‘programed’ to destroy the Covid virus. Today CRISPR and the new programming techniques are being looked at to cure diseases. Gene editing is capable of both curative procedures and heredity editing. And either could be used to prevent diseases in your children which is passed by genes or create super humans or...otherwise; and that’s where the rubber meets the road. There are no laws anywhere prohibiting hereditary editing. In the near future, China and America’s diplomats are meeting in Alaska; one of the items on the agenda is hereditary editing. It seems no country is currently in favor of this technology to allow the change of mankind (well maybe Russia). China imprisoned the only scientist that is known to have done this...it’s thought...once.

So back to the beginning, if politics are genetic then one might be able to change future generation’s votes? And you...you were worried about GOP fake news on voter fraud. Not to worry, this threat is at least 3-6 years away; and all the religious freaks are on the no-no side. But the existential question is what distinguishes a ‘human’ who’s been gene altered from a humanoid AI robot...it’s not a moot point.

Dave Blake



Photo courtesy Reg Larkin

At approximately 3:23 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, the Pagosa Fire Protection (PFPD) was called to respond to a vehicle accident involving three cars near the intersection of U.S. 160 and Pike Drive, according to a press release from PFPD Fire Chief Randy Larson. The accident resulted in U.S. 160 being shut down for approximately 45 minutes in order for crews to mitigate fuel and oil leaks, load patients into ambulances and have disabled vehicles towed away. The accident is currently under investigation by law enforcement.

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Colorado provides guidance on American Rescue Plan related to taxable UI benefits

By Meghan Tanis
Colorado Department of Revenue

On March 11, President Joseph R. Biden signed into federal law the American Rescue Plan Act (Public Law 117-2). The federal legislation is extensive, but specifically in regards to the taxability of unemployment compensation designates that a portion (up to \$10,200 received by each spouse) of unemployment benefits received by certain taxpayers in tax year 2020 will be retroactively exempted from federal income tax.

All Coloradans who received unemployment benefits in 2020 and have already filed their federal tax return are strongly encouraged to consider refiling their federal return to ensure their unemployment benefits are exempt from federal income tax.

Colorado's income tax statutes do not incorporate retroactive federal statutory changes that are

enacted after the last day of a taxable year. As a result, the American Rescue Plan Act will not impact state income tax returns for the year 2020, including the taxation of unemployment compensation.

The governor and other state leaders announced the Colorado Recovery Plan to support individuals and businesses. State leaders will continue to review the aspects of the American Rescue Plan Act to find additional ways to support individuals who have experienced unemployment and employers in Colorado who pay unemployment insurance premiums, and to support a strong economic recovery for Colorado.

Colorado taxpayers who have already filed a state tax return for 2020 and included all of their unemployment compensation in the amount of taxable income reported do not need to take any additional action with respect to their Colorado return. Taxpayers who amend their federal return (or take other

action to claim this benefit as directed by the IRS), must not amend their filed Colorado return to claim a reduction of income related to this retroactive change.

Colorado taxpayers who are still preparing to file their 2020 state tax return are still required to add back the amount of unemployment compensation excluded from their federal taxable income in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act. This amount should be added to line 6 (other additions) of their Colorado Individual Income Tax Return, along with any other addbacks required by law. In the explanation field, enter "Unemployment Compensation." Refer to pages 5 and 6 of the instructions in the Colorado Individual Income Tax Filing Booklet (DR 0104 Book) for details on other additions. This booklet and other income tax forms are available on the website at Tax.Colorado.gov/Individual-Income-Tax-Forms. Additional

instructions will be published after the IRS releases further guidance.

Colorado individual income tax returns and tax payments are due April 15. Colorado offers an automatic six-month extension to file your income tax return, meaning taxpayers may file until Oct. 15. There is no extension of the deadline to pay. If additional tax is due, taxpayers need to make an extension payment using form DR 0158-1 on or before April 15. Visit Colorado.gov/RevenueOnline to file and pay online.

The department is continuing to review the other tax provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act and will provide further instructions on applicable provisions shortly. Taxpayers with questions can call the tax information hotline at (303) 238-SERV (7378) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For questions regarding 1099-Gs issued for unemployment benefits, contact the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment at (303) 536-5615.

Julie Constan named new regional transportation director for southwest and south-central Colorado

Colorado Department of Transportation

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is pleased to announce that Julie Constan has been named as the new regional transportation director for southwest and south-central Colorado.

Constan will lead the region's team of more than 300 employees who are responsible for planning, design, construction, operations and maintenance of highways in a 15-county area.

"Julie will be leading a strong and dedicated team with a lot of challenging and exciting work ahead," said CDOT Executive Director Shoshana Lew. "In her four years with CDOT, she has served as the region's traffic and safety program engineer developing close working relationships with local agency partners to improve safety and multimodal options along the region's state highway system."



Constan

In the role as the region's traffic and safety engineer, Constan recently led the effort to secure an Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMD) grant to lay fiber optic cable over Wolf Creek Pass and continue to

expand access of fiber to southwestern Colorado. The grant will also allow for the deployment of intelligent transportation devices to communicate with commercial trucks and reduce truck crashes on the west side of Wolf Creek Pass. The fiber optic installation project will begin this spring.

"I was raised in Pagosa Springs and joined CDOT Region 5 with a love for the mountains of southwest Colorado and the beautiful San Luis Valley," said Constan. "I'm excited to continue to build upon the strong relationships I've established with community members and leaders in our region's communities."

A native of Colorado, Constan is a graduate of Colorado State University with a degree in civil engineering. Constan lives in Durango with her husband of 17 years and 14-year-old son. She replaces former Regional Transportation Director Mike McVaugh, who recently retired.

At-home COVID-19 testing program expanded to restaurant workers

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) announced this week the expansion of the Binax At-Home rapid-testing program to food services employees around the state.

This expansion to food services workers builds on the program's February launch for use by PK-12 grade teachers, school administrators, early childhood educators and other student-facing staff in Colorado schools. The Binax At-Home program allows eligible individuals to order free testing kits to their homes and test themselves for COVID-19 under the guidance of a telehealth proctor.

"Our main priority continues to be keeping Coloradans safe and healthy. Rapid, At-Home Binax tests are another tool to mitigate the virus while the vaccine rollout continues," said Scott Bookman, COVID-19 incident commander, CDPHE. "Food services employees continue to report to work every day and play a huge role in getting our economy back on track. We are

confident that these tests will help keep our restaurants open and our food services workers safe."

"Restaurants' top priority has always been keeping guests safe and healthy. We are thrilled that this resource will be available to our industry as an additional means to that end," said Sonia Riggs, president and CEO of the Colorado Restaurant Association. "We hope the Binax At-Home program, in combination with vaccine distribution to restaurant workers, can help create a clear path to safely welcoming Colorado's communities back into restaurants at full capacity."

"Binax At-Home is a simple and convenient way to get COVID-19 tests into the hands of eligible Coloradans," said Sarah Hamma, deputy director for COVID testing at the CDPHE. "Making testing accessible through this program is critical to help prevent widespread exposure to COVID-19 and will help keep all of us safer and healthier."

Food service employees can enroll in the program by filling out a Google form which verifies their employer and their email address. Once applicants are approved, they

will receive an email from CDPHE detailing how they can order their own free testing kit, delivered directly to their homes via Amazon. From there, individuals will schedule a telehealth appointment for instruction on how to administer the test via the NAVICA app. Test kits contain six tests, which recipients can use to test themselves every five days. Users are eligible to order their next Binax At-Home testing kit 20 days after their previous order.

Testing kits are free of charge to the user. The CDPHE partners with Amazon and eMed on the Binax At-Home partnership.

For more information, visit <https://covid19.colorado.gov/covid-19-testing-at-home>.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Take-and-make DIY: mini Zen garden

By Carole Howard
SUN Columnist, and the library staff

You're invited to join us via Facebook tomorrow, Friday, March 19, as Brad will demonstrate how easy it is to create a Zen garden that can be displayed in your home or office.

Inspired by traditional Japanese Zen gardens, these DIY gardens are made from sand, rocks and other simple materials. Zen gardens are said to promote tranquility and provide a space for meditative rest — two especially valuable benefits during COVID times.

Supplies and instructions will be available to pick up at your library tomorrow. Video tutorials will appear from 2 to 3 p.m. on Facebook and the library's website at <https://pagosalibrary.org/all-diy/>.

Expanded hours and other changes

Your library has expanded the hours we are open to serve you under COVID Level Blue conditions:

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday open 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with 9 to 10 a.m. reserved for seniors and high-risk populations.
- Tuesday and Thursday open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. for all.

With these new hours, there is a slight change to which staff are working on which days, which affects the times and days for some programs. Storytime has been moved from Wednesday to Thursday at 10 a.m. Tech Times are now from 3 to 4 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday by appointment.

One more change: Meeting rooms can now be used by up to five people.

COVID-related operations that stay the same include:

- Hand sanitizers are available and there will be frequent cleanings inside the building throughout the day. Please practice social distancing and wear masks while you are in the building. If you don't have a mask, we are happy to give one to you.

- Ten computers are available. Staff will clean and disinfect the computers between uses.

- One early literacy computer is available for youngsters.

- Curbside service continues. Phone 264-2209 when you are in the parking lot so staff can bring the items out for you. If you put a hold on something, please wait for your usual alert (email, phone call or text) before coming to pick it up.

- You can place holds on items from other libraries. They are in different stages of open, so items may take longer than usual.

- We're happy to provide tech help in person or over the phone

for our online resources.

Special note

"We want people to always feel welcome in the library and to experience a very friendly vibe when they visit," said Meg Wempe, library director. "But we remind everyone that, similar to other public indoor spaces in Colorado, we must follow the executive order that requires people aged 11 or older to wear a covering over their noses and mouths when entering or moving within any public indoor space. If you are unable or unwilling to wear a mask, we are pleased to assist you outside the building through our curbside service."

New all-ages writing challenge

On March 22, we will post a new writing challenge on the library's Facebook page. We hope you will challenge your creativity by participating in this free all-ages activity.

Online Spanish conversation

Next Monday, March 22, from 4 to 5 p.m., our online Spanish conversation group will gather on Google Meet to practice skills together. You can access the meeting using the Google Meet app or by visiting meet.google.com/xrvesre-kav — and contact Brad at the library if you have questions about using Google Meet.

Storywalk for kids

Weather permitting, every other Thursday, Josie posts signs outside the library that follow the sidewalk up toward the elementary school detailing a new free Storywalk for kids. The March 11-24 theme is sharing warmth. After you finish the walk, pick up materials for a craft or activity at the library.

Knitting takeaways

Pick up free knitting takeaways at the library entrance during open hours to take for your in-home enjoyment. We'll have patterns, craft ideas, instructions and some limited supplies available.

After-school program

In response to COVID, we have revamped our free after-school program into STEAM enrichment kits, STEAM standing for science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics, for ages 5 and up. Registration is required at 264-2209. Pick up your kit and then bring your completed projects back to the library to be displayed in the last week of the month.

DIY craft takeaway for kids

Drop by your library for free DIY crafts takeaways for youngsters age 10 and older during open hours. Pick up a packet outside the li-

brary.

Tech Time

Make a 15- to 30-minute appointment for one of three free in-person slots available from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (note day and time changes). Brad will help one person (or one couple) at a time resolve issues with your computer, smartphone, tablet and other electronic devices.

ESL

Free in-person classes take place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 7 p.m. by appointment. Please register so we can keep it to a small group in our limited open spaces. No walk-ins, please.

Dungeons and Dragons

Join us Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. for Dungeons and Dragons free for teens and young adults on Google Meet. Contact claire@pagosalibrary.org to learn how to join. If you don't have Internet access, contact us anyway — we may be able to accommodate you in the library.

Children's programs on Facebook

Thursdays at 10 a.m. (note new day) and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m., join us on the library's Facebook page for free children's programs. Thursday storytimes are on Facebook Live, so you can interact with Josie. Saturday's Discovery Times — with games, art ideas, science experiments, history and more — are prerecorded.

Mysteries, suspense and thrillers

"The Wife Upstairs" by Rachel Hawkins features a broke dog walker looking to marry a rich man whose wife had died. "Before the Ruins" by Victoria Gosling follows four teen friends spending the night in an empty manor house. "The Voter File" by David Pepper is a political thriller. "One Small Sacrifice" by Hilary Davidson features NYPD Det. Sheryn Sterling. "To Tell You The Truth" by Gilly MacMillan focuses on a bestselling writer. "Let Me Lie" by Clare Mackintosh is a psychological thriller. "Still Life" is written by Val McDermid, the U.K.'s "Queen of Crime." "Blood Orange" by Harriet Tyce is a psychological suspense story. "The Power Couple" by Alex Berenson is a globe-trotting espionage novel. "The Survivors" by Jane Harper exposes long-held secrets after a body is discovered.

Nonfiction

"40 Days with God" by Kent Hickey shows you how to steal a few moments each day for a journey through the Bible. "Liftoff"

by Eric Berger documents Elon Musk's SpaceX from a startup to a leading-edge rocket company. "All Men Must Die" by Carolyne Larrington explores the world of "Game of Thrones." "The Unseasonable Virtue of Fly Fishing" by Mark Kurlansky combines history, sport and a memoir to describe the joys of fly-fishing.

Other novels

"The Noel Letters" by Richard Paul Evans follows a trail of letters leading to a Christmas revelation. "Fifty Words for Rain" by Asha Lemmie is a coming-of-age novel set in post-World War II Japan. "The Fortunate Ones" by Ed Tarkington features two private school friends, one rich and one poor. "The Arrest" by Jonathan Lethem is a post-collapse novel about two siblings. "The Future is Yours" by Dan Frey features a computer that lets you see your life a year from now. "Dark Horses" by Susan Mihalic features a teen's struggle to reclaim her life from an abusive father. "The Invisible Woman" by Erika Robuck is based on a true story of an Allied spy in World War II. "The Russian Cage" by Charlaire Harris is the third book in the Gunnie Rose fantasy series. "The Nature of Fragile Things" by Susan Meissner follows three women after the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. "Infinite Country" by Patricia Engel features a family of Colombian immigrants.

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Quotable quote

"To achieve great things, you need a plan and not quite enough time." — Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990), American composer, conductor and pianist.

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WRITERS ON THE RANGE

An Idaho congressman aims to dump dams

By Rocky Barker
SUN Columnist

Rep. Mike Simpson is a conservative Republican from Idaho whose concept of wildness in the 1990s was going into the rough at a golf course.

He fought higher taxes and remains a strong advocate for gun and states rights. But he changed as he waged a 13-year campaign to protect the Boulder-White Cloud Mountains in central Idaho. He began hiking the area, finding it a place of God.

"The streams, the lakes, the forests are His cathedral, and you don't desecrate a cathedral, and you preserve it," he said in 2014.

The next year, Congress unanimously passed his bill to protect three areas of the White Clouds totaling 256,000 acres, enough to put him among the likes of wilderness icons Sen. Frank Church and former Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus. But he wasn't through.

In 2018, Simpson walked into the meadows of a stream in Idaho's Sawtooth National Recreation Area. In the water he saw a 3-foot female salmon that had survived an 870-mile trip to the Pacific Ocean and back.

He came back to the meadow in 2019, where he watched a female salmon dig a redd, or nest, out of the gravel for her eggs. Her tail was beaten down to the flesh as hook-jawed red males darted in and out, competing to spread their milt to impregnate the eggs. It's the way it's been done for thousands of

generations.

"These are the most incredible creatures I think that God has created," Simpson said. "We shouldn't mess with it."

Yet we have, and \$17 billion in fixes later, salmon are still going extinct because of dams that block them from spawning.

Simpson recounted the story at a 2019 conference in Boise. Listening were farmers who ship their grain on barges from Lewiston, Idaho; Nez Perce tribal leaders; and power producers who depend on the four Snake River dams that block salmon. But how to move the ball?

Biologists for 20 years or more have said removing the four dams — half of the eight between Idaho and the Pacific — was key.

Simpson began the tedious process of meetings — 300 of them — with everyone involved in the salmon-dam conundrum. He asked: Could the four dams be destroyed, pulling salmon back from extinction? Could people depending on the dams be made whole?

Simpson answered "yes" to both questions this February by unveiling his \$33.5 billion bill: Power produced by the downed dams would be replaced, the electric grid throughout the Northwest upgraded, alternatives found for farmers shipping grain, and billions of dollars would go toward economic development.

Simpson made sure there was something for everyone in the four states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. There were

billions for improving water quality, and a shift in control over the dollars that pay for salmon conservation, from a federal agency to a panel convened by the states and Indian tribes. The bill would create the Lower Snake River National Recreation Area, replacing reservoirs with the rapids of a free-flowing 100-mile stretch of river.

The price for salmon advocates would be a 35-year moratorium on litigation and a license extension of 35 years for other dams in the region. This is a high price, as conservation advances for salmon since the '90s have come about mostly through lawsuits.

But the price is worth the risk. I watched the Elwha River's dams come down in Western Washington in 2011, and saw how quickly the steelhead returned to their former abundance, along with salmon and even birds and other species.

Senate Majority leader Chuck Schumer has said he plans to carry President Biden's "Build Back Better" infrastructure bill through the budget reconciliation process, to

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PAWSD approves new drought management plan, aims to curb water use with a different approach

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) Board of Directors approved its drought management plan at its regular meeting on March 11, with things mostly staying the same from last year's plan, except for changes made to drought triggers.

In an interview on Monday, PAWSD Manager Justin Ramsey explained the reason behind the changes in drought triggers.

"Historically, it's been a cumulative amount of water: how much water is in the lakes, how much water is in the river, altogether," he said. "Now, we're going to break that up. If the lake gets too low, we're going to go into drought management regardless of what the river is doing, or vice versa."

Drought management stages could also be triggered by snow water equivalency (SWE) data and whether or not a call is made on Fourmile Creek, he added later.

"We did it the exact same way, we just broke it up so it's not a cumulative amount of water, it's individual pieces of water that could put us into a drought stage," he said.

According to the plan, there are four stages of drought, which includes a voluntary period of water

reduction. The voluntary stage, according to the plan, is intended to give the community advanced notice about developing drought conditions and aims to start the process of water conservation, according to the plan.

Level-one drought management, or a low category of drought, could be triggered by a variety of methods, whether it be SWE, a call date on Fourmile, the reservoir level in Hatcher Lake, drought stages or the San Juan River flow, Ramsey noted.

Level one is categorized as being a stage that aims to build upon the voluntary efforts while also incorporating basic mandatory water-use restrictions that look to curb excessive outdoor irrigation. This stage would also include an "increase community outreach and awareness campaign," according to the plan.

The plan further notes that there would be no surcharges or modifications to rate structures, but penalties for noncompliance could be issued.

"For all of them, anything could go on depending on how early it happens," Ramsey said of the four stages of drought triggers. "Any of these triggers could put you into a drought stage one through four. It just depends on what happens."

Level two, or moderate level of drought, is described as an "advance notice" of severe drought conditions.

This stage of drought features amplified mandatory water-use restrictions, more aggressive community outreach and a modified water-use rate structure for residential users.

Level three, or serious level of drought, is defined by the plan as drought conditions that threaten water availability.

"Mandatory water use restrictions are further amplified to curb water consumption and extend the usability of current water supplies," the plan reads. "A drought surcharge will be implemented on both residential and commercial customers and the water use rate structure will be implemented for commercial customers and be further modified for residential customers."

The final stage, level four, or severe drought, indicates "dangerously low" water supply levels, according to the plan.

This stage would feature drought surcharges and the water-use rate structure being further modified, according to the plan.

Ramsey explained that surcharges will not be triggered until level three. There will be a charge for heavier water use at level two,

but no surcharge will be incurred.

The surcharge for drought stage three is \$17.23 per equivalent unit (EU) and for drought stage four it's \$21.53 per EU, he noted.

"What we realized in 2018, with the last drought management plan, Hatcher dropped a lot. It was down 11 feet or something like that. There was hardly any water left in there. But there's water in the river, so we never actually went into drought stage one until late October," he said. "Fortunately, it started snowing in late October, so it didn't matter, but that's really too late."

The hope with the new drought management plan is for people to reduce their water use early in the year so PAWSD never gets to a stage three or four, Ramsey added further.

"It really doesn't make sense that we used a cumulative of water. If Hatcher is out of water, I don't care if the river is in flood stage, I can't produce water out of the Hatcher plant and sell water to the community," he explained. "The way it was done before really didn't make a lot of sense."

Previous drought management plans oversimplified things, he added later.

"We now have a drought management plan that matches our complex raw water system," he said.

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Public meeting to review data on watersheds and local rivers

By Mandy Eskelson
and Al Pfister

Upper San Juan Watershed
Enhancement Partnership

A Pagosa Springs-based collaborative group, called the Upper San Juan Watershed Enhancement Partnership (WEP), has been working since 2018 to identify concerns and opportunities to address the needs of the diverse water users of the Upper San Juan River Basin.

The WEP strives to be a community-driven effort that supports values and needs unique to our basin while assisting the broader state and regional goals of the Colorado State Water Plan and Southwest Basin Implementation Plan. The state calls these local planning efforts of multiple water uses either Stream Management Plans (SMP) or Integrated Water Management Plans (IWMP).

The WEP's three-phased IWMP process is designed to ensure there

is ample time to gather public feedback, conduct analysis and create a plan with local priorities, which is why we encourage all community members to attend our upcoming virtual public meeting. We are excited to share our updates from our work and hear your ideas on how this information can be used to support local water users.

In Phase I, the WEP organized a steering committee comprised of representatives of the agricultural, environmental, municipal and recreational water users of our community to begin outlining water-related needs and issues. Through multiple public meetings, the steering committee gathered input on the geographic scope/focus, concerns and potential project opportunities to help guide what information was known, what gaps existed, new data to collect, and what analysis and modeling the community wanted in Phase II.

In 2020, as part of Phase II, the WEP has partnered with experts Lotic Hydrological and San Juan Conservation District/NRCS to analyze components identified as priorities during public meetings, such as current and future river flows, riparian habitat, forest health/wildfire risk influences on water resources, and agricultural infrastructure conditions and needs. Based on public feedback and the capacity of models and our partners, the WEP's work has mainly focused on the upper San Juan watershed, but we continue to include steering committee members and project components from the Rio Blanco and Navajo watersheds.

Results from Phase II's data analysis, field assessments and model outputs now need to be reviewed and approved by you, the community. Our upcoming public meeting on Wednesday, March 31, held via Zoom

from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., will present the preliminary results of these assessments and models, gather feedback to ensure it aligns with local experience and knowledge, or identify where additional data and analysis may be needed. WEP steering committee members Joe Crabb and Justin Ramsey will also present on local water systems and drought preparations.

Learn how to access the March 31 public meeting and find additional information about the Upper San Juan Watershed Enhancement Partnership at www.mountainstudies.org/sanjuan/smp.

To learn more about other Colorado watershed groups conducting a SMP/IWMP process, visit www.coloradosmp.org. If you have questions, please contact Al Pfister at westernwildscapes@gmail.com or Mandy Eskelson at mandy@mountainstudies.org. We hope to "see" you on March 31.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, March 18

Archuleta County Republican Central Committee meeting. Noon, Pagosa Brewing, 118 N. Pagosa Blvd. Subject to cancellation due to COVID-19.

Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information.

Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District board meeting. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information.

Tuesday, March 23

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m. Call 264-8300 one to two days before the meeting to obtain the login information.

Upper San Juan Health Service District regular meeting. 5:30 p.m. Zoom meeting. To join, visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85395501309>, meeting ID: 853 9550 1309 or call (346) 248-7799.

Wednesday, March 24

Archuleta County Planning Commission meeting. 6 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. and Zoom online.

Thursday, March 25

Pagosa Springs Town Council work session. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information.

Monday, March 29

San Juan Water Conservancy Dis-

trict special meeting. 4 p.m. Zoom meeting. Find link and agenda information at www.sjwcd.org.

Thursday, April 1

Dispatch Executive Management Board meeting. 9:30a.m. Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7186713647>, meeting ID: 718-671-3647.

Tuesday, April 6

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m. Call 264-8300 one to two days before the meeting to obtain the login information.

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners meeting. 1:30 p.m. Call 264-8300 one to two days before the meeting to obtain the login information.

Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting. 5 p.m. See town website for participation information.

Thursday, April 8

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

Monday, April 12

Pagosa Peak Open School regular meeting. 5 p.m. Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9656099136?pwd=Z3Job2RlZXl0SE8rRzNpL0FucGpKZz09>, meeting ID: 965 609 9136, passcode: 00001.

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

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He later called it a “nuisance” lawsuit.

Board member Bob Lynch called it “disappointing,” and board member Dana Hayward suggested that it pains her to spend the money on that and not on the district.

“It pisses me off,” board member Mike Moore said, noting that the attorney is having taxpayers pay him, but that the district should move on.

Board member Tim Taylor, who was not on the board at the time of the executive session in question, related the cost to the school supplies the funding would purchase, or the amount of lunches it could provide.

The settlement was approved 4-1, with Taylor voting against it.

Roane, who brought the case against the district, previously told The SUN he was seeing the same sort of things happening with school boards across the state, and the case is an opportunity to possibly address improper conduct here, as well as around the state.

Judge orders release

On Feb. 17, Sixth Judicial District

Chief Judge Jeffrey Wilson ordered that the Board of Education turn over a portion of a recording from an executive session that took place in early 2020.

The two-sentence order followed an in-camera review of the executive session recording from Jan. 22, 2020, which related to the board’s search for a new superintendent and calls for the board to release 1 hour and 37 minutes of the recording.

That portion of the recording, the Feb. 17 order indicates, is the initial portion of the in-camera review until the “Board begins to discuss contract terms that will be negotiated with the new superintendent.”

The order is in response to a complaint filed on March 5, 2020, by Roane, who sought the in-camera review of two executive session recordings — on Dec. 19, 2019, and Jan. 22, 2020 — related to the naming of finalists and choosing a new superintendent, respectively, to replace Linda Reed, who had announced her retirement.

“The plaintiff alleges that in these executive sessions the Board decided upon the finalists for the open superintendent position and

then formally decided to offer the position to the current superintendent of schools. The plaintiff alleges that the Board holding these meetings in executive session was a violation of the Colorado Open Meetings Law, ...” summarizes an August 2020 order from Wilson calling for the in-camera review of the January 2020 session.

The same order denied the in-camera review of the December 2019 executive session, with the court agreeing that the board was allowed to decide upon finalists in executive session.

“However, a reading of the Colorado Open Records Act, together with the Colorado Open Meetings Act and CRS 22-32-108, leads to a different result as to the decision to choose the finalist who was ultimately selected to be offered the position of superintendent,” the August 2020 order states.

The order then explains that, under the Colorado Open Meetings Law, full and timely notice is required for any meeting at which formal action may be taken.

“The Court finds it difficult to find that the selection of a superin-

dent of schools is not a formal adoption of a policy decision or a formal action. The Court notes that school boards in the state of Colorado are specifically prohibited from making “... final policy decisions while in executive session,” the order states, citing a case in which the Colorado Supreme Court has held that a formal decision to not renew a teacher’s contract is a final policy decision that must be made at a public meeting. “The decision as to who will lead a school district certainly has more policy implications for a school district than the decision to not renew the contract of an individual teacher.”

The order also contemplates the executive session in relation to statutes requiring a list of finalists be made public at least 14 days before an appointment or employment.

The executive session

The executive session included all the sitting school board members and centered on the selection of and negotiation with the chosen candidate.

Dryburgh, who was not the president of the board at the time, noted to his fellow board members early in the session that board members should not speak about the session.

“The first thing I wanted to say is all of us swear upon penalty of death we do not discuss what happens in this meeting because that would be really bad,” he said.

Following discussion on procedure, the board discussed who their bottom two candidates were, then reviewed stakeholder feedback about each of the two candidates still being considered, Thomas Heald and LeBlanc-Esparza.

After discussing each of the candidates’ strengths and weaknesses in terms of the district’s strategic framework and leadership styles, the board members then ranked the candidates via secret ballot.

The board members noted both candidates would do well leading the district and they could flip a coin and be happy with the results.

The board members called LeBlanc-Esparza the “riskier” choice during the session.

The ranking led the board to move forward with Heald, and the board members indicated Heald would be called that evening.

The audio released per the court order is available at www.pagosasun.com.

ASD statement

Following the decision to settle the case, the district released a three-page statement that included an explanation of the situation and associated case.

The statement notes, in part, “The Board was working with an experienced superintendent search consultant and it was our understanding that the process was being conducted in a manner that is essentially duplicated not only in Colorado but around the entire country by school boards when selecting a new superintendent. Moreover, we thought it was obvious that the process we followed was necessary for a fair and comprehensive discussion of the candidates, and it did not occur to us that any member of the public might disagree. We did not know at the time that our actions would or could result in a claim that we had not followed the Colorado Open Meetings Law.”

The statement adds that the board directed its attorneys to defend its position, which was successful “as to the December 19 meeting, and as to a portion of the January 22 meeting.”

It continues, “However, our local District Court has determined that a significant portion of the January 22 meeting contained discussion that was not protected by the executive session provisions of the Open Meet-

ings Law ...”

The statement called the result “unfortunate” and notes that, while the board has the right to appeal the judge’s ruling, it has opted not to.

“We realize that the Open Meetings Law is technical, complex, and subject to interpretation. An appeal of the Court’s order would be expensive in both time and money, with the obvious risk that the Court of Appeals may not accept our arguments and we will still end up having to release the recording.”

The statement also discusses the four candidates and the district’s ultimate hiring of LeBlanc-Esparza.

“We have said before that we all felt fortunate to have had four very strong candidates for the position, and believed that any one of them would have been acceptable to the Board. We are extremely happy with the ultimate choice. Dr. LeBlanc-Esparza was asked to transition into the leadership role of our school district, not only on the heels of a successful leader, but during a pandemic. Dr. LeBlanc-Esparza is a powerful communicator and determined to do what is right for students and our school community,” it states.

The statement notes that LeBlanc-Esparza is a “strong, charismatic, and compassionate leader” who has risen to the challenge of “navigating a tumultuous school year.”

The statement also includes several comments in support of LeBlanc-Esparza from school administrators, teachers and community members.

The statement concludes by noting that the board has consulted with its attorneys and now better understands “the complexities of Open Meetings Law requirements.”

“We will certainly be more cautious in the future,” it ends. randi@pagosasun.com

Colorado vaccine eligibility expands Friday

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

On Friday, March 18, those who fall under Colorado’s vaccine priority group 1B.4 will be eligible to receive a vaccine.

Gov. Jared Polis announced the news on March 12.

Phase 1B.4, includes:

- People ages 50 and older.
- Student-facing higher education employees.
- Frontline essential workers in food/restaurant services, manufacturing, the U.S. Postal Service, public transit and specialized transportation, public health, human services workers, direct care providers for Coloradans experiencing homelessness and journalism.
- Faith leaders.
- People who serve critical functions in state and local governments.
- Adults who received a placebo during a COVID-19 vaccine clinical trial.
- People 16-49 with one of the state’s listed high-risk conditions.

“It’s a very, very large group of people,” said Brian Devine, San Juan Basin Public Health’s (SJBPH) deputy incident commander for its COVID-19 response.

Devine estimated that 30,000 people between Archuleta and La Plata counties will qualify under 1B.4 and noted that while more providers are enrolled to administer vaccines, the supply of vaccines is still limited.

Devine also acknowledged that vaccine distribution in southwest Colorado continues to be ahead of the state, and a “pretty limited” amount of 1B.4 has already been vaccinated in the region.

As of March 13, SJBPH reported Wednesday, 3,708 of an estimated

13,999 people in Archuleta County, or 26.5 percent, were at least partially vaccinated.

The agency reports that 2,992 people, or 21.4 percent of the population, are fully vaccinated in the county.

Those figures include 70 percent of the 70+ population being at least partially vaccinated and 66 percent being fully vaccinated.

More than 1.9 million Coloradans have been vaccinated, according to the state.

Polis also noted that Coloradans who are currently eligible for the vaccine but have not yet received it that they will still be able to get a vaccine appointment as the state moves forward with 1B.4. Once the vaccine opens up to the general public, vaccine providers will be able to prioritize those who are at risk due to their age, and others with high-risk conditions who have not yet received the vaccine.

Polis anticipated vaccine eligibility would open to the general public by mid-April.

How do I get the vaccine?

Archuleta County has several

enrolled vaccine providers. For information on vaccine eligibility groups and area vaccine providers, visit <https://sjbpublichealth.org/covid-19-vaccine/> and see below.

PSMC:

PSMC announced Tuesday that it is currently enrolling all groups for a COVID-19 vaccine, but indicated vaccines continue to be subject to availability.

To enroll with PSMC, visit <https://pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org/vaccine> to complete and submit registration forms.

Those who are unable to access the form online can call PSMC’s vaccine line at 507-3995 and leave a message with: full name, date of birth, county of residence, phone number, email address and which group applies to you.

PSMC will call those on its list to set up vaccine appointments.

Pagosa Medical Group:

Those who are eligible can text Pagosa Medical Group at 372-0456 (preferred), call the same number or email info@pagosamedical-group.org.

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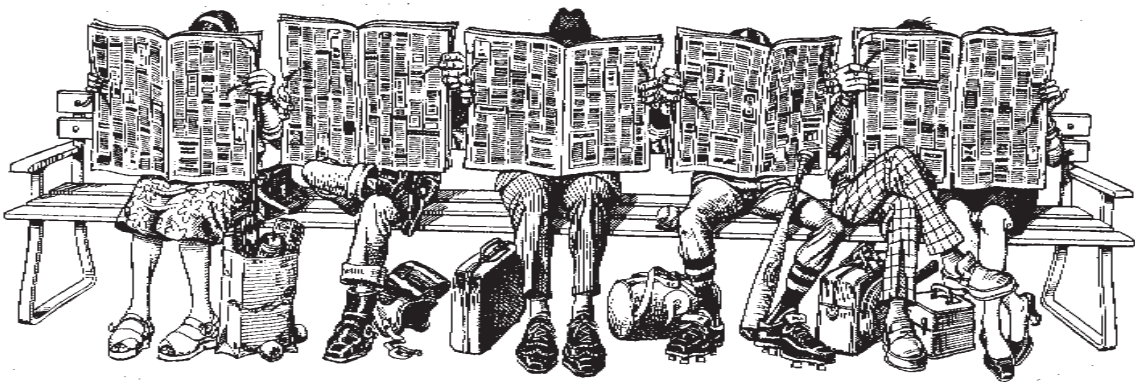
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the home and only allow a maximum number of eight guests, provide updated information sheets for the guests that outline the county’s noise policy, and reconfigure the home to only have eight sleeping spaces.

The fourth condition proposed by the planning commission included a six-month probationary period on the property, meaning that if more than two complaints of any nature were received in that time frame, the permit would automatically be revoked.

The property owner complied with the first three conditions but chose to appeal the planning commission’s decision based on the proposed fourth condition.

At the planning commission meeting, the property owner voiced his concerns about how the county would be able to verify any complaints on the property, claiming that anyone could file a false complaint and get his permit revoked.

The property owner was represented by an attorney from Overland Park, Kan., at the BoCC meeting.

The attorney highlighted that “the problem we have with this fourth condition ... is that it violates the law.”

He explained that the fourth condition pertaining to the six-month probationary period deprives the property owner of due process of the law.

He noted the planning commission does not have a system set up to determine the validity of complaints received.

“We take issue with the fact that the regulations do not allow the county to impose any conditions whatsoever.”

He explained that the fourth condition does not deal with how the property owner operates, maintains or complies with the county’s regulations.

“Instead, it wholesale gives the determination of whether my friend is going to be able to operate for the remainder of the year, up to anyone who complains about anything whatsoever, invalid or not,” he said.

He went on to note that this condition “certainly violates Colorado law.”

He explained that this condition violates law because it is not based on any land-use regulations.

He went on to site Colorado Revised Statute 29-20-203, which prohibits the government from imposing any discretionary decision upon land use, unless it is based upon newly adopted standards, according to the property owner’s attorney.

He then stated, “I can’t think of anything more potentially inconsistent, and arbitrary and irrational than handing the keys to the car to private citizens to decide whether my client is going to be able to have this permit for the rest of the year.”

Meat-IN

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ity and quantity superior to those provided by an all plant-based diet, including sources of zinc, vitamins B12 and D, and essential fatty acid.”

The proclamation notes, “cattle and other livestock production has historically been, and continues to be, a valuable economic driver in Archuleta County, bringing over \$15 million to the state economy

each year.”

The proclamation goes on to state, “this board will not disparage any economic engine that supports the residents of this great state, but it will call out dangerous actions by elected officials that risk the economic health, safety and welfare of the people who call Colorado home, not the least of which are the families who work the land, care

Relief

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the funding and how best to deploy it within the town.

“Maybe we’ll use it for something totally different. I don’t know that we have a whole lot of additional expense related to the town’s response to the pandemic,” she said. “If there’s a way that we could deploy it towards housing in some manner I would love to do that, but I don’t know if that’s outside the realm that it could be used for.”

Archuleta County Administrator Scott Wall explained in an interview on Monday that the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners

had not received any notification from Hickenlooper’s office regarding the COVID-19 relief funds.

“I couldn’t really speculate on how the commissioners might want to use the money because we don’t know any of the conditions and stipulations of the grant,” he said.

According to the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC), \$65.1 billion in coronavirus relief funds is available to counties.

The NARC notes that \$65.1 billion is also available to municipalities in regard to coronavirus relief funds.

The NARC clarifies that funding

available to states and the District of Columbia is about \$195.3 billion, with \$25.5 billion being equally divided to provide each state a minimum of \$500 million.

The purpose behind the coronavirus relief funds is for response to the pandemic and addressing the virus’s economic effects, water, sewer and broadband infrastructure, and to provide government services that are affected by a revenue reduction resulting from the pandemic.

The NARC notes that the deadline to spend coronavirus relief funds is Dec. 31, 2024.

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Education

Pagosa Peak Open School board discusses communication policy

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

During a work session on March 8, the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) Board of Directors held a discussion on an in-progress communication policy and how to best proceed with finalizing one.

According to an email from PPOS Board President Ursala Hudson, the idea of a communication policy came to be following actions resulting from a parent complaint that centered around the closing of PPOS after Thanksgiving.

Hudson explains that this complaint was sent to the PPOS board and did not follow the grievance policy that the school has in place, which involves contacting PPOS School Director Angela Reali-Crossland directly.

According to Hudson, a PPOS board member responded to the parent with their own opinions, leading to the board later passing a resolution at the next board meeting granting Reali-Crossland the authority to close the school without needing the board's approval.

"Some of the board members wanted to see a communications policy passed so that there was a clear procedure to adhere to when board members are approached about decisions that have yet to be addressed or voted on. It developed into a heftier document to include communication funnels in other areas, and seemed a little too robust for some board members," she adds further.

During the work session on March 9, Hudson explained that PPOS board member Julie Simmons crafted the draft communications policy for the school.

"It's basically a mishmash of other board policies from other nonprofits," Simmons described. "It's just a starting point for us to talk about."

The draft policy outlines that its purpose is to "provide a frame-

work that outlines who should communicate with whom and when" as well as the scope of the communication "with attention to potential conflict of interest and confidentiality."

Additionally, the draft policy notes that "clear and consistent protocols" should be established so as to "prevent any damage to stakeholders' and Directors' confidence" among other things.

The policy outlines that the PPOS board president and school director communicate on behalf of the school, while the PPOS board president also communicates on behalf of and represents the board.

The policy also notes that the PPOS board needs to communicate with a "clear and united message, usually through the Board President" on issues that are within the authority of the board itself.

In the event of "informal board communication," individual board members should be "explicitly clear" in those circumstances that they are communicating on a personal capacity, the policy outlines.

In regard to media relations, the policy notes that the PPOS board president and school director will ensure that they receive relevant media and other communications on the school's activities and business.

"In instances where the issues are high profile or contentious, the Board President and School Director will ensure that Directors receive key messages at an appropriate time via email, Directors will refer any requests for media interviews to the Board President and School Director. Media requests for information usually require a speedy response and will be handled on a priority basis," the policy reads.

During the meeting, PPOS board member Bill Hudson noted that Archuleta School District's (ASD) policy is different than the one Simmons drafted, leading to Bill Hudson suggesting this was because Simmons focused more on nonprofits than schools.

Within ASD's policy, specifically its code of ethics, Bill Hudson explained that he liked a section that supported the free expression of opinion by all board members. This code of ethics also looks to have "systematic communication" between the board, students and staff and the community at large, Bill Hudson added.

Bill Hudson later suggested that both he and Simmons work out a policy that is a better fit for a school, adding that the current draft might "hinder more than it needs to."

According to Bill Hudson, the draft policy would hinder things because it is important for the board to communicate with a clear message on "issues that are settled."

Bill Hudson noted that the draft policy does not address that specifically.

"I don't think that's appropriate if we're talking with the public about something the board hasn't

made a decision on," he said.

That type of communication could fall under informal board communication, Simmons noted.

"I see in here at least a full page and a half of wording that we're already doing, adhering to, it's just setting a clearer guideline for the board and the staff and the parents or community members," Ursala Hudson said, adding that it makes

Additionally, the draft policy notes that "clear and consistent protocols" should be established so as to "prevent any damage to stakeholders' and Directors' confidence" among other things.

sense to base a new policy off of the draft by Simmons.

Later in the meeting, Ursala Hudson explained that she felt like one of the issues was that the PPOS board was not communicating the same message.

"Each one of the board members was saying different things," she said. "But it wasn't communicated that they weren't speaking for the board."

Bill Hudson added that he believed the policy reads that board members should not talk about issues that are not within the scope of the board, noting that he did not agree with that.

The communication policy can be reworked, Ursala Hudson added, citing Simmons' willingness to do so.

Later in the work session, Bill Hudson suggested a policy that was "simple enough," but one that did not stifle communication with the public.

"I'm trying to understand what the objective is with this document. Because as a leader, it appears to me that it is a limit on communication with the parents of the students that are here," PPOS board member Mark Weiler said. "I am very uncomfortable with artificial limitation of public communication. I'm very uncomfortable. I don't understand what the end goal is."

One thing that affects the ability for a charter school to progress forward is when the school does not speak with one voice, Reali-Crossland added during the work session.

"I appreciate that every board member is, in a discussion, going to have a different opinion. But when the public hears from any one of you guys they assume that they are hearing from the board," she said. "That makes it difficult for me to do

my job when they are hearing different voices or when I'm hearing different opinions."

Reali-Crossland further described that this has been an issue in multiple situations, adding that it would be easier for the board to make decisions and have Reali-Crossland follow through with them.

"When I get people from different sides, it's very hard to sort through what the board would like of me. I think the same goes through with parent communication. If a parent is hearing one thing from one board member and another from another board member, I will tell you that they latch on to the one that they like," she explained.

However, Reali-Crossland noted that she did not want to restrict the board's ability to speak freely, but explained that charter schools adopt policies such as these to help the school speak with one voice and to avoid conflict.

According to Weiler, there was no board position in regard to the parent complaint around Thanksgiving; however, Ursala Hudson added that the board member did not specify in the parent communication that they were not speaking on behalf of the board.

"At the end of the day, this is my opinion, this really is a bunch of work that Julie has done for no real value. Because we've said if a board has made a decision, that's the decision. We will speak with one voice," Weiler said, adding that if a community member asks for his personal opinion on something, he does not want to be "stifled by a bureaucracy."

Reali-Crossland later added, in regard to the parent incident, she was "publicly reprimanded" for what she described as a human resource issue that should have come to her instead of the board.

"At the end of the day, I don't have a lot of confidence in this document. If my colleagues wish to pass it, that is within your purview," Weiler said.

A document suggesting how the board should behave should be fulfilled, PPOS board member Gary Hedgecock added.

"Realistically, for us to sign and adopt a policy in this community where there is lots of hearsay and lots of rumors which go for every board that exists in this community. I think if you set this out as a document and asked me to volunteer for the board I would have to go through all of this to understand whether I want to take on this role. I would probably go as far to say that the bureaucracy comes so heavy to volunteer it becomes a point where you won't volunteer," Hedgecock said.

Following the work session, the PPOS board made a decision during its regular meeting on March 8 to table any approval of a communication policy in order for Bill Hudson and Simmons to draft a new one.

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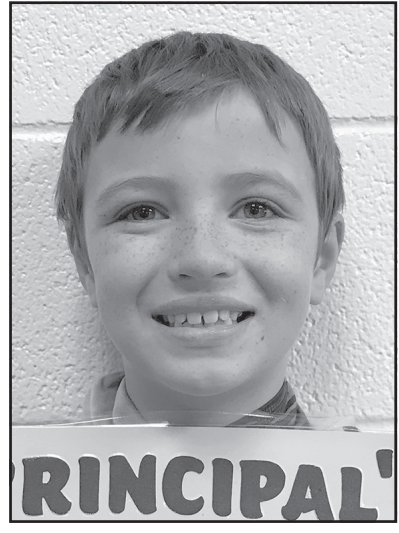


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PPOS board discusses adding high school grades, approves student expansion

By Chris Mannara and Clayton Chaney
Staff Writers

Increasing students numbers was the topic of discussion for the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) Board of Directors at multiple recent gatherings.

At a work session on Feb. 23, the board discussed the option of adding high school grade levels to the existing campus versus to increasing student enrollment in grades K-8.

School Director Angela Reali-Crossland said, "I don't feel that a high school is in our best interest at this point. I feel that as a small school, we would not have enough students entering the high school to provide the options that would be needed at that level."

She noted how the school would most likely need to hire a lot of part-time staff members in order to cover all the higher-level subjects, adding that teacher recruitment and retention in this community is already difficult.

Reali-Crossland mentioned that it would be possible for students to play sports through the public high school, but it would be "difficult" to coordinate that.

She went on to note that PPOS would probably not be able to provide its students with the necessary fine art options like band, choir or orchestra.

Board member Bill Hudson mentioned that a workshop was held with the school staff and parents from the school about possible expansion plans and "no one ended up with a plan to expand the lower grades. The only plans that came out of that work session were expansion in the high school."

He went on to mention, "Those of us who have researched the option know that it is terribly difficult with

classes of 20 kids to run a high school with all the options of a normal high school."

Board member Gary Hedgecock commented, "Let's get good at what we're doing, rather than trying to start something else."

Board member Mark Weiler spoke in favor of expanding the school into high school grade levels and addressed the cost concerns associated with it.

He explained obtaining grant funds will always be an option as long as diligent work is done to apply for them.

During a meeting on March 8, a discussion was held by the board on enrollment caps for the school and its class sizes, and a resolution was approved regarding that same subject matter.

According to Hudson, Resolution 2021-005 authorizes Reali-Crossland to enter into talks with Archuleta School District (ASD) about enrollment.

"There's actually two pieces to the resolution. One is to discuss possible enrollment increases in the coming school year and also a resolution to enter into talks about changing the enrollment caps when we apply for the renewal of our charter," Hudson said.

According to the resolution, PPOS initially applied to ASD for its charter approval in August of 2016 and specified a maximum future enrollment of 135 students in grades K-8, with 15 students per grade.

However, the estimated enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year, as of March 3, is 131 total students, with 41 students on the wait list.

PPOS has 15 students enrolled in kindergarten with 16 on the wait list, and 18 enrolled in first grade with another five on the wait list, according to the resolution.

Additionally, PPOS has 18 stu-

dents enrolled in second grade with 10 on the wait list, the resolution notes.

"I'm thinking that it might be premature to direct our school director to explore expanding in the coming school year. It seems to me that we would be hiring staff shortly for an expansion if we were going to do it next school year," Hudson said. "I would urge us not to encourage the school director to get in an expansion for the coming school year. I would suggest crossing off that first part of the resolution that concerns the 2021-2022 school year. I would be in favor of exploring the 2022-2023 school year going forward."

Hedgecock noted that the board needs to "act more nimble" to see how to cater to the waiting list of students.

"We have a facility that can accommodate within that and I would like to see how we can be more nimble to see how we can cater for this or next school year," he said. "I would like to see if we can approach the school district about asking what can be achieved for that."

Weiler added that the school's "marketplace" is asking the school to serve them in a specific way and that the school should accommodate those requests.

"In my opinion, not serving the community I think is wrong," he said. "The demand, I think, especially for the early grades, is a proven fact that this community accepts this learning style and process."

If PPOS goes to ASD to ask for an expansion in its early grades to accommodate the waiting list, the school is making an assumption that next February when the school asks for an expansion, it is going to be approved, Reali-Crossland described.

"We do not know what their board would consist of over the next eight months and that may change. We

may put ourselves into a situation where we have begun this expansion that isn't then approved on a long-term basis," she said. "I guess it concerns me on two fronts. No. 1, if we expand before we have the official expansion application we put ourselves in a risk that maybe we won't get that other expansion approved, and what do we do with this bubble of kids?"

The second concern for Reali-Crossland involves PPOS building off of its current and previous successes, citing that she did not know if the school was at the point where it should be adding things before it stabilizes what it is doing now.

"When I look at the numbers of the students on the waiting list and I try to wrap my head around how we could possibly accommodate even four more kids in first grade and second grade, or three more kids, I know that it would require additional lead staff," PPOS Board President Ursula Hudson said, adding that Reali-Crossland is always interviewing applicants and the current staff is working overtime.

Ursula Hudson added that she did not understand why they would ask the current PPOS staff to do more than they are already doing.

"Personally, I am more interested in the well-being and the happiness of our staff and our students that are current right now than income," Ursula Hudson said.

Reali-Crossland noted that adding 15 kids would not necessarily mean that PPOS would earn enough per-pupil revenue to pay for various expenses.

"It would really depend on how many kids you were willing to add, whether it would end up to be a revenue loss rather than a gain," Reali-Crossland added. "If I'm going to increase classroom sizes or the number of classes, that comes with an expense. I can't always say that's going to create a better budget."

Later in the meeting, Bill Hudson made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-005 without the first resolution that states that PPOS is going to engage in an expansion in the 2021-2022 school year and to authorize Reali-Crossland to discuss enrollment caps when the school does its charter renewal.

The expansion would apply to the 2022-2023 school year, with Bill Hudson describing the expansion as a "feathered" expansion.

Bill Hudson later added that he would like to see up to 23 students per grade with a total enrollment of 210 students as a starting point for discussions with ASD.

That motion was approved via a 4-2 vote with Bill and Ursula Hudson, and board members Elly Osmera and Julie Simmons voting for the motion, and Weiler and Hedgecock voting against.

Officials urge continued precautions to keep students in schools

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) is continuing to ask people to exercise increased precautions against COVID-19 as the percentage of cases among school-age individuals increases, more transmissible variants of the disease continue to circulate and spring break arrives.

Brian Devine, the agency's deputy incident commander for COVID-19 response, noted Wednesday that almost a quarter of the cases in March have been among school-age individuals but not tied to classroom settings.

"We are seeing our schools, certainly in Archuleta County, as well as in La Plata County, do an excellent job of controlling transmission within the school setting," Devine said, noting they have a lot of measures in place and they enforce them well. "We're not seeing that same kind of dedication to controlling transmission with those populations outside of school."

That, he noted, includes extracurricular activities, youth sports and social gatherings where precautions are not being enforced.

"And that is leading to a real concern for us because not only does it keep our case counts high, it also leads to a lot of exposures and quarantines in schools," he said.

There's a certain point at which the level of quarantine is high enough that it endangers in-person learning for everyone, Devine explained, "and we know that there are substantial benefits of learning in person in the classroom."

He suggested that families take their actions seriously outside of the classroom because of the potential effect it could have on everyone.

SJBPH is also concerned about spring break, Devine indicated, both those visiting the area while on spring break and those who are leaving the area.

He noted that while the business and hospitality industries in Colorado are doing a good job of emphasizing what the rules are in Colorado, the volume of people expected is concerning.

"We're also very concerned about the amount of trouble outgoing for spring break," Devine said, acknowledging that people have been "cooped up" to some extent over the winter.

Traveling without good precautions leads to more contacts between households that would otherwise not have those contacts.

"And we certainly have enough disease for that to spread disease further, especially in families with school-age children who are maybe taking breaks this week," he said.

Devine referenced the travel guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which begins with avoiding unnecessary travel.

He added there are also travel recommendations around quarantine and testing that can help quell the spread upon returning.

The CDC's travel recommendations can be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>.

SJBPH, he noted, suggests that the best strategy is to not travel or to not travel far, and to not have contacts outside your household.

Devine also noted people need to increase, not just maintain, their public health precautions as multiple variants are circulating in southwest Colorado.

"If we get it right over the next couple of weeks, we'll be substantially complete with our mass vaccination campaign at the end of this spring and in early summer," he said. "So we really only need to buckle down and have ... this extra dedication to public health precautions for a couple weeks and months. And then we'll start looking at a much different landscape this summer where we have a lot of people vaccinated and we can start bringing in a relaxation of those prevention measures."

That day is not today, he suggested, but may be closer than people realize.

Testing available

"SJBPH especially encourages residents of Archuleta County and La Plata counties to be tested for COVID-19, in response to the dis-

covery of variants in people living and working in these communities," Wednesday's press release states.

SJBPH suggests that testing is critical if you have symptoms, believe you've been exposed, work in a high-contact job, or if you have been gathering with people outside your household.

Additional testing allows public health officials to sequence more samples and identify if COVID-19 variants are more widespread, the agency notes.

The free COVID-19 testing site at the fairgrounds, located at 344 U.S. 84, continues to be operated in partnership with COVIDCheck Colorado.

The testing takes place under the all-weather Hughes Pavilion, with the site open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Testing also continues to be available at a number of local health care facilities, including:

- Archuleta Integrated Healthcare: 264-2104.

- Pagosa Medical Group (including rapid testing if deemed appropriate by a provider): 372-0456.

- Pagosa Springs Medical Center: 731-3700. The facility offers testing for symptomatic patients through its clinic and drive-up asymptomatic community testing Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the northwest side of the medical center.

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Serve to build up Christ's body, 5:3

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Sports

VOLLEYBALL

Lady Pirate volleyball to kick off regular season tonight against Alamosa

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The upcoming season for the Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate Volleyball team will be a mixture of familiarity and uncharted territory, with the season set to tip off tonight.

With the COVID-19 pandemic seemingly affecting everything in the world, the high school athletics realm was not left untouched as the Lady Pirates were forced to start their regular season in mid-March, rather than in early September.

The Lady Pirates' 2019 campaign ended in an 8-15 overall record, which featured a 3-7 record in Intermountain League (IML) play.

Pagosa finished last season fifth in the IML standings, posting a 5-4 record at home, a 1-6 record on the road and a 2-5 record at neutral-site games.

Despite the circumstances, the Lady Pirates are excited for the season, coach Caitlin Forrest explained in an email to The SUN on March 9.

Forrest explained that the Lady

Pirates will be getting off to a late start due to the pandemic and some Lady Pirates are joining the team late due to playing basketball.

Because of that, Forrest noted that teams have yet to be determined and the team's "true strength" has not been revealed yet.

However, there will be about 35 girls between all three Lady Pirate volleyball teams, with four seniors leading the collective group, she explained.

Forrest added that she is excited for the seniors, Chloe Bridges, Adelyn Dozier, River Pitcher and Mackenzie Wedemeyer, because they are a cohesive group with a love for the game who are "well-seasoned and skilled."

Forrest also indicated that the juniors will raise the skill and effort of the varsity group.

"We are thankful to return to somewhat normal practice routines, and I think the overall energy in the gym exudes determination and excitement," she wrote, adding that the Lady Pirates have been waiting more than seven months

for this season. "I think their patience will be rewarded with a fun and successful season!"

Upcoming schedule

The schedule for Lady Pirate volleyball was current as of March 15, but is subject to change.

Starting the regular season off tonight at 6 p.m. at home, Pagosa will face off with an IML foe in the reigning league champion Alamosa Mean Moose.

Alamosa took both matchups against Pagosa last season by marks of 3-0 and 3-2, respectively.

There will be no general admission to the event. The matchup is expected to be livestreamed on the school's Facebook page.

The Lady Pirates will then travel to take on the 2A Ignacio Bobcats on Friday at 6 p.m.

Last season, Pagosa defeated Ignacio in their lone matchup 3-1.

Pagosa will return home on March 23 to face the 2A Del Norte Tigers at 6 p.m.

The Lady Pirates will then embark on a five-game road trip start-

ing on March 30 against the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers at 6 p.m.

Pagosa will then travel to Bayfield to take on the Wolverines at 6 p.m. on April 2.

At noon on April 3, Pagosa will be in Falcon territory against Centauri.

On April 9, Pagosa will travel to take on the 2A Dolores Bears, with game time set for 6 p.m.

On April 10, Pagosa will travel to Durango to face off against the 4A Durango Demons at 2 p.m.

Starting on April 13, the Lady Pirates will have a two-game home-stand, with the first coming against Bayfield at 6 p.m.

Pagosa will then play host to Cortez on April 16 at 6 p.m.

For the final road game of the regular season, the Lady Pirates will travel to Alamosa to face the Mean Moose on April 17 at noon.

To close out the regular season, Pagosa will have a two-game home stand against Monte Vista on April 20 at 6 p.m. and against Centauri on April 24 at 6 p.m.

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SOCCER

Pirates set to open soccer season Friday in Cortez

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate boys' soccer team is set to start its season this Friday, March 19, at 4 p.m., in Cortez against the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason spoke about this year's squad, noting, "The team looks good; we got a really strong bunch of guys out there."

He explained that compared to last year, the team has more confidence and composure with the ball.

"It's a different team from last year," Kurt-Mason said.

The Pirates ended their 2019 fall season with a record of 3-11-1.

This year's season will only be about half as long as a normal year, but the team is ready to see some action.

Kurt-Mason mentioned that "the guys are aching to play games and get out on the grass."

He highlighted a few players that he is hoping will have a big impact on the season.

Kurt-Mason noted that senior

goalkeeper Wyatt Zeigler has matured a lot since last season and is now quicker and more vocal on the field.

Kurt-Mason mentioned that Zeigler, who led the basketball team in rebounds this year, is "a great kid to have when you need someone to catch the ball."

Kurt-Mason also mentioned that sophomore Jordan Heaton has "a lot of talent" and has great vision on the field.

He added that Heaton can play in the midfield, up front or defense.

Kurt-Mason also spoke about how "there really is a lot to choose from" as far as finding the right guys for the right positions.

Kurt-Mason highlighted the team has been ready to play and it is showing in their practices.

"Each practice is a competitive practice and it's good chemistry. It's not cutthroat, it's fun competition and it makes us all better. They get out there. When we start, they just want to get after it right away. They're excited about playing and being a Pirate this year," Kurt-

Mason said.

He added he is hopeful for what the team could accomplish this year.

"We have a lot of potential in how far we can go this year," Kurt-Mason added.

Schedule

The Pirate boys' soccer schedule was accurate as of press time Wednesday, but is subject to change.

Following Friday's season opener against Montezuma-Cortez, the team will face Alamosa at 11 a.m. on March 27 in Alamosa.

Let's play ball: Pagosa Springs Little League registration has begun

By Aubrie Limebrook
Pagosa Springs Little League

Pagosa Springs Little League registration has begun. Go to pagosaspingslittleleague.com to register.

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The following week, the team will be home to face Bayfield on Tuesday, March 30, at 4 p.m.

The Pirates will then travel to face Bayfield again on April 6 at 4 p.m. in Bayfield.

The following Saturday, April 6, the Pirates will host Montezuma-Cortez at 11 a.m.

On April 13, the Pirates will host Alamosa at 4 p.m.

The last regular-season match will be April 17, at 11 a.m. against Durango in Pagosa Springs.

The state finals are scheduled for May 1.

Study finds nearly half the workforce is fatigued from video calls

By Cathy Hayes
News and Experts

While working remotely has become commonplace during the pandemic, so has fatigue from video calls, a new study conducted by Virtira Consulting shows.

Virtira's study reveals that 49 percent of employees experience a high degree of exhaustion from being required or pressured to be on camera during online meetings.

The Webcam Survey: Exhausted or Engaged? provides insights from over 1,700 managers and employees about the direct impact that company policies on the use of

video during online meetings have on the well-being of employees. The survey also examines whether other factors contribute to the high incidence of reported employee exhaustion.

"As businesses adapt and learn from the remote work experiment, many have implemented policies regarding remote work based on opinion rather than data, causing a negative impact on employees," said Virtira CEO Cynthia Watson.

"In my conversations with business leaders throughout the pandemic, the majority said that employees on webcams during meetings increased engagement and produc-

tivity, but our study clearly shows it can have the opposite effect.

"With many businesses planning to move towards a fully remote or hybrid/flex model, understanding what policies create productive WFH and office-based employees is going to be critical moving forward — if businesses want to increase productivity and move beyond the pandemic."

For additional results, visit the survey page at <https://virtira.com/resources/webcam-survey-executive-summary/>. To view the full analysis, you can read the report at <https://info.virtira.com/webcam-survey>.

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Construction gets underway this month on new wildlife crossings on U.S. 160 near Chimney Rock National Monument and Lake Capote. As part of the first phase of construction, additional road improvements will be made to the intersection of Colo. 151 and U.S. 160.

Road crews to begin constructing wildlife crossings on U.S. 160 in Archuleta County

Colorado Department of Transportation

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and prime contractor Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction Co. will begin building new wildlife crossings this month on U.S. 160 near Chimney Rock National Monument and Lake Capote. The stretch of highway to receive the improvements is located approximately 13 miles west of Pagosa Springs and 37 miles east of Durango.

"Two years ago, Gov. [Jared] Polis directed Colorado state agencies to support and protect wildlife habitat and migratory routes, while also enhancing public safety," said CDOT Executive Director Shoshana Lew. "The wildlife mitigation features included in this project reflect CDOT's commitment to incorporate ongoing consideration of big game migration into all levels of our planning and construction pro-

cess that will enable safe wildlife passage and reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions."

In 2019, the governor signed an executive order (Conserving Colorado's Big Game Winter Range and Migration Corridors) which ensures wildlife conservation efforts by several state agencies—the Department of Natural Resources, Colorado Parks and Wildlife and CDOT.

"This project will span for two miles in an area that has been identified as a critical migratory corridor for both mule deer and elk," explained Julie Constan, Southwest Regional transportation director. "Because this area sees an abundance of big game, wildlife-vehicle collisions make up more than 60 percent of crashes at this location. This \$11.3 million project is expected to reduce those collisions by at least 80 percent."

As part of the first phase of construction, additional road improve-

ments will be made to the intersection of Colo. 151 at U.S. 160. Excavation work will widen and extend both the westbound passing lane and the left-turn acceleration lane beginning mid-March. Just west of the intersection, crews will then start excavating the first half of the wildlife underpass, also in the phase one schedule.

Erecting the wildlife overpass will take place in phase two, anticipated for later this summer. This will require night work and a full shutdown of U.S. 160 to facilitate the completion of the structure. Advance public notice will be given and the approximate duration for the nighttime activity is expected to be five nights from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Alternate routes are advised.

Other components to the project include the installation of an 8-foot-tall exclusion fence along both sides of U.S. 160 throughout the 2-mile stretch. Earthen escape

ramps and deer guards will line the length of the fencing. Additionally, a large deer guard will be placed at the approach of Colo. 151 onto U.S. 160 to prevent deer from jumping into the highway corridor.

The development and cooperative financial backing for the wildlife crossings came out of efforts between federal and state agencies, academics, nonprofits, biologists and engineers who formed the Colorado Wildlife and Transportation Alliance. The Southern Ute Tribe also provided additional support with critical Global Positioning System data that identified seasonal migration patterns and habitat in the area. The tribe also financially contributed \$1.3 million toward the project. Other financial contributors include Colorado Parks and Wildlife, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, the Mule Deer Foundation and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Colorado Establishes Water Equity Task Force

By Chris Arend
Colorado Department of Natural Resources

Colorado Gov. Jared Polis and Dan Gibbs, executive director, Colorado Department of Natural Resources, announced recently the establishment of a Water Equity Task Force to better understand existing equity, diversity and inclusivity (EDI) challenges in Colorado water issues and inform the Colorado Water Plan.

"In Colorado, water is the lifeblood of our state and critical for our economy, agriculture, wildlife and environment. This Task Force is another important piece in creating a Colorado for all and will inform our Colorado Water Plan by ensuring that future efforts in planning for Colorado's water future are increasingly inclusive," said Polis. "I want to thank Director Gibbs and the Water Conservation Board for their leadership on these efforts and look forward to the work ahead."

The 2005 Water for the 21st Century Act (HB 05-1177) ushered in a new area of regionally inclusive and collaborative water planning. That spirit was further codified in the 2015 Colorado Water Plan, which ensured that all water uses in Colorado are interconnected and

of equal value. At the same time, Colorado has a broad and diverse populace who are not always represented in local stakeholder groups and who need to be engaged in the forthcoming Colorado Water Plan update (set for completion in 2022).

"2020 has highlighted the need to fundamentally address deeper societal issues—including equity in water policy decisions," Gibbs said. "This Task Force will build on the governor's Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Executive Order and efforts to build a climate equity structure; it is time to similarly create a water equity framework that can inform the Water Plan update."

The Water Equity Task Force, managed by the Colorado Water Conservation Board, will bring together a group of 20 diverse stakeholders to meet over the next year to draft a set of concepts for consideration in the Colorado Water Plan update by the end of March 2022. The group will plan and develop a public workshop tentatively set for late 2021 to incorporate additional partners and voices to this effort. Details will be posted on the engagewcb.org Web page.

"The Colorado Water Plan update will build on lessons learned, be more accessible and will identify bold actions. I strongly support including equity considerations into

our water planning to ensure that our efforts become more inclusive, welcoming, and communicative on a range of issues," added Rebecca Mitchell, Colorado Water Conservation Board director.

Members of the appointed task force (name, affiliation, seat) include:

- Mike Weber, Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District, Roundtable.
- Victoria Obregon, CSU Pueblo, Community.
- Abby Burk, Audubon of the Rockies, Roundtable.
- Andrea Lopez, Ute Water, Community.
- Sonja Chavez, Upper Gunnison Water Conservancy District, Roundtable.
- Dr. Alina Luna, Western Colorado University, Community.
- Barb Biggs, Roxborough Water and Sanitation District, Roundtable.
- Ernest House, Keystone Policy Center, Community.
- Barbara Vazquez, North Platte Roundtable, Roundtable.
- Dr. Lynette Telck, Jackson County Public Health, Community.
- Mike Roque, Community.
- Rio de la Vista, Salazar Rio Grande del Norte Center at Adams

State University, Roundtable.

- Fatuma Emmad, Front Line Farming, Community.
- Deb Daniel, Republican River Water Conservancy District, Roundtable.
- Manuel Heart, Ute Mountain Ute—chairman, Tribe.
- Mel Baker, Southern Ute—chairman, Tribe.
- Lee Bitsó, Fort Lewis College, Community.
- Mely Whiting, Trout Unlimited, Roundtable.
- Jerry Hernandez, Integrated Community, Community.
- Kelly Romero-Heaney, city of Steamboat Springs, Roundtable.

The 20-person Water Equity Task Force geographically represents the legislatively defined nine basin regions across Colorado (representing each of the eight major river basins as well as the Denver metro area).

The membership includes nine water-experienced stakeholders with insights into Colorado's current water planning efforts and basin roundtable structure, two members representing Colorado's federally recognized Native American tribes, the Southern Ute and the Ute Mountain Ute tribes, and nine members representing community leaders not traditionally engaged in water issues.

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Public Notices

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CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE
SALE NO. 2020-007

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:

Date of Deed of Trust November 06, 2009
County of Recording Archuleta
Recording Date of Deed of Trust November 13, 2009
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 20909101
Original Principal Amount \$519,750.00
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Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION
THE LAND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF ARCHULETA, STATE OF COLORADO, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (E1/2NE1/4NE1/4SW1/4) OF SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP THIRTY-FOUR (34) NORTH, RANGE ONE (1) WEST, N.M.P.M., ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
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DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address: 449 San Juan St., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Phone Number: (970) 264-8160 **Plaintiffs:** MARTHA S. MOORE for the estate of Elizabeth J. Kuhn v. **Defendants:** PAGOSA-GNH, LLC; PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION. Submitting Attorney: Clayton M. Buchner, #50996 Clayton M. Buchner, Attorney at Law, LLC 444 Lewis St., PO Box 3855 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Phone Number: (970) 507-0227 E-mail: cmblawlc@gmail.com Case No. 2020CV30097

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION.
YOU ARE SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this Summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, without any further notice to you. This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situated in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows: Lot 406X, being in consolidation of lots 405 and 406, in Lake Forest Estates, according to the plat thereof filed for record June 4, 1973 as Reception No. 77869 and pursuant to Resolution No. 99-28, a resolution approving the consolidation of certain lots in Archuleta County, Colorado filed for record April 20, 1999 as Reception No. 99003509, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado. Respectfully submitted this 11th day of February, 2021. Clayton M. Buchner, Attorney at Law, LLC /s/ Clayton M. Buchner Clayton M. Buchner, #50996 444 Lewis St., PO Box 3855 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (970) 507-0227 Published February 18, 25, March 4, 11 and 18, 2021 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

Archuleta County, Colorado District Court 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81301 Plaintiff: DORIS H. TOM, v. **Defendants:** TERUKO YAMASAKI, now deceased, and CHIYOKO SASAKURA, now deceased, and all unknown persons who claim any interest in the subject matter of this action. Attorney for Plaintiff: Tracy J. Cross 835 E. Second Ave., #250 Durango, CO 81301 Tele: (970) 385-0600 tross@mydurango.net Case Number: 21 CV 30010 **SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION**
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS.
You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice. This is an action to quiet title to property commonly known as TBD CR 335, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, Parcel No. 5897240027. Dated: 12/15/2020 Published in the Pagosa Springs Sun. First Publication: 2/25/21 Last Publication: 3/25/21 /s/Tracy J. Cross Attorney for Plaintiff(s)/Petitioner(s) Published February 25, March 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2021 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO Court Address: Archuleta County District Court PO Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Case No.: Division: Ctrm: Plaintiff: PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION v. Defendants: JAMES PADILLA; Attorneys for Plaintiff: Orten Cavanagh Holmes & Hunt, LLC Hal R. Kyles, #23891 1445 Market Street, Suite 350 Denver, CO 80202 Phone Number: (720) 221-9780 Matter ID # 1019.0729 **DISTRICT COURT CIVIL SUMMONS TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:**
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to file with the Clerk of this Court an answer or other response to the attached Complaint. If service of the Summons and Complaint was made upon you within the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or other response within 21 days after such service upon you. If service of the Summons and Complaint was made upon you outside of the State of Colorado, you are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after such service upon you. Your answer or counterclaim must be accompanied with the applicable filing fee. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the Complaint in writing within the applicable time period, the Court may enter judgment by default against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint without further notice. This is an action affecting the property described in the Complaint and is a proceeding in rem as well as an in personam proceedings. Dated: February 25, 2021. ORTEN CAVANAGH HOLMES & HUNT, LLC By: /s/ Hal R. Kyles Hal R. Kyles, #23891 Plaintiff's Address: Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association 230 Port Ave Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-9486 **This Summons is issued pursuant to Rule 4, C.R.C.P., as amended. A copy of the Complaint must be served with this Summons. This form should not be used where service by publication is desired.** Published March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 2021 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

Archuleta County Combined Courts 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 1 PO Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Case No. 2021C10 **PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT FOR CHANGE OF NAME**
Public notice is given on 2/16/2021 that a Petition for

a Change of Name of an Adult has been filed with the Archuleta Court. The Petition requests that the name of Marta Moreno Hannan be changed to Marta Cecilia Hannan. Plaintiff: Cheryl Mulberry Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published March 4, 11 and 18, 2021 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

Request for Bid - The Town of Pagosa Springs is requesting bids for the Pioneer Cemetery Archeological Assessment Project. For more information please go to the Projects, Bids, RFPs page on the Town's website at www.pagosaspings.co.gov. The Town will be accepting bids through March 18, 2021 at 5:00 pm. Published March 4, 11 and 18, 2021 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado Court Address: 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Tel. 970.264.2400 Plaintiff: Plaintiff: Timeshare Trade Inns, LLC, et al Defendants Case No.: 2020CV30065 **COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM** Sheriff Sale No. 2021-02 This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Plarmigan Townhouses, recorded on February 18, 1988, Reception No 0153260, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado. Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered December 8, 2020, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof Owner(s): Timeshare Trade Inns, LLC Flora Lightfoot Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Plarmigan Townhouses, recorded on February 18, 1988, Reception No 0153260, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado. Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Plarmigan Property Owners Association, Inc. Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs. Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901 Association Assessments Due to: Plarmigan Property Owners Association, Inc. Debtor(s) & Amount Due to: See attached Exhibit "A" Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION. The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when the indebtedness was due and owing and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will, at 11 o'clock A.M., on Friday, May 7, 2021, Sale Number 2021-04, in the Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff, 85 Harman Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: March 4, 2021 Last Publication: April 1, 2021 Name of Publication: Pagosa Sun **NOTICE OF RIGHTS**
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Photo courtesy Howard Rowe/Chimney Rock Interpretive Association

Chimney Rock Interpretive Association will host an open house on Friday, March 19, to help community members learn about the volunteer opportunities at Chimney Rock National Monument.

Get fresh air and ancient history by volunteering at Chimney Rock

By Shanna Robb
Chimney Rock Interpretive Association

When I moved to Pagosa Springs in late 2019, I knew that I wanted to volunteer at Chimney Rock. Even though 2020 was a year of unknowns due to the coronavirus, it didn't stop me from volunteering or guests from visiting. Many guests had lived in the Four Corners area for years and had never been to the monument. It was not uncommon for guests to express that Chimney Rock was truly a hidden gem.

Every time I was on site, I was honored to be interpreting the lives of the ancient Puebloans that had once called Chimney Rock home. I felt a personal responsibility to connect the people of the past and the people of the present. The response from guests was overwhelmingly positive and the effect it had on me was immeasurable.

Chimney Rock is a place you need to experience to truly appreciate and being a volunteer is the best way to preserve the history and beauty of the area that we now call home. Once you learn the significance of Chimney Rock, it is impossible to drive by the area without thinking of the ancient Puebloans.

To help community members learn about the exciting volunteer opportunities at Chimney Rock National Monument, the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association (CRIA) will host an open house on Friday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Tennyson Event Center located at 197 Navajo Trail Drive. A host of CRIA volunteers will be on hand, eager to introduce guests to the variety of roles that support this unique program and the flexibility in level of commitment. Some of the volunteer positions include: visitor cabin

host, mesa host, roving interpreter and maintenance crew.

CRIA offers a great, in-depth training program in a fun environment to anyone interested in joining our amazing team of volunteers. This year, volunteer training will take place on the morning of April 24 at the Tennyson Event Center with a trip to Chimney Rock National Monument in the afternoon. We are very excited for the upcoming season starting May 15 and want to encourage the community to join us.

CRIA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that runs the daily operations and interpretive program at Chimney Rock National Monument in partnership with the USDA Forest Service and the San Juan National Forest. For more information, see the CRIA website at www.chimneyrockco.org or call 731-7133.

Vallecito-Piedra prescribed fire planned for Beaver Meadows and First Notch areas of the Columbine Ranger District

By Lorena Williams
Forest Service

The Columbine Ranger District is planning a prescribed burn this spring in the Beaver Meadows/First Notch areas of the San Juan National Forest. Weather permitting, burning operations in the area will begin in early April and could continue through early May.

The Vallecito-Piedra project may take several weeks to complete. This planned event will use both ground and aerial ignition methods while following the weather and fuel parameters stated in the prescribed fire plan.

The Vallecito-Piedra prescribed fire encompasses a total of approximately 3,500 acres between Beaver Creek Road and First Notch Road, north of U.S. 160 between Bayfield and Pagosa Springs. Only 1,051 acres are planned for spring prescribed fire; the remaining acres are planned for autumn of 2021.

Reintroduction of prescribed fire is necessary to improve and restore vegetative conditions. The prescribed burns will improve habitat for deer and elk by encouraging resprouting of oak and allowing sunlight to stimulate the growth of grasses and forbs. These projects are also designed to improve the health of ponderosa pine stands by reducing competition from Gambel oak, removing ground litter to expose mineral soil for seed germination, and releasing natural minerals and nutrients into the soil. Prescribed fire also reduces the ladder fuels that can carry fire into the canopy, killing mature trees.

Daytime smoke is expected to travel to the north/northeast and to be lofted high into the atmosphere. However, nighttime smoke will travel downslope into the Beaver Creek drainage, the Piedra River and south to the Pine River just north

of Ignacio. Smoke will be heavier in the mornings following burning operations, lifting and clearing out by mid-day, and will be visible from Bayfield, Pagosa Springs and along the U.S. 160 corridor between those two towns. Prescribed fire smoke may affect your health. For more information, see: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/wood-smoke-and-health>.

Maps of the prescribed burn units and additional San Juan National Forest prescribed fire

program news can be found on InciWeb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6288/>. For more information, please contact Columbine District Fuels Assistant Fire Management Officer Noah Daniels by email at noah.daniels@usda.gov or by phone at (970) 884-1430.

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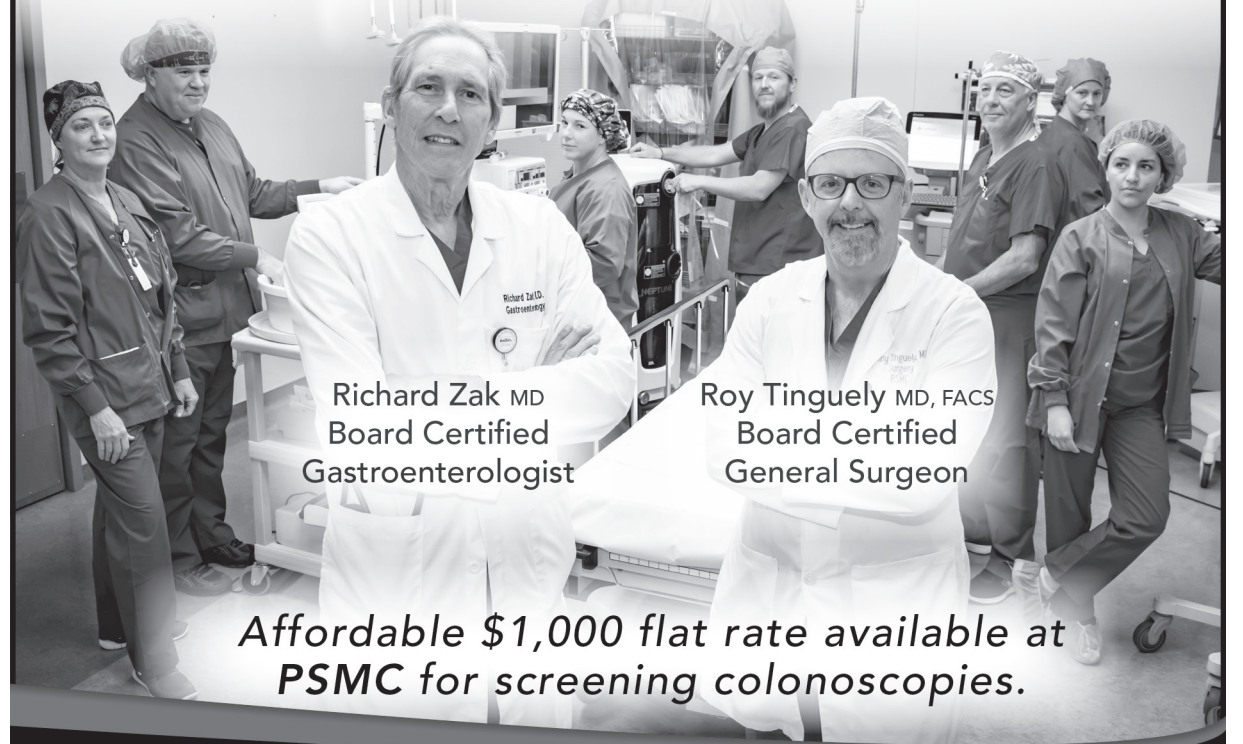
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2021 State Champs



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The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestling team and coaches pose with their state championship trophy. The Pirates traveled to Pueblo to compete in the March 12 state tournament.

Pirates win first team state championship in school history

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestling team is the 3A state champion for the first time in the school's history.

Seven Pirate wrestlers qualified for the state tournament and traveled to Pueblo Friday, March 12, to represent Pagosa Springs at the state tournament.

All seven Pirates placed in the top six in their respective weight classes and dominated the first round (quarterfinals) of matches, with every Pirate winning their opening match — which proved to be crucial in earning the team title.

Coach Dan Janowsky mentioned in an

interview he felt confident after his team dominated their first round of matches.

"They're wrestling well and we're not going to be stopped," Janowsky said.

Erik Wyman took third place in the 120-pound weight class with a 3-1 record at the tournament, earning 16.5 team points.

Wyman defeated his opponent in the quarterfinal round by a major decision of 11-1. He was then defeated by his opponent in the semifinal round by a decision of 5-1, sending him to the consolation semifinals, where he won by a technical fall four minutes and 4 seconds into the match.

Wyman won his third-place match by pinning his opponent two minutes and 20 seconds into the match. He ended the

season with a 15-3 overall record.

Dylan Tressler took second place in the 145-pound weight class with a 2-1 record at the tournament.

Tressler contributed 18 team points. He pinned his opponent in the quarterfinal round two minutes and 32 seconds into the match and won by 4-3 decision in the semifinals, but was defeated by his opponent in the first-place match by a decision of 3-2.

Janowsky noted Tressler's early pin in his first match gave the team some momentum, adding that he "wrestled really tough."

Tressler ended the season with an overall record of 13-4.

Brae Bergdolt took third place in the

152-pound weight class with a 3-1 record at the tournament, earning 16 team points.

Bergdolt won his quarterfinal match by pinning his opponent five minutes and 30 seconds into the match, but was then defeated in the semifinal match by a 9-1 major decision, sending him to the consolation semifinal match. He defeated his opponent in that match by pin two minutes and 12 seconds into the match.

Bergdolt won his third-place match by a decision of 4-2. He ended the season with an overall record of 17-1.

Cameron Lucero took first place in the 160-pound weight class with a 3-0 record at the tournament, earning 24 team points.

■ See Championship B2



Janowsky

Gratitude: Reflections from coach Dan Janowsky

By Dan Janowsky
Pagosa Springs High School Wrestling

I wouldn't know where to begin to talk about the wrestling season just past or the seasons that have passed during my tenure as coach. I could go on for days. At the moment, the thing that sticks out in my mind and the thing I feel in my heart is gratitude.

A few years ago, the wrestling team subscribed to a sports psychology program called "Wrestling Mindset." The first mindset principle was, "I'm grateful for the opportunity to wrestle." It really is an important reminder to athletes, and an effective way to deal with butterflies and nerves. It's hard to be overcome with pressure when you're feeling grateful.

While we haven't used that as a motto in a few years, it was clearly a feeling we all had. "Grateful for the opportunity to wrestle" took on new meaning. We were grateful to be able to practice, albeit in two separate "cohorts." We were grateful to be able to roll out the mats and compete in an empty gym; no spectators, no music — just a mat, a referee, your coaches, your teammates and your opponents.

Even with my brother and team super booster Andy Janowsky's untimely death, I personally felt grateful

■ See Gratitude B2

Making history: Cameron Lucero becomes Pagosa wrestling's first three-time state champion

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Senior Cameron Lucero accomplished something Friday night, March 12, that no other Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) wrestler ever has: He garnered his third individual state title.

Entering Friday's state tournament, the undefeated Lucero was one of three two-time state champions in PSHS history, following in the footsteps of Jason Silva (1998-1999)

■ See Lucero B8



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Senior Cameron Lucero poses with his mom, Tawnie Lucero, and his dad, coach David Lucero, holding his third state title plaque. Cameron Lucero took first place in the 3A 160-pound weight class.

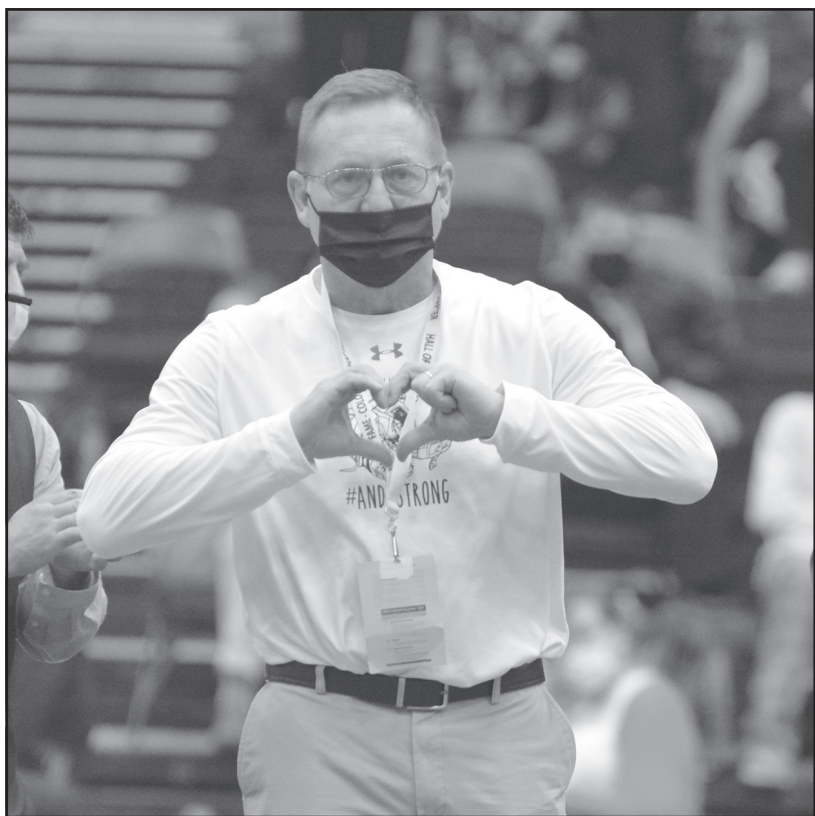


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Coach Dan Janowsky makes a heart with his hands. Janowsky was recognized at the state tournament for 40 years of coaching wrestling.

Gratitude

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for all he meant to me, all he did for so many people, and I could feel the wrestlers bonding around his memory. “#AndyStrong” was a genuine feeling in the wrestling room before each practice.

We were a slight favorite to win the state championship this year, based on the athletes we had returning on our roster and all the work we’d done in the past. But faced with the adversity of the moment, and the excitement that we were really going to have a season, our athletes, already good friends, bonded even tighter, coaching and encouraging each other with all their heart.

It wasn’t just the athletes, either. Our coaching staff carried on with determination and expertise when I was unable to be present. Parents joined in and provided assistance in the unusual circumstances that arose this season. The school administration battled to keep our wrestlers healthy and able to compete. It was a total team effort.

The result was one lopsided win after another, finishing 11-0 in du-

als, winning the regional championship by 47 points and the state championship by 26 points.

Surprisingly, gratitude is not always the first thing you feel when you come out on top. It’s easy to get carried away with pride and forget all the people who contributed to the victory you are so proud of. This past year and this past season has, in the midst of change and disappointment, also been a real blessing.

I’m thankful for all the wrestlers and families I’ve been involved with over the years. I wish I could look each and every one of them in the eye and share this moment with them. Whether our seasons ended with joy or bittersweet disappointment, there was always something in those moments that made me want to try again.

I’m grateful for the place I live, for the people I work with and for my precious family. I’m grateful for my brother, Andy. I’m grateful for the young lives that have ironically molded me. I’m grateful we had the opportunity to wrestle.

Championship

Continued from B1

Lucero pinned his opponent in the quarterfinal match one minute and 40 seconds into the match. He also pinned his opponent in the semifinals, one minute and 10 seconds into the match.

Lucero won his first-place match by a decision of 9-6, ending the season with an undefeated overall record of 17-0.

Lucero explained Janowsky gave the team a lot of freedom to do what was best for them at the tournament, and the team was allowed to go back to its hotel to relax in between rounds.

He noted how that was important for the wrestlers to decompress and not be tense the whole day waiting for their next match.

Janowsky mentioned he felt his intuition led him to give his team the freedom it needed in order for the wrestlers to give their best performances.

“The less I say, the better; they know what they’re doing,” Janowsky said.

Lucero added everything fell into place for the Pirates this season.

“This year, the odds were in our favor. We had all the right pieces, everything was right for us,” he said.

Grant Aucoin placed fifth in the 170-pound weight class with a record of 2-2 at the tournament, earning seven team points.

He defeated his opponent in the quarterfinals by a decision of 2-1, lost in the semifinal round by a 10-2 major decision, lost in the consolation semifinal round in a tie-breaker by a decision of 8-5 and won the fifth-place match by a decision of 8-7.

Grant Aucoin ended the season with an overall record of 15-3.

Wil Aucoin took fourth place in the 182-pound weight class with a record of 2-2 at the tournament, earning 11 team points.

Wil Aucoin defeated his opponent in the quarterfinal round by a decision of 12-8, lost to his opponent in the semifinal round by an 11-4 decision, sending him to the consolation semifinal round, where he defeated his opponent by a 10-1 major decision.



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Coach Dan Janowsky is presented the team state title trophy, with his team standing behind him.

He was then pinned by his opponent in the third-place match and ended the season with an overall record of 14-4.

Janowsky noted how both Wil and Grant Aucoin had important

and eight seconds into the match and defeated his opponent in the semifinal round with an 8-1 decision.

Hill was defeated by his opponent in the first-place match by a

He also recalled feeling that, “The only way we’re going to lose is if we fall apart, and we’re not going to fall apart.”

Wil Aucoin commented on his experience at the tournament, saying, “It was a whole lot of fun.”

He noted everyone was willing to fight to the end in order to claim the team title.

Lucero explained this year’s tournament was “definitely different” with the whole team not being allowed to attend the event and having no fans at the event due to COVID restrictions.

“Wish we could’ve had all 13 guys there,” Lucero added.

Hill described the tournament as being a little strange with no fans there to cheer them on, but nonetheless said, “It was amazing.”

Hill added, “Just being there in the moment felt amazing,” especially hearing their names announced as champions.

The Pirates out scored the tournament’s runner-up, Eaton, by more than 20 points. Eaton finished with 84.5 points, while the Pirates racked up 110.5 points to claim the title as 3A state champions.

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All seven Pirates placed in the top six in their respective weight classes and dominated the first round (quarterfinals) of matches, with every Pirate winning their opening match — which proved to be crucial in earning the team title.

first-round matches that “created momentum.”

Skyler Hill took second place in the 220-pound weight class with a 2-1 record at the tournament, earning 18 team points.

Hill pinned his opponent in the quarterfinal round just one minute

decision of 3-1, ending the season with an overall record of 16-1.

Janowsky spoke about his strategy in trusting his team.

“They’re going to feel the fact that I’m confident in them,” Janowsky said, explaining that he did not feel the need to “hover over” his team.

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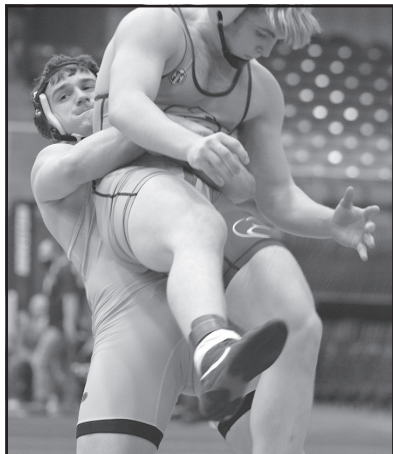
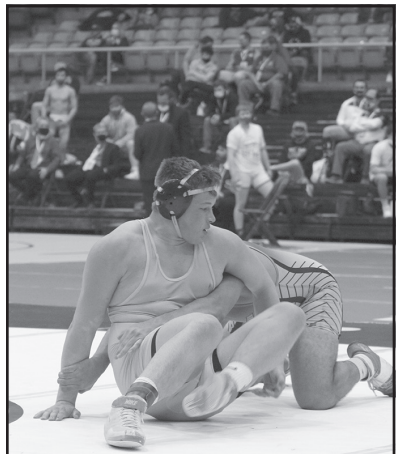


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State tourney action

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The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestlers work toward earning the state title. Seven Pirates competed in the state tournament, with all seven winning their first-round matches.



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'Better for having him in our lives': Janowsky logs 40 years of coaching

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

In 1972, Ron Shaw began the wrestling program at Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS).

In 1991, after years of working as an assistant coach, Dan Janowsky became the head coach of the wrestling team and had his first individual state champion in David Lucero.

Then, in 2021, 31 years into his tenure at the helm of the program, Janowsky's Pirates logged the first team championship in program history and the first three-time individual champion in Cameron Lucero — son of David Lucero, who now serves as an assistant coach.

In his tenure as head coach of the Pirate wrestling team, Dan Janowsky has coached, according to the school's website, more than 50 state medalists.

That figure includes more than 20 state finalists and 14 state champions.

The Colorado High School Activities Association honored Janowsky at this year's state tournament for his 40 years of coaching, and he was further honored during this week's celebrations.

Myron Stretton was the first individual champion in Janowsky's coaching tenure (in 1986, while Janowsky was an assistant coach).

At Monday's community celebration for the team, Stretton spoke about the achievement of winning a championship and Janowsky's hand in the achievement.

"The common thread through it all is Coach Janowsky," he said.

He added later, "One thing that separates great coaches from those that are merely successful is that while winning is a goal common to both, winning isn't how great coaches define success. A great coach understands that his impact on individual lives is far more important than his win-loss record."

And many, no matter how long they've known him or whether or

not they were ever one of his athletes, still benefit from that impact.

"Dan Janowsky is one of the finest coaches and educators in our school district," David Hamilton, who coached alongside Janowsky, wrote in an email. "His positive influence, both in coaching and teaching, has impacted hundreds of students lives. Former athletes and students continue to attribute their success in life to him. He sees students as they are and finds ways to help them better themselves."

PSHS Athletic Director Marcie Ham wrote in an email to The SUN, "For the past 8 years I have had the pleasure of working with Coach Dan Janowsky. When we sit down to discuss wrestling, PE classes,

"It was cool seeing how happy Coach J was."

Grant Aucoin

coaching philosophies, or any other topic, I feel like I'm one of his students taking in all the wisdom he has to offer. I've worked in 3 different school districts throughout my career and I can truly say that Dan is not only one of the best coaches

I've ever worked with, but he is one of the best people I've ever had the privilege to call my friend. He loves everyone and not only wants to see people succeed, but he will give all of his time to help others achieve their goals. His family is just as amazing and I have to say thank you to Nyanna, Ronnie, and Caleb for sharing him with Pagosa Springs High School for so many years. We are all better for having him in our lives, whether it's as a colleague, coach, mentor, teacher, or friend."

A roller-coaster year

In addition to making school history, Janowsky's 40th year of coaching brought a roller coaster of emotions for the coach, team and community.

COVID-19 brought a number of challenges: the uncertainty there would be a season, Janowsky's testing positive on the second day of the season, quarantines, brother and ardent supporter Andy Janowsky's illness and ultimately



The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestling team celebrates its team title at the state tournament in Pueblo on March 12. All seven Pirates who competed in the tournament placed in the top five of their respective weight class.

Photo courtesy Allison Wylie

death from complications of the disease, and threats that wrestlers would have to bow out of state competition because of quarantine after classmates tested positive.

But the season also had highs: The team went undefeated in duals on the season, qualified seven wrestlers for state despite a smaller state tournament, having every state qualifier make the podium, the school's first wrestling championship, the school's first three-time champion, and the team sought to win the title not only for themselves

and their school, but for their coach and his brother.

"It was rough. We loved Andy," Wil Aucoin said, adding, "He brought so much to the team, and when he passed and Coach J was struggling ... it brought even more reason. We worked harder for what we got."

Aucoin noted the team wanted to do what they could for their

coach through the difficult time, and team members expressed joy in seeing their coach earn a state title.

Cameron Lucero noted that one of his first thoughts after his championship match was that they'd won the team title for their coach.

"Oh my God, the team title's locked up, we're done. We won the team title for Coach," he remem-

bered thinking.

He added none of them were thinking about their individual accomplishments at that time, but instead they were focused on the team standings.

"It was cool seeing how happy Coach J was," Grant Aucoin said, with other team members joining in the sentiment.

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Senior Cameron Lucero stands atop the podium after claiming his third state wrestling title Friday. Lucero won at 160 pounds.



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Junior Skyler Hill receives his second-place honor at last week's state championship. Hill took second in the 220-pound weight class.



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Senior Dylan Tressler stands in second place at last week's state championship. Tressler took second in the 145-pound weight class.



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Senior Erik Wyman stands in third on the state tournament podium. Wyman took third at 120 pounds.



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Senior Brae Bergdolt receives his third-place honor Friday. Bergdolt took third at 152 pounds.



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Junior Wil Aucoin stands in fourth on the podium last week. Aucoin took fourth in the 182-pound category.



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Senior Grant Aucoin stands in fifth atop the podium at the state tournament. Aucoin took fifth at 182 pounds.

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Andy Janowsky

At the celebration, Janowsky spoke about the passing of his brother, Andy Janowsky, during this year's season.

He explained how Andy Janowsky was one of the program's biggest supporters and wanted to see them succeed as much as anyone.

Janowsky described his brother as "a savage defender of his program."

The team, coaches, parents, school administrators and others honored the memory of Andy Janowsky with #Andystrong shirts they wore to both the regional and state tournaments.

"We loved Andy, he brought so much to the team," Janowsky added.

Although Janowsky described winning the title as "bittersweet" in that his brother Andy passed just weeks before the tournament, he felt that Andy knew the Pirates would be champions.

"I wanted my brother to be with me, and I know in some ways he was," Janowsky added.



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Coach Dan Janowsky waves while wearing a T-shirt honoring his brother, Andy Janowsky. Andy was a Pirate wrestling supporter who was loved by the community.

For the coaches, wrestling's success is a team effort

By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

It is hard to imagine the Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Pirate wrestling team without coach Dan Janowsky being at the head of operations, but he'd be the first to admit that the program's success is made up of much more than just himself.

At a Monday community celebration honoring the Pirates as team state champions for the first time in history, Janowsky praised the community, the school administration, his coaches and everyone else that has been involved with the program over the years.

"Everyone that has been a part of it has contributed," Janowsky said.

From competitors to coaches

Janowsky was accompanied by coach Kieth Candelaria, who runs the junior high program and has been involved with coaching Pirate wrestling for 13 years.

Janowsky noted how he coached Candelaria in the '90s at PSHS and they took second place at the 1999 state tournament.

"We got really lucky when we got Kieth Candelaria back into our school system. He is a dream coach because he sets aside his ego so that these guys can succeed," Janowsky added.

Janowsky also coached his assistants David Lucero and Chris Tressler, noting that Lucero was the first individual state champion that he coached here in Pagosa Springs.

"They're all very, very integral to the program," Janowsky said.

The only coach currently on staff that wasn't coached by Janowsky is Matthew Teachworth, who came to Pagosa Springs from California.

Janowsky noted how Teachworth "solidified our coaching staff" and described him as an "awesome, selfless coach."

Wil Aucoin spoke in an interview about the relationship the team has



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Coach Dan Janowsky holds the state title trophy alongside his assistants Matthew Teachworth, David Lucero and Chris Tressler. The Pirates claimed their first-ever team state wrestling title in school history.

with its coaches.

"Our coaches are great. All of them bring something that one of them doesn't have to the table. Where one of them falls short, the other picks it up and is super strong there."

Aucoin noted how all of the coaches work together seamlessly and that's part of what makes this program so special.

He described the way the coaches work together as "almost perfect."

Aucoin also spoke about how David Lucero has "always been there" for everyone on the team and continued to push them to where they needed to be in order to win the team state title.

Janowsky also praised David Lucero, saying, "David did a great job of keeping it in perspective" and not becoming overly obsessed with winning the title, but rather focus-

ing more on the improvement of the wrestlers and the team.

A team effort

Former coach Myron Stretton also spoke at the celebration commending all the work and time that Janowsky has put in over the years in order to achieve the goal of becoming team state champions.

"The common thread through all of this is Coach Janowsky," Stretton said.

"Our success is definitely a team effort," Janowsky said.

In an interview, Skyler Hill spoke about how there was a lot of trust within the squad between the coaches and wrestlers.

"Coach J, he's always there for us," Hill said, adding that "I think that's how we got so good this year."

Cameron Lucero also said, "He let us have more freedom than we ever had and that helped us in the long run."

Hill praised the coaches for their dedication.

"Our coaches are amazing and always pushed us," Hill said.

'Our success is not ours'

At the community celebration, Janowsky praised the community for all of its support to the program and all of the kids involved.

"Our success is not ours, it's everyone's," Janowsky said.

He went on to explain that "the success that we've had has been built on the backs of others."

Janowsky also mentioned that all of the time that has been put in hasn't been "grim" in any way and that he has enjoyed every second of it and described coaching these kids as a "joyful experience."

"I feel a deep sense of blessing. We don't need this championship to make that real, but we are very thankful," Janowsky added.

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By Clayton Chaney
Staff Writer

“You can’t win a state championship overnight and you can’t win it by yourself,” coach Dan Janowsky said about his team’s journey this season.

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestling team claimed the school’s first team state title in school history Friday in Pueblo.

For Janowsky and his team, this has been a goal for many years and to be able to achieve it this year was a truly special feat.

Skylar Hill mentioned the team has always set out to win the title.

“We’ve all wanted to win a state title since freshman year,” Hill said.

For others on the team, freshman year was when they felt this year’s championship was in the bag.

Hill explained last year’s result in the state tournament only motivated them to be more dedicated to winning this year.

The Pirates came in third place at last year’s tournament with a total team score of 99.5 points.

Eaton and Valley tied as champions last year with 105.5 points each, while Jefferson claimed second place with 101 points.

Janowsky spoke briefly about how last year’s tournament motivated them to be better this year.

He mentioned it was a really tight contest last year, falling just six points shy of first place.

He explained how different interpretations by different referees during the tournament cost the Pirates some crucial points.

This year, the Pirates set out to be good enough so that varying referee viewpoints wouldn’t cost them a team title, Janowsky explained.

“We have to be so good that it doesn’t matter,” Janowsky said.

He added that becoming champions this year “wouldn’t happen if there wasn’t a lot of time put in over the years.”

He praised the community and the school for sticking behind him “through thick and thin.”

He talked about how over his 40 years of being involved with the program that there has been “ups

Sean O’Donnell,
Pagosa Springs High School principal

and downs” along with “heart-breaking moments and great memories.”

Janowsky went on to explain that every kid who has come through the program has contributed to what this team was able to accomplish this year.

“The kids that are a part of it, are really dear to me,” Janowsky added.

A season of challenges

This season brought along some unique obstacles, from COVID restrictions to a family tragedy.

Andy Janowsky, Dan Janowsky’s brother, passed away toward the end of the season from COVID complications.

Andy was just as much a part of the Pirate wrestling program as the coaches and the team. In normal years, Andy would DJ the Pirates home matches, playing warm-up music, walk-up songs and announce match winners.

Wil Aucoin spoke about how the team and Dan Janowsky dealt with the loss.

Aucoin noted that “letting Coach J talk” and communicate with them about what he was going through helped everyone deal with the situation.

Dan Janowsky also praised the school’s administration for its dedication to supporting all of the kids at Pagosa Springs High School.

He noted the administration did a fantastic job in navigating through all of the obstacles COVID presented.

“I’m so grateful for them,” Dan Janowsky added.

He also spoke about how some injuries throughout the season almost prevented them from becoming champions, but that everyone stepped up when they needed to.

He recalled moments throughout the season and during the regional and state tournaments where he felt like “this one is not going to get away from us” and he was confident that his team would take first place in the state tournament.

Cameron Lucero also commented about COVID adding an extra level of stress this year, especially how even while being responsible and following all pro-

ocols, something out of their control could still happen, potentially canceling their season.

“One day just going to school could shut us down for the whole year,” Lucero said.

Dan Janowsky added, “I’m just glad we got the chance.”

‘It’s exciting that people care’

Lucero also spoke about how the support from the community along the way was encouraging.

“It’s exciting that people care,” Lucero said.

Erik Wyman mentioned the send-off from the first responders in the community helped get them hyped and ready for the tournament.

He added that being greeted by the community on the way back was encouraging, seeing that the community supported them.

Hill spoke about what it meant to be state champions with his teammates, whom he has grown up with.

“It’s fun doing it with the guys

you’ve been with for your whole life,” Hill said.

Wyman mentioned how growing up wrestling and by being involved with the program, he feels more prepared for life after high school.

Grant Aucoin spoke about what it felt like once they had been crowned as state champions.

He said he was so “worn out” and “so drained” he couldn’t even hold the trophy.

He also explained everyone was so excited for their coach and that even though they all wanted to lift the trophy and celebrate, “everyone let Coach J hold the trophy first.”

“For all that we’ve gone through ... I don’t have this overwhelming excitement about it. I have a real quiet satisfaction. It’s really, really a great feeling. I feel really content for the moment, deep down inside,” Dan Janowsky said.

Pirate seniors

A total of eight seniors were on the squad this year, with five qualifying for the state tournament.

Dan Janowsky noted that even the guys who did not qualify for the state tournament were just as crucial to the team’s success and that if they weren’t there at the start of the season, the Pirates could’ve had a much different outcome to this year’s season.

He also mentioned a couple late season injuries kept some of the seniors from being able to qualify for state.

“They all did their part,” the coach said, adding that they all scored crucial points throughout the season.

The eight seniors on the squad are: Erik Wyman in the 120-pound weight class, Trevor Torrez in the 126-pound weight class, EJ Monterroso in the 138-pound weight class, Dylan Tressler in the 145-pound weight class, Brae Bergdolt in the 152-pound weight class, Cameron Lucero in the 160-pound weight class, Grant Aucoin in the 170-pound weight class and Trevor Moore in the 195-pound weight class.

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The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate wrestling team is welcomed home by the community after claiming the school’s first-ever team state wrestling title. Members of the community lined the streets Saturday afternoon to show their support.

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Lucero

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and Michael Martinez (2003-2004).
By the end of the night, he stood in a class by himself.
Lucero ended his high school career as a three-time state champion and four-time state qualifier.
Overall, he logged 129 wins and nine losses.

Lucero noted his love for wrestling began young.
"I remember wrestling in my first tournament and I made the finals and then got beat in the finals," Lucero said.
From then on, he wanted to be the best.
"I see wrestling as like a pride thing," he said, adding with a laugh, "I like showing that I'm tougher than you."

In seventh grade, he noted, he took third, and was unable to wrestle in eighth grade, with his middle school experience driving him to set a goal of becoming a four-time state champion.
"I came close. Two points away," he said.

Lucero placed second in the state his freshman year, 2018, falling via 5-3 decision to a senior who went 40-0 on the season. Lucero went 30-7 that season at 132 pounds.

The next season, He went 46-1 and claimed his first title in the 145-pound class.

Last season, Lucero went 36-1, claiming the title at 152 pounds, despite a knee injury that gave him a late start to the season.

He had a different set of challenges that season, coach Dan Janowsky noted, with Lucero needing to get his knee back to full strength and conditioning up.

To help with the pace and conditioning, Janowsky explained, Lucero would wrestle a rotating cast of teammates for two minutes each.

"It wasn't pleasant for him, but he knew he had to do it, and he did it," Janowsky said.

Then, on March 12, when the final whistle blew for his match, Lucero had a 9-6 decision and a third state title, this time at 160 pounds. He went 17-0 on the season.

But how close he came to accomplishing his goal wasn't Lucero's first thought.

Instead, his first thought was that he didn't have very good technique in the match.

"He's a good opponent, he's a tough guy, and he's probably the strongest kid I've ever wrestled," Lucero said of Fort Morgan's Cael Langford, whom Lucero defeated

in the finals.
Then more of the situation hit.
"After the match I was just kind of like, 'Oh my God, I'm done,'" he said.
After that came the realization the team title was locked in.
"That was the big thing," he said, noting that was the main focus at the tournament.

The challenges of a champion

"It's really hard to win a state championship, to win one," Janowsky said. "It's really hard, and a lot of things have to come together."

Those things, he noted, include staying away from injuries and illnesses during the season, coming into the program with a high level of skill and with maturity.

"He has all of that, and I think the thing that kind of makes him special is just, he has this ability to

guys surrounding him" throughout his career who gave him the opportunity to continue to work.

Those listed by Janowsky who helped Lucero by offering competition in the practice room included Tate Hinger, Trevor Bryant, Caleb Janowsky, Dylan Tressler and Grant Aucoin.

"As you continue to climb, if you don't have good partners in the room to work hard against you, it's easy to kind of plateau," Janowsky said. "But, I would say also in Cam's, he had an unbelievable, he has a drive that kept him sharp."

Like father, like son

Lucero, however, isn't the first champion in the family.

Dad and assistant coach David Lucero went 23-2 and won the 152-pound state title under Janowsky in 1991, becoming the coach's first state champion.

"The conversation is who's bet-

him on a sideline, he literally loves his team. He wants his team to win as much as himself. He's so selfless," David said.

"He embraced that role, this year especially," Janowsky said.
Janowsky noted that one of the coaches from the University of Iowa talked to Cameron about asserting himself and what he could provide for the team.

"Every coach wants that ... extension of themselves out on the floor," Janowsky said, adding that even though wrestling is an individual sport, momentum is still a part.

He noted that Cameron can give a kid momentum just with the feeling of needing to wrestle well ahead of him.

"It just gives that little extra energy. That energy is infectious," the coach said.

Before matches, he noted, he would let them do their own thing.
"They were tapped into his energy, and better for me to step aside and let that grow," Janowsky said, adding later, "You want to develop leaders, and you can't develop leaders if you're always inserting yourself into situations."

"For me, it sets the tone that he's going for his third title, and I feel like that helped pave the way for the team to chase our first title," teammate Dylan Tressler said. "So, I feel like Cameron was a huge key to our success because he kind of led the team all year with his past achievements and his current ones."

Teammate Erik Wyman agreed with Tressler's sentiments.

"For me, it kind of elevated everyone's expectations," teammate Grant Aucoin said.

"He had the credibility because ... he was already a two-time champion and a three-time finalist," Janowsky said, and he has a happy, energetic, infectious personality.

Cameron wanted to give his teammates some of his confidence and the knowledge that he believed in him, Janowsky noted.

Making people better, the coach added, is what leadership is.

Not done yet

Cameron may be graduating this spring, but he isn't leaving wrestling behind, or the black and gold.

In the fall of 2019, as he was entering his junior year, he committed to become a Hawkeye and wrestle under University of Iowa head coach Tom Brands and associate coach Terry Brands, as well as the team's other coaches.

Tom Brands, among other accomplishments, was the 1996 Olympic gold medalist and is a member of wrestling's Hall of Fame.

Terry Brands, among other accomplishments, is a two-time world champion and 2000 Olympic bronze medalist.

His goal moving on to the next level of wrestling, Cameron said, is to be the best he can be.

"Obviously, the goal is to win the national title," he said, adding that he knows he'll be in the best hands in college wrestling to help him get into the best position to accomplish that.

"He just loves wrestling and he loves this team. He's a really, really, really good teammate. If you watch

ter, me or my dad, always," Cameron said. "It's been like that since, probably since my 7th-grade year."

That year, Cameron explained, he told his dad he would be a four-time state champion, with his dad always joking in response.

"Gosh, it's been lots of fun," David said of watching Cameron succeed. "Lots of fun to watch him since he was a little kid ... He had big goals since he was little. He always wanted to be really good, a four-time state champion. He worked hard, got close."

David also had the privilege of seeing Cameron develop while working as one of his coaches.

"It's been fun. It's almost been just amazing to kind of watch him fall in love with the sport and work to be the best," David said. "You know, he wants to wrestle in college. I'm just super proud. I'm really lucky to be a coach and a dad and try to kind of balance both."

Cameron also noted that he's challenged his dad to a match to determine the family's champion.

'Like another coach'

Cameron served as a leader on the team not only on the mat, but off.

When not wrestling, he could often be found at the edge of the mat, cheering on and guiding his teammates.

"It's like another coach in the corner," teammate Wil Aucoin said, noting that when the team was dealing with quarantine and couldn't practice with its coaches, Cameron served as the team's coach.

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Coach Dan Janowsky

elevate his emotions, get his emotions in the right spot to compete, because a lot of kids at certain moments they get timid or nervous or stressed out," Janowsky said, noting you never see that from Lucero. "He embraces that challenge."

Lucero also, the coach explained, has "that extra little gear to raise his level when the occasion demands it."


Janowsky said the next challenge for a wrestler, especially who wins a title early in their high school career, is to defend that title.

"Then to hold it and defend it is kind of a tricky situation because a lot of people avoid you," Janowsky said. "And so all of a sudden you don't get as many good fights as you used to get, you know, because a lot of people are gettin' out of your way. So then it becomes really hard because your tough matches are fewer and fewer and fewer, and so you have to find ways to keep yourself interested and push yourself."

He added he thinks Lucero "was very fortunate to have a group of

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Superintendent Dr. Kym LeBlanc-Esparza and coach Dan Janowsky talk while Janowsky holds the state title trophy Monday.

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I am incredibly proud of not only what our wrestlers accomplished, but all they had to persevere through in order to get there. They had to navigate through the daily challenges of COVID, stay healthy, train hard and even quarantine a time or two. They stayed focused and connected as a team and it made a difference for them. Each and every one played their part in getting to their goal and as a district and as a community, we are all incredibly proud of them.

I also couldn't be happier for Coach J. I cannot begin to fathom the strength he has had to call upon this year to lead his wrestlers through the season, much less to lead them to a state title. He has had such a tremendous impact on the lives of so many families in this community throughout the 31 years he has served as wrestling coach in Pagosa, it was incredibly touching to see the community come out and lift him up when he needed it this year. If there is anyone who deserved a state title this year, in his 40th year, it is Coach J. Well deserved!.


Finally, it has been so much fun watching Cameron Lucero wrestle this year. The first match I watched him compete in, it was easy to see how he had won two state titles in previous years. He is a fierce competitor and he has really smart instincts as a wrestler. In a year like this one, where nothing is guaranteed, I am so glad he got the opportunity to compete for that third title. If you watched any of his state tournament matches, you clearly saw how dominant he is in the sport. I look forward to hearing about his future success in college.

Dr. Kym LeBlanc-Esparza,
Archuleta School District superintendent

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This year's team was definitely goal driven. Throughout the season, marked with the pandemic, these young men overcame injuries, sicknesses, and the absence of their head coach. These setbacks seemed to make them stronger in their resolve. The state championship was a team effort marked by individuals fighting for not only the win, but also for their team's standing. Taking seven to state and medaling all seven is a feat in and of itself!

David Hamilton



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The champion Pirate wrestling team was greeted with fanfare on multiple occasions in the last week, including with a festive welcome home Saturday.



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‘High Tunnels and More Best Practices’: Free Q-and-A with Ron Chacey

By Leslie Wustrack
Pagosa Springs Community Garden

The Pagosa Springs Community Garden is sponsoring a free limited online educational series on vegetable gardening. Renowned expert Ron Chacey will cover all topics related to gardening in the Pagosa Springs area. All gardening talks are free and accessible via computer or telephone.

On Monday, March 22, at 6 p.m., Chacey, the eminent regional vegetable grower and an original founder of the Pagosa Springs Community Garden, will discuss “High Tunnels and More Best Practices.”

Please bring your questions on all how-tos of covering your vegetable plants during the growing season. Southwest Colorado does present growing challenges for gardeners, but most challenges can be overcome by growing the right type of vegetables and understanding how to take care of crops. By knowing how to cover and when to cover your vegetables, a successful garden is within reach. Chacey will touch on a variety of bed coverings and then focus on high tunnel construction and uses.

An avid grower with seven decades plus of experience, Chacey is a believer in trial and error in all areas of gardening. Chacey believes that learning from mistakes is the foundation of successful gardening.

The Monday, March 22, 6 p.m. free Q-and-A on “High Tunnels and More” will be held via Zoom or tele-

phone. To join our email list and receive gardening talk information, please send an email to PagosaSpringsCommunityGarden@gmail.com. To join the Monday, March 22, free Q-and-A, click on the link at facebook.com/pagosaspringscommunitygarden or join the Zoom meeting at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86856039874?pwd=N2hIN2lsY0x3L0ZaSXVqYkgwQ2NTZz09>. Meeting ID: 868 5603 9874. Passcode: 68BHsg.

The Pagosa Springs Community Garden is located at the end of 5th Street on the San Juan River downtown. Decades old, the garden is on land owned by the Town of Pagosa Springs, and plots are granted to the town’s citizens free of charge. In 2017, the garden was rejuvenated by community volunteers with the assistance of local Pagosa Springs businesses. Raised beds and deer-out fencing were constructed with donated lumber. Soil amendments, fertilizers, seeds, plant starts, tools, hoses and other necessary items are all provided through the generosity of Pagosa Springs businesses. The Town of Pagosa Springs provides free water for the Pagosa Springs Community Garden.

The Pagosa Springs Community Garden is free and open to all. Residents and town visitors are invited to stop by and enjoy the beautiful space; the practices of face-mask wearing and social distancing are observed. A few beds are still available for the 2021 gardening season. Please send an email to PagosaSpringsCommunityGarden@gmail.com for more details.

Community in Conversation: Small-town America

By Sarah Riehm
St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church

Our Community in Conversation seminar series continues April 6, with the discussion book “Small Town America: Finding Community, Shaping the Future,” by Robert Wuthnow.

The purpose of Community in Conversation is to find common ground and equip people with tools they need to have meaningful discussions on important issues in our community.

These discussions are free and offered on the Zoom platform until COVID restrictions are lifted. Small town America runs for eight weeks on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. If you’d like to be on the distribution list for the Zoom invitations, please email Sarah Riehm at sarah.riehm@gmail.com.

“So many books about ‘issues’ these days are written with a politi-

cal ax to grind,” said Riehm, the organizer. “This book offers a refreshingly neutral look at the benefits and challenges of living in a town like Pagosa Springs.

It will allow us to have some fun discussions about our history and our community culture. Later in the series, we’ll look at some of our contentious issues and talk about future priorities. As I’ve only lived in Pagosa full time for two years, my role will be as a moderator, not an instructor. My hope is to bring in local experts to expand our knowledge of what’s going on in our beloved community. This should be a great discussion for people new to town, as well as old-timers who will be encouraged to tell their important stories.”



Sarah Riehm

Riehm has taught in the MBA schools at the University of Hong Kong and the University of Texas. She is an experienced workshop and seminar leader. Over the years, she has been a community leader and city commissioner in Richardson, Texas. Currently, she serves as the music director at St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church. She also holds an MFA in writing for stage and screen, and is an active working writer, playwright and screenwriter. Under the name Sarah Lawrence, she has two plays scheduled for production when COVID lifts. She also runs a daily (free) blog for spiritual development at www.livinghildegard.com, which is based on the life and work of St. Hildegard (1098-1179), the most accomplished woman who ever lived.

Sign up soon to be included in the survey on community benefits and challenges that you would like included in the discussion during the eight-week course.

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Daughters of the American Revolution share information about the U.S. Flag Code

By Carolyn Paschal

Daughters of the American Revolution

The U.S. flag is emblematic of the Daughters of the American Revolution's three missions of Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. Sharing information about our national flag's history, use and care is one of the many goals of the Sarah Platt Decker Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

On June 22, 1942, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed the federal Flag Code, which led to congressional enactment on Dec. 22, 1942. Periodically, the Flag Code has been updated and amended. The United States Flag Code establishes advisory rules for display and care of the national flag of the United States of America.

Excerpts from the flag code are as follows:

- It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset, unless it is illuminated.
- The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
- The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, floor, water or merchandise.
- The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way,

preferably by burning.

If you would like a copy of the Flag Code, please email carolyn-paschal@gmail.com and we can email you a PDF of the Flag Code.

If you find that your flag needs replacing, you can drop it off at Vega Insurance, 818 Rosita St., or Terry's Ace Hardware in Pagosa Springs and VFW Post 4031, 1550 Main Ave. in Durango. Worn flags

will be delivered to the American Legion for proper disposal.

Look for future articles on proper methods of displaying the flag, raising and lowering the flag and the Pledge of Allegiance.

For information about the Daughters of the American Revolution or its missions, please contact Chapter Regent Tanice Ramsperger at spdregent@gmail.com.

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Aspire taking registrations for next parenting class

By Marcy Mitchell

Aspire Medical Services and Education

Aspire Medical Services and Education congratulates its first class of parents for completing the inaugural Positive Parenting Class over the past eight weeks.

Aspire's Positive Parenting Program is a pilot program launched from Zero to Three (zerotothree.org) to help parents of babies and toddlers become more sensitive to children's individual needs and addresses the typical challenges that arise in early childhood with empathy and respect. The class is free and also provides child care and snacks during the evening class.

"Parents of young children in Pagosa often feel isolated," said Marcy Mitchell, executive director of Aspire. "There are limited activi-

ties, child care or learning environments for parents of children under the age of 3 in town. Therefore, Aspire specifically addresses this need by offering a safe, supportive and enriching environment for young parents."

Taught by Aspire Education Coordinator Toni Haines, the Positive Parenting Program covers topics such as understanding your child's temperament, social/emotional development, emotional regulation skills, ways to engage your child through play and handling challenging behaviors.

In addition, participants receive a \$25 gift card to City Market as well as a recipe during each class to make affordable meals that take less than 30 minutes to prepare. Furthermore, the ingredients for that week's recipe are given away

during each class to one family as well as other prizes.

Haines expressed, "Since taking the class, our parents are calmer, more confident and empowered in their crucial roles of childrearing. They have gained an invaluable understanding of how their individual child's developmental age/stage, temperament and experiences in the world affect their everyday behaviors and how they, as parents, can respond effectively. This knowledge will continue to positively impact their children for a lifetime."

In fact, Psychology Today links positive parenting to "higher school grades, fewer behavior problems, less substance use, better mental health, greater social competence and more positive self-concepts."

Aspire's next class starts in mid-April, so it is taking registrations now. Class size is limited to 12, so call 264-5963 if you are interested in attending.

Aspire also offers digital prenatal and parenting education to parents of babies and toddlers that can be sent via text or email as well as taken one-on-one with a mentor. Clients taking classes earn boutique bucks that can be used to shop and purchase diapers, wipes, baby supplies, maternity clothes and baby equipment. In addition, Aspire provides affordable prenatal care programs. Aspire's prenatal provider, Dr. Carole Nasralla, has more than 20 years of experience providing prenatal care in the community.

Visit aspirepagosa.org for more information on our prenatal care and parenting programs.

Nursing home visitation guidance expanded

By Kay Kaylor

PREVIEW Columnist

I advocate for residents in skilled nursing and assisted living residences as the regional long-term care ombudsman. I also am trained as a Senior Medicare Patrol and State Health Insurance Assistance Program counselor, all as an employee of San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging (SJBAAA). The many aging and care concerns will be addressed here.

A March 10 announcement on nursing home visitation from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) brought some relief to friends and family members of residents. The CMS updated guidance, in conjunction with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, did not address visitation in assisted living and group homes and attributed the change to the "millions of vaccinations" given in nursing homes. Further guidance will be issued over time.

"Facilities should allow indoor visitation at all times and for all residents (regardless of vaccination status), except for a few circumstances when visitation should be limited due to a high risk of COVID-19 transmission (note: compassionate care visits should be permitted at all times)," the guidance states.

Outdoor visitation is still encouraged. CMS states that indoor visitation should be limited if a county's positivity rate is equal to or more than 10 percent and if less than 70 percent of residents in the facility are fully vaccinated. "Fully vaccinated" means two weeks have passed since the second dose or single dose (for single-dose vaccines) were given. During an outbreak, visitation can resume under

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specific conditions (see cms.gov).

The guidance encourages physical distancing during visits, but acknowledges "the toll that separation and isolation has taken."

It states that "there is no substitute for in-person care."

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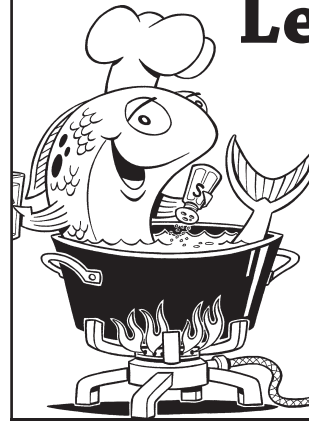
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As tax season approaches, consider the potential costs of Alzheimer's

By Jim Herlihy
Alzheimer's Association

As tax day draws near and people are looking closely at their finances, the Alzheimer's Association encourages families to proactively plan for the potential financial impact of the most expensive disease: Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia.

The numbers are staggering for the sixth leading cause of death in the United States and the only major disease without a prevention, treatment or cure: More than 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia, including 76,000 Coloradans. Globally, the total is 50 million.

Total annual payments for U.S. families caring for those with Alzheimer's and other dementias

exceed a third of a trillion dollars (\$355 billion). For individual caregivers, average out-of-pocket costs for medical care, personal care and household expenses average \$11,372 annually. And the cost of memory care can range from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per month.

"The financial toll of Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia is crippling," said Amelia Schafer, executive director of the Alzheimer's Association of Colorado. "Sadly, very few families are prepared for the cost of care, or realize how little of that cost is covered by insurance."

A recent Alzheimer's Association report found that nearly two out of three people incorrectly believe that Medicare helps pay for nursing home care, or were unsure whether it does.

Preparing for retirement – and Alzheimer's

The challenge for families – particularly those where there may be a family history of Alzheimer's that suggests a higher potential risk – is that the vast majority of people are already unprepared for the cost of a healthy retirement. For those affected by dementia, the impact could be devastating.

"During tax season, we take stock of our financial resources," said Schafer. "This is the ideal time to look at retirement planning and anticipate the possibility of long-term medical care. It is important to have financial and legal plans in place to address your wishes for future care."

The Alzheimer's Association encourages people to conduct

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tute for physical contact, such as the warm embrace between a resident and their loved one. Therefore, if the resident is fully vaccinated, they can choose to have close contact (including touch) with their visitor while wearing a well-fitting face mask and performing hand-hygiene before and after."

Evan Shulman, CMS director, Division of Nursing Homes, said on a March 12 webinar that facilities will need time to prepare for the changes, along with state health departments, which issue public health orders.

He emphasized the importance of infection control practices since not everyone is vaccinated and virus transmission among those who are is still unclear.

After Shulman's presentation, Robyn Grant, the director of public policy and advocacy at the National Consumer Voice, said the changes are "important steps" that will make a "tangible difference."

However, fully opening nursing homes to visitation has "a long way to go," she stated, because facilities can still choose to schedule visits and the guidance has no enforcement to prevent facilities from ignoring it, as has been the case with other guidance.

Long-term care ombudsmen and other advocates will continue to promote the rights of residents in all licensed care homes.

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Be extra gentle right now

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist

This falls under the category of being blindsided by the unexpected. We're all champing at the bit to get the world back to some semblance of normal, or as close as we can get. What we might not realize is that in between the full on pandemic and the reopening of our communities, we may miss a stage in our own recovery.

Many people have expressed their gratitude at falling "numbers" and access to vaccines. They describe a sense of stress falling

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from their shoulders in a way that they didn't even realize how great the weight really was for them. We've all been counting ourselves lucky, hoping for jobs and income to return, looking for stability and trying to hold a good thought all the while.

Now that we have a vision that the future may actually happen for us, take some time to be gentle with yourself, your family, your loved ones. We're all pretty bruised right now, some more than others — but we all deserve some down time to just sit, soak up spring as it emerges and take a few deep breaths.

Take time to recover as you reenter the world. You're not the only one feeling overwhelmed with the very thought of all those regular little interactions, tasks and disruptions that build up when we

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an inventory of their financial resources, including savings, insurance, retirement benefits, government assistance and VA benefits, and to consult with a financial planner or elder care attorney to review options.

Tax benefits for caregivers

Beyond anticipating future medical expenses, it is important for those who are serving as unpaid caregivers for loved ones to understand that they may be eligible for tax benefits from the Internal Revenue Service if they have paid some care costs out of their own pockets. Tax rules are complex and can change, so individuals are advised to consult with a tax adviser or accountant.

To learn more about financial and legal planning for Alzheimer's caregivers, visit www.alz.org or call the Alzheimer's Association free 24/7 helpline at (800) 272-3900.

The urgent case for finding an Alzheimer's cure

The financial impact of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias already is staggering for the U.S. collectively, and the cost is only ex-

pected to grow. Today, \$1 of every \$5 in Medicaid funds goes to provide care for persons living with dementia. Since Alzheimer's is the only major disease without a prevention, treatment or cure, and our country's population is aging, those numbers will only get worse. If no cure is found by 2050, it is estimated that \$1 of every \$3 in Medicaid funds will go toward dementia care.

"As the number of people living with dementia rises, the burden on our public health systems will be unsustainable," said Schafer. "This only underscores the need for families to plan ahead. As time passes and until a cure is found, we can expect that we will need to assume an increasing share of the cost of care for our loved ones living with Alzheimer's disease. Planning for that is essential."

About the Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association Colorado Chapter is the premier source of information and support for the more than 76,000 Coloradans with Alzheimer's disease, their families and caregivers.

The Alzheimer's Association offers education, counseling, support groups and a 24-hour helpline at no charge to families. In addition, contributions help fund ad-

vancements in research to prevent, treat and eventually conquer this disease. The Alzheimer's Association advocates for those living with Alzheimer's and their families on related legislative issues, and with health and long-term care providers. For information, call the Alzheimer's Association free 24/7 bilingual helpline at (800) 272-3900 or visit www.alz.org.

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begin to go out again. Small things may seem ridiculously hard. Familiar things don't exist for most of us anymore. Go slow, take small steps and, please, be gentle with yourself and those around you.

You can learn more about the Community Café, take out and Meals on Wheels reservations, and other ASI programs on our website: <http://www.psseniors.org/>.

VITA tax preparation

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

VITA will be preparing 2020 tax returns at no charge as part of the VITA program in Durango. Please register at: DurangoVITA.org. The gross income limit this tax season is \$54,000.

Take-out meals continue at Senior Center

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

These meals will be available Monday through Friday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. There is a \$4 suggested donation for lunch for those age 60 and better. If you need to have your meal delivered, please

call 264-2167 to see if this option is available in your area.

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

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

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

The Community Café menu

Thursday, March 18 — Turkey wrap, hummus, milk, salad and dessert.

Friday, March 19 — Pulled pork sandwich, pinto beans, milk, salad and dessert.

Monday, March 22 — Ham and cheese wrap, hummus, milk, salad and dessert.

Tuesday, March 23 — Hot chicken salad, buttered peas, milk, salad

and cornbread with butter.

Wednesday, March 24 — Pulled pork sandwich, pinto beans, milk, salad and dessert.

Thursday, March 25 — Italian wedding soup, focaccia bread with butter, milk, salad and dessert.

Reservations and cancellations are required. You can make a reservation at 264-2167 by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you would like to drive through and pick up a meal.

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A view through her lens

By Betty Slade
PREVIEW Columnist

There is a famous quote by the first American man to summit Mount Everest. He stated, “If you are not living on the edge, then you are already taking up too much space.”

Those words took on new meaning when I met a 23-year-old by the name of Rebecca Baliko.

I became acquainted with her while she worked on the set of my grandson’s film, “Space Waves.” She caught my attention when I learned she studied and lived in the Canadian Arctic with polar bears, alongside a team of scientists.

Knowing what to do when meeting a bear, cougar or coyote in the wild doesn’t seem like everyday readiness. But for Rebecca, it’s not much different then wielding a Swiss army knife or lacing up hiking boots.

Had I met Rebecca in the wilderness, I would expect subsistence living as her singular approach in life. But, not so for this young woman. She is multidimensional and possesses a side I greatly admire.

Rebecca is a visual artist. She story-boarded cartoons before she could write. Her passion for film began at the age of 10 when she produced movies about her family’s travels and adventures. Armed with little more than an iPod Nano, she told stories complete with soundtracks that would evoke an array of emotion.

Her dream to be behind the camera didn’t stop as a child. She has honed her craft as a filmmaker, embracing a level of confidence developed by employing her creative eye.

In March of 2014, she had the opportunity to work as part of a father-daughter team, filming magnificent polar bears and their cubs in their natural habitat. The project took them to an Arctic region, where she and her dad, Bela, worked with a well-known Canadian research scientist, Dr. Nick Lunn. The experience gave Rebecca the opportunity to film

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She says her dad always told her that she could be anything she wanted to be, as long as she was willing to work for it.

and produce a documentary about their work, titled “Life on the Edge.”

She says her dad always told her that she could be anything she wanted to be, as long as she was willing to work for it. It couldn’t have been an easy decision to leave her family and the wilds she had known. Her pursuit of a career in California would be a whole new jungle. But, for Rebecca, pursuing her passion of filmmaking in Hollywood was a natural next step.

Before graduating from the University of Biola, School of Cinema and Media Arts, Rebecca had worked on over 130 different film sets. The experience allowed her to focus on freelance work as a first assistance camera operator (also known as a focus puller or “1st AC”).

Her film credits include the acclaimed thesis project “Caesura,” by Andy Brewster. The film won Best Picture at the Guerilla Film Festival, as well as Best Director, Best Actor and Best Cinematography.

“Caesura” was shot at various

locations around Los Angeles, ending with a pull-away view of a desert flat and a burning piano.

Rebecca’s experience already includes working with a Fisher dolly and a Steadicam. She has also performed camera prep work at Panavision.

Working with different cameras builds, using different rigs and lenses, and shooting on location can present unique challenges. Rebecca’s most memorable project? One that is near and dear to my heart, “Space Waves.”

She said, “Both the camera operator and the second AC had dropped the project at the last minute. They didn’t have time to find replacements, so I ended up filling both roles.

“The month-long shoot was stressful. I found myself stretched and challenged in ways I would have never imagined. The experience really tested our metal as a film crew. However, it still remains one of my favorite film sets, despite the difficult nature of the work.”

From movies to commercials to music videos, there is no limit to the type of project Rebecca is willing and able to take on. Packed with talent and a pocket overflowing with skills, Rebecca Baliko is one to watch for, a young woman who isn’t afraid to poke the bear in a faraway land or stand behind the lens creating new worlds for others to experience.

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A tear in the bride's eye

By Betty Slade
PREVIEW Columnist

Bill McCartney is the former head football coach at the University of Colorado. He is also the founder of Promise Keepers, a ministry for evangelical Christian men which teaches them how to be the spiritual leaders of their families.

He once told a group of men, "If you want to know what kind of husband you are, look into your wife's eyes."

You may be shocked to know that he said this after looking at his wife, seeing a face full of sadness.

It was in that moment that McCartney realized he had not been a good husband. He had not treated his bride the way she deserved to be treated.

I wonder what God sees when he looks into the face of His bride, the image he uses to describe the church.

For the past few months, I have spent many an hour on my knees in prayer. Admittedly, most of that time has been filled with sadness in my heart as I look at the hostile condition of the world.

You don't have to look in too many corners of this world to see where men and women of faith

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



are being censored or canceled. In some circumstances, there are those who are being called terrorists because of their beliefs. Worse yet, persecuted.

We are told in the Bible that this will be how things play out. That said, it makes me wonder if we are living out the mystery of the last days or if today is just a precursor of things to come.

The bride, the church, is not spotless. We have a lot of blemishes that need to be worked on before we are unveiled at the marriage feast. Even with that said, why would anyone fear us? Or, worse yet, hate us.

If we call ourselves Christians, shouldn't that mean we reflect the one who loves us? Is the image on our face, one that is filled with compassion? Sadly, and all too often, it is not.

I am realizing our eyes are clouded, preventing us from seeing

a more picturesque view of ourselves. Perhaps that is the reason we don't reflect the beauty of our bridegroom. Our view of him is likely eclipsed by a visual of despair and misery that we choose to stay concentrated on. Maybe it is even a view of how we unknowingly portray ourselves to others.

In order to reflect optimism and hope, we need to see with heaven-bound eyes. Through faith, we must pull back the veil and see the real story behind today's news, man's attempt to erase the treasure that has been promised us. And that battle is not ours to focus on.

In a letter to Ephesus, the Apostle Paul wrote, "God made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention, which He purposed in Him with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is the summing up of all things in Christ ..." — Ephesians 1:9,10 (NASB).

The scripture stopped me as if I read it for the first time. It says to me that God is solving the mystery of His will. He has purposed a view of the present day that will bring a fullness in times. Although we may not understand or even desire the

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Increase in foodborne botulism cases prompts warning from health officials about home food safety

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has investigated several cases of confirmed and suspected foodborne botulism in the state since September.

Testing from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed four of the cases; one is still under investigation and two test results are pending. All of the confirmed cases occurred along the Front Range, and one of the unconfirmed cases occurred in the Western Slope.

A majority of the cases appear to be unrelated as no common food item was identified. The last two confirmed cases were the result of an improperly canned shared food made in the same household.

“Botulism does not spread from person to person, so there is no risk to the public. However, these cases are a good reminder of how important it is to properly preserve and handle food in the home,” said Nicole Comstock, deputy branch chief, communicable dis-

ease branch.

A variety of foods can be associated with foodborne botulism, including homemade foods that were improperly canned or preserved. The most common source of home-canning-related botulism cases come from foods with a low acid content, such as chiles, green beans, potatoes, beets, corn and asparagus.

To prevent botulism, it is important to follow proper canning and food preservation procedures. The Preserve Smart website from Colorado State University Extension provides information regarding considerations for choosing tested preservation methods and the importance of adjusting canning methods for elevation to ensure home-preserved food products are safe to enjoy.

People can take the following steps to reduce their chances of getting botulism:

- Refrigerating homemade oils infused with garlic or herbs and throwing away any unused oils after four days.

- Keeping potatoes that have been baked while wrapped in alu-

minum foil hot (at temperatures above 140 degrees F) until they are served, or refrigerating them with the foil loosened.

- Refrigerating any canned or pickled foods after you open them.

- Before tasting or serving, boil all home-canned, low-acid vegetables for 10 minutes plus one minute for each 1,000 feet increase in elevation above sea level (e.g. at 5,000 feet, boil for 15 minutes).

Botulism is a rare but serious illness caused by a toxin produced by clostridium botulinum bacteria. When ingested, the toxin attacks the body’s nerves. Symptoms typically start with muscle weakness in the face and neck, and then spreads to the torso, arms and legs. The toxin weakens muscles used for breathing, which can lead to death. It is important that anyone ill with symptoms of botulism visit a health care provider immediately to be assessed.

For more information about botulism, visit the CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/botulism/index.html>.

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view we have today, it is all part of His plan as he prepares for the day of His return.

There is the spiritual bride and the physical bride. They work hand in hand. I can see in my own marriage of 61 years, God is still working on me to be a good wife to my Sweet Al. No, it is not always easy, but we are both being changed, and being prepared as spiritual brides for the true lover of our souls.

Final brushstroke: There is sad-

ness in the eyes of so many people in the world today. But it is not because of mistreatment that comes from God, but the turmoil created out of the darkness of man’s heart. Fortunately, we can look beyond that, to reflect the face of the one who is to come, the one who will deliver us. And if not now, it will be on that day that our face will reflect the undeniable glory of the One who has come for us.

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Celebrating National Ag Day

By Robin Young
PREVIEW Columnist

Food brings everyone to the table. This is the theme for National Ag Day, which is recognized on March 23 this year.

The pandemic has shown us all that farmers and ranchers have kept us fed even in the most trying of times. They are essential to our existence. We're so fortunate to have dedicated growers and producers who feed our nation.

The National Ag Day program believes that every American should: understand how food, fiber and renewable resource products are produced; value the essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy; appreciate the role agriculture plays in providing safe, abundant and affordable products; and acknowledge and consider career opportunities in the agriculture, food, fiber and renewable resource industries.

Why celebrate Ag Day in Colorado? Colorado agriculture provides abundant, nutritional products for consumers within the state and around the globe. Agriculture is one of largest contributors to the state's economy, supporting more than 173,000 jobs in Colorado, generating more than \$40 billion of economic activity annually, and exporting over \$2 billion of food and agricultural products.

Land in farms and ranches provides habitat for wildlife and open space, and innovative and sustainable farming practices ensure that our state's resources will remain protected for generations to come. Farmers and ranchers are critical to Colorado agritourism, welcoming tourists from around the world and giving them a taste of the Colorado experience. Farmers and ranchers are innovative entrepreneurs and business leaders who remain resilient in their dedication to Colorado agriculture.

To recognize National Ag Day, the following proclamation was signed by the Archuleta County Commissioners.

Proclamation

"National Agriculture Week
"March 22-26, 2021

"WHEREAS National Agriculture Week is March 22 - 26, 2021 to recognize the importance of farmers and ranchers who produce

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food, fiber and fuel for the United States and world; and

"WHEREAS Archuleta County has a long and rich history of agricultural production; and

"WHEREAS Archuleta County farmers and ranchers are a vital component of our local economy and communities, providing jobs throughout the farm and food industry, including employment for farmers, farmworkers, scientists, processors, shippers and retailers; and

"WHEREAS The stewardship of Archuleta County farmers and ranchers protects our natural resources and wildlife and ensures a sustainable resource base for future generations; and

"WHEREAS Archuleta County farmers and ranchers produce agricultural products embrace the local food markets and beyond, providing safe and wholesome quality products to their neighbors; and

"WHEREAS Archuleta County recognizes the importance that agriculture plays in assuring the future progress and prosperity of the county's economy and health;

"NOW, THEREFORE, WE the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Archuleta, Colorado, by the authority vested in us, do hereby officially proclaim March 22-26, 2021 as 'NATIONAL AGRICULTURE WEEK' in the County of Archuleta, Colorado; and call upon the citizens of Archuleta County to recognize the importance of our agricultural industry, from field to plate, and to celebrate this week with appropriate events, activities, and nutritious meals made with Archuleta County's 'homegrown' ingredients.

"In witness whereof, we hereunto set our hands and cause the seal of the County of Archuleta do, to be affixed this 16th day of March 2021."

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Wolf Creek Pass was opened for public use in 1916. This photo shows the work crew and kegs of dynamite at the foot of the pass.

Chief Ouray: chief spokesman for the Utes

I have been writing about the history of the Southern Utes, our Native American neighbors to the west of Pagosa Springs. I've described a number of plans the U.S. government tested to find a way for pioneers and the various Indian tribes of the West to live peaceably side by side.

During the time we're writing about, the late 1800s, the Custer and Meeker massacres had already resulted in stacks of dead bodies, white and Indian, strewn across western landscapes.

Finally, the government came out with a plan calling for Native Americans to take "Land In Severalty." Severalty meant that instead of tribes owning land as a tribe, they owned land as individuals. For years, the government had been trying to convince the various tribes to become farmers. The idea was to teach them to support themselves. That would allow a little squeeze room so that maybe various treaty promises to feed the Indians could be ignored.

The Native American response to farming was best expressed by a



Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

Indians won or lost money in the popular races to see who had the fastest horses. Drums throbbed through the night, fueling the chants of buckskin-clad dancers circling the hot springs.

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tribal chief in Meeker who used the worst part of his Anglo vocabulary to describe the potato he stared at in his hand.

Throughout the first years of Pagosa Country settlement, white agitation to move the Utes to Utah or almost anywhere else persisted. The Utes liked living where they had lived for untold centuries. Ute hunting parties on the upper Piedra, San Juan and Navajo rivers alarmed the settlers living there. Soon after the Meeker Massacre, Ute faces peered down on the town from the surrounding hills. White guns were loaded and ready.

At the same time, teepees sprang up around the town of Pagosa Springs as Utes, Jicarilla Apaches and Navajos joined in Fourth of July celebrations. Cowboys and

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Tell us your story: Saying the Unsaid works for racial equality

By Leslie Barnett
Special to The PREVIEW

A group of us from Pagosa started meeting last June on the high school track field after the death of George Floyd. We wanted to do something but we had no idea what. Many came with different ideas. Some left. Some stayed. Those of us who stayed started sharing things we were reading about racism, podcasts, documentaries.

Over time, we started to write about our own experiences with racism and privilege. Some stories were about embarrassing and painful mistakes made from ignorance. Others were about the privilege of growing up white and not thinking about doing things that would have put a person of color in jail.

Telling these stories was risky. But it changed us to share these experiences. We were not debating, or arguing or lecturing, merely sharing personal experiences that had long remained unspoken. Sharing our stories helped us realize how much racism shapes all of

our everyday lives. Not just acts of extreme racism, like the killings of George Floyd and others, but in the many ways we keep ourselves in separate groups, often afraid of each other and not seeking to understand one another. Now we are opening up that same journey to our community. One of the submitted stories is below. We invite you to join us and contribute your own story by visiting: sites.google.com/view/wrepagosa.

Last summer, I called the Ute organization to learn what I needed to do to attend their Sun Dance. The man on the phone walked me through appropriate attire. Then I asked for directions. He asked me if I was "native." When I said no, he said, "Drive to Ignacio and look for signs."

In Ignacio there were no signs, but I found a native man who was willing to show me the way. At the campgrounds, I found a semicircular structure made of branches. In the center were the dancers, a drummer and a tall pole which they danced toward. It was very hot and they had been fasting for days. When it was time to leave, I waited

until the drummer had stopped, crossed the dirt path and walked to the portable toilets to the right. The inside was scrupulously clean, the toilet paper rolls still with outside wrappers stacked in rows. I realized then that these were reserved just for the all-male, native dancers, that my entering and using them was a desecration of the Ute's most sacred ritual. Shocked and upset, I jumped out and ran back to my spot. I was disoriented and hadn't noticed the drumming had started again as I crossed the dirt path. An older native man signaled me to come to him. He said, "You crossed the path when they were drumming." I apologized. I tried to talk to him, but he brushed me aside with disgust.

We look forward to reading your story.

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The names of Ute leaders were household words. Ouray was the most famous. Ouray grew up near Taos, N.M. His father was Jicarilla Apache. He spoke Spanish, English, Ute and Jicarilla. He was later adopted by the Tabaguache band of Utes. Largely because of his language proficiency, he became chief spokesman for the Utes in their negotiations with the whites. He recognized that his people were vastly outnumbered by the

whites and in the end would lose everything unless they could avoid open warfare.

Ouray died in Ignacio in 1880 while negotiations were being conducted following the Meeker Massacre. The location of his grave was kept a secret until May of 1925, when the remains were moved to the Ignacio cemetery. It lies half in the Catholic and half in the Protestant portion of the agency cemetery. Ouray's wife, Chipeta, was famous in her own right.

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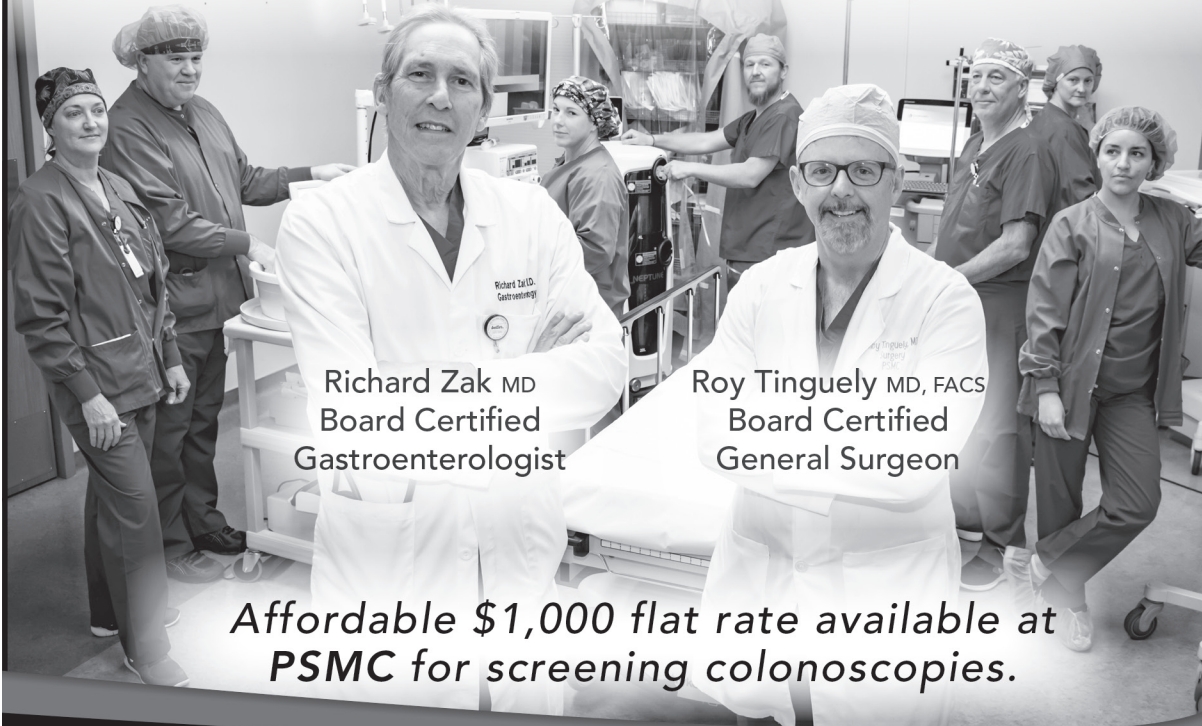
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Family Storytime. 10 a.m. Facebook Live. For all ages. Join us for great stories and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Storytime is a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. Serving pan-seared chicken arrabiata with heavy cream over egg noodles 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.

English as a Second Language by Appointment. 5-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Your library offers English as a second language classes. These classes are free. Call 264-2209 or email for more information and to make an appointment.

Principles Before Personalities Group of Alcoholics Anonymous. 7 p.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Contact Charlotte or Ken at 903-9690, or Nate at 507-1004.

Friday, March 19

Take and Make DIY: Mini Zen Garden. Facebook. Join us via Facebook as Brad will demonstrate how easy it is to create a mini Zen garden that can be displayed in your home or office. Inspired by traditional Japanese Zen gardens, these DIY gardens are made from sand, rocks and other simple materials. Zen gardens promote tranquility and provide a space for meditative rest. Supplies and instructions will be available to pick up at the library on March 19. Video tutorials will appear on Facebook and the library's website at <https://pagosalibrary.org/adult-diy/>. Call 264-2209 for more information.

PALS, GED and College Prep Assistance. Noon-3 p.m. In person, appointment required. Pagosa Adult Learning Services can help you earn your GED, prepare for college entrance exams, prepare for vocational tests and other education requirements. Mark will work with you to develop an achievable plan to complete your goals. Earning your GED is possible at any stage in life, and we can help. Call 264-2209 or email ruby@pagosalibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

The Good News Club. 2-4 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. A program for children in K-6th grade. COVID mandates will be followed, including social distancing and masks. For more

information or to register, go to coloradocef.org/GNC.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. 4:30-6:30 p.m. Parish Hall, 445 Lewis St. Takeout only and masks required for pick up. Serving a meal of two fish, french fries, coleslaw and hush puppies. Cost: \$12.

Chimney Rock Interpretive Association Open House. 6:30 p.m., Tennyson Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. To help community members learn about the exciting volunteer opportunities. There will be a host of CRIA volunteers on hand who are eager to introduce guests to the variety of roles that support this unique program, as well as the flexibility in level of commitment. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call 731-7133.

Saturday, March 20

Discovery Time. 2:30 p.m. Facebook. For all ages. New videos are posted to Facebook each Saturday. View to explore new games, art ideas, science experiments, history, activities and more. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Monday, March 22

Spring-Themed LEGO Contest. Submissions must be entered before 5 p.m. on Friday, March 26. Submission guidelines: Submit up to five photos of your creation. To ensure a blind judging, none of these photos may contain people. One photo must be a top view and one a front view. Email submissions to ruby@pagosalibrary.org, or submit via Facebook Messenger. All

submissions should include: name, age group and contact information. If you would like to submit and do not have a camera or computer, the library will assist you. Entries must be your own creation, not a LEGO kit, project found online, magazine, etc. Prizes will be awarded for each of five age categories: preschool, ages 5-7, ages 8-11, ages 12-17, adult 18 and up. One prize will also be awarded for the Judges' Choice and for the entry that best fits the theme. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Writing Challenge. Facebook. For all ages. Calling all writers: challenge your creativity. Challenge details will be posted on the Library's Facebook page. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Tech Time by Appointment. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. We are happy to help you resolve your basic technology questions related to computers, smartphones, tablets and other electronic devices. Call 264-2209 or email ruby@pagosalibrary.org to schedule an appointment or for more information. Fifteen- to 30-minute appointments are available.

Spanish Conversation. 4-5 p.m. Google Meet. Join us virtually to practice your Spanish conversation skills in a group setting. Access the meeting using the Google Meet app or by visiting [google.meet.com/xrv-csre-kay](https://meet.google.com/xrv-csre-kay). Call Brad at 264-2209 for more information.

'High Tunnels and More Best Practices' with Ron Chacey. 6 p.m. Zoom. Join Zoom meeting: <https://>

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Tuesday, March 23

HER Story. 8:30-9:30 a.m., PMAB + Movement, 140 Country Center Drive, Unit 2. A women's group providing a safe, supportive space to grow and heal as you share your story. An opportunity to meet other women in your community in a peer-supported group focused on healing from trauma, abuse or violence. Email us with any questions at contactus@riseaboveviolence.org.

Veterans for Veterans of Archuleta County. 10 a.m., Tennyson Building Event Center, 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Veterans and associated members are invited. Social distancing is required at this time. Contact 799-8387 for more details.

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Wednesday, March 24

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

Thursday, March 25

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Friday, March 26

Literary Ladies Book Club. 10:15 a.m.- noon. Zoom. They will be discussing "The Banker's Wife" by Christine Alger. Registration is not required. Contact the library if you have any questions about accessing a Zoom meeting or if you need a copy of the book. Contact Marilyn by email bakestroud@aol.com if you have any questions about the book club. The Zoom Meeting ID: 859 2949 6860, the passcode: 81147. Call 264-2209 for more information.

PALS, GED and College Prep Assistance. Noon-3 p.m. In person, appointment required. Pagosa Adult Learning Services can help you earn your GED, prepare for college entrance exams, prepare for vocational tests and other education requirements. Mark will work with you to develop an achievable plan to complete your goals. Earning your GED is possible at any stage in life, and we can help. Call 264-2209 or email ruby@pagosalibrary.org to schedule an appointment.

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Jeff Posey joins board of directors at Pagosa Innovation Center

By Dawn Kolpin
Pagosa Innovation Center

The Pagosa Innovation Center announces that it has appointed Jeff Posey to its board of directors.

“We are pleased to welcome Mr. Posey as a new director on the board of Pagosa Innovation Center and we especially value the positive and intelligent, forward-thinking discussions we have shared over the past few months,” stated Dawn Kolpin, president and developing co-founder of Pagosa Innovation Center. “Jeff is joining Pagosa Innovation Center at an exciting time, seven months into the launch of our uptown coworking space, which now maintains over 200 members. We have appreciated the opportunity to share our strategies for local outreach programs, especially as we focus on supporting and growing a networked community of remote professionals, entrepreneurial support alliances and the pre-development of remote workforce development programs for Pagosa Springs.”

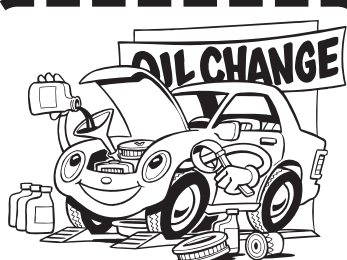
Posey is a full-time town resident, serves as vice chair of the town planning commission and is a member of the Land Use and Development Code Steering Committee, which is revising land-use regulations for the town. He is particularly interested in working to fulfill the vision for the town as expressed in Pagosa Springs Forward, the town’s comprehensive plan. He lives in downtown Pagosa Springs with his wife, Danielle.

“I am exceptionally pleased to join the team at the Pagosa Innovation Center as we encourage and build an entrepreneurial spirit

in Pagosa Springs that supports startup businesses, well-paid job creation, high-level skills training, and inspiring facilities,” stated Posey.

Pagosa Innovation Center is a nonprofit organization that operates a vibrant 1Gb-enabled coworking space alongside community outreach programs designed to complement and strengthen the local rural economic ecosystem of southwest Colorado. The steadfast mission of Pagosa Innovation Center is to attract and connect people and ideas to successful futures in Pagosa Springs. We envision an energetic, thriving and magnetic town in the mountains where every person has the tools and opportunities to live their potential.

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Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs: Connect with Sacred Light and Sound. 7 p.m., Zoom. Go to Meetup.com, find Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs, Colorado click on the Zoom link provided.

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Up to the task
- 5 Come from _____
- 9 Flat floater
- 14 Stir up
- 15 Symbol of peace
- 16 One way to read
- 17 Lingerie tops
- 19 Tossed over the shoulder
- 20 Tavern perch
- 21 Icicle former
- 23 Black
- 24 Scale deduction
- 26 Endocrine, for one
- 28 Crispy cookie
- 31 One-time link
- 34 Kiss member since 1973
- 35 Braille bit
- 36 Pekoe packet
- 38 Colony members
- 39 Candle topper
- 41 Snoop (around)
- 42 Sonora snooze
- 44 ROFL alternative
- 45 Party snack
- 46 Pay-____-view
- 47 Step up the pace
- 50 Shady problem-solver
- 52 Perched on
- 53 Petty quarrel
- 55 Fizzled fireworks
- 57 Divine for water
- 61 Linda Lavin role
- 63 Astonishment
- 65 Wood-turning tool
- 66 Eye layer
- 67 Rebel Wilson film, "____ It Romantic"
- 68 Gas additive
- 69 Bothersome one
- 70 Adjusts, as a clock

DOWN

- 1 Pendulum paths
- 2 Wake maker
- 3 VIP car
- 4 1920's-30's lawman
- 5 Big fuss
- 6 Foolishness
- 7 Declare firmly
- 8 Call it quits
- 9 Some four-year degs.
- 10 Bold poker bet
- 11 Traffic circle
- 12 Sticky buildup
- 13 High-strung
- 18 Foundry waste
- 22 Blood clotting aid
- 25 Visibly embarrassed
- 27 Jungle dweller
- 28 Wish granter
- 29 Between different religions
- 30 Old
- 32 Spoonful, say
- 33 Quite a while
- 34 Shocked reaction
- 37 Naval Academy locale
- 40 Slow-flowing syrup
- 43 Invoice add-on
- 48 Billy of "Almost Famous" fame
- 49 Took a bus
- 51 In need of scratching
- 53 Shopaholic's delight
- 54 Surveyor's map
- 56 Plunge headfirst
- 58 Like Solomon
- 59 Transmitted
- 60 Small lizards
- 62 Sushi selection
- 64 Slugger's need

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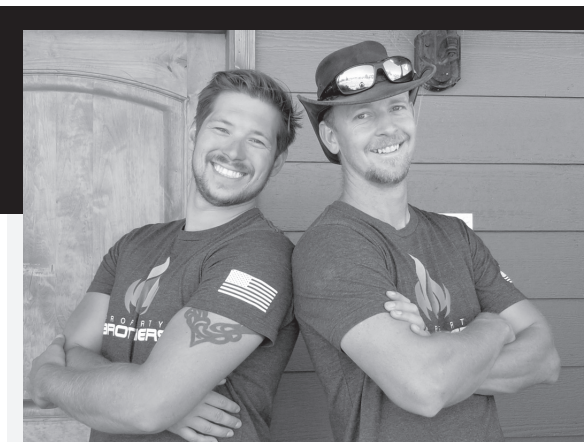
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Ephesians 1:15

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Are faithful in Christ, 1:1

Have faith in the Lord Jesus and a love for all saints, 1:15

Have an inheritance, 1:18

Are fellow citizens and God's household, 2:19

Serve to build up Christ's body, 5:3

Seek purity so that sexual immorality, impurity, and greed are not even mentioned among them, 6:18

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Bird of the Week



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

Spring and fall are good seasons to look for this bird along the Riverwalk in town. Their secretive behaviors and solitary natures make them often overlooked. They rarely stray far from cover, but one may show up with other birds scratching for seed under bird feeders at this time of year.

Lincoln's sparrows have very specific habitat preferences. In summer, they breed in dense willow thickets along wet meadows and bogs. They are tough to spot sneaking on the ground in search of insects deep within the brush.

Most of the population breeds within Canada's boreal forest, but their summer range also includes the mountains of the western United States and extends into the higher elevations of our area. In winter, they are found in southern states and south to Central America in shrubby grasslands and forests.

In appearance the Lincoln's sparrow resembles the closely related song sparrow and they are both often found near water. The genus name of these two species, melospiza, comes from the Greek word for song. In defense of territory, the male Lincoln's sings a bubbly, wrenlike song.

A pale eye-ring and buffy wash on the finely streaked breast above a white belly are distinguishing traits of the Lincoln's. Its gray head is cut by two rust colored crown stripes and is often peaked.

Learning to identify birds by their songs is a useful tool in finding those species that prefer to stay out of sight. Check our website for links to birding-by-ear classes in April and May.

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Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 8 = E)

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Clue: Place to work

B. 8 4 12 10 26 24 8 16

Clue: Boss

C. 12 22 24 13 9 8 13 21

Clue: Compensation

D. 10 22 7 26 16

Clue: Work

Answers: A. office B. employer C. paycheck D. labor

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 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, March 21, our theme is happiness.

"O ye beloved of God! Know ye, verily, that the happiness of mankind lieth in the unity and the harmony of the human race, and that spiritual and material

developments are conditioned upon love and amity among all men." — Abdu'l-Baha.

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.

New Thought topic: A never-ending supply of support

By Lisa Burnson

New Thought Center for Inspirational Living

"Not everyone will support your dream, but, thankfully, you don't need anyone's permission to pursue what God has placed in your heart." — Dave Willis.

All are welcome to join New Thought Center for Inspirational Living this Sunday, March 21, at 10:30 a.m. for our presentation, "Divine Love Pathways: Creator's Never Ending Supply of Life Support for Your Purpose." Our speaker will be Shayla McClure, spiritual director.

Our sanctuary is sanitized and set up for social distancing.

We will have spirited live music.

Upcoming events

Meditation Circle is now every

Monday at 6 p.m. (Please note change in week day.)

Band practice is every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. We welcome musicians and singers to join our band. Please text Bruce at 507-0739 to join or for band information.

Please call/text 510-0309 or 309-6067 for information on upcoming events.

Library

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

About us

The New Thought Center promotes living a spiritually centered life, and promotes the philosophies of Centers for Spiritual Living

and Agape Centers. New Thought honors all lifestyles, cultures and religious paths to the divine.

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 Best Western Lodge (elevator available).

Request prayer treatment or obtain information by joining us; emailing pagosacommunitynewthought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147; or calling 309-6067. Find us on Facebook (Pagosa Community of New Thought) or YouTube (Pagosa New Thought Channel).



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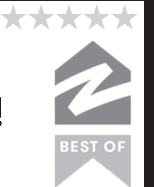
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Isn't spring exciting?

By Royce King
PREVIEW Columnist

Isn't spring exciting? I love spring. Spring brings with it the sign of new life, flower beds full of color, trees in bloom and birds welcoming the morning sun. Most of us find this time of the year refreshing, thrilling and a season we anxiously await. For those of us who have lived in a climate with harsh winters, even our souls rejoice with the signs of spring. The birth of a baby, new life, is another time that brings great joy. The "oohs, aahs, how cute, how precious, what a blessing ..." come out of our mouths without hesitation. Why? New life is an exciting miracle. The Berean translation of 2 Corinthians 5:17 puts it this way, "Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away; behold, the new has come into being."

I love the word "being." We are

A Matter of Faith

human beings, yet we usually define ourselves as human doings. Let me illustrate. Imagine the last time you walked into a room of strangers. You walked up, shook hands and introduced yourself. When you introduced yourself, you said your name and promptly followed it up by your profession. If you didn't offer that information, the person you were meeting may have said "What do you do?" as one of their initial questions.

Immediately we define ourselves by what we do.

However, 2 Corinthians states "Behold, the new has come into BE-

ING." "Behold" means to gaze upon. Picture the last sunset — and what beautiful sunsets Pagosa Springs supplies — you watched fade into the horizon; the sunset was so beautiful you were beholden to it until the sky turned from brilliant red and orange to black.

In a doing mode, we are focused on tasks, driven to perform and reach a goal. In the being mode, however, we are accepting, allowing, resting in the present, and shifting to relational thoughts and feelings. God is a god of relationships. Adam and Eve witnessed this when God spent every day walking in the garden with them. He's always sought a relationship with us and wanted to be with us. As a new creation, we are full of life. Notice the descriptive "full of." Not just life, but walking around full of life. What a beautiful picture that is to see you full of life, my sweet friend.

Excerpt taken from "Unwrapping Your Worth in Christ: Relishing Moments With God."

This column includes both fiction and non-fiction, and views expressed do not necessarily represent those of The SUN. Submissions can be sent to editor@pagosasun.com.

Centerpoint Church to offer GriefShare support group

By Marie Rascoe
GriefShare Support Group

GriefShare is a network of 15,000-plus churches equipped to offer grief support groups. The 13-week program is nondenominational and provides healing from your grief, regardless of how long it has been since your loved one died.

The support group meets weekly and offers a welcome and safe environment for those who are grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent or other family mem-

ber or friend.

Centerpoint Church is offering this program to our community on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. beginning April 3 and running through June 26.

A few topic titles are:

- "Is this Normal?"
- "Dealing with Guilt and Anger"
- "What do I live for Now?"

Centerpoint Church is located at 2750 Cornerstone Drive. Jon Duncan is the pastor. There is no cost. For more information, call 946-9379 or 731-2205.

Great Decisions Durango to hold fourth discussion on Zoom March 23

Great Decisions

On Tuesday, March 23, at 11:45 a.m., our fourth discussion using Zoom will be "Global Supply Chains and U.S. National Security."

Moderator Alex Lemmel will present background materials and a film by the Foreign Policy Association, and lead participants in a discussion of the issues.

The public is invited to attend

this free Zoom discussion. Details and registration information may be found at LWVLaPlata.org. Click on the Great Decisions menu item to find the Zoom link.

More information about Great Decisions and the Foreign Policy Association can be found at <http://www.fpa.org> or at the League of Women Voters of La Plata County website, <http://www.lwvlaplata.org>.

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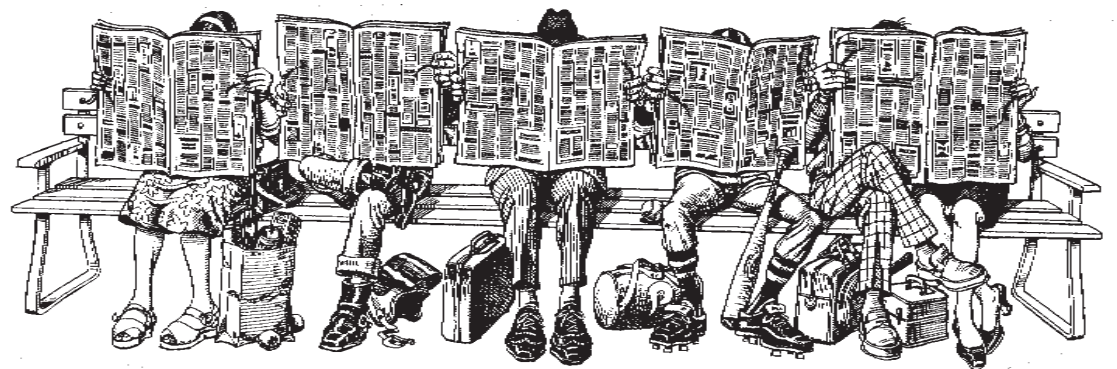
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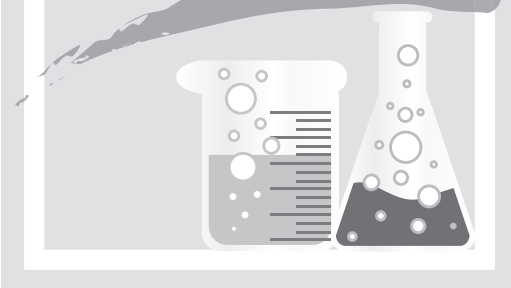
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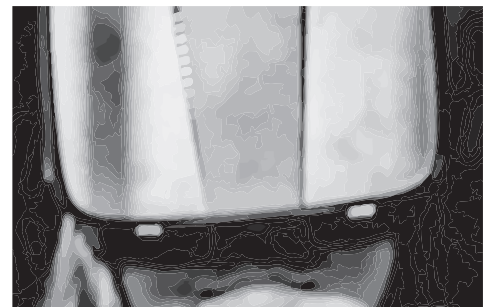
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MARCH 26: "Connect with the Sacred Light and Sound." Free discussion, open to all online. Go to Meetup.com, find Spiritual Experiences Group of Pagosa Springs, Colorado click on the Zoom link provided on Friday, March 26 7pm MDT

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HAVE YOU BEEN AFFECTED by someone's drinking? Pagosa Springs Al-Anon Family Group offers support while practicing anonymity. Meets on Tuesdays from 6-7p.m. at new location: Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive (behind Wells Fargo and next to the new law enforcement complex). Have questions? Call or text (303)815-8569. More information and resources, including a list of phone and online meetings, may be found at www.al-anon.org or www.al-anon-co.org.

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THE PAGOSA SPRINGS GROUP of Alcoholics Anonymous. AA is now meeting every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30p.m. and Sunday at 10a.m. at 315 N. 2nd Street, County Road 200 (.2 miles off 160). In accordance with the State, County and San Juan Basin Health, masks must be worn and social distancing observed. Online meetings are Sunday at 10a.m.: Zoom ID 858-319-763, password 754234; and Friday at 7p.m.: Zoom ID 899 6048 4578, password 532-306. For meeting schedule and information email aapagosa@gmail.com or call Marcia (970)946-8475, Kathi (970)946-1482 Ranza (970)731-9774, Val (970)946-6086 or (719)792-7974 or central office (970)245-9649 or (888)333-9649 (24 hours).

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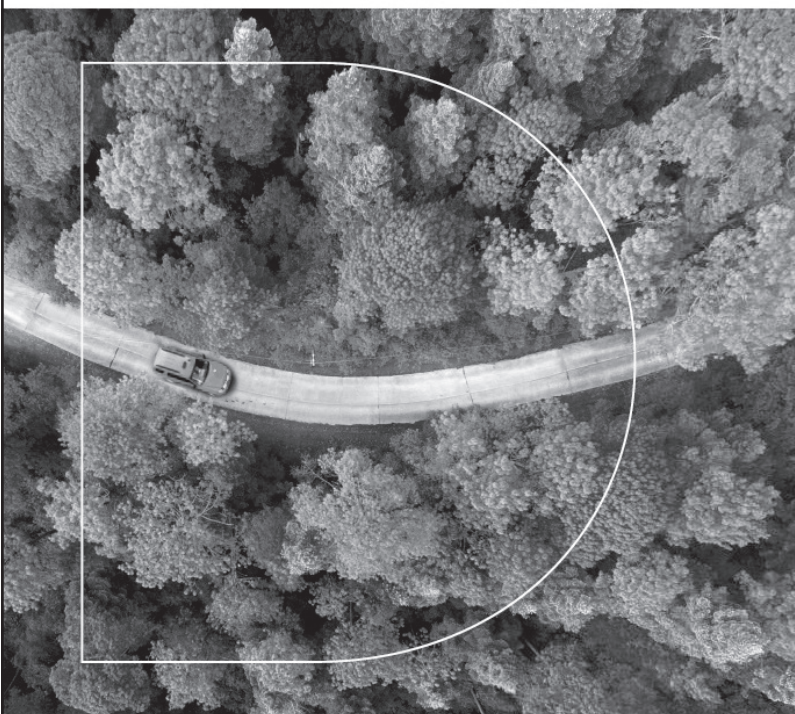
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ELEMENTARY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER needed at Del Norte Elementary School. We are seeking an experienced, hardworking and enthusiastic teaching professional to join our dynamic, vibrant and fun-loving team. Please submit your application, resume and cover letter to: Amy Duda, Principal, at aduda@urtigers.co or contact Amy at (719)657-4030. Applications can be picked up at the District Office or online at [urtigers.co](http://www.urtigers.co).

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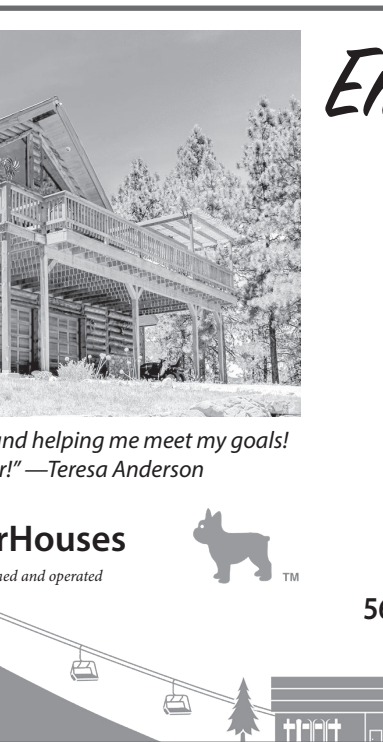


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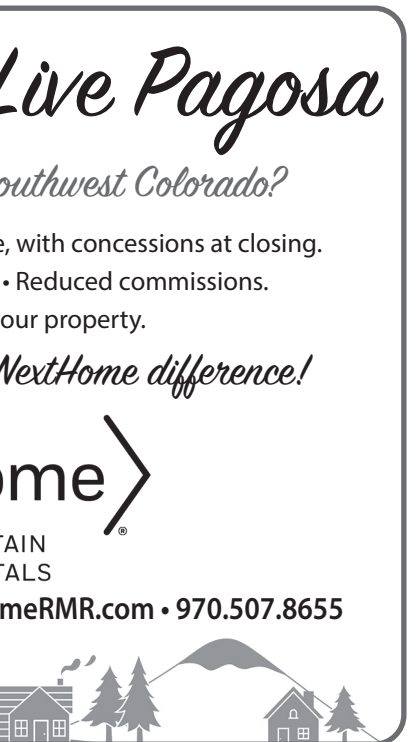


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