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## Road work ahead

### U.S. 160 intersection improvements begin Monday

By Lisa Schwantes  
Special to The SUN

On Monday, March 2, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) will begin work on updating traffic signals along U.S. 160 at Pinon Causeway, Lewis Street and Hot Springs Boulevard.

Crews will be removing and replacing outdated equipment, installing new traffic signals, vehicle detection systems and pedestrian movement systems. This project was contracted for \$1.5 million.

Based on increased traffic volumes and the intersections being located in the busy business cor-

■ See Intersections A8

## Sales tax revenues \$1.7 million higher in 2019 than in 2018

By John Finefrock  
Staff Writer

Sales tax revenues for 2019 were about \$1.7 million higher than in 2018.

The cumulative 2019 sales tax revenue for January through December was 16.8 percent higher than the cumulative sales tax revenue for all of 2018, amounting to an additional \$1,717,024 in revenue, according to a report sent to The SUN by Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton.

The December 2019 sales tax report shows a 25 percent revenue increase compared to December of 2018.

The 25 percent increase amounts to an additional \$237,004 in sales tax revenue compared to December 2018.

The gross amount of the December sales tax revenue is \$1,181,971.15. The town's share is \$590,419.56 and the county's share is \$591,551.59.

The town and county split sales tax revenue evenly; the difference between the two amounts is a transfer made for aviation taxes.

Comparing sales tax data from 2019 versus 2018, the following categories increased revenue in 2019:

■ See Sales A8



Photo courtesy Allison Wylie

Cameron Lucero smiles big after winning his second straight 3A state wrestling title. Lucero won in the 152-pound weight class on Saturday and took the title in the 145-pound weight class last year. Lucero was 36-1 this season.

## The tale of no trail: Town talks McCabe Creek culvert project

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

In conjunction with the planned McCabe Creek culvert replacement project, the Pagosa Springs Town Council addressed the possibility of including a multipurpose trail along with the project at a meeting on Feb. 20.

Town Manager Andrea Phillips explained that the project is moving forward and, additionally, that the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has had the culvert on its list of "worst culverts to replace around the state for many years."

The focus of the culvert project is to improve the drainage and protect the asset and make sure there are no disruptions on the highway, she explained.

CDOT found funding for the project, \$5.7 million, and the project will begin in August, she noted, adding that the project will last until May of 2021.

■ See Trail A8



Photo courtesy Laura Foster

Jack Foster, a member of the Boy Scout Troop No. 807, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank that the Boy Scouts offers, this past Saturday. Only 3 to 4 percent of Boy Scout members ever attain this prestigious honor.

Foster achieved a total of 28 merit badges, including the 21 required to receive the Eagle Scout award. His Eagle Scout project focused on the collection of surplus fruit from trees in the Four Corners region for distribution to families in need through the Methodist Food Pantry.

Scouts BSA is a year-round program open to boys and girls 11-17 years old that provides fun, adventure, learning, challenge and responsibility to help them become the best version of themselves. Troop 807 meets on Monday evenings. For more information, visit [beascout.scouting.org](http://beascout.scouting.org).

## Town, county officials talk about limiting vacation rental permits

By John Finefrock  
Staff Writer

At a joint work session on Tuesday, town and county officials discussed possibly limiting vacation rental permits.

The two groups hadn't met since August, after the county commissioners tweaked the county's allocation to the Road and Bridge Department, which caused the town to lose about \$100,000 in revenue.

The meeting was held in the side room at Boss Hogg's Restaurant and dozens of members of the public packed the room.

Vacation rentals were third on the agenda for the meeting, but Archuleta County Commissioner Ron Maez moved it to the top, as most of the audience was there for that.

Maez said no public comment would be taken at the work session, and asked audience members to "give us the respect we need to have the discussions that are necessary for us to move forward with progress."

In a follow-up email, Pagosa Springs Town Manager Andrea Phillips offered clarity about when public comment is required or not at work sessions or public meetings.

"Per the Colorado open meetings laws, the public body (in this case the County and the Town) has the right to establish rules of conduct (including whether to take public comment or not) at a public meeting. There is no requirement that public bodies take public comment unless there is a public hearing on an item. Most governmental entities do have

public comment periods on their agendas for regular meetings, especially because there is the presumption that decisions can and will be made during a regular meeting," she wrote.

At the meeting, Phillips gave an overview of the town's vacation rental permit process.

Permits are required for homeowners who rent their homes out for 30 days or less at a time in both the town and county.

**"I think at some point we're gonna want to put — I'm gonna want to be in favor of some type of limit. I don't know what it is yet, we need to know — we need to get our hands around it first. I also want to make sure the realtors have plenty of notice so we don't ruin any closings that are imminent and people have notice. But we also need to maintain a sense of community here ..."**

Archuleta County Commissioner  
Steve Wadley

"The town began issuing vacation rental licenses back in, I think it was 2018 when we changed our municipal code to require that any rentals within town come in and get a conditional use permit," Phillips began, adding, "The conditional use permit runs with the property owner, so if that sells or transfers ownership then they need to come in and get a new one, but that's a onetime land use approval and then they also need to get an annual vacation rental license. We go in and do a life and safety — health and safety inspection through our Building Department, make sure they have fire extinguishers, proper egress and all that good stuff. It's an annual renewal — it's \$400 for the first year. Half of that goes into a fund for affordable-housing-type initiatives and then the other half goes into our General Fund to cover our costs ... On annual renewal it's \$200. Half of that goes into that fund I mentioned earlier and the other half goes into the General Fund."

Phillips noted the town uses a firm called STR Helper to scrub websites like Airbnb and Vrbo to track down

■ See Vacation A8

## Democratic Party plans caucuses, assembly

By John Porco  
Special to The SUN

In accordance with Colorado state law, the Archuleta County Democratic Party will hold its caucuses at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 7.

Precincts 1-3 and 5-8 will caucus at the PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Precinct 4 will caucus at the TARA Community Center, 333 Milton Lane in Arboles. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. and the caucuses start promptly at 2 p.m.

If you plan to attend your caucus, it is worth-

while to ascertain what election precinct you live in. You can find out by going to [govotecolorado.com](http://govotecolorado.com) and click on Find My Registration. Enter the requested information on name and birthdate and click on Search. Finally, click on the County and District Information tabs to find your precinct.

Everyone is welcome to come to the caucuses, but only those who meet certain criteria will be allowed to vote. If you live in Archuleta County and were registered as a Democrat on or before Feb. 14, you are eligible. Anyone who turns 18 or

became a naturalized citizen after Feb. 14 may participate, if they are a registered member of the Democratic party. Note that if you are registered as unaffiliated, you are not eligible to vote in the caucuses, but you will be able to vote in the March presidential primary and the June general primary election.

You will first check in at the registration table; here, your having obtained your precinct number ahead of time will facilitate the whole registration

■ See Caucuses A8

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# Business

## Ford, Schulte appointed to URA commission

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

The recently created Pagosa Springs Urban Renewal Authority (URA) commission has two new members on it following a Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting on Feb. 20.

JR Ford will represent the various special districts that levy taxes within the URA's boundaries (which are the same as the town's boundaries), while Mayor Don Volger appointed Greg Schulte as his mayoral appointee.

Town council approved forming the URA via a resolution with a 4-3 vote on Nov. 5, with that resolution outlining that the 11-member URA commission will consist of the seven town council members, an elected member of the school board, one person appointed by the county commissioners, one mayoral appointee and one person to represent the special districts.

The Archuleta School District Board of Education opted to not appoint any of its members to the URA commission, citing concerns about board structure, among other things, at a meeting on Jan. 14.

Following a Nov. 25, 2019, meeting with special district representatives, the town recommended that each district put forward a potential representative from its board.

Those special districts were then asked to vote for their top two choices from all of the special districts representatives, according to Town Manager Andrea Phillips.

Ford earned votes from the San Juan Water Conservancy District (SJWCD), Southwestern Water Conservancy District (SWCD) and Pagosa Fire Protection District.

According to agenda documentation, Ford was the first choice for both the SJWCD and SWCD boards.

Schulte was noted as the first, and only choice, for the Upper San Juan Health Service District, according to agenda documentation.

"This is something that we discussed with the districts at that meeting in November is that, sort of, the majority would win," Phillips said during the Feb. 20 meeting. "JR Ford would be the special district rep based on that process."

Phillips explained that she confirmed with Ford regarding his interest in serving on the URA commission, adding that Ford explained that he would be "honored" to serve.

Ford's term would be for two years initially, as the terms are stag-

gered, and then it would be for five years after that, she noted.

A motion to appoint Ford as the representative for the special districts was passed unanimously by town council.

"I think it would be interesting," Ford said in an interview on Monday. "It's a chance for the town to develop the center part that the community has wanted to develop since as long as I've lived here."

Ford noted that he has been doing research on how other communities and developers have handled URAs.

### Mayoral appointee

Before ultimately choosing Schulte, Phillips explained to the council that Volger wanted council's feedback on his appointee to help inform his decision.

"You could put someone in there who is a special district representative and I think you've heard from them that they are interested in having more representation than what they were allotted," Phillips said.

Council member Mat deGraaf explained that Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District board member Glenn Walsh would be a great candidate.

"He's part of the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District, who's going to be a large contributor to the URA, potentially," he said.

The mayor's appointee is not really a representative of a special district, Phillips clarified.

"The statute basically says that the mayoral appointee really can be anyone. It can be an at-large community member. It can be really whoever," Phillips said. "They would really be speaking as an individual."

The mayoral appointee's term is for four years, Phillips explained.

Following more discussion, Volger announced that his appointee would be Schulte.

"Greg Schulte has served as a county manager. He's served as a town manager. He has the big picture for economic development. He understands urban renewal au-

thorities as well as anybody in the community," Volger said. "I think he will serve the Urban Renewal Authority well in providing input, background and guidance as we need it from members."

In an interview on Feb. 21, Schulte explained that he felt honored that Volger considered him to be on the URA commission.

"I believe that I can help out and bring my experience and expertise to the body," he said, citing his experiences with the town and county and his familiarity with the county's taxation through property tax, sales tax and lodgers' tax.

"I'm familiar with both the town and county development process," he said. "Also, I have prior experience with redevelopment projects and tax-increment financing when I was with the city of Sacramento."

Following more discussion from town council, the first meeting for the URA commission was set for April 15 at 5 p.m. with a location to be determined.

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Photo courtesy Anissa Lucero

Archuleta County Housing Authority (ACHA) board of directors and staff present a donation to Aspen House in support of its housing efforts on Feb. 19. Last summer, the ACHA held a small fundraiser. From the \$500 that was collected, half of the proceeds were donated to Aspen House. ACHA will be donating the other half, as well as future funds, to other nonprofit organizations in the community as resources become available. Please visit [achousingauthority.org](http://achousingauthority.org) for more information or to donate to support future affordable housing efforts.



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# Sports

## WRESTLING



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Erik Wyman lifts his opponent during last week's state action. Wyman took third at the event and was 45-6 this season.

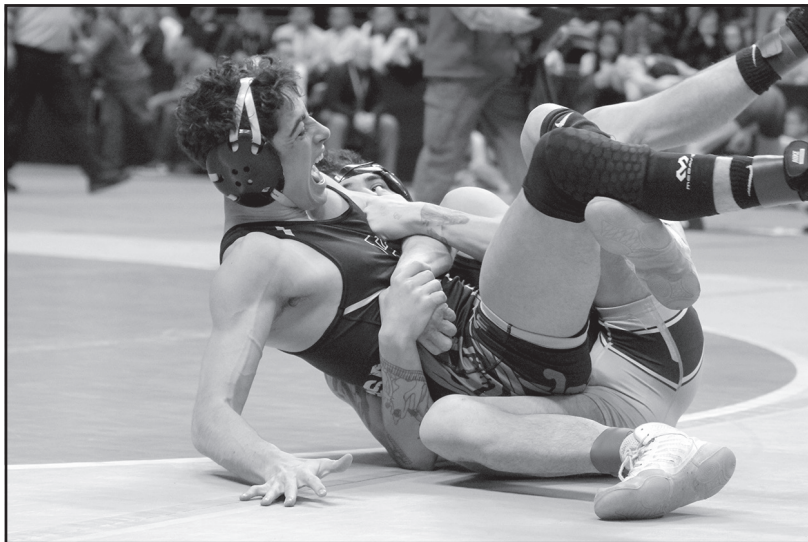


Photo courtesy Allison Wylie

Dylan Tressler demonstrates his full competitive spirit at the state wrestling tournament. Tressler took third at the tournament and went 36-4 this season.



Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Pirate Brae Bergdolt jockeys for position during the state tournament in Denver last week. Bergdolt took third at the tournament and went 45-3 this season.

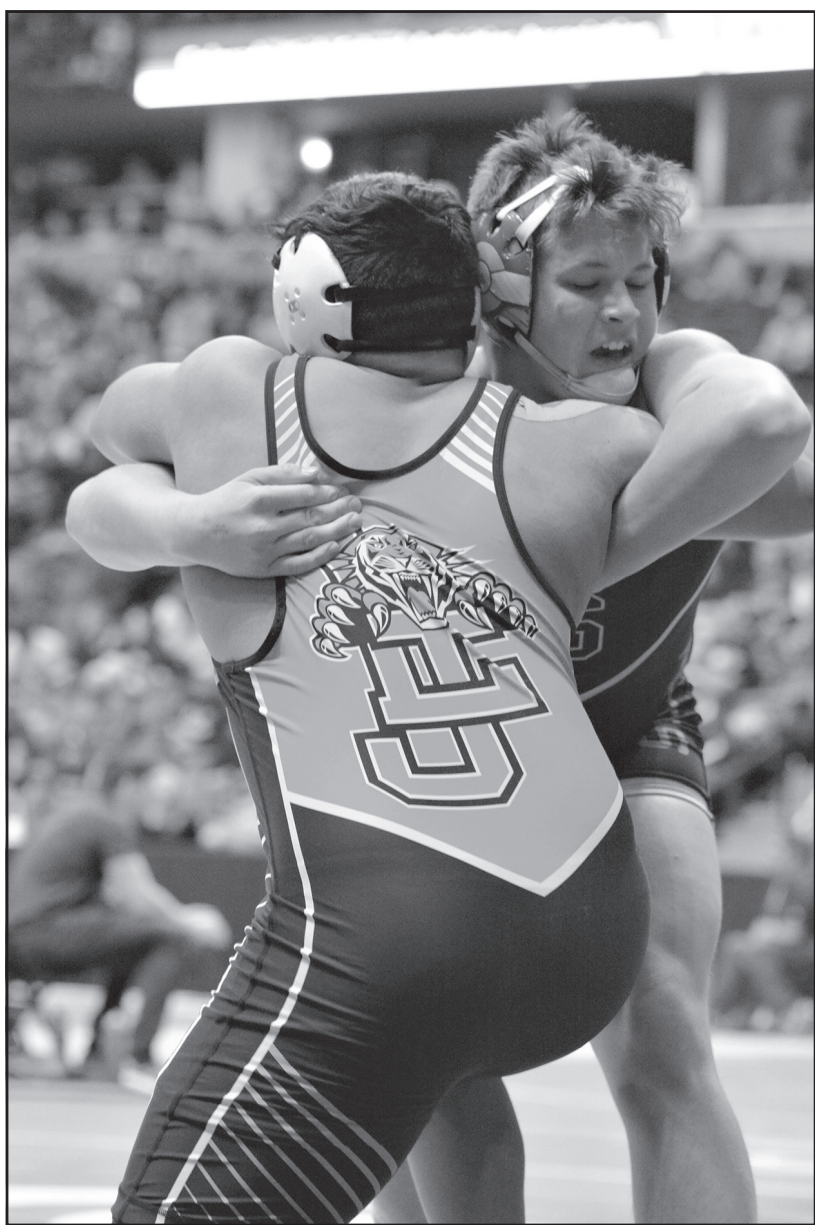


Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Skyler Hill, full of concentration, angles for best positioning during a match at the state last week. Hill placed sixth at the event and went 36-10 this season.

## Lucero claims second state title, Pirates take fourth

By John Finero  
Staff Writer

Cameron Lucero, Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) junior, has claimed his second straight state wrestling title.

As a team, the PSHS Pirates took fourth in the 3A division at the event.

On Saturday night, Lucero defeated Jefferson High School's Nick Gallegos by decision 2-0 to claim the title in the 152-pound weight class.

Last year, Lucero won the state championship in the 145-pound weight class.

Lucero came in second at the state tournament in 2018, his freshman year.

"Cameron was not holding back, he was just firing," said coach Dan Janowsky of Lucero's championship match. "I thought one of the coolest things of all was just the way Cameron just pushed himself to wrestle hard, to wrestle at a high pace, even when he got tired. It's hard to do this in any sport, it's really hard to do this in wrestling, to just keep pushing the pace ... He was so tired when that match was over."

In the offseason, Lucero had surgery on his knee and sat out a few weeks at the beginning of the season.

Lucero went 36-1 in matches this year, with his lone loss coming in the first weeks he was back on the mat after the injury.

Janowsky explained the last back-to-back state champion the Pirates had was in 2002, when Michael Martinez took the title two years in a row.

He noted Lucero is only the second Pirate to make it to the state finals three times (there was one wrestler in the 1970s that did it, too) and that Lucero could make history by becoming the first three-time champion in PSHS history if he wins next year, though notes

nothing comes easy.

"We've never had a three-time state champion, and he's in a position to do it," Janowsky said. "He knows nothing is given, nothing is promised. We're gonna have to go earn it next year just like we did this year."

Janowsky commented on the strength of this year's wrestling team and how hard the athletes wrestled at the state tournament.

"It's hard to explain to you how unbelievably well our kids wrestled," Janowsky said. "I left with an unbelievably positive glow, thinking about how our kids got better, really wrestled well at the regional tournament, too. Nobody folded, nobody choked."

Erik Wyman (120) placed third at state.

Wyman won his first two matches and then lost to La Junta High School's Isaiah Gamez in the fifth minute.

Wyman then battled back to win his next two matches to secure third place.

Brae Bergdolt (145) also earned third place at the tournament in a similar fashion.

Bergdolt pinned his first opponent in less than a minute, then lost his quarterfinal round to Eaton's Ryan Dirksen.

Bergdolt then won four consecutive matches to earn third place.

Dylan Tressler (138) also took third.

Tressler handily beat his first two opponents and then fell to Valley High School's Isaiah Rios in the semifinal round.

Like Wyman and Bergdolt, Tressler battled back to earn third place, winning his last two matches to secure the spot.

"Erik and Dylan and Brae, I can't explain how hard it is to bounce back and get third," Janowsky said. "They just rose to the occasion like pros."

Skyler Hill (220) placed sixth. Hill beat his first two opponents,

in the first round and the quarterfinal, and then lost a heartbreaker to Eagle Valley's Cody Ponce in the semifinal round.

Hill's match with Ponce went into the third overtime round, commonly known as the "ultimate tiebreaker."

With the score tied 2-2, Hill was called for intentionally pushing Ponce out of bounds, which made the score 3-2 and Ponce ultimately won the match.

Hill then lost to La Junta's Benny Austin Gonzales and Sterling's Drew Book to earn sixth at the tournament.

Pirates Trevor Torrez (113), E.J. Monterroso (132), Dustin Clark (160), and Wil Aucoin (170) also wrestled at state for the Pirates.

"I'm proud of our kids. I'm proud of the way they fought," Janowsky said. "They just wrestled so tough, they rallied, as a team."

The team scores at the state tournament were as follows:

1. Eaton, 105.5 points.
2. Valley, 105.5 points.
3. Jefferson, 101 points
4. Pagosa Springs, 99.5 points.
5. Alamosa, 91 points.

Pagosa had never previously placed ahead of Alamosa in the state tournament, to the best of Janowsky's knowledge.

Janowsky has been the PSHS wrestling coach for 29 years.

Janowsky explained the Pirates wrestled with "grit and determination" and he's already looking forward to next year.

"Wrestling's a difficult — it's just a different sport. It's a fighting sport and I think the kids that are drawn to the sport of wrestling, they want to know, they want to test themselves. It's really about getting respect, and if you can respect yourself and your effort, you know your opponents will respect you, and I feel like we accomplished that. We've got everyone's respect," he said.

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Photo courtesy Stacey Barker

Cameron Lucero spars during a match at the state wrestling tournament, where he earned his second straight state championship. Lucero went 36-1 this season.



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# Knights of Columbus Lenten fish fries begin Friday

Special to The PREVIEW

The Knights of Columbus is holding its Friday Lenten Fish Fry events through April 3. The fish fry begins at 5 p.m. each Friday. The proceeds of the fish fries support com-

munity programs.

The meal includes the tasty catfish, hand-cut french fries, coleslaw, a nonalcoholic drink and dessert.

Come by the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall by 7 p.m. to eat in or take out.

# Our Savior Lutheran Middle School to present 'The Princess and the Pea'

By Destiny Packer  
Special to The PREVIEW

Our Savior Lutheran Middle School will be performing its first-ever full-length production.

This Friday, Feb. 28, at 6:30 p.m., the fifth- through eighth-grade students will perform a one-hour-long production of "The Princess and the Pea" by Pat Rosenthal. In addition, the elementary drama class will open the show with two fairytale skits.

There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted to benefit the school's fine arts program. Bring your kids or grandkids, or just come on your own.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 731-3512.



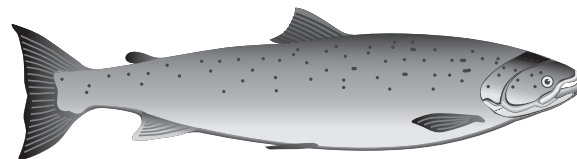
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# Sisters in Song Women's Chorus will begin rehearsals March 3

By Linda Parker  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Sisters in Song community women's chorus is ready to embark on another joyous year of making beautiful music together. The choir is again being sponsored by the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir and it is open to all women in Pagosa and surrounding areas who love to sing. Ladies in the community are invited to be a part of this women's chorus that will share the stage with the Girls Choir at its annual spring concert, which will be held on May 7.

The chorus will begin rehearsals on Tuesday evening, March 3, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Community United Methodist Church. Rehearsals will continue each Tuesday evening until the concert in May.

The women's chorus will perform quality choral music highlighting home, family and friendship. The concert theme is "Back to the Roaring 20s," chosen to complement the year 2020.

"The music will be fun, yet challenging," said Linda Parker, director of the women's group. "No prior experience is required to be a part of the choir, only a \$15 fee to help offset the cost of the music. Reading music is always helpful, but there will be enough rehearsal time to learn the music."

The Women's Chorus has been formed to offer the girls of the Girls Choir the opportunity to sing with a women's chorus. Conceived and directed by Parker, the chorus will allow the girls to meet some Pagosa

ladies who have enjoyed music throughout their life. The chorus will have its own part of the spring concert, singing several tunes alone, then a song with the girls.

We are excited to offer Pagosa ladies the opportunity to share their love of music and singing and to give them an opportunity to perform.

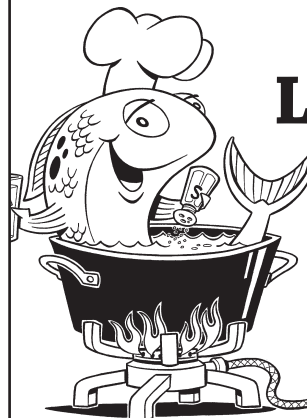
"We musicians are hams and we

love to perform," said Parker.

If you have questions or would like more information, call Parker at 264-1434 or email her at singpagosa@gmail.com.

"We're looking forward to meeting new friends, having an entertaining time and being a part of a unique experience in Pagosa Springs," she said.

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# Tim Sullivan band to play for event center grand opening tomorrow

By Carole Howard  
Special to The PREVIEW

Tim Sullivan's country music band will play for dancing tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 28, from 7 to 10 p.m. to celebrate the opening of a new event center in Pagosa Springs.

Tickets for the grand opening are \$10. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. to purchase tickets for cash, check or credit card. There will be a cash bar with proceeds going to the Sullivan Foundation for the Arts, which provides scholarships for deserving local youth with a talent for music, dance or the visual arts in Archuleta and La Plata counties. Snacks also will be available.

The new event center is located at 197 Navajo Trail Drive in the renamed Tennyson Building that most recently housed the Pagosa Springs Arts Council. Singer-songwriter Tim Sullivan has partnered with Pagosa resident Evelyn Tennyson, the building owner and a supporter of several area charities, to remodel the building's interior and put on the opening event.

Sullivan redesigned the interior of the 3,200-square-foot facility, and he and his two-man team have completed the extensive renovations. Highlights of the upgrades are a stage for a four-piece band, a large dance floor, dramatic lighting and an avant-garde ceiling.

"I am so happy to bring our band back to Pagosa and to have such a classy, cozy venue that can accommodate the band, dancers and listeners so well," he said.



Photo courtesy Carole Howard

Singer-songwriter Tim Sullivan poses in front of the new sign announcing that his country music band will play tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 28, from 7 to 10 p.m. to celebrate the opening of a new event center in Pagosa Springs. The new event center, located at 197 Navajo Trail Drive in the renamed Tennyson Building, has been totally remodeled inside by Sullivan and his two-man crew.

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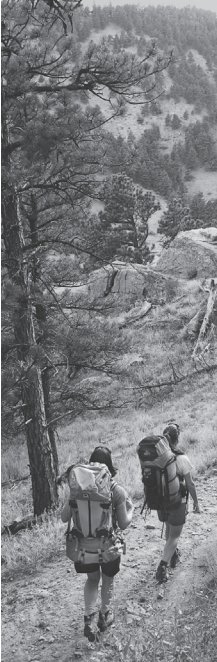


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# Pagosa Springs Community Band to begin rehearsals soon

By Susy Mekeal  
Special to The PREVIEW

Calling all instrumental musicians: One of the hidden gems in Pagosa Springs is the Community Band. It is a wonderful opportunity to dust off your instrument and get your chops in shape. The band gathers three times a year for a concert.

The first concert for 2020 is the

Band-O-Rama Concert, which will be April 18. This is a special concert done in conjunction with the elementary, middle school and high school bands. Each band plays a couple of pieces and the final piece is a joint piece with all of the bands playing together. It is a fun night to see the musical talent in our community and support the school music programs.

The first rehearsal for the Com-

munity Band's Band-O-Rama concert will be Sunday, March 8, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School band room. The following rehearsals will be March 15, 22 and 29 at 2 p.m.; and April 6 and 13, and April 17 at 6:30 p.m. We welcome newcomers and those who have played with us in the past for a fun time of making music.

The Community Band is a part of the Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society. The purpose of this group is to support student musicians in Pagosa Springs through music opportunities, scholarships and financial support to the schools. The Community Band also demonstrates that playing a musical instrument is a lifelong skill that lifts the spirit, enhances the community and joins people together. Come join us.

# Pagosa Family Game Day set for Saturday

By Peggy Bergon  
Special to The PREVIEW

Local families are invited to join an ongoing group connection event called the Pagosa Family Game Day on Feb. 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

There will be numerous board games and puzzles for ages 3 to 18 with lots of fun for parents and caregivers, too. The event will end with a delicious shared meal. We encourage you to enjoy an afternoon of playing with your children and meeting your neighbors and other parents, as well.

The event is free, but to ensure a meal for all, please RSVP by Feb. 28. For questions or to reserve your spot, please call Peggy at 507-1550. The overall focus of the group

is to give local families the opportunity to form deeper connections with other families to create support systems and to give a voice for what they need in our community. Many types of programming could be incorporated by this group, from the games to outdoor gatherings, educational programs and even volunteer activities.

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# ‘Wish Upon a StarLab Book Fair!’ coming to elementary school

By Lisa Scott  
Special to The PREVIEW

The “Wish Upon a StarLab Book Fair!” is coming March 2-13 during school hours and parent/teacher conferences to the Pagosa Springs Elementary School library.

The community, parents, families and teachers are invited to attend this Scholastic Book Fair and participate in activities that accompany the StarLab theme, which are all geared to instill the love of books and reading.

The enthusiasm is building and the wall in the central hallway has been decorated with the theme of the night sky and constellations. Parent/teacher conferences are March 2, 3 and 4, and the book fair will be open during these hours for the convenience of families.

The Partners In Education Committee (PIE) and art teacher Kelly Lewis have organized a Stars of Fine Arts Night for students and families to be held Wednesday, March 11, from 5 to 7 pm. Artwork from all students will be displayed and music performances will be presented throughout the evening. All classes will have items for auction. A delicious homemade dinner will be served in the cafeteria. All families are invited to the school for an evening full of fun, entertainment and companionship with other families.

The book fair serves several purposes for the school. First, it’s a great way to inspire children to read by introducing new literature and highlighting existing books that kids love. Second, it is an opportunity for students and their families to engage in an all-school activity and create camaraderie around education. Finally, it is a fundraiser, as proceeds from book fairs are used for reading and educational improvements that are not funded through the school district budget. This year, proceeds will go toward the fundraising initiative to purchase a portable StarLab for the school district.

The StarLab is a mobile planetarium that has a 360-degree spherical projection tool to project the solar system, constellations and the composition of the universe onto the ceiling of the balloon-like unit that students sit inside. This is a very powerful way to bring the understanding of astronomy to students without leaving campus.

The community is invited to attend the book fair as a shopper or volunteer as the event is hosted in the school library and staffed by volunteers. For more questions or to volunteer, contact Aubrie Limebrook at (808) 721-6876.



Photo courtesy Kendra Bridges

**Book fair customers pose during the fall family night event, where students were encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes. This happy family is Kelly Coleman, new third-grade teacher, with daughter Kylie and son Connor. The “Wish Upon a StarLab Book Fair!” will be March 2-13 during school hours and parent/teacher conferences March 2, 3 and 4 at Pagosa Springs Elementary School library.**



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Taking a break from building the sets for “Matilda” are, left to right, Ella Hemenger, KC Yeneza, Gracelyn Kiker, Sophie Martinez, Arden Blakemore, Hannah Rockensock, Ricardo Martinez and Nora Martinez.

## ‘Matilda’ slated to open March 17

By Dale Johnson  
Special to The PREVIEW

Less than three weeks remain in preparation for the high school’s production of Roald Dahl’s “Matilda the Musical,” and the cast, musicians and crew of the production are hard at work.

In addition to rehearsals, there is much to be done with sets, props, light and sound design, and stage setup. Some in the cast, plus their parents and volunteers, spent a

Sunday afternoon building, crafting, repairing, repurposing, painting and creating a background on the stage for “Matilda.”

Curtains Up Pagosa is the support for the performing arts in our schools, as it lends a hand in all productions in mentoring, sharing theatrical sets, costumes and props, historical wisdom and help.

“Matilda,” rated PG, will open on March 17 and run through March 21, evenings at 7 p.m. It is a wonderful and exciting musical,

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# Pagosa Springs Girls Choir's annual 'Over the Rainbow' fundraiser set

By Linda Parker  
Special to The PREVIEW

Friday the 13th. Yikes. Many superstitious folks shy away from attempting many activities on this traditional day of bad luck, but for the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir, it's going to be an exceptional day with an exciting evening event.

On Friday, March 13, the Girls Choir will host its annual fundraiser, "Over the Rainbow."

This year, the event will offer several changes, the first of which will be a change of venue.

The Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA) Clubhouse will house our event, which will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Doors will open at 5 p.m., when event-goers can peruse our annual silent auction. A delicious dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

We will forgo our dance this year, but none will be disappointed as the Girls Choir will present a special concert for the entertainment of our guests. Our evening will close at 8 p.m., giving attendees plenty of time to travel home safely.

Although some differences will be noticed, guests who make their way through the doors of the PLPOA Clubhouse on this special Friday will once again find themselves transported "Over the Rainbow" — a place where a love of music and song, and the help of a supportive community give the members of the Girls Choir opportunities to realize that the dreams they dare to dream really can come true.

Another "newbie" this year will be the offering of Candy Cubes.



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

The Pagosa Springs Girls Choir will host "Over the Rainbow: Making Dreams Come True for Young Girls in Pagosa Springs" at the PLPOA Clubhouse on March 13.

Rocky Mountain Chocolate candy bars will be for purchase in cubes of six bars. Each cube will hold a special prize, valued from \$5 to \$50. Even without an additional treasure, the candy bars are a prize in themselves.

Our silent auction will beckon with dazzling, must-have offerings generously donated by local artists and businesses. This year's offerings include baskets galore, gifts for moms-to-be, house warmings, concert tickets, family outings; the list goes on and on. There will be a scrumptious dinner of lasagna or fettuccine (regular or gluten-free), salad, tempting bread sticks and dessert. A cash bar of beer, wine and sodas will be available all evening.

The choir members, under the direction of Linda Parker and ac-

companied by Lauren Highsmith, will join the fun with a performance to thank the audience for their attendance and support.

"Over the Rainbow" tickets for this unique evening are \$25 per person. They are available for purchase from Goodman's Department Store, Made in Colorado Shoppe and from any member of the Girls Choir. Tables of eight may also be reserved at no additional charge. For additional information regarding the event or tickets, call Parker at 264-1434 or send an email to singpagosa@gmail.com.

Proceeds from Girls Choir fundraisers are used to help provide scholarships and educational enrichment opportunities for choir members, and to help with the organization's operating costs.

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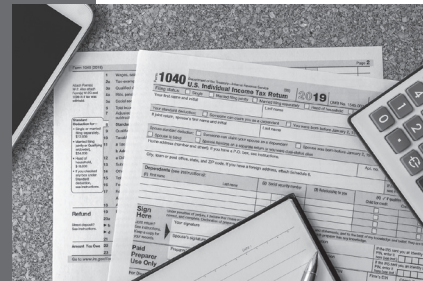
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# St. Patrick's Irish Festival a time for shamrocks and fun

By Sally Neel  
Special to The PREVIEW

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church's Irish Festival is promising to be a joyful celebration for the entire family. The day will include more than 20 vendor booths, free food and nonalcoholic drinks (beer and Irish coffee available for \$5 — identification required), a snowman contest, free face painting and crafts for the kids, free fly-tying and fly casting classes, free Irish music entertainment by NightSong Trio, and the debut of St. Patrick's bagpipe band and dancers.

The morning will be kicked off with the World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade, a parade that stretches from one end of the parking lot to the other. The parade will be led by a color guard from the church's Venture Crew, the new St. Patrick's bagpipe band and dancers, and a float with St. Patrick himself (aka Fr. Doug Neel). Also included in the parade will be a fire truck, an ambulance and a trash truck. Children are invited to ride on the float with St. Patrick. Others who wish to march in the parade are asked to line up at the north end of the parking lot by 11:20 a.m. The parade begins at 11:30 a.m. Warning: Don't be late or you'll miss it.

Free spaces are still available for vendors, but please call Lynne McCrudden at 731-5801 to reserve a spot as soon as possible. The entire event is free of charge, though donations of nonperishables such as canned goods, 1-pound bags of rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal or Hamburger Helper for the church's foodbank ministry will be gratefully received.

"The point of the festival is to provide a fun event for our community in celebration of our patron saint, St. Patrick," said Neel, rector of St. Patrick's. "We are not out to make a profit for the church. We appreciate all donations to benefit



Photo courtesy Sally Neel

**St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd., is preparing for this year's annual Irish Festival, set for March 14 from 11a.m. to 2 p.m. The event includes the World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade.**

our outreach ministries, however, as this money will go directly back into helping members of the community."

So, start assembling your most outlandish St. Patrick's costume and join the fun. The festival begins at 11 a.m. in the church parking lot and will end at 2 p.m.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church is located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Parking will be made available at the hospital parking lot and at John Paul II Catholic Church located on either side of the church. Dogs are welcome, but must be kept on a leash. The event will take place snow or shine, so make your plans to join in the fun.

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By Sharee Grazda  
Special to The PREVIEW

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These items need to be removed from our homes to prevent their accidental or intentional harmful use by children or adults.

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tions.

The national October 2019 Take Back Day took in 882,919 pounds (almost 442 tons) of unused or expired prescription medication and vape devices.

Vape pens or other e-cigarette devices may be accepted from consumers only after the batteries are removed from the devices.

Clean out your medicine cabinet, bathroom drawers and travel containers for these items, and help us keep people, animals and our environment safe and drug free.

Your second "collection" that can be donated is prescription eyeglasses, magnifier glasses and sunglasses you no longer need. At this time, no glasses cases are needed. We will have a Lions Club donation box on hand.

So, put this reminder on your calendar: Attend the 9Health Fair on April 25 from 7 to 11 a.m., at Pagosa Springs High School — and take old meds and old glasses.

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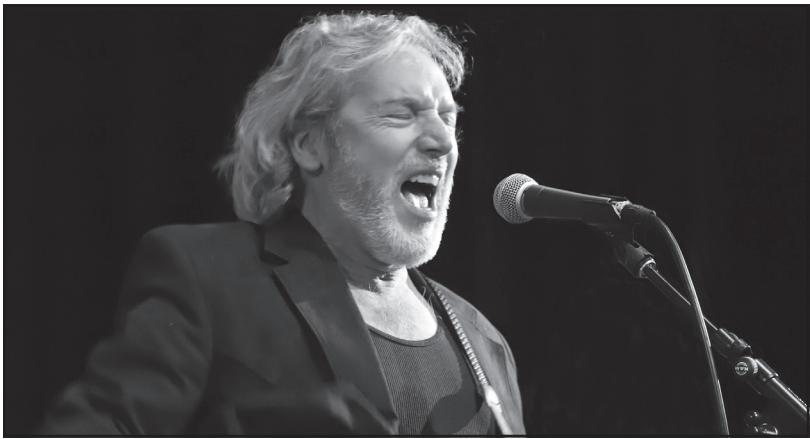


Photo courtesy Cynda Green

Multi-instrumentalist singer/songwriter Bruce Hayes will be featured in the March 30 "Pagosa City Limits" benefit concert for Thingamajig Theatre Company.

## Thingamajig's 'Pagosa City Limits' benefit concert set for March 30

By Cynda Green  
Special to The PREVIEW

Thingamajig Theatre Company is excited to announce the inaugural "Pagosa City Limits" benefit concert featuring outstanding Colorado musicians in an intimate concert setting.

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ous genres of music are on the program.

Sound will be provided by Michael Fuchs. Perry Davis Harper will emcee the show.

The concert is set for March 30 at 7 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, where the nonprofit Thingamajig Theatre Company is in residence. If the sold-out "Acoustic Duets" concert last year is any indication, "Pagosa City Limits" will sell out early.

Tickets are \$30 and are available online at [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or by calling 731-7469 (SHOW).

## St. Patrick's Book Nook sale set for March 14

By Lynne McCrudden  
Special to The PREVIEW

Make time to read for your own enjoyment or share a book with a child. Reading is such a wonderful way to spend a snowy afternoon, or sit in the sun and warm up after a cold winter.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church's Book Nook will be having a great sale on March 14 starting at 9 a.m. We have mysteries, fiction, nonfiction, westerns and everything in between. We have lots of books for kids and several jigsaw puzzles to keep the whole family entertained. Hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks are 25 cents, and I have it on good

authority that we have recently gotten a great donation from many "book groups" in town, so there will be lots of new titles to check out.

The book sale will take place before the St. Patrick's Parade and after the parade. If you come at 9 a.m., you can park in our parking lot, but if you decide to stay for the parade, you will need to move your car to the hospital parking lot or the Catholic Church lot, which are on either side of St. Patrick's.

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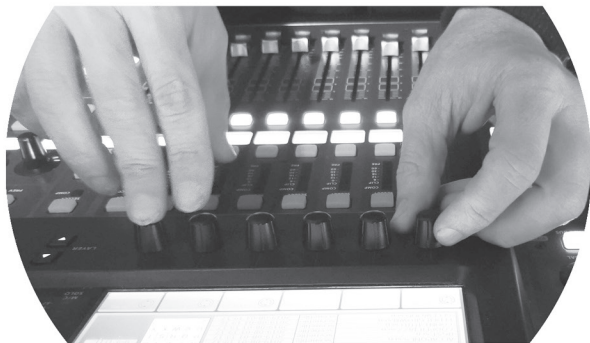
Scene ... golfing and bowling at the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library Sunday afternoon. For one day only, the library staff and volunteers turned the library into a miniature golf and bowling center for the Lanes and Links at the Library event. The event also featured magic tricks, balloon creations and concessions.





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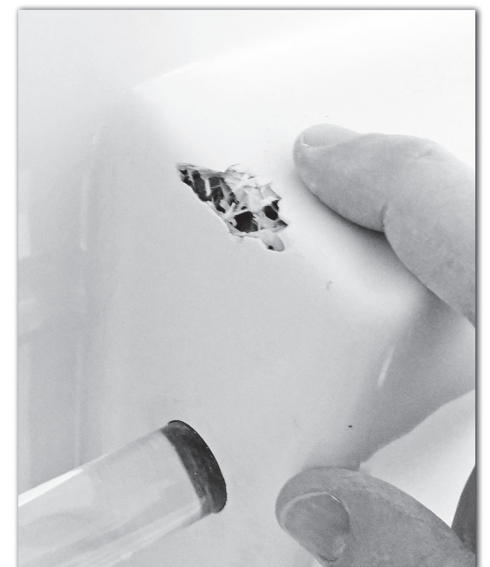
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Members of the 4-H Sewing Project traveled to JoAnn Fabric Store in Farmington, N.M., to pick out a pattern and fabric for their 2020 4-H project. Members include (left to right), Ashlie Elliott, Emma Gantt, Faith Lee, AmberLynn Snarr, Reece Peterson and Kylie Keuning. Members not present were Adelyn Hittle and Lorah Jacobson. Last year, garments made by Elliott, Lee, Keuning and Hittle qualified for the state fair and each placed in their division. All 4-H projects and exhibits will be on display this year at the Archuleta County Fair July 30-Aug. 2.

## WOLF to host annual spring fundraiser

By Darcy DeGuisse  
Special to The PREVIEW

It's that time of year (again) to dust off your dancing shoes and your beer-drinking lips in support of the Winter Outdoor Learning Fund (WOLF).

Since its inception five years ago, WOLF, whose board is comprised mainly of ski patrolers, has used its organization to encourage awareness of outdoor safety. Whether it be raised through wilderness first aid or avalanche training courses, this six-member board's purpose is to prevent catastrophe in the wilderness by granting scholarships to those interested in upping their

knowledge of the outdoors.

WOLF formed shortly after the death of one of their own ski patrolers, Collin Sutton, who was caught in an avalanche while conducting exploration and research in the South San Juan Mountain Range on March 4, 2014. To honor Sutton's love of the outdoors and service to the ski industry, in particular Wolf Creek's, Riff Raff Brewing Company

releases Sut's Faux-kanee Lager every year around this anniversary.

This year, the release party takes place on Wednesday, March 4, at Riff Raff. WOLF will host a silent auction in the "Stepchild Room" and entertainment will be provided by the Robin Davis Duo. The keg is tapped at 3 p.m., and the music/silent auction starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds fund WOLF scholarships.



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# Snow, snow and more snow

A few weeks ago, I wrote a column describing the winter I remember for the most snow fall since I moved here a little over 50 years ago. I said it was during the late 1970s, maybe 1978, but I wasn't sure.

Lo and behold! I got a message this week from an old friend,



## Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

Franklin Anderson, who reads my column. He had talked with a neighbor whose family, the Englers, have lived in the Allison area since the Utes turned loose of that particular piece of real estate circa 1902. According to Anderson, the year of the great snow fall was 1978. According to the Engler friend, more snow fell in 1978 than any year since about 1902.

Thanks for the info, Cmdr. Franklin. For my readers who don't know, Franklin's dad, Lloyd, was the last government trapper who lived in this area. Lloyd hunted and trapped in the Southern San Juans when they were still wild; we're

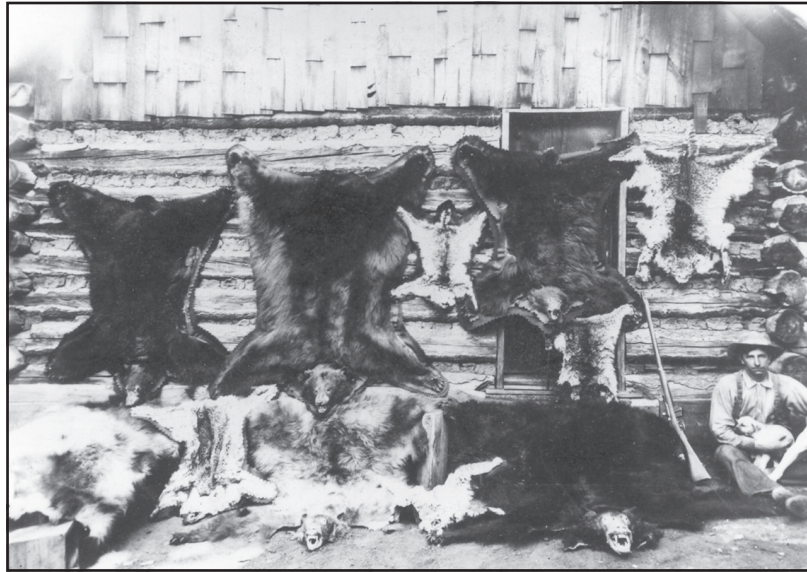


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**The Chapson family lived near the west end of Wolf Creek Pass during the early 1900s. The Chapson boys trapped fur bearers and sold the pelts. There might be a grizzly bear in this photo of a Chapson pelt collection.**

talking fang-gnashin'-grizzlies wild. Truthfully, a book could be written about Lloyd, and also about Franklin. Lloyd was featured in a book about the last grizzly, one that he trapped in the upper Weminuche Valley. Franklin's life is also worth a book. He was the first commander of the Navy Seals.

About government trappers. Not so many years ago, maybe into

the 1940s, grizzly bears and wolves, you know, "The better to bite you with my dear" kind of predators who made a living chomping on the local herbivores including the thousands of domestic sheep and cattle. The ranchers blamed the government for the meat-eater meals snatched from their herds and managed to collect money

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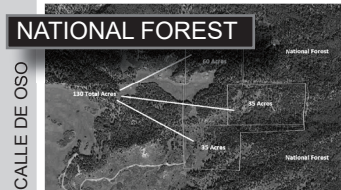
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# UU Fellowship to hear about growing up UU

By Michael Demchak  
Special to The PREVIEW

Alexis Bernstein, who now attends the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist (UU) Fellowship, will be talking this Sunday on growing up UU. The UU faith totes a free and responsible search for truth and meaning as one of its seven principles. What happens when a child is raised with exposure to all walks of life? Bernstein's sermon will be a reflection on her experience within the church and how it has formed her into a passionate adult.

Bernstein graduated with a B.A. from College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University in Minnesota in 2017 and received her M.F.A. at the University of Dundee in Scotland in 2019. She currently is an AmeriCorps member at Pagosa Peak Open School working with

kids on food security. Our fellowship offers each individual support in our unique spiritual path and an opportunity to participate in positive social and environmental action. We welcome diversity and invite everyone to share in our faith community.

Religious Exploration (RE) classes are held on the third and fourth Sundays and continue through to May. For more information about RE, contact Anna Ramirez at afrancis@hotmail.com.

Find us in Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn right onto Park Avenue and right again into Greenbriar Plaza, then turn left and continue around the complex until you see the Unitarian Universalist sign as it faces the mountains. Join us. For further information about the Pagosa UU Fellowship, visit pagosauu.org or call 731-7900.

## Past

■ continued from previous page for their losses. It didn't take the government long to figure out they could save money and placate the ranchers by hiring a hunter/trapper. This governmental policy is one of the reasons we no longer have grizzlies and wolves roaming our wilderness areas.

You also may have noticed that when some folks attempt to reintroduce bears and wolves these days, the ranchers raise quite a fuss in protest. The ranchers don't

want to create more wilderness-designated geography because the bears and wolves would be protected in those areas. That is also where ranchers rent grazing land for their cattle.

The Weminuche Wilderness Area was created to protect grizzly bears. With its over 500,000 acres, it is the largest wilderness area in Colorado. Our state hunting laws say there are no grizzlies up there, but if you see one, you can't shoot it.

## The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

### ACROSS

- 1 Eyes, poetically
- 5 Get used to
- 10 Blue-green hue
- 14 Castle enclosure
- 15 Shut out
- 16 Anagram for "guns"
- 17 Like some evidence
- 19 1987 film, "\_\_\_\_\_ Kind of Wonderful"
- 20 Don't just stand there
- 21 Good person
- 23 Held on to
- 25 Well-expressed
- 26 "Black-eyed" legume
- 29 Hollywood Hawke
- 31 Garden pests
- 32 Bearing
- 33 Pea's place
- 36 Marble feature
- 37 Kind of candle
- 39 Right-minded
- 40 Cutting tool
- 41 Rotisserie rod
- 42 Beat to the tape
- 44 Not so nice
- 45 Apprehensive
- 46 Fleming, for one
- 49 Bygone autocrat
- 50 Hard-to-read expression
- 53 Derby prize
- 57 Retirees' org.
- 58 Budget-minded
- 60 Farm feed
- 61 Fresh, as lettuce
- 62 Two tablets, maybe
- 63 Place for a comb
- 64 Basic belief
- 65 Dinner in a pot

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### DOWN

- 4 Ascot fastener
- 5 Infomercials, e.g.
- 6 Certain believer
- 7 "Waterloo" singers
- 8 Oil source
- 9 Like icy roads
- 10 Give, as duties
- 11 Job estimate
- 12 Deprive of courage
- 13 FBI operative
- 18 Trusty mount
- 22 Horse of a certain color
- 24 "Had been" or "had said", e.g.
- 26 Vena \_\_\_\_: heart vessel
- 27 Columnist's page
- 28 Brainiac
- 29 Totally drained
- 30 Even finish
- 33 Prefix with graph
- 34 Cross to bear
- 35 Disavow
- 38 Band follower?

- 39 Sports no-no's
- 41 Fortune teller
- 43 Leave weaponless
- 44 Treeless plain
- 46 Charley horse, e.g.
- 47 Aussie "bear"
- 48 Where Goodyear is headquartered
- 49 24-Down is one
- 51 Field measure
- 52 Metal money
- 54 Gerard Butler, for one
- 55 Facilitate
- 56 A whole bunch
- 59 Select, with "for"

### Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to hot breakfast.

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Answer: Pancake

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# Preview Calendar

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

## Thursday, Feb. 27

**Hai Chee.** 8-9 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Movement focusing on balance within mind, body and soul. Slowly reduce tension as you feel better, one breath at a time.

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**Wetlands Riverwalk Preservation Group.** 5 p.m., Town Hall. This newly formed group will be providing input from town citizens regarding working cooperatively with all stakeholders, dealing with our current and future resources, and enhancing the natural beauty and recreation opportunities of our unique warm water wetlands.

**New Thought Center: 'Balance Body and Organs with Soft Tissue Manipulation: with Dr. Scott VanderWall, D.C.'** 6 p.m., New Thought Center, 3505 W. U.S. 160. For more information, email PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com, call 309-6067 or visit www.PagosaNewThought.org.

**San Juan Stargazers.** 7-8:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd. Hot drinks will be served starting at 6:30 p.m. for social time. Before our meeting at 6 p.m., we will have a telescope clinic for anyone from the community to bring a telescope so experts can help either diagnose a problem or explain how the telescope can be used. The main program is from the series of Great Courses called "Our Night Sky." For more information, visit www.sanjuanstargazers.org, email sjstargazers@gmail.com or call 335-8286.

## Friday, Feb. 28

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Pagosa Stitching Group.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

**Literary Ladies Book Club.** 10-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. We will be discussing "Fascism, A Warning" by Madeleine Albright. Stop by to pick up a copy. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance, strength, flexibility and lung capacity while reducing stress and increasing an overall sense of well-being.

**English as a Second Language.** Noon-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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**Lenten Fish Fry.** 5-7 p.m., Catholic Parish Hall, 445 Lewis St. Fee. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

**Our Savior Lutheran Middle School Presents 'The Princess and the Pea.'** 6:30 p.m., Our Savior Lutheran School. The 5th- through 8th-grade students will perform. In addition, the elementary drama class will open with two fairytale skits. There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted. For more information, call 731-3512.

**Event Center Grand Opening.** 7-10 p.m., 197 Navajo Trail Drive. Dance featuring Tim Sullivan. Tickets are \$10, available at the door, with a cash bar benefitting the Sullivan Foundation for the Arts.

## Saturday, Feb. 29

**Open Gym.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Call 264-4152, ext. 521 for more information.

**Pagosa Family Game Day.** 2-4 p.m., Community Center. There will be numerous board games and puzzles for ages 3 to 18 with lots of fun for parents and caregivers, too. The event will end with a delicious shared meal. The event is free, but to ensure a meal for all, RSVP by Feb. 28. For questions and to reserve a spot, call Peggy at 507-1550.

**Family Storytime: Leap Around.**

2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Come celebrate Leap Day with us by joining in some leap-full activities. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Storytime is a great way for

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kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**The Annual Heartbeat Ball.** 6-10 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, 2313 Eagle Drive. Join the PSMC Foundation for a '70s party fundraiser. Advance tickets purchase required, \$50. Contact the PSMC Foundation at 507-3811.

## Sunday, March 1

**Stories to Tell Us.** 2-3:30 p.m., Best Western Pagosa Lodge Overlook Room. An open group of individuals meeting each week to tell their life stories to one another. There are no age restrictions or prior writing experience required. Weekly topics are found on the Stories2TellUs.com website so attendees can come prepared.

**High Country Squares Dances.** 3-5 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Dances are the first and third Sunday of the month. Richard Berry calls Mainstream and Plus dances. Contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 for information and venue changes.

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

## Monday, March 2

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Wish Upon a StarLab Book Fair.** 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Family, teachers and the community are invited to attend. The proceeds from this book fair will go toward the ongoing fundraiser to purchase a StarLab for the school district. There are a wide variety of books and price ranges available, and there is a huge supply of bargain items. For more information or to volunteer, contact Lisa Scott at 264-2730 or sranch@centurytel.net.

**Wolf Creek Christian Writers Network.** 9-11 a.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship. Writers are invited to hone their craft in fiction, nonfiction and poetry. For more information, email richgammill41@wolfcreekwriters.com or call 731-2040.

**Line Dancing.** 9:15-11:15 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced at 10:15 a.m. For more information, call Beverly at 264-2064.

**Medicare Mondays.** 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging office. For benefits, explanation, questions and assistance for enrollment regarding Medicare parts A, B, D and supplemental policies. Call 264-0501, ext. 1 to make an appointment.

**Qigong.** 10 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Maintain and improve health, strength and balance.

**PALS Adult Education.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Pagosa Adult Learning Services, or PALS, can help you with high school equivalency. GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Bingo.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Bridge for Fun.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Hand and Foot Card Game.** 2 p.m., Senior Center.

**LGBTQ Support Group.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. A support group to help youth and young adults from age 16 to in their 20s under the leadership of Ana M. Sancho Sama, Ph.D., licensed psychologist.

**Incredible Years Parenting Class.** 5:30-8 p.m., Seeds of Learning. A free opportunity offered to anyone who wants to build positive relationships with their children, needs more effective discipline, or would like new ideas to help their children learn and grow. This class is created for families with children between the ages of 2 and 8 years. A free dinner will be offered for the entire family and child care will be provided at no cost. For more information and to register, call Michelle Carpenter at 946-0664 or Lynne Bridges at 264-5513.

## Tuesday, March 3

**Chi Energi.** 8-9 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. A variety of movements and stretches to create energy for the healing of our mind, body and soul.

**Wish Upon a StarLab Book Fair.** 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Family, teachers and the community are invited to attend. The proceeds from this

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**Veterans for Veterans.** 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

**Tech Time.** 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**Hand-Drumming Class.** Noon, PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join musician and music therapist Paul Roberts for a hand-drumming class. All are welcome. Hand drums will be provided for those who don't have one. For further information, call 731-3117.

**Pickleball.** Noon-4 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Mahjong.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Hand and Foot Card Game.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Home-school Social Hour.** 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Stop by to visit with fellow home-school families, discuss curriculum and learning opportunities and look through resources while the kids participate in crafts and other activities. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Dementia Caregiver Support Group.** 2 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church. For more information, call 731-3597.

**American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary.** 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

**Teen Gaming.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in 7th-12th grade. Xbox 360 Kinect, and snacks. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**English as a Second Language.** 5-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Call 264-2209

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**Sisters in Song Community Women's Chorus First Rehearsal.** 6:30-8 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Rehearsals will be each Tuesday until the performance on May 7. For more information, call Linda Parker at 264-1434 or email her at singpagosa@gmail.com.

**Let's Dance Pagosa.** 7-9 p.m. PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn the lively energetic East Coast swing (aka Jitterbug). Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa> for more information.

## Wednesday, March 4

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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**Kids Kare.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. A program for children ages 3-5 years old. Includes Bible time, songs, crafts, games and more. For more information or to register, call Frank and Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

**Family Storytime: Local Artists Janet Ford and Julie Noland.** 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Where do ideas come from? Ford shares her story about writing a book based on the fox family she saw playing one day, and she and Noland will lead the group in some creative activities. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts, 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.

**Red Hat Meeting.** 11:30 a.m., Boss Hogg's Restaurant.

**Hand and Foot Card Game.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Jelly Beans After School Fun Club.** 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. All ages welcome. For information, call 903-8104.

**Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

**The Spouses/Family of Veterans Group.** 5:30-7 p.m., St. Patrick's

Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Contact Dr. Sharon Carter at 398-0883 or Charlotte at 731-1025 for further information.

**Celebration of Friendship and WOLF Fundraiser.** 6 p.m., Riff Raff Brewing Company, 274 Pagosa St. Live music and silent auction.

**Vinyl Night.** 6 p.m., Riff Raff on the Rio, 356 E. Pagosa St.

**Study on Biblical Feasts.** 7 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. Are you interested in learning about the biblical/Jewish festivals? Come join the fun as we study these appointed times. Hosted by Rabbi Gene Dwinell. Call 946-5262 or email ahavatadonai@gmail.com for more information.

**The Most Excellent Way.** 7 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship Church, 1044 Park Ave. The Most Excellent Way offers Bible-based relief from addictions and compulsions, with men and women meeting separately for utmost confidentiality. Call 507-0123 for more information.

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**Teen Advisory Board.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For youth in the 6th-12th grades. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us

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**Pagosa Peak Open School Second and Third Grade Book Launch and Signing.** 5:15-6 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages.

**San Juan Outdoor Club.** 6:45 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Speaker Jeb Baxter will resume the talk from last November which explained how aliens visiting Earth in the future will know of human existence. Light refreshments at 6 p.m.

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**World Day of Prayer 2020.** 11:30 a.m., John Paul II Catholic Church. Invite your friends, family and communities of faith to join the women of Zimbabwe in prayer and song to support efforts toward justice, peace and healing. Babysitting is available upon request. After the service, there will be a potluck. Please bring a salad to share. For

more information, contact Linda Holt at (760) 972-7171 or Ljth65@gmail.com.

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**Lenten Fish Fry.** 5-7 p.m., Catholic Parish Hall, 445 Lewis St. Fee. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

## Saturday, March 7

**Open Gym.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Call 264-4152, ext. 521 for more information.

**Family Storytime: Seuss-ology.** 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday (belatedly) at this fun Seuss-filled program. Participants will learn and test their Seuss trivia knowledge, create Seuss crafts, and read some of their favorite Seuss books. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts 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.

**Archuleta County Democratic Party Caucus.** 2 p.m. Precincts 1-3 and 5-8 will caucus at the PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Precinct 4 will caucus at the TARA Community Center, 333 Milton Lane in Arboles. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. and the caucuses themselves

start promptly at 2 p.m. For questions, contact Becky Herman at 264-2171.

## Sunday, March 8

**Stories to Tell Us.** 2-3:30 p.m., Best Western Pagosa Lodge Overlook Room. An open group of individuals meeting each week to tell their life stories to one another. There are no age restrictions or prior writing experience required. Weekly topics are found on the Stories2TellUs.com website so attendees can come prepared.

**Pagosa Springs Community Band First Rehearsal.** 2-4 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School band room. We welcome newcomers and those who have played with us in the past.

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

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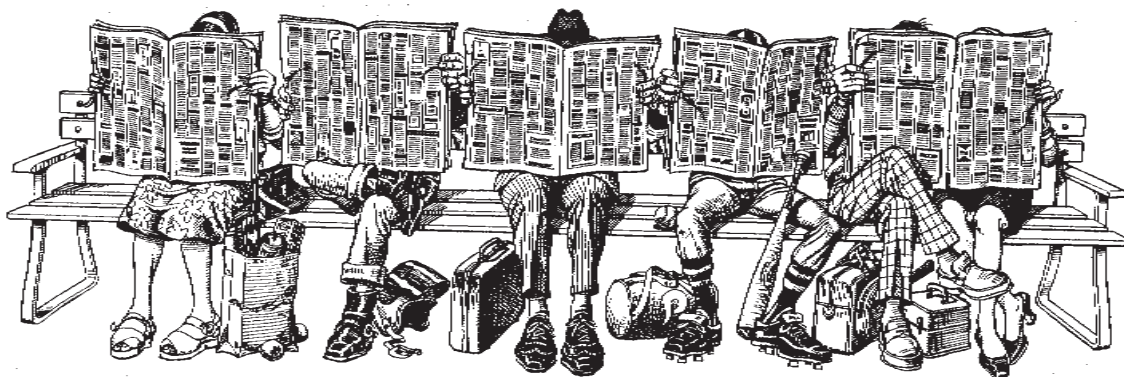
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# Health First Colorado waivers help to keep people at home

By Kay Kaylor  
PREVIEW Columnist

At San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging (SJBAAA), I have two main part-time roles. I advocate for residents in extended care and assisted living residences as the region's lead long-term care ombudsman. I also am a Senior Medicare Patrol and State Health Insurance Assistance Program counselor. Information on the

many aging and care concerns will be included here.

Health First Colorado offers long-term care Medicaid for both living in your own home and living in a nursing home. The Medicaid benefits meant to help keep people in their homes are under the general category of Home and Community Based Services Waivers. These waivers also exist for children and specific medical conditions, but the one most com-

mon for people age 65 and older is the Elderly, Blind or Disabled (EBD) waiver.

People who qualify for the EBD waiver after age 64 must have a "significant functional impairment" that requires support at a level comparable to the services a nursing home provides. The 2020 income requirement for a single person is less than \$2,349, based on the Federal Supplemental Se-

curity Income limit times three. For a single person, the countable assets are less than \$2,000, and for a couple less than \$3,000.

Those who qualify receive all Health First benefits, along with multiple other services, such as homemaker and personal care, nonmedical transportation and home modifications. To apply, request an appointment or application from the Department of

Human Services, 551 Hot Springs Blvd., 264-2182. If you are already enrolled in Health First Colorado, you can apply at San Juan Basin Public Health, according to Colorado.gov.

SJBAAA offers resources for people age 60 and older or on Medicare. For further information, please call 264-0501 or send an email to leadombudsman@sjbaaa.org.

## Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Byron Greco

This week's Bird of the week, compliments of the Weminuche Audubon Society and Audubon Rockies, is the American tree sparrow.

A compact, round-bodied sparrow with a long tail, this bird can be distinguished from several other sparrow species by a few key characteristics. First, lacking streaking on the breast and underparts like a song sparrow, they have more solid gray/white/buffy underparts, with an isolated dark spot central on their breast. Second, they don a rufous cap and gray face much like the chipping sparrow, but their eyeline is red, unlike the black eyeline on a chipper. Third is the American tree sparrow's characteristic bi-colored bill with a dark upper mandible and yellow lower one.

These birds feed heavily on seeds in winter. Whether in marshy areas, forested edges or pastures, they will locate bent-over grasses and work diligently to free the seeds. They are more of a ground forager than their name would suggest, oftentimes seen below our bird feeders alongside dark-eyed juncos feeding in the understory. In late spring, their diet begins to shift to insects as they migrate to breeding grounds in Alaska and Canada. Here, as they rear chicks in stunted forests and grass clumps on the tundra, they shift to an exclusively protein-heavy diet of beetles, leafhoppers, moths and caterpillars to boost growth in their young.

As we experience this species primarily on its wintering grounds, we typically only hear their more elaborate songs associated with attracting mates just as they depart, but do hear them communicating regularly through high-pitched ethereal calls, as they move around oftentimes in flocks.

As indicated by years of Christmas Bird Count data, Audubon notes this species to be in a marked state of decline in the southern Rockies/Colorado Plateau region. Efforts to protect habitat on its wintering grounds is critical to bolstering population numbers.

For information on local bird-watching events, visit [www.weminuche-audubon.org](http://www.weminuche-audubon.org) and [www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/](http://www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/).

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