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Preparations continue for COVID-19 pandemic

Governor declares state of emergency

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Colorado is now in a state of emergency to allow for more resources to help combat the COVID-19, or coronavirus disease 2019 outbreak, which was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO) on Wednesday. "We're gonna get through this together, but the actions that we take in the next few days and weeks will really determine the trajectory of coronavirus in Colorado," Gov. Jared Polis said at a Tuesday press conference announcing the state of emergency.

Polis explained the declaration would help Colorado focus on its most vulnerable population.

"What it does is it gives us access to resources and more legal flexibility to take steps now to protect the most vulnerable and better contain the outbreak, truly reducing the chances of the trajectory that has occurred in countries like Italy from occurring here in Colorado," Polis said.

Polis cautioned that, with greater testing capacity, there will likely

■ See Coronavirus A8

On to State!



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The No. 5 Pagosa Springs High School Pirate basketball team is again in the 3A state tournament, with the team taking on the No. 4 Delta Panthers in the Great 8 in Denver this morning. For more on the team and the tournament, see related article.

Sales tax revenues continue to climb, up 19.4 percent in January

By John Finebrock
Staff Writer

The January sales tax report for Archuleta County disseminated by Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton shows a 19.4 percent revenue increase compared to January 2019.

The 19.4 percent increase amounts to an additional \$145,124 in sales tax revenue compared to January 2019.

The gross amount of the January sales tax revenue is \$893,259.60. The town's share is \$446,092.82 and the county's share is \$447,166.78.

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

The January report indicates that the following categories have increased revenue compared to

■ See Sales A8

Alternative high school plans presented to school board

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Additional information was provided to the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education (BOE) on the possibility of adding an alternative high school in the fall of 2020 at a work session on Tuesday.

The proposed location for the alternative high school would be at the northeast corner of the current Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) property.

PSHS Principal Sean O'Donnell explained that in the district's ongoing process of creating the second phase of its strategic framework, it noted that ASD's population represents a variety of students and families.

"It is important to us to meet

these families where they are and be a district that is valuable to them all," O'Donnell said, "and I believe that an alternative high school adds value to all."

Despite ASD working hard within all of its schools to meet the needs of a variety of families, O'Donnell noted that there is a population of students and families whose needs have not been met.

According to O'Donnell, the state has alternative education campuses (AEC), which are defined by the Colorado Department of Education.

By law, the state has defined AECs as those that have a specialized mission, nontraditional methods of instruction delivery, serve students with severe limitations and whose student populations is comprised of at least 90 percent "high risk"

students.

Some of the conditions that students have to meet to be considered "high risk" are things such as: being a juvenile delinquent, has dropped out of school, has a family history of domestic violence, or are over age and under-credited, among other things, O'Donnell noted.

"Ninety percent of the kids in that population have to meet one of those criteria," O'Donnell said.

Students who are over age and under-credited are students who, in their sophomore or junior year, fail a class and begin to be on track to not graduate in a four-year period that a typical student does, O'Donnell

described.

Schools that have successfully applied and achieved AEC status are held to a different set of standards than a traditional high school, O'Donnell explained.

However, the ASD board would

■ See School A8

Local man sentenced to 18 years for burglary

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Lon Joseph Peterson, a man with ties to Pagosa Springs, pleaded guilty on March 6 to burglary and was subsequently sentenced to 18 years in prison.

In March of 2019, Peterson was released from custody by mistake due to clerk error in San Juan County, N.M.

Peterson had been serving an 11-year sentence at Crowley County Correctional Facility in Colorado for second-degree burglary, vehicular eluding and theft, and was transported to San Juan County, N.M.,

■ See Sentenced A8

Local seat open in LPEA election

Candidate packets due tomorrow

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

With the annual La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) election coming up, interested candidates have until Friday, March 13, to submit candidate packets in order to be placed on the May ballot.

According to LPEA's bylaws, one-third of its 12 director seats are up for election each year, one in each of LPEA's four districts.

Current LPEA Board President Bob Lynch's seat as one of the directors of District 1 will be up in May.

"Candidates are required to be members in good standing and permanent residents of the district they seek to represent and cannot work for a competing enterprise or supplier of the cooperative, plus not be employed or have a spouse

or child employed by the cooperative in any position," LPEA's website states.

March 18 will be when the candidate order on the ballots will be determined, and ballots will be mailed to members beginning April 16.

Ballots are due by May 16, with the winners of the election being announced at LPEA's annual meeting the same day.

This meeting will be held at Pagosa Springs High School, with registration at 9 a.m. and the meeting beginning at 10 a.m.

A complete list of director qualifications can be found in LPEA's bylaws at lpea.coop/bylaws.

Additional board director candidate information can be found at lpea.coop/board-director-candidate-information.

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Photo courtesy Sanya Peterson

The World Day of Prayer was celebrated at John Paul II Catholic Church on Friday, March 6. Those participating learned about Zimbabwe's history and rich cultural diversity. There was also a call to act in love for peace and reconciliation.

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EDITORIAL

Keep informed about coronavirus

More than 1,080 people in the U.S. tested positive for COVID-19, also known as coronavirus, as of Wednesday morning; at least 32 people across the country have died.

The first positive case of COVID-19 in Colorado was confirmed on March 5. That number has grown to 27 statewide as of press time Wednesday.

As of this writing, zero cases of COVID-19 have been reported within Archuleta County or La Plata County, however, tests have been conducted at Pagosa Springs Medical Center and health care providers in La Plata County.

Gov. Jared Polis took action by declaring a state of emergency Tuesday.

"What it does is it gives us access to resources and more legal flexibility to take steps now to protect the most vulnerable and better contain the outbreak, truly reducing the chances of the trajectory that has occurred in countries like Italy from occurring here in Colorado," Polis said.

Pagosa Springs Medical Center staff, area doctors and community leaders, along with local, regional and state governmental agencies, have proactively joined forces through collaboration and preparation.

On Monday, it was announced that the 9Health fair set for April has been

postponed.

"We have made the decision to postpone the spring 9Health Fairs while pursuing options for alternate screenings," reads an email from 9Health CEO and President Gary Drews.

In an effort to mitigate impact and stop the spread, we will see additional cancellations of gatherings in the days to come. We believe that canceling events could slow the spread of COVID-19 and result in saving lives.

Many people have already stopped shaking hands and giving hugs that so many of us in Pagosa Country have come to expect as a friendly greeting.

"Social distancing" is the new catch phrase.

Over the weekend, many discovered toilet paper and hand sanitizer was non-existent on store shelves. Some blamed the spring break visitors; others blamed people hoarding due to advice of officials to stock up on supplies for potential quarantines. Stock markets have plummeted in the wake of coronavirus fears.

Some blame mainstream media for that widespread fear. As your hometown newspaper, our duty is to keep readers informed. We will provide updates at PagosaSUN.com as warranted. We will also post information on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/pagosa.newspaper.

We should be concerned and take precautions to avoid COVID-19, especially people who are at a higher risk such as the elderly and those with underlying health issues. However, the vast majority of people who will be infected with coronavirus will have mild or even no symptoms.

And, yes, more people have died from influenza than coronavirus, but health officials have good reasons to be alarmed. With cold and flu season and the outbreak of 2019 novel coronavirus, it is imperative to be diligent and take the steps necessary to protect yourself.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) reminds us of the following precautions:

- "Clean hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub.
- "Cover nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing.
- "Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- "Getting a flu shot if you haven't gotten one this year."

We encourage you to stay informed and read the article on the front page of this week's paper.

It is more important now than ever that our community be vigilant.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

100 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 12, 1920

Another big deal in dirt occurred this week when Harry Sharp sold the old Wm. Macht ranch on McCabe creek to his father, John Sharp. Harry will continue to reside on the Victoria Macht ranch adjoining, while Wm. Macht and wife are now moving to their own ranch, the former Thos. Studebaker place. Mr. Macht will soon erect a fine modern home on the latter place.

The local post of the American Legion has received its official number, being now properly designated as "Lester W. Mullins Post No. 108." An important meeting will be called shortly.

G.E. Hadley is materially increasing the size of his recently purchased building, making it five feet wider and fourteen feet longer. The change was necessary to install his new \$850 oven and to take care of the increasing business of the Home Bakery.

That the Sun is the best advertising medium in the county is evidenced by the many new advertisements appearing in this issue. Our patrons know a good thing when they see it.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 16, 1945

Dr. J.B. Moore writes The Sun that his right hand man, Joe Martinez arrived in Corvallis, Oregon, and that they are both missing Pagosaland. They are planting an experimental Pyrethrum acreage at that place and will be there until May, when they will return to the Pyrethrum Farms here.

Pfc. Joe A. Valdez, reported "missing in action" as of December 20, 1944, in the Luxembourg area is a safe and sound prisoner of war in Germany, according to a card received from him Saturday by his father, Jose Valdez of Edith. His card says he is well and his family here is much relieved.

Pfc. Bud Patterson writes his wife that he has landed in France and that the weather there is like April here. He says that the people aren't too cordial, but that they are probably tired of the war and soldiers in general.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 12, 1970

Television may soon leave the air in this community. Voluntary dues payments are below what is needed for the translators to keep operating. The TV committee will meet Sunday evening to make a final decision on the matter. To date less than one-third of the TV users have paid the \$15 annual dues. The committee reports that 129 residents have paid their dues. There are approximately 400 TV users within the reception area from the local TV stations. Members of the committee have asked that all who wish to continue the broadcasts pay their dues before Sunday. At that time the dues collected to date will be considered and a decision made as to whether or not the stations will stay on the air.

The Red Ryder Roundup Committee is now starting plans and preparations for the 1970 show. It is expected to be one of the biggest and best ever presented here. One of the first public events of the preparation is the selection of a rodeo queen and attendant. The rodeo committee has contracted Buster Webb to furnish the livestock for the 4th of July Red Ryder Roundup. The popular dance band, the Dennisons, has been engaged for the official rodeo dance.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
March 16, 1995

Pagosa Springs was well represented at the Knights of Columbus State Free Throw Championship held in Alamosa Sunday, March 12. Bernie Lucero brought home the first-place trophy in the boys, age 14 category. Sinking 22 baskets out of 25 attempts earned him the championship and No. 1 ranking in the state. Bernie is the first Pagosan to win a title at the state level.

Dominique Lucero, the son of Clifford and Eliza Lucero, also did well. His 19 baskets out of 25 shots earned him third place in the boys, age 11 division.

High school principal Bill Esterbrook presented the school board with a proposal for a "School to Work" program—a special curriculum designed for students who have been unable to achieve significant gains in the regular academic program and who do not perceive they will pursue a vocation that requires the standard high school education.

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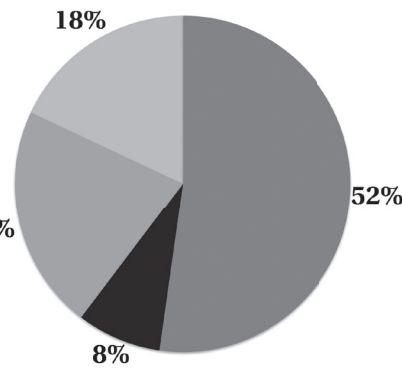
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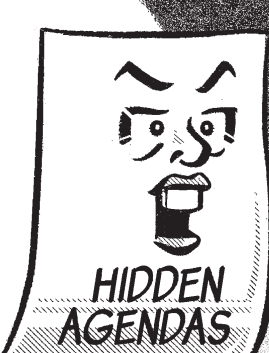
LOOKING BACK



From the March 3, 1983, Pagosa Springs SUN. MOVED IN — Students were able to begin using the new high school library this week. The brightly colored, well-lighted facility is a vast improvement over the previous facility.

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Letters



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'Well in hand'

Dear Editor:
In 1979 the world went dark save for Western Europe. Ronald Reagan brought Conservative Socialism to the U.S.; Margaret Thatcher imposed a similar fate on England; with Saudi royalty assistance dictator's cleric and military in Iran & Pakistan imposed Islam on their nations and then the entire Mid-East followed these countries backward into the dark ages; women disappeared around the world by wearing veils & the black (chador) full body garment, in response to Russia invading Afghanistan America funded radical jihadists in Afghanistan thus insuring future wars and terrorism all over the world and China became a total dictatorship. All these global events began the erosion of liberal democracies culminating in both populist conservative governments along the rise of Nazi political groups throughout Europe & the U.S. and the ironic election by white college educated suburban women of a man who bragged he liked to grab women by their genitalia. First question, why do women hate / fear women?

over the majority (a guise called religious freedom). The ultimate sacrificial victim became democracies fragile defense barriers of separation of powers and the rule of law in a knowing exchange for 'a good economy' by the common man/woman. Second question is today's, Coronus virus God punishing us or just nature?

Using our best Harvard MBA graduates, we inverted the pyramid of dependency, by violating the cardinal rule of never put all your (manufacturing) eggs in one basket (China). Third question, when this pandemic is defeated will corporate America relocate those factories back to the U.S.?

In so many ways, when action is needed for our global existential survival, we are caught up debating what's most important: gun freedom & privilege for the few or the unspeakable horror of a 'Democratic Socialist.' I guess in some respects, we are all fulling the biblical end-of-the-world proclamation. The current virus fatality rate is about 3+%; it won't kill most of us, but not to worry we've got that well in hand.

Dave Blake

'Financial insanity'

Dear Editor:
As the 2020 election gears up to a fever pitch a central question people need to ask of themselves is, "What role do I want the government to play in my life?" The answer to this question will inform the voter respecting for whom they will cast their vote in November.

If a person believes that the federal government should be the regulator of most aspects of their personal life and be the provider of benefits to its citizens, then they likely are Democrat/Socialist and will vote for candidates that offer them "free" stuff. If a person believes the federal government should be limited in its power to regulate their lives and largely refrain from interfering in the life of its citizens, then they'll more likely vote for Donald Trump.

If you're in the first category (Democrat/Socialist) this, of necessity, means that you are willing to have your taxes substantially raised in order to fund the "free" stuff that is being promised to you because despite the claims of Bernie Sanders or Joe Biden, the rich simply don't have enough money to fund all the "free" stuff that they're promising to give you. This, of course, begs the question, "How much of my earned income am I willing to give to someone else who didn't earn it?" Here we find a fundamental conflict of interest. Most Democrat/Socialists reason that they really want the government to give them "free" stuff, but only if someone else pays for it. Unfortunately, you will also have to pay for it.

For instance, Medicare for all isn't free. In fact, the estimated cost

of Medicare for all is estimated to cost \$32.6 trillion — \$3.26 trillion per year — over 10 years. For comparison, according to the Congressional Budget Office, the federal budget proposal for the fiscal year 2019 was \$4.4 trillion. In other words, just Medicare for all would require about 74 percent of the entire annual federal budget without even considering "free" college tuition, "free" childcare and all the other give-aways the Democrat/Socialists have been proposing. In short, what is being proposed by the left is nothing short of financial insolvency for our nation. I repeat, the rich simply do not have that kind of money even if you taxed them at a 100 percent tax rate.

There is a reason that the old cliché, "There's no free lunch," has been around for so long. Nothing is free. Someone always has to pay for it, and that someone is all of us.

It is always wise to remember that politicians don't always tell the truth and are primarily saying whatever they need to say in order to get elected. That happens on both the right and the left, but

lately the left has been telling some real whoppers. Please vote for candidates who are not suffering from financial insanity.

Richard Bolland

Ludicrous statements

Dear Editor:
Mr Feazel's letter makes an improbable jump between the lack of a citizenship question appearing on the census to Democrats being racists dividing the nation. With just a little research, he would have found that the question of race has been on the census since after the Civil War. He would also have learned that the Constitution requires that all people, citizen and noncitizen be counted. The census is used to assign the number of Representatives for each state to be sent to Congress to represent their constituents, both citizens and non citizen.

Where does that sow division?

The data produced by the census is very important for business. See Letters A4



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Obituary

Nancy Green

Nancy Green was born in Blackduck, Minn., on June 14, 1947, the daughter of Willard and Norma West. Her father was a forester, employed in northern Minnesota, and her mother was a nurse.



She graduated from Alexander Ramsey (currently Roseville area) High School in Roseville, Minn., in 1965 and from the University of Minnesota in 1969 with a degree in sociology. Nancy went on to receive her masters in library science from the University of Denver in 1975.

Nancy worked for a year in Alaska at an early warning radar site before starting her career as a librarian in 1976 with the American Numismatic Association (ANA) in Colorado Springs. She started as a cataloging librarian and then became librarian from 1979 to 1990, returning from 2001 to 2006. Of the 20 librarians the ANA has had since 1891, Nancy had the longest tenure. She received several awards and was responsible for the ANA's Boy and Girl Scout Outreach Programs.

After retirement, Nancy and her husband, Ron Green, moved to Pagosa Springs, Colo. There, she began volunteering at the Chimney Rock Archaeological Area removing

weeds. She became a tour guide and also worked for some time with the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association. Her particular specialty was giving tours to children's groups. She continued to volunteer at Chimney Rock for over 20 years.

Nancy had only one child, Andy Green, of whom she was very proud. When his career in astronomy took him to Australia, she regularly went to visit him in the "land down under." She was also very proud of her nephew, Ben West, and was looking forward to attending his wedding this fall.

Being a librarian, of course Nancy loved to read books on a wide variety of topics and could often be found with her nose in a book even from an early age. She very much enjoyed needlepoint embroidery and won multiple awards in the Archuleta County Fair for her work. She also liked to knit, particularly scarves with unusual patterns and sometimes wild yarns. Nancy sang for many years in the choir at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Ron; son Andy; brother Ron West; sister Valerie West; nephew Ben; step-daughter Julie Moreno; and step-son Eddie Green.

Nancy passed away on March 3 at Saint Mary's hospital, Grand Junction.

Her memorial service will be held at St Patrick's Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. in Pagosa Springs, at 10 a.m. on Thursday, March 12.

New Colorado program allows donations to any eligible nonprofit from state tax refund

By **Jessie Koerner**
Special to The SUN

Starting this tax season, Coloradans can give all or part of their state income tax refund to a local charity in their community, choosing from any one of more than 7,750 eligible nonprofits registered with the state.

Although 41 states have some form of tax checkoff program, this is the first program in the nation to give this breadth of choice to taxpayers who want to make a charitable donation from their state income tax refund.

Through the new Donate to a Colorado Nonprofit program, taxpayers can choose to directly support any eligible Colorado-registered charity with a simple designation on their state income tax return.

Previously, Colorado taxpayers could donate from their state income tax refund to only one of 18 causes approved by the legislature.

In 2018, Colorado returned more than \$1 billion in state income tax refunds, averaging \$563 each to over 1.9 million individual taxpayers, according to data from the Colorado Department of Revenue. If taxpayers choose to donate a portion of their refunds this tax season, the surge of support will give much-needed funding to community charities across Colorado.

"Philanthropy and the desire to promote the welfare of others doesn't just come from foundations, grantmaking organizations or exclusively wealthy people. You're a philanthropist, too, when you support your favorite cause—no matter the amount. There are hundreds of nonprofits in Colorado who offer programs and services to individuals, families and communities that matter to each of us personally. This new program is an opportune way for Coloradans to explore what it means to be a philanthropist, no matter your background, network or income level," said Karen McNeill-Miller, president and CEO of the Colorado Health Foundation.

In 1977, Colorado became the first state to allow taxpayers to donate from their income tax refund to a charitable cause.

To participate this year, taxpayers should look for the "Donate to a Colorado Nonprofit" line of their tax return or tax software and enter the name and registration number of the organization they want to support. Nonprofit registration numbers can easily be found by searching the database at Refund-WhatMatters.org.

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Obituary

Clara P. Martinez

Hard to believe it has been 20 years, March 12, 2000. Not a day goes by that we do not think about you, wish we could talk or hear your funny laugh. Love you, mom.



Bennie and kids: Della, Theresa, Frances, Raymond, Diane, Monica and Christopher, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

Letters

Continued from A3

nesses, governmental allocation of resources, and to understand the trends and statistics of those living within our borders. The early censuses were carried out by US Marshals and what I found interesting was the question "country of origin". Unless you were a Native American (who were not counted at that time), you were from another country, thus the term "a nation of immigrants".

If Mr Feasel is so concerned about political division in the US, he and the other FOXies should look in the mirror and quit making such ludicrous statements about such a large part of the population. Which party has racist policies is a discussion for another time and it is not Democratic policies that are racist.

Dave Butcher

Short-term rentals

Dear Editor:
"Why did you move to Pagosa?" We discovered Pagosa almost 25 years ago and immediately fell in love with the area. The sense of community, the people. We found a lovely, quiet 5 acres and worked hard to build our forever dream home. We worked diligently to

create businesses that we feel truly add to this community.

Now fast forward to today. In just a couple of years on our short block alone, 3 of 6 houses are now short-term rentals, or in reality, hotels. It's frustrating that the town, county or our HOA are not making progress on limiting the number of these "businesses".

The reality of this "gold rush", our quality of life has been desecrated. We never know who is coming or going. There is no sense of neighborhood. The quiet is gone. Trespassing and virtually no respect from these people. This is our home. We had "visitors" that decided that a nice campfire would be on their agenda. We were in a fire ban. Consider the consequences of any neighborhood burning down because of an uninformed "guest"? Reality check.

I understand that growth is inevitable, but at what cost?

I don't believe that regulating these businesses is going to devastate the real estate and management industry. Many communities have implemented regulation without destruction of these industries. There are plenty of existing properties to manage and there are still people out there that want to live here, not just vacation. Someday the density of short-term rentals might deter those seeking to find a community to live or retire. We need to think this through if we

want our town to prosper and grow.

I'm sure my words here will make plenty of people unhappy with me. I'm sorry. Please open your eyes to the fact that people are suffering the consequences with this new "gold rush". I believe there is a way to continue to make a living without destroying other people's quality of life and peace.

I don't have the answers to these problems. I've attended many meetings about the issues here. Most of what I hear is "we're working on it" or "it's complicated, we want to be fair to property owners' rights". Excuse me. What about my rights. We live here fulltime. If we don't act soon, it will be too late to undo the damage.

As a resident, and member of this community, I feel that my/our rights should supersede those that come here seeking to make money renting out their homes at my expense and ruining neighborhoods. Some are using their rentals to simply finance their 2nd home, spend a few sweet weeks a year and make enough to pay the mortgage. Many are out of state. Believe me, their renters spend money while they are here, but the majority of the profit is spent in their own home state.

Once again, I ask everyone to ask yourself "Why did you move here?" Let's don't spoil Pagosa.

Summer Phillips Pierce
Chris Pierce

Water and fire district cancel elections due to lack of candidates

By **Chris Mannara**
Staff Writer

Two local districts canceled their May 5 elections for district positions due to lack of director candidates.

The Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) canceled its election due to not having more candidates for its director positions than offices to be filled.

Kim A. Moore was elected to a two-year term for the PFPD board, Ronald Lee Beckman and Ernest LeRoy Lattin were both elected for three-year terms for the PFPD board.

The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District board also canceled its election and elected James M. Smith and Glenn Walsh to three-year terms.

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LEGISLATURE

How would you vote in repealing the death penalty?

My job as a legislator is to listen to all sides of an issue and to my constituents before making decisions. This week, we wrestled with the weightiest question before the General Assembly during my time here: Should Colorado repeal the death penalty?

We spent hours in debate. Today, try being a legislator as you decide how to vote. Try to take away the emotional background you carry with you and, importantly, remove what your friends and family tell you to think. Then listen. Unless you are the family of a victim of crime, do not assume you understand how the families of victims feel about this deeply personal issue.

At the Capitol, I work with two legislators, family of victims who shared their stories.

Sen. Rhonda Fields' son and his fiancé, who were eyewitnesses to a murder, were murdered themselves in 2005. Their killers are now two of the three people on death row.

Rep. Tom and Terry Sullivan's son was murdered during the 2012 Aurora theater massacre. His mur-

derer is serving a life sentence without parole. Neither wants to repeal the death penalty.

If you disagree with their stances, could you, as a legislator, vote against your friends?

These are a few specific arguments from the impassioned and compelling testimony we heard:

Do not repeal:

- Murderers, evil to the core, do not deserve respect.

- Just the existence of the death penalty has led to confessions and verdicts.

- The death penalty makes us look closely at cases, rallying outsiders to help determine if the victim is innocent or guilty.

- Being in prison is like having a vacation. Those convicted should be put to death instead.

Repeal:

- The justice system makes mistakes and capital punishment leaves no room for error. About 2 percent of people on death row are found to be innocent.

- The right answer is moral, not political.

- The system is broken and the death penalty is unfairly applied. It should no longer exist.

- The convicted should spend



Rep. McLachlan's Report

their lives in prison, without any chance of parole.

Do not repeal:

- This is simple justice. An eye for an eye.

- Certain crimes affect the protection of our public safety. We need the death penalty.

- The system works.

Repeal:

- We draw strength from forgiveness. Focus on reform, not punishment.

- The death penalty is fiscally irresponsible.

- The death penalty is not a deterrent to crime; many horrendous crimes have been committed since its inception.

Do not repeal:

- This should go before the voters, not be decided by the Legislature.

- The last person executed was in 1977. Before that, 1967. Execution is not frequent enough to get rid of the death penalty.

Repeal:

- We have been elected to serve the people, to make difficult decisions on their behalf.

- The law is a living document.

- States with high murder rates have the death penalty. Those with low murder rates have abolished it.

Do not repeal:

- The death penalty is not applied in an arbitrary fashion. It is constitutional.

- It is never used for criminals under 18 or with disabilities. It includes aggravating factors, such as killing a witness to a crime, police

or multiple victims in one crime spree, or committing heinous and barbaric acts of murder.

- A jury must decide the death penalty unanimously.

Repeal:

- It is not the state's job to determine who lives or dies.

- All three men on Colorado's death row are black, from one Denver neighborhood and had the same judge.

- Death penalty decisions are arbitrary and often depend on a family's income, race or neighborhood.

- The law is unevenly applied in Colorado.

Do not repeal:

- We have had heinous crimes in Colorado, where the convicted men should be put to death for what they did to others: Ted Bundy. The Aurora theater. The STEM school shooting. The Watts family. Nathan Dunlap (the third person on death row) at Chuck E. Cheese.

Repeal:

- Dunlap's lawyer, who has represented death row inmates from around the country, said the typical inmate grew up with extreme trauma in childhood, is a black or brown man, has been victimized, lives in poverty or is mentally ill.

Do not repeal:

- It is a moral question, a matter of justice.

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Repeal:

- There is no more important debate. I voted in favor of repeal. How would you vote?

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, March 12

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

Monday, March 16

Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors work session and regular meeting. 5 p.m. work session, 6 p.m. regular meeting, 7 Parelli Way.

Tuesday, March 17

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners regular meeting. 1:30 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Wednesday, March 18

Archuleta County Republican Central Committee meeting. Noon, Pagosa Brewing, 118 N. Pagosa Blvd.

Upper San Juan Library District board meeting. 4 p.m., Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, 811 San Juan St.

Thursday, March 19

Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Monday, March 23

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation work session. 9 a.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

Tuesday, March 24

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Town Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments and Design Review Board. 4:30 p.m. work session, 5:30 p.m. regular meeting, Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Upper San Juan Health Service District regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, March 25

Southwestern Water Conservation District board teleconference. 9 a.m. Call (605) 475-5618, 797282#.

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

Thursday, March 26

Pagosa Springs Town Council work session. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Friday, March 27

Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors focus group facilitation. 6 p.m., 7 Parelli Way.

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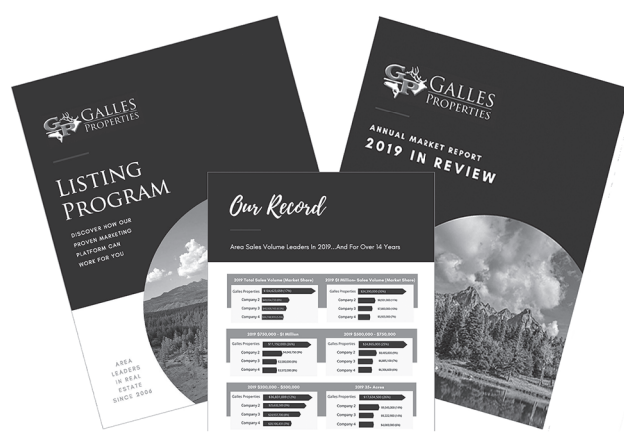
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Woman loses over \$2,000 in woodworking scam

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

A local was the victim of an alleged fraud incident in early December of 2019 in which a male took over \$2,000 for a job that was never done.

According to an incident report from the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), the victim had contacted an individual who did woodwork in homes.

The victim became aware of this individual through a friend, the incident report describes.

According to the report, the company was called Rocky Mountain Rustic Designs, while the male was identified as Quinn Steven Rudnitsky, 32.

Rudnitsky had made a website

and posted on several social media sites to advertise his work, according to the incident report.

The victim was quoted \$2,575 for Rudnitsky to do work on her staircase, according to the incident report.

Both the victim and Rudnitsky had been in communication "for months" regarding when everything would be installed, according to the incident report.

The victim had written a check in the amount of \$2,025 as a down payment so that Rudnitsky could get materials for the job, according to the incident report.

Rudnitsky reportedly told the victim that he could get everything done in a few weeks, but the incident report notes that weeks went by and the victim reported that

no work had been done or even started.

According to the incident report, Rudnitsky would email the victim and make excuses as to why he could not make it to her residence.

After asking for her deposit back, Rudnitsky replied by saying that he got the materials and would start the install in a "couple days," the incident report notes.

The job was never done and communication between the two parties ended around Feb. 21, the incident report describes.

The victim later learned that this was a scam and that they had found pictures of the "woodwork" via a Google image search, according to the incident report.

Additionally, the victim learned that Rudnitsky had allegedly done

this to "several other people," the incident report reads.

Following the victim allegedly gathering names of other victims from around the area, the incident report explains that the victim said that Rudnitsky had allegedly moved to Pueblo around Feb. 14 and is still doing this scam.

The victim had no further leads on Rudnitsky, according to the incident report.

ACSO Undersheriff Derek Woodman urged in an interview on Tuesday that locals do their research and due diligence on prospective contractors and ask for references.

"We all have hard-earned money, and we shouldn't just be dumping it because it's a deal," he said. chris@pagosasun.com

The Blotter

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

Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Calls for service over two weeks: 238.

Feb. 24 — Agency assist, Pinon Causeway.

Feb. 24 — All other thefts, Evergreen Drive.

Feb. 24 — Failed to drive in single lane (weaving), vehicular eluding, failed to dim lights, U.S. 160 mile marker 132.

Feb. 25 — Animals running at large, Summit Trail.

Feb. 25 — Information only, Great West Avenue.

Feb. 25 — Found property, Dragon Court.

Feb. 26 — Fraud by check-other method, all other thefts, County Road 139.

Feb. 27 — Warrant arrest, County Road 600.

Feb. 27 — All other thefts, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Feb. 27 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

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Feb. 28 — Agency assist, East Pagosa Street.

Feb. 28 — Death investigation-death investigation, Echo Drive.

Feb. 28 — All other thefts, fraud by check-other method, bait advertising, Mervin Court.

Feb. 28 — Drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, domestic violence, prohibited use of weapons, third-degree assault-simple assault, open container in a motor vehicle, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, marijuana-open container prohibited in vehicle, Doc Adams Road.

Feb. 29 — County warrant, County Road 600.

Feb. 29 — Death investigation, death investigation, County Road 600.

Feb. 29 — County warrant, expired license plates, drove vehicle when license suspended, Great West Avenue/U.S. 160.

Feb. 29 — County warrant, county

warrant, county warrant, possessing an illegal weapon, Great West Avenue/U.S. 160.

March 2 — Missing property, Trails Boulevard.

March 2 — Agency assist, U.S. 160/U.S. 84.

March 4 — Drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, Rainbow Road/County Road 335.

March 4 — Theft from vehicle, first-degree criminal trespass-theft from vehicle, criminal mischief, Solomon Drive.

March 4 — Second-degree burglary, Cat Creek Overlook.

March 5 — Fraud by check-other method, Bastille Drive.

March 5 — Violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, violation of restraining order, Colo. 151.

March 5 — Warrant arrest, Eaton Drive.

March 5 — Fraud by check-other method, Hersch Drive.

March 6 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, expired license plates, improper registration, owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, signal lamps or devices failed to meet requirements, Eagle Drive.

March 8 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, County Road 335.

March 8 — County warrant, County Road 335.

Pagosa Springs Police Department

Calls for service over two weeks: 147.

Feb. 23 — Assault, Eagle Drive.

Feb. 23 — Theft, San Juan Street.

Feb. 23 — Possession of controlled substance, Rosita Street.

Feb. 26 — Possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, Seminole Drive.

Feb. 26 — Criminal trespass, North 8th Street.

Feb. 29 — Theft, San Juan Street.

March 1 — Warrant arrest, North 5th Street.

March 1 — Shoplifting, Aspen Village Drive.

March 2 — DUI, South 6th Street.

March 3 — Trespass warning, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 7 — Theft, South 5th Street.

March 7 — Animal at large, Hot Springs Boulevard.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

March 2 — Justin David Timmerman, violation of p/o-criminal, 18 months probation, total fines and costs — \$1,231.50.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Feb. 26 — Frank D. Pacheco, careless driving, total fines and costs — \$238.50.

Feb. 26 — Joseph William Espinosa, violation p/o-criminal, 180 days jail, 175 days jail suspended imposition, total fines and costs — \$199.50.

Feb. 26 — Joseph William Espinosa, harassment-strike/shove/kick, 12 months probation, total fines and costs — \$902.50.

Feb. 26 — Joseph W. Espinosa, driving under the influence, 25 days jail, 48 hours community service, 12 months probation, 15 days jail suspended imposition, total fines and costs — \$1,920.50.

Feb. 26 — William Gittings, dog at large (first offense no injury), total fines and costs — \$109.

Feb. 26 — Charles Jacob Bilazzo, violation p/o-civil, 48 hours community service, 15 days jail suspended imposition, total fines and costs — \$483.50.

Feb. 27 — Robert Hamilton Bell, driving under the influence, two days jail, 48 hours community service, one year probation, three days electronic surveillance, total fines and costs — \$1,920.50.

Feb. 27 — Michael A. Malcom, assault 3-know/reckless cause injury, 18 months probation, total fines and costs — \$1,231.50.

Feb. 27 — Mark Richard Coughlin, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, 12 months probation alcohol evaluation and supervision, total fines and costs — \$796.50.

Feb. 27 — Patricia Jones, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, 12 months alcohol evaluation and supervision probation, total fines and costs — \$831.50.

Feb. 27 — Jaesse Anderson, criminal mischief-\$300-\$750, six months jail suspended imposition, total fines and costs — \$286.50.

March 4 — Joshua J. White, license plates-expired, total fines and

costs — \$89.50.

March 4 — Zana L. Crawford, speeding 10-19 over limit, total fines and costs — \$198.50.

March 4 — Cheri Lynn Newton, driving under the influence, 35 days jail, 48 hours community service, 25 days jail suspended imposition, eight days electronic surveillance, one year probation, total fines and costs — \$1,986.83.

March 4 — Lance E. Sivers, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$185.50.

March 4 — Dakota James Decker, registration-unregistered vehicle, total fines and costs — \$126.50.

March 4 — Austin A. Evans, seat belt not used, child restraint not used, total fines and costs — \$180.50.

March 4 — Katie M. Toner-Antoniuzzi, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$185.50.

March 4 — Cheyenne E. Smith, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$120.50.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Clayton Buchner

Feb. 27 — Juvenile, prohibited acts in town parks, six months probation, total fines and costs — \$35.

Feb. 27 — Juvenile, disobeyed traffic signal, total fines and costs — \$45.

Feb. 27 — Gordon Nunziato Sr., shoplifting, failure to appear, 30 hours community service, six months probation.

Feb. 27 — Dustin Lopez, improper use of disabled parking privileges, total fines and costs — \$25.

Feb. 27 — Shaun Wood, disobeyed official traffic device, four points off, total fines and costs — \$71.

Feb. 27 — Virginia Buck, failure to appear, total fines and costs — \$50.

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Business

New overtime and minimum pay standards start March 16

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Special to The SUN

Employers should be aware that the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) has adopted a new overtime and minimum pay standard rule that is scheduled to go into effect March 16.

The former COMPS (Colorado Overtime and Minimum Pay Standards) rule was criticized to be unclear and criteria for salary wage exemption vague. Therefore, the Division of Labor Standards and Statistics reviewed the business and employee input for the past 10 months and revised the rule standards (COMPS Order No. 36).

Here are some high points that employers need to be aware of. Wage exemptions apply to all industries. It raises the minimum salary required to be exempt from wage protections starting at \$35,568 in July 2020, gradually adjusting each year to \$55,000 in 2024. The department believes it clarifies the ambiguous wage rules that had generated litigation and confu-

sion for employers and employees. The salary of \$35,568 is estimated to be below the average minimum wage of \$12 an hour (new hourly minimum wage for 2020) with an average of 52 hours/week or more. Salaried employees should not be placed below the minimum wage level. The rate of salary increase is scheduled as follows: \$40,500 in 2021, \$45,000 in 2022, \$50,000 in 2023 and \$55,000 in 2024.

The CDLE has strict guidelines on how employees are considered salaried. This new salary rule does have exemptions and broadly includes owners, supervisors/high level administrators, nonprofit administrators, highly technical computer-related employees, in-residence workers such as property managers and camp/outdoor field staff, salespersons, various medical field employees, ski areas and agriculture jobs.

Overtime is considered anything over 40 hours/week, 12 hours daily or 12 consecutive hours. Hours cannot be averaged for two or more weeks and employers cannot offer "comp" time (time off in lieu of). Employers should make sure that they have posted in their work area the latest

Colorado Minimum Wage Order No. 35 which designates the minimum hourly wage for regular and tipped employees. For more information on the COMPS Order No. 36 and a variety of labor law information and posters for your workplace, visit the CDLE website at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/labor>.

Be prepared and informed about COVID-19

The Colorado Department of Public Health (CDPHE) and San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) are sending out regular public information announcements about COVID-19 (coronavirus).

It is important that businesses take precautions, inform their staff on what is being done, and to be prepared and aware, not panicked. Safety guidelines such as hand washing, what to do if you are sick and food handling should already be a mainstay in all of our businesses. We need to be more vigilant about these guidelines on an everyday basis and adhere to the requirements—they're in place for a reason.

Town approves contract modification for sidewalk project

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

A \$23,995.50 increase for construction management for the ongoing North 8th Street Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) project was approved by the Pagosa Springs Town Council at a meeting on March 3.

The SRTS project looks to connect sidewalks to the south of U.S. 160 to a new sidewalk on the north side of the highway, according to agenda documentation.

Originally, the project was designed in 2018 and bid out in 2019, but the project cost was determined to be "astronomical," according to agenda documentation.

The project was then bid again, with the contract awarded to U Can Afford Landscaping Inc. (UCAL).

Public Works Director Martin Schmidt explained to council that the original construction management line item is not covering the cost of the construction management.

Schmidt explained that the project had been subcontracted to Yeh and Associates Inc., but, due to personnel changes at the firm, the project has now seen a new engineer of record and field technician for the project.

Despite the staff changes, Schmidt explained that Yeh and Associates has been "really fair" and that these personnel changes have not created any cost increases to the project overall.

However, the project is being extended into 2020 via a contract modification order (CMO) for completion, with 20 working days being left in the contract for UCAL to reach comple-

tion, Schmidt noted.

"UCAL is working within the allotted working days period. I think that all of our construction manager and engineer groups had the expectation that we'd be able to complete before the allotted amount of time in the contract. And that didn't happen," Schmidt said. "If we had finished the contract on Dec. 1, this contract modification wouldn't have been necessary. But because we're moving into the next calendar year, it's stretching out the needs for construction management."

The project should be able to be completed in less than the 20 remaining days, Schmidt noted.

If the project is completed in less than the 20 days, the full value of the CMO will not be charged, Schmidt noted.

"So, they're going to charge for the remainder of the time they actually spent on the project," he said. "What they've estimated is the project utilizing the remaining working days and then doing project closeout."

Schmidt explained that he, along with Bohannon Huston Inc., and Yeh and Associates used all of resources it had available in order to get the project done as soon as possible.

"I feel like it's a justified contract modification request. I don't feel like it's frivolous," Schmidt explained.

The original contract allowed 85 days for construction, Schmidt explained; however, several of those days were lost due to weather.

"Just because it rains one day doesn't mean you get to go back to work the next," Schmidt said, citing a period of time in which rain

washed away some base that had been placed.

There could have been some "added efficiencies," Schmidt noted, adding, "But, it really seemed like there was the capability to finish in less than the contract days."

Later, Schmidt noted that if the contractor exceeded the amount of contract working days, the town could look at liquidated damages on the project and use that to justify docking pay to the contractor.

"I think that, to be honest, the a la carte options may have scrambled a few of the numbers in the contract," he said. "But, when they sign a contract that says 85 working days, then that's where it's at."

If every working day had been "workable," the contract would have had three remaining working days when the work stopped on Dec. 1, 2019, Schmidt noted.

"So there were that many days that weren't workable because of weather or something else that came up," he said.

However, Schmidt noted that neither he nor the construction manager are allowed to directly work on the project.

"The contractor is supposed to perform the work to the satisfaction of the owner, but we can't show up and say, 'You guys need to work an eight-hour day,' or something like that," he said. "We're there to make sure that they're doing the job and getting it done in the contract days."

Schmidt cited Americans with Disabilities Act requirements for the project taking up time, as well as a miscalculation on how much

reinforced steel was needed on the sidewalk.

However, that addition was still within the project's budget, but it was just overrun in that line item, Schmidt noted.

"There are issues in every plan. This one had potentially a few more questions that had to be addressed and answered," he said.

Council member Tracy Bunning suggested that it should have stated in the contract to have the work done in a work season and not just within a certain number of days.

"I think the lesson to be learned — and it's something I've preached on before — and that's I think our general practice of going with the low bidder is problematic," council member Mat deGraaf said.

The motion to approve the CMO that increases the contract amount by \$23,995.50 for construction management was approved unanimously by council.

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Chamber releases business survey results

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Special to The SUN

In January and February, the business community was asked to take a one-question survey: What are the top three needs facing you and your business in 2020? The results are in and several answers are no surprise.

The top issue facing businesses is the availability of quality workforce. The second top issue coming in at only one vote difference is broadband service. The third and fourth top issues, which came in at half of the votes as the top two

issues but still no less important, were housing and business logistics, which includes permitting, licensing, signage, etc. with town and county agencies.

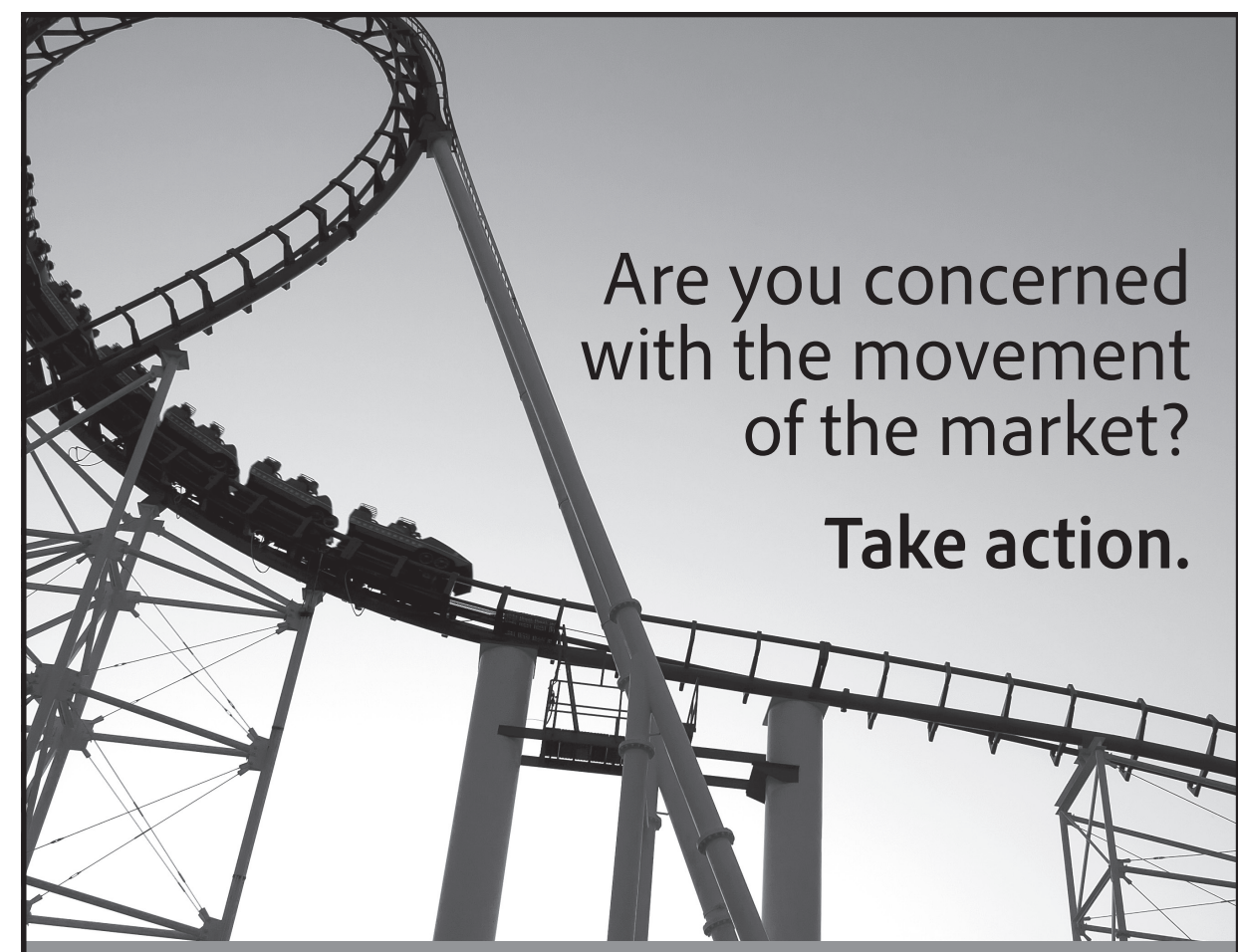
As mentioned, these issues are no surprise as how they affect doing business in Pagosa Springs. But what can the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce do now to improve the problems and help you do business easier?

If we can help create a better-prepared workforce, will that help you so that you can focus on other activities in your business?

If broadband was more easily accessible and at higher speeds, could you just cross that issue off your list and not have to worry about Internet accessibility?

What are the next steps? Let's take broadband first. The Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation has actively been working on connecting with Internet service providers (ISPs) to improve the capability of broadband especially through the U.S. 160 corridor through the town- and county-owned SCAN fiber. This

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Coronavirus

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be more reported positives, with the governor calling testing a "crucial tool" in slowing the spread of the virus.

"The bottom line is this: The more people we test and the sooner we do it, the better chance we have at successful containment," Polis said.

As of Wednesday afternoon, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) reported that Colorado had 33 presumptive positive cases (cases are deemed presumptive positive until the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or CDC, confirm them) and one indeterminate case that was being treated as positive.

As of press time Wednesday, no cases were confirmed in either Archuleta or La Plata counties, according to San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH).

Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb reported that PSMC had done one test as of Wednesday morning, but noted that more people are asking to be screened to determine if they need tested.

"The more people we screen, we probably will start seeing some," Webb said, noting the medical center is in contact with SJBPH numerous times a day and follows the state and CDC guidelines.

But, while those who believe they may have had COVID-19 exposure are asked to call a medical facility to determine appropriate care, PSMC staff stressed that PSMC continues to be open to treat the public.

"We treat infectious diseases of many sorts all the time and our staff are prepared to take care of a patient with an infectious disease and other patients with other sorts of problems. This is not a new thing for hospitals," PSMC Chief Administrative Officer Ann Bruzzese noted.

PSMC Chief Operating Officer Kathee Douglas also encouraged the public to remain calm, explaining that there is no evidence that says the population in a general sense is at a severe risk.

Webb also pointed out that Colorado's population is 6 million.

State and local agencies continue to prepare and stay up-to-date on the status of the illness.

On Wednesday, it was an-

Current cancellations:

- Mountain View Friends, March 12
- St. Patrick's Irish Festival, March 14
- Chamber's Business After Hours at Pagosa Springs Medical Center, March 18
- 9Health Fair postponed, April 25

nounced the CDC is awarding \$9,331,323 to Colorado in support of COVID-19 response.

Locally, community leaders continue to monitor the spread of the disease and ensure that emergency preparedness plans are in place, with a multiagency community emergency planning exercise planned for Thursday.

Archuleta School District Superintendent Linda Reed reported to The SUN Wednesday that the district has an infectious disease and pandemic response plan created by SJBPH in place and is monitoring the situation closely.

Medical contacts

Those who fit the following criteria are asked to call their health care provider to arrange for appropriate treatment: if you have fever, cough or shortness of breath and you have recently traveled to a location where there is an outbreak of COVID-19, or have the symptoms and had close contact with others who recently traveled as described or who have been exposed to or contracted COVID-19.

Following are the phone numbers for local medical providers:

- PSMC: 731-3700.
- Pagosa Medical Group: 372-0456.
- Archuleta Integrated Health-care: 264-2104.
- Those without a doctor can call SJBPH at 247-5702, option 1.

Prevention

A Wednesday press release from SJBPH notes that, based on the information the CDPHE is receiving from presumptive positive cases, the CDPHE has limited to suspect that it is seeing limited community spread in Colorado.

"Limited community spread (or transmission) means there are cases and outbreaks in certain

communities where people became infected, and we are unable to identify the source. Limited person-to-person spread (or transmission) means a person in Colorado became infected from a known exposure to another person in Colorado," the press release states.

The CDPHE suggests the following preventative actions:

- Frequently and thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.

- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, or use your inner elbow or sleeve.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.

- Stay home if you're sick, and keep your children home if they are sick.

- Clean surfaces in your home, and personal items such as cell-phones, using regular household products.

The CDPHE also suggests practicing social distancing:

- Don't shake hands. Instead, bump fists or elbows.

- When possible, increase distance between people to six feet to help reduce spread.

- Consider whether you want to take a trip or attend public gatherings.

- Follow CDC guidelines on travel.

- If there is ongoing spread in your community, consider reducing the number of large group gatherings or activities.

- Discourage children and teens from gathering in other public places if school is closed.

Where can I learn more?

Several local, state and national health organizations are offering information on COVID-19:

- PSMC: <http://pagosaspring-smedicalcenter.org/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-update/>
- SJBPH: <https://sjbpublichealth.org/coronavirus/>
- CDPHE: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/2019-novel-coronavirus>
- CDC: www.coronavirus.gov
- WHO: <https://www.who.int/westernpacific/emergencies/covid-19>

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Need-to-Know Info

COVID-19 Coronavirus

Coronaviruses (CoV)

are a family of viruses that cause the common cold as well as more severe diseases.

Source: World Health Organization

WUHAN CORONAVIRUS



Wuhan

Considered the epicenter of the outbreak, the first reported cases of COVID-19 emerged from this city located in China's Hubei province on December 31, 2019.

3.4%

The estimated global mortality rate for COVID-19, although researchers state this number may shift

Source: World Health Organization

Protect Yourself & Others



1. Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, and always before eating; after using the bathroom; and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
2. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
3. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then dispose of the tissue in the trash.
4. Stay at home when sick until your symptoms are gone.

Source: National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD)



Testing Guidelines

If you feel sick with fever, cough or difficulty breathing, contact your doctor or local health department to help determine if you should be tested for COVID-19. People experiencing severe breathing problems should seek immediate medical attention.

Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

COVID-19

SARS-CoV-2 is a strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans, making it a novel coronavirus. The disease caused by this virus is known as COVID-19.

Source: World Health Organization

COVID-19 Signs & Symptoms



Fever • Cough • Shortness of Breath

Symptoms can range from mild to severe. Senior citizens and those with underlying medical conditions like cardiovascular disease, lung disease, cancer or diabetes are at increased risk for severe symptoms, which can lead to viral pneumonia and even death.

Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

80% of COVID-19 cases are mild, causing cold- or flu-like symptoms

Source: Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention, as reported by the American Medical Association JAMA Network.



Face Mask FAQ

Should I be wearing a face mask?

NO

✓ Anyone who is well

YES

- ✓ Anyone with COVID-19 or symptoms
- ✓ Health workers
- ✓ Caretakers of someone infected with COVID-19

Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

School

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set the graduation requirements for the alternative high school, O'Donnell noted.

The state looks at AEC's achievement as being weighed at 15 percent, growth being weighed at 35 percent, student engagement at 20 percent and postsecondary workforce readiness at 30 percent, O'Donnell noted.

A traditional high school has achievement weighed at 30 percent, growth at 40 percent and postsecondary workforce readiness at 30 percent, according to O'Donnell.

Currently, the other high school with a physical presence in Pagosa Springs, GOAL Academy, gets over \$1 million in per pupil funding for its Archuleta County students, O'Donnell estimated.

GOAL Academy has more than 100 students, O'Donnell estimated.

According to O'Donnell, as of last summer, 96 students received a summer school invitation from PSHS.

"That means they failed at least one core class. That would be math, English, science or social studies. And they needed to come do summer school to finish up a few things in order to earn their credit and not need to retake a class," he said.

PSHS had 19 kids who were so far behind in that class that it was in their best interest to repeat the class, he explained.

Out of those 115 total students, only 38 students signed up for summer school, O'Donnell explained.

Of the 115 students, 32 students transferred to GOAL Academy, he added later.

If there were an alternative for those students, O'Donnell explained, he believes those students could have been engaged earlier in the year with another option.

"We try to put as many supports as we can in place, but we're not going to give away credits. Kids still have to earn and pass that class to get their credit," he said. "We could eliminate this by saying, 'Oh, you're close let's just give you the credit and you can move on.' That's not the way it works for us."

Potential numbers

Later in the meeting, O'Donnell estimated that the enrollment for this alternative high school would

be about 40 students.

O'Donnell noted that he believed this estimate is low, but it is better to start a program with fewer students.

Those would be students who left the district or who are enrolled at the other high school, O'Donnell explained.

The alternative high school would look to engage students who have left the district, but also to keep students within the district, he added later.

If the alternative high school were to have 40 students, the district could receive about \$344,074 in per-pupil revenue, O'Donnell explained.

Estimated operating costs for the alternative high school would be about \$250,000, according to O'Donnell.

If the school stayed at 40 kids with the same number of staff, ASD would operating at a surplus of about \$94,074.

Starting out, the alternative high school would have two teachers and a director, according to O'Donnell.

A director, in other alternative high schools, is also an instructor, O'Donnell explained, which could be a possibility for the school as well.

The alternative high school could also potentially have a counselor, he added later.

"I have no problem if you open this up and lose money, and I'm including what it costs to build and et cetera, for a year or two," BOE member Bruce Dryburgh said. "But I'm going to want to see that we can at least break even starting in year three."

Next steps

Later in the meeting, O'Donnell highlighted that some of the next steps to open the facility in the fall of 2020 include things such as advertising and hiring a director, locating and establishing a facility, hiring staff, and creating an application and enrollment process.

The director/principal would help lead the design process of the school, O'Donnell explained.

"I feel like that person needs to be involved from the ground

floor," he said.

However, the AEC status for the school would not be able to be obtained in the first year of the school, he explained.

"We'd have to establish the school, enroll our students and then next spring is when we can apply to the state to say we are operating an alternative education campus and apply to them," he said.

In regard to a facility, O'Donnell explained that it would be a modular building that would cost \$247,572.

Those costs include a construction project manager, site prep, modular costs and set up, technology and furniture, O'Donnell noted.

Other business

At a regular meeting following its work session, the ASD board approved a job description for the school director/principal for the proposed alternative high school.

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Sentenced

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to appear in court on other charges when he was accidentally released.

Peterson, 38, was arrested again in Durango in September of 2019 after attempting to use a stolen credit card to purchase tires for a stolen vehicle at a business in Durango.

According to documents provided by Sixth Judicial District Deputy District Attorney Reid Stewart, Peterson pleaded guilty in February

to second-degree burglary, a class 3 felony, with an 18-year prison sentence.

That charge amounted to \$3,809.45 in fines.

Additionally, Peterson pleaded guilty in February to identity theft using info to obtain, a class 4 felony with a 12-year prison sentence, according to Stewart's documents.

That charge amounted to \$1,250 in fines.

In documents provided to The

SUN by Sixth Judicial District Attorney Christian Champagne, 15 charges were filed against Peterson in a criminal complaint filed in September of 2019.

These charges include: identity theft, first-degree aggravated motor vehicle theft, first-degree criminal trespass, criminal possession of a financial device, failure to register as a sex offender, theft and nine counts of being a habitual criminal.

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Sales

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January 2019:

- Retail is up 21.7 percent, or \$90,123.
- Accommodation/food service is up 18.9 percent, or \$22,680.
- Miscellaneous is up 17.6 percent, or \$20,780.
- Manufacturing is up 22 percent, or \$5,997.
- Professional services is up

420.9 percent, or \$6,065.

- Other services is up 6.1 percent, or \$666.

- Real estate/rental is up 15.2 percent, or \$2,853.

- Construction is up 54.4 percent, or \$6,845.

- Finance/insurance is up 16.6 percent, or \$181.

Information services is the lone category down in January com-

pared to January 2019. It is 44.8 percent lower than last January, amounting to \$11,067 less revenue.

Walton's report notes that the state of Colorado flags sales tax being paid from vendors located out of state, like Amazon or other online retailers, and 5.1 percent of overall January's overall sales tax revenue, or \$45,467, was collected from those vendors.

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Town, county discuss proposing new sales tax initiative

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

At a joint work session between town and county officials on Feb. 25, the two groups discussed possibly proposing a sales tax to raise revenues.

"As we all know, the town and county, we both have capital facility problems and the question I'd like to ask is what can we do to help our capital facility needs?" Archuleta County Commissioner Ron Maez said, adding, "I think what we need to do is probably come together jointly and see about what we can do to pass some type of sales tax increase so that we can address our capital facility needs."

"We're all struggling with no money. I'm kind of thinking out loud that maybe we can come together and look at some kind of a sales tax that we shared in some way," Commissioner Steve Wadley said.

Pagosa Springs Town Council member Mat deGraaf suggested that a sales tax could disproportionately hurt lower-income residents in the area.

"Sales tax is also a tax and it disproportionately affects everybody," deGraaf said. "You know, the lower income pay the same increase as the higher income. That's not fair either."

"Tourists pay it, too," Wadley said. "Well, that's great, but it still impacts me," deGraaf responded.

Many town council members indicated this was the first time they'd heard of this proposal.

Pagosa Springs Mayor Don Volger said that many options to raise revenue are on the table, including a property tax, but stressed that the town and county needed to proceed together for the best chance of getting a tax passed by voters.

"I think whatever we do, if we get into discussions beforehand, before we go to the voters, before we go ahead and write up a ballot initiative, if we go together, I think we will have a much better chance of having support from the general public. I think that was one of the problems before," Volger said, referencing two sales tax initiatives that failed at the ballot in recent years.

"Basically what I'm sayin', is we have to do something," Maez said.

"Whether it's property or whether it's sales tax, our needs keep growing, the town's needs keep growing. So if we sit and do nothing, we're just sitting and doing nothing."

"It's not just roads, it's not just the jail. It's not just [the town's] maintenance building ... Recreation, trails all that, we need to make this a more livable community. Nobody wants to be paying taxes like they are in Illinois ... I had a much more modest home in Albuquerque than I have here but I was paying more property tax than I am on [my house here]. Albuquerque's not the mecca, it's not Hawaii, I got news for ya," Wadley said. "The property tax is very cheap [in Archuleta County] and I've had people sit in my office and say, 'Look, you can make the best argument you want Steve, I don't care. I'm retired, I'm on a fixed income, this is all I've got, this is all I'm ever gonna have and I'm gonna vote no.'"

At the meeting, Volger explained that all options to increase revenue were on the table, including forming one large special district.

"Once we get to the table, then we can have these discussions and

we can look at not only the property tax and the sales tax but maybe some other options ... I mean there's an option of maybe forming a special district, a big one, but it's a possibility," said Volger.

In a follow-up phone call, Volger offered more clarity on his statement at the meeting.

"I know that there are ways to form special districts around certain issues and one of the issues could be for town and county infrastructure," said Volger, adding, "We have a lot of community needs that are big ticket items and that needs to be addressed in some form or fashion with some type of continuous revenue stream that is not just gonna be refunded every year or something that can't be relied on ... That adds another layer of government and I'm not necessarily in favor of that either."

Maez told The SUN March 4 that the two groups will probably separately deliberate the issue and could come to a decision around May.

The next joint work session between the town and the county is scheduled for March 31, at a location to be determined.

Results

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capability is now a reality with one ISP able to provide 1 gig of service in certain areas to businesses at a reasonable rate. There are several other ISPs interested in leasing fiber to upgrade or provide their services to businesses as well. One gig — that's huge.

If you are along the U.S. 160 corridor and are interested in upgrading your service, visit www.archuletacountybroadband.com

and contact the broadband service management office for more information and to see if your location qualifies. This is very viable for cluster businesses or those that require a lot of upload speed. If you work from home, service in some of the outlying areas are soon to improve.

Through a grant with the Department of Local Affairs and matching funds from Archuleta County and

the Town of Pagosa Springs, Mammoth Communications received a \$466,000 grant. There will be equipment upgrades in Aspen Springs, upper Piedra, Chromo, Arboles and more. CAF II funds were also significantly utilized, and we hope to have the CenturyLink work that was accomplished in the summer of 2019 up and running to many areas throughout Pagosa. Stay tuned for more detailed information on these improvements.

The Chamber is poised to work on the workforce issue with Archuleta School District. We know we must "grow our own talent" and mentor those young adults to enter the workforce. We must also engage those moving into Pagosa to find relevant jobs to their skill sets. If you are a business owner and would like to be involved in working on this initiative, please contact Mary Jo at the Chamber. In January, the Chamber and Pagosa Springs High School hosted Career Day. Over 35 business owners volunteered their time to speak to high school students about the various industries in our community. We

are also working with Pueblo Community College to have a better presence in our community. But there is a lot of work to be done in the many facets of the workforce arena. We need your help.

The Chamber board is dedicated to working on the major issues that surfaced from this survey. In the upcoming months, we will be releasing to the business community our plan of action for 2020. It certainly involves working and collaborating with many agencies in our community. Everyone must realize that it does not take just one effort or one conversation to change the way we do business for the better. It will also take the engagement of the business community. If you want to see and affect change, you must be a part of the conversation. Please think about dedicating some time to make the way we do business better. All of these issues require a village to correct. The Chamber of Commerce looks forward to tackling the concerns and moving the needle in a positive direction to help our businesses.

Three local lakes full

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Three out of five local lakes are currently full, according to a press release from Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District Manager Justin Ramsey.

Lake Pagosa and Village Lake remain full, as they were last week.

Hatcher Lake has gone from being 1 inch from full to being full this week.

Stevens Lake is 6 inches from full this week, or 98.21 percent full. Last week, it was 8 inches from full.

Lake Forest is 2 inches from full this week, or 98.48 percent full. Last week, it was 3 inches from full.

Total diversion flows remain at 4.5 cubic feet per second (cfs). The West Fork diversion is still contributing 3 cfs and the Four Mile diversion is still adding 1.5 cfs.

From Feb. 28 through March 5 of this year, total water production was listed at 10.67 million gallons.

Contributing to that total, the Snowball water treatment plant

produced 3.48 million gallons and the Hatcher water treatment plant produced 7.19 million gallons.

Last year, in that same time period, total water production was listed at 9.91 million gallons.

From Feb. 21 through Feb. 27 of this year, total water production was listed at 10.82 million gallons.

Snow water equivalency (SWE) saw a slight increase since last week, going from 20.3 inches to 20.8 inches.

The SWE median also saw an increase, going from 26.1 inches to 27.2 inches.

This week, SWE data is 76.5 percent of median. Last week, it was 77.8 percent of median.

Precipitation data has seen an increase from last week, going from 21.1 inches to 21.6 inches.

The precipitation median has decreased since last week, however, going from 28 inches to 23.4 inches.

This week, precipitation data is 92.3 percent of median. Last week, it was 75.4 percent of median.

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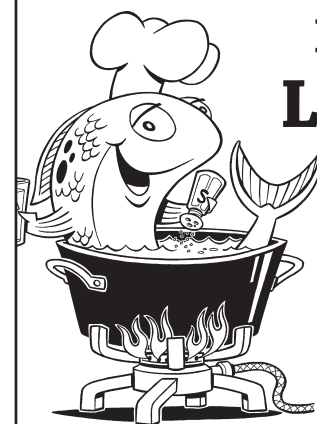
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Sports

BASKETBALL



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Lady Pirate basketball coach Wes Lewis cuts down the last of the net as the team and crowd look on following Pagosa's Sweet 16 victory over the Manitou Springs Mustangs. Pagosa defeated the Mustangs 41-16 to advance to today's Great 8 action.

Lady Pirates sail into Great 8, take on Delta today

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The No. 5 Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates are on the court at the University of Denver this morning for an 8:45 a.m. matchup against the No. 4 Delta Panthers in the Great 8 round of the 3A state tournament.

Pagosa defeated No. 28 Colorado Springs Christians and the No. 12 Manitou Springs Mustangs in the first two rounds of the state bracket to advance to today's Great 8.

The Lady Pirates enter today's matchup with a 19-4 record, while the Panthers enter the Great 8 with a 21-3 record.

Pagosa and Delta have four common opponents this season, with Pagosa holding a 6-1 record against those opponents and Delta holding a 5-2 record.

Those common opponents are Grand Valley, Olathe, Centauri and Alamosa.

Coach Wes Lewis noted Saturday that the coaching staff would begin preparing for Delta over the weekend.

"We know that they play a lot of zone, I know they got a lot of size, I know they're a good team, so we'll do our best to prepare for them and try to have our kids ready to go," he said. "A lot of it's going to be about us: continue to do what we do, do the things we do well."

Today's other Great 8 games include No. 1 St. Mary's versus No. 9 The Vanguard School, No. 18 Brush versus No. 10 Eaton, and No. 6 Centauri versus No. 3

University.

The winners of today's games will advance to the Final 4 Friday, with the winner of the Pagosa/Delta game slated to take on the winner of the St. Mary's/Vanguard game at 4 p.m. and the winners of the other two Great 8 games slated to face off at 7 p.m.

The girls' championship game is set for 4 p.m. Saturday, while the third-place game is set for noon Saturday.

After winning a league title and district championship, the No. 5 Pirates were one of eight teams who earned the right to host regional action — the first and Sweet 16 rounds — last weekend.

Pagosa took on the No. 28 Colorado Springs Christian Lions in the opening round of the state bracket Friday and advanced with a 57-17 win.

Pagosa built a lead early in the game, scoring 17 in the first quarter while allowing five. By halftime, the Lady Pirates had built a 32-8 lead.

The trend continued in the second half, with Pagosa outscoring the Lions 16-2 in the third quarter and 9-7 in the fourth.

"I thought our kids were really, really good defensively in that one as well as tonight," Lewis said following Saturday's game against Manitou Springs.

Lewis noted that Pagosa tried to not show any of its man-to-man defense in the game due to Manitou Springs, who typically plays man defense, watching.

"So, we kind of stayed vanilla last night against CSCS. We kind of ran the same offense, the same out-

of-bounds plays ... kind of two or three ... just tried to stay very basic in what we did show. I thought the defense was really, really good, and we were pretty balanced across the scoring, got contributions from a lot of different kids. So, obviously, you like it when it goes like that," Lewis said.

Hailey Griego led the team in scoring with 19 points, which she complemented with five rebounds, an assist and a steal.

Elsa Lindner logged 14 points, 15 rebounds, three assists, two blocks and two steals in the game.

Adelynn Dozier put up 14 points, including a 3-pointer, and had two assists.

Molly Graham added six points, three rebounds, one assist, a block and a steal.

Taylor Lewis logged four points, four rebounds, five assists and two steals.

Bea Carpenter added two points and a rebound, and Kori Lucero had two points, one rebound and four assists.

Audrey Martin logged one assist, Chantell Caldwell had a rebound, and Miah Shoffner had a rebound and four assists.

Pagosa made five of 13 free-throw attempts in the game, or 38 percent, and turned the ball over 10 times.

The next day, the Lady Pirates took on No. 12 Manitou, who defeated No. 21 Estes Park in the first round. The Pirates finished the Sweet 16 game with a 41-16 win.

Pagosa notched 14 points in the first quarter against

the Mustangs, allowing nine.

Pagosa increased that lead throughout the rest of the game and turned it into a 41-16 win with a 6-2 second quarter, 9-3 third quarter and 12-2 fourth.

"Our defense was good last night to hold them to 17 and then to turn around ... tonight to hold them to 16. That's phenomenal defense," the coach said following the game.

Griego led her team with 17 points (including seven from the free-throw line) and 12 rebounds. She also logged a steal.

Taylor Lewis had nine points (including a 3-pointer), nine rebounds, three assists, three blocks and a pair of steals.

Dozier put up a pair of 3-pointers for six points, as well as tallying two assists.

Lindner had four points and seven rebounds.

"Elsa has been playing so good down the stretch, but she was very limited tonight," the coach said, referring to Lindner's foul trouble that led to limited playing time. "She still had pretty good ... got a couple offensive rebounds and putbacks."

Graham, he noted, did a good job trading minutes with Lindner.

"What a luxury is it to have two 6-footers," he said. Graham had two points in the game, as well as seven rebounds, an assist, four blocks and a steal.

Lucero had two points, two rebounds, two assists and two steals.

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BASKETBALL



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The Lady Pirate basketball team logged a pair of wins over the last week to advance in the 3A state tournament, with the team's seniors getting in on the action. From left: Miah Shoffner looks to move past a Colorado Springs Christian Lion in the Pirates' 57-17 win, Elsa Lindner puts up a shot against the Manitou Springs Mustangs Saturday, Taylor Lewis looks to move the ball inside against the Mustangs and Hailey Griego looks to score against the Lions. Senior Teagan Stretton was out due to a concussion from the previous week.

Basketball

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Keira Torrez logged a fourth-quarter free throw for the Lady Pirates.

Martin, Caldwell and Carpenter each pulled down a rebound, and Shoffner had a steal.

Pagosa shot 53 percent from the charity stripe, making 10 of 19 attempts, and turned the ball over

six times.

The coach indicated it was an unusual week for the team with Teagan Stretton being out due to a concussion in the previous week-end's district tournament and not knowing initially if Stretton would be able to play in regional action.

"As the week went on we kind of figured out where we were at, so

we were trying to prepare without her. Kori Lucero stepped in today in her spot as a guard and we actually moved Kori into Taylor's spot and moved Taylor to the point guard," the coach explained, indicating that both players filled the roles well.

"To throw a sophomore like Kori into startin' and guarding their either best or second best player

... I thought Kori was really, really good both nights in her role," he said. "She may not have lit up the scoreboard, but she did a really good job just running the system, doing what she needed to do on the offensive end, and I thought was outstanding."

The coach noted that Taylor Lewis played the one spot in spurts

throughout the season, then would go back to her two or three spot.

"And I thought she did a really good job," the coach said, noting that a point guard can help calm a team. "When you have a steady point guard, it just kind of calms the ship. And I think Teagan's done a good job of that all year long and then Taylor in her absence ... during the year, but

then Taylor tonight and last night ... so I thought that was big."

The coach noted the team hoped to have Stretton back for the Great 8, but would work to become more familiar with her absence if it needed to.

"We're sure hoping for her," he said. "We need her."
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No. 24 Pirates end season against No. 9 Lions in opening round of state tournament

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The No. 24 Pagosa Springs High School Pirate basketball team's run at a third state championship was cut short as the team fell to the No. 9 Lutheran Lions (21-3 overall, 10-0 in league play) 83-62 in the opening round of the 3A state tournament on March 6.

In the first quarter, Lutheran pounced on Pagosa, taking a 29-12 lead.

The second quarter saw the Pirates and Lions going back and forth; however, Lutheran outscored Pagosa 20-19 in the second quarter and held a 49-31 lead at halftime.

In the third quarter, Lutheran's offensive output was slowed down a bit, but so was Pagosa's, with the Lions outscoring the Pirates 15-7.

Despite outscoring the Lions 24-19 in the fourth quarter, the Pirates' comeback attempt fell

short and the 2019-2020 season came to a close.

Mitch Lewis led the team in scoring with 20 points. Lewis also led the team with five rebounds and added a block.

Kyler Hammer finished with a career-high 17 points, two rebounds and a team-high three assists.

Aidan O'Donnell added 13 points, four rebounds and a block. Wyatt Schuchart finished with nine points and a steal.

Ryan Lewis finished with two points, two rebounds and a block. The Pirates finished 11 of 16 from the free-throw line. Converting 69 percent of their attempts.

Pagosa turned over the ball 10 times against Lutheran.

The Pirates end the season with an 11-12 record that included a 4-6 record in the Intermountain League (IML). Pagosa finished the season in fourth place in the IML standings.

Two IML teams remain in the state tournament for Great 8 action, as the No. 11 Alamosa Mean Moose are set to take on the No. 3 Faith Christian Eagles today at 1:15 p.m., and the No. 5 Centauri Falcons are set to face the No. 4 Manual Thunderbolts today at 5:30 p.m.

In an email to The SUN, coach Randy Sorenson praised Lutheran for being a good team with good guards and posts.

"We feel that our kids played one of their best games all year. Lutheran just had too many weapons for us," he wrote.

Pagosa played hard and physically and with no fear, Sorenson described, adding that the Pirates should be proud of their effort.

Sorenson noted that it is always hard when a season comes to a close, but that the Pirates should hold their heads high and that Lutheran was just a tough matchup for them.

"Our record didn't show it but

overall we had a good year. Most every game was close but we just couldn't get over the hump at crucial times in some of the games," he explained. "The kids played hard all year. This team worked hard every single day in practice and that is not easy. They maintained a great attitude all year."

Pagosa will lose three seniors to graduation this year: Snarr, Ryan Lewis and Noah Blackbird.

The seniors are great kids and were a big part of the team's success this season, Sorenson explained, adding that they all had great careers.

"We have three starters coming back and some good young kids that really improved throughout the year. The future should be bright for Pirate Basketball," he wrote.

Sorenson also praised his assistant coaches — Jerry Renfrow, Kain Lucero and Mike Martinez — for their work this season.

SOCCER

Lady Pirates to open season at home March 20

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Following a season that featured a 6-8-2 finish in the regular season and a loss against the eventual state champion Colorado Academy Mustangs in the first round of the playoffs, the 2020 campaign for the Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates will be one that will hopefully see a return to the postseason.

In an interview on Tuesday, coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason explained that the team currently has 27 players. There are five freshman, six sophomores, 11 juniors and four seniors on this year's squad.

The team has been doing various amounts of conditioning work in addition to getting out on the field to practice earlier this season than usual, he described.

"Normally, it takes until after spring break that we can get on the turf," he said. "Right now we're in

the process of getting everyone on the same page in terms of position, team shape and set plays."

Last season, Pagosa finished in first place in the Intermountain League.

From last season to this season, Pagosa lost three seniors to graduation. Kurt-Mason noted that this year's team is currently figuring out who will fill those girls' shoes in regard to leadership.

"It takes a little more time working together outside and playing a game," he said. "When we face adversity, that kind of brings us together. And I think we need to do that to see our leadership."

This year's team has some talented players on it, Kurt-Mason noted, citing Bri Linzalone, Nicole Bartz, Samaya Dunn de Pulido, Annabelle Bowles and Zoie Condrey.

"They step up. When things need to be done, they are being the

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BASEBALL

Pirates set to open season at Delta Tournament

By **Randi Pierce**
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate baseball team will be on the diamond this week to open the 2020 season, with the team slated to play three games in two days at the Delta Tournament.

And the team's coach, Mike Remlinger, is going into the season with a pair of key goals: competing for a league title and finishing the season in the top 15 in the Ratings Percentage Index (RPI), which helps determine postseason seeding.

Last season, Pagosa went 10-12, including a 5-5 league record, and advanced to the postseason, where they lost in regional competition. The team finished the season No. 26 in the RPI standings.

"It's going really well. We're super excited," Remlinger said of this spring's work, pointing out the team has competed in a pair of scrimmages and been able to work in a full-length batting cage.

Remlinger noted there are about 22 athletes out for the program currently, including five seniors, and the team looks to be led by a trio of

returning pitchers — Paden Bailey, Eric Huddleston and Taylor Cotts — as well as a number of returning position players.

The team's current openings, the coach indicated Tuesday, are at right field, left field and second base.

Remlinger noted he's excited about the team's pitching.

"I think my biggest is gonna be getting guys enough work," he said, noting that the team's front three pitchers are all capable of going a complete game. "Just knowing that, ultimately, what that means is that on our midweek games we should have a lot stronger pitching available than we have in the past, so I look to be able to compete with Durango and a few of the better teams that we play on those mid-week games."

Remlinger noted he was happy with the team's progress during last weekend's scrimmages, though the team is still working on getting timing down from a hitting standpoint.

This weekend, the team will be looking to play solid defense and play at a level the team hasn't hit yet, but that the coaches believe the team is capable of.

Schedule

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

The Pirates will open the season with seven away games, three of which will come at this weekend's Delta Tournament, which will take place at multiple sites.

First, Pagosa will take on Gunnison at Olathe High School at 1:30 p.m. Friday.

Then, at 4 p.m. Friday, Pagosa will take on Olathe at the same site.

Saturday at 12:30 p.m., the Pirates will face host Delta at Delta High School.

The following week, the Pirates will take part in the Ignacio Invite, beginning with an 11 a.m. affair on March 17 against Centauri in Ignacio.

On March 21, Pagosa will continue play with the Invite against Gunnison at 9 a.m. and on March 21 will take on Sargent at 9 a.m., with both games set to be held in Ignacio.

On March 31, the Pirates will head to Durango for a 3 p.m. game.

On April 2, the Pirates will host Sargent for their home opener at 3 p.m.

The team will hit the road again

on April 10 and 11 for the Gunnison Tournament.

On April 10, Pagosa will face Montrose in tournament play at 1 p.m., with the following two opponents to be determined.

Pagosa will host a home doubleheader against league foe Bayfield on April 18, with games set for 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The Pirates continue home league play on April 25 with a doubleheader against Alamosa, also at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

On April 28, Pagosa will welcome Durango for a 3 p.m. affair.

After a bit of a break, the Pirates will host Monte Vista for a league doubleheader on May 9, with games set for 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Pagosa will wrap up regular-season home play with a 3 p.m. league matchup against Montezuma-Cortez on May 12.

On May 16, Pagosa will head to La Jara for a league doubleheader against Centauri, with games set for 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The team will wrap up the regular season on May 19 with a league affair at 3 p.m. against Montezuma-Cortez in Cortez.

Soccer

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role models," he said.

Kurt-Mason also cited goalie Trista Tully as another player who will fill a leadership role.

Currently, Kurt-Mason is still deciding on the starting 11 for the team's first two games this weekend.

How the Lady Pirates will play offensively as the season progresses will be determined by the first couple of games, Kurt-Mason noted.

"We're going to have some time where we're going to need to see the kids play against another team, and

then I think we can come up with a more solid answer," he said.

Schedule

The following schedule for the Lady Pirates' soccer season was accurate as of Wednesday, March 11, but is subject to change.

All varsity games are scheduled for 4 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

While the Lady Pirates were originally set to open the season with a pair of home games this week, those games have been postponed.

Pagosa will play host to the Manitou Springs Mustangs on

March 20.

The Lady Pirates will then travel on March 31 to face the 2A Ignacio Bobcats.

Pagosa will return home for a two-game homestand on April 3 against the Bayfield Wolverines and on April 7 against the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers.

On April 14, Pagosa will travel to take on the Bayfield Wolverines.

On April 16, Pagosa will host the Alamosa Mean Moose.

On April 17, Pagosa will host the 2A Center Vikings.

The Lady Pirates will then have a three-game road trip, starting on

Wolf Creek to host St. Patrick's Day Race Saturday

By **Melanie Allen**
Special to The SUN

Wolf Creek Ski Area held its 10th Fun Race of the season on Saturday, March 7. The turnout included 36 racers.

In the Girls 9-11, Marlow Hedgecock placed first with a time of 37:02.

Destiny Packer placed first in the Women 36-40 with a time of 36:17.

In the Women 61-70, Stephanie Bassin placed first with a time of 38:31.

In the Boys 9-11, Harper Hedgecock placed first with a time of 38:36.

Michael Schmidt placed third with a time of 40:93 in the Men 21-25.

The next race at Wolf Creek Ski Area will be the St. Patrick's Day Race,

held on Saturday, March 14.

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Bat and owl presentation at next Weminuche Audubon meeting

By **Jean Zirnhelt**
Special to The SUN

The monthly meeting of the Weminuche Audubon Society will take place on Wednesday, March 18, at the Community Methodist Church on Lewis Street. Socializing and setup begins at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

An update of chapter activities at 6 p.m. will be followed by a program presented by Jordan McMahon.

After completing his master of science degree in biology at Mississippi State University in 2018, McMahon began work as a wildlife biologist for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Canon City, where he is currently employed. At the BLM, he has focused on implementing a comprehensive monitoring program for bats across

the Front Range in anticipation of white-nose syndrome, as well as various monitoring projects with other species of concern such as lynx, Mexican spotted owls and other raptor species.

White-nose syndrome has decimated many colony-forming bat populations since its arrival on the East Coast in the late 2000s. Unfortunately, many scientists think that it will spread to Colorado and across the rest of the U.S., although it has yet to be detected in our state. Because of this threat, the BLM's Royal Gorge Field Office in Canon City has decided to implement a monitoring project to obtain baseline population estimates for bat species in our state, which will be used to assess future changes in populations and better manage habitats and populations of concern.

Included in McMahon's talk will

be details of a study to characterize habitat variables of the Mexican spotted owl, a species listed as threatened by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service since 1993.

Weminuche Audubon will be participating in two citizen science monitoring projects this summer. We will be continuing our monitoring project of forest bird populations in areas treated for fire mitigation and joining in the expansion of a study of American dipper nesting.

If you are interested in information or in volunteering for either of these studies, please contact us at weminuche.audubon@gmail.com.

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Sheriff's department to implement hiring incentives

By John Finebrock
Staff Writer

Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez and Undersheriff Derek Woodman came to the county commissioners' work session on Tuesday to talk about incentives that could get more people to apply for jobs at the sheriff's department.

"Hiring across the nation for law enforcement officers is a challenge," Valdez said. "And so we've had the opportunity to promote within our organization ... but the last actual application we got from outside is about nine months ago. So, we're having a challenge getting applicants."

Woodman proposed three things that could boost applicants and employee retention:

- Promote an existing detentions deputy to a patrol deputy, enroll them in the police academy and cover the \$8,000 tuition cost while still paying the employees' regular salary.

- Recruit a local Archuleta County resident, someone who doesn't necessarily have law enforcement experience, employ them as a deputy and pay for them to go through the academy while still

paying their salary.

- Find an existing Peace Officer Standard and Training (POST) certified police officer in Colorado and provide them with a hiring incentive like a cash sign-on bonus.

Commissioners Alvin Schaaf and Steve Wadley, who both have a law enforcement background, suggested that many law enforcement agencies are offering signing bonuses or other incentives to lure employees.

"I think you gotta do somethin'," Schaaf said. "When I went to the academy I think New Mexico was giving a \$10,000 sign-on bonus."

Wadley reported that the March 10 meeting was about 40 years to the day from when he completed the police academy in Albuquerque, N.M.

"There were 2,000 people that applied for 35 slots," Wadley said, adding, "It's amazing how it's changed. I've said it 100 times, the public needs to pay for law enforcement training. That's a public expense."

Valdez mentioned a state bill being considered that would remove governmental immunity for law enforcement officers could also make it harder to recruit new employees.

"To put it in perspective, you have a detention officer that's making \$18 an hour, and to expect

them to pony up, straight up, an additional \$8,000 bucks to go to the academy, it's a lot of money and then they still have to cover their living expenses, so it ends up being very expensive," Woodman said.

Woodman floated the idea of having a two-year contract with employees who get their academy paid for and if they quit before two years, they have to pay the \$8,000 back.

Woodman also explained the sheriff's office is competing with the Pagosa Springs Police Department for employees, and the town starts its deputies out around \$4,000 higher than the sheriff's department.

"This hiring and retention is such a challenge across the nation that, I believe it's Maine right now, in Maine, if I hire somebody from another agency, there's a bill that was passed — that county's required to pay that other agency for the offset of the costs," Valdez said.

Schaaf and Wadley expressed support for the hiring proposals, but Maez wanted more information, asking Valdez and Woodman for bonus amounts in other jurisdictions.

Woodman explained in a phone call with The SUN Wednesday that the Durango Police Department and the Ignacio Police Department both offer sign-on bonuses, some departments offer a finder's

fee for a current employee who recruits a new deputy, and that Loveland's and Longmont's police departments offer a \$15,000 sign-on bonus.

Woodman explained that because the sheriff's office has about a \$9,000 per month "vacancy savings" with open positions, no amendment to the budget would be needed for the incentives. The vacancy savings would pay for the incentives to recruit employees.

"I understand a sign-on bonus, but maybe not five grand or something," Maez said.

"Even Albuquerque is paying a bonus," Wadley said. "I don't know what it is now, but it's sizable."

Maez told The SUN in an interview Tuesday that the county commissioners do not have to take formal action on the sheriff's department's hiring proposals.

Maez said that County Administrator Scott Wall is "all about transparency" and simply wanted the commissioners and the sheriff to have an open line of communication.

Woodman confirmed Wednesday the sheriff's department will proceed with offering hiring incentives to new employees.

Woodman noted the hiring bonus for officers that are already POST-certified will be \$5,000.

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PFPD lowers insurance rating

By John Finebrock
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) has lowered its insurance rating from a 4/10 to a 3/10, which could see insurance premiums drop for businesses and homes in the fire district.

"We were able to reduce, due to going 24/7 and getting the new apparatus, we went from a 4/10 to a 3/10 for our insurance rating," said Deputy Fire Chief Karn Macht at the PFPD Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday.

"This is pretty exciting," Macht continued. "There's a good potential that that could lower some insurance. I can't speculate on how much, but there could be a potential for a reduction in insurance for the people in the district."

"The part that's always eluded me on this is that the fire department as a whole cannot represent what the insurance companies are gonna do," said PFPD board vice chair Jason Webb. "I feel like we always leave it to our constituents

as, 'Well it could.' Is there any way we can get information to know local insurance companies that will be honoring this?"

"Unfortunately, no," Macht replied. "Being that insurance companies are private, they can assess fees as they so desire ... Basically ISO is just a recommendation for the level of service and water service that we can provide and then the insurance companies do with it what they desire."

ISO refers to the insurance rating given by the Insurance Services Office.

Board member Ron Beckman explained that when he was working at the Albuquerque Fire Department, they managed to get the department's ISO rating down, but the insurance companies only reduced premiums for commercial buildings.

"It's not super tangible ... and that's what kinda sucks about it," Webb said. "Not saying we would say at any point, 'Oh your insurance rate's goin' down 10 percent,' but it would nice if we could get the

insurance company to say, 'Hey, promote your insurance and this is — you know, your fire department has improved and blah blah blah and for these reasons [your premiums will be lower]. That's not ours to say that, that's theirs, but it's just because they don't do that it feels super ambiguous."

Dispatch move

The board also reviewed a draft lease that, if enacted, would move the dispatch center to the former home of Norma and Fred Harman III.

PFPD pays for about 10 percent of dispatch's budget that comes from the agencies that utilize and fund dispatch: the town, the county, the hospital district and the fire district.

The dispatch board needs the approval of each participating agency's board before it executes the lease.

Webb noted he wanted PFPD's attorneys to look at the lease, as he wanted to be sure the attorneys gave it the go-ahead before PFPD

entered into the 10-year term to lease the Harman house.

Webb noted the PFPD board will meet in a special meeting this month or early next month to vote on approving or denying entering into the lease.

The dispatch board is expected to consider executing the lease at its meeting in the first week of April.

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Public Notices

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE No. 2019-016

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

On December 13, 2019, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records:

Original Grantor(s) CSB Investments, LLC
Original Beneficiary(ies) John D. Voden and Marsha L. Wilson-Voden
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt JCJ Trust dated December 20, 2017

Date of Deed of Trust March 17, 2017
County of Recording Archuleta
Recording Date of Deed of Trust March 17, 2017
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21701469

Original Principal Amount \$444,000.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$429,807.95

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
Lot 2A, Bogeys Subdivision Correction, according to the plat thereof filed September 3, 2004, as Reception No. 20408025, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado, together with all its appurtenances

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THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 04/16/2020, at the Archuleta County Treasurer's Office at 449 San Juan St., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of

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Turkey hunting seminar and youth/women's mentored turkey hunt offered

By Doug Purcell
Special to The SUN

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In conjunction with the turkey hunting seminar, CPW will also host a mentored turkey hunt for qualified youth and women applicants. The mentored hunting event will span the weekend of

April 18-19, following the turkey hunting seminar. Hunts will occur on private properties around Pagosa Springs.

Youth (12-17) and women interested in participating in the mentored turkey hunting event must fill out an application which can be obtained from:

- U.S. Forest Service Office, 180 Pagosa St., Pagosa Springs.
- CPW Office, 151 E.16th St., Durango.

No hunting experience is necessary, but selected hunters must possess a valid hunter safety card and a spring over-the-counter tur-

key hunting license by April 17. Applications must be received by April 1 and selected hunt participants will be notified by April 3.

CPW can supply needed equipment (including firearms and ammo) for the hunt. Participants will need their own cold-weather clothing, footwear and camouflaged outerwear (turkey hunting starts in the cold early morning and camouflage is very important). Selected participants are encouraged to use their own equipment.

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By: /s/ Elsa P. White, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: R. Thomas Geyer, Esq. #36277
Newbold Chapman & Geyer PC Attorneys at Law, 150 East Ninth Street, Suite 400, Durango, CO 81302-2790 (970) 247-3039
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District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado
Court Address: 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148
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Tel. 970.264.2400
Eagle's Loft Property Owner's Association, Inc.
Plaintiff

MARK MCCARTHY
Case No.: 2019CV20096
Attorney for Plaintiff:
Christopher B. Conley
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700 South 21st Street
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Email: chris@hjlegal.com Atty. Reg. No.: 51651

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT(S): MARK MCCARTHY**

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 in rem action of judicial foreclosure on your timeshare interest(s) located at Eagle's Loft Condominium for failure to pay assessments to Eagle's Loft Property Owner's Association, Inc. The legal description for your real property is below.
Plaintiff Attorney: Christopher B. Conley, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901.

Defendant(s) / Legal Descriptions:
Exhibit A
Phase III of Eagle's Loft
Matter Amount

Property Owner: MARK MCCARTHY
Building Number: 14
Lot (Unit) Number: 17
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 17
Lien Amount: \$5,827.59

In Phase III of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 130203 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on May 30, 1984, under Reception No. 123459, as amended by that First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 13, 1984, Reception No. 124494, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Eagle's Loft Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.

Unpaid Asmts: \$2,635.69
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Total: \$3,080.71
Phase III of Eagle's Loft
Matter Amount

Property Owner: MARGARET E. JAMES, TRUSTEE OF THE JAMES LIVING TRUST
under Trust Agreement dated April 14, 1994
Building Number: 46
Lot (Unit) Number: 46
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 16

In Phase IV of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 132402 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Third Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 10, 1985, under Reception No. 132403, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

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Defendants
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TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT(S):
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KENNETH SALLEE
MARY E SALLEE
CHARLES E ROUSENBERG JR
WALTER EDWARD RANDOLPH SCOTT
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MARGARET E. JAMES, TRUSTEE**

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Defendant(s) / Legal Descriptions:
Exhibit A
Phase I of Eagle's Loft
Matter Amount

Property Owner: Karl Stauffer And Fabiana Stauffer
Building Number: 1
Lot (Unit) Number: 1
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 50
Unpaid Asmts: \$4,245.69
Interest: \$1,557.10
Late Fees: \$100.00
Total: \$5,902.79

Property Owner: Kenneth Sallee And Mary E Sallee
Building Number: 1
Lot (Unit) Number: 1
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 42

In Phase I of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 117699 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and as further described in that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership of Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

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Unpaid Asmts: \$2,567.42
Interest: \$398.36
Late Fees: \$25.00
Total: \$2,990.78
Phase II of Eagle's Loft
Property Owner: Charles E Rousenberg Jr

Building Number: 10
Lot (Unit) Number: 10
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 50
In Phase II of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 119118 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that First Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on October 7, 1983, in Book 203, Page 584, Reception No. 119119, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

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Unpaid Asmts: \$2,635.69
Interest: \$420.02
Late Fees: \$25.00
Total: \$3,080.71
Phase III of Eagle's Loft
Matter Amount

Property Owner: Walter Edward Randolph Scott And Latoya Mlete Buffman
Building Number: 28
Lot (Unit) Number: 28
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 51

In Phase III of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 130203 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on May 30, 1984, under Reception No. 123459, as amended by that First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 13, 1984, Reception No. 124494, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

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Unpaid Asmts: \$2,499.15
Interest: \$376.89
Late Fees: \$25.00
Total: \$2,901.04
Phase IV of Eagle's Loft
Matter Amount

Property Owner: MARGARET E. JAMES, TRUSTEE OF THE JAMES LIVING TRUST
under Trust Agreement dated April 14, 1994
Building Number: 46
Lot (Unit) Number: 46
Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 16

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of David Lee Snyder, Deceased
Case No. 2019PR10

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before July 2, 2020, or the claims may be forever barred.

Sharmar Alal/Personal Representative
P.O. Box 1766
Arboles, CO 81121
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Jacquelyn M. Schick a.k.a. Jackie Schick, Deceased
Case No. 2020 PR 30005

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before July 6, 2020, or the claims may be forever barred.

Daniel L. Fiedler, Attorney at Law
190 Tailsman Drive, Suite D-14
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
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**COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE
SALE NO. 2020-001**

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

On January 6, 2020, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records.

Original Grantor(s) Christopher Keehn
Original Beneficiary(ies) MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR ACADEMY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt COLORADO HOUSING AND FINANCE AUTHORITY
Date of Deed of Trust June 05, 2019
County of Recording Archuleta

Recording Date of Deed of Trust June 06, 2019
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21903179
Original Principal Amount \$142,373.00
Outstanding Principal Balance \$142,373.00
Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.

**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.
UNIT D, TIMBERLINE TOWNHOMES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED MAY 16, 2000, AS RECEPTION NO. 2000431, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO.**

Also known street and number as: 311 E Golf Place Unit D, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE
The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.

THEREFORE, Notice Is Herby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 05/07/2020, at the Archuleta County Treasurer's Office at 449 San Juan St. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

First Publication 3/12/2020
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IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED;

DATE: 01/06/2020
Elsa P. White, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado
By: /s/ Elsa P. White, Public Trustee
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

Alison L. Berry #345313
Janeway Law Firm, P.C. 9800 S Meridian Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80112 (303) 706-9990
Attorney File # 19-023537

The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO
CONRAD: NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

Case No. 20DR30001
In re the MARRIAGE OF:
KARLA HOLGERS, Petitioner
and
PHILIP ROSENSTEIN, Respondent

Action for Dissolution of Marriage
TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENTS: A copy of the Petition and Summons may be obtained from the Clerk of this Court during regular business hours. Default judgment may be entered against Respondent, if Respondent fails to appear or file a response within thirty-five days after date of Publication.

Debbie Tully
Clerk of the District Court
Archuleta County
46 Eaton Dr, Suite 1
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
By: /s/ Robin Bourrage
Deputy Clerk
Published March 12, 2020 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN.*

Archuleta County Combined Courts
46 Eaton Drive, Suite 1
PO Box 148
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Case No. C42020C10

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**
Public Notice is given on 3/6/2020 that a Petition for a Change of Name of a Minor Child has been filed with the Archuleta Combined Court.

The Petition requests that the name of Gabriel Tomas Cruz be changed to Gabriel Tomas Mendez.
/s/ Cheryl Mulbery
Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk
Published March 12, 19 and 26, 2020 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN.*

County Court
Archuleta County, Colorado
46 Eaton Drive, Suite 1/PO Box 148
Pagosa Springs CO 81147
In the Matter of the Petition of:
Parent/Petitioner: Angelica Mendez for
Minor Child: Gabriel Tomas Cruz
to Change the Child's Name to: Gabriel Tomas Mendez
Case Number: C004020C 000010

**NOTICE TO NON-CUSTODIAL PARENT
BY PUBLICATION**
Notice to Patricio Cruz, non-custodial parent. Notice is given that a hearing is scheduled as follows:
Date: April 17, 2020
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: La Plata Courthouse 1060 E. 2nd Avenue, Durango CO 81301
for the purpose of requesting a change of name for Gabriel Tomas Cruz
At this hearing the Court may enter an order changing the name of minor child,
to support or voice objection to the proposed name change, you must appear at the hearing.
Date: 3/6/2020
/s/ Angelica Mendez
126 Brook Dr., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
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NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED
To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and to Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:
CHRISTOPHER BARRETT DOOHAN
3293 SUNSET HILLS BLVD
THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91362
JOHN VINCENT ZIGLER
3293 SUNSET HILLS BLVD
THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91362

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 15th day of November 1993, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to
Archuleta County
the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
LOT 83, PAGOSA TRAILS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 13, 1971 AS RECEPTION NO. 74885, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO.

Account Number: R012432
Schedule Number: 569930202033
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 1992-00585/2009-00988 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase thereunto to Archuleta County.
That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 1992.
That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of CHRISTOPHER BARRETT DOOHAN and JOHN VINCENT ZIGLER for said year 1992.
That said ARCHULETA COUNTY on the 10th day of February 2020, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to ARCHULETA COUNTY
On the 22nd day of July 2020, unless the same has been redeemed.
Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.
Witness my hand this 26th day of February 2020
/s/ Elsa P White
Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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HASCO INC
1133 NORTH 18TH STREET
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81501

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Account Number: R012423
Schedule Number: 569930202021
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2007-00701
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INVITATION TO BID
Separate sealed BIDS for the **2020 Asphalt Maintenance Project** will be received by **Archuleta County, Colorado** at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. located at 188 South 8th Street, P.O. Box 1208, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147, until 2:00 P.M. local time on **April 9, 2020**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The base project involves typical asphalt maintenance methods on Archuleta County roadways including, and not limited to, the intersection of Navajo Trail Drive and Vista Boulevard, Meadows Drive, South Pagosa Boulevard, and Trujillo Road (County Road 500). The project includes removal of HMA, excavation, sub grade preparation, sub-grade stabilization, HMA paving of full roadway widths, HMA full depth patching, traffic control and other items typically associated with road construction. The Owner has a set budget with asphalt maintenance locations and quantities to be adjusted for priority roadways.

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and PLANS may be obtained on or after March 23, 2020, at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. located at the address mentioned above, upon payment of \$40.00 for each set. No refund will be made for returned copies.



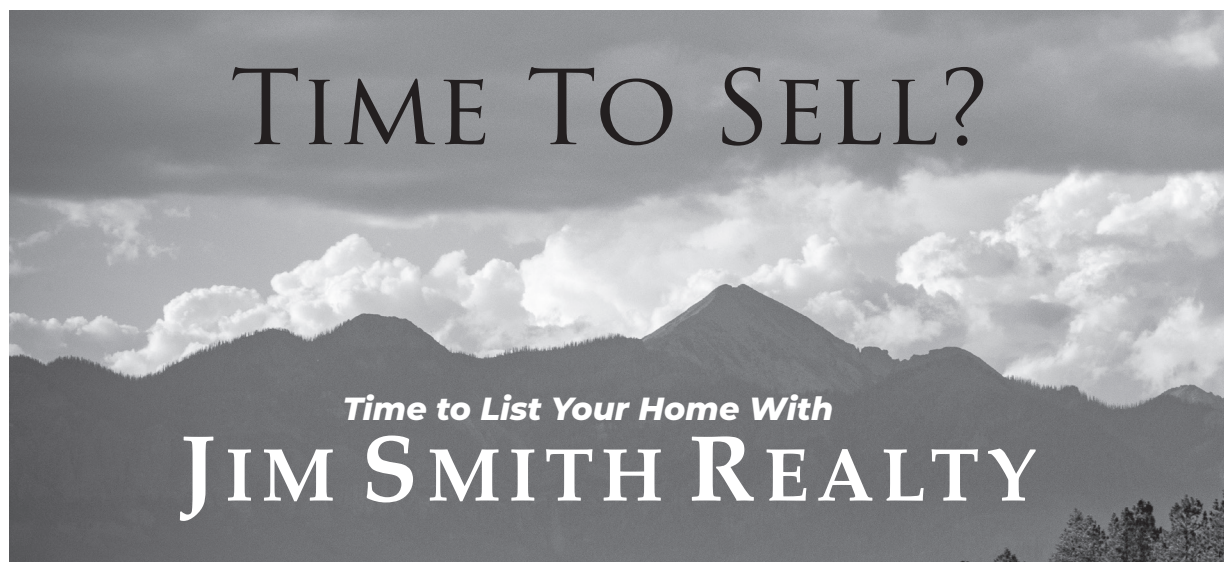
Book fair

SUN photos/Chris Mannara
Kindergartners from Phil Rizzo's class take in the sights and sounds of the Scholastic Book Fair on March 9. These young readers also created a wish list of books they enjoyed at the book fair to supply to their parents.



School visit

SUN photos/Chris Mannara
A variety of Pagosa Springs Middle School students discuss likes and dislikes about their school with members of the Archuleta School District Board of Education on March 10. Students from fifth through eighth grades also gave board members a sample of various projects they have been working on this school year.



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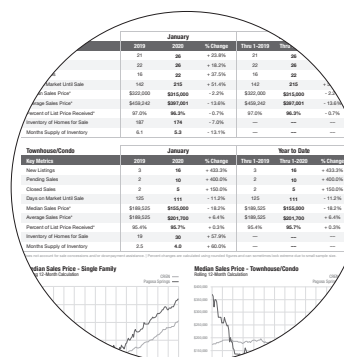


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ARTS & LIFE

St. Patrick's Irish Festival

Saturday, March 14, • 11 a.m.-2 p.m. • St. Patrick's Episcopal Church parking lot, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.



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March 12, 2020



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This weekend's St. Patrick's Irish Festival will take place rain or shine at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, beginning with a parade at 11:30 a.m.



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The Springs Resort Atrium: Jack Ellis, 6 p.m.

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Pagosa Brewing Company: Open Mic hosted by Terri Lynn, 6 p.m.

Wednesday
Riff Raff downtown: The San Juan Mountain Boys, 6 p.m.

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Rain, snow or shine, the parade must go on

By Sally Neel
Special to The PREVIEW

Rain, snow or shine, St. Patrick's Irish Festival will take place this Saturday, March 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Patrick's Episcopal Church parking lot, located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Parking will be made available in the main hospital lot next door to the church, but please do not park in the emergency parking area.

"Let's face it, living in the mountains, we cannot predict the winter weather," said Fr. Doug Neel, rector of St. Patrick's. "But we are Pagosans ... we can handle it. We don't let a little thing like weather stop our celebration."

The World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade will roll out at 11:30 a.m. sharp, kicking off the festivities. (Don't be late or you'll miss it.) Children are invited to ride on the float with St. Patrick. Parents are asked to accompany the wee ones on the float to assure their safety.

The festival will include nearly 30 vendors, bagpipes, dancing, an Irish music concert by NightSong Trio (at 12:30 and 1:30 p.m.), face painting and crafts for the kids, fly-tying and fly-casting classes, free food, beer and Irish coffee (\$5 with ID).

If you are a book lover, come to the church library between 8 and 10 a.m. to purchase some wonderful used books. There are books of all kinds that will surely give you hours of reading pleasure. The hardbacks are only \$1 and paperbacks are 25

cents. All proceeds are given to the church's food box ministry.

"This entire event is essentially free of charge," said Neel. "Bring some extra cash to pick up some used books, goodies from the vendors' booths, or if you enjoy a good brew, you can purchase beer ... But

you also can simply come for a good time and not spend a dime. If you are able, bring a few cans of food to contribute to our food pantry. These items are distributed free of charge to members of our community who are having a hard time making ends

■ See Parade on next page

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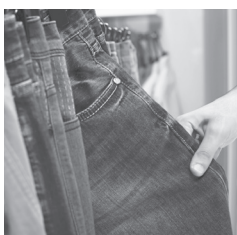
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The cast and crew of the Pagosa Springs High School spring musical, "Matilda the Musical," take a break to pose for a picture during a recent "Pajama Rehearsal." The production is in its eighth week of rehearsals, preparing for a March 17 opening. "Matilda" will run for five consecutive nights, evenings at 7 p.m. We feature a live orchestra pit, gorgeous music, outstanding dance and vocals. Don't miss "Matilda," a show for everyone. The show is directed, choreographed and produced by Dale Johnson with music direction by Dan Burch.



Photo courtesy Dale Johnson

When Director Dale Johnson and Music Director Dan Burch decided on the production "Matilda the Musical" for the high school spring show, Johnson wanted to bring in some veteran younger actors to fill out the cast. Invited to audition and subsequently be cast were Avonlea Thomas, Sophie Martinez and Leela Simpson, all veteran performers with Curtains Up Pagosa, Thingamajig Theatre Company, the high school and other arenas. All three are extraordinary on stage and off and completely at home performing with our brilliant high schoolers. They will be opening on March 17 at 7 p.m. Don't miss this exciting show.

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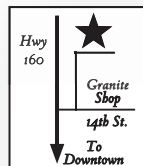
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By Linda Parker
Special to The PREVIEW

The wine has arrived, the table decorations are ready and the baskets have been wrapped in preparation for the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir’s annual fundraiser, “Over the Rainbow,” which will be held tomorrow night beginning at 5 p.m. After weeks of cold temperatures, come share the warmth of friends with the Girls Choir. The event will benefit the choir’s educational programs.

“We are looking forward to having the community and even visitors from out of town join us for our annual gala fundraiser that promises something for everyone, including a treasure-filled silent auction, a catered dinner and a performance by the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir,” Linda Parker, director of the choir, said.

Parker added, “Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at Made in Colorado Shoppe and Goodman’s Department Store. Table reservations are available by

calling Parker at 264-1434.

“Be sure to bring your shopping lists for the silent auction and think about gifts for a house warming, a new baby, summer guests and special friends, as well as anniversaries and birthdays. Community businesses in both Pagosa and Durango have outdone themselves this year in their donations to our auction. Lodging, dining, entertainment, relaxing and much, much more will be available.”

Parker said event goers should plan to get there when the doors for “Over the Rainbow” open at the PLPOA Clubhouse at 5 p.m. The silent auction runs from 5 to 7 p.m. A cash bar of beer, wine and sodas will be available throughout the evening. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Then, under the direction of Linda Parker and accompanied by Lauren Highsmith, the choir will present a choral performance. Our auction winners can start checking out at 7:30 p.m. and our evening will close at 8 p.m. For more information, please call 264-1434.

Parker sees “Over the Rainbow” as a wonderful opportunity for supporters of the choir, as well as new friends eager to help the choir and its members, to enjoy a delightful evening together. Parker invites one and all to come “Over the Rainbow” and share in the joy of music and the opportunities it affords.

“Please come and support these girls as they continue their journey toward musical excellence,” she said. “We hope to see you there.”

Pagosa Peak Open School to present ‘Coffeehouse Night’

By Alison Beach
Special to The PREVIEW

Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) will be hosting our fourth “Coffeehouse Night” at the school on March 12 starting at 6 p.m.

The event will include music and poetry by a collection of performers, including Alison Beach, Nolan Redman, Yenn Fielder, Chris Haas, June Marquez, Leah Ballard, Greg Milioto and Bill Hudson. The performance will take place in the school auditorium in the Parelli building, 7 Parelli Way near the Walmart.

Coffee, tea and hot chocolate, and homemade baked goods will be available for purchase.

The event was conceived to provide a venue for audience and performers to enjoy music and poetry in a family-friendly, alcohol-free setting — and, incidentally, to raise money for school supplies and programs.

Suggested donation: \$10 individual or \$20 for a family. The donation cover charge will include a bowl of soup. Child care is provided

for ages 3 and up. If you choose not to use child care or have little ones under 3, we ask that you please supervise your children.

All donations and profits from drinks and baked goods will benefit PPOS, a 501(c)3 nonprofit. PPOS is a tuition-free public charter school serving Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County.

The Coffeehouse Night team plans to host an event once a month. If you are a poet or singer and would like to learn more about the events, please call Bill Hudson at 903-2673.

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Thingamajig's 'Pagosa City Limits' benefit concert to feature Colorado musicians

By Cynda Green
Special to The PREVIEW

"Pagosa City Limits," a benefit concert for the nonprofit professional Thingamajig Theatre Company, will be rocking the house at 7 p.m. on March 30 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

Outstanding Colorado musicians will perform in an intimate concert setting. Featured artists include Bruce Hayes, from Salida; Kirk James, from Durango; Leah Orlikowski, from Durango; and Allora Leonard (returning to Pagosa from Nashville), accompanied by Jeff Hibshman, of Bayfield.

All four of the singers in this fast-moving program are known for original compositions as well as inventive covers from a wide variety of genres — including blues, country, bluegrass, classic, pop and more.

This week's focus is on veteran bluesman James and country artist Leonard, accompanied by bassist Hibshman.

James is solidly grounded in the Texas blues tradition, playing Texas shuffles, ragtime and funky grooves. His unmistakable phrasing mixed with bottleneck slide conjures images of T-Bone Walker, Elmore James and Lightnin' Hopkins. A blues performer for over 30 years, James is known for his strong blues guitar style and distinctive vocals. James plays both original material



Photo courtesy Thingamajig Theatre Company

Durango Bluesman Kirk James will wow the crowd with his special brand of original and cover blues at the March 30 "Pagosa City Limits" benefit concert for Thingamajig Theatre Company.

and classics from the blues masters.

James has opened concerts for Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, John Hammond, Charlie Musselwhite, Los Lonely Boys, Coco Montoya,

Edgar Winter, Arlo Guthrie and Richie Havens, among others.

Playing solo or with the Kirk James Blues Band, James can be found performing at festivals, concerts and small venues in Colorado and throughout the Four Corners region.

Leonard, returning to Pagosa
■ See Concert on next page

Photo courtesy Thingamajig Theatre Company

Bayfield's Jeff Hibshman will accompany Allora Leonard at the March 30 "Pagosa City Limits" benefit concert for Thingamajig Theatre Company. For tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-7469.



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Neo-traditional country artist Al-lora Leonard, returning to Pagosa from Nashville, will be featured in the March 30 “Pagosa City Limits” benefit concert for Thingamajig Theatre Company.

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Concert

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from Nashville, is a 15-year-old Texas native and part-time Pagosa Springs resident who began her musical career at the tender age of 9. From singing the national anthem at rodeos to performing in musicals and playing in bars, Leonard has enjoyed sharing her love for singing with a wide array of people.

This past fall, Leonard accepted an invitation to perform on Broadway at both Lincoln Center and the famous Birdland Jazz Club. Living in Nashville for the past winter, she had the opportunity to perform in famous venues such as the Bluebird Café, Douglas Corner, The Commodore, Margaritaville and Puckett's.

Leonard was also blessed to share the stage with Gary Morris at his concert in Tennessee in December. To her surprise, award-winning country artist Randy Travis was in the audience that night and greatly encouraged her to pursue her musical journey. Leonard intends to do just that as she continues to write and perform the neo-traditional country songs

she loves so much.

Bayfield's Hibshman will be accompanying Leonard. An accomplished musician (bass, guitar, mandolin), Hibshman has played with or opened for the following folks: Bo Diddly, Taj Mahal, Doc Watson, Marty Stuart, Yonder Mountain String Band, Buddy Guy and many more. Hibshman makes it look easy.

Sound will be provided by audio wizard Michael Fuchs. Thingamajig's Perry Harper will emcee the show.

The benefit concert is on March 30 at 7 p.m. at Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, where the 501(c)(3) nonprofit Thingamajig Theatre Company is in residence. Doors open at 6 p.m. so that patrons may enjoy the art gallery, gift shop, beverage bar and socializing before the music begins.

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 or by calling 731-7469 (SHOW).



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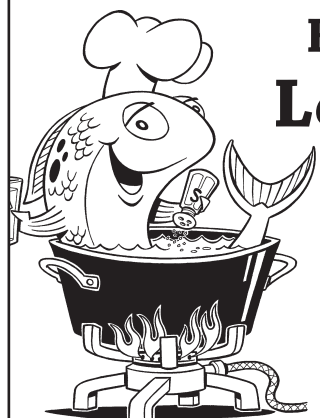
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Second chances and the next generation

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I heard from the bench, "Who will take him home? He is underage and we don't have a place for him."

His mother, who was wearing an ankle tracker, had bounced in and out of jail many times and still struggled with her own addictions. All the same, she cried out vehemently, "I want to take him home with me."

The judge said to her, "It's not a good environment. He will be right back in front of me."

Then he looked at me and said, "Is there any one in the courtroom who will be responsible for him?"

I muttered and shook my head, "I can't. This morning before I entered the courthouse, my husband and I talked. Being a very practical man, he said, 'We can't take care of him. We are not in a position to help him at this point in our lives.'"

I begged my Sweet Al, but knew he was right. How would we get him back and forth to school? How would we deal with the bad company he was keeping? How could we help him?

The court ruled and closed the case. "Since there isn't anyone to take care of this boy, I must recommend him to the juvenile center in Durango. There is no other place for him to go."

I left the courthouse torn up inside. We could have given him a clean bed at the very least. I prayed and prayed for this child. In sincerity, I probably prayed more for me. I felt like I had let him down. I stood and vouched for him, but then I let the courts do what they willed.

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



Maybe God picked up the baton and handed it to our son: a desire to look beyond what others see, to see inside the heart of a person in need.

Eight years later, Al and I were watching a movie that took me right back to how I felt all those years ago. In it, a young man would be bounced from place to place because his only worth was the things only eyes could see. I couldn't help but feel for the character, knowing his heart beheld something greater than his actions displayed. And with those feelings, my own wrestle with reconciliation over where a youth, now probably 24 years of age, is in life.

I shared my thoughts about the movie and conversations I had with my Sweet Al, with our son. I told him about the time I appeared in court to vouch for the troubled teen and how much I lamented not being able to course correct the young man.

Our son said that he had picked up someone who was down and out, and dropped him off at what he later found to be a known drug den. He has now befriended this person, providing him clothes and nonjudgmental conversation. All

of this as a means of what he hopes will one day be a redirection of his path.

While the teen in the courtroom all those years ago and the man my son is helping today are not the same person, the scenario is the same. Who knows, maybe my son is getting the chance to do something that I wasn't able to or even capable of doing.

Is it for the next generation to come alongside and complete what we have started?

I read a phrase this week that said, "Spiritual blessings work in pluralities and bear the property of transcendence." When we talk about God's life, love and his mercies, we know that what we have been given transcends and extends beyond us. His good work transcends from everlasting to everlasting.

Maybe God picked up the baton and handed it to our son: a desire to look beyond what others see, to see inside the heart of a person in need. It doesn't necessarily fill the void I feel by not seeing the fruits of my labor come to fruition. But, there is comfort knowing God's timing is not dictated by my timeline, and will know completeness through his own.

Final brushstroke: We all have fallen and scraped our knee or twisted an ankle. Fortunately, there are those who come alongside us to lift us up when we are down. As for my inability to help the young man facing the detention home? The situation never felt completed until I realized that God's plan is for the next generation to finish what was started, even if through different circumstances.

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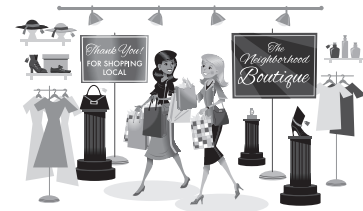
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God's love is no less for us today. We sin and fall short in our relationship with God. But God's love stands. When we return to Him, He will always take us back no matter what condition in which we find ourselves.

May we share more with you about God's amazing love?



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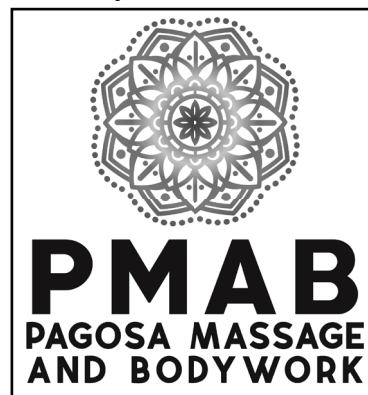
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Entry deadline for Ice Melt Contest March 15

By JoAnn Laird
Special to The PREVIEW

The Ides of March are upon us. Looking back at the history of the Roman Empire, March 15, 44 BC, is known for the day Brutus and other senators killed the Roman dictator Julius Caesar.

March 15, 2020, is known as the day the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club's second annual Ice Melt Con-

test meets its end.

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

will garner \$750 and third place will get \$500.

To be counted, entries must be turned in to Rotary no later than midnight, March 15, or earlier if the thawing happens before March 15. Tickets for your guesses are \$5 each, \$20 for five and \$100 for 30. Get your tickets soon, as the Pagosa weather is as unpredictable as Caesar's friends.

Forms are available through links at www.pagosaspringsrotary.org and www.plpoa.com, the PLPOA Administration Office, PLPOA Rec Center, The Choke Cherry Tree, Chamber of Commerce, and Ski and Bow Rack.

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

So, friends, Romans and Pagosans, "take a stab" at guessing when the clock will meet its end. This Ides of March will surely be better for you than it was for Caesar.

Medicare and employer-based coverage

By Kay Kaylor
PREVIEW Columnist

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 (SMP) and State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) counselor. Information on the many aging and care concerns will be included here.

Medicare is complicated and it's even more so for employees and their families who have job-based insurance or for people with retirement insurance. One of the most important things to know for both medical providers and Medicare beneficiaries is who pays first. The primary payer covers most of the medical bill, while the secondary pays after the primary insurer, often including copays and deductibles.

If the wrong insurance is billed first, the other insurer may not pay, but all people with Medicare have the right to appeal decisions. For those age 65 and older with job-based insurance, Medicare is the primary payer if the employer has fewer than 20 employees. The job-based insurance pays first if the employer has 20 or more employees.

In contrast, for people under age 65 with Medicare after collecting Social Security Disability for 24 months, Medicare pays first when an employer has fewer than 100 employees. Medicare usually pays first

for people who qualify for Medicare with retiree insurance, with the retirement insurance secondary.

If the job-based insurance is primary, people may decide to delay enrollment in Medicare to avoid paying the Part B premium (currently \$144.60/month). If Medicare is supposed to be primary, the job-based insurance may not cover expenses if the employee does not have Part B.

Even more confusing is COBRA coverage, which usually ends when Medicare begins, but Medicare would pay first. COBRA is not obligated to keep people enrolled once they are eligible for Medicare. Those already with Medicare must be allowed to enroll in COBRA, and then Medicare pays first and COBRA second. Other directives apply to COBRA coverage, depending on the situation.

Special enrollment periods exist for people who lose their job-based coverage. Other specific Medicare who-pays-first and Parts A and B enrollment rules apply for people with Federal Employee Health Benefits, a health savings account, end-stage renal disease, veterans affairs benefits and TRICARE for Life. Fortunately, the Medicare Rights Center has provided guidelines for SHIP and SMP counselors.

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Meet this year's stars

By Ursala Hudson
Special to The PREVIEW

Seeds of Learning is honored to announce the 2020 Dancing with the Pagosa Stars lineup. These stars were selected for their community leadership, personality and a belief in Seed's education.

Our talented female stars are Linda Parelli, Quinlan Quiros, Chantelle Jordan and Theresa Snyder. Our respected male stars are Gabriel Heraty, Shane Lucero, Kent Curtis and Blue Haas. Dancing with the Pagosa Stars will be

held on July 11 at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

These incredibly generous people have agreed to be paired with a professional dancer, learn a dance routine choreographed just for them and perform for your votes on July 11. It is a magical night at the Community Center.

Today you can go to the Seed's website at <http://growingseeds.org/dwtps-stars/> to see bios of these competitive stars and vote for your favorites. Each \$1 vote moves a star closer to winning the coveted Mirror Ball Trophy and

bragging rights as the winner for the next year. But, more importantly, all the proceeds go to sustaining Seeds of Learning, where preschoolers are expertly prepared for school and for life.

This year, we have tickets ranging from \$125 to \$200, depending on which row you select. All tickets include a drink ticket, a buffet dinner served by a fine dining restaurant, a fabulous show and open dancing to DJ entertainment. Ticket sales will open to the public at 9 a.m. on June 5. Watch our website and Facebook page for specific instructions on ticket purchase.

Over the next few weeks, we will tell you more about these special people and why they have agreed to support Seeds. Each has a unique story and everyone associated with Seeds feels very lucky to have their amazing support. Their commitment to raise critically needed funds to educate vulnerable at-risk preschool children is truly inspiring. When you see these folks around town, be sure to let them know how special they are, and don't forget to vote.

9Health postpones spring health fairs across the state

Special to The PREVIEW

9Health, the largest volunteer-driven, nonprofit health wellness and prevention effort in the country, has postponed the spring 9Health Fairs as a proactive measure to its ongoing commitment to keep Colorado healthy amid the growing public interest in COVID-19, otherwise known as the coronavirus.

The spring 9Health Fairs, hosted in late March through early May across Colorado, will be postponed to a later date in 2020.

For more than 40 years, 9NEWS and 9Health have maintained a partnership focused on keeping Colorado healthy through preventive care and health awareness. 9Health will continue to advance this health awareness effort across Colorado and provide people with the tools they need to take responsibility for their own health.

"We are moving swiftly and thoughtfully to ensure we con-

tinue to play a leading role in keeping Colorado healthy," said Gary Drews, 9Health president and CEO. "In collaboration with 9NEWS, we are implementing several initiatives and tools to empower the public to make informed decisions about their health."

The staff is actively seeking alternative screening methods so that 9Health Fair attendees can continue to be health aware. The website <https://www.9healthfair.org/news/coronavirus-covid-19/> will keep the public and 9Health Fair volunteers up-to-speed with information, virtual town halls, new fair dates and information for those who have questions about pre-purchased screenings.

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

Snow geese are birds that may stop here on their long migratory flights to or from their breeding grounds in the Arctic tundras of Canada and Alaska. On their winter grounds in the U.S., they are found in one of three distinct population groups: the western, mid-continent or eastern. Within a group, they congregate in enormous flocks feeding in wetlands or agricultural fields. Look-out birds in the flock are on the alert for predators and their warning calls may cause thousands of birds to take to the air in a burst of white.

These geese eat all parts of a plant, everything from seeds to roots, often pulling the whole plant out of the ground. Huge winter flocks can cause significant damage to wetland and farm vegetation by leaving little behind. Large nesting colonies have also stripped much of the plant life from their Arctic summer homes, causing a problem for themselves and migratory shorebirds that breed there.

Snow geese are strong fliers, walkers and swimmers. Within the first three weeks of life, goslings may walk up to 50 miles with their parents in search of better feeding habitat.

Snow geese come in two different color forms. The more common white morph is all white with black wingtips and pink legs. Its thick pink bill shows a dark line known as a grin patch. The dark morph, or blue goose, is a sooty gray with white on its head.

Snow geese are considered over-abundant and population management to preserve their habitat, both in Canada and the U.S., has proven to be challenging.

For information on local bird-watching events, visit www.weminuche-audubon.org and www.facebook.com/weminucheaudubon/.

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UUs to explore ‘Loving What Is’

By Michael Demchak
Special to The PREVIEW

This Sunday, the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (PUUF) will explore the book “Loving What Is: Four Questions that can Change Your Life” by Byron Katie and the revolutionary process she refers to as “The Work.”

This service and discussion will be lay led and facilitated by Melissa Edwards, who states: “Through a series of questions and turnarounds, we will see how our beliefs and perceptions will change. This method is extremely effective to stop arguing with reality (what is), cut through our delusions and thereby lessen our suffering. This has been used the world over (even in our prisons)

with amazing results.”

Join us as we explore this popular questioning process, and discuss what insights these answers may provide in better understanding ourselves and our view of others.

Edwards fully enjoys Pagosa life, whether hiking, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, soaking in the hot springs or any of the other opportunities to be in nature. When she’s not exploring her new surroundings, reading or working on her cabins, she is either helping visitors at her cabin make the most of their vacations or working on the future cabins being installed.

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 (PUUF), visit pagosauu.org or call 731-7900.

The immigrant and the squeezebox

By Joyce Holdread
Special to The PREVIEW

Nguyen Da Minh sat amidst his Vietnamese classmates, his head inclined downward, shoulders slumped, gaze listless. It was obvious to me he didn’t want to be there, but his sponsor and the parish priest had encouraged him to attend the free English classes at the local community college. He had only been in the United States for three months.

This was my first ESL (English as a second language) class. All the students had recently arrived from Vietnam and were adjusting to life in a totally foreign situation. Many had lost everything and some had barely gotten out of Vietnam with their families intact. Da Minh had escaped with no family, but with vivid memories of horrific events he had witnessed. His despondency was palpable and I longed to do something to help him connect with this new reality. The other students were struggling, but slowly gaining a basic proficiency in their new language. Da Minh sat and stared, sometimes on the verge of total breakdown. Any effort to form new words resulted in a tongue so tangled or taut he could emit only syllabic gasps of nothingness.

“Oh Lord,” I prayed, “please show me something I can do to help him.”

Not long afterward, a colleague told me she had learned from the parish priest that Da Minh played the accordion for Mass in Vietnam and that this was something he sorely missed. Now, I had a plan.

“God, I’m just a poor student, barely able to support myself, but you have deep pockets, so I’m asking you for an accordion. Music can be so healing ... and it’s non-verbal.”

One night at dinner, I shared my concern for Da Minh with Len and Pat, the couple from whom I was renting a room. Pat was a Meals on Wheels deliverer in the local com-

A Matter of Faith

munity and had been taking midday meals to a retired accordion teacher.

“I’ll ask Henrietta if she might have an extra accordion she wouldn’t mind parting with. She doesn’t teach any longer, so she may.” My host mom winked in our new conspiracy.

A few days later, I came in the back door and spied a beautiful accordion perched on the kitchen table. I looked in wonder at Pat.

“Henrietta had this extra accordion and she doesn’t want anything for it.” Pat smiled, bright as the sun’s rays streaming through the window.

I lugged the squeezebox to school the next day, but had to leave it in the ESL office before I rushed off to biology class. I asked my colleague to make sure that Da Minh got it before he left that afternoon. When I inquired later, she told me a classmate had helped him understand that the accordion was for him. He left with a look of astonishment and the slightest upward stretch of his mouth.

A small miracle, but for Da Minh, a tender sign of God’s love, and for me, a big building block in the edifice of my faith.

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New Thought Center to hear about living in faith, not fear

By Lisa Burnson
Special to The PREVIEW

“Fear is the opposite of faith.” — Dr. Ernest Holmes.

All are welcome to join New Thought Center for Inspirational Living (NTC) this Sunday, March 15, at 10:30 a.m. for our presentation: “Are You Living in Fear? Or Are You Living in Faith?” Our speaker will be Theresa Howard, RScP, Science of Mind practitioner.

We welcome people of all religions, cultures, races and lifestyles to our services, where we celebrate the Science of Mind and positive thinking.

Our community of affirmative-minded people share joy, laughter and awareness of connection to spirit and our ability to co-create a life of infinite possibilities.

We will have spirited live music.

Also on Sunday, March 15, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., we invite all who enjoy sharing their writing with others to join our writing group for “Stories To Tell Us.” More information can be found on the website: Stories2TellUs.com.

Upcoming events

Thursday, March 12, 6 p.m.:

Movie: “You Can Heal Your Life” with Louise Hay.

Thursday, March 19, 6 p.m.: Spring celebration gratitude prayer.

Sunday, March 22, 6 p.m.: New moon drumming circle with pot-luck.

Thursday, March 26, 6 p.m.: Petroglyph presentation with Judith Jubb.

About us

NTC is a New Thought center based on fostering living a spiritually centered life and promoting the philosophies of the Centers for Spiritual Living and the Agape Centers. NTC honors all lifestyles, cultures and religious paths to the Divine.

We welcome local talent to share gifts, aptitudes and knowledge. Have a hand in making a difference. Participate, learn or contribute your insights, beliefs, knowledge and skills.

NTC events are held at 3505 W. U.S. 160, on the second floor of the Best Western Lodge (elevator

available).

Request a concentrated affirmative mind treatment or obtain information by joining us; emailing PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1052; or calling (505) 604-5031. Find us on Facebook (Pagosa Community of New Thought).

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Play euchre Friday at the Senior Center

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist

Euchre is a card game invented around 1860, played in partnerships with a deck of 24, 28 or sometimes 32 standard playing cards. It is the game responsible for introducing the joker into modern card packs.

The group meets on Fridays at 1 p.m.

The next game is Friday, March 13, at 1 p.m.

A Matter of Balance

The Pagosa Springs Senior Center is pleased to announce our fifth Matter of Balance program.

A Matter of Balance is an award-winning falls-prevention program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falls. The classes help participants to:

- View falls and fear of falling as controllable.
- Set realistic goals for increasing activity.
- Change their environment to reduce fall risk factors.
- Promote exercise to increase strength and balance.

You can benefit from the classes if:

- You are concerned about falls.
- Have sustained a fall in the past.
- You restrict activities because of concerns about falling.
- You are interested in improving flexibility, balance and strength.
- You are age 60 or older, ambulatory and able to problem solve.

The Matter of Balance program lasts eight weeks. Classes are on Wednesdays, beginning on March 25. Each class is from 9 to 11 a.m. Snacks will be provided. Class size is limited. Please call 264-2167 for more information or to register. Classes are free.

AARP Smart Driver

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AARP membership is not required to take the course.

The classroom course costs only \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers.

To register, visit aarp.org/find-acourse. The Senior Center staff will be glad to help you register.

Due to popular demand, the Senior Center is hosting another class on March 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. For reservations, call (970) 462-9613.

VITA tax preparation

The IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will be returning to prepare federal and state income tax returns at no charge. The next 2020 date is March 14, by appointment only. The gross income limit this tax season is \$54,000. Please call 264-2167 for

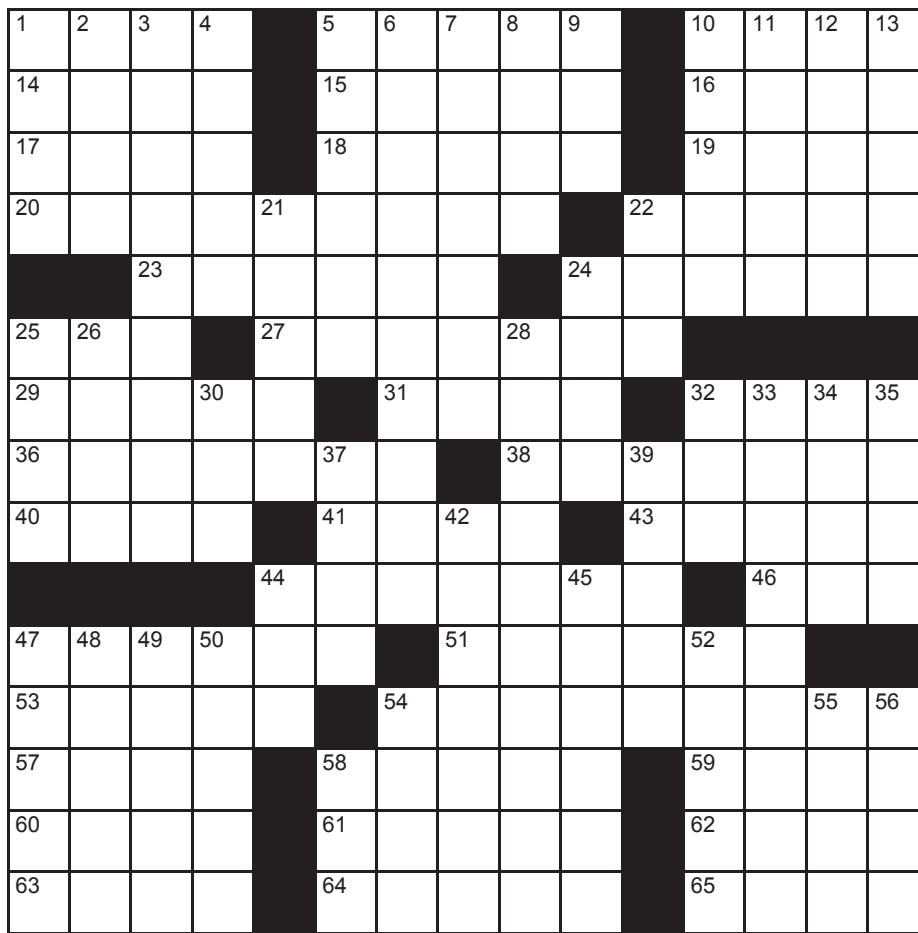
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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Draws a bead on
- 5 Pottery fragment
- 10 Diplomat's skill
- 14 Like some champagne
- 15 Just not done
- 16 Cream additive
- 17 Nastiness
- 18 Join forces
- 19 Building near a silo
- 20 Way to sit on a horse or bike
- 22 Stuff to the gills
- 23 Eventually
- 24 "Bein' Green" singer
- 25 Having a lot to lose?
- 27 Hammer slantingly
- 29 Upscale Honda
- 31 Fender bender result
- 32 Professional org.
- 36 Experience
- 38 Take down a peg
- 40 Have to have
- 41 Out of whack
- 43 Kind of nerve
- 44 Apple cider
- 46 Aggravate
- 47 Bagpiper's wear
- 51 ___-than-life
- 53 On the lookout
- 54 Subject of the 2018 film "Hotel Mumbai"
- 57 Like some reviews
- 58 Cat Steven's train
- 59 Berry in some smoothies
- 60 Sign of foreboding
- 61 Desert refuge
- 62 What the Lusitania did
- 63 Ratted out



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- 64 Pick up the tab for
- 65 Choice word

DOWN

- 1 "Fernando" group
- 2 Blue flower
- 3 Vast quantity
- 4 Back at sea?
- 5 Artist's workplace
- 6 Passed-on garment
- 7 Texas city named for a Kansas city
- 8 Learning method
- 9 Forest female
- 10 Small drum
- 11 Wake-up call?
- 12 Welsh dog
- 13 Doctrine
- 21 Rose oil
- 22 Hair holder
- 24 Franklin's flier
- 25 Woodland deity
- 26 High school breakout

- 28 "When a Man Loves a Woman" actor

- 30 Wine choice
- 32 High peak
- 33 Like some SNL skits
- 34 Excitement
- 35 Bottle top
- 37 Investor's hope
- 39 Do without
- 42 Software version
- 44 Port vessel

- 45 Rap sheet listing
- 47 Gypsy's deck
- 48 San Antonio landmark
- 49 Whoop it up
- 50 What's hot
- 52 Wipe clean
- 54 Streak on a cheek
- 55 ___ serif
- 56 Spoken letter before November
- 58 Winner's take

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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Answers: Foods

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The History (Book) Club

Are you interested in reading and talking about history with others? If so, please join us and bring your ideas and experiences as we continue a history discussion group at the Senior Center. The discussions will cover many historical subjects based on the preferences of the group. Please come and bring your friends who might also be interested.

Colonial America will be the topic for discussion at our next meeting on March 18. Please bring any books or information about this period that you think the group would be interested in reading or discussing in more detail. If there is any one specific aspect of this period in which you are interested, please feel free to bring any additional information or handouts covering the subject.

We will also be discussing the Dutch and French colonies, as well as the Spanish colonies, in New Mexico and Texas. On April 15, we will begin discussing the American Revolution.

Facilitated by Jim Van Liere, the group meets the third Wednesday of every month.

The next History Club meeting is March 18 at 1 p.m.

Health and wellness

The Senior Center is continuing the pilot program which expands health and wellness services to Archuleta County seniors. The program includes wellness and blood pressure monitoring or allows individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice.

There is no charge for Medicare enrollees. Participant IDs will include Medicare card, photo ID and, if necessary, any supplemental insurances. No Medicaid is accepted at this time. Participants are encouraged to bring a list of their current medications.

The goal of the outreach clinic is to provide care to those who are not able to travel.

The next health and wellness

date will be March 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Memberships

Senior Discount Club Memberships are now offered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad prepared by our kitchen staff.

The guest fee for those 59 and under is \$10 and children 10 years and under can eat for \$8.50 each. Access to the salad bar is only \$6 for those under 60.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, March 12 — Grilled chicken with pistachio pesto linguine, Irish carrots, green peas, milk, salad and cherry cream cheese pie.

Friday, March 13 — Pork zuppa Toscana, Mexicali corn, caprese skewers, milk, salad and chocolate chip cookie.

Monday, March 16 — Hot turkey salad, honey/garlic green beans, yellow squash medley, milk, salad and pumpkin pie.

Tuesday, March 17 — Beef Irish stew with cheddar biscuit, sautéed cabbage, milk, salad and Irish lemon pudding.

Wednesday, March 18 — Chicken-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, glazed carrots, dinner roll with butter, milk and salad.

Thursday, March 19 — Pork baked ziti, broccoli/cheese soup, Italian spinach with mushrooms, focaccia bread with butter, milk and salad.

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 dine in the Community Cafe at the Senior Center.

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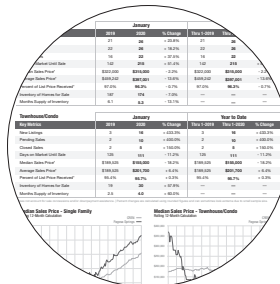
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Advice to first-time gardeners: Think small, find your spot

By Robin Young
PREVIEW Columnist

Another growing season is building momentum, with warmer weather, the rapid snowmelt and the arrival of the 2020 seed catalogs. Gardeners are drafting plans for new harvests. There is such a thing as being too enthusiastic, especially among novices.

Beginners can achieve their best planting results by thinking small. Starting too large is the most common mistake made by first-time gardeners. It is a good idea to limit yourself to 10 feet by 10 feet. If you grow frustrated because of too many things happening the first year, there is a good chance you will not feel like gardening for a second. You can always expand as your skills develop.

Other tips that beginners can start thinking about now:

Find the right location. You need at least 12 hours of sun per day for a vegetable garden. Ornamental gardens are not as fussy.

Gardens also need a convenient water source and rich, well-drained soils.

Good soil preparation is important to success, but be patient. Don't force the soil when it's wet. Soil structures will compact and get tight. That makes it tough for water and air to move through and greatly inhibits growth.

Squeeze the soil gently in your hand. If it crumbles a bit when squeezed, it is ready for use. It can take a long time to get good soil texture and just minutes to destroy it if you work it while it is too wet.

Keep records: You can learn a lot by recording things. What did you plant and when? What worked and what didn't? Did you experience insects and disease? What were your management methods? Put those lessons to use the following year.

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For vegetable gardens, choose easy-to-grow plants like leaf lettuce, carrots, zucchini, potatoes, green beans and radishes. Leave more challenging plants like cauliflower, melons, celery and broccoli for another season.

Deal quickly with insects. Make regular visits to your garden to check for plant pests. Don't worry about the adults. You want to go after the eggs before they develop into juvenile leaf cutters. Most eggs are on the underside of leaves. Use soapy water and picking or simply remove the infested leaves. If you really want to see the show, put on a headlamp and go into the garden at night. That is when they are most active.

Weeds compete with your plants for nutrients and water. Get rid of them before they go to seed.

Mulching retains soil moisture, cools the ground and smothers weeds. Use natural and free materials like shredded leaves, newspaper, grass clippings and sawdust that also enrich the soil over time.

Avoid overcrowding. That stresses plants, invites disease and reduces yields.

Recruit pollinators. Adding

clumps of pollen-rich blooms (think daisy-like coneflowers, sunflowers, asters) to a vegetable mix enhances pollination and boosts harvests.

Eliminate or ease up on the pesticides. Chemicals don't discriminate. They kill the beneficial insects along with the bad.

Gardening can be a challenge in our high and dry environment. Don't get discouraged; there is help. You can contact your local Extension office and be on the lookout for Colorado Master Gardener Days coming soon.

Shred It event

Shred It paper shredding event to benefit the local 4-H program — May 6 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Natural Grocers parking lot. The cost is \$5 per box. All proceeds support the 4-H youth of Archuleta County.

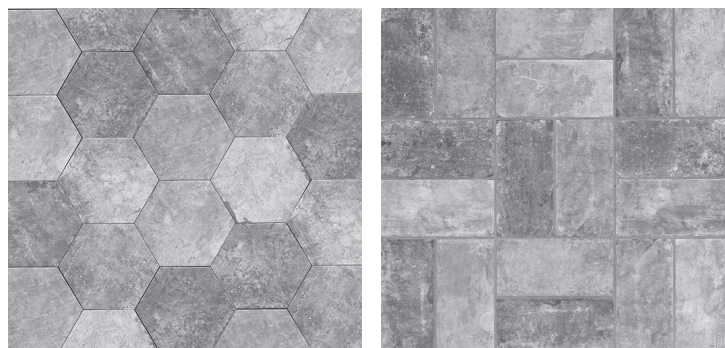
CPR and first aid classes

CPR and first aid certification classes are offered monthly by the CSU Extension office on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month from 6 to 10 p.m. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, March 12

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.

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.

A Course in Miracles Study Group. 10-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call Karen LeCour at 264-0111 for more information.

Mountain View Friends. 10 a.m.-noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. We will be hosting a community presentation on "Native American Designs and the History of the Squash Blossom." Email PagosaMVFriends@gmail.com for more information.

Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a free hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere. No reservations are required.

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Pagosa Peak Open House Coffeehouse Night. 6 p.m., Pagosa Peak Open School, 7 Parelli Way. The event will include music and poetry by a collection of performers. Beverages and baked goods will be available for purchase. Suggested donation is \$10 individual or \$20 for a family.

Chimney Rock Interpretive Association Lecture Series. 7 p.m., The Springs Resort and Spa Luxury Lodge, 165 Hot Springs Blvd. A special presentation on "The Moon

Cycle and Chimney Rock" by Ron Sutcliffe. Sutcliffe will be drawing on original research both at Chimney Rock National Monument and at Chaco Canyon. Socializing at 6 p.m. For more information, visit chimney-rockco.org, or call 731-7133.

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Free Legal Clinic. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. Please check in at the front desk. Everyone will be helped on a first-come, first-served basis. This is a free legal clinic via computer link for parties who have no attorney. Volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for the legal issues in the areas of family law, civil litigation, property law, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, veteran's benefits and civil protection orders. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Pagosa Springs Girls Choir Presents 'Over the Rainbow.' 5-8 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Doors will open at 5 p.m. Event-goers can peruse our annual silent auction with baskets galore. Another newbie this year will be Candy Cubes, Rocky Mountain Chocolate bars in cubes of six which will hold a special prize. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. A cash bar will be available. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased at Goodman's Department Store, Made in Colorado Shoppe and from any member of the choir. For more

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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 14

St. Patrick's Book Nook Sale. 9 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Make time to read for your own enjoyment or share a book with a child. We have lots of books for kids and several jigsaw puzzles. Hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks are 25 cents.

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

VITA Tax Preparation. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Senior Center. VITA returning to prepare federal and state income tax returns. Call 264-2167 for more information or to make an appointment.

Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt Guild. 9:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. The class planned following the meeting has been canceled. All are welcome.

Grand opening. 10 am. to noon, Pagosa Massage and Bodywork, 140 Country Center Drive. For more information, call 903-9278.

Meditation and Dharma Discussion. 10 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Suite B-15, 70 Greenbriar Drive. All are welcome.

LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Sisson Library. For kids 6-12 years old. We have the LEGO bricks, all you need to bring is your imagination. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

St. Patrick's Irish Festival. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. The day will include 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 parade begins at 11:30 a.m.

Family Storytime: PAWS to Read with Kate. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. It's almost St. Patrick's Day, and nothing is more Irish than a sheepdog and storytelling. We invite you to come read some Irish fairy tales with the wonderful border collie Kate, to prepare for the holiday. 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.

Sunday, March 15

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 16

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

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.

Wellness Clinic. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Senior Center. Held by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

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

Otaku. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 5th-12th grade. If you are into anime or manga, this is for you. Come and watch some anime with your friends and talk about your favorite manga.

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 17

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.

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 technol-

ogy questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Men's PTSD Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church library. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. Contact Vets for Vets at 507-3005 for more information.

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.

Adult DIY. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. This month we'll provide the supplies and show you how to cut flower shapes from scrapbook paper and mount them as wall art or a wreath. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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 for more information.

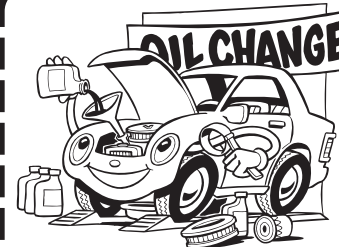
Pagosa Springs High School Presents 'Matilda the Musical.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Tickets available at the door.

Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m. PLPOA Rec Center. 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, 18

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community

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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: Music, Movement, ASL with Diann Tator. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Tator helps us practice our American Sign Language and gets us up and moving with a fun-filled music and movement program. 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.

History Club. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Colonial America will be the topic of discussion. Bring any books or information about this period. If there is any one aspect of this period feel free to bring any additional information or handouts covering the subject. We will also be discussing the Dutch and French colonies as well as the Spanish colonies in New Mexico and Texas. For more information, call Jim at 731-6878.

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.

STEM Program. 4-5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School. For those in the 5th-8th grade. The Archuleta County Extension Office in conjunction with 4-H/AmeriCorps is offering a free STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) program. This year's theme is Edible Science. This fun and educational program will provide students with hands-on opportunities to explore rocks and soil, DNA, cell structures, build a Mars Rover, become a bridge engineer and more. To register call 264-5931.

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.

Weminuche Audubon Society. 6:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Socializing and setup begins at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served. An update of chapter activities will be followed by a program

presentation by Jordan McMahon on bat and owl studies. For more information, visit weminuche.audubon@gmail.com.

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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Pi Beta Phi. 1:30 p.m., Sisson Library. We will present a check to Meg Wempe in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the alumnae club in support of the library's literacy programs. RSVP to Carole Howard. Please wear your Pi Phi vest if you have one.

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Cookie Cook-off. 4-6 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Calling all bakers. Do you love to make

cookies? Bring two dozen cookies that you have baked and we will all get to judge them. We will have three categories: kids, teens and adults. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring a complete list of the

ingredients in your cookies. All ages are encouraged to participate. No peanuts or peanut products. Call 264-2209 to register.

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Teen Book Club. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 6th-12th grade. Join us for snacks and lively discussion of this month's book, "Beasts Made of Night" by Tochi Onyebuchi. Stop by to pick up a copy. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Chimney Rock Open House. 6-7 p.m., The Springs Resort and Spa Luxury Lodge conference room, 165 Hot Springs Blvd. There will be volunteers on hand who are eager to introduce guests to the variety of roles that support this unique program and the flexibility level of commitment. For information, visit www.chimney-rockco.org, or call 731-7133.

Pagosa Christian Women Retreat Fundraiser Presents 'Frozen 2.' 6:15 p.m., Centerpoint Church 2705 Cornerstone Drive. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. A \$5 donation includes popcorn and water.

Pagosa Springs High School Presents 'Matilda the Musical.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Tickets available at the door.

Saturday, March 21

Archuleta County Democratic Club Assembly and Convention. 9 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and convenes at 9 a.m. Only individuals elected as delegates at the caucuses will be permitted to vote at the assembly. A light breakfast will be served. For more information, contact Becky Herman at 264-2171.

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

Family Storytime: Spring-tastic. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Hello spring. Learn about the spring equinox with guest sto-

ryteller Kendall McAlister. 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.

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Sunday, March 22

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.

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 23

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

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.

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 24

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.

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

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

Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m. PLPOA Rec Center. 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 25

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

Falls Prevention: A Matter of Balance. 9-11 a.m., Senior Center. This program is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns about falls. Snacks will be provided. Class size is limited. Call 264-2167 to register.

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.

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.

STEM Program. 4-5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School. For those in the 5th-8th grade. The Archuleta County Extension Office in conjunction with 4-H/AmeriCorps is offering a free STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) program. This year's theme is Edible Science. This fun and educational program will provide students with hands-on opportunities to explore rocks and soil, DNA, cell structures, build a Mars Rover, become a bridge engineer and more. To register call 264-5931.

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

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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Back in the early 1900s, a lumber mill and yards for drying the lumber covered a good deal of the land now serving to house school buildings and athletic fields. In those days, south Pagosa was almost a town unto itself separate from Pagosa Springs. This photo shows the “Company Store.”

Working at the lumber mill

Last week’s column about my first car tickled some forgotten memory lobes and drifted across things that took place but had been long forgotten.

I reminisced about my first car, the black, four-door 1936 Ford sedan, all go and no stop. Within a few months, the all go went, traded in on a higher priority 1940 Chevrolet coupe, royal blue and the car of choice among my generation, boy or girl, or boy and girl.

Upon graduating from high school, I felt fortunate in securing a job pulling green chain at Spaulding’s lumber mill out near Murphy, Ore. As a boy, I had obtained favor from the Spauldings by mowing their lawn for 50 cents an hour. That mill had another connection with our family fortunes. That was the same green chain where my step-father ripped apart his lower abdomen so bad he had to wear a truss to keep his insides inside.

Now I know Pagosa Springs was a logging, lumber mill town throughout most of its history. Making lumber was still going on when I moved here some 50 years ago. So I know there are some Paul Bunyans here, I mean lumberjacks, who know what pulling green chain was all about. After a good-sized tree had been reduced to lumber of various sizes suitable for building houses and such, the freshly cut lumber moves down a conveyor chain, where it is tallied, graded and sorted in stacks according to size and grade. Pulling green



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chain was the job of pulling that lumber off of the moving chain and stacking it in neat piles so it can be dried in the yard surrounding the mill and eventually sold. I’ve been told that most of the lumber used to develop the metropolitan areas stretching along the east side of the mountains running north-south through Colorado and New Mexico was cut from Pagosa Country.

And, so, my first job out of high school was pulling green chain, starting in Murphy, and then about 80 miles west in Crescent City, Calif., at the northern extremity of the coastal redwoods. I worked in two redwood mills and I can tell you a wet, freshly cut redwood plank 3 inch by 12 inch by 18 feet long weighs around 300 pounds. But, in truth, I liked to show off my 148 pounds of grit, especially when the mill owners from back east came to ooh and aah.

I had had a couple of years of college before working in the redwood mills, so it was easy for me to get promoted to chain boss. On one shift, the big boss showed up with a couple of new hands. These guys were well over 6 feet tall and looked

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The water boy wrestler: part two

By **Daris Howard**
Special to The PREVIEW

Coach had put our marshmallowish water boy, whom we called Curly, or Sheep, because of his hair, in to wrestle, claiming there were no other heavyweight wrestlers. Coach said Curly could win us team points by default. He had no uniform of his own, so we had to stuff him into mine each time. Then, at the championship round, we found there was a huge ape-size heavyweight from the home team. Curly was frightened, but Coach told Curly he would wrestle and die like a man if he had to.

The evening wore on, with our team taking a large share of the championships. As I stepped out to wrestle in my now-saggy, stretched uniform, Coach turned to Curly. "Curly, run in and get ready to put on Howard's ..." But Curly wasn't there. "Where in tarnation did Curly go?!" Coach thundered at us.

"I think he's hiding," Frank volunteered.

"Well, get him found!" Coach yelled. "Howard, you get out on the mat and wrestle your match. The rest of you spread out and find Curly."

While I wrestled, 10 other wrestlers ran frantically in every direction. As I stepped off the mat at the end of my match, Frank came running up, panting. "Coach, we found him. He's locked himself in the bathroom in the dressing room."

"Oh, for crying out loud!" Coach gasped. "Howard, get in there, get that uniform on him, and get him out here before I do something I will regret!"

I ran for the locker room and slipped out of my uniform. I could hear Lenny trying to coax Curly out of the bathroom. "Sheep," he said, "what's the problem, man?"

"I want to live to be older than 15," Curly wailed from behind the locked door.

"You've got to do it, man," Lenny prodded, "or Coach is going to make you walk home."

"At least I'll be alive," Curly retorted.

By this time, I was dressed in my regular clothes, and I tried to help.

"Curly, my friend, you may not be alive if Coach catches you. They've already done the first call, and if they call you again, Coach will be coming in here." All was quiet in the bathroom, so I continued. "Just go out there and keep away from him."

"Keep away from him?" Curly almost bawled. "I can't even move in your stupid small wrestling suit. How am I going to keep away from him?"

Frank came flying into the dressing room. "Coach is coming!"

At the mention of Coach, the

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bathroom door popped open, and Curly ran to the uniform. We joined him and started poking pieces of him into it as Coach crashed into the room. "What in heaven's name is taking so long?!"

"The uniform's wet and tight from sweat," I replied.

"Well, get a move on!" Coach thundered as he headed back out to the gym.

We barely arrived back in the gym, with Curly in tow, as the third call came. Curly, both timidly and gingerly, stepped onto the mat, taking tiny steps, as my wrestling suit, stretched like a rubber band, fought to stay in one piece. Curly's opponent took his position on the opposite side of the circle. They shook hands, and we all held our breath as the referee blew his whistle.

The shrill sound of the whistle hadn't even faded before Curly was running for the edge of the mat like a ballerina in a hundred-yard dash. It was obvious he was racing straight

for the bleachers, but he didn't get that far. Just as he made the boundary of the circle, Mr. Mack Truck made a dive and caught Curly by the ankles, tripping him and plopping him, bouncing, onto his soft underbelly on the edge of the mat. Mack then started to drag Curly back toward the center circle.

Curly, in desperation, grabbed the edge of the mat and held on for dear life, popping all the tape that held it down, and rolling it toward the center. The ref, who was gasping with laughter, sounding like he had swallowed his whistle, was trying to find enough air to blow it. Finally, a tiny squeak came out. The laughter of the crowd nearly drowned it out, but the two wrestlers were finally separated. The ref, still red-faced from trying to hold his laughter inside, pointed to Curly and called, "Warning! Stalling!"

"I wasn't stalling," Curly yelled at him. "I was running as fast as I could in this stupid suit!"

The clock showed only 10 seconds had passed of the first two-minute round. It was going to be a long match.

To be continued.

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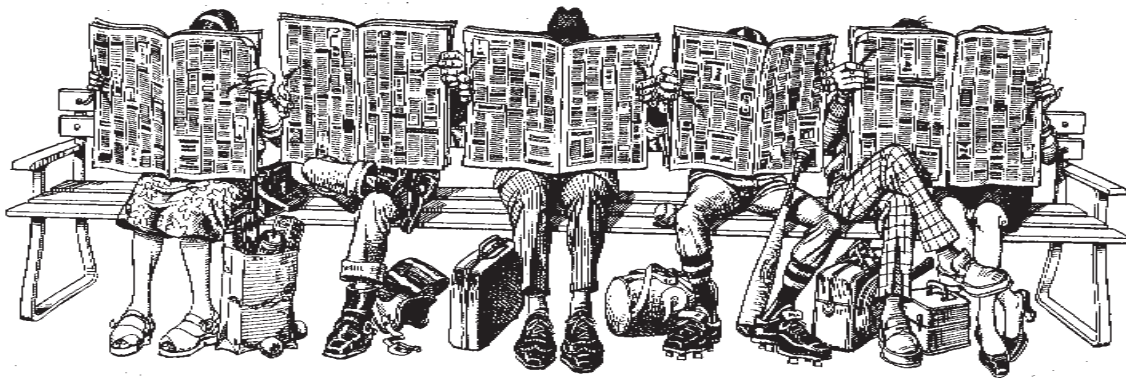
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■ **continued from previous page** pretty stout. The boss introduced them and had me show them how to pull chain. We happened to be sorting 300-pound boards at the time. I hitched up my leather apron, latched onto the next board coming down the chain and deftly planted it on the blocks.

"Wanna try it, bub?" I asked, a grin on my face. "I'd learned not to use the King's English when talkin' to mill hands."

"Nothin' to it," one of the new hands replied. The look in his eyes

told me he figured if I could do it, it would be a lead-pipe cinch for him.

Pretty quick like, I was pulling the lumber off of the new hand and helping him back to his feet. The two new hands looked at each other, took off their gloves and without a word or a look at me, headed out the gate for home.

In truth, I wasn't stronger, but, I knew a lot more about leverage. And I used that leverage to enjoy my Chevrolet coupe until Korea called and Uncle Sam gave me a new job.

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Save the date for Cookie Cook-off

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

On Thursday, March 19, there will be a Cookie Cook-off for all ages from 4 to 6 p.m. Registration is required for this event.

No peanuts or peanut products, please.

See the activities calendars available at your library for more details.

Tax and census help

Tax forms and instructions are available at your library. Visit pagosalibrary.org/taxinformation for more details and useful links. As well, library computers and staff are available to help you access the online census questionnaire. Households will begin receiving an invitation to respond to the 2020 Census in mid-March.

To familiarize yourself with the questions that will be asked on the census, your library has a sample copy of the print census questionnaire in English and Spanish. Please visit pagosalibrary.org/census-2020 to view a video that demonstrates how to fill out the census online. We also have a sample copy of the print invitation to respond to the census that most households will receive.

Brad and Josie are your census experts at the library, but all library staff are happy to answer questions related to the census. As well, your library has various census-related prizes to give away while supplies last, including coffee mugs, bags, thumb drives, blankets and more.

After-school club

The after-school club for first-through fifth-graders takes place Friday, March 13, from 1:45 to 3:30 p.m.

Participants will engage in literature-based science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (S.T.E.A.M.) learning activities and work up to an exhibition on the first Friday following each three-week session. Registration is required by calling us at 264-2209 or dropping by the library.

Teen gaming

Free teen gaming happens on Tuesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for teens in the seventh through 12th grades. Enjoy Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks.

Legal clinic

Friday, March 13, from 2 to 3 p.m., a free legal clinic for parties who have no attorney will take place via computer link. Volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for legal issues in the areas of family law, civil litigation, property tax, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, veterans benefits and civil protection orders. Please

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check in at the registration desk. This clinic takes place the second Friday of every month.

LEGO Club

Kids ages 6-13 are invited to bring your imaginations — LEGOs are provided — this Saturday, March 14, from 11 a.m. to noon for LEGO Club.

Otaku Club

The Otaku (Anime/Manga) Club will meet Monday, March 16, from 4 to 5 p.m. Join us to watch anime, talk about manga and Asian cultures, and enjoy snacks. This free club is for those in the fifth through 12th grades.

Adult DIY

At this month's free DIY event on Tuesday, March 17, from 2 to 3 p.m. (note the time change from 1 p.m.), we'll provide the supplies and show you how to cut flower shapes from scrapbook paper and mount them as wall art or a wreath. No registration is required.

ESL classes twice a week

Free English as a Second Language (ESL) classes take place on Tuesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m. The classes are led by two highly experienced teachers — Joyce Holdread for the intermediate/advanced group and Ellynn Ragone for beginners. No registration is required.

Las clases son dos veces por semana

Las clases gratuitas de inglés como segundo idioma (ESL) ocurren los martes de 5-7 p.m. y los viernes de 12-2 p.m. Las clases son dirigidas por dos instructoras altamente experimentadas — Joyce Holdread enseña al grupo intermedio/avanzado y Ellen Ragone enseña a los principiantes. No es necesario registrarse.

Adult education

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) accelerated GED course takes place Mondays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays from 2 to 7 p.m. Come to your library to get help from Mark with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more.

Free tech sessions

Drop in with your technology questions on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m.

Family storytimes

Every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. and Saturday from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move.

Both free storytimes are open to babies, toddlers and youngsters of all ages to make it easier for parents to attend with their children depending on their busy schedules rather than the age of their little ones.

March 7 celebrates Dr. Seuss. March 11 is a special Spanish session. March 14 will feature PAWS to Read with border collie Kate. March 18 features music, movement and American Sign Language with Diann Tator.

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Quotable quote

"Most artists don't have the wherewithal to keep going after initial failures. Keep trying. There are no mistakes, and, don't erase. Initial disappointments are a stepping stone to greatness. The key is to keep creating art." — John Ross Palmer, American artist based in Houston, Texas, author of numerous books and founder of the Escapism art movement.

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