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Construction costs increase for new jail

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

The county's new jail will reportedly cost more to construct than originally anticipated, with the current "guaranteed maximum price," or GMP, estimated to be about \$14.4 million.

The county commissioners will vote to approve or deny the GMP at a special meeting today.

According to a staff report on the jail price by Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton written for today's meeting, the anticipated GMP for construction of the project

is now \$14,395,000.

Coupled with Reynolds, Ash & Associates architect fee of \$953,200, the total project cost is \$15,348,200, according to Walton's report.

In a phone interview, Walton said the county had set aside about \$14.7 million for the project through financing and reserves from the Justice System Capital Fund.

The \$13.6 million construction price reported to the county a few months ago "was just an estimate," said Rick Fleming, senior project manager for Nunn Construction,

■ See Jail A8

Town hears about urban renewal authorities

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council may consider the formation of an urban renewal authority (URA).

The developers of a 27-acre parcel of vacant land next to The Springs Resort and Spa have reached out to the town about the creation of a URA as a public/private partnership to help develop the property, Town Manager Andrea Phillips explained to the council during a May 30 work session.

URAs, Town Manager Andrea

Phillips explained during that work session and a meeting between representatives of the developer, town staff and interested citizens the following day, are a common redeveloping tool.

URAs and urban renewal laws "allow municipal governments to engage in urban renewal projects as a means to improve blighted areas," according to a Colorado Legislative Council Staff issue brief by Katie Ruedeusch.

Slum and blight conditions, that

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Forest Service rescinds decision to use chain saws in wilderness area

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

The U.S. Forest Service (USFS) has rescinded its decision to allow chain saws in the South San Juan and Weminuche wilderness areas, citing a need to reassess the agency's "overall needs" amid snowpack conditions that are 500 percent to 700 percent of normal as of May 30.

In May, USFS Rocky Mountain Regional Forester Brian Ferebee approved the supervised use of chain saws within the Weminuche and South San Juan wilderness areas between June 1 and Aug. 17 to clear downed trees killed by the bark beetle that are obstructing access to trails in the wilderness.

Paul Blackman of the Pagosa Ranger District told The SUN in March that about 15,000 dead trees have fallen in the South San Juan and Weminuche wilderness areas and are blocking access to trails.

Following the Forest Service's May announcement they were sued, with a 25-page complaint filed on May 22 from plaintiffs Wilderness Watch, the San Juan Citizens Alliance and Great Old Broads for Wilderness.

The complaint names Ferebee and the USFS as defendants.

A May 22 press release jointly authored by the three agencies states that the plaintiffs are "ask-

■ See Wilderness A8

San Juan River reaches 4,340 cfs last week



SUN photo/Terri House

The San Juan River rages through downtown Pagosa Springs, topping out at 4,340 cfs and breaching into the lower hot tubs at The Springs Resort and Spa. Portions of the Riverwalk trail are closed due to flooding and some homeowners down Trujillo Road have found their homes damaged by floodwaters. A flood advisory remains in place until further notice.

Flood advisory in place until further notice

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

With snow in the high country beginning to melt as temperatures rise, the San Juan River has been noticeably flowing at a higher rate than last year, which brings dangers and challenges.

Flooding has been seen and felt locally. The Town of Pagosa Springs has had portions of the Riverwalk trail flooded. Some homeowners down Trujillo Road have experienced property damage due to high river flows.

The highest reported streamflow for the San Juan River this past week was 4,340 cfs on June 9. For the majority of that day, river flows remained above 4,000 cfs, with the lowest flow being 3,100 cfs.

The average streamflow for June 9 is 1,360 cfs. The lowest recorded flow for the San Juan on June 9 was listed at 70.5 cfs back in 2002 while

the highest recorded flow was measured at 4,050 in 1952.

As for the coming week, the U.S. National Weather Service noted that a flood advisory is still in place for the San Juan River until further notice.

On Wednesday, the San Juan stage was at 8.9 feet, the bank-full stage was at 8.5 feet and the flood stage is at 10.5 feet, according to the U.S. National Weather Service.

The forecast, according to the U.S. National Weather Service, indicates that the river will rise to 10.5 feet by early this morning.

In an interview on June 12, Archuleta County Sheriff's Office Director of Emergency Operations Mike Le Roux noted that river flows will be similar to what was seen late last weekend.

"For the most part, the water flows are going to probably be similar to what we've seen," Le Roux said. "Like I've said, based on the forecast,

■ See River A8

Town moves toward ownership of river take out

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council is in favor of moving forward with the process of purchasing an acre of land that will serve as a river take out and future parking area south of Pagosa Springs along Trujillo Road.

Tobi Rohwer with Friends of the Upper San Juan (FUSJ) and Pagosa Outside has been working with Planning Director James Dickhoff

on options for solidifying the river take out down Trujillo Road, Town Manager Andrea Phillips explained to the Pagosa Springs Town Council on June 4.

"This has been in use for 40 years or so, I understand, and it's been kind of an informal use that river rafting companies, as well as private individuals rafting have been utilizing to take out in the river," she said. "We

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Photo courtesy George Hunyadi

The snowcapped San Juan Mountains and Chama Peak are the perfect backdrop for a field of purple lupine flowers.

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EDITORIAL

Carrying on the tradition of the greatest Fourth of July Parade

The days are growing warmer. The San Juan River is rushing through town. Navajo Lake is filling up. Summer is just around the corner.

We're just a few weeks away from the Fourth of July, Pagosa Country's biggest celebration of the year.

For over 30 years, Pagosa Springs Rotary Club has taken the responsibility for what has become the largest-attended event in Archuleta County: the Fourth of July parade.

We have seen the parade grow exponentially over the years. With that growth, the safety of the public has become a huge concern. Liability issues became red flags for club members. More people were needed to volunteer and the responsibility for such a large event outgrew the ability of the Rotary Club.

Unfortunately, Rotary had to step back from taking the lead in running the parade.

Thankfully, the Town of Pagosa Springs stepped up last week to take

on that responsibility. A memorandum of understanding was established between Rotary and the town with unanimous support from town council to take on additional costs for traffic control.

Due to their actions, the tradition of the best Fourth of July parade in the Four Corners region will carry on.

Just as we have come to expect, the daring men in their flying machines, the San Juan Squadron Formation Flying Team, will kick off the Fourth of July parade festivities as they fly over the start of the parade at exactly 10 a.m. This group of experienced pilots with diverse aviation backgrounds is always a thrill to see in the skies above Pagosa.

While many things will remain the same, you will find some new and improved features for this year's parade.

The parade will line up on 6th Street this year instead of 8th Street. The route will begin from 6th Street and will run along U.S. 160 to 2nd Street, but it doesn't end there. The parade route has

been extended down Hermosa Street and then along Hot Springs Boulevard.

The parade is absolutely free to sign up and enter your float. There is a link to download an application for the parade at PagosaSUN.com.

You need to make sure you read the application fully and be sure to sign the necessary release of liability and waiver along with providing necessary insurance and other documents.

Community events like the Fourth of July Parade don't just happen; volunteers are still needed to pull off a safe and successful event. Can you give of your time to help? Please call Town Hall today at 264-4151 to sign up.

Our hat is off to Rotary and the Town of Pagosa Springs for finding a solution to continue this long-standing celebration of Independence Day. It takes an entire community to put on the largest-attended event of the year.

As Mayor Don Volger said, "It's gonna be a great Fourth."

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of June 14, 1929

The Alley Variety Store, which was compelled to move from the McGirr building, recently damaged by fire, is now nicely located in the Rumbaugh building the former Archuleta county court house. It was also damaged by the fire, but has been re-roofed and is now being decorated, both inside and out.

Sheriff Frank Matthews returned home Sunday from Pueblo, where he placed Mrs. Maggie Lujan of Juanita in the state hospital. He was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Matthews and Eben O'Neal.

An offender appeared before Police Magistrate R.C. Hill this morning and was fined \$10 and costs for his private celebration of last evening.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of June 16, 1944

Branding day for Bill Jackson and Mitchell Swanson was the occasion for a picnic held on the Little Blanco Sunday. A good sized crowd gathered to help with the branding and to enjoy a picnic dinner.

Mrs. Lee Cox began her duties last week of taking charge of the Los Banos Hotel.

Mrs. Ben K. Lynch and two small sons went to the barn dance Saturday night at Rio Blanco. Later in the evening Mr. Lynch went to the dance and brought his family home.

Pfc. Joe Chacon, who has been overseas in the South Pacific the past 2-1/2 years, arrived home Thursday of last week to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Chacon and other relatives, on his furlough. He will return to camp June 29.

Sgt. Lloyd Clark, our expert radio man with the help of Cpl. Harlan Ballard, Cpl. Paul Stephenson, Cpl. Harry Imel and Pvt. Earl Anderson keep our radios, P A system and stage lighting equipment in excellent shape at all times." A paragraph in "Live About the 24th," Sgt. Clark's company's bulletin — 24th Special Service Co.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of June 12, 1969

The welcoming committee for Great Western Days this Saturday is in urgent need of donated fish. Ralanco Industries has donated \$1000 to buy other food, supplies and refreshments. However, a fish fry is part of the celebration and not enough fish are available through ordinary channels. The committee, therefore, is seeking fish donations. Arrangements have been made to keep the fish in cold storage at Staner's market. Anyone having any number of fish that can be donated is asked to leave them there, or call the San Juan Motel and leave word where they may be picked up.

A big welcome is in store for the trail drive crews, news media, and others connected with the Great Western Land and Cattle Co., when they arrive Saturday morning. A committee, headed by Eldon Gibson, is arranging a free barbecue, dance, and entertainment.

The cattle drive will end at Echo Lake early Saturday morning — between 9 and 10 a.m. — and the cowboys, cowgirls, news media representatives, cattle owners, and officials of the Great Western Land and Cattle Co., will then ride to town for an official welcome.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of June 16, 1994

Another effort is underway to provide Archuleta County residents the opportunity to recycle certain materials rather than dispose of them at the county landfill. Clifford Lucero, of L&M Disposal (local trash hauling company and landfill operator), said a new system is in place at the L&M office, and asked residents of the area to participate in the recycling program. Barrels are located in front of the L&M office on Trujillo Road (1041 County Road 500) — in place for the collection of glass, newsprint, cardboard, and aluminum cans. This is the second major effort in recent years to establish a recycling program in Archuleta County. Approximately four years ago, a volunteer-based organization attempted to create and operate a recycling center. "The attempt survived until last year," said Lucero. "The problem was that materials piled up but the hauler who promised to come take them never came for them. And, the volunteer enthusiasm for the program died off. We donated as many of the materials to fund-raising programs as we could, and had to take the rest to the landfill."

WHADDYA THINK?

What are you looking forward to most this summer?

Poll results (132 votes)

- Being outdoors. — 77 percent
- Reunions. — 1 percent
- The Fourth of July. — 7 percent
- Other. — 15 percent

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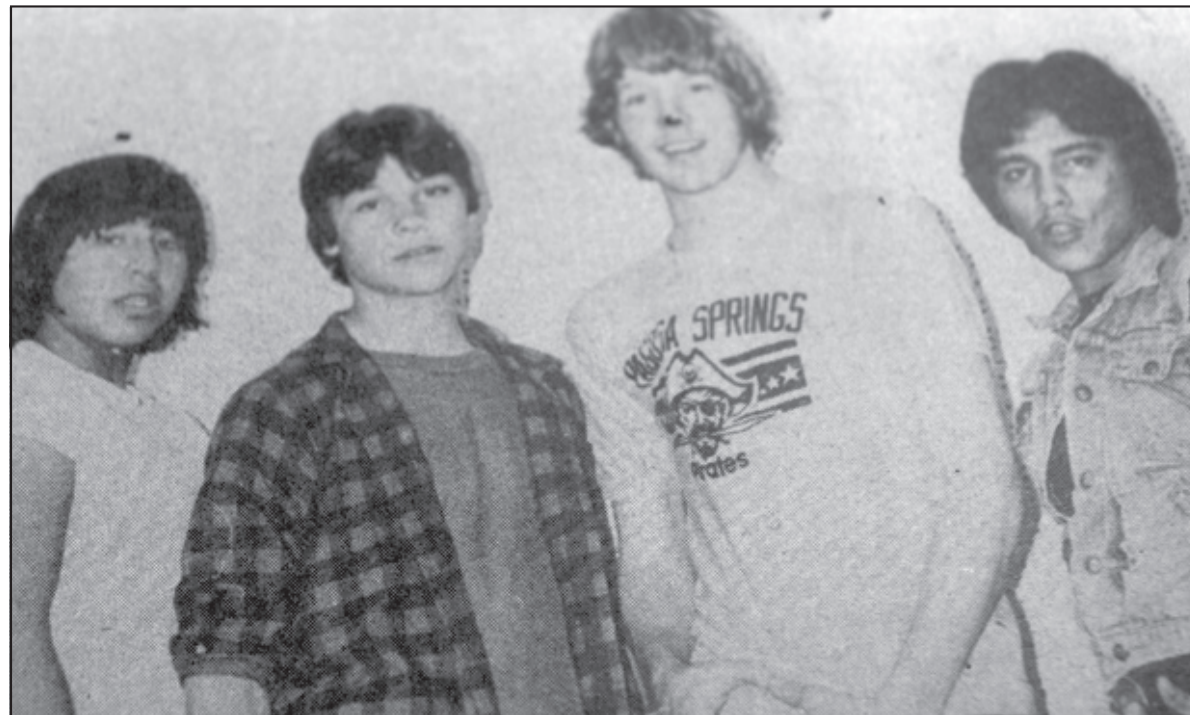
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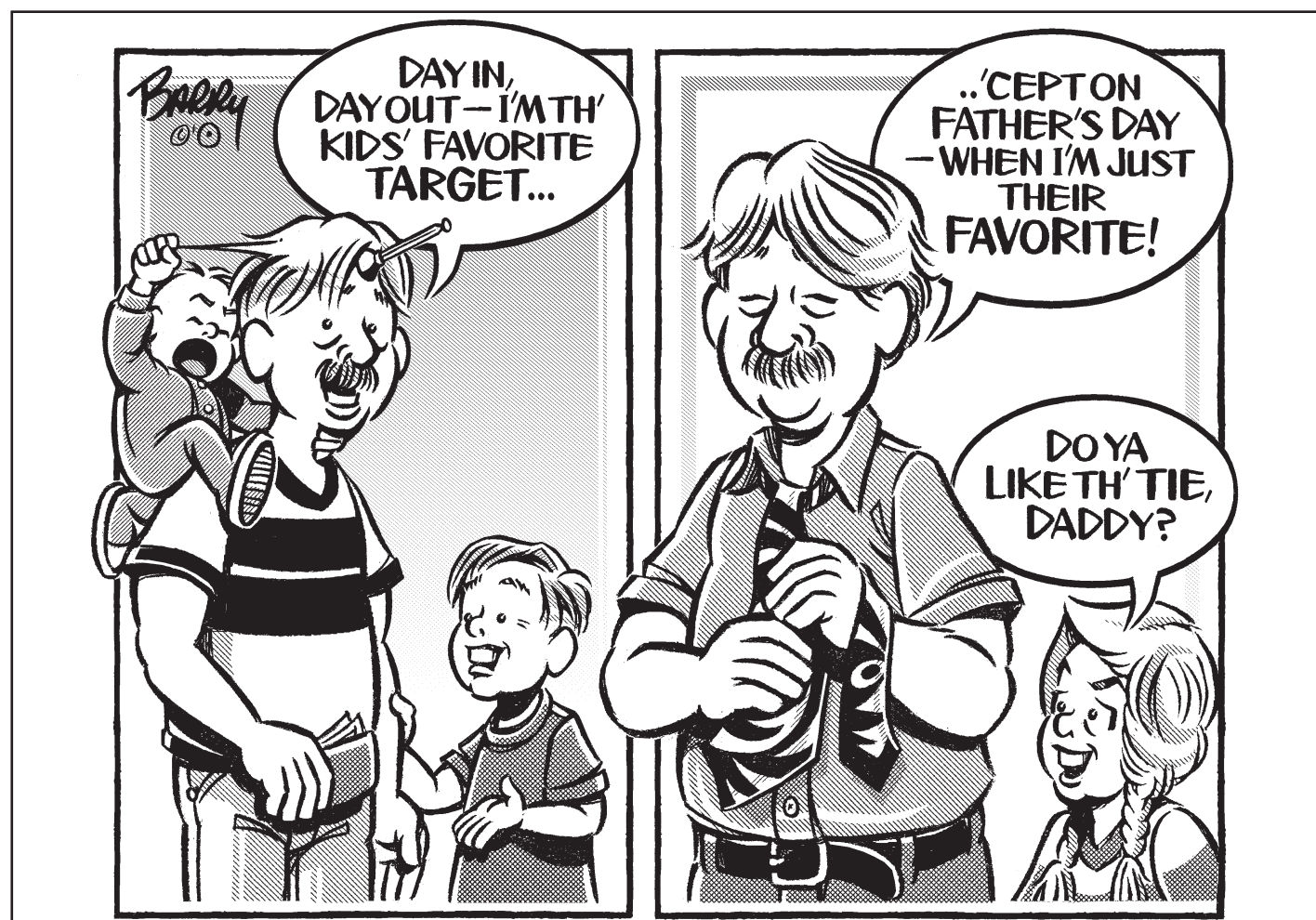
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LOOKING BACK



From the March 27, 1980, Pagosa Springs SUN. SINGING GROUP — Four members of the high school music department that will entertain those attending the variety show, "Spring Fever," at the high school gymnasium Tuesday, April 1 at 7 p.m. The general public is welcome at the show and proceeds will be for the benefit of uniforms for the band.



Letters



Letters to the Editor are printed as received and are not edited for grammar or punctuation, but may have been edited for content or style.

Trump: 'Get out of the kitchen'

Dear Editor:
I am sure that many of us have heard the saying, "If you can't stand the heat in the kitchen, get out." I believe it is time for Mr. Trump to get out of the kitchen.

His inferiority complex is demonstrated by his pettiness, the derogative names he calls people, his disbelief of his own intelligence people, his coarse language and his angry rebuttals toward persons who disagree with him.

Instead of draining the swamp, he has spent \$102 million dollars on golf trips and family trips. We are \$1.5 trillion dollars more in debt, and his tax cuts have hurt so many families and businesses.

Doctors tell us that resentment, hate, grudges, ill will, and vindictiveness are attitudes that produce health problems. Are we witnessing this in our president? Does he enjoy being president or the power and attention he receives?

Day-by-day Trump shows his true nature. I firmly believe that it is time for Donald Trump to get out of the kitchen for the welfare of the good people of the United States: resign or be impeached.

Sandra Babers

Look beyond tourism

Dear Editor:
I have attended one of the meetings held to inform the community of the potential expansion of the Springs Resort and find the idea and concepts presented very appealing. It would certainly be an asset to our community and would create new employment opportunities and revenues. But I have

not yet heard much about how this will be funded. I have read of a plan to use urban renewal funding but to my knowledge, there has not been any details on how that would work. Generally, I am do not support providing tax subsidies to private developers unless the long term value of the project can show that the subsidies will be repaid in a timely fashion and that the project will produce long term economic benefits to the community as a whole. At first blush, this project does appear to provide some long term benefits, although most of that would not be realized for 15 to 20 years. But it only benefits a rather narrow part of the community.

My biggest concern with this project is that it is intended to produce more tourism income and Pagosa Springs/Archuleta County is already much too dependent on tourism for its survival. Tourism is directly tied to a healthy economy that provides a certain level of individual discretionary spending and when the overall economy takes a downturn, and it always does, those communities dependant on tourism dollars always suffer. Governments that plan for that downturn in how they allocate resources for services and infrastructure can weather the storm, but I am not confident that the town and county can do that. At least they have not shown an ability to adequately do it in the past, just based on the condition of the roads alone.

I would prefer and would support tax incentives to encourage some clean industries to locate here, industries and businesses that can provide decent wage jobs and support affordable housing for those employees, industries not dependent on tourism.

So far, I have not seen a single proposal for bringing new companies here that can support long term employment that is not seasonal or dependant on tourism for survival. Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County need to look beyond tourism as the only thing we have to offer. There is an able and willing work force, plenty of available space and local governments that at least are open to subsidizing business and industries that can have a long-term impact on the entire community, along with one of the most beautiful places on the planet to live and work. I do not think I am alone in stating that tourism does not have a positive impact on me personally. In fact, the annual influx of out of state plates, fair weather residents that feel they are entitled to be treated with more respect than they deserve and the annoying noise from more airplanes, creates a bit of resentment of tourists and I look forward to the times they are gone.

Gary Hardin

Advocating for chain saws

Dear Editor:
Let me start by saying that I'm a volunteer and member of the San Juan Backcountry Horsemen, a group of people who love riding our horses and enjoying all that our "backyard" here in the San Juans has to offer.

In advocating for chainsaws, this is an effort to clear existing trails in our Wilderness, not plow through, clear cut and destroy the

beauty. We realize this is an emotional issue and have attempted to crosscut saw our way through the problem, but it's more than a "handful" of volunteers assisting the Forest Service can handle. In the Wilderness Act of 1964, it specifically states that in unprecedented times (beetle kill of thousands of trees clogging trails) that the "least impactful tool" should be used. Well, since the tree fairy and her magic wand have gone missing, in comes the chainsaw ... for a limited time, under Forest Service supervision. I would have to ask all of you in opposition, how many trees have you cleared in the Wilderness with crosscut saws, how many trails have you even seen devastated by fallen trees? Or how about this, do you have money or a solution to back up your views? I have heard a bunch of chatter, but is it affecting your business, the economy of your town? Pagosa Springs is a tourist town and it has grave consequences for our community.

We have considered different views/opinions, have you?

All laws, books, etc. can be interpreted in many ways, there is a minimum of two sides to every story. If only we could interview the animals who live in our Wilderness areas, I wonder what they would have to say? They can't even navigate. It's a bad situation and getting worse and most definitely will change the "eco system" of the landscape for the wildlife. We need help, how will you assist? Money, manpower and oh yes, common sense ... all three go a long way -
Annie Pack

Drug court

Dear Editor:
This is a follow up to my letter from early February under the heading "Recovery of an addict". At the time I was expressing frustration with the lack of resources in our town to deal with drug addiction. Since then, one of the individuals under my ministerial care was admitted to Drug Court in Durango. To those not familiar with drug court, here is a brief description: The primary goal of drug court is to integrate substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, intensive supervision

and judicial oversight to promote public safety and individual responsibility. Drug Court holds participants accountable and helps develop the skills necessary to attain long-term sobriety. Drug Court is also known as Wellness Court and significantly reduces drug use and crime. It is more cost-effective than any other proven criminal justice strategy. The La Plata County Drug Court has experienced a 73% overall graduation rate over the last ten years. Residency in La Plata County is required for consideration to the La Plata County drug court.

I have been involved in the prison ministry for more than 5 years. In that time, I have attended numerous court sessions on behalf of individuals facing felony charges including some drug court sessions. The atmosphere in the drug court is quite different from a regular court. One is penitential and the other is therapeutic and focused on recovery. Examples of such differences start at the bench. The judge asks defendants, how their sobriety is going, how are things at their job and how his or her kids are? What's more incredible is the court hosts a graduation celebration when a defendant finishes their probationary period. It is a heart-warming experience to see individuals who were "junkies" when entering the program come out healthy and happy, with a sustainable future ahead of them.

During my time in this ministry I have met many wonderful human beings, all dealing with the scourge of drug use. Very few have managed to stay in recovery and sadly have been in and out of the county jail or gone to prison. Drug court is a great option to help an addict get into recovery and stay with it. It is not for everyone; but if one is truly interested in overcoming their addiction it is the best solution. Some day when we have a new jail in Pagosa Springs (another topic for another time) and upon the return of the courts to our town, we may have a chance at a drug court and a real solution for the many members of our community truly in need.

John Widmer
Pastor-Mercy Care Ministries
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Obituaries

Berkey Womack Branch

Berkey Branch passed away on May 31 in San Clemente, Calif. She died peacefully surrounded by family who loved her dearly.



Berkey was born on Nov. 13, 1946, in Beaumont, Texas, the daughter of Wilber and Berkie Womack. She graduated from South Park High in Beaumont in 1965 and received her BBA from Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Texas, in 1969. She was a member of the Chi Omega sorority while at SFA. She went to work for the CPA firm of Peat, Marwick and Mitchell in Dallas, Texas, where she met her husband of 47 years, Michael Coe Branch. In 1974, Mike and Berkey moved to east Texas, where she helped Mike in the cattle and farm equipment business. With three small boys in tow, they moved to Pagosa Springs in 1982. She was a stay-at-home mom until December of 1986. Larry Fisher had just bought the Ski and Bow Rack and asked her to help out over the holidays until he could hire a permanent staff. After working there for 20 years, she finally told him it was time for him to hire this permanent staff and she retired.

She is survived by her husband,

Michael C. Branch, of Pagosa Springs; and her three sons: Bill and his wife, Julie, and children Madeline and Jackson, of San Clemente, Calif.; Coe and his wife, Jenny, and two daughters, Addison and Payton, of Littleton, Colo.; and Craig and his wife, Lisa, and two sons, Nathaniel and Atticus, of Antalya, Turkey.

Berkey's first love was her family. Her three sons brought her much pleasure and she was delighted with her three daughters-in-law. However, it was the grandkids that were the light of her life. She spent endless hours sewing princess dresses, matching Christmas and Fourth of July outfits and her famous Grammy Jammies.

She had many friends who will remember her for the cheerful, kind, loving person she was. She was very active in the Community United Methodist Church of Pagosa Springs. She was a charter member of the church bell choir and worked at the Russ Hill Bazaar for 37 years. She loved to decorate the beautiful wreaths and she made all the bows. It is estimated she made over 20,000 bows over the years. She would spend every Sunday afternoon in the fall watching the Broncos game and making bows. The joke was that you wanted a wreath with a bow she made on Sundays the Broncos won.

Her memorial service will be Wednesday, July 3, at the Community United Methodist Church in Pagosa Springs at 11 a.m.

State audit finds critical problems with Colorado Department of Transportation's budget

By Nathaniel Minor
Colorado Public Radio News
Special to The SUN

Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) has significant budgeting problems, according to a state audit released Monday.

The audit found problems with the "completeness and transparency" of CDOT's budget, which totaled \$1.56 billion in the 2017 fiscal year. Key points from the audit include:

- The agency lacked processes to detect and prevent employee fraud. The auditor's analysis found "suspicious patterns and anomalies," but did not identify any specific instances of fraud.

- CDOT's fiscal year 2017 budget plan did not include all legally required information, such as more than \$1 billion that carried forward from prior years. That made it difficult for auditors to check CDOT's budget against how it actually spent its money. In fact, the department spent \$582.7 million more that year than was approved.

"Incomplete information reduces the effectiveness of the budget plan as a management tool and decreases transparency and accountability of the department's budget," the auditor wrote.

- CDOT does not close construction projects in a timely fashion, meaning unused money isn't made available for other projects.

"The department is not maximizing its available funding," the audit states.

CDOT staff and the transportation commission, a governor-appointed body that oversees the department, agreed with the auditor's recommendations and promised to implement them by the end of the year.

"Our internal budget processes should be easier to understand for the public and for stakeholders," said Jeff Sudmeier, CDOT's chief financial officer.

Sen. Paul Lundeen, a Colorado Springs Republican who sits on the Legislative Audit Committee, said it's imperative that the department get its house in order—especially given that voters have been asked to raise taxes on themselves for transportation projects in the past, and will likely be asked again.

"We want the people to be confident in what we're choosing to do as policy makers," he said. "Well, in order to build that confidence, we've got to do it right. And in this particular instance, the call for more transparent, more timely information, for better policy making was heard, was answered in the affirmative."

Lundeen noted that the audit's data is two years old and that CDOT is now under new leadership. He's hopeful that Shoshana Lew, whom Gov. Jared Polis appointed executive director in December 2018, will help bring change to the department.

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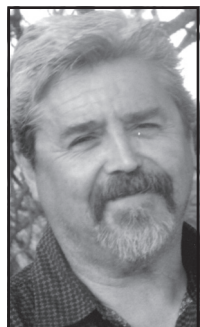
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Richard Touchstone

March 24, 1957-Feb. 18

Richard Touchstone was born on March 24 in Gardena, Calif., in the spring of 1957 to Champ Touchstone and Diana Millan Touchstone. He is preceded in death by his father, Champ Touchstone, and stepfather Alex Bishop.



Rick graduated from South High School and attended El Camino College in Torrance, Calif.

Rick loved his children more than life itself! Rick leaves behind three children: Canyon, Bryce and Ciara Touchstone, of Torrance, Calif.; and two beautiful granddaughters, Coral and Justyn. His infinite love for them runs deeper than any root. His mother, Diana Millan, of Pagosa Springs, Colo., along with his lifelong best friends and brothers, Dan Touchstone (Jeri), of Pagosa Springs, Colo., Matt Bishop (Kazumi), of Morro Bay, Calif., Alan Touchstone (Denise),

of Boise, Idaho; sisters Jaimie Miller (Scott), and Liz Bishop (Mike), of Pagosa Springs, Colo.; 14 nephews and nieces: Chris Lemay and Amber Landacre, Travis and Selena Touchstone, Cheyenne Smith (Keagan), Dakota Jeremayah, McKayla and Jacob Miller, Cody Ian, Julie and Courtney Bishop, and Katie Berry; and five great-nephews and nieces: Isaah Bishop, Logan Frady, Brooklyn Richy and Hazel and Desmond Brown. Also, aunts, uncles and numerous cousins.

Rick will be missed by his many loved ones and friends. He probably already has a group playing horseshoes in Heaven, or racquetball.

The Celebration of Life for Rick will be held on June 22 at 3 p.m., 2449 254th St., in Lomita, Calif.

We would like to extend a big thank you to each nurse and staff member at the Pine Ridge Extended Care, along with the family and friends for the countless hours of uplifting, praying, support, transporting, healing and caring for, and simply for just "being there" for Rick.

"May you live your life in fun and love today and each day, in Rick's honor."

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 week: 125.

June 3 — Noise regulations, Pineview Road.

June 3 — Littering of public or private property, County Road 500.

June 3 — Expired license plates, owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, Pinon Causeway/U.S. 160.

June 3 — Warrant arrest, Turkey Lane.

June 3 — Menacing-felony-aggravated-weapon, prohibited use of weapons, U.S. 160.

June 3 — All other thefts, first-degree criminal trespass other intent, North Pagosa Boulevard.

June 3 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, criminal mischief, Pettit's Circle.

June 4 — Death investigation-death investigation, County Road 335.

June 5 — Owner and operator resident in state, failed to display valid registration, open container in a motor vehicle, marijuana-open container prohibited in vehicle, drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, North 5th Street/Florida Street.

June 5 — Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, Hilltop Drive.

June 5 — Trespass warning, Canyon Circle.

June 6 — All other thefts, Colo. 151.
June 6 — Warrant arrest, Vista Boulevard.

June 6 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, operated a vehicle with defective head lamps, Aspen Village Drive/U.S. 160.

June 7 — Owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, expired license plates, Park Avenue/North Pagosa Boulevard.

June 7 — Unlawful ownership of vicious dog, Easy Street.

June 7 — Agency assist, U.S. 160.

June 7 — Agency assist, South 5th Street.

June 8 — Animals running at large, Oldham's Place.

June 9 — Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, South 8th Street/San Juan Alley.

June 9 — Resisting arrest, South 8th Street.

Pagosa Springs Police Department
Calls for service over week: 71.

June 3 — Information only, South 7th Street.

June 3 — Found property, U.S. 160.

June 3 — Agency assist, U.S. 160.

June 5 — Missing property, Eaton Drive.

June 5 — Agency assist, North 5th Street.

June 6 — Missing property, Eagle Drive.

June 6 — Theft/violation of restraining order/eluding, San Juan Street.

June 7 — Animal/running at large, Lewis Street.

June 7 — DUI, Country Center Drive.

June 7 — Possession of a controlled substance/paraphernalia, Yamaguchi Park.

June 7 — Possession of a controlled substance/paraphernalia/warrant arrest, Yamaguchi Park.

June 7 — DUI, Hot Springs Boulevard.

June 8 — Theft, East Pagosa Street.

June 9 — Animals/running at large, Reservoir Hill.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

June 5 — Myrtle Leslie Osborne, speeding 10-19 over limit, following too closely, lane usage violation, total fines and costs — \$480.50.

June 5 — Kevin Amos Gallegos, unsafe or defective vehicle, total fines and costs — \$137.50.

June 5 — Lou Jean Espinosa, violation of permit requirements, total fines and costs — \$71.

June 5 — Amber D. Landacre, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$70.50.

June 7 — Craig L. Skripek, failed to yield right of way/stop sign, total fines and costs — \$107.50.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Clayton Buchner

No report.

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Business

Wall, Coulehan present pair of economic stimulus proposals to town and county

By John Finebrock
Staff Writer

At a joint meeting between the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and the Pagosa Springs Town Council, County Administrator Scott Wall and Opportunity Zone Committee member Mary Jo Coulehan presented a pair of items meant to bolster the area's economic growth.

Coulehan presented a draft of the Opportunity Zone prospectus, which outlines how developers who have capital gains earnings can invest those profits into a qualified Opportunity Zone fund and can receive an assortment of tax incentives that are meant to encourage new development in the Pagosa Springs area.

Opportunity zones are "a federal tax incentive for investors to invest in low-income urban and rural communities through the favorable treatment of reinvested capital gains and forgiveness of tax on new capital gains," according to the Colorado Department of Economic Development and International Trade website.

"Because it is a federal program, we are competing nationally for people to come invest in our community," Coulehan said.

According to a flyer that was used in Coulehan's presentation, the following is true about investing in Pagosa's Opportunity Zone:

- For an investment held for 10 years within the zone relating to operating businesses, equipment and

real property, there are no long-term capital gains taxes.

- Investments made within the Opportunity Zone give 36 percent higher returns compared to an alternative investment with an 8 percent annualized return.

- Investors may receive up to \$10,000 per net new job created and maintained for one year.

- Investors can receive an eight-year exemption from both business and employee state income taxes.

- For companies that are relocating or expanding in Colorado, investors may receive \$1,200 per employee or new hire through the Colorado First Job Training Incentive.

Wall presented a separate item relating to boosting the local economy, a draft of the "Archuleta County and the Town of Pagosa Springs, Colorado Economic Development Policy Statement."

The document states that it is "to provide incentives for the expansion of existing business within Archuleta County and/or the Town of Pagosa Springs and to encourage the location of new businesses within the County and Town."

The document states that economic development incentives will be available to new or expanding

businesses that create at least 15 new full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs, or have an increase of 10 percent of their workforce, but no less than five new FTEs.

The document notes that businesses must invest a minimum of \$1 million in a facility within the county or town.

"It is part of our menu of options to stimulate economic development. In particular, if we are competing with another city/county for the project.

"Creating jobs and tax value for all government jurisdictions is a priority for all of us," Wall wrote in a statement to The SUN.

According to the policy statement draft, businesses are eligible for up to 100 percent of property tax abatements, or reductions, if they meet certain criteria set forth in the proposal.

Some of the criteria to get property tax abatements are:

- Businesses must create 15 new FTEs or have an increase of 10 percent (but not less than 5 new FTEs) over the base of the FTEs currently employed at the location.

- Average annual wages paid to FTEs shall be equal to or greater than the average individual wage by

industry.

- Applications for incentives must be submitted prior to the beginning of construction and/or renovation.

- The county and town will consider providing tax abatements for real and/or personal property in a 25 percent to 100 percent range for investors who invest at least \$1 million.

Wall's draft policy document also lists the following incentives for developers:

- Sales tax abatements: "A portion of the amount of sales tax owed to the Town and County may be abated for qualifying businesses..."

- Fee waivers: "Reduction or elimination of any County and Town fees associated with the development of the project."

- Fast track county and town services: "A fast track service involving all inspections, permitting and planning activities may be provided."

The Opportunity Zone prospectus, and the county's and town's Economic Development Policy Statement were still in draft form as of Monday afternoon and Coulehan reported that she'll be taking the Opportunity Zone prospectus draft to a conference this week to solicit feedback.

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El Pomar Foundation allocates funds to nonprofits in region

By Erin Kerr
Special to The SUN

El Pomar trustees approved \$98,000 allocated to 13 nonprofit organizations in the southwest region at the foundation's May trustees meeting.

Through the foundation's grant-making process, the following local organizations were awarded grants:

- Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County — \$5,000 toward home building and repairs; competitive.

- Pagosa Area Trails Council — \$2,000 in general operating support.

- Western Heritage Event Center Inc. — \$5,000 toward a covered pavilion; Regional Merit.

Founded by Spencer and Julie Penrose in 1937, El Pomar Foundation has an established legacy of general purpose grant making. The competitive process remains the foundation's primary vehicle for organizations to receive funding. Additionally, over the last 80 years, El Pomar has either developed or been entrusted with the stewardship of a number of other funds. Competitive applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

In an effort to increase impact and establish connections across the entire state, the Regional Partnerships program was established in 2003. Each of the foundation's 11 regional councils advises El Pomar Trustees and recommends grants to help support its communities. Council members are regional leaders in the business, nonprofit and public sectors and provide firsthand information about current needs in their own communities. Regional councils invite organizations to apply for all regional council grants.

The Award for Leadership and Service recognizes one council-nominated individual from each of the 11 regions who demonstrates an extraordinary level of commitment to his or her community. From the 11 nominees, a committee selects the award recipient who directs a \$25,000 grant toward the organization of his or her choosing, while the other 10 nominees direct \$2,500 grants to an organization of their choosing.

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CHAMBER NEWS

Fourth of July parade applications now available

By Mary Jo Coulehan
SUN Columnist

Despite rumors to the contrary, the Fourth of July parade is well and happening on the Fourth of July beginning at 10 a.m. in the morning.

This local tradition will have a few minor changes; however, the availability of applications has not changed. Participants of the parade are able to obtain their applications in a variety of ways: on the website of The Pagosa Springs SUN, www.pagosasun.com, or in hard copy at the Chamber offices at 105 Hot Springs Blvd. in the Visitor Center.

Those filling out applications will experience a few additions to the application. Proof of a driver's license and insurance is required if you have any kind of vehicle in the parade. As usual, please make sure that there is a description of your entry for the announcers.

The parade route will also take a little bit different of a route this year. Typically, the parade begins on 8th Street and ends on 2nd Street. This year, the parade will begin on 6th Street and continue past 2nd Street back up Hermosa Street

and along Hot Springs Boulevard to Apache Street. The staging area and registration will still take place a Pagosa Springs High School.

Entrants will exit the high school parking lot at the 6th Street access and line up along 6th Street. The modification of this route will allow for safer highway traffic control and spectator viewing on U.S. 160. It will also slightly extend the route onto Hot Springs Boulevard where there is still plenty of parking and viewing availability.

Parade applications are due back to the Chamber or pagosa-parade@gmail.com by noon on July 1. There is still no cost to enter the parade. Businesses, families, reunions, nonprofit agencies and, in general, all of the community is encouraged to enter a float into the Fourth of July parade.

Questions concerning the parade can be directed to the aforementioned email address or the Chamber of Commerce at 264-2360.

Car Show

Don't forget to come out and enjoy the 11th annual Pagosa Springs

Car Show to be held in the athletic field in Town Park on Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15. Come out and see the stunning cars and motorcycles, the vendors and the beer garden. It will be a fun-filled weekend. See The PREVIEW with a related article for more information.

Starting Your Business Class rescheduled for July 27

The Starting Your Business Class originally scheduled in February was postponed due to inclement weather conditions. This important business class will now be held on Thursday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Chamber conference room at 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

If you were not able to attend the last class but would like to attend the class on this new date, you can visit the Chamber website, www.pagosa-chamber.com, and register. The cost for the class including lunch is \$25.

The day will be filled with key start-up business information covering topics from an accountant, a lawyer, governmental agencies,

banking, Region 9 and the Small Business Development Center.

Are you setting up your business as an LLC, a partnership or sole proprietorship? Do you have a relationship with a bank or appropriate funding? Do you need specific business assistance with marketing, QuickBooks or other pertinent business tools? Do you know the zoning laws or requirements for your business before you open your business? You will be able to speak with a myriad of experts all in one place and come away with other referral agencies.

If you have questions on the class, contact the Chamber at 264-2360 or register online at www.pagosachamber.com.

Membership news

We welcome new business RoyceTalks this week. Our renewals this week include A&P Tents, Riff Raff Brewing Company and Riff Raff on the Rio, Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District, Pagosa Wellness, High Country Fishing Charters and Durango Party Rentals. Our nonprofit agency renewing is the San Juan Rangers.

Town looking at implementing sketch plan review process

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

If Ordinance 916 is approved upon second on June 20 by the Pagosa Springs Town Council, the town's Land Use Development Code (LUDC) will be amended to require design sketch plan reviews for major subdivision and design review applications.

In introducing the topic to the council on June 4, Planning Director James Dickhoff explained that the town's planning commission has recently discussed the matter and considered the benefits of requiring a sketch plan application process.

"Currently, we do allow a concurrent sketch plan and preliminary submission for major subdivisions," he said. "And that's typically what we received because it helps expedite the process by a month or more. However, at that stage of the application process, they are handing us engineered documents, architectural drawings, and they've got a lot invested in that project at that time. Same with design review; we don't

have a sketch plan process for design reviews."

Dickhoff noted they can receive staff input if they reach out for it.

"A concern has developed regarding the fact that applicants can invest a substantial amount of financial resources towards preparing engineered drawings for application submittals, and any changes that the Planning Commission or Design Review Board may request, could result in a substantial cost to redesign portions of, or the entire project. Requiring a separate sketch plan application submission can help ensure the applicant has a good understanding of the LUDC design standards prior to investing in expensive design work," an agenda brief prepared by Dickhoff states.

"The intent is to really help developers better understand what's going to be expected for that development," Dickhoff said, adding that the developer can then use that information and better direct their engineers for the plans.

The brief explains that the additional application step will lengthen

the time it takes to get through the application process by approximately two to four weeks, but "could easily save the applicant that much time if their application gets denied."

Dickhoff informed council that it could ultimately reduce expenses, lessen the time the application process takes and reduce the number of redesigns needed.

The sketch plan process for the design review will require notifications to the neighborhood to invite them to the first sketch plan meeting, with those neighbors providing valuable input, Dickhoff explained.

The same would be true for subdivisions.

The council is also anticipated to consider an amended fee schedule that takes into account the new process if the ordinance passes.

Council member Tracy Bunning asked if there was any feedback from developers or the building committee, with Dickhoff explaining he had not run it past them, but reported that about five developments were currently voluntarily going through the process because they see the

value in it.

Mayor Don Volger then asked a developer in the audience, Rory Burnett, for his comments.

Burnett agreed it is a good step because it is "very frustrating" submitting fully engineered drawings and hearing that things needed to be redone and the change could save money.

"It takes a long time," he said, noting that he had discussed other communities with Dickhoff. "We're not other communities, we're our own community."

He also pointed out that the process is cumbersome and takes a lot of time, and urged the town to combine more processes.

Volger agreed there is a need to continually reevaluate how to make things more efficient, though staff is doing a good job.

With that, council approved the ordinance upon first reading with a 7-0 vote.

The next town council meeting will begin at 5 p.m. on June 20 in Town Hall.

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RoomConnect program to be introduced at public gathering

By Bill Hudson
Special to The SUN

The staff and board of the local nonprofit organization Pagosa Housing Partners — also known as PHP — have been working for the past several months on a new program aimed at addressing the ongoing housing crisis in Archuleta County.

The new RoomConnect program will be introduced to the community

at a public gathering on Wednesday, June 19, at Higher Grounds Coffee, 189 Talisman Drive.

RoomConnect aims to match Pagosa homeowners who have empty bedrooms and who may be interested in renting out those rooms with potential renters. The introductory, informational program will be held from 5 to 6:15 p.m. at the coffee shop. All interested citizens are invited. The program is free and

there's no obligation to participate in the program.

RoomConnect is one of the housing programs sponsored by the Town of Pagosa Springs through its recently adopted Roadmap to Affordable Housing housing plan. PHP has been contracted by the town to manage RoomConnect, along with five other local housing efforts.

The housing crisis in Archuleta County is reflective of similar issues facing communities all around Colorado and the western U.S. The RoomConnect program is similarly reflective of home-sharing programs that are cropping up around the nation to address the lack of affordable housing, and that have been successful in matching the needs of homeowners and workers in other communities.

A survey completed last year by PHP suggests that Archuleta County is lacking in housing options for workers at various income levels, including low-wage, medium-wage

and even high-wage employees.

Meanwhile, studies by Region 9 Economic Development District and Economic and Planning Systems have suggested that many homes in Archuleta County are occupied by just one or two people and may have available, empty bedrooms which could provide income to the homeowners while providing housing for local employees.

Benefits to the homeowner could include help with chores like gardening, snow shoveling and general household maintenance and upkeep — as well as friendship and companionship. Sharing of chores, if desired, is an independent arrangement made between the homeowner and renter.

The public is cordially invited to learn about this innovative program on Wednesday, June 19, at Higher Grounds Coffee. You can also learn more about PHP at the website pagosahousingpartners.org or by emailing roomconnect@gmail.com.

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Dispatch board discusses possible new facility, equipment upgrades

By John Finerock
Staff Writer

At its meeting on June 3, the Archuleta County Combined Dispatch board continued to discuss possibly funding a new facility, the impending start date of the new dispatch center manager, and upgrading or replacing aging equipment, among other things.

The dispatch board is comprised of representatives of each of the four agencies who utilize and fund the dispatch center: Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, Pagosa Springs Police Department, the Pagosa Area Fire Protection District (PFPD) and the Upper San Juan Health Services District, (USJHSD), which operates Pagosa Springs Medical Center and EMS.

Connie Cook, chair of the dispatch board, characterized dispatch's role in the community as "very important" and outlined big-picture goals for the board, asking, "How are we going to move forward with a new facility, replacing the equipment and updating the IGA?" said Cook, referring to the intergovernmental agreement, or IGA, pertaining to dispatch.

Greg Schulte, who currently sits on the USJHSD and Archuleta Combined Dispatch boards and retired in March from his position

as interim county administrator for Archuleta County, suggested there are steps that needed to be taken to ensure the board's long-term goals are achieved.

Schulte said the board had some "pretty significant decisions" to make and that "the clock is ticking" before the current dispatch center's lease expires in September 2020.

"I believe that we need to find out, one way or another, as to what's the status of our equipment, because I think that's a pretty significant factor as to whether it's equipment that we can update or take with us or we have to start over," said Schulte, describing the equipment the dispatch center has had in use since about 2011.

Schulte and County Commissioner Ron Maez explained at a February meeting that the current dispatch equipment cost around \$600,000 to \$700,000 when it was purchased.

Jason Webb, EMS chief and member of the dispatch board, told The SUN in April that with regard to the current equipment, "Nothing is hindering public safety, but there's a lot of things that could help us do our job better."

Webb explained that upgraded dispatch centers have technology that allow emergency vehicles to communicate more effectively and

comprehensively, visually displaying individual's information and other emergency personnel's location in real time.

In a statement to The SUN, Cook explained that the fair funding formula for dispatch takes an average percentage of the previous three years of dispatch calls routed to each agency and uses that percentage to calculate how much each agency will contribute to dispatch's budget.

For 2019, each entity paid its percentage of \$696,179, which "is set annually, so as to meet the operational and projected capital needs of the Combined Dispatch Fund," wrote Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton in a statement to The SUN.

The three-year call average over 2015, 2016 and 2017 to calculate the budget contributions for 2019 are:

- 51.46 percent for Archuleta County, meaning about half of the total dispatch calls have been routed from dispatch to the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office.

- 31.96 percent for the Town of Pagosa Springs, meaning about a third of the calls have been for the Pagosa Springs Police Department.

- 12.61 percent for USJHSD for EMS calls.

- 3.97 percent for PFPD.

According to Walton, the dollar amounts that stem from those percentages are as follows:

- \$335,052 from Archuleta County.

- \$222,777 from the town.
- \$90,503 from the USJHSD.
- \$27,847 from PFPD.

All of the contributions total \$696,179.

Additionally, \$227,000 is collected from E-911 revenue, a monthly fee collected from local cellphones for emergency services, making the 2019 budget for the dispatch center \$923,179.

The board also discussed an exploratory committee that will be tasked with investigating some of these issues, with Cook noting that the group is still in its "early infancy."

In a statement to The SUN, Cook wrote that the mission of the newly formed exploratory group is "to assess and update the fiscal portion of the IGA to meet the current needs of Dispatch, and to explore potential funding sources/mechanisms for a new facility or re-

location of the facility and potential equipment."

Currently, the exploratory committee is comprised of the following:

- Archuleta County Administrator Scott Wall and Commissioner Alvin Schaaf.

- Pagosa Springs Mayor Don Volger and town council member Tracy Bunning.

- USJHSD board member Greg Schulte.

- PFPD board members Ron Beckman and John Thompson.

At the board meeting, Cook also reported that she had recently met with Walton, who said the dispatch center had only used 22 percent of its budget in the first quarter, when it was expected to use 25 percent.

Cook also discussed the hire of the new dispatch manager, Kati Harr, whom Cook said is "more than anxious to get started" and that Harr has already been plotting how to make the dispatch center more effective.

Harr's official start date is June 24.

The board has admitted that finding a new facility and/or upgrading the dispatch equipment will cost a lot of money and has bounced around ideas for how to pay for the possible upgrades.

Current funding options on the table are:

- Fees for automatic alarm registration.

- Fees for response to false alarms.

- A mill levy specific to dispatch/emergency services.

- A sales tax increase.

- Tourism fees for public safety.

- An increase in E-911 fees. Locals who keep their non-970 area code phone numbers pay E-911 fees to whichever area code their number is in.

Cook ended the meeting by characterizing her commitment to the dispatch center and her work as chair of the dispatch board.

"It's not hard to sell something you believe in, and it's not hard to work hard for something you believe in. And I believe in dispatch and I believe in that we need to update this and get it right and do right by our community, so whatever work it takes to get it done I'm willing to do," she said.

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, June 13

Pagosa Peak Open School Donuts with the Director community meeting. 7:30 a.m., 7 Parelli Way.
Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners special meeting. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Monday, June 17

Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board. 5 p.m., Town Hall conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

San Juan Water Conservancy District meeting. Time to be determined, 46 Eaton Drive, Unit 5.

Tuesday, June 18

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, June 19

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, June 20

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

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

Friday, June 21

Joint county commissions/planning commission work session. Noon, Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Tuesday, June 25

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

Joint town/county work session. Noon, Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

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

Wednesday, June 26

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

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



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River

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it's not at flood stage, although we have had inundation."

At this point, it's about mitigating other areas to keep them free of log jams, he noted.

Le Roux suggested that if citizens see anything on the river to call early and call often.

"If you notice that there are trees blocking bridges, if you notice that there's a log jam starting to form, call our dispatch center," he said.

The nonemergency number for Archuleta County Combined Dispatch is 731-2160.

Snowpack

This week, local basins have increased 130 percent, going from 1,454 percent of median to 1,584 percent in terms of collective snowpack total.

The San Miguel, Dolores, Animas and San Juan River basins, with a collective snowpack total of 1,584 percent of median, have the highest total of the eight basins recorded.

The next closest to the local basins' total is the South Platte River Basin, which currently has a snowpack total of 1,042 percent of median.

Last week, the South Platte River Basin was 546 percent of median.

There is no reported snowpack total for the Upper San Juan site this

week due to missing data, as was the case last week.

The Upper Rio Grande Basin is 604 percent of median this week. Last week, that basin was 673 percent of median.

A 45 percent increase was reported for the Arkansas River Basin, with snowpack totals jumping from 502 percent of median to 547 percent of median this week.

The Yampa and White River basins have seen a 35 percent increase since last week, with totals going from 273 percent of median to 308 percent of median this week.

At the Laramie and North Platte River basins, snowpack totals

dropped from 262 percent of median to 255 percent of median.

The Upper Colorado River Basin barely cracked the 1,000 percent of median mark this week, sitting at 1,001 percent. Last week, it was 592 percent of median.

There is no reported snowpack total for the Gunnison River Basin due to missing data.

The Wolf Creek summit was 295 percent of the June 12 peak and 82 percent of the median peak.

Last week, the summit was 240 percent of the June 5 peak and 112 percent of the median peak.

In Pagosa Springs, the National Weather Service (NWS) indicates a slight chance of thunderstorms today along with a chance of rain showers through Saturday night.

The NWS indicates a similar forecast for Wolf Creek Pass with a slight chance of thunderstorms today and tonight with rain showers on Saturday.

Water report

As has been the case for multiple weeks now, all five lakes remain full as well as for practical purposes, according to a press release from Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District Manager Justin Ramsey.

Total cumulative available lake

water for treatment and delivery also remains at 100 percent.

Diversion flows have seen a drop since last week, going from 10.5 cfs to 9 cfs this week.

The West Fork and Four Mile diversions are still contributing 3 cfs and 6 cfs, respectively, while the San Juan diversion does not currently have a flow when last week it had one of 1.5 cfs.

Ramsey's press release explains that the San Juan plant began operations last week, but has been temporarily shut down for the week due to high river flows causing the water to be turbid.

Turbidity refers to the cloudiness or haziness within a fluid.

In an interview, Ramsey explained that the San Juan plant could be turned on if needed, however, it would be too expensive to filter out all the sediment currently in the San Juan River's water.

"If we treat it, it will be very clean. But to do that, it runs through filters and filters take out those sediments and stuff that makes it murky. But the filter gets clogged and you've got to take fresh water and you've got to backwash it through the filter," Ramsey explained. "So it just becomes less and less efficient."

From May 31 through June 6 of

this year, water production totaled 13.83 million gallons.

Contributing to that total, the Snowball water treatment plant produced 4.28 million gallons, the Hatcher water treatment plant produced 8.51 million gallons and the San Juan plant produced 1.04 million gallons.

Last year in the same time frame, water production was recorded at 18.63 million gallons. From May 24 through May 30 of this year, water production was recorded at 10.55 million gallons.

Ramsey attributed the increased water production to people finally starting to irrigate their land.

Snow water equivalency (SWE) has dropped since last week, going from 26.7 inches to 16.1 inches this week.

The SWE median remains at 0 inches this week, with this being the second week in a row with no percentage difference of average.

Precipitation totals remain the same from last week at 52.8 inches while the precipitation average has increased from 40.7 inches to 41.1 inches.

This week, precipitation is 128.5 percent of median, when last week it was 129.7 percent of median.

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Ownership

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currently have an opportunity in the community to procure that piece of property."

The one acre, she explains, includes a half acre near the river and a half acre on the opposite side of the road.

"In conversations with Archuleta County, I think they've expressed that they're not very keen on owning and carrying the liability on the property," she said, adding that in discussions with County Manager Scott Wall, the county is happy to support the purchase of the property, and staff and equipment to help grade the area to make it safer.

Phillips then presented an option to council for feedback: for the town to own the property and develop an intergovernmental agreement with the county to solidify its involvement on an annual basis, with there also being a contribution from the county and FUSJ toward the purchase.

Dickhoff added that the rafting companies are willing to maintain the property during in-season periods, with a town parks and recreation employee potentially going down monthly the rest of the year or another process that is deemed appropriate.

Dickhoff also indicated the possibility of in-kind services from the community to help with the property.

He added that, in speaking with the county's planning staff, a few processes would have to be followed, including exemption from subdivision requirements and zoning the property.

He noted the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners seems generally supportive and would be willing to work with the town on the process.

Based on council's decision at the meeting, Dickhoff explained, staff would work to finalize the legal description and paperwork needed to transfer the property.

Dickhoff estimated that the ownership would be rolled into the town's currently liability insurance program.

"I appreciate you guys seeing this through and finding solutions when it seemed like it was getting road-blocked, so I really appreciate you guys doing this," council member Nicole DeMarco said.

"I'm really glad and proud that we can, that we are able to make this happen and without any balking or sidestepping," council member Mat deGraaf said, adding that it is something the community needs and it is great to hear there is community support to better that area. "It just makes me feel even better about this great decision."

Council member David Schanzbaker echoed the sentiment before stating he wants to hear about the liability insurance since that was a stumbling point for the county, as well as the county processes the town will have to go through.

Madeline Bergon also expressed that she is in favor of the town moving forward with the piece of property since it is key access for river use.

She also noted she doesn't want to force the county into something it isn't comfortable with.

Matt DeGuise noted it is odd for the town to own it, but moving forward the town owning it is probably in everyone's best interest.

Mayor Don Volger noted that he loves the partnership between a volunteer organization and the town and county governments.

"It makes it hard to say no," he said.

Volger also suggested the town reach out to Colorado Parks and Wildlife because that organization has money and interest in developing corridors along the river for recreation.

"And we have done so," Dickhoff replied. "And they're currently very interested in one of our upstream access points, but there are going to be some funding opportunities for us at this access point."

The parcel is expected to cost each entity \$5,000 to \$6,000.

Now, Phillips indicated Tuesday, staff is working to create a legal description for the property and will create agreements between the town, county and FUSJ.

In other business at the meeting, council:

- Unanimously passed the second and final reading of Ordinance 911, repealing development impact fees and fees in lieu of public land dedication.
- Appointed Tracy Bunning and Don Volger to the Dispatch Center Exploratory Committee.
- Approved a contract for additional shade structures in Yamaguchi Park.
- Approved a noxious weed plan for town property.
- Approved a carnival event lease for Town Park.
- Voted to approve the lease renewal for the Pagosa Springs Senior Center.
- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 913, rezoning 650 S. 6th St.
- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 914, vacating public utility easements on lot 10 of Paradise Mesa.
- Approved a letter of support for a grant for a playground in Aspen Springs.

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Jail

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which is under contract to manage construction of the project, in a phone interview.

"That was based on progress drawings. The drawings were about 50 percent complete at that stage, so we made a lot of guesses and assumptions," said Fleming.

Fleming explained how a booming construction industry, plus Pagosa Springs' relatively remote location is making it challenging to find subcontractors and is causing material prices to inflate.

"Everyone's so dang busy right now, they're having to select which jobs they want to bid on because there's so much work out there right now," said Fleming, adding, "Suppliers are in the same situation where they can only make so much stuff so they're having to increase their pricing a little bit too. Some of it's labor some of it's the material increases. It's kind of across the board right now."

Spencer Leigh, also a project manager for Nunn Construction, explained in a phone interview that the rock at the jail site was much shallower than they anticipated.

"I mean, it's Pagosa, we know there's going to be rock there but we didn't know it was gonna be 18 inches under the ground under the whole site," said Leigh, who explained that the shallow rock makes it hard to get firm commitments

from subcontractors who may see the rock as a deterrent to work on the project.

"Either they put a pretty big premium on it or they don't commit," said Spencer, referencing subcontractors who have been approached about the project.

Leigh said the surprise shallowness of the rock is making the cost of the facility go up about \$70,000.

Fleming, Leigh and chief architect of the project, Brad Ash, presented the new price point to the county commissioners at their June 11 work session.

"We're still about a million high," said Ash at the meeting, after Fleming and Lee had explained how Pagosa's labor market, a booming construction industry and the shallow rock at the site were all factors in the price increase.

"It reverts back to supply and demand, you know, it's a builders' market right now, the industry's growing all over, not just with housing but also with strip malls, jails, courthouses, other things like that," said Commissioner Ron Maez at the meeting. "So, I don't like it, but, you know, we're basically over a barrel, I think all of us are."

"From our side, I'll tell you, we're disappointed in where the price is coming in," said Ash at the meeting. "We're working our butts off, doing the best we can and making sure

you guys get a good project that everyone can stand behind for years and years."

In a follow-up phone call, Maez said that he was "shocked at the increase" in cost and added, "At this point there's not a lot we can do about it."

Commissioner Steve Wadley gave his response to the price increase in a follow-up interview.

"It's disappointing but not completely surprising. Everywhere is in a boom, it's a specialized building that is a specialized design and you can't just go out and get anybody to build it," said Wadley. "If this thing would have gotten done two years ago, we'd already be way ahead and already have the facility built. All these people that wanted to nitpick over 10 percent of the cost, and now look where we're at and any delay is going to cost more money."

Walton's report explains that the GMP has not been finalized but that Fleming and Leigh told the county commissioners at their June 11 work session they anticipated the GMP would be \$14,395,000.

Fleming told The SUN Wednesday morning that his team would "be working late tonight" to finalize the GMP prior to today's vote.

The special meeting of the county commissioners is today, June 13 at 8:30 a.m. in the commissioners' meeting room at 398 Lewis St.

Wilderness

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ing the court to overturn the Forest Service's approval and direct the agency to comply with the Wilderness Act by inviting public participation and weighing lawful alternatives to allowing motorized equipment in the wildernesses."

On June 3, a preliminary injunction was filed by the plaintiffs.

"In the plaintiffs' view, any use of chain saws in the wilderness causes irreparable harm, that was the purpose of filing for a preliminary injunction," said lead legal counsel for the plaintiffs, Jeffrey Kane, in a phone interview, adding, "But, the

forest service choosing to withdraw its decision in our view is because they realized they didn't have a good case."

On Monday, Ferebee released a letter to USFS forest supervisors that stated, "I am rescinding the approval to use chainsaws that was conveyed in my May 7 letter..." and explained that it was because of extraordinary levels of snowpack in the wilderness.

Kane said the forest service's decision to rescind its approval of chain saws in the wilderness would "most likely" result in the case being dismissed.

The Weminuche Wilderness encompasses about 500,000 acres in southwest Colorado and is the largest wilderness area in the state.

The South San Juan Wilderness encompasses about 159,000 acres of the southeastern portion of the San Juan Mountain Range, and includes a segment of the Continental Divide Trail.

Both wilderness areas are administered by the San Juan and Rio Grande national forests.

The USFS was unable to comment on the matter by press time Wednesday.

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Town

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document explains, include:

- Deteriorating structures and deteriorating site improvements;
- Faulty street or lot layout;
- Unsanitary or unsafe conditions;
- Inadequate public facilities;
- Code violations; or
- Other distresses concerning property that are found within Colorado Revised Statute 31-25-103(2).

"Through planning and public improvements, urban renewal projects encourage the development of housing, mixed use, office parks, and industrial or retail land to revitalize areas," the document explains.

It further explains that Colorado's urban renewal laws allow municipalities to create URAs, with a URA responsible for improving conditions in an affected urban renewal area.

To form a URA, the first step is a petition of 25 registered town voters and would continue through a series of 27 steps listed on a handout given to the council.

The URA would be governed by a board of 13 commissioners, the document explains, with Phillips explaining on May 30 that could be an independent board or the municipal board plus other members as required by statute.

Phillips explained at the work session that URA projects can last for up to 25 years, with most funded through tax incremental financing (TIF) collected from the defined project area.

It would also require agreements with other taxing entities that collect property tax.

During the work session with town council, Mayor Don Volger asked each council member for his or her thoughts on the idea, with everyone open to the idea or in favor of learning more about it.

Comments by council included that the town should have a heavy hand in determining infrastructure improvements, that it is a creative way to get development going more quickly, that the URA would give the town more say in the development than just through existing regulations and that it's a way to get some major infrastructure done.

"I think it can be really exciting," Volger said.

A meeting the following day was noticed to allow a quorum of the council to attend, though none did.

Instead, the meeting served as an opportunity for town staff and interested citizens to ask questions of two representatives of The Springs Resort and Spa: Paul Bendetti, an attorney specializing in urban renewal projects, and Mike Anderson, who works to prepare economic analyses, TIF forecasts and revenue forecasts for projects.

At that meeting, Bendetti explained there are at least 50 municipalities with URAs in Colorado, including Vail, Dillon, Glenwood Springs, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver and Montrose.

As the meeting progressed, Bendetti discussed how the governing board of the URA would be formed, the process for formation of the authority, funding, defining project zones and more.

According to Bendetti, The Springs would front the cost for the work, then be repaid through TIF revenues.

Audience member Bill Hudson spoke against the idea, suggesting that other developments in town had to pay for everything themselves, "which is the town's policy," with others pointing out those developments could have approached the town or could form districts and tax themselves.

Hudson also suggested Bendetti and Anderson "don't know Pagosa very well" and that businesses are already struggling to hire employees, and that increased development without additional workforce housing would drive up housing costs and make the problem worse.

Bendetti pointed out that all projects are different and are based on what that community needs.

Hudson further suggested that the impact statement won't look at all impacts and won't look at what's happening in town that wasn't happening 20 years ago.

He added that the development over the last 25 years has not been good for the working class.

"I don't know how you measure things," Bendetti responded, suggesting that by Hudson's measure nothing works and asking Hudson if he has been for anything.

He added later, "You cannot do everything for your town with this program."

Hudson again suggested the community needs housing, not jobs.

Town Planning Director James Dickhoff explained there is work being done on housing.

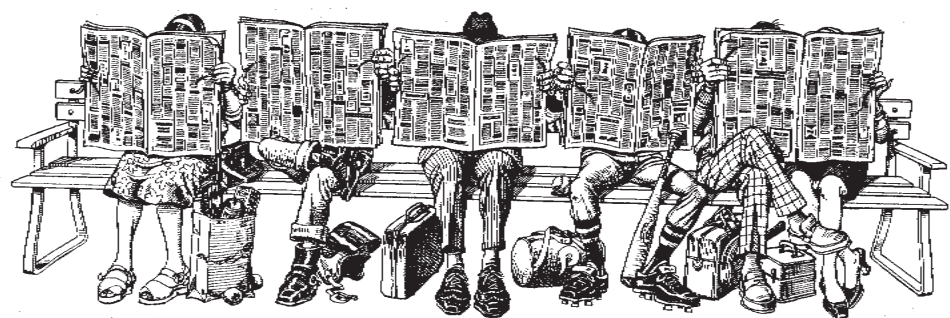
"You can't tie all of our community problems into this," he said, noting that The Springs is a year-round tourism driver.

As the conversation progressed, Bendetti explained that he understood Hudson was against The Springs' development and wanted to get back to talking about URAs, suggesting it can be a useful tool that he has seen work.

Near the end of the meeting, Phillips pointed out that there could be multiple urban renewal projects, with the first step of any project being the formation of the authority.

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Mudslide temporarily closes Wolf Creek Pass

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

A mudslide due to snowmelt caused Wolf Creek Pass to close the night of June 7, but the pass was reopened the morning of June 8 following work done by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT).

The mudslide occurred around 10:30 or 11 p.m. on June 7, according to CDOT Southwest Regional Communications Manager Lisa Schwantes.

Because the mudslide occurred so late at night, CDOT crews decided, for their own safety, to clean up the slide the morning of June 8, Schwantes explained.

CDOT crews began the cleanup of the Wolf Creek Pass mudslide around 5:30 a.m. on June 8 and the pass was reopened at 8:20 a.m. that day, Schwantes added.

Mud and debris, which included rocks, water and trees, had made its way across the roadway, Schwantes explained.

"We've received, as everyone knows, snow this winter and we're now experiencing that snowmelt and runoff," she said.

All mountain passes across the state of Colorado are seeing rockslides and mudslides, Schwantes noted.

As the summer season progresses, CDOT crews are anticipating more incidents such as this one, she explained.

For motorists who are going up any of the mountain passes this season, CDOT advises that drivers be diligent and aware, she added later.

If there is a mudslide or rockslide that does not allow motorists to continue on the roadway, Schwantes advised motorists to stop and put their hazard lights on.

"If you're going through something that is actually occurring while you are driving through, which can happen, continue driving as best as you can to get through that area," she said.

Campground evacuations and water closures

On the eastern side of Wolf Creek Pass, however, voluntary evacuations were issued early in the week for campgrounds in South Fork and Del Norte, according to an email from Rio Grande County

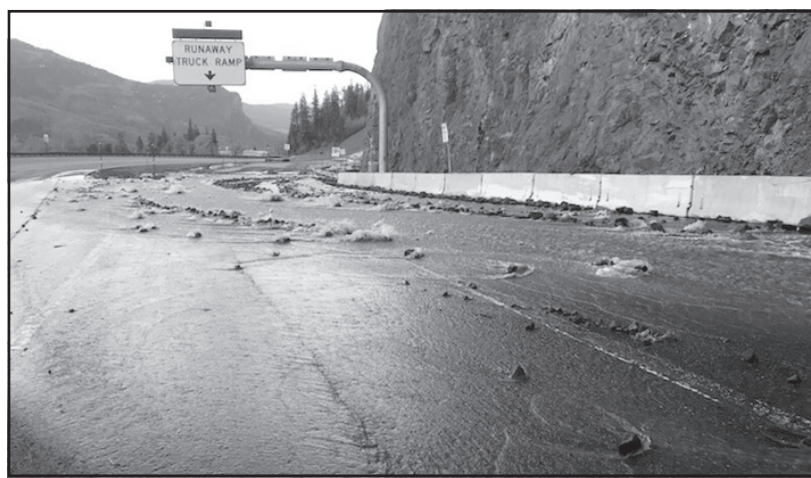


Photo courtesy Colorado Department of Transportation

A mudslide caused Wolf Creek Pass to close the night of June 7 with the road reopening the next morning. Mud and debris, which included rocks, water and trees, crossed the roadway. CDOT crews anticipate more incidents such as this one as the snowmelt continues.

Public Health Department Director Emily Brown.

"Campers in flood zones are encouraged to move to campsites away from the river. Homeowners in or near flood zones are encouraged to start flood mitigation procedures," Brown's email reads.

Also on the eastern side of the pass, the Rio Grande River was

closed to vessels and watersports activities through Rio Grande and Mineral counties, explained a Tuesday press release from Brown.

Brown explained that river levels are being monitored to determine when closures can be lifted. Current estimates show this could be sometime this week.

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Vehicle incident leads to weapon charges against local man

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

A vehicle incident on U.S. 160 that occurred on June 3 turned into a local man being arrested on two weapon charges.

Around 5:40 p.m., Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) deputy James Martinez received a call about an incident involving two males, one of which had a firearm, an ACSO incident report reads.

Deputy Martinez was advised that Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department Cpl. Logan Gholson would be assisting with the incident, the report notes.

Upon arriving on scene, the incident report notes that Cpl. Gholson had a man in custody, Justin McCa-

rver, age 21.

The incident report notes that Deputy Martinez could detect a "very strong unknown" alcoholic beverage smell emanating from McCaCarver's breath.

In addition to the smell of alcohol, the report described McCaCarver as "uneasy" while standing on his feet, relying on the patrol vehicle for support.

The man who reported the incident explained that he was driving on U.S. 160 when a blue sedan, driven by McCaCarver and pulling onto U.S. 160, struck the back of his vehicle, per the incident report.

After striking the back of his vehicle, McCaCarver did not stop, which led the reporting party to follow McCaCarver, flashing his lights in attempt

to signal to McCaCarver to pull over, the incident report describes.

When the vehicle, driven by McCaCarver, finally pulled over, the reporting party got out of his vehicle to talk to McCaCarver, according to the incident report.

The reporting party approached McCaCarver's vehicle and noticed that he had a gun in his lap, the incident report reads.

That gun, according to the incident report, was a Ruger .22 caliber pistol.

The incident report notes that the reporting party grabbed McCaCarver to control him so he could not make a move for the firearm.

While allegedly attempting to subdue McCaCarver, the incident report explains that the reporting party

then advised one of his sons to get the gun and "take it away."

The report notes that McCaCarver was charged with one count of felony aggravated menacing with a weapon as well as prohibited use of weapons.

Despite the fact that no one was hurt at the end of this incident, ACSO Undersheriff Derek Woodman advises local citizens to not take the law into their own hands.

"My suggestion is always be the best witness that you can be. Do not engage, do not try to take the law into your own hands," Woodman explained.

In this case, taking down the offender's license plate number and letting law enforcement handle the rest might have been the better decision, Woodman added.

"If somebody is going to come out with a gun to defend themselves, there's a strong possibility that they are going to use it," he added later. "It could have turned bad in a couple different ways."

Resilient Archuleta meeting: Emergency management operations and preparing for disasters

By Robin Young
Special to The SUN

Resilient Archuleta invites everyone to the next community conversation around resilience with the Archuleta County Emergency Operations Center Director Mike Le Roux and the Office of Emergency Management team to hear about emergency management operations and what the community and individuals can do to help be better prepared for disasters.

The conversation will be held June 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the CSU Extension office, 344 U.S. 84.

Le Roux will be discussing the Hazard Mitigation Plan and how we can build a culture of preparedness; and the emergency management cycle of mitigation, preparation, response and recovery. The conversation will be generating ideas on how to be resilient to the threats of our community.

The Emergency Operations

Center serves all of Archuleta County and assists Hinsdale and Mineral counties with emergency management and coordination in the southern portions of their counties. They are responsible for the following areas: emergency operations, multiagency coordination, joint information coordination, and resource and incident management.

Everyone is encouraged to come and participate in the conversation around resilience.

Aspire and Knights of Columbus to hold breakfast fundraiser on July 4

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

Join Aspire and The Knights of Columbus for a special pancake breakfast on July 4 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Parish Hall at 455 Lewis St.

All proceeds from the event go toward the purchase of a new ultrasound machine for Aspire.

Aspire is a prenatal care and parenting education provider in Pagosa Springs.

"This year, The Knights of Columbus, our local chapter, they're partnering with us because we're

going for a Knights of Columbus ultrasound grant," said Marcy Mitchell, executive director for Aspire Pagosa. "Our ultrasound machine here is about ten years old. So, it's kind of getting its last legs, and so, we needed a new machine, which is about \$28,000."

Mitchell explained that The Knights of Columbus has an ultrasound grant program, where the local Knights chapter helps raise half the money and then the national chapter will match it.

Mitchell said the new machine will allow Aspire to do ultrasound

scans as early five weeks and their current machine does scans starting around seven weeks of pregnancy.

Mitchell noted all of Aspire's early detection scans are free.

"Come out and have a great breakfast before the parade, get parking downtown early and then eat," Mitchell said of the event.

Tickets to the event are \$7 at the door and the meal will include pancakes, sausage and juice, coffee or tea.

More information about Aspire can be found at aspirepagosa.org john@pagosasun.com

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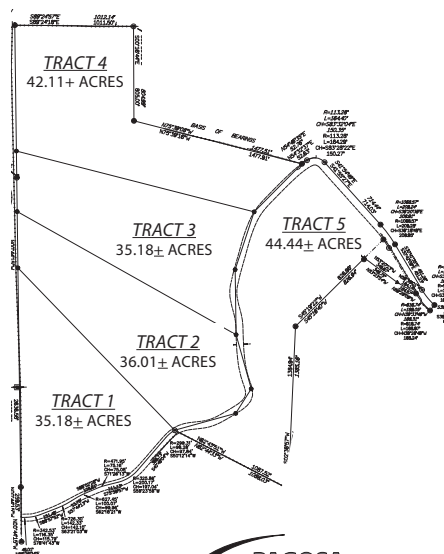
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Education

Charter school addresses potential staff bonuses in January

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

As part of her first director's report as school director of Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS), Angela Crossland addressed how the school will proceed in giving its staff bonuses.

The report was given during a board meeting on June 10.

According to Crossland, the PPOS board stated at a previous meeting that it wanted to provide a bonus package for staff members that would be given in January of 2020.

"I wanted to express to the staff that this is something I feel passionate about in helping reward them for their hard work," she said.

Within her director's report, Crossland notes that this idea is still "in the making."

Despite there being a lot of unknowns in this process, PPOS as a whole is committed to coming up with a staff compensation plan that aligns with other districts and charter schools, Crossland's director's report reads.

The funding for staff bonuses can come from areas such as in-

creased student enrollment, grants and the potential revenue from leasing space in the Parelli building after PPOS purchases it (PPOS currently leases space in the building), Crossland explained.

"And those would be places that, in January, we would find extra funds within the budget to form kind of a pool of money that would be available," she said during the meeting.

These bonuses could be distributed based on the amount of funds available and a staff performance evaluation, among other things,

Crossland explained.

"I would like to create an ideal compensation framework of where we're headed," she added later.

This idea is still being worked toward, Crossland noted, adding that PPOS being a new charter school might not allow it to have a framework just yet.

Budget approval

At the same meeting, the PPOS board approved the school's budget for the 2019-2020 school year and appropriated the funding.

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Photo courtesy Justin Cowan

Pagosa Springs Elementary School recognizes parents who contribute to the school in ways that go above and beyond. Receiving Parent of the Year awards are pictured, left to right, Renea Smith, Mitch Randall and Emrys Tyler. The parents partner with the school to set up family nights, plan events, run with their kids during 100 Mile Club, participate in field trips and more.

Pagosa Springs Middle School fourth-quarter honor roll announced

By Anjelica Gallegos
Special to The SUN

The following fifth-grade students at Pagosa Springs Middle School made the A honor roll with a 4.0 GPA: Izabella Catillo, Parker Kohler, Kaila Limebrook, Anja Nasralla, Jonathon Smith and Aidan Vega.

The following fifth-grade students made honor roll with a 3.5 to 3.99 cumulative GPA: Leah Blackman, Jacob Cataneda, Milo Deitemeyer, Brenton Dikes, Hope Domingo, Cristal Echavarría, Xavier Haynie, Ryann Heilhecker, Alexa Hernandez, Karina Hernandez, Alia Hibbert, Jenna Jenkins, Adison Johnson, Case Matteson, Hayden Peterson, Jayton Ross and Natalie Talley.

The following sixth-grade students made the A honor roll with a 4.0 GPA: Honestye Anderson, Rylie Carr, Elizabeth Currier, Isabel Galloway, Bella Gutierrez, Neena Gutierrez, Peyton Jackson, Kylie Ketchum,

Olivia Mazur, Abigail Nehring, Alexander Pham, Aspen Pitcher, Cooper Ralston, Finn Ralston, Cameron Reis, Emily Reynolds, Ariel Slead, Brandt Winther and Trevor Wirth.

The following sixth-grade students made honor roll with a 3.5 to 3.99 cumulative GPA: Jesse Beck, Nidia Blanco, Bathannie Daniels-Wells, Chance Hurt, Jessica Johnson, James Jolley, Cadence Kerns, Brisa Montes, Quetzal Montes, Olivia Nehring, Layla Novak, Jayslynn Perea, Karsyn Shahan, Gemma Slingerland, Jared Smith, Payton Smith, Sofia Talamante, Cascia Ward, Nickolas Wilson and Seth Zeigler.

The following seventh-grade students made the A honor roll with a 4.0 GPA: Seth Aucoin, Karis Blackman, Jack Hittler, Kynslie Limebrook, Natalie Mashue, Hadley Phillips, Noah Stone and Lucy Taylor.

The following seventh-grade students made honor roll with a 3.5 to 3.99 cumulative GPA: Kadence

Chavez, John Cloward, Chloe Crabtree, Donovan Galabota, Tucker Haines, Colton Lewis, Patrick Matney, Jeidy Moreno, Annie O'Donnell, Bailee Shallenberger, Marie Smith, Jaden Tuggle-Reed and Anne-Marie Uhrenbacher.

The following eighth-grade students made the A honor roll with a 4.0 GPA: Aaron Aucoin, Lynelle Bartz, Ethan Bergdolt, Andrew Bowles, Chantelle Caldwell, Beatrice Carpenter, Emma Gantt, Sofia Haymaker, Jordan Heaton, Kaleb Johnson, Jai Loveday, Tucker Mashue, Jonathan Nasralla, Jordan Pham, Shayden Riggs, Hannah Rockensock, Skylar Sherman, Noah Slingerland and Beatrice Yenezia.

The following eighth-grade students made honor roll with a 3.5 to 3.99 cumulative GPA: Kaylee Allison, Daniel Bradley, Barbara Brown, Kaylor Christians, Kaison Clifford, Gabriella Coda, Braylon Cotts, Ki-ana Dixon, Ivanna Erne, Shealyn

Firestone, Karissa Foster, Nevaeh Gallegos, Rachael Goudie, JoAnn Granados-Tapia, Mariah Hill, Keigan Hughes, Triston Iguchi, Kali Jury, Kayla Laucius, Virginia Manzanara, Breanna Moore, Ava Pargin, Jovanka Ponce de Leon, Summer Roanhorse, Audreauna Shahan, Suemy Soto, Jordan Stern, Jackson Sweargin, Sorcha Sweeney, Alyx Velarde, Samson Wiens, Mateo Zamudio and Emma Ziminsky.

Pagosa Peak Open School presenting 'Donuts with the Director'

By Alison Beach
Special to The SUN

Pagosa Peak Open School is now under the new leadership of school director Angela Reali-Crossland and we are excited to share our vision for the school with the Pagosa Springs Community.

Please join us on Thursday, June 13, or July 9, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. for "Donuts with the Director" at Pagosa Peak Open School, located at 7 Parelli Way.

Come enjoy breakfast and conversation with Reali-Crossland. See the 2019-2020 school work plan and provide feedback for the school as we pave our path toward the future.

These events are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

Ballantine Family Foundation approves funding for Wings Early Childhood Center

By Jan Santopietro
Special to The SUN

The Archuleta County Education Center (ACEC) is pleased to announce that the trustees of the Ballantine Family Fund have approved a grant request in the amount of \$2,000 to be used as start-up costs for Wings Early Childhood Center.

The Ballantine Family Fund was established in 1957 by Morley C. Ballantine and Arthur A. Ballantine Jr. for the purpose of providing financial assistance to nonprofit causes that benefit the human condition and enhancing the quality of life in southwest Colorado.

Briggen Wrinkle, grants manager for the Ballantine Family Fund, noted the following in the grant acceptance letter: "The trustees believe that your program is providing a vital component to creating a healthy and vibrant community."

The early childhood project began more than three years ago when the Pagosa Springs Town

Council and Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners appointed a group of volunteers (Early Care and Education Work Group) to provide recommendations for ways to expand early childhood programs in Archuleta County — they realized the lack of services was adversely affecting the local economy. Parents could not go to work if they could not find safe, secure care and education programs for their young children.

The work group spent the first year researching availability and what was needed in our community. The group found that creation of 280 more slots was necessary in order to meet the need for early childhood care and education programs in our community (see the full report presented to the town and county at www.wingsearlychildhood.org).

The focus for the second and third year was implementation, but how could the ACEC expand programs without adequate space? All the licensed homes and centers

were full and had long waiting lists. It was obvious that a new center had to be built. Fast forward to today — a generous local couple purchased the former Greenhouse Restaurant and is providing the building rent-free to the ACEC. In turn, the ACEC secured 100 percent of the funding necessary for the renovation, which is expected to be completed this month.

To that end, Wings Early Childhood Center is targeted to open in the fall of 2019 for 40 toddlers (ages 1 up to 3 years) and preschoolers (ages 3 to 5 years). The Fund Development Committee is working closely with the Start-Up Committee in developing budgets and seeking appropriate funding sources for additional start-up costs. It's amazing how much it costs to provide high-quality education for a young child — close to \$12,000 per year.

Visit www.wingsearlychildhood.org for the latest information about Wings as we soar to new heights in 2019.

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Last month, Pagosa Family School students released more than 600 native bees to the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership site at Centennial Park. Students installed the cocoons for their adult emergence into these structures that they decorated and helped to build. The bees are not stinging bees.

Pagosa Family School releases gentle pollinators along Riverwalk

By Keith Bruno
Special to The SUN

If you've recently walked downtown through Centennial Park, where the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) domes are located, you may have noticed some colorful new pollinator homes off to either side of the Riverwalk trail. These structures, packed with hollow reeds and drilled blocks of wood, are not only decorative, but, most importantly, offer nesting habitat to native solitary bees. Specifically, the small-gauge holes are designed to encourage mason and leafcutter bees, indigenous to the region and known for their amazing ability to pollinate.

It has been estimated that one mason bee can pollinate as efficiently as 100 honeybees. Though honeybees are also important pollinators on the landscape, they did not originate here and are less efficient at pollinating both wild

and landscaped plants. Honey bees are creatures of habit and will oftentimes repeatedly visit the same pollen sources. On the other hand, leafcutter and mason bees are much more erratic with which blossoms they visit and effectively cross-pollinate plants more regularly in their adventures to source pollens.

The first thing to note is that these bees are not stinging bees. They are gentle and have no interest in stinging you. The males do not have stingers. The females, if squeezed or trapped, may sting like that of a mosquito, but this is generally unheard of. It's still wise to give them space and let them go about their business. After all, it's these bees that we should offer our gratitude for the food on our tables. Bees are critical to our food security and encouraging native bees is a great way to ensure that your chokecherries, currants, apples and other fruit-bearing plants yield to their potential.

Last month, 100 or so kindergarten through eighth-grade students of Pagosa Family School (PFS) released more than 600 native bees to the GGP site with instruction from Keith Bruno at Audubon Rockies. Students installed the cocoons for their adult emergence into these structures that they decorated and helped to build. Some bees instantly went "to work" on the GGP site, flying straight to blossoms and seeking out nesting reeds for laying eggs. These structures accompany others onsite that were dreamed up and installed by Youth Rise students last year. This year, the high school students released more bees into the older structures to ensure occupancy.

With these structures, one can

detect mason bee activity by identifying reeds or drilled holes capped with dry mud. These reeds can hold several chambers of eggs and pollens provided for future mason generations. These bees are nearly metallic blue and can oftentimes be seen carrying yellow pollen on their abdomens. Leafcutter bees, on the other hand, are a little smaller, black and yellow, and prefer to transport small bits of leaf from rose and pea family plants to cap their nesting holes.

Remember, please give them space and simply admire their hard work.

If you're interested in building native bee habitat at your house, you can learn more at crownbees.com.

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writing computer code or civil engineering, but we've also learned ones like how to get along with people when you are in a stressful situation, how to work as a team and improvisational skills.

We thank each one of you who has taken the time to ask about our projects and our plans. We appreciate all the bake sale donations, the \$100 from the Foundation for Archuleta County Education, and the \$440 from the La Plata Electric Association Co-op. We are grateful that we were able to attend Global Finals this year and hope to use what we learned to help make our community stronger.

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Pagosa Springs Middle School students visit the U.S. Capitol and Harvard Yard as part of the students' annual East Coast trip.

School district to keep director districts in place

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

For those interested in a future seat on the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education (BOE), interested parties will still have to comply with director district boundaries, as the board opted to not vote on abolishing director districts.

Currently, the BOE has five director districts and when a seat becomes vacant, interested parties must live within a specified district to be considered for the board.

If the board would have decided to proceed with eliminating director districts, they would be considered an "at-large" board, meaning that a potential director would not have to live within a specific district to be considered for the board vacancy.

The BOE would have had until July 18 to adopt a proposal to eliminate director districts to be put on the November ballot, but following discussion at a June 11 meeting, the board ultimately decided to keep director districts.

That discussion started with BOE member Bruce Dryburgh explaining that it made sense in larger communities to have districts for school boards, allowing for more representation in those counties.

In Archuleta County, that's just not the case, Dryburgh noted.

"The advantage of getting rid of the districts is it's going to make it easier for us to try and recruit good people to get on the board," he said.

As mentioned at a May 14 meeting of the board, potentially moving to an "at-large" board could cause issues if a group of people, in a small area, were to try and band together and take over the board.

"I think we should get rid of them," Dryburgh said.

However, during the meeting, Dryburgh explained that whatever the board chose to do, it should be at least a substantial majority vote.

"Let's not go through the grief if we have a substantial minority,"

he said.

BOE President Greg Schick explained that the board has a history of getting good board members, explaining that he believed the board should stick with having director districts.

"I like what we've had. I think it's served us well," Schick said.

BOE member Dawn Kolpin explained that she believed the board should move forward with eliminating director districts.

"I think it's actually difficult to fill these positions and I would like to see the opportunity for more people to step forward and play this role," she said.

For BOE member Bob Lynch, he explained that he was in favor of keeping things as is, because the district "didn't have a problem."

In the future, ASD may have a problem filling spots on the board, but as of right now, Lynch explained he didn't see the need for the board to go through the hassle of eliminating the director districts.

BOE member Brooks Lindner agreed with Lynch's comments adding that the cost of an upcoming election is a factor.

The cost of a potential election varies on a variety of factors, ASD Finance Director Mike Hodgson explained in a follow-up interview.

"It depends who runs with us and it also depends on if the town has their election. Does the county have their election?" Hodgson explained.

Following more brief discussion among the board, Dryburgh changed his mind on the matter, opting to keep director districts.

In a follow-up interview, Dryburgh confirmed that the reason behind him changing his mind on the issue of director districts was to not have a substantial minority on the matter.

"I do think there is a potential for there to be some division without the districts," Lindner added later. "I feel like we should just keep it how it is."

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Colorado lottery spillover funds earmarked for BEST program for schools

By Kelly Tabor
Special to The SUN

For the second time in Colorado Lottery history, the organization met its Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) funding cap in April — three months ahead of schedule.

"This is an exciting time for the lottery, for maximizing proceeds for our beneficiaries and enriching the lives of Coloradans," said Colorado Lottery Director Tom Seaver.

Originally set at \$35 million in 1992, the GOCO cap is adjusted annually for inflation. The cap amount for fiscal year 2019 is nearly \$68.5

million and, thanks to recently strong sales of lottery products, the organization reached that goal early. The GOCO cap was met in April once before — in fiscal year 2006 — when the amount was \$50.2 million.

"With this achievement, our friends at the lottery proved once again that their hard work pays off for all Coloradans. GOCO is grateful and honored to partner with the lottery to invest proceeds in our state's parks, trails, rivers, wildlife and open spaces," said GOCO Executive Director Chris Castilian. "This is excellent news for our stakeholders and partners

— Colorado Parks and Wildlife, local governments across the state, nonprofit land trusts and other partnering entities. These organizations leverage GOCO funds to accomplish amazing conservation and recreation projects, which lead to a better quality of life, improved health, and stronger local economies for Coloradans and their communities."

The Building Excellent Schools Today fund (BEST), which offers grants for public school construction, will see the biggest benefit of the Lottery hitting the ceiling early. Once the GOCO cap is reached,

spillover funds are earmarked for the BEST program, which stands to receive several million dollars in lottery funds this fiscal year.

"The lottery has supported BEST since its inception and is a key contributor to improving the educational environment for hundreds of thousands of Colorado students," said BEST Director of Capital Construction Andy Stine. "We couldn't be more pleased to hear that the GOCO cap was met so early. Every dollar invested in BEST means more money for health, safety and security improvements for schools across the state."

Center of Southwest Studies to celebrate the beginning of summer with annual Solstice event

By Julie Tapley-Booth
Special to The SUN

The Center of Southwest Studies at Fort Lewis College will celebrate the Summer Solstice on Friday, June 21, with doors opening at 6 a.m. In the rising dawn of the summer solstice, a spiral of sunlight makes its way across the center's gallery walls, making for a dazzling display.

This event is open to the public, and admission and parking are free.

Situated in the upper northeast corner of the exhibit gallery, the Solstice Window is recessed into the wall. Created by Denver artist Scott Parsons as a part of Colorado's Art in Public Places Program, the window was integrated into the building's architecture.

Parsons designed the window in tribute to the solstice markers of the Ancestral Puebloans of Southwest Colorado. The spiral cast by the Solstice Window is visible for several days before and after the summer solstice, but it is sharpest

on solstice morning. Moving with the motion of the earth and sun, the spiral makes its journey across the gallery wall, fading as the sun rises higher in the sky.

The Center of Southwest Studies, now in its 55th year, provides an active program of free public lectures and events year-round at its museum, research library, and archives facility on the campus of Fort Lewis College in Durango. For more information, please contact the center's business office at 247-7456 or visit swcenter.fortlewis.edu.

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Outdoors

Solstice on the San Juan to raise funds for Chimney Rock interpretive programs

By Ernie O'Toole
Special to The SUN

For over 20 years, the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association (CRIA), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, and its more than 100 volunteers have shared the story of the Ancestral Puebloan people with thousands of visitors through tours and special programs at Chimney Rock National Monument.

Historic places like Chimney Rock reflect the past while enriching our future, but without public support, CRIA would be unable to provide the interpretive programs that keep Chimney Rock's history alive.

In hopes of funding educational projects, volunteer recruitment/training and the interpretive programs that help keep Chimney Rock National Monument a local attraction, CRIA is holding a fundraising event, Solstice on the San Juan, in the amphitheater at the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) on June 22 at 6 p.m. This is located downtown by the river behind the county courthouse, at 80 S. 5th St. For two hours, we will present Native American flute and drum music and Native American storytelling.

Charles Martinez, a Pagosa native with Jicarilla and Navajo ancestry, will be playing his own handmade flutes. Andulia Davis from Dulce, a CRIA volunteer and Jicarilla Nation member, will be telling stories about her native culture, and Marlon Magdalena, a member of the Jemez Pueblo in New Mexico, will also be playing his flutes and drums and will also tell of his people's history and culture. This will be an event well worth attending.

The cost is \$25 for adults in advance and \$30 at the gate. The cost is \$5 for children 5 to 15, and children 5 and under are free. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce at the Visitor Center on Hot Springs Boulevard, at Choke Cherry Tree, 56 Talisman Drive, 8C, or visit our website, ChimneyRockCo.org.

They can also be purchased at the entrance the day of the event.

Why support CRIA?

CRIA's operational funding

CRIA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that runs the daily operations and interpretive programs at Chimney Rock National Monument in partnership with the USDA Forest Service and the San Juan National Forest. CRIA does not receive any funding from the government and relies on tour fees, donations, merchandise sales and grants for the daily operations and special programs at the monument.

CRIA's education initiative

Since becoming a national monument in 2012, CRIA has seen a significant increase in the number of schools requesting tours, which are provided at no cost for the students and accompanying adults. This year, CRIA provided 20 free educational programs for over 550 children and accompanying adults from schools in Pagosa, Durango, Monte Vista and Silverton. A group of experienced educators, CRIA's Education Initiative Committee has developed special projects and an outreach mobile classroom kit that provides an enhanced experience for these young people in the hope they will value sites such as Chimney Rock and preserve cultural heritage. With additional funding, it is the committee's desire to develop an age-appropriate curriculum to send to schools to study independently the week prior to visiting the monument.

CRIA's lecture series

CRIA hosts a free lecture series each year to offer the opportunity for the public and CRIA volunteers to gather and hear a speaker whose topic typically relates to southwest archaeology, archaeoastronomy and/or Chacoan culture. The lectures are free of charge and take place at 7 p.m., following a social hour at 6 p.m., at the EcoLux

building located at The Springs Resort and Spa at 165 Hot Springs Blvd. in Pagosa Springs. CRIA absorbs the costs extended to these speakers.

Volunteer recruitment

CRIA must recruit new volunteers each year to meet increased demand in visitation and to replace volunteers who leave the area or can no longer volunteer. There are significant costs involved in recruiting, training and retaining volunteers annually. An extensive annual training, core curriculum and training manuals, and CPR/first aid certification, are among some of the costs CRIA absorbs to retain its volunteers. While there are paid, dedicated, part-time staff members, it's the volunteers who interpret and maintain the site and do most of the tasks that make the monument work.

Interpretive programs

Life at Chimney Rock: Life at Chimney Rock is an annual family-friendly, two-day event at the monument that is free to the public. This festival provides visitors the opportunity to try their hand at interactive cultural activities, learn how the Ancient Puebloans lived and visit a Native American market. The visitation for this event doubled from the previous year to over 500 people, so more support is needed to continue to offer this special event free of charge. The costs for this program alone exceed \$1,800 per year.

Archaeoastronomy programs: Three times monthly, visitors can either watch the full moon rise while listening to the soothing sounds of Charles Martinez playing the flute from the high mesa top, or attend one of our night sky programs where visitors have a chance to take a closer look at the wonders of the night sky through telescopes from the best vantage point in the Four Corners. Your support is needed to continue to bring in quality speakers in both astronomy and archaeoastronomy and to purchase

additional telescopes to accommodate the increase in visitation.

Other interpretive programs: In addition, CRIA also has a Native American Stories at Sunset program where Native Americans tell stories about their cultures, customs and histories at sunset by the Great Kiva. We also have a Geology Tour where an experienced geologist explains the geology of Chimney Rock National Monument and its influence on the Ancestral Puebloans' daily lives. CRIA also presents a Sunrise Photo Tour where visitors can watch the sun rise at Chimney Rock National Monument. With a 360-degree vantage point and the hush of early morning in the wilderness, the sunrise from the Great House is a marvelous experience for the eyes and the spirit, and an amazing opportunity for photography.

Additional reasons

In addition to providing valuable cultural, historical and educational programs to the Pagosa Springs area, Chimney Rock National Monument has a significant economic impact on the community. Since attaining monument status in 2012, Chimney Rock National Monument has seen an increase in visitorship of over 40 percent. These visitors, some of whom come exclusively to visit the monument, generally stay in local establishments, eat and shop in local restaurants and stores. It is estimated that these visitors account for an additional 27 local employment opportunities and contribute \$1.7 million to a region which is heavily dependent upon tourism dollars.

So, on June 22, come on out to the GGP and enjoy the Native American music and stories while supporting a great cultural and educational organization.

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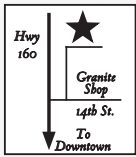
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Public invited to comment on big game hunting season structure recommendations

By Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Special to The SUN

The public is invited to comment on Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) staff recommendations and alternatives for the 2020-2024 Big Game Season Structure (BGSS).

The recommendations and alternatives document and link to the public comment form can be found

at cpw.state.co.us/seasonstructure.

The comment form will be open through June 26 so that the public can share their input specific to the BGSS staff recommendations and alternatives.

These recommendations will also be discussed with the CPW Commission at its June meeting, with final approval scheduled for July.

CPW uses a five-year BGSS as

a framework for annual big game hunting regulations. The BGSS establishes:

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The Forest Service road to Summitville was open last weekend. Plenty of snow still remained for interesting photos. Visitors to the area reported that some of the buildings collapsed during the winter. All the side roads were still blocked with snow, including the road over Elwood Pass.

Agencies warn of the dangers present on Colorado's rivers, streams and lakes

By Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Special to The SUN

Following a strong winter and wet spring that overloaded the mountain snowpack, the statewide levels on Thursday were 625 percent above the median. That can entice and excite whitewater enthusiasts, but Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), Jefferson County Open Space and the Poudre Fire Authority warn of the dangers that will be present this summer on Colorado's rivers, streams and lakes.

It is not just the experienced whitewater kayaker that needs to be wary; the dangers of high water levels and swift-moving rapids extend to river rafters, tubers, anglers and swimmers, as well as families who picnic by the water. "You should always wear a life vest, paddle with a buddy, know your limitations and scout rapids prior to floating them," said Grant

Brown, boating safety program manager with CPW.

River water exerts a very powerful and constant force against any fixed object. Just 6 inches of water can knock a person off their feet. Water flowing at 7 miles per hour has the equivalent force per unit area as air blowing above 200 miles per hour.

If you are swept off your feet or tossed out of your tube, kayak or raft, you could be traveling down river for a long time. Respect how cold that water will be. If you fall into that cold water, it doesn't take long to get yourself into serious trouble.

Eric Krause, a ranger and visitor relations coordinator with Jefferson County Open Space, issues permits with river rafting companies along Clear Creek.

"It takes remarkably little water moving at a fast speed to sweep an adult or child off of their feet and, once in the water, it is extremely

difficult to reach shore and regain control," Krause said.

Anyone near moving water should be wary, and only those with high levels of experience and competence in whitewater should enter the river.

Krause said that if a boater loses equipment to please call nonemergency dispatch (locally by calling 731-2160) with a description of the equipment and last place seen to avoid unnecessary searches.

Safety tips

- We encourage the use of a personal flotation device that is properly fitted and designed for whitewater boating or paddling. A ski vest is not appropriate for whitewater boating. Wear a helmet.
- Dress accordingly: though the air temperature may be hot, the water is very cold.
- We encourage that people

research and check current river conditions of the stretches they intend to run.

- Don't get in over your head, paddle in conditions you are comfortable and confident paddling in.

- We encourage people to raft with a buddy and avoid floating alone, especially during high flows.

- If you fall into swift water, do not attempt to stand up, as doing so may result in a foot entrapment. Point your feet down river in fast water and as soon as possible swim to shore.

- Keep an eye on your children. Never leave them unattended by a river.

- Scout rapids and unknown sections of the river. Rapids change at varying water levels. Spring floods can carry trees and other debris and jam up a section of a river causing a strainer (water flows through but solids do not).

Pagosa Ranger District road openings announced

By Brandon Caley
Special to The SUN

To protect road surfaces and for public safety, Forest roads are seasonally closed to wheeled motorized vehicles, except snowmobiles operating on snow. They are open to nonmotorized uses, including bicycling, hiking and horseback riding. Roads will remain closed until most of the road surface can withstand traffic without damage.

An open gate does not give permission to damage roads. Damage is defined as: ruts 1 inch deep or deeper on gravel roads, or 4 inches deep or deeper on native surface roads. Do not go off roads, except to park adjacent to the road on dry ground.

Following are the statuses of roads and campgrounds on the Pagosa Ranger District as of June 6:

- Archuleta Creek, No. 618, closed due to high waters
- Black Mountain, No. 661, closed
- Blanco River, No. 656, open
- Blue Creek, No. 012/Big Branch, No. 664, open
- Buckles Lake, No. 663, open, last mile still has snow
- Burns Canyon, No. 649 (to

- second gate), open
- Burns Canyon, No. 649 (above second gate), open
- Castle Creek, No. 660 to Opal Lake Trailhead, open
- Castle Creek, No. 660 to Fish Creek Trailhead, open
- Chris Mountain Road, No. 681, open
- Devil Creek, No. 627 to State Wildlife Area, open
- Devil Mountain, No. 626, open
- East Fork, No. 667, open, high clearance vehicles only; creeks are running high. The road is closed at the Treasure Mountain trailhead (6 miles), cannot access Silver Falls.
- East Toner, No. 637, open
- Echo Canyon, No. 029 (Nipple Mountain opens), open
- Eight Mile Mesa, No. 651, open
- Falls Creek Road, No. 039, closed
- Fawn Gulch Road, No. 666, open
- First Fork, No. 622 (main gate), open
- First Fork, No. 622 (gate at Sheep Creek), open
- Fourmile Road, No. 645, open
- Jackson Mountain, No. 037, open
- Jack's Pasture Road, No. 746, open
- Kenney Flats, No. 006, open

- Lefthand Canyon, No. 024, open
- Lower Piedra to campground, No. 621, open
- McManus, No. 633, open
- McManus, No. 633 (at Plumtaw intersection), open
- Middle Fork, No. 636, open
- Monument Park East, No. 630, open
- Monument Park West, No. 630, closed
- Mosca, No. 631, closed
- Nipple Mountain, No. 665, open
- Nipple Mountain, No. 665 (above Echo Canyon), closed
- Plumtaw, No. 634, open
- Poison Park, No. 644, open
- Price Lakes, No. 731, open
- Snowball, No. 646, open
- Snow Ranch, No. 628, open
- Trail Ridge, No. 639, open
- Turkey Creek, No. 647, open
- Turkey Springs, No. 629 — Lower/middle gate, closed
- Turkey Springs, No. 629 — Upper gate, open
- Valle Seco Upper, No. 653 to private property, open
- West Fork, No. 648, open
- Williams Creek, No. 640 (from gate to lake), open

- Williams Creek, No. 640 (to Palisades HC), open
- Wolf Creek Road, No. 725, closed

Campgrounds

- Blanco River Group Campground, open
- Bridge, open
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- East Fork, www.recreation.gov, open
- Lower Piedra, open
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- Teal, open
- Ute, open
- West Fork, open
- Williams Creek, open

Current information on Pagosa Ranger District road openings and closures is available at www.fs.usda.gov/sanjuan. Click on the "Forest Road Conditions" link located on the right side of the page under the "Quick Links" box. Under Maps and Publications — List of current road status, click "Pagosa District."

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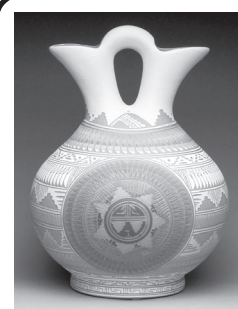
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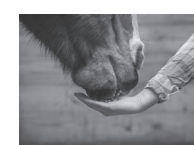
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Sports



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With the families of both Pirate wrestlers watching, Pagosa Springs' Caleb Janowsky and Ian Reinhardt slap each other five during pre-dual introductions at last weekend's 2019 Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games, held at Adams State University in Alamosa. Janowsky was unable to compete due to a knee on the mend, while Reinhardt lost a 13-4 major decision as the Blue Team lost 28-23 to Red.



Photo courtesy Joel Priest

Pagosa Springs' Devin Wilson (54) stands with Adams State University (ASU) basketball representatives during pre-game recognitions at last weekend's 2019 Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games, held at ASU in Alamosa. Wilson and the girls' basketball Black Team placed fourth after losing 45-35 to Blue in the June 7 semifinals, and 49-25 to White in the next afternoon's third-place game.



Photo courtesy Joel Priest

Pagosa Springs' Devin Wilson dives to the floor in hopes of keeping the ball in play during last weekend's 2019 Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games.

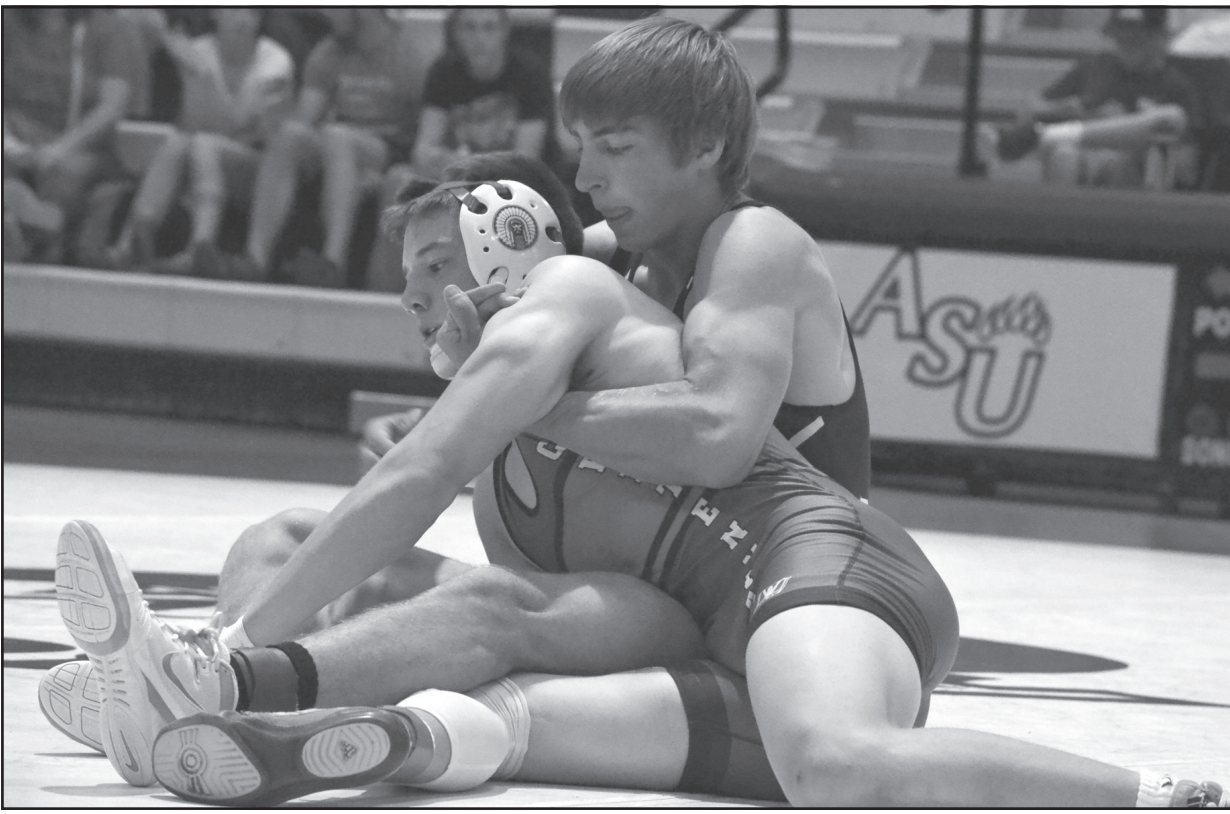


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Pagosa Springs' Ian Reinhardt works during his 170-pound match at last weekend's 2019 Colorado High School Coaches Association All-State Games, held at Adams State University in Alamosa.

RECREATION NEWS

Register now for Pee Wee Soccer

By Darren Lewis
SUN Columnist

The Recreation Department is excited to offer Pee Wee Soccer for ages 3-4. Registration is currently being accepted at the recreation office through July 12.

The season will be held in the month of August on Monday and Wednesday evenings. The cost is \$35 per participant, which will include a uniform jersey.

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The camp started on June 3 and will run through Aug. 2. It is offered Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Activities scheduled for each day start at 9 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m.

All children that are registered for the week must be signed in and dropped off no later than 9 a.m., no exceptions.

Applications for this program are currently open. Program fees are: \$85 per child per week, \$25 per child per drop in (upon availability), and there is a onetime application fee of \$15 per child. Multiple-child discounts also available. Weekly registrations are required.

For more information about this program, please call 264-4152, ext. 532.

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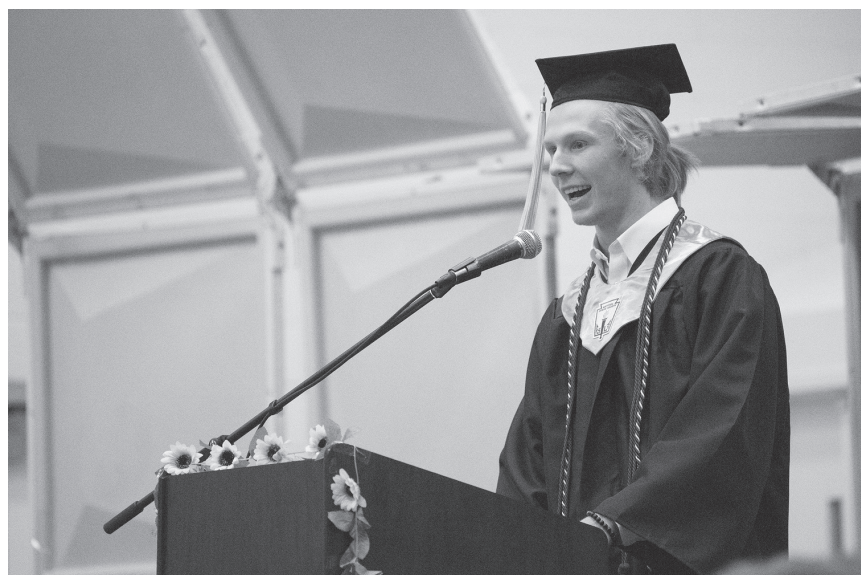
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LIBRARY NEWS

Meet Josie, your new early literacy librarian

By Carole Howard

PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

We are delighted to introduce you to Josie Snow, a hometown Pagosan who has been hired as your new early literacy librarian.

Snow brings an impressive record of educational and practical experience to her new post. She has just graduated with an MA in children's literature from Simmons University in Boston. She earned a BA summa cum laude in interdisciplinary studies with a focus on education and minor in literature at Fort Lewis College in Durango.

She also has had practical experience as a graduate student assistant in the children's literature department at Simmons University, fifth-grade teacher at Dolores Elementary School and fourth- through fifth-grade teacher in Silverton. Earlier, she was a student teacher in Killarney, Ireland, and a summer youth program leader at A Theatre Group in Silverton.

Snow has loved the Pagosa library since she was a child growing up here, enjoying its books and programs with Marilyn Krings, her mother; Reece Snow, her late father, and Chrystal Snow, her sister.

"I always found the library a very welcoming place," she said. "It felt like home."

From 2003-2017, Snow also was a volunteer at your library when her education and teaching allowed. During that time, she had a number of responsibilities including promoting literacy in young readers and working on the Summer Reading Program.

In her new position, Snow is eager to take advantage of her experience as a former teacher to build an even closer partnership with our local schools so that they fully take advantage of the library's many resources. She also is delighted to return home to Pagosa because she loves the outdoors, the mountains and playing in the river.

"We are thrilled to have Josie joining our team," said Meg Wempe, director of your library. "We hope you'll come in soon to say 'hello and welcome' to her!"

Summer Reading Club today

Youngsters in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to a free special Summer Reading Club on Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. that will explore exciting adventures in outer space. Today, June 13, features rocket-themed crafts, activities and stories. On June 20, you'll learn about the moon, our closest neighbor. June 27 will center on the planets, when you'll view images of the planets taken by the Hubble telescope and create your own.

This is just one of many free activities in the Summer Reading Program for all ages that runs through July 26. A Universe of Stories is this year's theme.

More Summer Reading Program news

Register from home on our website or sign up at the library for the Summer Reading Program and pick up your first bingo cards at the desk. You will receive a free book each time you turn in a completed bingo sheet, and kids also will have the option of getting a small toy out of our treasure chest.

Each bingo sheet is filled with age-appropriate activities to help you learn, grow and stay engaged throughout the summer. Completing bingo sheets also enters you into the drawing for our grand prizes that will be awarded for each age group at our closing Summer Reading party on July 26 from 4:30 to 6 p.m., when

everyone will enjoy live music, food and crafts. Note that you must be present at the party to win a prize.

We'll be detailing the prizes in future columns. They will be divided into four age groups: babies to pre-K, children kindergarten through fifth grade, sixth through 12th grades, and ages 18-100.

The Summer Reading Program offers special events, fun surprises and reading incentives throughout June and July. Summer Reading themes will be incorporated into our regular programming as well. Watch for details and dates in this column every week and pick up activities calendars so you don't miss anything.

Driver's tests help

We have just purchased a new online resource that is free to our patrons and will be a huge asset to anyone who is about to take a car, motorcycle or commercial driver's test. The site includes hundreds of practice questions arranged into useful tests, from easy to hard, for the different licenses. More of a visual learner? There's also a 360-degree road situation simulator that gives you a chance to see exactly what is described in each of the questions. As well, there's an exam simulator that mimics a DMV exam, with new questions every time you take it. The also site includes manuals and frequently asked questions about the tests.

To access the site, go to your library's website at <https://pagosalibrary.org> and click on the slider that features this new resource. It also is accessible by clicking the tab for "Online Resources" and scrolling down to Driving-Tests. You will not need a library card to access this new resource, but we'd love to take this opportunity to give you a card so you can use our other resources.

All-ages rocket making tomorrow

Join us tomorrow, Friday, June 14, from 2 to 4 p.m. for a free all-ages event where you will kick off your space adventures by building model rockets from recycled materials. You'll have fun with Josie Snow, our new early literacy librarian, putting science and art together in a project you can launch into the sky.

Legal clinic tomorrow

Tomorrow, Friday, June 14, from 2 to 3 p.m., a free legal clinic for people who have no attorney will take place via computer link. A volunteer attorney 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 note that our volunteer attorney can assist only four people each month, so it's first-come, first-served. Check in at the registration desk.

This clinic takes place the second Friday of every month. Please visit www.checkerboard.com to access legal forms and find answers to many questions relating to civil law.

Paws to Read Saturday

Saturday, June 15, from 11 a.m. to noon, youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grades are invited to share their favorite books with Bacchus, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories, at a free Paws to Read session. This is a great way for beginning readers to build confidence.

Otaku Club

The Otaku (Anime/Manga) Club meets Monday, June 17, 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.



Photo courtesy Carole Howard

Josie Snow, a hometown Pagosan, has been hired as the new early literacy librarian at the Ruby Sisson Library. She brings an impressive record of educational and practical experience to her new post. Snow has loved the Pagosa library since she was a child growing up here, enjoying its books and programs with her family. She also was a volunteer when her education and teaching allowed.

Teen writers group

Join us next Wednesday, June 19, from 4 to 5 p.m. for our free teen writers meeting for seventh- through 12th-graders. This group's interests include stories, poetry, graphic novels and fan fiction.

DIY for adults

At this month's free DIY event next Wednesday, June 19, from 1 to 2 p.m., we'll make homemade sunscreen using shea butter, coconut oil and zinc oxide powder. No registration is required.

Computer classes

This is a free program from 1 to 2 p.m. on alternating Thursdays to learn a useful technology skill or application. June 20 is Transparent Language Learning, packed full of pronunciation, speech, grammar, writing and vocabulary-building lessons. No registration is required.

Adult education summer hours

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) has moved to summer hours. It now takes place on Tuesdays 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.

DVDs

"Worricker" is the complete PBS Masterpiece series. "Broadchurch" is the complete first season of this British series, and we also have the second season. "Marple" is season one of the Agatha Christie mystery series, and we also have season two. "The Amazing Human Body" is a BBC documentary. "How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World" is the Dreamworks animated movie. "The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part" is the family animated film.

Novels

"Montauk" by Nicola Harrison is a story set among the high society of this Long Island village in the 1930s. "The Spies of Shilling Lane" by Jennifer Ryan features English village busybody Mrs. Braithwaite in World War II England. "Mad Boy" by Denver author Nick Arvin is a rollicking, picaresque novel about family and perseverance set during America's War of 1812. "The Favorite Daughter" by Patti Callahan Henry tells of a daughter returning home after a decade as her family deals with her father's Alzheimer's.

Large print

"Sunset Beach" by Mary Kay Andrews is a mystery. "The Yankee Widow" by Linda Lael Miller features the strong women and men on both sides of the Civil War who sacrificed so much. "Neon Prey" by John Sandford is a Lucas Davenport thriller. "The View from Alameda Island" by Robyn Carr begins when a woman leaves her "perfect" life and asks for a divorce on her 24th wedding anniversary.

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Pagosa Springs Car Show

June 14 and 15 • Town Park athletic field



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon



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Cruise on over to the Town Park athletic field for the 11th annual Pagosa Springs Car Show on June 14 and 15.

Live Performers



Thursday

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

Riff Raff downtown: Brooks-i Duo, 6 p.m.

Springs Resort: Jessica Peterson, 6 p.m.

Friday

Riff Raff downtown: Ben Gibson Duo, 6 p.m.

Saturday

Coyote Moon: Karaoke with Lisa Saunders, 9 p.m.

East Side Market: Open Mic with Steve Rolig, 9 a.m.

Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Kyndra Lee, 4 p.m.

Riff Raff downtown: The Road Song Project, 6 p.m.

Riff Raff on the Rio: Nolan Redman, 6 p.m.

Springs Resort: Bob Hemenger, 6 p.m.

Sunday

East Side Market: Open Mic with Emily Tholberg, 9 a.m.

Mountain Pizza and Taproom: Dan Evans, 5 p.m.

Riff Raff on the Rio: Bob Hemenger, 4 p.m.

Tuesday

Pagosa Brewing Company: Open Mic hosted by Emily Tholberg, 6 p.m.

Wednesday

Shooters and Shenanigans: Karaoke with Lisa, 7 p.m.

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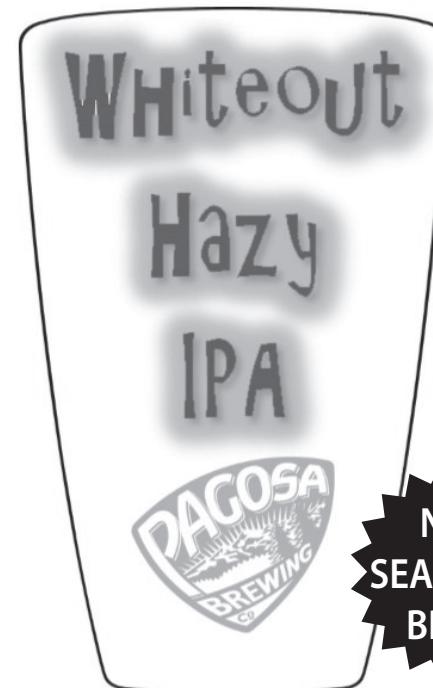
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11th annual Pagosa Springs Car Show Friday and Saturday

By **Katie Dobbins**
Special to The PREVIEW

Cruise on over to the Town Park athletic field for the 11th annual Pagosa Springs Car Show on June 14 and 15, brought to you by the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce.

Bring the whole family to view all the cars, trucks and motorcycles lined up in the park with no admission fee. A 1934 Dodge hemi coupe,

1919 Ford Model T speedster, 2014 Ford Shelby Mustang GT500, 1980 Bremen Mini Mark and a 1957 Chevrolet Belair convertible are just a few that will be in attendance.

Check out the variety of vendors and enjoy delicious food and beer both days. There will be live music with the Brooks-i Band on Friday and The Retro Cats on Saturday.

Help us decide our People's Choice winner by voting for your favorite and stay to see who wins at the awards ceremony at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. As soon as all the trophies have been awarded, the cars will line up for a cruise uptown.

For more information or to register your vehicle, please visit www.pagosachamber.com/car-show/.

Grief support meetings continue today


By **Beverly Arrendell**
Special to The PREVIEW

To experience grief can be a difficult time for many people. Professional counselors say that sharing the experience with others in grief is an effective way for a person to heal.

Grief support sessions are being held each Thursday afternoon today through June 27 at the Community United Methodist Church. The meeting time is 4 to 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to participate in these free sessions, which are nondenominational in nature.

Each session is self-contained, so a person does not have to attend in sequence. People can come for one, several or all of the remaining sessions.

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Pagosa Farmers Market opens Saturday

By Pauline Benetti
Special to The PREVIEW

Between a short season and poor soil, who could grow vegetables in Pagosa Springs? That's what they said 11 years ago, and guess what? There has been a thriving farmers market in Pagosa all these years.

The Pagosa Farmers Market (PFM) start date is this Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and every Saturday through Sept. 21. Plan to visit and make it early for the best selection. Make it a habit.

So, what's to be found at the PFM? Quite a variety of produce which, naturally, changes as the season goes on, though our June markets do not represent the full range of products—remember our short season.

Producers operating their own booths will offer a full range of freshly harvested vegetables (even greenhouse tomatoes), vegetable

starts (lots of tomato plants) as well as baked goods, jams, honey, pestos, salsas, cheeses and a wide selection of naturally raised beef cuts. It is easy enough to shop for lunch, dinner or a snack on Saturday morning at the PFM. The PFM also features unique art created on feathers as well as locally created hemp products, and this year, after a long break, alpaca products will return.

Finally, and very importantly, we must mention that the PFM also invites SNAP recipients to buy fresh, locally produced vegetables and fruit at the market and to benefit by the Double Up Bucks Program, which will double their purchasing power up to \$20 dollars at each market. No one can pass up a bargain like that.

An often-asked question: Exactly where is the PFM located? Here are the directions. At the east end of town, park at the East Side Market, enter and go back to the last row of vendors. Here,

you will find the produce and select arts and crafts that make up the PFM.

The PFM "brand" emanates from the mission of its sponsor, the Southwest Organization for Sustainability (SOS). That mission is to promote sustainability efforts in Archuleta County. The PFM does that by providing a venue and services to small local growers and producers who also subscribe to the sustainability mission and by encouraging customers who also believe in that mission to buy locally.

Another aspect of the PFM brand encourages consumer to know their farmer in order to know their food, thereby encouraging the creation of community and the consumption of healthy food. Quite clearly, the PFM is an expression of a value system.

For more information, please contact paulineb@centurytel.net or visit the SOS website, www.sopagosa.org.

Pagosa Community Concert Band to begin rehearsals for July 4 concert

By Larry Baisdon
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Community Band will soon begin preparing for its July 4 concert. The concert will be held on the lawn, under the tent, at The Springs Resort and Spa at 2 p.m.

The concert is open to the public and is free of charge, but dona-

tions will be gratefully accepted.

Rehearsals for the concert will begin on June 22 in the Pagosa Springs Middle School band room at 10 a.m. The second rehearsal, on June 29, also at the middle school, will also start at 10 a.m. The final rehearsal will be at the middle school on July 1 at 6:30 p.m. All rehearsals will run about an hour and a half.

If you have not played with the Community Band and would like to, here is your big chance. It doesn't matter if you haven't played in years, come to the rehearsals and get started with us. We will be really happy to have you.

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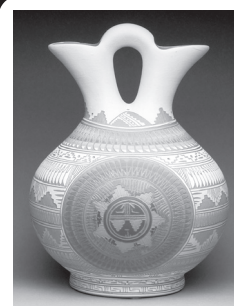
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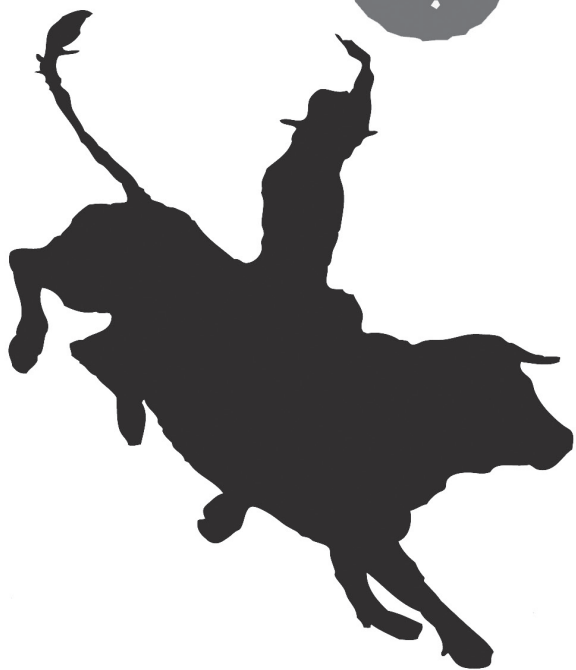
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19th Hole Concert Series kicks off tonight

By Evelyn Tennyson
Special to The PREVIEW

The 19th Hole Concerts kick off tonight, and hosting this evening's event is the Pagosa Springs Arts Council (PSAC).

PSAC is one of six nonprofits chosen this year by the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado to benefit from the 19th Hole Concerts. The 19th Hole Concerts pair an Archuleta County nonprofit with a local music talent on Thursday evenings through July 25 (no concert on July 4) from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club, offering fun and entertaining events.

PSAC is committed to supporting and promoting the arts — all arts — in our community. The arts are a powerful force in our community — forming connections,

opening doors and enriching life experiences.

PSAC partners with local businesses, schools, individuals, foundations and our government to support programs and services that educate, nourish and inspire. PSAC's vision is to help build a community where arts, culture, and creativity are valued and celebrated.

Tonight's entertainment is local musician Bob Hemenger.

Hemenger is a Colorado-based musician, educator and naturalist. His soulful approach to music and many years of teaching how indigenous people lived with the land have led him down many interesting roads. Hemenger has spent the last 25 years in Pagosa Springs and is one of those musicians who is able to play with many different styles and musicians. He

has worked with five-time Grammy winner Victor Wooten and award-winning singer/songwriter Darrell Scott. He is known for his ability to step onto the stage and let the music guide him.

Join us tonight and let Hemenger and his music guide you and learn all about PSAC.

The cover charge is a \$10 donation (children 10 and younger are free, making it a great family evening) supporting the six selected nonprofits. At the end of the concert series, all proceeds are pooled and distributed equally to the six featured organizations.

No outside food or beverage is allowed (food from the grill, beer, wine and signature cocktails will be available for purchase). Bring a camp chair or blanket and, please, leave pets at home. Concerts happen rain or shine.

Pagosa Rotary to present Las Vegas Casino Night June 21

By JoAnn Laird
Special to The PREVIEW

There's a saying that goes, "Better late than never." Although, it sure doesn't apply to getting tickets for the Las Vegas Casino Night event. There are only so many tickets that can be sold because of the space required for all those gaming tables, auction item tables and dance floor.

On June 21, Las Vegas Casino Night will be held at the PLPOA Clubhouse from 6:30 to 10 p.m. It will be a fun-filled evening of socializing, play-money betting that will translate into prizes at the end of the evening, a silent auction, dancing to the music of The

Retro Cats and three entry ticket drawings for \$100, \$200 and \$400 in cash — in short, a rollicking, good ol' time.

This fundraiser benefits the Rotary Scholarship Fund, which goes toward granting scholarships to our high school seniors, teacher mini-grant projects, the third-grade dictionary giveaway, the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy, and the incoming and outgoing Exchange Student Program. This fundraiser is not only a fun-filled evening, but a huge boost for local educational needs that would not be there otherwise.

If you miss out on being able to buy these sought-after tickets,

you can still donate to the Rotary Education Fund by contacting a Rotarian. If you are able to snag a ticket or two, surprise your neighbor or friend by gifting them a ticket so they can join in the fun with you. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce and The Choke Cherry Tree for \$45. If you wait until the last minute, it will cost you \$50 at the door. In short, "The early bird gets the worm."

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Fourth of July parade information announced

By JoAnn Laird
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Fourth of July Parade will be held July 4 at 10 a.m.

Applications, waivers and general information are now available on the The Pagosa Springs SUN website, www.pagosasun.com, or at Chamber of Commerce and its website, www.pagosachamber.com.

The parade committee is encouraging all entries to decorate their floats in the true red, white and blue colors that exemplify our nation's patriotism. So, get those wheels turning to come up with the best parade entry that depicts what pride in your country means to you. Wave those flags, honor our military and express your love of freedom that is rare in the world today.

The Town of Pagosa Springs will now be presenting the parade, instead of Pagosa Springs Rotary (though the organization is supporting the effort), and there will be significant changes that can be found in the application and waiver. The registration desk will still be at the high school parking lot, but the lineup will be on 6th Street instead of 8th Street.

There will be lots of Rotarians in the registration/lineup area to assist you. Separate waivers will be required from all participants and are included with the application. They must be signed in order to participate in the parade. Another requirement this year is proof of insurance and a copy of your driver's license for any entry that is a street-legal vehicle.

The parade route has changed, with more viewing and parking opportunities on 2nd Street, Hermosa

Street and Hot Springs Boulevard, all the way to Apache Street. A map is available for viewing from the Town of Pagosa Springs, Pagosa SUN and Chamber of Commerce. The route is considerably longer, so walkers and bikers might want to drive the route beforehand to ensure there are no surprises. More information and the route map will follow in future SUN articles or by calling 946-9700.

So, Pagosa, put on your creative thinking caps and get your applications completed by the July 1 deadline. Either deliver it to the Chamber of Commerce or download, scan and email to pagosaparade@gmail.com. After July 1, entries may still enter on the day of the parade at the registration booth, in the high school parking lot, but will be placed at the end of the parade. Be a part of one of Pagosa's most beloved events of the year and celebrate our country, Pagosa style.

Free gardening talk with Ron Chacey: How to help your plants endure the heat

By Leslie Wustrack
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Community Gardeners are sponsoring a free educational series on gardening throughout the spring and summer months at a variety of Pagosa Springs venues. Renowned expert Ron Chacey covers all topics related to gardening in the Pagosa Springs area. All gardening talks are free and open to the public.

On Tuesday, June 18, at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave., Chacey, the eminent regional vegetable grower and an original founder of the Pagosa Springs Community Garden, will discuss how to help your vegetable crops survive the heat. A necessity for growth, the hot Colorado sun can also be a plant's biggest enemy. Managing your garden with plant stress identification, proper

watering, row covers, mulch and successive planting can ensure a successful season.

The evening's format begins with a Q-and-A session followed by the garden talk. On Tuesday, June 18, beginning at 4:30 p.m., Chacey is inviting attendees to bring their questions — on any gardening topic of interest — and Chacey will spend 30 minutes covering the inquiries. At 5 p.m., Chacey will discuss the management of heat and drought. The talk will conclude with real-life stories and information about what Chacey is actually doing right now in his personal gardens.

An avid grower with more than seven decades of experience, Chacey is a believer in trial and error in all areas of gardening. Chacey believes that learning from mistakes is the foundation of successful gardening.

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Curtains Up Pagosa's "Tarzan the Musical" cast members have been practicing their ape movements for almost eight weeks now. They will be ready for opening night on July 5. Directed and produced by Dale Johnson, with music direction by Dale Scrivener and Billy Baughman, "Tarzan" is shaping up to be a blockbuster show. Included in the cast are: Colter Rose, Hudson Mazur, Hope Domingo, Avonlea Thomas, Mila Muller, Connor Thomas, Charity Domingo, Olivia Mazur, Hannah Rockensock, Sienna Rose, Emma Ziminsky, Carissa McSwain, Chandler Mazur, Hannah Girardin, Caroline Smith, Kaeden Thomas, Ethan Mazur, Elise Yeager, Gracelyn Kiker, Evelyn Rose, Johanna Beaird, Hayden Kiker, Anneka Sleed, Marissa Medina, Riley Perrie, Mattie Joyner, Alien Domingo, Pat Doocy and Bryan Reese.

Gardening

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The Pagosa Springs Community Garden is located at the end of 5th Street on the San Juan River in downtown Pagosa Springs. Decades old, the garden is on land owned by the Town of Pagosa Springs, and plots are granted to the town's citizens free of charge.

In 2017, the garden was rejuvenated by community volunteers with the assistance of local Pagosa Springs businesses. Raised beds and deer-out fencing were constructed with donated lumber. Soil amendments, fertilizers, seeds, plant starts, tools, hoses and other necessary items are all provided through the generosity of Pagosa

Springs businesses. The Town of Pagosa Springs provides free water for the Pagosa Springs Community Garden.

The Pagosa Springs Community Garden is free and open to all. To receive more information, email PagosaSpringsCommunityGarden@gmail.com. Residents and town visitors are invited to stop by and enjoy the lovely space.

The 4:30 to 6 p.m. free gardening talk will be held at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse on Tuesday night, June 18. Light refreshments will be served. Event attendees will receive a free copy of Chacey's "2019 Vegetable Growing Notes."

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Painting for the Pooches set for June 22

By Mike Stoll
Special to The PREVIEW

Kick off the arrival of summer with some family-friendly outdoor fun at the animal shelter and dog park on Saturday, June 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Painting for the Pooches is a collaborative endeavor of the Pagosa Springs Arts Council and the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs featuring painting activities for kids and fun activities for people and pets, along with an animal shelter open house. The event is open to the public and admission is free.

The inspiration for Painting for the Pooches came from members of our local arts council who have volunteered their time and talents to beautify an otherwise drab shipping container at the animal shelter. The container houses equipment that would be used during an emergency evacuation of the animal shelter, and its current industrial appearance reflects its utility and serious purpose. To our artists, however, the container represents a potential canvas for one of Pagosa's first public art works. The goal is to bring the container to life with fun and happy images of animals, a bright reflection of the joy that pets bring to people's lives. Painting for the Pooches will mark the start of the container's transformation, which will continue over the summer until the work is complete.

As the container painting gets underway, other art volunteers will assist kids in creating their own works of art. Paper, paint and other materials will be available for kids to indulge their imaginations and create their own colorful renditions of pets or other animals that grab their fancy. All kids are welcome to try their hand at some artistic magic, and any art work created during the day can be signed and donated for a summer-long display at the Humane Society animal shelter and thrift store. Those kids who would like to leave an even longer-lasting impression can put a painted hand print and signature on several refurbished and brightly

colored dog houses on the shelter grounds.

Attendees are welcome to bring their friendly dogs (and cats) for some outdoor fun, too. Activities include dog races, Frisbee catch, bobbing for hot dogs and a chance

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to try out the shelter's agility equipment. Prizes will be awarded and there will be free drawings for pet food, toys and other great pet stuff. If your dog likes to give kisses, you can have your photo taken getting a smooch from your pooch at the kissing booth. For the enjoyment of all, pets must be kept on leash except when participating in activities inside the dog park.

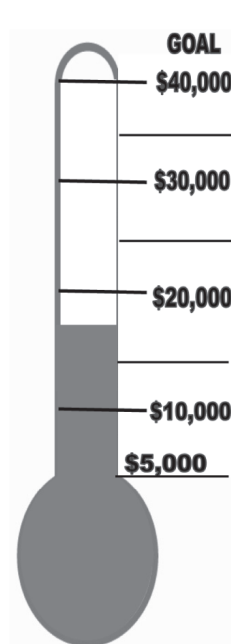
If you arrive with an appetite, or work one up having fun, a food truck will be onsite to offer some delectable menu items to satisfy your hunger. Attendees can buy some good food and eat and relax in the shaded Serenity Garden while enjoying some of the best

mountain views in all of Pagosa Springs.

If you've never visited the animal shelter and dog park, the open house is a great opportunity for a guided tour of the facility. Humane Society staff and volunteers will be glad to answer questions about the organization and the animals. You can learn more about our mission and our various community programs, including spay/neuter support, emergency veterinary care funding and our community cat trap-neuter-return program. You can also learn more about the Pagosa Springs Arts Council and watch the artists actively applying their mission of stimulating and promoting art in our community as they paint for the pooches.

So, come on out to the animal shelter and dog park at 465 Cloman Blvd. on Saturday, June 22, for a fun mix of outdoor activities, art and animals. You'll be glad you did.

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‘The Who’s Tommy’ opening this weekend

By Bill Hudson

Special to The PREVIEW

Theater director/choreographer Pia Wyatt sat back in a wicker chair, soaking up the sun on the front porch of the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts and taking a momentary break from Thingamajig Theatre Company’s hectic rehearsal schedule — in this case, a rehearsal for “The Who’s Tommy,” one of the six productions that will be staged this summer as part of Thingamajig’s ambitious 2019 summer season. She was recalling the 1975 Ken Russell movie version of “Tommy” that she’d seen as a young child, and feeling disturbed by the story and imagery.

“I remember when the movie came out, my parents were watching it late at night and I snuck out of my bed to be able to watch it. And I was scared to death by it.

“And now, having watched the movie many years later, I’m looking back and thinking, ‘Why was I scared?’ As a little kid, when you think about Elton John and Tina Turner and all those crazies in the movie, it was a little freaky.

“But the Broadway musical is different from the movie. And when Tim and Laura [Moore] asked me if I wanted to come back this summer and direct ‘The Who’s Tommy,’ I said, sure, great.

“And then I had like a flashback of being 7 or 8 years old and being scared to death of it.”

She smiled. “And I remember somebody saying to me once, if you’re scared of something, you should probably do it.”

Tomorrow night, Friday, June 14, Thingamajig Theatre Company will open its summer 2019 production of “The Who’s Tommy,” based on the script and music created in 1992 for the La Jolla Playhouse that subsequently played a successful two-year run on Broadway in 1993 and 1994.

The Pagosa Springs version of the rock opera will feature the 16 members of Thingamajig’s summer repertory company, plus special appearances by Gabriel Gonzales (as the 4-year-old Tommy) and Christian Gonzales (as the 10-year-old Tommy). Other featured performers include Trevor Brown as Tommy; Danielle Poznanovic as Mrs. Walker; Steven Sitzman as Mr. Walker; Tommy Paduano as Uncle Eddie; Caleb Michael as Cousin Kevin; and Bailey Claffey as The Gypsy.

A second opening night performance will be held on Saturday, June 15, and like the Friday showing, will feature a talk-back session with the cast and crew after the show.

Wyatt continued: “It will be interesting for our Thingamajig patrons to come and see this show, because many of them are



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

The three versions of Tommy appearing in the upcoming Thingamajig Theatre Company production of the classic rock opera, “The Who’s Tommy.” From bottom, Gabriel Gonzales (as 4-year-old Tommy), Christian Gonzales (as 10-year-old Tommy) and Trevor Brown (as adult Tommy). The theater will host two opening night performances, tomorrow night, Friday, June 14, and the following night, Saturday, June 15, at 7 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

old enough to have listened to the album when it first came out, back in 1969, they may have seen the movie ... but in this version, we have two younger Tommys who are the main focus [during the first part of the story]. One is 4 years old, and one is 10 years old.

“And we’re lucky, this summer, to have two actors in the company who are married — Perry Davis Harper and Amelia Harper — and who have five children, including a 4-year-old son and his older brother. So, these two boys get the opportunity to act with a professional theater company for the entire summer. And the crazy thing is, the actor who plays our adult Tommy — Trevor Brown — is one of my students from Northwestern State University and he looks identical to these two boys.

“I love the way the world works like that.”

In a 1992 interview with reporter Michael Walker, written for the Los Angeles Times, songwriter and guitarist Pete Townshend was discussing an upcoming theatrical opening of “Tommy” at the La Jolla Playhouse in San Diego. Townsh-

■ See ‘Tommy’ on next page

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San Juan Stargazers' guest speaker will share 37 years of experience with satellite programs

By Joan Mieritz
Special to The PREVIEW

The San Juan Stargazers will not hold their regular monthly meeting on the fourth Thursday, but will have a special guest speaker of interest to many on Thursday, June 20, at 5 p.m. in the Ruby Sisson Library meeting room.

Our speaker, Eric Fisk, has been an aerospace technician at Martin Marietta/Lockheed Martin for over 37 years. He has worked on the MX missile program, which was renamed Peacekeeper; the Titan missile program; the Mars Global Surveyor satellite; and military support programs. Fisk also worked on the Cassini satellite which orbited Saturn and sent data back to Earth for 13 years.

Recently, he worked on the Orion Program, which will be a manned mission taking astronauts into outer space beyond the moon. He also worked on the GPS III Program, which has part military and part civilian communication satellites.

Fisk will be presenting a talk and many slides including on the deployment of Osiris Rex satellite, launched in 2016, that has arrived at the asteroid Bennu. Its mission is to capture samples to study for the earliest of life forms.

This is an amazing opportunity to learn about an important area of astronomy that is closer to home and impacts our lives on a daily

basis. You can hardly look at the dark night sky in Pagosa without seeing a satellite.

We are inviting everyone from our community including mature students who someday could have a wonderful job like this, right in Colorado.

After the program at the library, everyone is invited to join us at a restaurant for dinner. The location will be announced that night.

Later this month, there will be a star party at Chimney Rock called Stars and Galaxies: Dark Sky Event on June 28, with the gate opening at 7:30 p.m. and program beginning at 8:15 p.m., followed by telescope viewing. Our next Solar System or Moon Viewing Star Party will be July 5, with the gate opening at 7:30 p.m. and program at 8:15 p.m. We should be able to see several planets and many amazing areas of the moon.

If you are interested in taking part in our star parties, but you do not have a telescope, the Chimney Rock Interpretive Association owns four telescopes, two are computerized "go-to" telescopes and two are manual 10-inch Dobsonians. We can help you learn to use either type.

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end was collaborating with noted theater director Des McAnuff on a new production of The Who's iconic rock opera, scheduled to open in a few short days at La Jolla. McAnuff and Townshend had spent the previous year creating a new interpretation of the 1969 concept album of the same name.

Townshend's groundbreaking rock opera had been performed by entities ranging from the London Symphony Orchestra, to the Seattle Opera, to high school marching bands. Russell had created a ostentatious film adaptation in 1975, with Townshend's participation;

the film had included entertainment celebrities like John, Turner, Ann-Margaret and Eric Clapton.

But although theater companies big and small had mounted stage productions of "Tommy" over the years, Townshend had never been directly involved with any of them. In the process of rethinking the semi-autobiographical, album-length composition from 1969, McAnuff and Townshend decided to re-write the story's conclusion to give the theater audience a clear and satisfying ending — something that had been largely absent from the original concept album.

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Reclaiming the years the locust has consumed

By Betty Slade
PREVIEW Columnist

Another week and another trip to Durango. Only this one would be a bit different from our most recent trips. This trip? My Sweet Al and I sat in the hospital lobby as we waited for an update from our son's orthopedic surgeon.

No sooner had we located the coffee and made ourselves at home, the man of the hour appeared from around the corner. My son's surgeon was twirling something that looked like a baton while sporting a comforting smile.

As he neared, we realized his baton was actually the 17-inch "nail" that had been placed inside my son's leg three decades earlier.

Our 20-year-old son, who was

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



full of life and nonsense, was celebrating his college semester break. Behind the wheel of his new Mustang, driving in upwards of 80 to 90 mph, he hit a guard rail in the middle of the interstate. Rolling his car end over end several times, he was partially ejected from the vehicle. Fortunately, due to his blood alcohol level, he said he didn't know if he was laying in the middle of the desert off Interstate 10 or lounging poolside at a favor-

ite resort.

He certainly wasn't at a resort. Laying on the desert floor on a secluded section of highway, blood quickly created an outline around his body. A truck driver appeared out of nowhere as my son started to drift unconscious. The unknown man knelt by my son and talked to him for several minutes until the ambulance arrived. Once there, they asked him if he was alone, and if he knew who called 911? He didn't. Oddly enough, the ambulance had a dispatch order to the location of the accident, but no time, date or caller information. Once in the ambulance, my son asked the EMT if he would find the truck driver so he could thank him.

His response: "There were no
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In the LA Times interview, Townshend commented on the new ending.

"Drama is about giving people temporary respite from the difficulties and joys of living. I'm not pretending here that what 'Tommy' can do is what I dreamt both rock and 'Tommy' could do in the '60s, which was to raise people up.

"I actually believed that. I think that was a mistake, and I learned that lesson quite quickly. I think we all did, didn't we?"

Was that truly a mistake? Or can a rock opera, about a traumatized child who later gets mistaken for some kind of True Messiah, truly lift people up?

Wyatt said, "So I was talking with Nanette [Cheffers, Thingamajig costume designer] and asking her, 'What is it about this story, that we care about this poor kid?' And because I'm involved in education — I teach at a university — I always want the audience to learn something, to be somehow changed by a theater production. And we had a really long conversation about it, and we came to the conclusion that 'Tommy' is ultimately about forgiveness."

And also, perhaps, about "giving it all you've got."

"The other thing that's really demanding is that 'Tommy' is a rock musical — hard-hitting, heavy, in-your-face. And that's tough on the

actors' voices," Wyatt continued. "And the cast is performing 'Mamma Mia!' this afternoon. And they performed 'Ring of Fire' last night. So it's a lot and it's demanding — and I think everyone would say, there's no place they'd rather be than right here, doing this show."

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witnesses. In fact, we don't even know how or why we got dispatched to this location."

Thankfully, it is a rare occurrence that we should receive a telephone call at 4 in the morning. But I can tell you as if it happened yesterday, this was one particular call that we will never be forget.

"Your son has been in an accident. He has lost a great deal of blood and we are not sure if he will make it."

After a quick drive to Las Cruces, N.M., we found ourselves waiting as doctors administered several blood transfusions. At one point, a doctor approached and said, "We need to amputate your son's leg. Even if we try to save it, it would have to be made permanently straight as there is so little left to put back together."

My only response, "God can put my son's leg back together and make him walk again."

After a handful of initial surgeries, one of my son's doctors called me to his office. "Your son's knee has been destroyed and what we were able to save of his leg was not set in alignment. If ever he is able to walk, his leg could crumble under his body weight."

This last surgery, like those that happened before, was one for the books, and certainly not painless. That said, he is not one who likes to speak power to pain or to spotlight the unnecessary. But if you ask, he will tell you, "It's all just part of a process."

To be honest, there seems to be more parts of this "process" than we would have ever imagined.

I had already prayed and trusted that my son would walk again. Part of the process for me, to watch everything that seemed to go wrong, to be made right.

That night, I waited with a prayerful heart. I'm not sure if I was asleep or awake. But one thing is for certain: I saw three images hovering at my son's bedside working diligently repairing his leg. When the doctor came in the next morning to do his evaluation, he was stunned and had only one thing to say, "His leg is straight."

I told the doctor about the angels I saw working on my son's leg overnight. I'm not sure he believed me. Perhaps he even thought I was a bit punch-drunk. But to this day, I can still see the images God placed on my heart, of those who worked that night, to make things right.

For 30 years, our son has walked with a steel rod and several pins inside his femur. He has so many

pins and screws in his tibia that you would think you were looking at a laced-up pair of hiking boots if seen under an X-ray.

There will be more surgeries in store. In as much as I want to honor process, it does cause me to ask God, "why" or "when will this all end?" And why wouldn't we ask those questions? It seems like we are plagued with hurt or

loss or inability almost every single day. To put it into something we all can understand, that same hurt, loss or inability takes on a whole new identity. Time. Not only do we wonder how to deal with something, now we are left trying to understand how to speed up or reset time.

In the Book of Joel, God has
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How fortunate we are

By Kathleen Zilhaver
Special to The PREVIEW

When I turned 18, I graduated from high school, was accepted at college and was ready to hit the road. Finally, I could leave and run my own life.

I packed my bags and headed west to join my older brother in Boulder, Colo. This was an exciting time; freedom and the great unknown lay just ahead. However, a few months later, a flat tire out in the middle of nowhere made me realize that I hadn't left my parents behind after all. I didn't panic because my father was right there with me as I worked to change that flat tire. I could hear his voice, there in my head, word for word.

"Loosen those lug nuts before you jack up that car," he said.

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And that's exactly what I did. I followed what he had taught me every step of the way until I had the spare mounted and was back behind the wheel with a smile on my face. Problem solved, thanks to my dad.

Many years have passed since I left my home in New Jersey and headed for Colorado. When I look back over my life, I am grateful that while my parents weren't physically with me, their years of instruction, especially my father's even after he passed away, are still within me. At

every fork in the road I can hear his voice guide me to make the right decision or fix a problem. Now I feel a bit guilty that I didn't appreciate the wonderful gift he was giving me when I was young.

The same is true of our Heavenly Father. In John 14:25-26, Christ tells the Apostles: "All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

My father loved me and took the time to teach me what I needed to know to survive on my own. How fortunate we are our Heavenly Father loves us so much He sent His Holy Spirit to guide and comfort us every day of our lives if we are willing to listen.

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■ continued from previous page promised that he will restore and redeem the years the locusts have eaten. Gnawing locust, swarming locust, creeping locust and consuming locust have certainly taken their toll on this family and many, many others.

Redemption comes, but it doesn't come with a click of the finger. It comes as part of a process, and even that, just one act at a time. In order to put things back new, God intricately works things through to completion. While all we are interested in is the finish line, for God, it starts by repairing one bone at a time.

"When one part of the body is out of joint, then the whole body must be fitted and held together with which every joint supplies. According to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love." — Ephesians 4:16.

This week we waited one more time in a waiting room for the doctor to explain about our son's condition, next steps or things to be mindful of. We have come to accept that all of this information and guidance we receive is more than just a bunch of parts that need to be fixed, but part of an end to end

process that has a greater finish.

Final brushstroke: It doesn't matter how many pesky locusts have gnawed, chewed and consumed all that is important to us. Sometimes, it's hard to believe that the damage we see isn't beyond repair. Thankfully, we have a loving God who is in the business of restoring and reconciling everything to himself. And just like the time the locust has consumed, God promises to restore the years lost in the process.

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New Thought topic: ‘In My Father’s House are Many Mansions’

By Lisa Burnson
Special to The PREVIEW

As Father’s Day approaches, we prepare to celebrate fathers’ contributions. Men comprise half the population — that’s a lot of celebrating. And celebrate we should, for fathers deserve all the thanks and honor we can give them.

But some have fallen short, as we are human. And humans have forever fallen short of divine ideals. No one has been perfect in human form, except that one who came to earth to show us the way. Jesus often spoke of the Father and the relationship of the Father to the Son and how important this relationship is. He gave us an understanding of the Father as the Divine Mind of which humankind has access at any time if only we go within and listen. Asking for divine guidance is our heritage. Yet many find it difficult and feel unworthy. But, if a father builds you a mansion, who are you to deny his gift? And if he deems you worthy, how can you be anything less?

This Sunday, June 16, at 10 a.m., all are welcome to join our speaker, Janie Garms, RN, as she brings our message of divine mind working through us to bring progress in our understanding of divine ideals, and how to manifest them in our lives.

We will have a small gift for all fathers, including those who have nurtured a niece, nephew or four-legged youngster.

Meditation circle

The New Thought Center (NTC) holds Meditation and Healing Circle each Wednesday at 6 p.m. All are welcome. Instruction is provided for beginners.

“When one attends group meditation, motivation gets higher, it encourages consistence with the practice.” — Kathryn Remati.

Upcoming events

On Thursday, June 13, at 7 p.m., NTC will host author David Thomas Hamilton, who will be speaking

on “How To Use The Laws of The Universe — The Art of Allowing.” There is no charge. Donations are appreciated. Please call NTC for more information.

On Thursday, June 20, at 6:30 p.m., NTC will host artist and author Shari Silvey, who will be speaking on “Personal Transformation.”

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UUs to consider how 'our lives are our message'

By **Pauline Benetti**
Special to The PREVIEW

When asked to give a message to a reporter, Gandhi shouted from a departing train, "My life is my message!" When Dr. Pam Kircher, our lay speaker, heard that phrase years ago, it really resonated with her. She thought, "That short sentence sums it all up!"

The truth is that how we live our lives exemplifies what we really believe. Many spiritual paths emphasize openness, warmth and compassion. Managing in the world emphasizes productivity and survival skills. When faced with everyday life, how do we navigate these different aspects of life? The sum total of all of our small decisions include not only acts, but also words, and even thoughts. When it is all added up, those decisions result in creating who we are at our deepest level.

In this presentation, Kircher will give some examples of how the awareness of "my life really is my message" has influenced her life. We'll all have an opportunity to explore our own beliefs and how those beliefs play out in everyday life. And we'll do it all with curiosity, not judgment — and with great self-compassion.

Kircher has been a member of Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (PUUF) for over a decade. One reason she values UU is its support of an individual's search for truth and meaning. Being aware that her life is her message, Kircher has served as a family doctor, a

hospice physician, done medical work in Guatemala and Fiji, helped develop the TLC program and the labyrinth at Mercy Medical Center, taught tai chi for health to elders in the Navajo Nation and throughout the country, facilitated conscious aging sessions in Pagosa Springs, written a book and lectured internationally on near death experiences, integrative medicine, and issues around death and dying.

Ours is a welcoming congregation; we invite everyone to share in our faith community. Usually, leadership is by Pastor Dean Cerny on third and fourth Sundays; this Sunday, Kircher, one of our lay leaders, will preside.

The Religious Exploration program has reached its end for this school year, but will start up again in September. For more information, 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.

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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- 1 Smelting waste
- 5 Got a perfect score
- 9 Intense enthusiasm
- 14 Kind of salad
- 15 Wash
- 16 Shove off
- 17 Major work
- 18 Unknown author, briefly
- 19 Keebler's crew
- 20 Kind of ad
- 22 Familiarize
- 23 Killed, as a dragon
- 24 Gracefully trim
- 26 Make believe
- 28 Hibiscus holder
- 32 Research facility
- 35 SALT signer
- 36 Kind of penguin
- 38 Make a collar
- 40 Giving a hand to
- 41 Freeway mishap
- 43 Blender setting
- 44 Long, long _____
- 45 Bring into harmony
- 46 Pinball palaces
- 49 Overseas, perhaps
- 51 Drink like a dog
- 55 Truce talk
- 58 Form incorrectly
- 60 Kind of symmetry
- 61 Large butte
- 62 Many moons
- 63 Spotted horse
- 64 Pirate's drink
- 65 Colonel or captain
- 66 Off
- 67 Locks in a barn?
- 68 Griffith or Garcia

- 4 Grapevine talk
- 5 Astronaut Shepard
- 6 Rummy relative
- 7 Change with the times
- 8 Easy chair site
- 9 On one's toes
- 10 Freed from anxiety
- 11 Matthews or Chappelle
- 12 Dutch _____
- 13 Take a breather
- 21 Sudden influx
- 22 Kids' card game
- 25 Memphis-to-Nashville dir.
- 27 Where tide meets river
- 29 Diva's rendition
- 30 Record number?
- 31 Therefore
- 32 Laddie's love
- 33 Fighting force
- 34 Fiber source
- 37 Computer screen dots

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- 1 Brings to a halt
- 2 Jacket part
- 3 Honda's luxury line

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- 39 Step up, as a conflict
- 42 MLB player, eg.
- 43 President after Jefferson
- 47 Pentax product
- 48 "The English Patient" setting
- 50 Not on deck
- 52 Like Druids and Wiccans
- 53 Knock over
- 54 Annoying
- 55 Perry Como's "____ Loves Mambo"
- 56 X or Y, in geometry
- 57 Skating surface
- 59 Fragrant herb
- 61 "Grand" hotel in Vegas

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Are you interested in talking history?

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist

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.

Facilitated by Jim Van Liere, the group meets the third Wednesday of every month.

The next meeting will be June 19 at 1 p.m. in the Community Café dining room at the Pagosa Springs Senior Center.

Questions? Call 731-6878.

Caregiver support group

The next scheduled Caregiver Support Group is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and will be facilitated by Elaine Stumpo.

If you are a caregiver of a friend

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church to begin confirmation classes

By Lynne McCrudden
Special to The PREVIEW

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will be starting confirmation classes for young adults ages 13 to 18 years of age.

If your teenager has been baptized and is interested in being confirmed in the Episcopal church, please call the church office at 731-5801.

The confirmation will be held at the 10 a.m. church service on Aug. 4, and the recently-elected bishop of Colorado, Bishop Kimberly Lucas, will be presiding.

Confirmation is the sacrament where the confirmand accepts the responsibilities of an adult in the church by acknowledging their belief in God, accepting responsibility for practicing their faith and participating in the life of the church.

There will be five sessions, beginning on Sunday, June 23, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the church library. Each confirmand will have a sponsor who will help guide them through the classes and be with them when they are presented to the bishop for confirmation.

St. Patrick's welcomes all to their church and their communion table, and encourages young adults in the community to consider this opportunity for confirmation.

Senior News

or a family member, please join us for this support and respite group. Adults 18 and older are eligible to participate. A support group can have significant positive effects on caregivers' overall well-being. It is a chance to speak with other caregivers who have common experiences with caregiving, learn about resources available in the community and nationally, learn how to keep yourself healthy so you can better deliver the care, and is a chance for respite.

Learn practical self-care information, talk through challenges and ways of coping and learn about community resources and support.

For more information, please call 264-2167.

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 next Health and Wellness date will be Wednesday, June 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 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, June 13 — Turkey with wild rice soup, green peas, baked tomatoes Provencal, milk, salad bar and strawberry shortcake.

Friday, June 14 — Beef cheeseburger, coleslaw, corn on the cob, milk, salad bar and brownie.

Monday, June 17 — Pork zuppa Toscana, eggplant gratin, creamed corn, focaccia bread with butter, milk and salad bar.

Tuesday, June 18 — Turkey potpie with puff pastry, bacon green beans, spinach/mandarin orange salad, milk, salad bar and carrot cake.

Wednesday, June 19 — Beef stew, snap pea medley, broccoli casserole, buttermilk biscuit with butter, milk and salad bar.

Thursday, June 20 — Chicken paprikash, yellow squash medley, green peas with bacon, milk, salad bar and lemon dessert.

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PAGOSA SCENE . . .

FRIENDS OF THINGAMAJIG THEATRE WELCOME PARTY

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Pagosa Scene ... at the Friends of Thingamajig Theatre welcome party for this summer's cast and crew. Held at the campus of Parelli Natural Horsemanship, the Friends had an opportunity to meet the cast and crew for this summer's productions. The evening barbecue was punctuated by an exhibition of horsemanship and campfire singing. The cast and crew highlighted some of the music from the upcoming season and accompanied Pat Parelli and Tim Sullivan in spirited rendition of other popular songs.





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Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Charles Martinez

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

Flashy colors and fast movements won't give this bird away. Instead, its plain brown upperparts and yellow-washed underparts camouflage this small bird in the upper canopy of deciduous trees where it spends its time. A dark line through the eye and pale line above it are identifying marks of this vireo.

When hunting for food, the warbling vireo moves slowly and deliberately along small tree branches to spot the caterpillars, moths, butterflies, other insects and spiders that it eats.

Hearing the fast, cheerful song of the warbling vireo will alert you to its presence. Males are highly territorial and spend much of the time singing during breeding season. These birds will even sing while incubating eggs on the nest. Warbling vireos are attentive parents, and when young are in the nest, one parent will always be with them.

Despite this, parasitism by cowbirds is a frequent problem and these vireos often raise cowbird chicks at the expense of their own.

The warbling vireo population is widespread throughout North America during its breeding season and spends from May through September here. Its winter range in western Mexico and northern Central America is much smaller in area and habitat conservation in these areas is vital to their success.

Websites including Audubon.org and Audubon's free phone app are great resources for learning bird songs.

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

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ANSWER:

Traipsin', tradin' and explorin'

Last week in the latest of my series of columns describing the earliest explorers to visit the Pagosa Hot Springs, we featured Capt. John M. Macomb, a topographical engineer with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. I closed with a promise to provide further de-



Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

tails written by Macomb. Further research reveals a lot of additional information, but it is all written by the experts who accompanied Macomb.

It's a lot of information, too much for this short column. A document containing Macomb's letters to his wife while he was traipsin' through the Far West is also available. The letters mostly show him to be a devoted husband. And so, this week we'll move to the next hot springs visitor on our list. Following Macomb's 1859 visit, a story circulated suggesting gold could be found in the La Plata Mountains "just a waitin' fer the pickin'." As soon as the snow melted the following year, Charles Baker set out from Santa Fe following tracks left by Macomb's party. After poking around amongst the rocks of the San Juans for most of the summer, Baker and his henchmen returned to Santa Fe with news that, "shor nuf, thar's gold in them thar hills!"

Not one to overlook an opportunity, Baker platted a road from Abiquiu to Baker's Park, the new and appropriate name hung on the West's latest get-rich-quick playground. Baker then chartered a toll road starting in Abiquiu and pretty much following the Old Spanish Trail to Baker's Park. Not surprisingly, the new toll road was named the "Abiquiu, Pagosa and Baker City Toll Road."

Before Baker could put a bulge



Photo courtesy John M. Motter

J.T. Martinez watches closely as hired hands clip the wool from his sheep. It's possible that Pagosa Springs area pioneers made more money from sheep than from cattle. A sheep provided two incomes: wool and meat. During those early days, sheep herds numbered in the thousands. Martinez was an Archuleta County commissioner, his father a county judge.

in his pockets with toll road money anticipated from the hordes of prospectors traipsin' eagerly into Baker's Park, the Civil War erupted. Most of the able-bodied prospectors returned to fight for the side of their choice. Additionally, nearly all of the regular Army outfits stationed in New Mexico and Colorado returned east and south.

Native Americans waved cheerful goodbyes to the troops marching back to the states. Almost before the sound of creakin' wagon wheels faded into nothingness, those same well-wishers began appropriating settler and freighter supplies for their personal benefit.

Iron wagon wheels soon metamorphosed into arrow and spear points stashed with surprising regularity in the warriors' war bags. Settlers scattered here and yon in the Southwest survived this

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

Thursday, June 13

Pagosa Peak Open School: Donuts with the Director. 7:30-9 a.m., Pagosa Peak Open School, 7 Parelli Way. Please join Angela for breakfast and conversation. See the 2019-2020 school work plan and provide feedback for the school and our path for the future. Angela will be available for questions and to hear comments.

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.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

A Course in Miracles Study Group. 10-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call Karen LeCour at 264-0111 for more information.

Summer Reading Club: Blast Off Into Outer Space! Astronauts, Rockets, Rovers and Satellites. 10-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. Getting into space can be tricky, but we have plenty of books to show you how to prepare. Join

us for rocket-themed crafts, activities and stories. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Loaves and Fishes Community Lunch. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere.

Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Horseshoe Pitching. 4 p.m., South Pagosa Park. Beginners welcome. Learn the game, have fun. Shoes available. Call Mark at 264-2838 for more information.

Grief Support Group. 4-5:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Grief share is a national nondenominational program. The purpose of the meetings is to help people who have experienced the loss of any family member or of a special friend. A person may attend one or all of the meetings. Topics vary, so there is no progression of subjects. Interested persons can call the church office at 264-5508 for further information.

19th Hole Concert Series. 5:30-7:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. Bob Hemenger hosted by Pagosa Springs Arts Council.

The cover charge is a \$10 donation. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Concert goers should bring a camp chair or blanket. Please, leave pets at home.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Ring of Fire.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Friday, June 14

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

Legal Services. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Senior Center. Legal services by Daniel Fiedler, attorney at law, by appointment. Call 264-2167.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

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

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onslaught by keeping one hand on the plowshare and one hand on a loaded firearm. For a long time, the Native American's future prospects, including life expect-

tancy, outweighed the hopes of the invading whites. Mayhem was the norm for white settlers. Mayhem ended when the Civil War ended. Learn more about the change in next week's column.

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

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.

Rocket Making. 2:30-4 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Kick off your space adventure by building model rockets from recycled materials. This fun activity puts science and art together in a project that you can launch into the sky. Call 264-2209 for more information.

11th Annual Car Show: Party in the Park. 5 p.m., Town Park. Get your first glimpse at the lineup of classic cars while enjoying live music with Brooks-i Band, food and drinks. Call 264-2360 for more information.

Yoga. 5-6 p.m., Community Center.
Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'The Who's Tommy.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Saturday, June 15

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

LPEA Golf Tournament. 9 a.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. Space is limited, registration deadline is June 10. The tournament is a four-person scramble, with four flights beginning with a 9 a.m. shotgun start, rain or shine. Entry fee is \$70 per person,

which includes lunch, golf cart, \$5,000 in prizes and more. The field will be limited to the first 34 teams registered. For more information and to register, visit www.lpea.coop or contact Garrett Hammer 946-9434, Jeremy Matney 759-8881 or Daron Selph 749-1473.

Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, please contact paulineb@centurytel.net or visit the SOS website, www.sospagosa.org.

11th Annual Car Show: Show and Shine. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Town Park. Participants will line up for all enthusiasts to admire as they compete for a variety of categories. Live music with The Retro Cats, food and drink will be available. Call 264-2360 for more information.

Family Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Paws to Read with Bacchus. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For those in K-5th grade. Come and share your favorite book with Bacchus, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'The Who's Tommy.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Sunday, June 16

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Mamma Mia.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

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, June 17

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.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced at 10:15 a.m. For more information, call Beverly at 264-2064.

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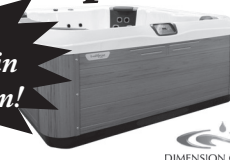
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Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

Southwest Organization for Sustainability. 3:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce. Everyone is welcome. Call Phyl Daleske 731-4589.

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.

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center.
Kiva Tour Full Moon Package. 5:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. For more information, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

Full Moon Program. 6:15 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This program occurs against the backdrop of the Great House Pueblo at the top of Chimney Rock Mesa. The program includes an informative lecture on topics specific to the Chimney Rock site, such as the ancestral Puebloan culture, archaeoastronomy theories or area of geology. Then, guests watch the full moon rise to the music of Charles Martinez's Native American flute. For more information, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

Tuesday, June 18

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

Pagosa Springs Women's Golf Association. 8:30 a.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. Call Lynne McCrudden at 946-2517 for more information.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

Yoga Fusion Class. 10 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.

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

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

Caregiver Support Group. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Because being a caregiver is inherently stressful and, at times, overwhelming. A support group can have significant positive outcomes for the caregiver's overall health. If interested, call 264-2167.

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

Mahjong. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

PALS Adult Education. 2-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Interested in getting your high school equivalency or GED? Need tutoring or help with placement tests? Come and see how Mark can help you. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Gardening Talk. 4:30-6 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Ron Chacey will discuss how to help your vegetable crops survive the heat. The evening's format begins with a Q-and-A session followed by the talk. For more information visit <http://www.facebook.com/PagosaSpringsCommunityGarden> or email PagosaSpringsCommunityGarden@gmail.com.

Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn West Coast swing. West Coast swing is a form of swing dancing that is danced in a slow to moderate tempo to blues, R&B and, in recent times, contemporary music. Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa> for more information.

Wednesday, June 19

Geology Tour. 8:10 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This tour explores local geology and its relationship to the daily lives of the ancestral Puebloans. Rock types impact structure, pottery,

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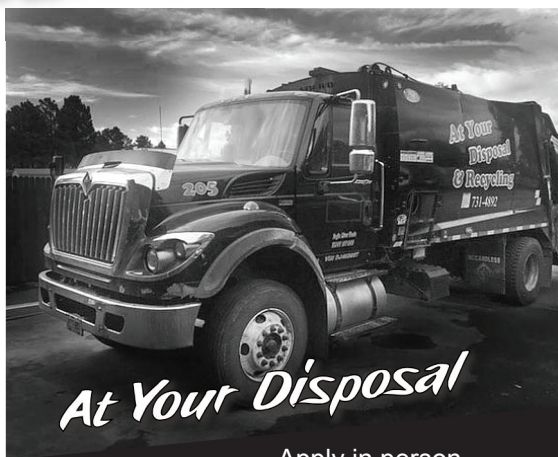
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 tools and soil productivity. Reservations are encouraged. For more information, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. All ages. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Flow Yoga Class. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Roz at (281) 435-0563.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Mountain High Garden Club: Picnic in the Park. 11 a.m., Yamaguchi Park. Bring a friend, bring a dish to share and join the fun. We are celebrating the 15th anniversary. The club will honor our founders and those fellow gardeners who gave so much support and effort.

Wellness Clinic. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Senior Center. Held by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C.

Guided Labyrinth Walk. 12:30 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Docents will provide information and suggestions for meditation. The labyrinth is outdoors, south of the parking lot.

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

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

History Club. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Are you interested in reading and talking about history with others? Join us and bring your ideas and experiences. The discussions will cover many historical subjects based on the preferences of the group. For more information, call Jim at 731-6878.

Do It Yourself: Homemade Sunscreen. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. We'll make homemade sunscreen using shea butter, coconut oil and zinc oxide powder. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Caregiver Support Group. 2-3:30 p.m., Senior Center. Because being a caregiver is inherently stressful and, at times, overwhelming. A support group can have significant positive outcomes for the caregiver's overall health. Ana Sancho Sama, Ph.D., licensed psychologist, will be facilitating. If interested, call 264-2167.

Teen Writers. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens in the 7th-12th grade. Calling all teen writers: stories, poetry, graphic novels, fan fiction — it's all welcome. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center.

Pagosa Springs Art Walk. 4-6 p.m., Uptown Pagosa Springs.

Pagosa Housing Partners: Room-Connect Program. 5-6:15 p.m.,

Higher Grounds Coffee. All are welcome to attend. RoomConnect aims to match Pagosa homeowners who have empty bedrooms and who may be interested in renting out those rooms with potential renters. Visit <https://pagosahousing-partners.org> or email roomconnect@gmail.com for more information.

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.

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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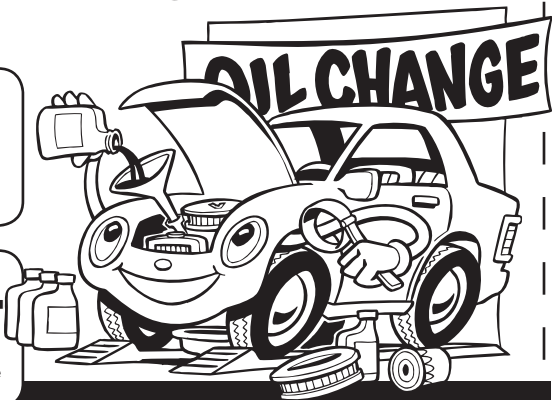


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Thursday, June 20

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.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

A Course in Miracles Study Group. 10-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call Karen LeCour at 264-0111 for more information.

Summer Reading Club: Blast Off into Outer Space! Astronauts, Rockets, Rovers and Satellites. 10-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. Getting into space can be tricky, but we have plenty of books to show you how to prepare. Join us for rocket-themed crafts, activities and stories. First stop: the moon. Learn about our closest neighbor and participate in a moon craft or two. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Loaves and Fishes Community Lunch. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere.

Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

Computer Class: Transparent Language Learning. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Packed full of pronunciation, speech, grammar, writing and vocabulary-building lessons. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Tech Time. 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Horseshoe Pitching. 4 p.m., South Pagosa Park. Beginners welcome. Learn the game, have fun. Shoes available. Call Mark at 264-2838 for more information.

Grief Support Group. 4-5:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Grief share is a national nondenominational program. The purpose of the meetings is to help people who have experienced the loss of any family member or of a special friend. A person may attend one or all of the meetings. Topics vary, so there is no progression of subjects. Interested persons can call the church office at 264-5508 for further information.

San Juan Stargazers. 5 p.m., Ruby Sisson Library. Guest speaker Eric Fisk, an aerospace technician, will share 37 years of experi-

ence with satellite programs. For more information, visit www.sanjuanstargazers.org, email sjstargazers@gmail.com or call 335-8286.

19th Hole Concert Series. 5:30-7:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. San Juan Mountain Boys hosted by Aspen House. The cover charge is a \$10 donation. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Concert goers should bring a camp chair or blanket. Please, leave pets at home.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Ring of Fire.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Friday, June 21

Summer Solstice Sunrise Photo Tour. 4:20-6 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Watch the sun rise over the San Juan Mountains this first and longest day of summer. For more information and tickets, go to www.chimney-rockco.org.

Independent Living Skills Class. 9-10:30 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. For persons with developmental disabilities to develop skills to live the lives they deserve in their community. The series will focus on self-care and job longevity. For more information, contact Salomon at Southwest Center for Independence at 903-8339 or email Mashi at mashi@swilc.org.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

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

Movie. 2:30-4 p.m., Sisson Library. All ages. When a lovable misfit from another planet lands on Earth and meets an earthling, the two unlikely friends embark on the greatest journey of all time, the journey home. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 5-6 p.m., Community Center.

Casino Night Las Vegas. 6:30-10 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Think dancing, wagering, and consuming tidbits and beverages. You will even get \$50,000 of play money. Whatever you win at the end of the night, your chips will be converted into tickets and will then be drawn for prizes. Dance to the Retro Cats, win at the silent auction and more. Tickets may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce, The Choke Cherry Tree or from any Rotarian. Tickets are \$45 or \$50 at the door.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Mamma Mia.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Saturday, June 22

21st Annual Archuleta County Golf Tournament. Pagosa Springs Golf Club. Benefitting United Way of Southwest Colorado. This long-time event includes 18 holes of golf, lunch and great prizes. The entry fee is \$80 per person. For registration or to sponsor, contact

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Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, please contact paulineb@centurytel.net or visit the SOS website, www.sospagosa.org.
Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Family Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Meditation and Recorded Dharma Talk. 10 a.m., Unitarian Universal Fellowship, 70 Greenbriar Drive, Suite B-15. All are welcome.

Pagosa Springs Community Band Rehearsals Begin. 10 a.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School band room. For more information, call Larry Baisdon at 317-9288 or Malinda Burnett at 903-7109.

Crafting Club. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Community Center. Join us for creativity, crafting and sharing ideas. This will be a time to bring your creativity, projects in progress, supplies and ideas to spend some time being crafty and connect with others who enjoy all aspects of creativity, too.

Painting for the Pooches. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Humane Society of Pagosa Springs. Painting party and open house presented by the Pagosa Springs Arts Council and the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs. For more information, contact the Humane Society at 264-5549.

LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 6-12 years old. We have the LEGO bricks, all you need to bring is your imagination. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Lower Blanco Property Owner's Association Annual Meeting. Noon, The Last Resort RV Park, 256 County Road 339. A potluck is planned, so bring a side dish or dessert to share. The association will furnish hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. The meeting will take place after the potluck and will include the election of association officers, updates on the community assessment we are conducting, and other concerns and ideas.
Solstice on the San Juan. 6 p.m., Centennial Park. Enjoy live Native

American flute and drum music in addition to Native American storytelling. Tickets are \$25 for adults in advance, \$30 at the gate and are available at the Choke Cherry Tree, Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and www.chimneyrockco.org.

Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'The Who's Tommy.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Sunday, June 23
Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Mamma Mia.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

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, June 24
Pagosa Peak Open School: Shadow Days. Pagosa Peak Open School, 7 Parelli Way. Curious about our unique programming at Pagosa Peak Open School? Students are encouraged to come to shadow at PPOS this summer. Spots will be limited each day in order to give a quality experience. Contact Angela to reserve a spot at areali@ppos.com or call 317-2151.

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.

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. 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.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Caregiver Support Group. 11 a.m.,

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The meeting is led by Elaine Stumpo, regional director of the Alzheimer's Association. For more information call 731-1033 or 259-0122.

Tween Gaming. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. For those in the 4th-8th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center.
DUST2 Wheel Club Monthly Meeting. 6:30 p.m., Boss Hogg's Restaurant. The agenda will include a presentation by professional

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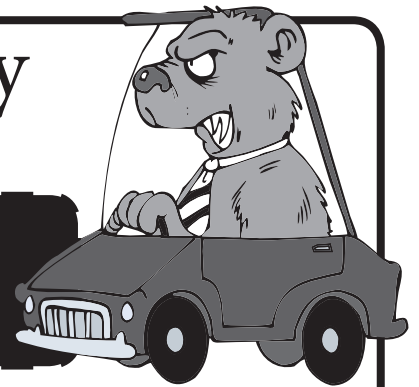
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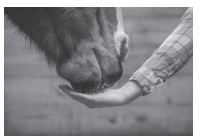
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trail builder Dave Dessle, a brainstorming session to find out what the membership would like to see as part of its local bike club and general club updates. All are welcome. Join us as we build a strong cycling community in Pagosa Springs. Contact Connie Hayes at 731-2002 for more information.

Tuesday, June 25

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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.

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Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park, South 8th and Apache streets. Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Hora De Cuentos: Spanish Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Mable Martinez Barber will share some of her favorite children's stories in Spanish. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts, and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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Zentangle. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Spanish Conversation. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Our conversation hour will help you increase fluency by speaking with other Spanish language speakers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Role-Playing Game. 3:30-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters in our ongoing RPG. This is a recurring program. If you want to be a part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in anytime. For those in the 7th-12th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

The Most Excellent Way. 7 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship Church, 1044 Park Ave. The Most Excellent Way offers Bible-based

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THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS has received applications for “Major Subdivision Sketch Plan” and “Major Design Review Sketch,” requesting amendments to the previously approved Planned Unit Development known as Mountain Lake Villas located at 3500 W. Hwy 160. The Planning Commission will consider the applications at a public hearing scheduled on June 25, 2019 at 5:30p.m. The public hearing will be conducted in Town Hall, located at 551 Hot Springs Blvd. For more information and anyone wishing to provide comments, please contact the Town Planning Department at (970)264-4151, x221 or attend the public hearing. Public comments will be accepted at the public hearing.

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN WILDLIFE PARK is looking for a keeper /clerk to care for animals. Job will include preparing diets, cleaning enclosures, and providing tours for groups of all ages. The right candidate must be a team player, friendly, self-motivated with excellent customer-service skills. Must be able to lift 50+ lbs., work outside in inclement weather year round, and have basic computer skills. Only hard working self-starters need apply. Drug testing is required. Schedule: will vary throughout the year. Please come in to fill out application and drop resume off. 4821 A Hwy. 84 Pagosa Springs. Call (970)264-5546 for appointment.

SUMMER WORK OR FULL TIME: Construction/ excavation help needed. No experience required. Top pay and potential for advancement. Must pass drug test. Call (970)946-9299.

KIP'S GRILL AND CANTINA is looking for a prep cook/ dishwasher for our busy summer season. Please apply in person.

BUCK FRISBEE LANDSCAPING IS now hiring. Call Buck (970)946-0996 for application and interview.

SUPPORT AIDE OR CNAs needed for Pine Ridge Extended Care. Able to work in a fast paced environment. Under new management. Apply in person, 119 Bastille Dr.

VITAL CORE HS IS LOOKING for Intermediate EMT/ Paramedic/ LPN/ RN for part-time and PRN positions at the Rio Arriba County Detention Center in Tierra Amarilla, NM. Please contact Lindy Stone at (575)588-7350 or email your resume to ldugarstone@vitalcorehs.com.

RANCH HELP- CALL ONE in the Spirit Ranch at 264-6129.

CNA CLASS STARTING SOON. Full-time positions available. Alternating weekends off. Competitive wages and benefit package. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa.

NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER Seeks Executive Director. The Archuleta County Education Center is accepting applications for Executive Director of Wings Early Childhood Center in Pagosa Springs, CO, serving children ages 1-5 years. Minimum qualifications: Associate or Bachelor degree in Early Childhood Education; Colorado Director Qualified Certification; a working knowledge of state licensing rules and regulations; and experience as an ECE teacher. Salary \$40,000-\$60,000 based on education and experience. Background check required. A full job description is available at www.theacec.com. Submit cover letter, resume and references to janet.santo78@gmail.com by June 15, 2019.

HELP WANTED

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER is looking for an **Insurance Verification Specialist.** The Insurance Verification Specialist is responsible for the completion of accurate and efficient insurance verification in a timely manner with appropriate account documentation. **Essential Duties, Functions and Responsibilities:** Accurately verifies all insurances (primary, secondary, tertiary) coverage using all available resources. Corrects insurances, policy numbers and related information when needed to insure accuracy for insurance claims. Documents verification in the system indicating the patient liability amounts, deductible, co-insurance, co-pay, etc. Utilizes reports and work queues within Cerner to assist with account identification; identifies exceptions and reports to appropriate department. This job description must cross-train to be able to effectively perform the job position of: Pre-registration Specialist and Insurance Verification Specialist. Meets department production standards and meets department quality standards. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration or downloaded from www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

PIEDRA AUTOMOTIVE IS SEEKING a full-time tow driver. Flexible hours. Must have good driving record and pass drug test. Apply in person 505 Piedra Rd.

PAGOSA AREA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT is seeking applicants for the position of Field Service Technician. This full-time position entails installation, maintenance, and repairs of the District's water distribution and sewer collection system. A valid Colorado Driver's License is required. Position will be required to work overtime occasionally, including nights, weekends, holidays and/or rotating on-call shifts. Basic computer knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office Suite. Ability to assist customers, by phone and in person, in an accurate and professional manner. Applications, as well as a full job description may be downloaded from www.pawsd.org. Applications and resumes may be submitted to PAWSD, PO Box 4610, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or emailed to nancy@pawsd.org. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Exceptional benefits package.

OVERLOOK HOT SPRINGS seeking front desk help. Customer service experience preferred. AM and PM shifts available. Full and/or part time. Apply in person.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has openings for **Nutritional Services Workers** to prepare and cook food for hospital patients, staff and visitors. Must have a flexible schedule and willing to work nights and weekends. We are looking to fill 2 full-time positions. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

PEAK DELI NOW HIRING LINE COOK. BRING RESUME. NO CALLS.

CAFE COLORADO LOOKING for kitchen help. Apply at 565 Village Dr.

SPECIAL EVENT SETUP/ TAKE down persons needed. E.O.E., heavy lifting required. Variable hours, work some weekends. \$12.50 hour. Licensed drug free event crew members receive additional bonus \$400 every 160 hours worked. Apply in person at 305 Bastille, (970)731-4410.

HELP WANTED

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The award-winning Pagosa Springs SUN is looking to expand its sales and creative staff.

Are you the right person? Do you have ...

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... accurate spelling and grammar skills?

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



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CONSTRUCTION/ EXCAVATION LEAD OPERATOR: Experienced in all aspects of equipment operation, excavation and construction. Excellent compensation package. Must pass drug test. Send resume to Common Ground, PO Box 1911, Pagosa Springs, Co 81147.

PIEDRA AUTOMOTIVE IS SEEKING a full-time (M-F) entry level technician. Good benefits. Basic repair skills help but will train the right person. Must have good driving record and pass drug test. Apply in person 505 Piedra Rd.

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

VISITOR CENTER STAFF POSITION. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking candidates to work part time at the Visitor Center primarily on the weekends with some potential for hours during the week. Primary duties include performing light administrative work and assisting visitors to the Center. Position pays \$12 per hour. Information on the position description, application and deadline can be found on the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov.

PART-TIME OFFICE/ FIELD WORK, 20- 25 hours per week. Please call Laura Daniels at Team Pagosa Realty Group. (970)946-9281.

PART-TIME FRONT DESK POSITION- approximately 21-24 hours/ week. Shifts may include days, evenings and weekends. The right candidate will have strong customer service skills, the ability to multitask and will be comfortable with computers! Interested? Stop by Healing Waters Resort & Spa office at 317 Hot Springs Blvd. or download application at www.pshotsprings.com, click on "Employment" button at bottom of Home Page. We are looking to fill the position quickly, so get your application in now!

ALPINE PORTABLE TOILETS IS hiring a full-time service tech to clean and service portable toilets. Apply in person. 208 N. 14th St. (970)946-3692.

FULL-TIME MANAGER POSITION for the Methodist Thrift Store. The Thrift Store manager is responsible to supervise employees and volunteers, as well as recruit volunteers, must be flexible to work Saturdays, and lift 50 lbs. consistently. Minimum Qualifications: Eligible to work in the United States. Previous experience in retail management is required. Must be able to relate well to customers, co-workers, and volunteers and in a courteous, pleasant and helpful manner. Must be capable of managing and training other people. Must be able to speak, write, and understand the English language. Must be familiar with basic bookkeeping procedures. Must be computer literate, including Microsoft Word and Excel, as well as Social Media platform knowledge. Salary will be determined on experience. The application can be picked up at the Methodist Church at 434 Lewis St., Monday- Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Applications will be taken until position is filled. You may submit your application and resume by email to secretary@cumcps.org or at 434 Lewis Street.

DON'S TREE SERVICE HIRING grounds people and tree climbers. (970)946-3931.

HYGIENIST WANTED to accommodate growing practice. Weekends and holidays off, beautiful facility, modern equipment, excellent pay. Email resume to office@pagosasmiles.com.

THE TOWN IS SEEKING interested individuals to fill current vacancies on the Planning Commission. Members are appointed for a four-year volunteer term. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 5:30p.m. at Town Hall Council Chambers. The Planning Commission reviews development applications for compliance with adopted standards and provides recommendations to Town Council. For more information including member qualifications, see the detailed description in the News post at www.pagosasprings.co.gov or contact cschultz@pagosasprings.co.gov or (970)264-4151, x221.

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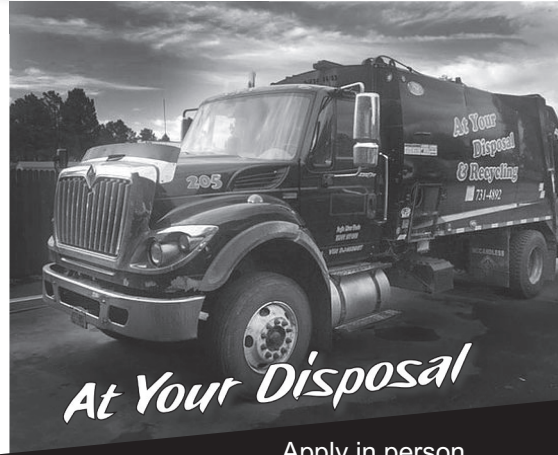
Office Hours: Monday — Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.****HELP WANTED****HELP WANTED****HELP WANTED****HELP WANTED****HELP WANTED**

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PAGOSA PEAK OPEN SCHOOL is now accepting bids for custodial contracts. Please see our website's Career Opportunities page for more information.

HANDY PERSON NEEDED FOR minor house repairs, deck oiling, yard work. Carpentry skills and ability go up a ladder are a plus. (970)507-0967.

CNA'S NEEDED, DAY SHIFT and night shift. Night shift differential. Apply in person. Pine Ridge Extended Care. Under new management.

USE YOUR CAREGIVING TALENTS to help others stay in their home. Training and flexible schedule. LifeCare (970)516-1234.

CONSTRUCTION HELPERS NEEDED. Reliable transportation required. Email info@fullertonworks.com.

SUNETHA PROPERTY MANAGEMENT is looking for a full-time self-motivated, outgoing **Receptionist/Bookkeeper** responsible for A/R, A/P and deposits. Must be able to multitask and work in a fast-paced environment. Experience with AppFolio a plus. Send resume to dori@sunetha.com.

FULL-TIME LPN OR RN POSITION at Pine Ridge Extended Care. Apply in person, 119 Bastille Dr. Under new management.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN WILDLIFE PARK is looking for wranglers to lead summer trail rides. Experienced horseperson able to work independently with strong customer service skills wanted. Must be able to lift 50+ lbs., and obtain first aid certification. Drug testing is required. Submit application/ resume in person at 4821 A Hwy. 84 Pagosa Springs. Call (970)264-5546 for appointment.

FAST-PACED REAL ESTATE OFFICE looking for qualified support staff team member with the following qualifications: professional front office presence, pleasant temperament and multi-tasker. Will train the right applicant. Email your resume to blue@jannpcatcher.com with "Support Staff Role" in the subject line.

GENERAL LABORER. Help wanted- full time. Please call (970)264-5000. Pagosa Cattle Company.

SMALL MOTEL HIRING PART- TIME housekeeper. Must be available mornings, Monday through Friday, some weekends. Experience preferred. Call 731-5345.

LABORERS FOR GROUND MAINTENANCE needed full-time. Monday through Friday. Possibility of year round position. Call (970)759-9317.

SKILLED LINE COOK and prep cook needed. Dishwasher needed. Come by before 2p.m. Two Chicks and A Hippie to apply. 731-6020.

MAINTENANCE STAFF. The Maintenance Staff position is a fantastic opportunity to work on the beautiful land of Tara Mandala, and keeping everything in working order. The main objective is to ensure smooth and efficient operations of all building, land, and infrastructure systems at Tara Mandala. During the summer retreat season Maintenance Staff works with a "Land Crew" of Living Dharma Program participants, and thus are responsible for providing a rewarding and balanced experience for their team. The selected candidate will participate in new systems, innovations, and approaches to operations, working directly with the Land and Facilities Manager, Operations Director, and Executive Director, and oversee minor repairs with local contractors. They will also keep the land, roads, and gardens in good condition, and provide snow plowing in winter months. For more information, email Clifton at clifton.carmody@taramandala.org.

COLORADO DREAM HOMES INC. is looking to hire an experienced, full-time draftsman for new residential construction. AutoCAD experience required (we provide all the equipment). Salary is based on experience. Please email your resume to: coloradodreamhomesinc@gmail.com or stop by our office located at: 2283 Eagle Drive in Pagosa Springs to fill out an application, (970)731-3071.

MOUNTAIN HOME SOUND AND SECURITY is now taking applications for a security technician, experience a plus but not required. An interest in current technology is a must. Desire to work and learn in a fast paced environment. Background check, valid driver's license and neat professional appearance required. Please pick up application at 301 N Pagosa Blvd., Unit B-3 Monday- Friday 9a.m.-5p.m.

SEASONAL WILDLAND FIREFIGHTERS-CREWMEMBER. The Archuleta County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for Seasonal Wildland Firefighters. To view full job description and wage information, visit www.archuletacounty.org. Submit application and resume to Human Resources, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 or fax (970)264-1879 or email to rsmith@archuletacounty.org. Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.

PHYSICAL THERAPY AIDE- PART-TIME position. No experience necessary. Energetic, dependable, multi-tasker a must. Submit resumes to Rocky Mountain PT, 35 Mary Fisher Circle.

PAGOSA THERAPEUTICS & GREEN HOUSE Pagosa are looking fill several positions both in our cultivation and retail environments. No experience is required; we love to train motivated people! We offer competitive wages, a happy, friendly work environment, employee discounts and more. Please stop by Pagosa Therapeutics for an application or email your resume to employment@jandjinc.net.

LOOKING FOR COOKS with experience. Starting pay \$15/ hour. Also looking for cleaning staff and salad bar staff. Apply in person, Boss Hogg's, 157 Navajo Trail Dr. No phone calls.

NOW HIRING PART-TIME EVENING dishwashers. Please apply at The Buck Stops Here Market and Eatery.

COUNTY FAIR GENERAL LABOR. Archuleta County Fair is accepting applications for general labor and office help. Applications considered upon receipt. For job description and wage details visit www.archuletacounty.org submit application and resume to HR, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or fax (970)264-1879 or email rsmith@archuletacounty.org. Archuleta County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

HIRING EXPERIENCED AND LICENSED PLUMBERS, and plumber helpers. (970)946-7096, leave message.

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

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER will be looking for a **Discharge Clerk.** The Discharge Clerk checks patients out after appointments. Schedules follow-up appointments, laboratory and radiology encounters for patients exiting the clinic in computer system. Schedule and register walk-in patients. Assists patients with records requests or release forms. Collect and post co-payments and patient account payments to appropriate accounts. Job Requirements: Establish and maintain effective working relationships with others. Possess excellent communication skills and organizational skills. Applications may be picked up at Pagosa Springs Medical Center or downloaded at www.pagosaspringsmedical-center.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mizi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

OFFICE ASSISTANT NEEDED WITH excellent customer service and computer skills. Be able to lift 50 lbs. and willing to learn and use propane parts and fittings and fill propane bottles. Also if you're looking for summer work. Call 264-5823 to have an application faxed or get one in person at 1040 E. Hwy. 160.

PAGOSA AREA WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT is seeking applicants for the position of Equipment Operator. This full-time position entails operation of heavy equipment such as a Backhoe, Front End Loader, Bulldozer, and Grader for installation, maintenance, and repairs of the District's water distribution and sewer collection system. A valid Colorado Driver's License is required. The position will be required to work overtime occasionally, including nights, weekends, holidays and/or rotating on-call shifts. Must have the ability to operate a variety of hand and power tools, as well as know, understand, and follow OSHA and Safety Regulations. Applications, as well as a full job description may be downloaded from www.pawsd.org. Applications and resumes may be submitted to PAWSD, PO Box 4610, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or emailed to nancy@pawsd.org. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Exceptional benefits package.

PAGOSA PEAK OPEN SCHOOL is hiring for the following positions: Full Time Lead Advisor (Teacher), Part Time Art and Music Advisor, Part Time Special Ed Advisor, Part Time Guidance Counselor and a Full Time Special Ed/Guidance Counselor. Visit our website for job descriptions. Please send resumes, references and letters of recommendations to areali@ppos.co.

RECEPTIONIST- AXIS HEALTH SYSTEM is recruiting for a Receptionist to join our integrated care team as we open our Archuleta Integrated Healthcare location in Pagosa Springs. Responsibilities include greeting patients, patient registration and scheduling and document management. Experience in a primary care setting and proficiency with electronic health records is preferred. Apply online and see a detailed job description at <https://axishealthsystem.bamboohr.com/jobs/>. Axis Health System offers competitive salary and benefits, and a 401(k) plan. EOE.

MOUNTAIN PIZZA & TAPROOM is adding prep cooks and line cooks to our team. Pay based on experience. Apply in person at 175 Pagosa St.

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR FULL-TIME Kitchen Line Cook. Please apply at The Buck Stops Here Market and Eatery.

RANCH LOOKING FOR WRANGLER/ LABORER. Duties include fence work, irrigation, cattle work. Horse experience mandatory. call (970)946-3584.

NOW HIRING AVALANCHE PIZZA BAR-CAFE. Now hiring all positions. Apply at 729 San Juan St., Unit B. (970)422-2510.

NOW HIRING PARAPROFESSIONALS at GOAL Academy High School in Pagosa Springs. We offer competitive wages and employee benefits. Please apply online at www.goalac.org. For more information, call (877)776-4625, ext. 027.

SEASONAL COOK. Seasonal Cook is a full-time temporary (approximately May-September) contractor position. This is a great opportunity to use your prep cook or line cook experience to make primarily organic vegetarian meals. The seasonal cook will be working with other paid staff members and spiritual program participants who might have no kitchen experience; your patience and kindness will be essential. Ability to follow directions and recipes are must have skills. Please, only those with professional cooking experience need apply. ServSafe or other food handling certification required. For more information, email Clifton at clifton.carmody@taramandala.org.

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR(S): Looking for experienced operators in all equipment and will train those willing to learn. Year round work, excellent pay! Must pass drug test. Send resume or letter of interest to Common Ground, PO Box 1911, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

LABORER NEEDED. flyingdutchman@gmail.com.

DELIVERY/ WAREHOUSE ASSISTANT. Assist in performing delivery and warehousing functions. Scheduled hours are Monday- Friday with weekends off. Must be reliable and pass a background check. Apply in person at Pagosa Springs Sears, 2800 Cornerstone Dr.

CDL/ TRUCK DRIVERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY. Minimum 1 year experience. Forestry equipment knowledge helpful. Must Pass Drug Test. Local Driving Only. Send resume to PO Box 4490, Pagosa Springs, CO 81157 or email: pagosaland@pagosa.net.

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB? 20 hours per week. Gardening and some household organizing. Text me at (970)749-4904 and tell me why you might be a good fit.

CAREGIVERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY. No experience necessary. Must be caring and compassionate. Visit us at www.peoplecarehs.com. Contact Nick at nickh@peoplecarehs.com or (719)778-1956.

SEASONAL PARK MAINTENANCE. The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking candidates to perform seasonal park maintenance to include mowing, weeding, watering, and maintenance of park facilities. Position pays \$12 to \$14 per hour DOE for 30 to 40 hours per week through the summer. Information on the position description, application and deadline can be found on the Town's website at www.pagosasprings.co.gov.

PETS

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

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

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Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

PERSONALS

IT CAN STOP! Let us help. 24-hour domestic violence or sexual assault hotline. Confidential. 264-9075.

LIVESTOCK

HORSE BOARDING AVAILABLE for one gelding. Stall and turn out run. Full care provided by experienced horse owner/ veterinarian. Access to outdoor arena and trail riding. Very close to town. \$400/ month. (970)946-1481 for information.

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR a quality Farrier who is reliable and shows up on time, please call Michael Garcia (303)601-5498.

BUSINESS NEED PUBLICITY? Display your company banner at RED RYDER RODEO- 4th July weekend: July 4, 5 & 6. Over 700 people through the main admission gate daily. \$80 all 3 days. Contact Diana Talbot, (970)749-3492 or DTalbot111@gmail.com.

RANCH SORTING this Saturday, June 15th. Sign up 9a.m., start 10a.m. Adults \$25, under 18 \$5. Covers 3 or 4 go's. **IMPORTANT:** This may be our last ranch sorting unless more people show up. Our first 2 meets only 2 people showed up. Information: Rod Pepper (970)264-1486.

MUTTON BUSTIN at RED RYDER RODEO. Cowpokes 6 years old or younger. To apply for one of the 10 contestant daily slots, email child name, age, parent name, contact email and phone number and preferred day (no guarantee) to Pennie.DeClark@bankofcolorado.com before June 21. July 4th weekend: July 4th at 2p.m. July 5th and 6th at 6p.m. No charge for this event; child must attend rodeo with parent, protective gear provided, participants selected from random drawing and those chosen will be notified one week prior.

RED RYDER ROUNDUP RODEO. 4th of July weekend: July 4th at 2p.m.; July 5th and 6th at 6p.m. General admission tickets at Goodman's Department Store and at the gate. Box Seats, call (970)264-5000. www.pagosarodeo.com.

WANTED

IS IT TIME TO CLEAN your freezer out? Bring your meat and fish to the Wildlife Park to feed the animals. 11a.m.-4p.m. Feeding time is 2 p.m.

STAINING HOUSES. Exterior house painting and staining. Gravel driveways, roof tightening, gutter cleaning, build pads with gravel. (970)946-9571, (432)847-6451.

YARD SALES

YARD SALE AT 57 DUTTON DRIVE Saturday, June 15th, 7a.m.-12p.m. Snowblower, roll top desk, storage bench, filing cabinets, portable closets, baby crib with mattress, tools, clothes, movie DVDs and other household goods. Time to streamline!

LARGE SALE, 2498 PARK AVE. Saturday, June 15, 9a.m.-3p.m.

MOVING SALE! SATURDAY, June 15 from 7a.m. to 12 noon. Bikes, kids toys, clothing, TVs, lawn equipment, lots more! Corner of South Pagosa and Capricho near hospital.

77 FISHER CT. FRIDAY, 8a.m.-2p.m., Saturday, 8a.m.-2p.m. Combined two houses, so a little bit of everything.

YARD SALES

KEN & JOANIE DO IT again. Friday, 6/14 and Saturday, 6/15. RV stuff, appliances, tools, clothes, miscellaneous household, electronics, Sears stove. Tacoma double cab side steps (new), also fender flares, ATV tires. 279 Brookhill Dr.

201 ESCOBAR AVE. JUNE 15th, 8a.m.-2p.m. Huge multi-family sale.

YARD SALE 8A.M.-2P.M. Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15. 32 Northbay Circle.

GARAGE SALE GIVEAWAY! Saturday 6/15, 9a.m.-noon, Everything must go! 2985 Meadows Dr.

PARKING LOT SALE. Mountain View Plaza. Saturday 6/15, 8a.m.-?

MOVING AND MUST SELL sofa, wingback chair, wood dinette set, twin sleigh bed, garage cabinet, small round table and household items. Friday only, 9a.m.-5p.m. 10 Midiron Ave. (970)731-0762.

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

ARTISAN MARKET SATURDAY, June 15, 8a.m. to 12p.m. at Pagosa Lakes, 230 Port Ave.: jewelry, essential oils, wood carvings, homemade baked goods, refurbished furniture, etc.

WE'RE MOVING OUT OF STATE and things must go. 373 Oakwood Cir. June 15, 9a.m. to 3p.m.

MOVING SALE- SATURDAY JUNE 15th, 8a.m. Furniture, yard tools, garage stuff and more. Highway 160 West, right on North Pagosa, right on Northlake, right on Northbay, house #127.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE and Artisan Market Saturday, June 15, 8a.m. to 12p.m. 230 Port Ave., PLPOA Clubhouse inside and outside. NO EARLY CALLERS.

MOVING IN SALE. Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15, 8a.m.-12p.m. 135 Eaton Dr., Unit 1026, Whispering Pines.

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WATER TRANSFER TANKS. 275 gallons. 6 miles west of Pagosa Springs on Hwy. 160. \$200 cash. Call Kurt (801)201-2122.

PICK-UP CAP FOR 6' Tacoma bed, tan, \$100. 10.5 HP, 30" Craftsman snow blower. Needs minor work, \$100. (970)946-2215.

FOR SALE

ALL NATURAL, 100% GRASS finished beef and lamb, Berkshire pork, and organic free range chicken from GrassRoots Meats. Available at our warehouse on Mondays, as well as the Choke Cherry Tree and Joy's the rest of the week. www.grassrootsmeats.colorado@gmail.com. Call Lois for more information, (970)582-0166.

WRIGHT NATURAL BAKERY. Locally owned Whole Grain Organic Bakery. Delicious, nutritious items at Choke Cherry Tree and Joy's Natural Foods, Made in Colorado Shoppe, Feather Your Nest Antiques. Wrightnaturalbakery.com. (970)812-8026.

ATTENTION CONTRACTORS AND HOMEOWNERS. Are you remodeling or tearing down? Call Durango Salvage, we buy and sell building materials. Tom, (970)749-2271, Mark, 749-8235.

GET YOUR FIREWOOD NOW! Guarantee yourself dry wood this coming season. Get a HUGE dump truck load, split and delivered for \$335! Ponderosa Pine. Contact Dan with FIRE&ICE at (970)582-0006.

FOR SALE SEASONED FIREWOOD. Split and delivered. (970)317-4935.

DR FIELD MOWER, ATV or tractor towable, mow acres with ease, Kohler motor, \$1,500. (970)582-0148.

FOR SALE: 16' FISHING BOAT with lots of extras. For more details, call Robert at 731-2649.

3 PERCEPTION KAYAKS FOR sale. Asking \$350 each OBO. Call Ben (970)731-0859.

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

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

2018 R-POD 16' CAMPING TRAILER, 1 slideout, kitchen, bathroom with shower, dinette, sleeps 4, A/C, TV, Internet and more; new, never used, \$16,900. Also, 2009 R-POD, \$7,900, excellent condition. (970)445-0602.

AUTOS

1999 CHEVY SUBURBAN. 131,000 miles, very clean inside and out, rebuilt transmission, new battery, new brakes, new tires, runs great. \$3,000. (719)229-9179.

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Noxious Weed of the Month: Canada thistle

By **Ethan Proud**
PREVIEW Columnist

Canada thistle is, in fact, not from Canada. Like many of our noxious invaders, it hails from Eurasia. It is spread throughout Archuleta County and is usually found in riparian areas, despite being able to grow in drier soils.

Unlike musk, bull and scotch thistle, it is a perennial and the same plant will return year after year. Mowing is a much better option than pulling as root fragments will yield a new plant. However, both can be done diligently to manage the population.

The root system of Canada thistle makes even herbicide applications difficult, as the roots can spread 30 feet laterally and 15 or more feet deep. Repeated applications are necessary as spring treatments primarily affect seed set and fall treatments target the root.

Canada thistle can produce 5,000 seeds which are viable in the soil for 20 years. Herbicides with residual can control germinating seedlings for up to two years. A fall application will take the herbicide deep into the root system as photosynthate is being translocated and stored as starch.

Extension Viewpoints

Knowing the life cycle of a perennial like Canada is essential to effective control. In early spring, seedlings are susceptible to herbicide, though a mature plant will be moving nutrients to the shoots and buds, which will prevent much of the herbicide from reaching the roots. An application in late spring to early summer before seed production will see more herbicide translocated into the roots as the plant is in a vegetative state and nutrients are flowing to both the roots and new growth.

A new biological control, *Puccinia punctiformis*, is showing potential; it is a naturally occurring fungus that is capable of eradicating Canada thistle if it has a little human help.

For more information on the rust fungus, contact the Archuleta County Weed and Pest or keep an eye out for the next article.

Upcoming events

July 13: Archuleta County An-

nual Weed Tour.

Aug. 1-4: Archuleta County Fair. Do you quilt or sew, can vegetables or fruit, grow hay crops, veggies or flowers? Maybe you do leather or wood work? Possibly brew beer or make wine? Or, maybe you have a hidden crafting talent that you would like share with us? If so, then you can enter the Archuleta County Fair Open Classes. Go to www.archuletacountyfair.com/exhibits-rules to find out how to enter. It's homegrown and county pride.

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.

We will also attempt to schedule classes on additional dates with five or more registrations. Cost for the classes is \$80 for combined CPR/first aid and \$55 for CPR, first aid or recertification. The type of first aid information provided will vary by the needs of the audience.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15

By **Kay Kaylor**
PREVIEW Columnist

As the part-time long-term care ombudsman for Archuleta County, I advocate for residents at Pine Ridge, a 24-hour extended care home, and BeeHive, an assisted living residence. Federal and state laws protect residents to promote quality of care and quality of life.

Saturday, June 15, is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, promoted by the National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA), a resource and research center and other partners focused on aging. The intent is to build strong support in communities for elders, who are faced with stereotypes that prevent them from

aging with dignity and honor.

"Older people are vital, contributing members of American society and their maltreatment diminishes all of us," the NCEA states.

The NCEA, established in 1988, is part of the Administration on Aging and became part of the Older Americans Act in 1992. In a flyer about scams, the NCEA suggests constructing "community supports and human services for family caregivers and older adults to alleviate risk factors tied to elder abuse like ageism (bias against older adults in our culture) or social isolation."

Pagosa Springs is no exception to the problems of elder abuse. At the San Juan Basin Area Agency on

Aging, I regularly learn from neighbors and others about elders living in isolation, becoming victims of telephone and health care scams, and subject to self-neglect and financial exploitation. As noted in prior columns, such community members, if they survive, might then have no recourse but to live in nursing homes under Medicaid and possibly subject to public guardianship.

This is a call to Archuleta County residents and leaders to find ways to provide community support and a sense of belonging to all citizens.

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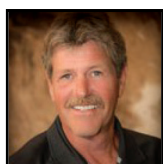


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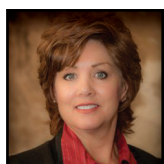
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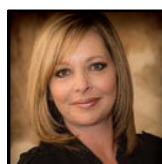
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