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# The Pagosa Springs SUN

## Man attacked by injured bear on hunting trip

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

A Pagosa Springs man suffered injuries after being attacked by an injured bear during a Sept. 4 hunting trip.

According to Matt Thorpe, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) area wildlife manager, explained that an unidentified man and woman were hunting north of Pagosa on Sept. 4, with the woman having a rifle bear license.

"A bear came in where they were set up and so the lady shot the bear," Thorpe said. "They weren't sure, you know, that was a great hit, so they decided to just kind of give it some time, which is ... pretty customary. So they waited ... for probably over an hour."

At that point, the man went to try to follow the blood trail to locate the bear.

"It sounds like as he was either kind of stepping over a log or moving over a log, the bear was laying, you know, kind of against this downed log. And so the bear, you know, latched on to the guy's hand, and ... the guy couldn't get his hand away from the bear," Thorpe explained.

■ See Bear A8



Photo courtesy Lesann Young

Just another lazy afternoon in Pagosa Country. This bear took a nap following a dive into a dumpster behind a local restaurant last week. The number of bear sightings is expected to grow as bears enter hyperphagia, the period of preparing for hibernation when bears spend up to 20 hours a day on the hunt for 20,000 or more calories. Area residents and businesses are encouraged to secure their trash to limit encounters with bears.

## New elementary school? Other facility upgrades? Facilities discussed by school board

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

Archuleta School District (ASD) facilities were a topic of discussion at a summit held by the ASD Board of Education (BOE) on Sept. 4.

According to ASD Superintendent Linda Reed, RTA Architects, the architecture firm the district used to conduct its facilities study previously, had attended a session and sent notes and a timeline to the district should it want to pursue another Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) grant in the spring.

The district would have needed to start already if it were to pursue another BEST grant, Reed noted.

Via its Planning Assistance Team's (PAT) facilities analysis process in 2017, it was deemed by the group that the highest priority was a new elementary school, Reed

■ See School A8



Photos courtesy Gretchen Fitzgerald

The San Juan National Forest is working to return clearcut areas to a forested condition by contracting to plant 70,000 Engelmann spruce trees across 175 acres on Wolf Creek Pass. In the late 1950s, spruce logs were harvested from the area. In those days, the preferred method of harvest was to clear-cut the spruce. Young residual trees were left to grow or the area was planted with bare-root seedlings. Spruce beetle have killed most of the older overstory trees and left a young forest with many future openings. The San Juan National Forest also has a couple of small salvage sales being cut in the area. After the dead trees are removed, foresters will evaluate the area to see if further reforestation efforts are needed.



## Local police officer cited for reckless driving, unauthorized siren

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

A Pagosa Springs Police Department (PSPD) officer was charged with reckless driving and operating a vehicle with an unauthorized siren following an alleged incident that took place on Aug. 31 outside of the Archuleta County Combined Dispatch Center.

An Archuleta County sheriff's deputy was notified of the alleged incident via an employee of a restaurant across the street from the dispatch building, according to an Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

(ACSO) incident report.

According to the incident report, the employee arrived at work around 4:30 the morning of Aug. 31 and witnessed a PSPD vehicle turn onto Talisman Drive from U.S. 160 and into the parking lot of the dispatch building.

The PSPD unit then "roasted" its tires and drove around the building with its overhead lights and sirens activated, the incident report describes.

Following an interview with the witness, the ACSO deputy inter-

■ See Officer A8

## Council focuses on short-term rentals, hears from public

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council discussed short-term rentals (STRs) within town boundaries at a work session held Aug. 29, with a standing-room-only crowd present in the Town Hall's council chambers to hear the discussion.


Town Manager Andrea Phillips opened the topic by explaining that the council had requested an update on vacation rentals within

the town.

"Last fall, the Town adopted an ordinance requiring that all short term rentals (those rented out for less than 30 days at a time) get a conditional use permit and an annual vacation rental license. Vacation rentals are allowed in all districts," information provided in the agenda packet for the work session states.


It later explains, "All units are

■ See Town A8



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## EDITORIAL

### You might just save someone's life

In 2009, 13 confirmed suicides in Archuleta County placed the county high above state and national averages.

Thankfully, the numbers have declined since then. From 2004 to 2015, there were a reported 34 suicides in Archuleta County, with La Plata County reporting 98 deaths by suicide.

In 2015, suicide was the fourth leading cause of death in Archuleta County.

That same year, Colorado's suicide rate was 19.4 per 100,000 residents, making it the seventh highest in the country. For the southwest Colorado region, the rate is higher than the state's average.

According to Archuleta County Coroner Brandon Bishop, there have been nine suicides in Archuleta County since 2016.

SUN reporter Randi Pierce's 2009 article on Archuleta County's suicide crisis received statewide recognition for Public Service from the Colorado Press Association in 2010. That article included the following warning signs to watch for:

- A significant change in eating habits — either decreased or increased appetite.
- Significant weight gain or loss.
- Withdrawing from family and friends.
- Increased substance abuse, in-

cluding drugs and alcohol.

- Statements about hurting themselves or committing suicide.
- A sense of hopelessness or that what one is doing is not enough.
- Sleeplessness.
- In men especially, an increase in irritability, anger, frustration.
- Behavior that deviates from the norm.
- Loss of future orientation.
- An element of loss.
- The loss of a typical daily routine, which can follow events like retirement.
- Increased anxiety or stress.

Statistics show that at least 90 percent of all people who died by suicide were suffering from a mental illness at the time, most often depression. September is National Suicide Prevention month, and the "Let's Talk Colorado" campaign encourages talking about mental illness.

The campaign's website, www.letstalkco.org, offers the following tips:

"Stop the silence. If someone discloses that they have a mental illness, they are opening up to you in a big way. Ask questions, show concern, but keep the awkward silence at bay.

"Be nice. It sounds simple enough, but try to say the right things with openness, warmth, caring and sincerity.

"Listen. The fact that you are there

can make a world of difference, so in your conversation, try to err more on the side of listening.

"Keep in contact. Offer availability by phone, text, email, or a time to meet up. Just be there.

"Don't ignore it. Don't be afraid to ask about the well-being of another if you think they might be hurting. Trust your senses.

"Offer help. Everyone is different. They may want very specific help or no help at all. Either way, you can always ask and be open to the answer.

"Keep the conversation moving. It's OK to talk about other things to keep silent lulls out of conversation; as long as they know you're completely open to revisiting the topic later."

If warning signs are present, individuals are encouraged to reach out to family, friends and professionals. Loved ones are encouraged to ask the hard questions — asking if the person is thinking of hurting themselves or committing suicide.

Locally, Axis Health System offers a 24-hour crisis support line. If you are experiencing a mental health emergency, call 247-5245.

Western Colorado Crisis Services are also available 24/7 at (844) 493-TALK (8255) or text TALK to 38255.

Reach out. Talk. You might just save someone's life.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

## LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

### 90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 13, 1929

The 32nd annual meeting of the San Juan Pioneer Association, held in Pagosa Springs on Friday and Saturday, September 6 and 7, was a real success in spite of weather and road conditions.

The Old Time Ball was held in the I.O.O.F hall on Friday night, and there were many old time costumes in evidence, as well as old time music and dances. It was midnight when it closed and everyone had a good time.

The window at Hersch's store was filled with an exhibit of old-time things, during the meeting of the San Juaners, and brought to mind many incidents long since forgotten.

Crouse & Son this week moved their auto repair and blacksmith shop from the location west of town to the Carlin building in Pagosa Springs, where they are now ready for business.

School opened Monday with a registration of 250 — 74 in High School and 175 in the grades. This is a larger enrollment in High School than last year at this time.

### 75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 15, 1944

Regret to inform again that Mrs. Judy Romero received telegram Tuesday, September 12th, from War Department that her husband, Pvt. Jose Ruben Romero, was seriously wounded in action the 16th of August in France. Mrs. Romero was notified from War Department that she will be advised as to reports of condition when received.

Staff Sgt. Virgil E. Stowers, from Pagosa Springs, Colo., now assigned to the 69th Armored Infantry Battalion 16th Armored Division, has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal according to Brig. Gen. John L. Pierce, division commander.

Mrs. Susie Ford began teaching at the Dyke school Tuesday of last week. She has seven pupils enrolled.

### 50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 11, 1969

Work is underway by the State Highway Department to repair a portion of the highway near the west approach of Wolf Creek Pass. The section being repaired is just above Treasure Falls. Jack Rodman, in charge of maintenance crews in this vicinity, said that repairs became necessary after the roadway became weakened. This was said to have been caused by the gradual deterioration of cribbing placed there in 1939 and 1940. At that time wood cribbing was used and after the years since the installation the cribbing is no longer considered safe at that point. The new cribbing to be installed is of the type known as "bin wall crib," and is of metal with concrete bases. It is filled with compacted material to hold up the roadbed.

Local residents are warned that this area is being solicited via phone for magazine subscriptions. The seller has stated that the sale is being made in cooperation with the local telephone company. Bill DeRosia, local manager, said that any representation of involvement of that firm is untrue.

### 25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of  
September 15 1994

The western boundary for Pagosa Springs moved another 2.5 miles west this week when town trustees annexed the U.S. 160 right of way from a point near Piedra Road to the east side of South Pagosa Boulevard. Four tracts of land compromising the proposed Pagosa Lakes Subdivision on the southeast side of the U.S. 160-South Pagosa Boulevard intersection were included in the annexation.

Archuleta County plans to enter the area's active real estate market in hopes of generating monies to finance construction of new County Road and Bridge Department maintenance and administration facilities. The county commissioners instructed County manager Dennis Hunt Tuesday to start actively marketing 18 county-owned lots bounded by Zuni, Apache, Sixth and Seventh streets in South Pagosa. Besides constructing new facilities, anticipated proceeds from the South Pagosa lots will be spent on site preparation and installation of utilities at the 8.75 acres site on U.S. 84 about a mile south of the highways juncture with U.S. 160. The county purchased the site this summer.

## WHADDYA THINK?

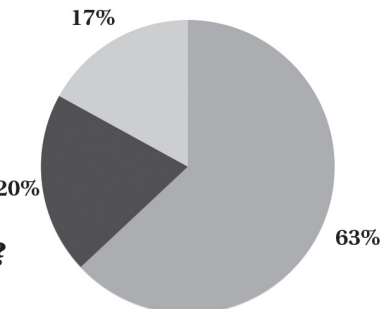
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## LOOKING BACK



From the April 17, 1980, Pagosa Springs SUN. HONORED — Tony Perea, left, was honored by his fellow workers and Eaton International at a dinner last week. Mr. Perea has been at the Eaton project for more than eight years, starting to work there when the Pagosa Lodge was constructed. He was labor foreman at the time of his retirement. Making the presentation was Eaton Vice President Larry Entwistle, right.



# 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.

## Start at home

Dear Editor:  
I was enthused by all of the letters to the editor in Sept. 5th edition. To see in the letters from all of you writers your concerns with the state of affairs with our society, our government and the economics of this country truly gives me hope that we can make a difference for the generations to come. Again thank you all your words of wisdom.

Mr. Bolland thank you for sharing the history lesson on how we ended up in such a problematic political and economic state dating back over 100 years of American history. As youngsters we are taught the propaganda that "the way things are, is how it has always been we can't change it, just accept it, two things are true, you can't avoid death or taxes". The state of things is corrupt but we have the power to change it, all it takes for evil and corruption to take hold is for good men to do nothing. As each day comes and goes with a few new gray hairs, hopefully they are gray hairs of wisdom. We are the ones that need to wake up and do something; and please, everyone, teach your children to think for themselves, they are the only hope.

Mr. Duvall, I'm glad to hear of your good experience with our local medical center, it has been a long time in the making, with dedicated people seeing the need for change and doing something to make those changes. Those changes need to continue. Unfortunately our medical system is as corrupt as the political and economic systems. The Insurance systems are running the show. They tell the doctors what they can and can't do for your health issues. If you to chose to use Eastern Medicine over Western Medicine

your insurance company won't pay. A funny thing is our military is using acupuncture for pain relief on our soldiers. And OMG, the Pharmaceutical Industry is drugging us to death with the authorization of the FDA and the Media propaganda about the safety of the new drugs. Why do we have an opioid epidemic? Because big Pharma, wants you to keep coming back?

Mr. Hardeman you are so right, mass shootings, attacks of any kind on innocent victims is an act of terrorism. The sad state of affairs is that we have too many laws that mean nothing, the attorneys and judges are unable to distinguish right from wrong.

Mrs. Tillerson you to hit the nail on the head, we as a society need a major attitude adjustment. As a society of good people we continue to allow our politicians to tell us what is right and wrong and don't stand up for what we know is the truth. If we do nothing, then evil and corruption will prevail.

Get involved and stay informed of what is going on in our local county and town. To make change and fix problems we need to start at home.

Rob Keating

## Harman house purchase

Dear Editor:

This is in response to the Sun's August 22nd article regarding the BoCC's decision to make an offer on the Harman house and property:

Perhaps it is my east coast cynicism regarding politicians that is preventing me from seeing the rosey picture the BoCC has painted for their "Harman Park Justice Enclave" (HPJE).

The Sun's August 22nd article states that the BoCC voted to offer \$6000,000 for the former Harman house and the 5.46 acres it sits on which is adjacent to the 4.98 acres where the county is building the new jail. Commissioner Maez states that this additional purchase will allow "combining the sheriff's office and dispatch, if it was possible in the Harman house." Herein lies the caveat: If it was possible to convert the house into functional office space. (Prior to the \$600,000 offer, I truly hope the commissioners arranged for a structural study and suitability of converting the house into sheriff/dispatch offices. This aspect of the proposal was not mentioned in the article.)

My prediction is that there will be an attempt to utilize the Harman house for office space but then the public will be told it is not meeting that purpose. Therefore, the powers that be will declare: "Since we already have the property we will demolish the Harman house and construct a new building designed

to hold sheriff's offices and dispatch. Oh, and by the way, since we have to construct a new building we will be sure it is large enough to house the courthouse that we desperately need."

Thus the BoCC's HPJE will be complete. But at what cost to the taxpayer? How would this be financed? How long before the debt is repaid? Will Archuleta residents be allowed to speak either for or against such a proposal?

Once again the wolves in sheep's clothing will try to pull the wool over the herd's eyes.

Joanne Lucariello  
*Editor's note: For clarification, The SUN's Aug. 22 article stated that the BoCC voted to offer \$600,000 for the property.*

## 'Hazard County'

Dear Editor:

When did Archuleta County become Hazard County? And when did we put J.D. "Boss" Hogg in charge? He who openly admits he wants to take 20% of the road maintenance budget to fund his big ol "boar's nest". Not to mention that this also takes money out of the Towns maintenance budget. Well go ahead Boss, our roads are in such awesome shape we probably won't notice.

Now comes the funny part. Boss Hogg is also going to appoint our Sheriff's department to enforce this new "Hazard County model traffic code," which allows him to make up his own laws and collect the revenues for the fines. In the sweet tune of \$160,000 a year I read in last week's paper. All in the name of "public safety" of course. I don't know about everyone else, but I can't wait to start seeing the "flip down" speed limit signs. You know, the one's that read 40 m.p.h. but change to 25 m.p.h. as you drive by, just to find Ennis, Cletus, or Roscoe with his floppy eared basset hound lurking in the bushes to write you a big fat "revenue" ticket.

My question is simple. Is this taxation without representation or just plain old backwoods, hillbilly revenue collection? I'm not sure. As for myself, I'm not young enough or fast enough to run from the law any more so I say "Bring it on down Mr. Boss Hogg." There might be a few straggling "good ol boys" still around that may give ya a run for your money. At the very least it'll be comical to watch it play out. And you'll have a big ol "Boars Nest" to put em in if ya catch em.

Good Luck.

Dennis Smith

## Landfill condition

Dear Editor:

I had to go to the Archuleta County landfill this past Saturday which I had not done in some time

and was appalled by the condition of the facility. So appalled that I was moved to write this letter. First, we could not turn in to the landfill as we had to wait for a vehicle that was leaving as the road to access the area where you can dump your items is only wide enough for one vehicle. As you travel up this little path to the dumping pad you are greeted by various piles of open debris, some construction debris and some tree and wood waste but what was particularly disturbing was the large field of open trash. I have never seen open trash to this magnitude in the past and it certainly looked like a health hazard and a hazard for animals in the area. When we arrived at the dumping area which was a steep uphill climb it was congested with customers and there was barely enough room to maneuver. In order to dump our waste we had to back over trash that had already been dumped before us. I looked down at the ground and picked up a 3-inch wood screw that was just waiting to pierce my tire. I realize we have many infrastructure problems to address in Archuleta County; roads, jails, and courthouses are just a few major hurdles that we need to correct, but the Archuleta County landfill now needs to be added to the list. Our county leaders and staff need to take a look at the appalling conditions at our local landfill and take immediate steps to fix them.

Bert Summers



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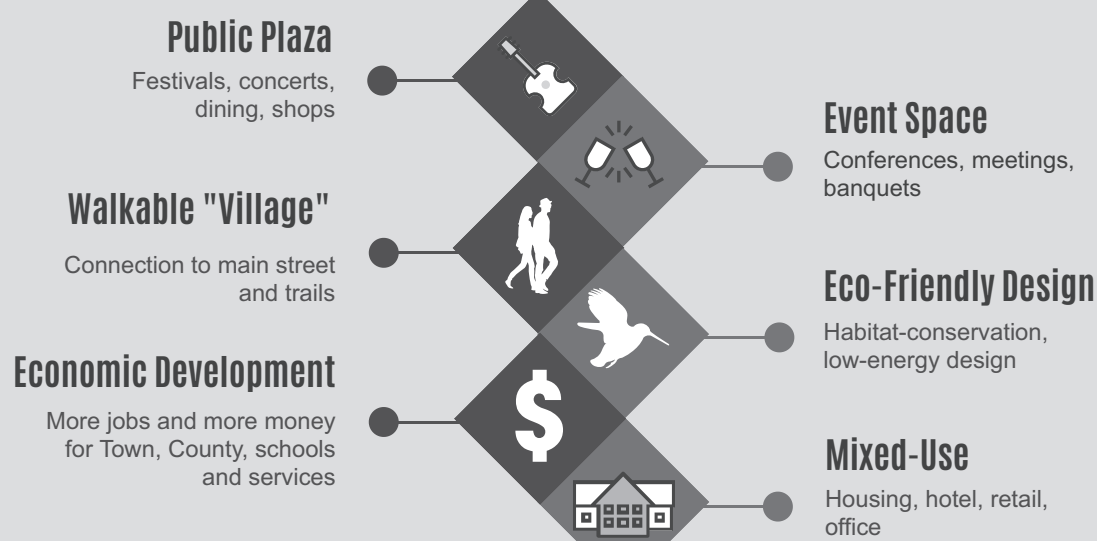
and related Urban Renewal Authority (URA)

## Facts and Figures

- \$0** No existing taxes used for the project
- \$0** No new taxes on the community
- \$0** No money from Town or County budgets and no financial obligations

**Developer pays 100% of project costs**

## What's in it for us? - The Community Benefits



## Estimated Private Investment

**\$180 MILLION**

Total Community Ask = \$0

## More money to solve:

- Housing
- Childcare & Education
- Roads
- Infrastructure

## Early Gains

- New Income to the Town  
**\$10+ Million**  
During project development
- New Income to the County  
**\$9.9 Million**  
During project development

## Ongoing Benefits

- Recurring Town Income  
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After project completion
- Recurring County Income  
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After project completion

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# Quilt guild to meet

By Sharon Davis  
Special to The SUN

The Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt Guild will hold its monthly business meeting Saturday, Sept. 14, at 9:30 a.m., followed by a class on photo-fabric transfer.

The meeting will be held at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse located at 230 Port Ave.

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# Business

## CHAMBER NEWS

### Chamber to offer classes for Holiday Hoopla, Business After Hours

By **Mary Jo Coulehan**  
SUN Columnist

The Chamber is planning educational opportunities for businesses so that they can enhance their marketing and operational skills.

We start off with the annual Business After Hours lottery beginning in October. The Chamber wants our businesses to hold the best event they can and we want attending businesses and individuals to get more out of these networking events.

On Oct. 7 at 10 a.m. and Oct. 14 at 1 p.m., the Chamber will facilitate a "Hosting a Business After Hours" workshop. If you are interested in hosting a Business Af-

ter Hours in 2020, we recommend that you sign up to attend one of these classes. The class is free and you can register online or call the office and secure your space. The session will be very informational, give you clear directives on expectations and hosting this event, and between the both of us, see how we can help you have the best networking event.

An educational forum regarding the new format for the Parade of Stores, now to be called Holiday Hoopla, is designed for the retail community. There will be three classes: 8 a.m. on Oct. 15, 1 p.m. on Oct. 17, and 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 21. These forums are free and we hope that our retail community will

be able to attend one of the Hoopla classes offered.

The Holiday Hoopla shop local event will take place over a longer period of time, and will hopefully be easier to maneuver for both the store and the shopper.

Please register for this free workshop online. Go to the Chamber calendar and click on the date that you would like to attend to reserve your space.

We are hosting other classes for the fall and for next year including Excel and QuickBooks. Take some time to work on your business, not just in your business.

#### ColorFest tickets

Have you purchased your tickets

yet for ColorFest or the Adventure Package Raffle? Go to [www.pagosachamber.com](http://www.pagosachamber.com) to do both. ColorFest is only a week away.

#### Membership news

It has been a very busy week at the Chamber. We welcome two new businesses this week: Pagosa Sparkles and Pueblo Community College.

Our renewals this week include Thingamajig Theatre Company, Abracadabra, Subway downtown and Subway West, and Dr. Gerlinde Ehni, DDS. Newer members include Elk Heart Outfitters, Community Banks of Colorado, Durango Motor Company and The Colorado Health Foundation.



Photos courtesy Pagosa Springs Medical Center  
**Sen. Cory Gardner takes a tour of Pagosa Springs Medical Center last week. Gardner learned about the special needs of rural health systems from staff and shared what solutions are being discussed in Washington.**

## SJBPH warns of retail food license scam

By **John Finerock**  
Staff Writer

San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) is warning that imposters are posing as SJBPH staff, calling local businesses and saying they need to pay for their retail food license over the phone.

"SJBPH has recently become aware that individuals have been contacting retail food license holders in our area posing as our staff and informing them that they must pay for their retail food license over the phone. SJBPH does not solicit payments or renew licenses over the phone. Please do not provide

any information, or make payments over the phone," a statement on SJBPH's website reads.

"We don't ever share renewal information that way; we always do it in a letter," said SJBPH Director of Communications Claire Ninde in a phone call.

Ninde explained other areas in

Colorado have faced similar scams and that the perpetrators are usually not from the location where they're soliciting money.

And while Ninde explained SJBPH does accept payments over the phone, she said, "We would not solicit, though, payments over the phone. That's the difference."

## Planning commission tables decision to rezone Crowley Ranch Reserve tract

By **John Finerock**  
Staff Writer

On Aug. 28, the Archuleta County Planning Commission voted to table a decision regarding the proposed rezoning of a tract of land off U.S. 84 in the Crowley Ranch Reserve subdivision.

Brad Toms, the son-in-law of Ron Barsanti, one of the original developers of Crowley Ranch, spoke at the meeting of his family's desire to use the property for some sort of commercial enterprise, with Toms proposing a variety of possible uses.

"The owner (Ron's daughter's family) are requesting to adopt PUD (planned unit development) Development Standards for [the tract of land in question]. They are proposing Agricultural & Commercial standards with modifications. The Property Owners are not

in agreement with the proposed standards," wrote former Archuleta County Planning Manager John Shepard in an email last week. He left his position on Sept. 6.

At the meeting, a chart was presented showing a myriad of possible uses should the PUD Development Plan for Agricultural/Commercial uses be adopted by rezoning, including commercial stables, a farm stand, child care, bed and breakfast, car wash, residential dwelling and more.

Members of the Crowley Ranch Reserve Owners Association (CRROA) came to the meeting in opposition to the rezoning proposal and, according to Shepard's staff report, previously contended the following:

- The applicant, Kelley Barsanti, misrepresented the property owners association (POA) support for the project.

- Kelley Barsanti's application misrepresented current, past and future use of the property.

- The proposed rezoning conflicts with the Archuleta County Community Plan and Land Use Regulations.

Frank Carroll, president of the CRROA, submitted a letter to Shepard prior to the meeting that outlined why the POA felt Kelley Barsanti had misrepresented the POA's support of the rezoning.

"The Applicant lists, in their List of Attachments, (Item 6) a Letter of Approval from Crowley Ranch Reserve Homeowners Association). This letter is then missing from the application. This letter was not submitted as part of the application precisely because the Applicant does not have a letter of approval from CRROA. This is a patent misrepresentation of intent and consent and a serious affront to

the integrity of CRROA members," wrote Carroll.

Shepard clarified that the page in the application was essentially a placeholder for the letter of support because Toms and his family assumed they would receive one, but ultimately faced fierce opposition from members of the POA.

Barsanti and Toms told The SUN ■ **See Rezone A5**

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# Medical Center board amends meeting schedule, discusses dispatch involvement

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

Among other things at its meeting on Aug. 27, the Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD) Board of Directors, which oversees Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC), amended its meeting schedule for the rest of the year, in part to accommodate statutory deadlines related to the district's budget.

By resolution, the board canceled the regular meeting on Sept. 24, with the board instead slated to attend PSMC's Community Open House on Sept. 26 from 5:15 p.m. until 7:15 p.m.

The board also canceled its meeting for Oct. 22 and will instead hold a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 15 to allow for presentation of the 2020 budget by the Oct. 15 statutory deadline.

The November meeting of the board is set for Nov. 19 at 5:30 p.m. and will include the approval of the 2020 budget, as well as financial information from September and October.

The final meeting of the calendar year will be on Dec. 17 at 5:30 p.m. and will include the presentation of the district's November finals.

## Dispatch report

In other business at the meeting, the board heard a report from board chair Greg Schulte about dispatch and work being done by a dispatch exploratory subcommittee that is looking at the intergov-

ernmental agreement (IGA) that forms the dispatch organization and ideas for additional funding.

"I think we're actually pretty close to being done," Schulte told the rest of his board, speaking about revising the IGA 10 years after it was formed, which will then go back to the four entities that fund dispatch — the town, county, USJHSD and fire district — for legal review and approval.

Board member Dr. Jim Pruitt asked if this would be the USJHSD's chance to back out.

"In theory I guess so, but, um, you know, that ... would be, in my judgment, that'd be problematic all on its own. And, I think joining or combining the efforts to do dispatch for all four entities does make sense, but interesting question, and yes ..." Schulte responded.

CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb followed up with asking Pruitt if he meant not having dispatch or having the USJHSD participate in dispatch.

"This was a county responsibility 10 years ago, when you worked for the town at the time," Pruitt said to Schulte about dispatch.

"County," Schulte corrected. "County, that's right, I'm sorry. Then we entered into this agreement that it's the county's responsibility and we agreed to pay some of it. Same thing happened with EMS 30 years ago. This was county's responsibility."

Pruitt noted that the USJHSD was formed for the purpose of running a facility, not for running EMS. He noted that the hospital dis-

patch out and that there are four partners.

As the dispatch discussion continued, Schulte pointed his board toward a handout outlining the pros and cons of various potential funding options to help dispatch fund a facility and equipment.

For more on the dispatch board, see related article.

**CEO report**  
"I'm glad we own EMS," Webb said as she prepared to give her CEO report at the meeting.

As part of her report, Webb noted that PSMC's HVAC upgrade project will be delayed until after the snow melts due to the USJHSD still not having some of the final numbers.

She also pointed the board toward the district's 2018 annual review report that is required by the Colorado Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, with that report summarizing PSMC's programming.

That report is available on PSMC's website in the August board packet, which can be found at: <http://pagosaspringsmedical-center.org/about/board-meeting-packets/>.

Webb also noted there has been confusion due to the "for sale" sign on the Pruitt building, with patients asking if PSMC is for sale.

"We are not for sale," she said. She also noted the district is looking into grant funding to help get better signage for PSMC along U.S. 160.

Schulte indicated that he didn't agree it was the hospital bailing

and exercise management and a BS in business administration and management. He works as a soil conservation technician for the Department of Agriculture and is a family farmer.

The intent of the Archuleta Democratic Club is to provide an opportunity for dialogue on progressive ideas in an informal social setting, as well as providing an update on party activities, local, state and national.

We will begin gathering at 11:30 a.m. to allow some time for socializing, with lunch beginning at noon. There is no admission fee, but all participants will be asked to order lunch. Anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP to John Porco, first vice chair of the Archuleta County Democratic Party, at [ppagosa@gmail.com](mailto:ppagosa@gmail.com) or at 946-2684 so that we can provide a count to the restaurant. All people are welcome at the lunch.

# Archuleta Democratic Club to meet Sept. 17

By John Porco  
Special to The SUN

The Archuleta Democratic Club will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 11:30 a.m. at Pagosa Brewing Company. The featured speaker will be Donald Valdez, who is running in the primary to unseat Rep. Scott Tipton to represent the 3rd Congressional District. Valdez

has represented House District 62 in the state Legislature since 2016. Valdez focuses on rural issues and agriculture. He has stated, "I see a need for fighting for water, to make sure it stays within our communities in southern Colorado."

He is vice chair of the Rural Affairs and Agricultural Committee and is a member of several other committees. He has a BA in sports

# Rezone

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after the meeting that the POA barred him and his family from attending multiple POA meetings to plead their case.

Carroll did not respond to a SUN request for comment by press time Wednesday.

At the POA's request, Crowley Ranch Reserve lot owner and architect Matt Byers presented why he and the POA were against the rezoning proposal.

Byers argued that the rezoning request went against Archuleta County's community plan, doesn't conserve open lands, goes against the county's land use regulations, and could create an undesirable future use of the site should a new owner choose to use the commercial zoning in different ways.

Ultimately, Planning Commission Chair Anita Hooton felt that the proposed commercial uses were too broad.

"My feeling is there is far too broad a distance between what the homeowners feel is acceptable and what the applicant has

on the proposed table. I think that there is work to be done by both groups to try and come up with something," Hooton said, adding, "Mr. Barsanti's family does own this property and you know they should be allowed to develop it in some way, but it needs to be something that will not be detrimental to the value of this group of individuals."

The planning commission voted to table a decision until its next meeting in late September, expressing hope that the applicant and the POA could work out some of the details prior to that meeting.

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# Education

## School board discusses options for finding a new superintendent

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

With current Archuleta School District (ASD) Superintendent Linda Reed's retirement coming in 2020, the ASD Board of Education (BOE) began discussions about filling her shoes at a pair of recent meetings.

Reed announced her retirement in June, detailing that the 2019-2020 school year will be her last with the district.

Previously ASD's assistant superintendent from 2009-2013, Reed was named interim superintendent in August of 2013 and became the permanent superintendent in 2014.

Discussion on how to best fill her shoes began at a school board summit on Sept. 4.

During the summit, BOE member Brooks Lindner informed the board he had scheduled for a representative from the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) to attend the board's regular meeting on Sept. 9 to provide information on what CASB offers for superintendent searches.

"As a board, we haven't decided if we're going to hire a firm at all. And if we are going to hire a firm, what firm is it going to be?" asked Lindner.

CASB provides a superintendent search service that differs in some ways from other private firms the district could potentially hire, Lindner added.

What the board could do is hear the overview from CASB Superintendent Search Consultant Dr. Henry Roman at the Sept. 9 meeting, and if the board decides to move forward and hire CASB, it can make that decision at the meeting.

Private firm services cost a lot more, Reed noted, with costs potentially being twice, if not five times, as more.

"Many of the private firms, they have a pool of candidates that they

work with and those really are their clients," Lindner explained. "They are working more on the behalf of the superintendents looking for jobs, whereas CASB works more on our behalf."

CASB is more Colorado-centric than other private firms might be in a superintendent search, Lindner added later.

All of CASB's consultants are former superintendents, with most of them also being from Colorado, Lindner noted.

"It seems like maybe it's the right fit for us," he said.

However, CASB looks nationwide for superintendent candidates, Reed noted.

BOE member Dawn Kolpin noted that she would like to make it known to whatever search agency the district chooses that ASD is a rural school district.

"That's another reason why I think CASB would be good is because they know us," Lindner responded.

BOE President Greg Schick explained that he would like to see the district move forward with a search firm with a focus on ASD and not on the clients they are trying to find jobs for.

"I'm fine with CASB, if it ends up being that, it just feels like we ought to see if there's some other group that wants to come in and make a pitch," BOE member Bob Lynch commented.

Internally, there are individuals who are interested in the superintendent position, Reed indicated.

"I think it's important, at the superintendent level, that you have breadth and depth in your knowledge and expertise," Reed said, offering her personal opinion, adding, "It means that you need to understand a K-12 system. It means that you need to understand the political conditions both locally, regionally and nationally."

### CASB presentation

Then, on Sept. 9, the board heard a presentation from Roman regarding what services CASB could bring to ASD in the search for a new superintendent.

Finding a new superintendent can be challenging, Roman explained, but he also described ASD as being a great district, which can make the search easier.

ASD is a member of CASB, Roman noted, and among the services CASB provides to its members is helping the district find a superintendent.

If ASD were to contract with a private firm rather than CASB, increased costs are likely to be expected, Roman explained.

"We've been very successful in our searches," Roman said, citing that he recently led searches for superintendents for McClave School District and Estes Park School District.

The reason behind CASB's success in superintendent searches is because of the organization's familiarity of school districts within Colorado.

"We are about servicing you. We will work for you. Whatever you want, that's what we're going to do," Roman explained.

CASB wants to satisfy whatever needs ASD were to outline if CASB were selected as the district's superintendent search firm, he noted.

If selected, CASB will make it a point to outline to candidates and their families how unique of a district ASD is in terms of things such as population size, weather and community, Roman added later.

"Not only do we look to meet your needs, but we look to meet the needs of the applicants as they come in," Roman said, adding that it would be an extensive process.

CASB would meet with ASD, if selected, on a timeline on when to make a decision on a new superin-

tendent, he explained further.

The hiring process would engage the ASD staff as well as the local community, Roman noted.

"We like to make sure that your staff and your community are a part of all of this," Roman said, adding that ASD's board members are the final decision makers.

Additionally, CASB emphasizes confidentiality in the process, Roman explained.

If selected, CASB will make the job posting available across the nation, Roman added later.

CASB will also filter what applications ASD receives based on the qualifications the district sets forth for the superintendent position, Roman explained.

Those qualifications can be cultivated from ASD staff and the community, he explained.

CASB has its own internal communications team, and if selected, would create brochures and informational pamphlets, Roman noted.

Roman explained that he would facilitate parts of the interview process and focus groups as well.

"It's really your call when you want to start the search," Roman explained, adding that there is a lot of work to be done in the process.

The ASD board did have a potential action item on the meeting agenda for a possible approval of CASB as the board's superintendent firm, but following discussion amongst the board, it was determined that the board could look into other search firm options.

Choosing between a couple of search firms would be a good idea for ASD in order to get a quality candidate to replace Reed, Lynch commented.

Lynch suggested that ASD get a couple of other search firms to make proposals to the board and the board could make a decision on what firm to go with at its October meeting.

"Time is of the essence. We want to get the best pickings first," Kolpin said.

If the board wants to consider other agencies, Kolpin explained she wants that to be done "swiftly."

"I would only be interested in looking at other firms that do a great deal of work in the educational field," BOE member Bruce Dryburgh said.

Following more discussion, the board scheduled a special meeting on Oct. 1 at 9 a.m. at the district's administration office to discuss other superintendent search firms and potentially make a decision.  
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## Mini-grant funding available to support technology in the classroom

By Katie Peshek  
Special to The SUN

The Rose Community Foundation released an open request for proposals to enhance and expand the utility of computers or other existing classroom technology for Colorado's PreK-12 teachers. The program was started by the Jared Polis Foundation and, with the support of the governor's inauguration funds, is now being housed at Rose

Community Foundation.

The Jared Polis Foundation paused its work and went on hiatus on Jan. 1 as Polis began his service as governor of the state of Colorado. One of the key components of the Jared Polis Foundation's work since its founding in 2000 was the Tech Mini Grant program, which deployed hundreds of grants to teachers across the state to support their technology needs. That work is now continuing through the Rose Community Foundation.

"I am so pleased to know that this critical funding will continue as it was a major priority for the foundation," said Polis. "I have seen first-hand how meaningful these mini-grants can be in supporting and inspiring our state's teachers and advancing the education that they are providing to our students."

Grants for up to \$1,500 may be requested for hardware such as digital or video cameras, interactive whiteboards, interactive response systems, tablets, e-readers, Chromebooks and laptops, or to purchase software or technology curriculum, or to pay

technology conference registration fees. All Colorado public school teachers grades K-12 and teachers in public and private preschools are invited to apply. More information about the grant opportunity can be found at [rcfdenver.org/what-we-do/programs-and-initiatives/teacher-tech-mini-grants/](http://rcfdenver.org/what-we-do/programs-and-initiatives/teacher-tech-mini-grants/).

"Rose Community Foundation is proud to take over the administration of this program, which aligns with our longstanding focus on education-related grantmaking as well as our commitment to supporting philanthropy," said President and CEO Lindy Eichenbaum Lent.

The technology requested must be used by the teacher applying for it. All awarded technology will be the property of the designated school if the teacher applicant leaves the school to pursue other employment. Applications must be submitted online by Oct. 15.

Donors who may be interested in supporting the mini-grants program can contribute directly to the "TechMiFund" housed at Rose Community Foundation.

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Students from Pagosa Springs Middle School's seventh-grade newspaper class dropped by The Pagosa Springs SUN last Thursday to pick up copies of the newspaper. Teacher Pam Monteferrante explained that the students hope to publish two newspapers in the first quarter of the school year.

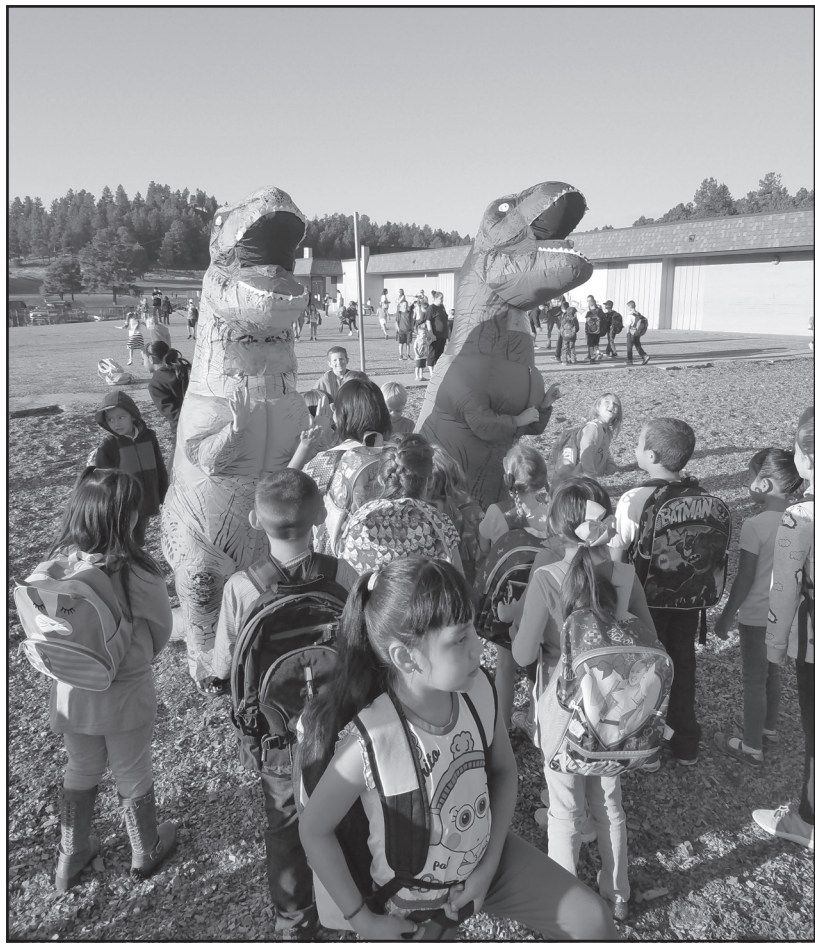


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Dinosaurs invade the playground at Pagosa Springs Elementary School on Friday morning before school.

## Fire district offers back-to-school safety tips

By Pagosa Fire Protection District  
Special to The SUN

The first hints of fall are in the air in the Pagosa Springs area and school is back in session for area youth. Please use the following tips to ensure the safety of both students and adults.

### Bus stop safety

According to research by the National Safety Council, most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related incidents are 4 to 7 years old and they're walking. They are hit by the bus or by a motorist illegally passing a stopped bus.

Teach children to stand only in designated bus stops at a safe distance from traffic flows. Always slow down when driving along bus routes, anticipating children may be nearby.

Never pass a bus with flashing lights; yellow lights warn of impending stops, while red lights indicate children are loading or unloading from bus.

### School zone congestion

Vehicle congestion in school zones can be hazardous if both pedestrians and drivers aren't paying attention to the task at hand. Drivers should eliminate all distractions (cellphones, loud music, disruptive conversations) while traveling through school zones. Pedestrians should do the same, paying attention to all activity in the area.

### Bikes, scooters and skateboards

School-goers often take advantage of pleasant fall weather to ride their bikes, scooters and skateboards to school. While fun, these modes of transportation have their own set of risks. Children can easily ride through parked vehicles emerging into traffic flows with very little warning to drivers. Drivers must remain vigilant and prepared to stop quickly if needed.

Ensure riders have proper protective equipment (helmets, knee/elbow pads, proper footwear) before every trip.

## Archuleta County DHS relatively delay-free amid state system overhaul

By John Finefrock  
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Department of Human Services (ACDHS) was spared some of the delays that other DHS offices across the state encountered amid a recent overhaul of the system that manages assistance benefits in the state.

The Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS) — which manages Colorado's food, cash and medical assistance benefits — has caused assistance delays across the state and in Archuleta County.

The CBMS determines health and human services benefits eligibility for Coloradans who wish to apply for food, cash and medical

assistance.

The Colorado Office of Information Technology is in the final phase of modernizing the system through a "transformation" of the CBMS, which has caused some service delays.

"We did experience some issues," wrote Isabel Vita, resource manager for ACDHS, in an email Tuesday.

Matthew Dodson, director of ACDHS, told The SUN last week that ACDHS has "only experienced problems in processing cases in a few instances."

Vita noted there were a few issues for Archuleta County residents.

"There were a few cases that were affected in Archuleta County

that pertain to this scenario due to the transformation. Technicians referred clients to other forms of community support (e.g., local food banks) to help with their urgent needs," wrote Vita Tuesday.

DHS agencies around the state faced more serious issues in the "transformation," with The Denver Post reporting on Sept. 5 that officials in Arapahoe County were working overtime to process applications that didn't go through because of computer glitches and that some residents didn't receive their benefits, at the beginning of the month.

More than 450,000 people in Colorado receive food assistance, commonly referred to as SNAP

(Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).

In Archuleta County, 1,125 people are currently receiving assistance through SNAP.

In Archuleta County, there are 1,718 people on medical assistance. In Colorado, more than 1.3 million people receive Medicaid or other medical assistance.

Vita stressed that the staff members at ACDHS "work diligently" to ensure benefits are processed as fast as possible.

"In Archuleta County we do not look at applications as numbers, we look at them as people (families/children/single adults/elderly) and work diligently to process eligibility timely," she wrote.

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# Outdoors

## DUST2 competes at the Cloud City Challenge in Leadville

By Janine Emmets  
Special to The SUN

The DUST2 Pagosa Springs mountain bike team competed in its second race of the season in Leadville's Cloud City Challenge this past weekend. The team had seven racers competing in varsity, sophomore and freshman boys categories.

The racers weren't phased by the challenging start at 10,077 feet or the 620 feet of climbing per 6.2-mile lap. Pagosa Springs' team showed its endurance and technical skills on the winding, forested single track at the Colorado Mountain College campus.

The freshman boys kicked off the morning with 12.4 miles in the chilly 40-degree weather. Ethan Bergdolt moved up from 36th place to finish 32nd in 1 hour, 09 minutes, 41 seconds, out of 160 racers. Carter Kasson wasn't far behind and edged out Titan Cox from Highlands Ranch by a wheel length to get 45th place with a finish time of 1:12:09. Tucker Mashue came in 80th with a time of 1:19:07. Mashue embodies one of the mottos of the league, "Rule No. 1 is Fun," by keeping a

smile on his face the whole time and putting a smile on the faces of those around him.

Brae Bergdolt was up next in the varsity race. Starting in 30th position, by the end of the second lap, he managed to climb to 15th place. He bent his wheel on a rocky descent, but it only slowed him down a little. He pushed through the mechanical issue and finished the 24.8 miles in 24th place with a time of 2:01:24.

The sophomore boys finished off the day for Pagosa Springs with two very strong laps. Sawyer Blakemore was on a mission to finish top 20 and pushed his way from 29th to 19th with a time of 1:02:43. Davis Parker worked to redeem his time from Nathrop, where he was slowed down by a crash. He made his way from 58th to 38th place with a time of 1:06:35. Elijah Gerdes raced his first race of the season by improving his time from last year by more than 30 minutes. He moved up from 131st to 119th place with a time of 1:32:23.

The DUST2 team will be heading to Snowmass on Sept. 22 as it continues its pursuit to qualify for state championships in Durango in October.



Photo courtesy Janine Emmets

DUST2 freshman Carter Kasson edges out Titan Cox from Highlands Ranch by a wheel length in the Pagosa Springs' mountain bike team's second race of the season.

## Audubon meeting to feature Audubon Rockies staff

By Jean Zirnhelt  
Special to The SUN

Join the Weminuche Audubon Society for our regular monthly chapter meeting at the Community United Methodist Church on Lewis Street on Wednesday, Sept. 18.

Setup and socializing begins at 6 p.m. before the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

This month, we are pleased to have with us staff members from Audubon Rockies based in Fort

Collins. Audubon Rockies is the regional office of the National Audubon Society and serves chapters in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah. All of us work together to further the mission of the National Audubon Society to protect "birds and the places they need, today and tomorrow."

Alison Holloran is the executive director of Audubon Rockies and a vice president of the National Audubon Society. She has been a research scientist and has degrees in zoology, physiology and wildlife

management. With Audubon, she is involved in implementing conservation strategies.

Joining her at our meeting will be John Kloster-Prew, the deputy director for Audubon Rockies. His passion is protecting the environment and the wildlife that call it home.

This meeting will be an opportunity for us to discuss local and regional concerns affecting wildlife and our river corridor. We will examine how we can become better stewards of this beautiful area we

call home.

Memberships to our local chapter will be available, but membership is not required to attend our events. Please bring a donation of nonperishable food for the Methodist Church Food Bank in appreciation for our use of the meeting space.

## Hunter preparedness results in successful rescue

By Chris Mannara  
Staff Writer

A report of a lost hunter on Monday morning ended with the hiker being found in good health and in good spirits.

The call from the hunter came at 7:10 a.m. just off of the Sand Creek trail, according to Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO)

Director of Emergency Operations Mike Le Roux.

Le Roux explained that the hunter had been camping right in between the Coldwater Trail and the Sand Creek Trail.

The hunter had gone out late in the afternoon on Sept. 8 and ended up getting lost, Le Roux described. "He headed up towards the Pine Piedra Trail and he kind of got up

high and kind of walked around the ridgeline and then dropped down off trail and just happened to intersect the Sand Creek ATV trail," Le Roux said. "but by the time he did that, it was dark."

When he realized he was lost, the hunter did the right thing and stayed put and waited until sunrise, Le Roux explained further.

ACSO Deputy Director of Emergency Operations Christina Kraetsch noted in an email that the lost hunter dialed 911 and was able to follow directions to the nearest ATV trail.

Eventually, the hunter was picked up and relocated with his family back at camp, Kraetsch explained, noting that the hunter was prepared with food and was in good health and good spirits.

"He did the right thing. He just didn't panic," Le Roux said, adding that the hunter had an emergency kit with him as well.

No injuries were reported, Le Roux noted.

"He realized that he didn't know where he was. He stayed put," Le Roux said.

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## Landscaping with native plants to be presented at Mountain High Garden Club meeting

By Cecilia Haviland  
Special to The SUN

The benefits of landscaping with native plants will be the topic for the Sept. 18 meeting of the Mountain High Garden Club, to be held at 10 a.m. at the Archuleta County Extension building.

The presentation will feature Lake McCullough, of Pagosa Springs. McCullough is known for her knowledge of local wild plants and their uses for both food and medicine.

McCullough will discuss the unique benefits of growing and in-

corporating beautiful native plants in our garden landscaping. Native plants provide value to our environment for local wildlife as well as pollinating insects and birds. They also provide potential food and medicinal benefits.

Information about the Habitat Hero program offered by Audubon Rockies, including the requirements for certification of your garden as a Habitat Hero Landscape, will also be shared by McCullough.

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# CROSS-COUNTRY



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Pagosa's Noah Weiszbrod works to keep ahead of the competition during the Joe Vigil Open in Alamosa last weekend. The Pirates finished 18th of 25 teams at the event.

Lady Pirate Megan Foster keeps pace during Saturday's Joe Vigil Open in Alamosa, while fellow Lady Pirate Katriel Davies trails her. The Lady Pirates finished 13th of the 24 teams at the meet.

## Pirate cross-country teams take 13th, 18th at 'huge' Alamosa meet

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

Despite facing off against more competition than in previous years at the Joe Vigil Open in Alamosa on Saturday, Pagosa Springs High School Pirate cross-country coach Scott Anderson saw good things in his teams.

"There was definitely progress," he said.

The Joe Vigil Open was a huge meet this year, he pointed out, larger than in previous years, and is becoming a big-school meet, with some 4A and 5A "powerhouse" teams there.

"Overall, it was good meet," he said.

The girls' squad ended the day in 13th out of the 24 teams present, having finished third at the event last year.

The Lady Pirates were led on the day by Nell Taylor, who finished 55th out of the 284 runners on the line in 21 minutes, 34.30 seconds.

Megan Greenly followed, finishing 65th with a time of 22:06.10,

while fellow Lady Pirate Celia Taylor placed 98th with a time of 22:57.00.

Anderson highlighted Celia Taylor's performance, noting that she is "moving back up where she can belong."

Michelle Saucedo was not too far behind Taylor, finishing 100th with a time of 22:59.70.

"Michelle had an awesome race," Anderson said, indicating that, despite battling a foot injury, she took off the most time from the week before.

Ivory Carpenter finished 116th with a time of 23:30.80, and Sophia Raymond placed 235th with a time of 27:45.40.

Lady Pirates Megan Foster, Carolyn Foster and Katriel Davies packed well on the day, with Megan Foster finishing 269th with a time of 30:44.60, Carolyn Foster finishing 271st with a time of 31:27.60 and Davies crossing the line 272nd with a final time of 31:30.30.

Rounding out the Lady Pirates results for the race, Kylie Keuning finished 275th, ending with a time

of 31:40.60, and Caroline Smith placed 278th with a final time of 32:33.90.

The boys' side finished 18th of 25 teams competing, with four runners setting personal records.

Gabe Heraty finished highest of all Pirate runners, crossing the line 51st out of the 376 runners on the line with a final time of 18:01.10.

Jack Foster finished 84th with a final time of 18:47.90.

Cooper Evans placed 159th with a time of 19:58.20 and Mason Blakemore finished 170th with a time of 20:05.20.

"On the guys' side, Cooper and Mason improved the most," Anderson said.

Cam Hinger placed 175th with a time of 20:10.20.

Elan Rameriz finished just behind Hinger at 178th, ending with a time of 20:19.50.

Clayton Cayard finished 192nd with a time of 20:33.90, David Morehouse finished 194th with a time of 20:37.90, Noah Weiszbrod placed 231st with a time of 21:29.90 and Tomas McNeil finished 291st

with a final time of 22:55.30.

"The guys overall are certainly trending forward, which is good to see," Anderson said.

This weekend, the teams will head to Gunnison for the Mountaineer Cowboy Invitational on Saturday, with the meet slated to begin at 9 a.m.

The team has never participated in the meet before, with Anderson noting that the coaching staff looked at upping the competition this year by going to more competitive meets.

The Cowboy Invitational, he explained, should have some quality 3A schools taking part.

"There is quality that'll show up there," he said.

The Pirates, however, will not be in peak form for the meet, the coach indicated, with several harriers slated to be out for conflicting events.

Anderson explained that the goal for the runners attending the meet is to "just keep moving forward" — filling in the gaps, passing runners and bettering themselves. [randipagosasun.com](http://randipagosasun.com)

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# Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership Breakfast with Balloons Sept. 21

By **Pauline Benetti**  
Special to The PREVIEW

How far we have come. Accompanying this article is a photo of the very first Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) ColorFest fundraiser in September of 2017.

Plan to join us this year on Sept. 21 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. during ColorFest to watch a mass of colorful balloons rise in the early morning sun and then dip down into the river and then rise again to go over our head, all the while enjoying a marvelous breakfast complete with mimosas and the lovely guitar strains of Steve Blechschmidt. See below for ticket information.

This historical photo shows the Education Dome that had just gone up in the summer of 2017. Piles of soil wait to be transferred inside into waiting beds and everyone involved in the GGP project was so excited at our first success.

Today the GGP can say it has fulfilled its stated goals — the site now includes three domes — add the Community Garden Dome and the Innovation Dome — and an attractive and useful community amphitheater, all as a result of GGP fundraising.

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- Riff Raff on the Rio:** Zac Schmidt, 6 p.m.
- Springs Resort pools:** Steve Blechschmidt, 6 p.m.
- The Western Slope Break Room Bar and Grill:** Lisa Saunders and the Caborado Band, 7:30 p.m

### Friday

- Barefoot Grill:** Jack Ellis, 6 p.m.
- Coyote Moon:** Karaoke with Lisa Saunders, 9 p.m.
- Riff Raff downtown:** Ben Gibson Duo, 6 p.m.
- Riff Raff on the Rio:** Bob Hemenger, 6 p.m.

### Saturday

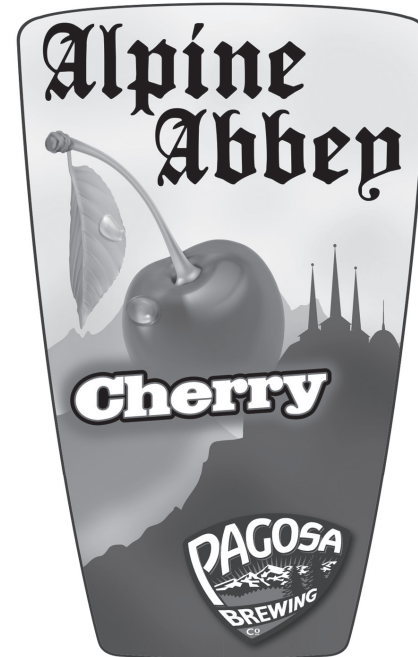
- Coyote Moon Bar and Grill:** Lisa Saunders and the Caborado Band, 9 p.m
- East Side Market:** Open Mic with Steve Rolig, 9 a.m.
- Springs Resort atrium:** Bob Hemenger, 6 p.m.

### Sunday

- Mountain Pizza and Taproom:** Dan Evans, 5 p.m.
- Springs Resort pools:** Lisa Saunders and the Caborado Band, 4 p.m.

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 help from the lunchtime Rotary Club, an impressive rock landscape is in place complete with some 20 flowering trees and a colorful bed of perennials encircling part of one dome with plans to do the same for the other domes.

This summer, we are seeing significant construction progress toward realization of the aquaponic demonstration site in the Innovation Dome. Huge blue fish tanks, concrete growing beds and a massive mezzanine built by Pagosa Springs High School students in Torry Hessman's building trades classes complete the inside structure. On the outside, two evaporative coolers are in place to keep temperatures in the dome steady. We anticipate production by 2020.

In addition to site development, activities also thrive. The Education Dome continues to house sustainable growing classes for students from the high school and the middle school, charter school and home-schoolers — some 300 kids last year. The Community Garden Dome currently houses four community groups working together to increase production that ultimately will be distributed to the community, with more space available to interested groups. Bee hotels have popped up everywhere, colorful little structures attractive to our native bees and put in place by a joint effort of the Pagosa Family School, Archuleta School District, Audubon Rockies and the GGP.

The GGP is intent upon making this site a model of community collaboration in the achievement

of our mission: to educate the community in sustainable agricultural practices by producing food year-round using local renewable energy. Volunteers have been fundraising since 2009 to realize the current level of development, and ongoing fundraising will continue development into the future and maintain what is already in place.

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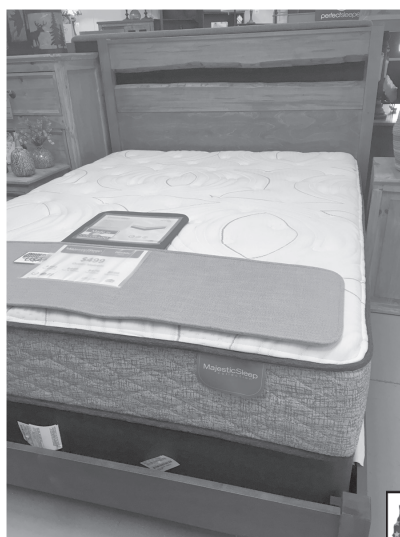


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The 2017 iteration of the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's ColorFest fundraisers reveals the differences in the site between then and now. The organization will again host its Breakfast with Balloons fundraiser on Sept. 21.

## Balloons

■ continued from previous page for youth (12 and under) and can be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce, at Exit Realty and on-line at pagosagreen.org. Members will enjoy bottomless mimosas.

We encourage you to participate. Be part of the community that gathers early Saturday morning to watch sun, mist and balloons rise together

— truly a breathtaking sight. Recommendations: chair or a cushion to mitigate the effect of concrete and your own cup, flatware, napkin to mitigate your impact on the environment (compostable plates and glasses will be provided).

Alternately, there are other ways to support the continued development of this community asset. The

website offers two membership options, annual and sustaining. Both are important; sustaining membership is especially critical to any organization since it represents a dependable stream of income which allows for mature budget development and a guarantee that the site will remain to be enjoyed by future generations. Join us in making Pagosa exciting and beautiful.

## Vets4Vets, Rotary announce yard sale

By Ted Eckerson  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Vets4Vets are retiring from the yard sale business. Everything must go. After nine years, we will be having the final sale in collaboration with the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club.

The New Best Western/Pagosa Lodge on U.S. 160 next to Wyndham Resort will be the location of the largest garage sale of the year in

Pagosa Springs. Proceeds will support the Vets4Vets and the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club.

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# Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic, Mountain Chile Cha Cha set for Sept. 28

By **Jacque Aragon**  
Special to The PREVIEW

Pagosa Springs may not be famous for growing large quantities of green chiles, but we sure do consume mass quantities of the spicy capsaicin-filled peppers each year.

From green chile stew and quiche to chiles rellenos, the verde vegetable is an integral ingredient in the regional cuisine of southwest Colorado. Our small town of Pagosa Springs hosts a spectacular annual green chile cook-off where chefs compete for cash, trophies and bragging rights.

This event, the Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic (PAGCC), celebrates the green chile harvest and a local green chile enthusiast who sated our green chile palettes for years with her tasty homemade recipe. The PAGCC's mission is to build community in the Pagosa Springs area while celebrating our cultural heritage through local cuisine and music.

Patty Aragon, along with her husband, former mayor Ross Aragon, owned and operated Al's West and East from the '70s until 1992. They served traditional American and southwestern cuisine and were most famous for their green chile, which they served atop burgers, fries and almost everything.

"My mother made the best green chile, hands down," explained Jacque Aragon, who has organized the cook-off for the last 10 years. "I'm proud to carry on the family tradition and love seeing other people get excited about making and eating green chile."

The proceeds from the cook-off go to the Patty Aragon Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded to a Pagosa Springs High School senior.

Roughly 40 entrants, both amateur and professional, compete in the cook-off each year. Some cooks get creative; others go classic. Without their generous contribution of time, effort and ingredients, this community event would not be possible.



Photo courtesy Jacque Aragon

**You can help choose the best green chile in town at the Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic, part of the Mountain Chile Cha Cha on Sept. 28.**

Cooks are required to show up with their slow cookers and ingredient lists between 10 and 10:30 a.m. in order to start the official judging on time. Each entrant will receive an entry gift. To enter your chile into the cook-off, visit [ilovegreenchile.com](http://ilovegreenchile.com).

Three judges volunteer for the difficult and filling job of choosing their favorite chiles. Each judge tastes all chiles present and rates them on a scale from 1-10, plus takes notes in case the scores are close. Then the scores are added up and monies and medals are awarded to first, second and third places in meat, vegetarian and commercial categories. The commercial category winner will receive a special award. Once the judges are finished, the tasting is opened up to the public at 12:30 p.m. Each person who participates in the tasting pays \$10 and is entitled to 10 tastes and a vote for the People's Choice Awards for first, second and third places. Commercial entries will also be eligible for these prestigious awards.

The Classic is part of the Mountain Chile Cha Cha, which is co-hosted by the Pagosa Springs Area

Chamber of Commerce and will take place in Town Park, rain or shine. There is a 5k, 10k and half marathon for competitors of all abilities, hosted by Peaks Volleyball Club. Go to [ilovegreenchile.com](http://ilovegreenchile.com) to register.

Cha Cha goers will also enjoy a Spanish music concert featuring last year's band, Sangre Joven, a popular band who originated in the Northern New Mexico pueblo de Las Vegas. Their style of music is performed in El Estillo Del Norte De Nuevo Mexico and consist of rancheras, cumbias, corridos, polkas and valsas.

There will be a Mexican beer garden, Hatch green chiles for sale and roasted on-site, and a kid's corner. Don't miss the margarita contest and tasting, where local restaurants and bars compete for best margarita.

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Country singer/songwriter Tim Sullivan will perform on Nov. 9 in a cabaret-style benefit concert in Durango showcasing the musical skills of three members of the remarkably talented Sullivan family, plus two other special guests. Headliner at the concert will be Tim Sullivan's sister, KT Sullivan, an internationally acclaimed singer and recording artist, shown here with her brother. All concert proceeds go to the Jim and Elizabeth Sullivan Foundation to provide scholarships for deserving local youth with a talent for music, dance or the visual arts in Archuleta and La Plata counties. The concert will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Strater Hotel. Reserved seats are \$50 and \$75 each, available by calling Tim Sullivan at 749-5531 or timsullivanmusician@gmail.com, or Claudine McAnelly at ccmcanelly@gmail.com.

## History Club to talk about pre-Columbia America in September, October

By Jim Van Liere  
Special to The PREVIEW

Pre-Columbia America is the topic for this Sept. 18 and Oct. 16 history discussion group. We will include the vikings and other early explorers, Native Americans, Machu Picchu and any other topics from early pre-

Columbian American history. Come and share the books or topics of the pre-Columbian period that interest you.

The group meets at 1 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month in the Pagosa Springs Senior Center restaurant. Please feel free to come and join us.

## Performers of all ages sought for CUP's 'Willy Wonka'

By Dale Johnson  
Special to The PREVIEW

Calling all actors ages 10 and up: Curtains Up Pagosa (CUP) will be holding auditions for its winter musical, "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory," on Friday, Sept. 13, from 2 to 8 p.m. in the music room at Pagosa Springs High School.

We are seeking performers of all ages through adult to help create the magical characters of "Willy Wonka." Please come prepared to sing one verse of a Broadway tune of your choosing; bring sheet music for your song as an accompanist will be provided. A script read and group dance will be part of the audition process.

We welcome our veteran actors and newcomers alike, and are especially looking for adult thespians to round out our fabulous cast. "Willy Wonka" will be produced and directed by the team of Dale Johnson and Dale Scrivener.

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The Thingamajig Theatre production of “Ring of Fire” celebrates the many sides of American recording artist Johnny Cash — including his family’s religious heritage — at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. The final performances of the summer production take place this weekend. The five-member cast of singers and musicians are, from left, Allie Tamburello, Rayshaughn Armant, Tommy Paduano, Steven Sitzman and Nick Abbott.

## Thingamajig Theatre Company closes out season

By Bill Hudson  
Special to The PREVIEW

Thingamajig Theatre Company closes out its extended 2019 Broadway in the Mountains summer season this weekend with four final performances of “Ring of Fire” — a musical celebration of singer-songwriter Johnny Cash, and a career that stretched from Cash’s first hit record in 1955 to his final studio album in 2002.

The final performances of “Ring of Fire” will take place tonight, Thursday, Sept. 12, through Saturday, Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, closing with a family-friendly 2 p.m. Sunday matinee on Sept. 15. Tickets are available online at [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or by calling 731-SHOW (7469).

The show features five actors/singers from the summer season

repertory company — Rayshaughn Armant, Allie Tamburello, Nick Abbott, Tommy Paduano and Steven Sitzman — who are all instrumentalists and who perform live selections from Cash’s long recording career. The show is directed by noted Colorado theater artist Christopher Willard.

As they prepared for their final weekend, the five musicians offered some thoughts about performing Cash’s music on the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts stage this summer, beginning with rehearsals last April.

Tamburello is the sole female in the cast, so she sings on behalf of numerous women in Cash’s life.

“I think my favorite song of the show is the final song: ‘Hey, Porter.’”

“Hey, Porter” appeared as the B side of the very first Johnny Cash

record in 1955, opposite his radio hit, “Cry, Cry, Cry.”

Tamburello said, “It’s really special to me, because every time we do the show, it’s a journey that we take from start to finish, and it’s like a roller coaster. It’s a roller coaster to perform, and it’s also like this wild ride that we’ve been on since

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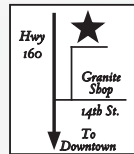
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Seventeen graduate students from Kyushu University in Japan received a tour of geothermal Pagosa Springs last Friday, Sept. 6. Dr. Masami Nakagawa (far left) of Kyushu and Colorado School of Mines is leading the students in studies of the geology of Colorado. Sally High (far right), of the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP), lead the tour of Pagosa's geothermal features, ending with GGP's Education Dome in Centennial Park.

## Theatre

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we got here in April. And that song is like the bow on the present, every single night."

Abbott sings many of the leads during the show, and serves as the shows narrator, although — in the general spirit of the production — he makes no attempt to "imitate" Cash.

"Why Me, Lord" is the song that comes right before 'Hey, Porter' and I think that's the song that's the most fulfilling for me to sink my teeth into, because [Cash's wife, June Carter Cash] has just passed away and so it's really emotional. Maybe the most emotional moment in the show for my character.

"There are other emotional moments in the show, of course, but for me 'Why Me, Lord' is the emotional climax. I don't know; I'm religious and I just really connect with that moment, right before we go into 'Hey, Porter.'"

Paduano is the show's bass player, covering upright and electric bass.

"My favorite is 'Daddy Sang Bass.' It's one of the parts in the show — that whole section at the beginning of the show, where we represent Cash's family — it just feels very much like a real family, when we all sing together during the beginning. And 'Daddy Sang Bass' is

the climax of that. It's the song in the show that I first grew to really love ... It's such a switch from the tragedy we just came out of, where we're celebrating as a family ..."

Lead guitarist Sitzman agreed. "My favorite moment is also with 'Daddy Sang Bass.' It's the first moment in the show when we're all, like, jubilating together (laughs) ... if that's the word I want to use ... We're holding each other up, and ... I don't know what it is; there's a special feeling about it. It's like, here we are, we're a family. Let's play!"

Guitarist Armant is the youngest member of the cast.

"One of the telling things for me, as an actor — to know that we were entering on something very special, and I mean that affectionately — is that we would record tracks of ourselves to rehearse with, and things like that. And the director allowed us to take more control of the rehearsal process. Those kinds of things were really necessary, because we needed to do things our own way. Bring our own personalities into the process ..."

Thingamajig's "Ring of Fire" soars through Johnny Cash's iconic music and will leave you humming "I've Been Everywhere" and "I Walk the Line" for days to come. You'll

laugh along with "A Boy Named Sue" and struggle to not sing along with "Folsom Prison Blues."

To get tickets to "Ring of Fire," visit [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW (7469).

Thingamajig Theatre Company is an award-winning professional nonprofit 501(c)(3) theater in residence within the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Its talented actors, directors and designers come from across the U.S. and around the world to produce musicals, comedies and dramas year-round.

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The Pagosa Springs Girls Choir while on their summer educational trip in southwest Colorado.

# Pagosa Springs Girls Choir takes local educational trip

By Linda Parker  
Special to The PREVIEW

This summer's Pagosa Springs Girls Choir (PSGC) educational trip was four days of mountain-top experiences. Investigating arts, culture and entertainment opportunities in southwest Colorado gave the girls a small glimpse of their own backyard. Even though it was labeled a "trip," the girls had an extraordinary time right here at home.

Pagosa's motto of "the best kept secret in Colorado" certainly proved true as the girls climbed at Chimney Rock and learned about what the Pagosa area once was. Tour guide Mary Rose brought ancient civilization to life as she explained the culture of the Native Americans. Even though most of the girls had visited the historical site as part of their school curriculum, Rose imparted her knowledge in depth and detail so that the girls felt that they were part of the villages that once were settled at Chimney Rock. Girls and chaperones scaled the area eagerly (well except for stopping to breathe occasionally) and took in the beautiful scenery as they made their way to the top. Being asked to sing, the girls happily shared their

song, "My America," taking in the breathtaking views.

A picnic lunch followed by a trip to Durango to fest on barbeque, potatoes, beans and desserts, and settle in as the Bar D Wranglers treated all to their harmonies, singing western music and giving an insight into the Cowboy Code.

The girls were able to visit a chocolate company in Durango, learning about many details of chocolate. More information than we imagined was shared by owner Carlie, who also gave the girls samples of each kind of chocolate she explained. The day culminated with a soak in the deepest hot springs in the country.

One of our days began with breakfast together, then a morning workshop at an art studio. Each girl was given a mug to paint in her own style, using her imagination to make a unique creation. Susan Martin instructed the girls on different paint techniques, the differences in brushes, and she helped the girls every step of the way. Leaving the mugs behind to be fired, the girls were off for lunch and a round of mini golf.

Another mountaintop experience for the girls was their attendance at the Mountain Light Music Festival. With Pagosa's beautiful

mountains in the background, the girls enjoyed not only the Baylor Brass but also the Baylor students in a stellar performance. The girls got an up-close example of antiphonal music as the musicians divided and played a brass work by Gabrielli. Hearing the music echo in the distance as it rang through the mountains was truly a mountaintop experience.

The last day of this year's educational trip began with a ride on the Cumbres-Toltec train. This was an experience many of the girls had

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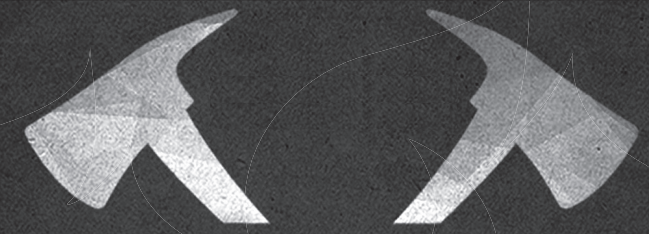
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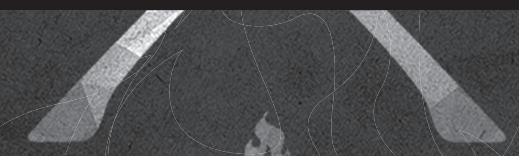
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# 'I am jealous of your time'

By Jan Davis  
Special to The PREVIEW

Last week at prayer service, the leader instructed us to ask God three questions. My mind fixated on one. "Ask him to reveal one of his characteristics to you."

Of course, the easy answers popped into mind right away. God is loving, kind, faithful, merciful and gracious. These qualities we are familiar with and celebrate every day. His mercies are new every morning. We appreciate the unconditional love of the Father. His loving kindness exceeds our comprehension. We stand in awe of his faithfulness and goodness.

But, what about the other side? The attributes we don't like to think about? The Holy Spirit spoke "jealous" into my spirit. "I am jealous of your time."

As I meditated on that idea

## A Matter of Faith

throughout the week, I paused to think about my relationship with Christ. Do I devote quality time to him or only when time allows? Do I dedicate a specific part of my day, or is it a hit and miss?

Truthfully, it depends on the day and how "busy" my schedule looks. I'm retired, for Pete's sake. My calendar is flexible. I determine what is important. I drop everything for lunch with a friend. But, to stop, take a break and spend time with Jesus, not so much.

I look around and consider people who have an incredible

connection with Christ and wonder why. He is no respecter of persons. He doesn't pick and choose his favorites. We are created equal and he calls each of us "his child."

So, could it be because those individuals figured it out. A close, intimate relationship involves time. It's in his presence he reveals himself to us. We discover more about who he is. We watch him move and work in our lives to accomplish his purpose. We realize our full potential as we grow in him and embrace his plan for our life.

Will the revelation that I serve a jealous God change my routine? Or is it good in theory, but too much effort in reality? Time will tell.

"For you shall not worship any other god, for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God." — Exodus 34:14 (NASB).

I love you, but Jesus loves you more.

## Unplugged

■ continued from previous page masseuse.

Heidi Tanner has played the violin since her early years. She served as concert master of the Tulsa Youth Orchestra during her high school years. Though she put the violin aside for a number of years while she helped to raise her children, she brought it out of the closet about 10 years ago, resurrecting her passion for music. Her beautiful tones and sensitive playing now have the advantage of maturity, adding a lovely timbre to the trio of players. She regularly

plays as principle violinist in the pit orchestra for Curtains Up Pagosa (CUP) productions and served as the first president of Pagosa Springs Instrumental Music Society and continued in this role for a number of years. She also teaches private violin lessons.

Pianist and organist Sally Neel is a professional musician who has studied and played piano since childhood. She studied organ and voice at Texas Christian University, where she majored in sacred music. She is director of music ministries for St. Patrick's Episcopal

Church, where she conducts the adult choir and serves as organist. She was the director of music for CUP for 10 years and teaches CUP scholarship students voice lessons from her home.

Sunday's music will feature solos from each musician as well as ensemble pieces.

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## Women's retreat at St. Patrick's set for Sept. 18 and 19

By Lynne McCrudden  
Special to The PREVIEW

Liz Curtis Higgs makes you laugh as you learn about the Bible and the reality that women make the same mistakes, but God always is with us, and always forgives us, because His mercy is immense.

Curtis Higgs will be the speaker at the upcoming women's retreat at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, Sept. 18 and 19.

The retreat starts Wednesday evening a 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary, but Curtis Higgs will be available starting at 5:45 p.m. to autograph her books and share a moment or two with you. The Wednesday evening session will conclude by 8 p.m.

Thursday morning the doors open at 8 a.m. when Curtis Higgs will be available to chat with participants and sign books. The presentation will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m.

There will be free light refreshments available on Wednesday and Thursday, and you can participate in these two sessions for only \$45. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce, Bookends, Choke Cherry Tree and, of course, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd., which is right next to the hospital.

Don't miss this amazing event. Join other women as we appreciate the strength we have because of our faith in God and are grateful for His forgiveness when we forget that He is always with us.



Photo courtesy St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Why are these ladies laughing? Because they are reading another chapter in "Slightly Bad Girls of the Bible" by Liz Curtis Higgs, who will be the speaker at the upcoming women's retreat at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, Sept. 18 and 19.

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## New Thought topic: ‘Journey to Greatness: Adventures in the Yellow Brick Road to Enlightenment’

By Lisa Burnson  
Special to The PREVIEW

“You are an eternal being on the path of endless unfoldment. There is something within you that sings the song of eternity. Listen to it.” — Dr. Ernest Holmes.

All are welcome to join New Thought Center for Inspirational Living (NTC, formerly Pagosa Community of New Thought) Sunday, Sept. 15, at 10 a.m. for our presentation: “Journey to Greatness: Adventures in the Yellow Brick Road to Enlightenment.” Our guest speaker will be Theresa Howard, religious science practitioner and real-life adventurer.

We encourage all to join our community of affirmative-minded

individuals who share joy, laughter and spiritual awareness of their connection to Spirit and their ability to co-create a life that expresses infinite possibilities.

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### Upcoming events

Thursday, Sept. 12, at 6 p.m., there will be a reception for Dr. Tom Garcia, leader of fire circles and men’s spiritual retreats. His topic will be “Remember Who You Are.” All are welcome. Donations appreciated.

Reiki classes are available.

Please contact NTC for more information.

### About us

NTC is a New Thought center based on fostering living a spiritually

centered life and promoting the philosophies of the Centers for Spiritual Living and the Agape Centers. NTC honors all lifestyles, cultures and religious paths to the Divine.

We welcome local talent to share gifts, aptitudes and knowledge. Have a hand in making a difference. Participate, learn or contribute your insights, beliefs, knowledge and skills.

NTC events are held at 40 N. 15th St., in the Momentum Fitness building.

Request a concentrated affirmative mind treatment or obtain information by joining us; emailing PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com; mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1052; or calling (505) 604-5031.

## Proposed nursing home rule changes and genetic testing scams

By Kay Kaylor  
Special to The PREVIEW

At San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging (SJBAAA), I am not only a part-time long-term care ombudsman, which is an advocate for residents at Pine Ridge, a 24-hour extended care home, and BeeHive, an assisted living residence. I also am a trained Senior Medicare Patrol and State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) counselor and aging and disability specialist. Elder issues that I daily learn about will be included here.

The Centers for Medicare and

## Kids Kare to begin Sept. 18

By Frank Porter  
Special to The PREVIEW

Have your little ones ever wished they could go to school with big brother or sister? Once again, we are starting a program just for them; it is called Kids Kare.

This program is designed for little kids ages 3-5 years old and takes place at Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive, behind Wells Fargo Bank. It meets each Wednesday, beginning Sept. 18, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on days that public school is in session.

The program includes Bible time with stories, songs, memory verses and lots of activities. The children also have a craft time, game time and a snack. They meet new friends and a wonderful staff of adults who take great care of them.

There is no charge for the program and all little kids are welcome to come. For more information or to enroll your child in the Kids Kare program, call Frank and Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email them at ceflittlekids@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing your little ones at their special program on Sept. 18.

Medicaid Services (CMS) released proposed changes to the 2016 federal revised nursing home regulations in July. Phase 3 of the new laws are taking effect Nov. 28 with some changes. The stated purpose of these changes is to reduce the burden on providers. Advocacy groups, such as National Consumer Voice, urge the public to comment on them by the due date of Sept. 16.

CMS also issued a final rule on pre-dispute binding arbitration agreements, which no longer bans them from long-term care admission packets but specifies the restrictions. See theconsumervoices.org for comparison charts and sample letters on both these issues.

Medicare beneficiaries may have seen the warnings about genetic

testing scams, and the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies notes that the companies offering them are backing away more. The “free” cheek swabs to obtain DNA, offered at health fairs, door-to-door and in telemarketing calls, generally are not covered by Medicare. Instead these companies are targeting elders to obtain their Medicare information and then illegally bill Medicare or use the data for other fraud schemes.

To be covered, a DNA test must be approved by a physician you know and trust, not one the company offers.

SJBAAA offers resources for people age 60 and older or on Medicare. For further information, please call me at 264-0501, ext. 1 or send an email to adrc@sjbaaa.org.

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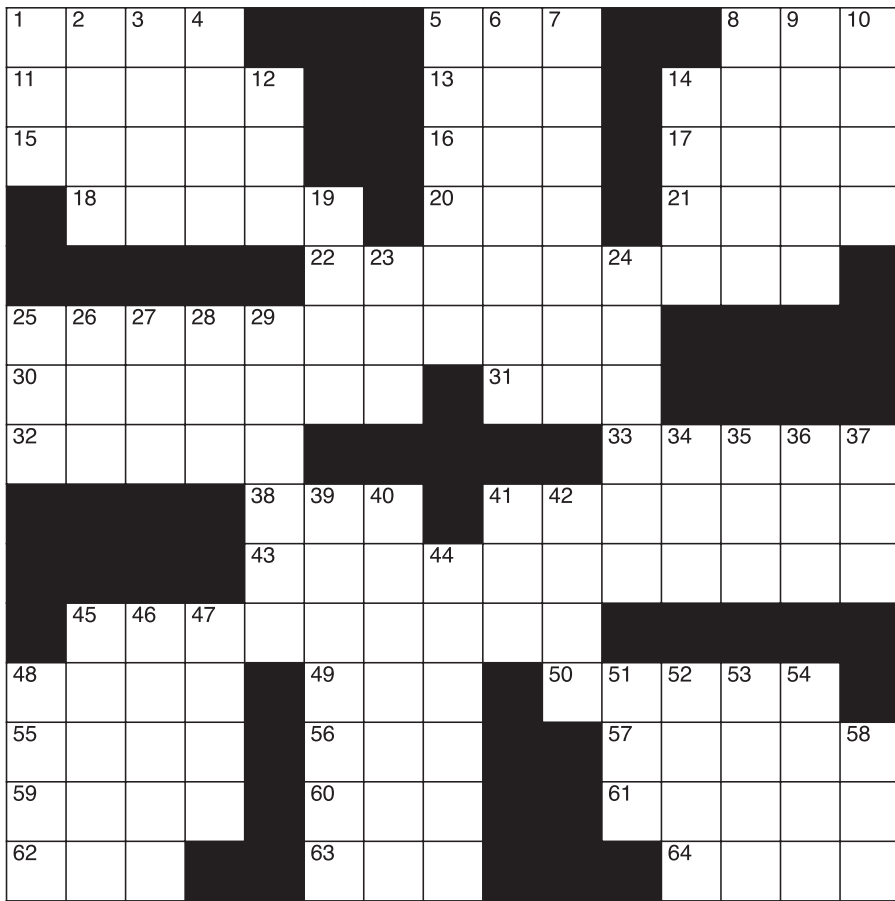
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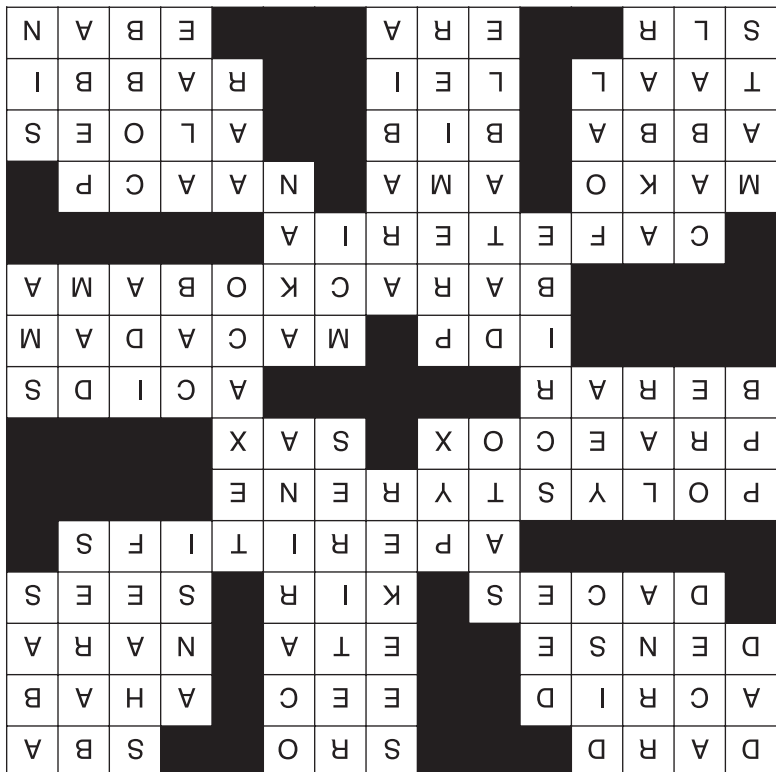
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- 11. Having a strong sharp smell or taste
- 13. Established by the Treaty of Rome
- 14. Whale ship captain
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- 16. When you hope to get there
- 17. First capital of Japan
- 18. Cyprinids
- 20. Dry white wine drink
- 21. Witnesses
- 22. Alcohol drinks
- 25. Synthetic resin
- 30. Latin for "very early"
- 31. Bill Clinton plays it
- 32. One-time province of British-India
- 33. Folic and amino are two
- 38. Integrated data processing
- 41. Use to build roads
- 43. 44th US President
- 45. Where school kids eat
- 48. Small New Zealand tree
- 49. Doctors' group
- 50. Civil Rights group
- 55. Swedish rock group
- 56. Baby's dining accessory
- 57. Succulent plants
- 59. Dutch word for "language"
- 60. Polynesian garland of flowers
- 61. Spiritual leader
- 62. Single Lens Reflex
- 63. Baseball stat
- 64. Abba \_\_, Israeli politician



**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. He's honored every June

- 2. Breezed through
- 3. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- 4. Flat, thin round object
- 5. One looking for knowledge
- 6. Calls it a career
- 7. Egg-shaped wind instrument
- 8. Allied H.Q.
- 9. Reveals
- 10. Greek sophist
- 12. Speedy ballplayer Gordon
- 14. Body that defines computing protocols
- 19. Common Japanese surname
- 23. Eucharist box
- 24. Oil company
- 25. Parts per billion
- (abbr.)
- 26. A metal-bearing material
- 27. The common gibbon
- 28. Affirmative
- 29. Writer
- 34. Taxi
- 35. Pioneering journalist Tarbell
- 36. Used to hold back
- 37. Senior officer
- 39. OK to go out with
- 40. First in order
- 41. Defunct phone company
- 42. Southern Ghana inhabitant
- 44. Peninsula in SW Asia
- 45. Political plot
- 46. "Great"
- Mogul emperor
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- 48. Where wrestlers compete
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Wings
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# Preview Calendar

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

## Thursday, Sept. 12

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

**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.

**Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch.** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a free hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere. No reservations required.

**Mountain View Homemakers.** 11:30 a.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Jewelry/accessories exchange. Bring one necklace, bracelet, ring, purse or scarf that you would like to exchange with another. All items must be in perfect condition. Those attending do not have to participate. For more information, contact Tozi Rubin at 731-3360.

**Duplicate Bridge.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

**Pickleball.** 1-5 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Tech Time.** 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**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.

**Gaming.** 2:30-3:45 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Enjoy video gaming on the Xbox 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Chimney Rock Interpretive Association Presents Dr. J. McKim Malville.** 7 p.m., The Springs Resort and Spa EcoLuxe building. A professor emeritus in the Department of Astro Physics and Planetary Sciences. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. Visit [www.chimneyrockco.org](http://www.chimneyrockco.org) for more information.

**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](http://pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

## Friday, Sept. 13

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Curtains Up Pagosa 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory' Auditions.** 2-8 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School music room.

**Family Movie.** 2:30-4:45 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. English nanny returns during Michael's most desperate hour to lend him a helping hand. With his house in danger of being repossessed, she whips up a little magic to remind him of the importance of family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Yoga.** 5-6 p.m., Community Center.

**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](http://pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

**Full Moon Program.** 7:45 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](http://www.chimneyrockco.org).

## Saturday, Sept. 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.

**St. Patrick's Clothing Giveaway Collection.** 9 a.m.-noon, Airport Storage. We are always in need of good, clean, warm winter clothes for kids, men and women. Call 731-5801 for more information.

**Pagosa Farmers Market.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, contact Pauline Benetti at 264-5232.

**Fundamentals of Buddhism: Wisdom Rising with Brenda Proudfoot.** 10 a.m., Universalist Unitarian, Suite B-15, 70 Greenbriar Drive. All are welcome.

**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.

**Family Storytime: No Bake-Baking Fun.** 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us as we mix and stir some tasty

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**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](http://pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

**Sunday, Sept. 15**

**Java the Cup Grand Opening.** 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 2911 Cornerstone Drive. For more information, call (970) 880-0566.

**Thingamajig Theatre Company Presents 'Ring of Fire.'** 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

**Sunday Night Unplugged.** 5 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Featuring the Night Song Trio. Spend quiet time in meditation interspersed with beautiful music and readings which inspire one's meditation.

**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, Sept. 16**

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

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, South Park (South 8th and Apache streets). Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

**Medicare Mondays.** 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging office. For benefits, explanation, questions and assistance for enrollment regarding Medicare

parts A, B, D and supplemental policies. Call 264-0501, ext. 1 to make an appointment.

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

**PALS Adult Education.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. 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.

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

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

**Otaku.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 5th-12th grade. If you are into anime or manga, this is for you. Come and watch some anime with your friends and talk about your favorite manga.

**Yoga.** 4-5 p.m., Community Center.

**Beginning Modern Square Dance Lessons.** 5-6:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. The High Country Squares will be starting a beginners class for anyone wishing to learn the art of modern square dance. Couples and singles are encouraged and welcome to come and give this form of dance a try. For more information, call Jim Park at 731-9910, Steve Keil at 731-0044 or email [info@HighCountrySquares.com](mailto:info@HighCountrySquares.com).

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

**San Juan Back Country Horsemen.** 7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Nonmembers are always welcome. Please join us for our potluck at 6 p.m. Call Annie at (210) 215-9566 for more information.

**Tuesday, Sept. 17**

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

**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.

**Archuleta Democratic Club.** 11:30

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a.m., Pagosa Brewing Company. The featured speaker will be Donald Valdez, who is running in the primary for representative of the 3rd Congressional District. His focus is on rural issues and agriculture. RSVP to John Porco at ppagosa@gmail.com or call 946-2684.

**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.

**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.

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

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

**Do-It-Yourself: Easy Dry Erase Boards.** 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us for an easy to create dry erase board. This project is an inexpensive and useful tool to become more organized by making weekly menus, shopping lists, to-do lists and more. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Pickleball.** 1-5 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

**Wednesday, Sept. 18**

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

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, South Park (South 8th and Apache streets). Weather permitting. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Kids Kare.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Drive. A program for children ages

3-5 years old. Includes Bible time, songs, crafts, games and more. For more information or to register, call Frank and Connie Porter at (303) 901-5290 or email ceflitlekids@gmail.com.

**Family Storytime: Hora de Cuentos Con Mabel Barber.** 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Come practice your Spanish with Mabel as she shares some of her favorite books en Espanol. 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.

**Yoga Flow Class.** 10-11 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Amy at (609) 204-1998.

**Labyrinth Guided Walk.** 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. In the wooded area behind the parking lot at the wooden cross. A guided tour of the "Charters" design labyrinth, a path of releasing, receiving and renewal. The labyrinth is also available to the public seven days a week.

**Sushi Fusion Grand Opening.** 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and 4:30-10 p.m., 180 E. Pagosa St. For more information, call 507-3222.

**Wellness Clinic.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Senior Center. Held by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C.

**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 as we start a history discussion group. The discussions will cover many historical subjects based on the preferences of the group. For more information, call Jim at 731-6878.

**Yoga.** 4-5 p.m., Community Center.

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

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**Group.** 5:30-7 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Contact Dr. Sharon Carter at 398-0883 or Charlotte at 731-1025 for further information.

**Weminuche Audubon Society.** 6:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. This month, we are pleased to have staff members Alison Holloran and John Kloster-Prew from Audubon Rockies. Join us for setup and socializing at 6 p.m. Please bring a donation of nonperishable food for the food bank.

**Spirited Women's Bible Group Presents Liz Curtis Higgs.** 6:45 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Internationally known Christian author and speaker Liz Curtis Higgs will be presenting a two-day retreat on the topic "God is with You." Tickets are \$45 and are available at St. Patrick's Church. For more information and to purchase tickets, call 731-5801.

**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.

**Thursday, Sept. 19**

**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.

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**A Course in Miracles Study Group.** 10-11:30 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call Karen LeCour at 264-0111 for more information.

**Loaves and Fishes Free Community Lunch.** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a free hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere. No reservations required.

**Duplicate Bridge.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

**Pickleball.** 1-5 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Tech Time.** 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**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.

**Steampunk Crafts.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 6th-12th grade. Stop by to make jewelry and crafts from gears, keys

and whatever else we can find. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Pagosa Springs Arts Council Mosaic Project Event.** 6-9 p.m., Pagosa Springs Arts Council Center, Navajo Trail Drive. To purchase a ticket for a random drawing of a canvas, go to ps-artsCouncil.org, Two Old Crows Gallery or the Chamber of Commerce.

**Together — Prayer Meeting: Pray Without Ceasing.** 7 p.m., Cross-Road Christian Fellowship, 1044 Park Ave. Together is a collaborative effort of multiple Christian churches in Pagosa Springs to unite in prayer, worship and fellowship.

**Friday, Sept. 20**

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

**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.

**Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance,

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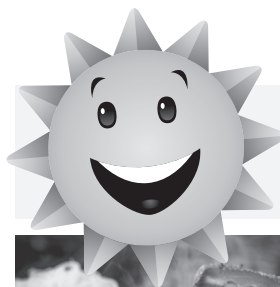


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**Gaming.** 2:30-3:45 p.m., Sisson Library.

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**Yoga.** 5-6 p.m., Community Center.

**ColorFest: Passport to Pagosa Wine and Food Festival.**

6 p.m., Town Park. Local restaurants will tempt your taste buds with their flavorful creations and attendees will be invited to vote for their favorite. Attendees will also have the opportunity to sample a wide array of wines from around the world. The evening's entertainment will be provided by The Robin Davis Duo. For more information and tickets, visit [www.pagosachamber.com/Colorfest/](http://www.pagosachamber.com/Colorfest/).

**Saturday, Sept. 21**

**ColorFest: Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's Breakfast with Balloons.**

7:30-9:30 a.m., Centennial Park. A gourmet breakfast accompanied by mimosas and music as they watch balloonists. Tickets are \$50. Youth (12 and under) tickets are \$20. Tickets can be purchased at [www.pagosagreen.org](http://www.pagosagreen.org), the Chamber and EXIT Realty. Guests

are reminded to bring lawn chairs or blankets.

**ColorFest Hot Air Balloon Mass Ascension.**

8 a.m., downtown Pagosa. Watch the morning sky fill with around 30 balloons.

**ColorFest Color Me Cray-Z Color Run.**

8 a.m., Town Park. This annual event supports Rise Above Violence. Registration is at [www.riseaboveviolence.org](http://www.riseaboveviolence.org).

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, South Park

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**St. Patrick's Clothing Giveaway Collection.**

9 a.m.-noon, Airport Storage. We are always in need of good, clean, warm winter clothes for kids, men and women. Call 731-5801 for more information.

**Pagosa Farmers Market.**

9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, contact Pauline Benetti at 264-5232.

**Pagosa Fire Protection District Open House.**

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Fire Station 1, 191 N. Pagosa Blvd. Interactive firefighter activities, demonstrations, obstacle course, kid's games, truck tours, station tours, water fun, National Fire Sprinkler Trailer Association Live Burn Sprinkler Trailer demonstration, fire extinguisher training and more.

**Habitat for Humanity Parking Lot Sale.**

10 a.m.-2 p.m., U.S. 160 and S. 7th Street.

**Family Storytime: What Can You do with a Rock?**

3-4 p.m., Sisson

Library. For all ages. Engage your creativity as we put rocks together to produce rock art, displays and sculptures and learn about some minerals along the way. 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.

**ColorFest Bands and Brews Festival.**

4 p.m., Town Park. The event will kick off with Lisa Saunders and her band from Cabo San Lucas. Then, Tylor Brandon will be taking the stage at 6:30 p.m. Microbreweries from Colorado and northern New Mexico will be serving their top brews. Fun for the kids includes the Nerf Battle Zone and face painting. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$25 for the beer tasting. The evening will come to an end with a glow show with several balloons lighting up the park at dusk. For more information and tickets, visit [www.pagosachamber.com](http://www.pagosachamber.com).

**Sunday, Sept. 22**

**ColorFest Hot Air Balloon Mass Ascension.**

8 a.m., uptown Pagosa. Watch the morning sky fill with around 30 balloons.

**Bingo.** 5:45 p.m., Parish Hall.

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

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## Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter



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**Pagosa Springs was proud of their hometown band, as were many frontier villages. This 1900 Fourth of July celebration featured the local Columbine Band. "Jack of All Trades" pioneer Fil Byrnes, the community's first school teacher, is holding the reins and singing out the hees and haws with the team of horses.**

How many health and wonder seekers visited the Great Hot Springs prior to 1890? Since no visitation records remain it's impossible to make an accurate guess.

Newspapers from neighboring communities wrote occasionally of citizens from their towns going to bathe in the hot springs. As early as 1878, Silverton newspapers referred often to miners who wintered in Pagosa Springs, then returned to Silverton for the summer mining season.

The first edition of the Pagosa Springs News, the first Pagosa Springs newspaper, rolled off of the press April 1, 1890. Daniel L. Egger, the editor, quickly jumped on the band wagon as booster of

"The World's Greatest Hot Springs." He bragged in that first edition, "The visitors to the Springs will exceed in number that of any previous season if present indications count for anything."

*The lithium content in the hot water impressed the Army surgeon with its healing qualities along with the pure mountain air perfumed by the pine trees.*

The bath houses as they stood in 1890 were not significantly changed for decades. The remains of a concrete foundation poured to support a two-story brick building were visible until just a few years ago. Begun in 1906, the two-story modernization dream was abandoned in 1907 and allowed to waste away, unused.

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**TRADITIONAL ALANON GROUP:** Traditional AlAnon Group meets Mondays, 6p.m., Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harman Park Dr. (325)669-9715.

**A.A. PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES GROUP** meets at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Tuesday 7p.m. Big Book Study (closed); Thursday 7p.m. Discussion (open); Questions (970)245-9649, www.aa-westerncolorado.org or www.aadistrict18.org; Ken or Charlotte (970)903-9690.

**A.A. PAGOSA SPRINGS GROUP.** 315 N. 2nd St./CR 200- Snowball Rd. Sunday 10a.m. (OD); Monday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (C-BB); Tuesday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (CM); Wednesday 7:30a.m. (OD), noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (OD); Thursday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (ON); Friday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (OD); Saturday 7:30a.m. (OD), 5:30p.m. (OD). (Last Friday of the month 6p.m. potluck, 7p.m. birthday speaker meeting.) Questions, contact (970)245-9649, aa-westerncolorado.org or aadistrict18.org, or call Ed K. 946-2606 or Val V. 946-6086 or Ellen C. (214)566-5921.

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETS WEDNESDAYS,** 7p.m. at 315 N. 2nd St./ CR 200, Snowball Rd. For information contact Woody (970)582-0065 or Carl (970)903-2346.

**AL-ANON** meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in the Parish Hall. www.al-anon-co.org.



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**PART-TIME WAREHOUSE.** Must be able to lift 50-plus pounds. No weekends, flexible hours. Apply in person Monday- Friday, 8a.m.-4:30p.m., The Tile Store.

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**DEPUTY COURT CLERK.** The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking to hire a Deputy Court Clerk to work in the Municipal Court. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and background check. Pay is \$36,990 annual DOE plus benefits. Information on the position description, application and deadline can be found on the Town's website at [www.pagosasprings.co.gov](http://www.pagosasprings.co.gov).

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**ABBA EYE CARE IS SEEKING** a full-time Optician. Customer service experience, strong verbal and written communication skills, and an outgoing personality are a must! Computer skills are essential. You must be detail-oriented, able to multi-task, and willing to jump in and help your team when needed. Our ideal candidate will have at least two years' experience providing customer service in an optical, medical, or dental practice, and will be familiar with medical insurance companies. We are willing to train the right candidate. If you are a fast learner with excellent interpersonal skills, come join our amazing team! Drop a resume at 2800 Cornerstone Dr.

**DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK.** The Archuleta County Clerk's office is currently accepting applications for a Deputy County Clerk I. This is a full-time position with excellent benefits. For job description and wage details, please visit www.archuletacounty.org. Submit application and resume to HR, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 or email to tmccann@archuletacounty.org. Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.

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**TWO CHICKS AND A Hippie** needs dishwasher and skilled line cook. Stop by between 12p.m. and 2p.m. with resume.

**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.

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**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.

**PHYSICAL THERAPY AIDE-** F/T position. No experience necessary. Competitive pay/benefits. Energetic. Dependable, multi-tasker a must. Submit resumes to Rocky Mountain PT, 35 Mary Fisher Cir.

**CONSTRUCTION HELP NEEDED. NEW** and remodel. Please call (970)403-5119 or send email to info@fullertonworks.com.

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**SAN JUAN TRADING POST.** Part-time sales help (2 day week), \$12 starting pay. Computer skills and retail experience a plus. Apply in person, 635 San Juan St. (Hwy. 160).

**HIRING EXPERIENCED AND LICENSED PLUMBERS,** and plumber helpers. (970)946-7096, leave message.

**RISE ABOVE VIOLENCE** needs volunteer victim advocates to help assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Visit riseaboveviolence.org for information and to fill out an application or call (970)264-1129, ext. 6 to speak to our volunteer coordinator. No experience needed, we will train.

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**SATURDAY 9/14, 9A.M.-2P.M.** 144 Harman San Juan River Village. Household, tools, fishing, free stuff!

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**THURSDAY AND FRIDAY** September 12 and 13. 8a.m.-12p.m. Furniture and variety of household. Moving. 32 Northbay Circle.

**VETS 4 VETS/ ROTARY** Club gigantic yard sale. Saturday, September 21, 8a.m. Best Western/ Pagosa Lodge. West Hwy. 160, next to Wyndham.

**STORAGE UNIT SALE C-19.** 177 Bastille Dr., Pagosa Springs. Saturday, September 14th, 10a.m.-3p.m. My house won't fit in the condo. Furniture, art, electronics, home goods, kitchen, clothing, cowboy Christmas, bicycles, moving supplies and much more! No reasonable offer refused. Everything must go!

**MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE.** Vintage, housewares, tools, kids clothes plus winter wear, fishing gear, leatherworking tools, furniture, 1950's Crosley stove/ range, much more. Saturday, September 14, 8a.m.-2p.m. 122 Brookhill Dr. behind Pagosa Tire and Auto.

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# Noxious weed of the month: Russian knapweed

By Ethan Proud  
Special to The SUN

## Senior News

Russian knapweed is a drought-hardy plant and is spreading from the Arboles area up into Pagosa Springs and the Pagosa Lakes area. Two other knapweeds occur in Archuleta County, diffuse and spotted knapweed, which occur throughout the county, including Chromo.

Unlike its biennial counterparts, Russian knapweed is a perennial that spreads not only by seeds, but through its roots as well.

Due to its vigorous root system, it should not be pulled, though tilling

can offer some control and mowing can be done every two to four weeks to exhaust the root reserve and prevent flowering and seed set. Both tillage and mowing need to be repeated frequently over a period of years to achieve adequate control. Russian knapweed chokes out native vegetation and forms a mono-

culture, which stops native plant establishment. Russian knapweed causes chewing disease in horses and has no cure. Herbicide treatments can be done at all life stages, but the label must be followed. Winter treatments can be effective if conditions permit applications.

Biological controls are available for Russian knapweed, but in order to be effective, competitive native

species should be planted. Russian knapweed is allelopathic and secretes chemicals from its roots to inhibit the growth of other plants.

### 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. Any-

one 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.

## 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 lark sparrow.

The lark sparrow is the largest of the brownish sparrows that we see here. It is one of the many birds known as passerines, a diverse group that includes half of all bird species. Passerines are perching birds, with three toes pointing forward and one backward, a trait all share.

The lark sparrow displays the typical streaked brown back that we associate with the word sparrow. Its unstreaked, light-colored breast has a central dark spot. Head markings made up of a white throat, eyebrow and center stripe, and black lines which divide the chestnut red head make this bird look like it is wearing a helmet.

This is a bird of open, grassy habitat and bare ground punctuated by some trees and shrubs. It will often forage in the open for the seeds, grains and insects in its diet.

The "lark" in its name refers to its long melodious songs made up of churrs, buzzes and trills. In breeding season, competing males will engage in battles on the ground and in the air. However, in the presence of a female, the male will strut like a turkey, with head down and long, dark tail flared to display the white edges. Their breeding dance includes passing a twig from one bird to the other.

Look for these birds in our area into October before they move south for the winter.

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

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