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Multiple fires spark investigation

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Local and regional fire protection agencies were kept busy Tuesday afternoon as multiple fires occurred in Archuleta County.

Fire pages indicated reports of fires at mile markers 116, 118, 119 and 120, with another fire occurring at mile marker 99 in La Plata County.

Responding parties to the fires included Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD), Colorado State Patrol (CSP), Los Pinos Fire Protection District, the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and Upper Pine River Fire Protection District.

PFPD Fire Chief Randy Larson explained in an interview on Wednesday that there was confirmation of at least five fires on Tuesday.

PFPD personnel first responded to the fire at mile marker 120, which was about one-half to three-quarters of an acre, and that fire was taken care of and controlled, Larson ex-

■ See Fires A8



Seeds of Learning families and staff celebrated the start of the school year at a back-to-school barbecue last week that included chasing bubbles, along with other fun activities.

Photo courtesy Ursala Hudson

Sheriff's office submits 1033 inventory to county

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

Following months of dispute over whether or not the items were accounted for, the ACSO has submitted a full inventory of items it has ever received from the federal 1033 Program to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners.

The 1033 Program is a U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) initiative to transfer, without charge, excess military supplies and equipment to local law enforcement

■ See Inventory A8

Public shooting range topic of public meeting set for Oct. 2

By JoAnn Dykstra and Chris Boyd
Special to The SUN

For several years, there has been a recognized need by many in the community for a dedicated public shooting range in the Pagosa Springs area. Recently, a group of area residents formed to work toward fulfilling this need.

To date, the group has met on

multiple occasions and identified the following goals:

- Organize a formal sports club.
- Identify a suitable property to develop into a safe shooting range.
- Procure property and develop the range.

The mission of the club will be to provide a safe environment conducive to both firearm instruc-

■ See Shooting A8

Town/county work session canceled following dispute

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

September's joint work session of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and Pagosa Springs Town Council was canceled, with BoCC Chair Ron Maez indicating that the county called off the work session due to the town's reaction to news that moves within the county's upcom-

ing budget could cost the town up to \$100,000 next year.

That cut could come if the county reallocates its property tax revenues and puts less funding toward road and bridge functions. Under state law, the town is entitled to 50 percent of the revenue from that allocation of the property tax revenues for the portion that is within the town's cor-

■ See Canceled A8

Price of new courthouse goes up, county searching for funding

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

At a special meeting Tuesday, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) voted to adopt a resolution that takes steps towards building a \$5.8 million courthouse at 85 Harman Park Drive.

The resolution directs county staff to secure grant funding for the

project and directs Reynolds Ash + Associates (RAA) to create site and architectural plans.

The 6th Judicial District and Archuleta County courts vacated the Archuleta County Courthouse in mid-September 2017, citing health and safety concerns with the building.

■ See Courthouse A8



Photo Mike Pierce



Photo Beth Tollefsen

ColorFest

Last weekend's ColorFest celebration brought 26 hot air balloons to Pagosa Springs, with those balloons taking to the skies over town Saturday and Sunday. In addition to the aerial displays, the annual balloon glow was held in Town Park Saturday evening.



Photo Randi Pierce

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EDITORIAL

Celebrating another year of bringing you the news

Inside The Pagosa Springs SUN's newspaper office, you will find a wealth of history in a place that we call "the morgue."

The morgue is full of "dead" newspapers. Those dead newspaper issues go all the way back to the 1800s. They aren't all issues of The SUN — there are also issues of other newspapers that documented the history of our community prior to The SUN.

These old newspapers are available for viewing at the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, thanks to the Friends of the Library, who had them digitized several years ago.

On the front page of this week's SUN, you will discover this week marks Volume 112, Number 1.

The volume indicates the number of consecutive publishing years; the number is the week during the year that issue is printed.

That's a lot of years.

That's a lot of history.

And, you can find that history often times repeating itself, in Shari Pierce's "Legacies" column just across from this editorial on this page each week.

Every Thursday since 1909, The SUN has chronicled the things big and small that make up our community. We have grown and changed over the years, just the same as our unique community.

Here at The SUN, we take the privilege and freedom of printing the news very seriously. We also take our role of government watchdog very seriously.

Former Colorado Press Association's (CPA) CEO Jerry Raehal said, "The Pagosa Springs SUN is one of the premier watchdog journalism publications in the state, not just this year, but every year. They are a paper we encourage other members to emulate."

One of the biggest highlights for The SUN happened in April of 2018, when Gov. John Hickenlooper presented the CPA Service to the First Award to The Pagosa Springs SUN staff.

"This year's winner shows you don't have to be a big organization to make an impact or have a large newsroom to keep the government accountable and

residents informed," Hickenlooper said during the presentation.

"With its staff of three reporters, Pagosa Springs SUN staff have held government of all kinds and sizes accountable for conducting public business where it belongs — in public," Hickenlooper continued. "And while it's my honor to give The SUN this award, the real winner of this award is the community and residents that Pagosa Springs' newspaper covers."

The Friend of the First honor is annually one of the CPA's most contested awards, and it goes to a newspaper media organization that focuses on the First Amendment's guarantee of a free press, including, but not limited to, fighting the threat of censorship in America, overcoming uneasiness with regard to press credibility, combating government secrecy at all levels and instilling in the public an appreciation of its need, as well as its right, to know.

The judge of the contest commented, "This is a community newspaper that is doing it right. In a blog written by the CFOIC executive director, he said the paper has: Diligence, knowledge of the law and a devotion to watchdog journalism. Three necessary ingredients to keep government officials accountable and the public informed."

Since 1909, The SUN has been reporting on developments and serving as a government watchdog of town councils, county boards, water boards and school boards.

Since then, we have also been documenting the lives of Pagosans from birth announcements to their obituaries, our hometown school athletics and arts programs, along with the news and community events.

As long as parents take pride in the birth of a baby, or graduation, or marriage, or any number of life's milestones, people will enjoy reading about them in The SUN.

As long as people care about who passed away in our community this week, how high our taxes may rise or who scored the winning touchdown at the high school football game —

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As long as advertisers have a message to share and public notice information needs to be conveyed, The SUN will carry on the tradition of bringing the news of Pagosa Country to you.

As long as bulletin boards and refrigerator doors display cherished family memories, The SUN will proudly print those memories for you to hang up.

The SUN is Pagosa Springs' original social media. The paper isn't owned by a corporation that owns multiple papers across the state; instead, it is locally and independently owned and operated by the longtime community member who wrote this editorial.

The SUN, with its print and online formats, continues to play a critical role in documenting the activities of our community and providing our readers with content representative of our community. Our digital and on-line components provide 24/7 access to our readers for breaking news and updates. We have over 11,800 followers on Facebook.

We appreciate hearing feedback from you when you dislike the new crossword puzzle or when you feel we can do a better job. We are continually growing, striving to do better and re-assessing our product.

When you work at The SUN, you become aware that you are just another caretaker of this valuable institution. There have been other staff and owners before us, and there will be others after us. We are simply "custodians of a tradition."

As we enter this 112th year of publication, Robert Penton, Shari Pierce, Missy Phelan, Randi Pierce, William Thomas, Shana Young-Gawdun, Brian Maurer-Townsend, Chris Mannara, Kody Penton, John Finefrock and Terri House are proud to carry on the tradition of informing and documenting the history of Archuleta County.

There is plenty to celebrate on our birthday, thank you for being one of them.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
September 27, 1929

The new McBroom coal mine on lower Stollsteimer creek is now ready to deliver coal to patrons in Pagosa Springs at \$8.00 per full ton; coal is screened and finest quality. Order your winter's supply now —leave orders at home of D.M. Spafford, DeMotte cottage on Lewis St.

C.E. Lord, the photographer, and his artist companion, Brooks Willis, are this week leaving for Taos to remain for several weeks, expecting to return to Pagosa next season. Mr. Lord this week took pictures of the different school grades.

Ollie Minium and family returned this week from McPhee, where they have been for several weeks, and will move to the Ludwig sawmill in the Blanco Basin.

Walter Clayton and daughter arrived Sunday by truck, and Mrs. Clayton Monday by train, from Burlington, Kansas, and will again take up their residence in this section after many years' absence.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
October 5, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bramwell and children, who have been employed by Mrs. Lucy Turner on the At Last Ranch, moved to Pagosa Springs Monday. Mr. Bramwell is employed by the State Highway now.

Coyotes are getting quite numerous and a government trapper could help out now as the turkeys are beginning to come down. Coyotes are on the west side of the river at the R.M. Farrow ranch.

And who said it could not rain. The last week has been very wet and snow can be seen on the high mountains.

Twenty-two friends of Mrs. Clara Tyson met at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Risinger, Tuesday evening and gave her a hanky shower. She received many beautiful gifts. They all spent a very pleasant evening together and a lunch was served to the guests. Mrs. Tyson left Thursday for Ottaway, Kansas, to spend the winter with her son, Monk Tyson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harman left Monday for their winter home in New York.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
September 25, 1969

The importance of water as Colorado's most precious natural resource is uppermost in the minds of many Coloradans. It is because of the importance of this natural asset that the State Legislature passed sweeping changes in their most recent legislative session. To explain these changes to the people of Colorado is the purpose of several area-wide meetings across the state during September and early October. Citizens and water users of the Southwestern Colorado area are urged to attend the Water Divisions 4 and 7 meetings that will be held in Durango, Colorado, on September 30, 1969, beginning at 1 p.m., in the Columbine room in the basement of the La Plata County Court House.

The first frost of the season hit this area Tuesday morning when a 30-degree reading was reported from the weather observation station. It was 86 days this year from killing frost to killing frost. This is not a record but it is one of the longest between freeze periods in the past several years.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of
September 29, 1994

Region 9 has announced the completion of its first Community Development Block Grant, which provided funding of \$629,000 to more than 20 local businesses and helped to create or retain more than 190 jobs. The grant closing furnishes Region 9 with funds for small business lending without the excessive regulations of federal funds.

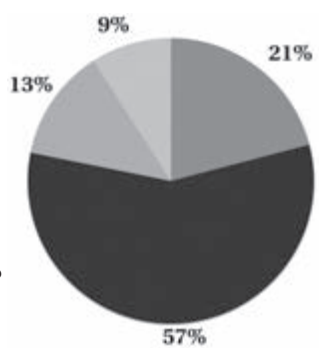
The Lady Pirates cross-country runners persistent meet-by-meet improvement paid off Saturday when they beat host team Centauri for their first win of the year. "We had an exciting day," said coach Glen Cope. "I'm fired up, and the girls are fired up. I've been telling them all year that I expected Centauri to win the league. I've told them that Centauri is a team we want to look at, and try to get close to. And on Saturday, guess who won?" Beating Centauri is a mid-season signal that the Lady Pirates could advance to the higher levels of Class 2A competition this year. "They've come so far," said Cope. "They've started to blossom, and they'll only get stronger."

WHADDYA THINK?

What type of chili do you prefer?

Poll results (113 votes)

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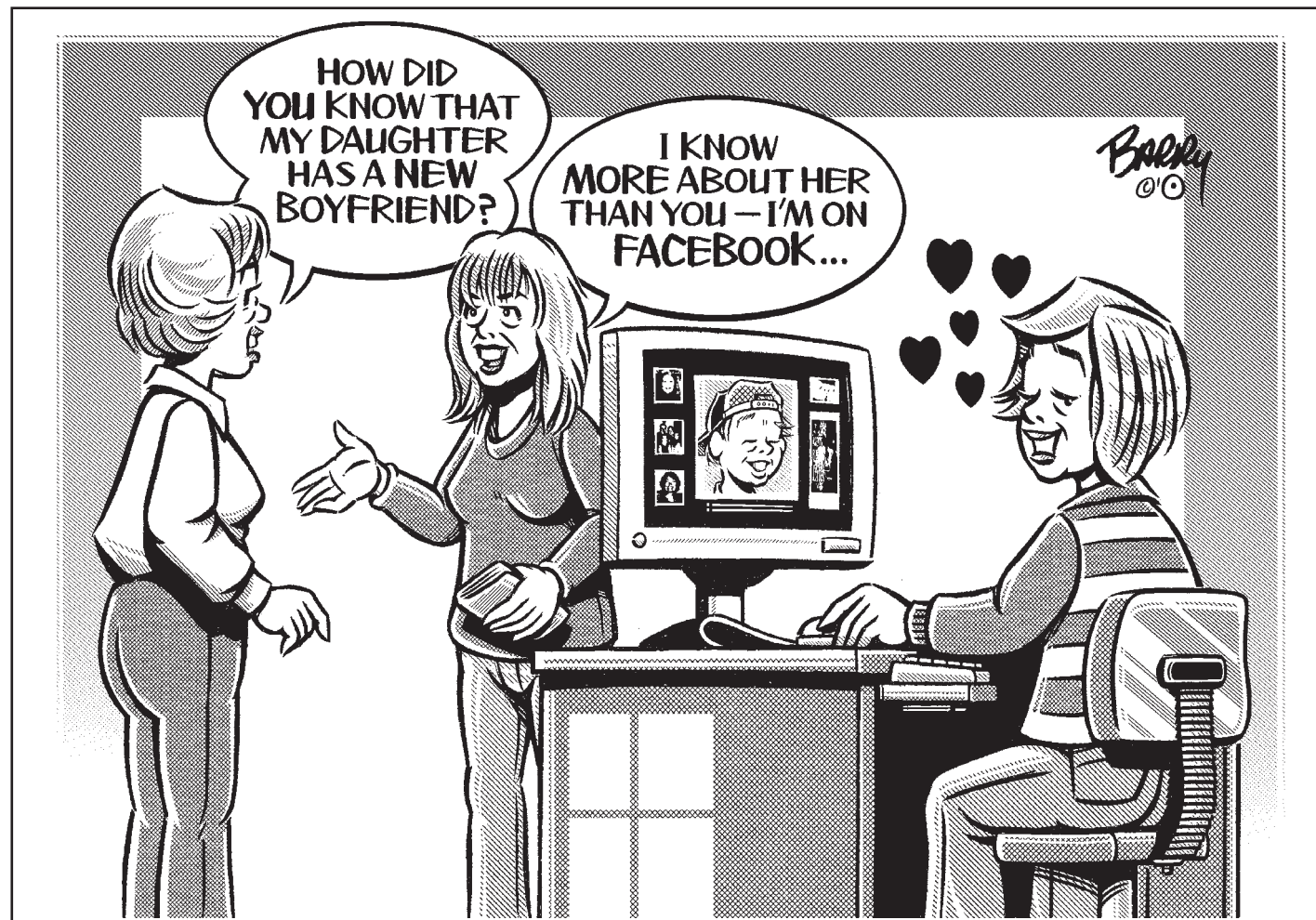
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9/19	73	43	-	-	-
9/20	71	43	R	-	.05"
9/21	68	37	-	-	-
9/22	69	32	-	-	-
9/23	64	34	-	-	-

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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.

Hunting sense

Dear Editor:
In reference to article in the dated Thursday Sept. 12, "Man injured by bear on hunting trip". How dumb and heartless can one be? If you know you have injured something it is going to attack. It is hurt and mad as hell, you take all that time and then go out without extreme caution, Dumb. Lady you need to learn gun control, which means to hit your target, so please by a camera and hunt with that from now on. LLTB(long live the bears). Humans use common sense when hunting in Bear Country. Remember they were here first, you are the one who does not belong. Also it might be a great idea on your next hunt to hire a reliable guide who knows what and when to do it.

LABaker,
Pagosa Junction

MRAP garage

Dear Editor:
Just curious, will the fancy new jail include an MRAP garage? If we

had a designated place to park it, maybe it wouldn't get lost. #dude-whereismymrap

Phillip Barnhart

Trust

A few thousand years ago, Sun Tzu wrote The Art of Warfare. Among his many observations three are quite important for today's national dilemmas. First, lead by example. Second, to win a war, a leader must pick the battles he can win. And thirdly, to win you must have allies.

We all want to save the planet. To do so requires commitment and trust. It turns out that trust is mankind's most effective tactic to achieve results. Finally, 91% of Americans believe that there is a climate crisis. A poet once wrote: "it's too late to cry the children are wading". Yesterday's global climate protest by children all over the world, shaming the adults, should prompt the commitment.

Unfortunately, Donald Trump's example of leadership is atrociously immoral and is without any strategy for any national crisis that he has largely assisted in developing. He has no allies, other than possibly dictators and tyrants, and he is working overtime to take America backwards regarding climate change.

So, what and how to solve this problem? Or is Donald the real problem? His supporters are committed to his adoration, even though about 70% of all Americans dislike him personally.

How does one reason with conflicted folks who demand their unlimited individual freedoms, while controlling the rights of others to vote, have/not have children, tackle climate problems, even to simply survive — as if their lives are less important than his supporters owning an AR-15?

Did you know that about 25% of American kids go to bed hungry each night? Hungry kids mean poor learning, which means a significant failure to graduate high school, which leads to many being incarcerated or a life of poverty. So, if your kids are in the group with the least chances, why would you elect representatives who seek to kill school lunches while giving tax breaks to the wealthy — whose primary efforts are to gain better education and opportunities for their children?

It's a real quandary why these same people would be so emotional about their need to commit generational Hari Kari. And 'MAGA' ... really, isn't that fantasy a bridge too far?

Take capitalism, before the industrial revolution, our lives were largely controlled by family, tribes, and finally kingdoms and nations. Today, there are two main tribes,

the national government and consumers. The consumer tribe has been directed to have sub-tribes of religions, sport teams, product loyalty, fashion styles and even... ooh, vegans. So, do these tribal choices and our basic self-preference help, hinder or cloud social justice, particularly when the 'old' system of families and racial tribes linger as longed-for wishes in all our minds?

So, I ask you, how do Americans reunite and address our internal and global challenges? To survive as a nation, we must find a way to trust each other and make that commitment ... Can I trust you?

Dave Blake
Chromo, Colo.

Don't pave paradise

Dear Editor:
The pro-growth bias was very evident in your recent article about the public meeting concerning The Springs Resort's proposed development. "We want it," you quote one enthusiastic resident as saying about more growth. Well, here is some news for you: There are a lot of us who do not want it. Sure, there are some people who stand to benefit financially from more growth. A few, like the owners of The Springs, stand to get very rich, especially if they can get the taxpayers to cover a lot of their costs through things such as TIF districts and urban renewal projects. However, there are many of us who did not choose Pagosa Springs as a place to live in order to get rich financially. Rather, we count our riches in other ways. A ski run through untracked powder. Photographing one of our beautiful sunsets. Battling a big fish in one of our gorgeous lakes or streams. And increased growth will not help with any of those. Instead, it will make our ski runs more crowded, our streets more congested and more subject to wear and tear (heck, we can't adequately maintain them even now), and put our sensitive mountain environment at greater risk.

If you think I am wrong, I suggest you visit anywhere on I-70 between Denver and Beaver Creek. While you sit in the traffic jam, look around you and see how congested, crowded, and overpriced everything is. Be sure to breathe in some of the auto exhaust. In the

immortal words of John Denver, you will see all around you "more people, more scars upon the land." We don't need that here in Pagosa. Bigger does not equate to better. Let's protect what we came here because we love. Let's not pave Paradise to put up a parking lot.

John Farley

Space for nonprofits

Dear Editor:
As the City makes decisions about the old Court House and how to proceed, I hope they might consider the following. Why not leave the downtown City Hall structure that is still usable in tact and turn it into a place for local non-profits to have cheap rent? Most nonprofits are looking for ways to save money and many operate on small budgets. Rent is always one of the big budget items, right after salaries. It seems a shame to tear down a perfectly good building (if that is the final decision) when it could be put to good use by organizations that are working to improve the community. The old jail, etc. that is not usable could be torn down and turned into a parking lot. As someone involved with many nonprofits over the years, I am always looking for ways to help them.

Karen Schafer

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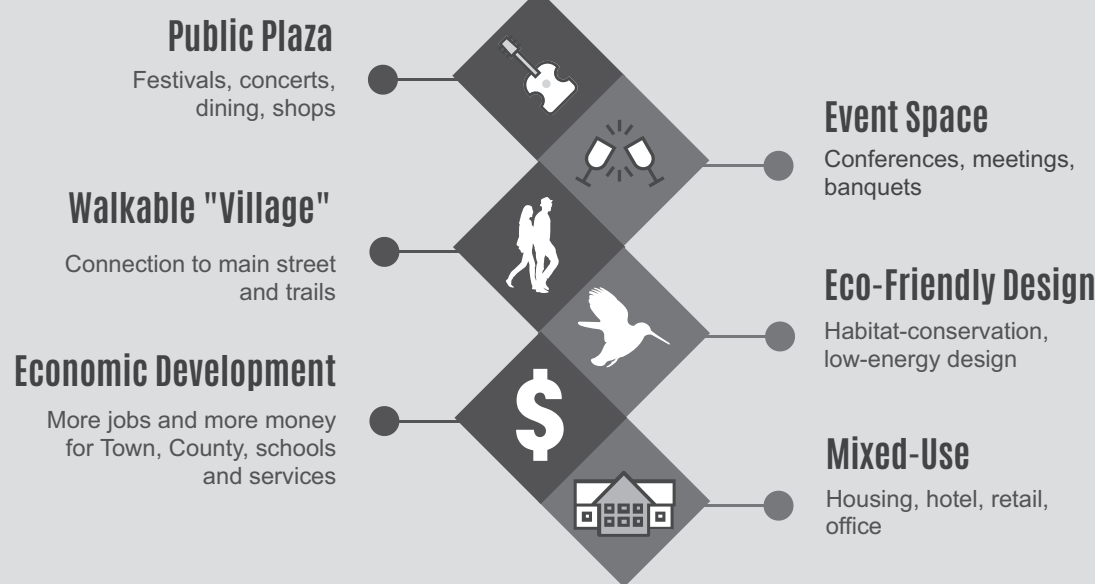
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Business

PAWSD approves EU transfer clarification resolution, discusses possible amendment

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

At a regular meeting of the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) Board of Directors on Sept. 19, the board approved a resolution that clarifies a policy regarding the transfer of equivalent units (EUs), but PAWSD staff was also directed to look into another potential policy amendment following board discussion.

The initial resolution states that the transfer of EUs is only allowable between commercial properties and that the commercial properties must be a similar business owned by the same entity. The policy notes that selling or trading EUs is not allowable.

For residential properties, EU transfers are allowable if the property is split and the EU transfer stays within the original property boundary, the resolution states.

The PAWSD board will have sole discretion regarding EU transfers, PAWSD District Manager Justin Ramsey noted.

The policy that clarified the transfer of EUs was approved by the PAWSD board with board member Paul Hansen being the only one who voted against it.

Before that resolution was approved, Hansen raised the question that, for business owners who are transferring EUs from uptown to downtown, what happens to the wastewater EUs?

Hansen explained in a follow-up interview that the reason why he posed this question is because he is building a new car wash downtown, and in addition to the one he currently owns uptown, would like to transfer EUs to the new downtown one when it is built.

"It is expensive to build stuff in this town," he said. "It's going to be a financial drain for me for this first probably, five years."

Buying back wastewater EUs will be costly, Hansen added.

"I think they just haven't been confronted with this before," Hansen said, adding that he would talk to Ramsey about it more.

Hansen said in the follow-up

interview that he does not believe it is the intention of PAWSD to not be completely fair.

He clarified during the meeting that if a business owner were to transfer five water EUs from uptown to a business downtown, they would have to buy five wastewater EUs from the Pagosa Springs Sanitation and General Improvement District, as that is the organization that handles wastewater downtown, outside of PAWSD's jurisdiction.

"So what happens to my five EUs up here?" Hansen asked, which Ramsey responded by saying, "They go away."

The wastewater EUs are not currently tracked via transfers in PAWSD's system, Ramsey added.

"In my case, I put five of the water downtown and then at some point I'm going to need to buy more EUs for up here and I don't know when that's going to be," Hansen said. "So, I would like to be credited in some way for the five sewer EUs that are sitting up there or have some kind of reserve. It should be

in this agreement at least addressing it partially."

PAWSD board member Blake Brueckner stated that he did not think it was fair for PAWSD to "take away" the wastewater EUs in the process of a transfer from uptown to downtown.

"That's why I try to get developers to make sure they know what they want beforehand," Ramsey said.

It could become a problem in the future for PAWSD with property owners who, at some point in the future, come to the district explaining they've had sewer EUs saved up for years, Ramsey explained.

The district has to treat everyone the same and not just focus on one individual, Ramsey added later.

"I'm not saying it's impossible," Ramsey said. "But it is a paperwork shuffle that becomes somewhat of a headache down the road."

The other question PAWSD board member Glenn Walsh asked was if that EU becomes a credit or stays an EU.

■ See PAWSD A9

CHAMBER NEWS

ColorFest filled with balloons, events and winners

By Mary Jo Coulehan
SUN Columnist

Winning can be defined in many different ways. There are those who take home prizes, there are those that set a goal and accomplish that goal and there are those that just complete the "race."

ColorFest had a range of winners this weekend; hopefully the big winner was the Pagosa community, which was again treated to skies filled with colorful balloons against stunning mountain backdrops, increased business revenue and fun times at multiple events.

The first big winner was the winner of the Pagosa Adventure Package Raffle. The family of Tyson and Kacy Snyder and their three children walked away with the "Winner Take All" package. The Snyder's are part-time Pagosa residents with their home here and in Farmington. They will be bringing all their toys back to Pagosa to play. They said that they have never won anything before. This was quite the

prize to be a first win.

At the Passport to Pagosa Wine and Food Festival, restaurants walked away with The Golden Whisk Award for their efforts in the culinary arts. The Chamber continues to be grateful to the restaurant community, without whose participation, this event would not be possible.

The big winner of the night was The Buck Stops Here, garnering the People's Choice award for their servings of ahi tuna and filet mignon on a truffle potato croquette. The Buck Stops Here also walked away with the "Most Flavorful" award for the sesame seed-encrusted ahi tuna.

The Most Original Award went to the Peak Deli for Jillian's Elvis cheesecake. Yes, that would be bacon in that graham cracker crust.

The Best Sweet Award went to The Choke Cherry Tree for its new sea salt caramel.

The Choke Cherry Tree also was awarded the Best Decorated Station.

We know the actual restaurants are already very busy and so to participate in this Passport event is a stretch. We acknowledge the restaurants that participated for the first time: Marconi's, The Springs Resort and Spa Barefoot Grill, Root House Coffee and Shop, PS Chocolates, Los Dos Charros, Grass Roots Meats, The Buck Stops and Iron Dram Whiskey Lodge. All the participating restaurants were winners.

On Saturday, at the Bands and Brews event, local beer reigned king. Riff Raff Brewing garnered the People's Choice award. However, among their peer of brewers, Santa Fe Brewing Company secured the coveted Brewers Choice award.

The day was warm and comfortable and music by Lisa Saunders and the Caborado Band and Tylor Brandon added to the festivities. The evening concluded with the glowing of three balloons in the athletic field — a magical sight.

One new volunteer activity this year was the participation of the seventh-grade middle school

class. We called them our "Flash Mob" team as they set-up tables, chairs, fencing and other duties in 30 minutes. Approximately 140 students, their teachers and Principal Chris Hinger all helped out with this community event. We want to engage our younger population in what events like this mean to our organizations, the community, the economic impact and giving back to the community. The seventh-grade Pirates rocked.

For a list of sponsors, volunteers, people and businesses that helped out for this event, please see the thank you ad in next week's SUN. For anyone we might have missed or misspelled your name, know that we didn't miss you intentionally. We blame it on poor handwriting and poor memories to write it down. Thank you.

Membership news

Amidst the flurry of this past week's event excitement, we did welcome one new business to Pagosa and the Chamber: BPX Durango Inc. We also welcome our renewing businesses: Ponderosa Lumber, Let It Fly and Step Outdoors.

Remember, Business After Hours sign up time is also just around the corner. Find out how you can sponsor one of these events in 2020.

Sales tax revenues continue to climb

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

The July sales tax report for Archuleta County disseminated by Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton shows a 26 percent increase in revenues compared to July of 2018.

That amount, however, was not all earned in July.

The 26 percent increase amounts to an additional \$275,102 in sales tax revenue compared to July 2018.

Walton explained in an email, "However, \$81,759 of the July receipts were actually payments of amounts due, but unpaid, for prior periods. They were not the result of July sales activity. If they are factored out, the growth in July drops to about 18.3%."

"The Year-to-Date (January to July) 2019 total was 10.4% (\$594,668) higher than the same period in 2018."

The gross amount of the July sales tax revenue is \$1,330,750.02. The town's share is \$663,743.01 and the county's share is \$667,007.01.

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

June sales tax brought in \$1,104,285 by comparison.

The July 2019 report indicates that the following categories have increased revenue compared to July 2018:

- Retail is up 10.9 percent, or \$334,277.
- Accommodation/food service is up 11.8 percent, or \$115,962.
- Other services is up 36 percent, or \$29,670.
- Professional services is up 191.4 percent, or \$25,263.
- Manufacturing is up 21.3 percent, or \$44,618.
- Construction is up 6.4 percent, or \$7,049.
- Real estate/rental is up 5.8 percent, or \$10,201.
- Miscellaneous is up 3.6 percent, or \$29,670.

Information services is the only category listed as having seen a decrease compared to last year, with that category down 3.2 percent, or

\$5,865.

June

In June, \$1,104,285 was brought in — 7.8 percent, or \$79,762 higher than revenue collected in June 2018.

The June 2019 sales tax data was also released to The SUN this week and finds the following categories have increased revenues compared to June 2018:

- Retail is up 5 percent, or \$27,206.
- Accommodation/food service is up 4.9 percent, or \$9,405.
- Other services is up 3.5 percent, or \$481.
- Professional services is up 165.8 percent, or \$4,577.
- Manufacturing is up 22.2 percent, or \$9,332.
- Construction is up 10.9 percent, or \$2,337.
- Real estate/rental is up 3.1 percent, or \$1,119.
- Miscellaneous is up 15.7 percent, or \$22,432.
- Information is up 6.5 percent, or \$1,651.

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County unemployment increases slightly to 2.9 percent in August

By John Finerock
Staff Writer

The unemployment rate for Archuleta County increased to 2.9 percent in August from 2.8 percent in July, with 7,397 people in the labor force and 212 of those claiming unemployment.

In July, there were 7,811 people

in the county's labor force, with 222, or 2.8 percent, claiming unemployment.

The total workforce decreased by 414 people over the course of the month, while the number of unemployed people decreased by 10.

Looking at the August employment situation for the rest of the state, Huerfano County had the

highest unemployment rate for the month at 5 percent, while Yuma County had the lowest rate at 1.5 percent.

The unemployment rate in Colorado decreased 0.1 percent from July to August to 2.8 percent, according to the survey of households.

Statewide, the number of people actively participating in the labor force in Colorado increased 6,200 from July to August, to 3,155,500, and the number of people reporting themselves as employed increased 8,400 to 3,067,200.

The national unemployment rate was unchanged from July to August, staying at 3.7 percent.

The unemployment rate, labor force participation, total employment and the number of unemployed are based on a survey of households. The total employment estimate derived from this survey is intended to measure the number of people employed.

However, nonfarm payroll jobs estimates are based on a survey of business establishments and government agencies, and are intended to measure the number of jobs, not the number of people employed.

The business establishment survey covers about seven times the number of households surveyed and is, therefore, considered a more reliable indicator of economic conditions.

Because the estimates are based on two separate surveys, one measuring jobs by work site and the other measuring persons employed and unemployed by household, estimates based on these surveys may provide seemingly conflicting results.

From July to August, employers in Colorado added 9,000 nonfarm payroll jobs for a total of 2,799,600 jobs, with private-sector jobs increasing by 5,300 and government jobs increasing by 3,700.

Over the month, the largest private-sector job gains were in educational and health services; financial activities; and trade, transportation and utilities.

The largest over-the-month decline was in information.

Over the year, the number of Coloradans participating in the labor force increased 64,900, total employment increased 62,800 and the number of unemployed decreased 18,500.

Other data that is gathered by the survey of business establishments includes private-sector average weekly hours, average hourly earnings and average weekly earnings.

The average workweek for all employees in private nonfarm payroll jobs decreased from 33.8 to 33.5 hours from January to August.

Average hourly earnings increased from \$28.90 to \$30.11 during the same time period.

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Obituaries

Leona Jane Lyda Gatwood

Leona Jane Lyda Gatwood, 80, passed into eternal life on Sept. 15 at St. James House in Baytown, Texas.



Born July 9, 1939, in Burnet, Texas, Jane was preceded in death by her husband of 38 years, George Gatwood; her parents, Thelma Lucille Anderson Lyda and Eldon Leon Lyda Sr.; brothers Eldon Leon Lyda Jr. and Leonard Ray Lyda; and sisters Laura Jean Valdez and Dixie Aileen Elrod.

She is survived by her children, Clayton James Ellington, Janie Lynne Ellington Smith, Kathy Gatwood Koger and husband Denny, of Churubusco, Ind.; Karen Gatwood Peelman and husband Mike, of Flower Mound, Texas; and

Karla Gatwood Linville and husband Roger, of Columbia City, Ind. She is also survived by sister Nina LaNelle Lyda, 11 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, ex-husband James Ellington and wife Frances, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends.

Jane and George were ordained pastors who made several missions trips to Sao Paulo, Brazil, and the surrounding area. In addition to ministering to the general population there, they also focused on an orphanage.

Jane enjoyed a rich and fulfilling life, with many different jobs, but her greatest joy came from her family and her roles as wife, mother and especially grandmother.

A memorial service was held at 4 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 24, at Navarre Funeral Home, 2444 Rollingbrook Drive, Baytown, Texas 77521.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.navarrefuneralhome.com.

Janet Boice Hodgson

Janet Boice Hodgson, 87, passed away peacefully on Sept. 18, in Bozeman, Mont. Janet was born on May 9, 1932, in Summit, N.J., the eldest of two children to parents Howell and Grace Correll Boice.



After graduating from Summit High School (N.J.) in 1950, she studied elementary education at Trenton State Teachers College, where she met Frederick Hodgson, a returning WWII veteran and member of the college's football team.

After a three-year courtship, the couple were married in 1953 in New York City and enjoyed the next 66 years together.

Janet received her history degree from Syracuse University and then worked as an archivist at the libraries of Penn State University, Cornell University and the University of Louisville.

Upon their retirement in 1996,

Fred and Janet relocated to Bozeman. The couple enjoyed traveling, hiking, playing bridge, walking groups and attending Montana State football and basketball games. Janet loved to read and also volunteered at the Gallatin County Pioneer Museum and at the Bozeman Welcome and Tourist Information Center.

She is survived by her loving family: husband Frederick, of Bozeman; sister Ruth (Gordon) Smith, of Cold Spring, Ky.; sons Michael (Terri House), of Pagosa Springs, Colo., and Theodore (Paris), of Covington, Ky.; grandchildren Kathie Hodgson, of Kearney, Mo., Jennifer Allison, of Indianapolis, Sondra (Zach) Warren, of Winston-Salem, N.C., Tristan Hodgson, of Ho Chi Min City, Vietnam, Hannah (Jacob) Evans, of Annapolis, Md.; great-grandchildren Kevin, Kasey, and Kaegan Ewers, Charles Allison V, Tyler and Carson Warren; and great-great-granddaughter Sophia Ewers.

A celebration of Janet's life will occur in spring of 2020.

In Memoriam

Dorothy Marie Garcia

In Memory Dorothy Marie Garcia Nov. 2, 1939, La Junta, Colo. — Sept. 30, 2012, Pagosa Springs, Colo. Your wings were ready, but my heart was not. Ernie Garcia



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Education



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Seeds of Learning holds back-to-school barbecue

By Ursala Hudson
Special to The SUN

Seeds of Learning families and staff celebrated the start of yet another school year at the back-to-school barbecue this past Thursday. A potluck dinner was shared on the back deck of the school, with families and board members

bringing the side dishes, and Seeds providing the hamburgers and hot dogs.

Enjoying the early childhood learning center after hours can have an impact on everyone's relationship with each other and the facility. Adults are given the opportunity to meet each other on a casual basis and parents can

watch how their kids interact with other children.

To conclude the event, parents visited their child's classroom and listened to a presentation by the teacher and her trusty sidekick, Dina the Dinosaur—a large puppet that helps facilitate the social emotional learning curriculum used at Seeds. The teachers shared

classroom procedures, expectations and daily rhythms, and parents were given the opportunity to have any questions answered.

The Seeds of Learning Board of Directors and the Family Involvement Committee sponsored the event, with the mission of building strong relationships among staff, parents and students.

Ninja Warrior Challenge to support Pagosa Peak Open School

By Alison Beach
Special to The SUN

On Oct. 4 at 10 a.m., Pagosa Peak Open School's students will compete in our second annual Ninja Warrior Challenge.

This year's challenge will feature a Ninja Warrior obstacle course designed by our sixth-grade class.

Families are invited to come show students support as they engage in a fun and healthy field day challenge. In the spirit of true teamwork, classmates will be there to cheer each other on and help each other successfully complete

the Ninja Warrior obstacle course.

Students are raising funds to support Pagosa Peak Open School's capital campaign to purchase its current building. Parties interested in supporting the school are welcome to go online to the general donation page at: <https://www.getmovinfundhub.com/student-webpage/5d85355d5b131> or drop donations off in person at the front desk during school hours.

Donations are tax-deductible and go directly toward the purchase of the building to give Pagosa Peak Open School a permanent home.



SUN photo/Chris Mannara

Pagosa Peak Open School students look on as they see the results of last year's student presentation come to fruition and new trash receptacles are installed by Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Supervisor Dylan Pruitt, maintenance worker Ty Davidson and Director Darren Lewis. Last year, students from the local charter school made a presentation to town staff requesting receptacles following their trash data collection project walking along trails both uptown and downtown.

Counseling department to talk about college

By Mark Thompson
Special to The SUN

On Wednesday, Oct. 2, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium, the Pagosa Springs High School counseling department will be presenting a program about the nuts and bolts of going to college: choosing a college or technical program, ap-

plying to the school and obtaining financial aid.

We will highlight the new Colorado admission standards and financial aid, as the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (the FAFSA) opens Oct. 1.

This meeting is especially relevant for the seniors and juniors. Home-schooled and private school students are welcome.

Card of Thanks

DUST 2

It was our pleasure to host again the DUST 2 backyard mountain bike club for its last race of the summer season. I continue to be impressed by and thankful for the many adults who are investing time and energy into forwarding the fitness and team-building experiences of our local youth and families. DUST 2 even encourages responsibility for our environment and its use by asking racers to participate in the upkeep of their race course. So, to Janine at Pagosa Mountain Sports and the whole DUST 2 crew: I thank God for you!

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BoCC makes pair of moves to finalize additional Harman Park property deal

By John Finefrock
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) have recently made a pair of moves to finalize the purchase of 4.98 acres at 85 Harman Park Drive, which includes the 4,195-square-foot former home of Norma and Fred Harman.

On Sept. 17, the BoCC voted unanimously to ratify chair Ron Maez's signature on a contract to buy the property.

On Tuesday, the BoCC unanimously passed a resolution approving the purchase and authorizing Maez's signature on the closing documents.

According to County Attorney

Todd Weaver, the title company requested the BoCC pass a formal resolution.

The original closing date was Sept. 27, but the deal is now expected to close in about two weeks.

On Aug. 20, the BoCC voted 2-1, with commissioners Maez and Alvin Schaaf in favor and Commissioner Steve Wadley against, to direct staff to offer \$600,000 for the property.

The Harman estate accepted the offer later that week.

At both votes, Wadley explained that he thought Schaaf and Maez had overpaid, but ultimately voted to approve ratifying Maez's signature on the contract.

In recent months, the county received an appraisal for the property

totaling \$560,000 and the Harman estate received an appraisal that valued the property at \$625,000, according to Maez.

Wadley told The SUN last month that he wasn't in a rush to purchase the property because the county had "right of first refusal," meaning that if the Harman estate received another offer, the county could match that price and purchase the property.

The property being purchased is adjacent to 125 Harman Park Drive, where the county's new detention center is being constructed.

The vote to ratify Maez's signature includes an addendum to the contract to buy the property, which stipulates the county must "preserve and maintain" a crab apple tree on the southwest corner

of the residence as a memorial to Norma Harman.

The addendum also gives the Harman estate until Nov. 17 to remove personal property from the site, with the exception of a bust of Fred Harman and assorted paintings.

Maez explained at a BoCC meeting last month that the purchase gets the county closer to building all of its capital facility needs, and that, "If we don't start moving forward to move forward then we're not doing our responsibility and our diligence in our job."

The BoCC has indicated plans to convert the Harman house into a location for the sheriff's office and possibly the dispatch center.

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, Sept. 26

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

Upper San Juan Health Service District community open house. 5:15 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

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

Archuleta School District Board of Education special meeting. 9 a.m., administration office, 309 Lewis St.

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

Archuleta School District Board of Education notice of gathering. 4:30 p.m., Strater Hotel, Durango.

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

Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board. 4:30 p.m., Town Hall conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Monday, Oct. 7

Archuleta School District Board of Education summit. 9 a.m., Sunset Ranch, 4186 E. U.S. 160.

Dispatch Executive Management Board regular meeting. 9:30 a.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center board room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District conference room, 100 Lyn Ave.

Tuesday, Oct. 8

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners special meeting — budget presentation. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Archuleta County Republican Women's meeting. Noon, Boss Hogg's, 157 Navajo Trail Drive.

Archuleta School District Board of Education. 5 p.m. work session, 6 p.m. meeting, Pagosa Springs High School auditorium, 800 S. 8th St.

Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors meeting and Board of Trustees of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Firemen's Pension Fund regular meeting. 6:30 p.m., Station 1, Training Room, 191 N. Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, Oct. 9

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

Monday, Oct. 14

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

Tuesday, Oct. 15

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

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

Upper San Juan Health Service District regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medi-

cal Center, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, Oct. 16

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

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

Thursday, Oct. 17

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

Pagosa Springs Town Council

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

Tuesday, Oct. 22

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

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The BoCC and county staff have indicated that the change in funding would be to help fund the jail being built at Harman Park, as well as possibly funding a Department of Human Services office.

The town council heard the news of the change to the county's road and bridge funding at a joint work session of the boards on Aug. 27, then discussed the topic again at its Sept. 3 meeting.

Following nearly 40 minutes of discussion at that meeting, the council formulated plans to have town council members meet with county staff to get more information, have its legal counsel look into the ballot issue approving the county's mill levy to determine if the county's anticipated move is legal, draft a letter of opposition, and determine what other aspects of the county's budget could be similarly at risk.

Town Manager Andrea Phillips informed the council of the canceled meeting, which was set for Sept. 24, on Sept. 19 — the same meeting the town voted to send the letter of concern to the county.

"I don't know if you saw my email, but the joint town and county meeting, which would have been held on Tuesday, has been canceled. The commissioners have expressed a desire to take a break from those

meetings until further notice," Phillips told the council.

In a follow-up interview, Phillips explained to The SUN that she received a call from County Administrator Scott Wall about the canceled meeting after sending out a draft agenda for the meeting.

"I guess at their last meeting they had discussion about looking into an attorney and seeing whether we could legally shift the road funds and stuff," Maez told The SUN Tuesday.

He later added, "They mentioned, you know, gettin' with their attorney to see if we could legally do this. So, usually when somebody brings an attorney into play, we have to see what their attorney gives them, what information they give them as far as whether we can legally separate the road and bridge funds like that."

Maez indicated that, for the time being, only the September meeting is canceled, which will allow the BoCC to focus its energy on the budget and county's needs.

"I think right now, at this point, the commissioners need to focus on what we need to focus on," Maez said.

Maez also acknowledged receipt of the letter from the town.

"The town sent us a letter and we're anticipating sending a letter back to the town," Maez said.

He added there has been no decision to formally send a letter back to

the town.

"The town wasn't happy with that and I totally understand that. You know, if I was a town councilman, I wouldn't be happy about it either, but we as county commissioners, we have to make the best choices that suit the county needs, and that's what we have to do," Maez said. "I know it affects the town, but honestly, we didn't know it was going to affect the town in that manner, but we still have to do what we have to do finally to make sure this debt service payments made on the jail."

A \$100,000 cut

"So, the county staff has informed the town's staff that, in preparation for the 2020 budget, we can expect up to a \$100,000 reduction in the county road and bridge distribution that we typically receive from Archuleta County," Phillips reminded the council on Sept. 3.

Since 2015, Phillips shared, the town has received \$107,000 and is anticipating \$124,944 in 2019.

"So, with the anticipated reduction, we're looking at about \$22,000 to \$24,000 in 2020. So, just to give it a little bit of scope, this is about 5 percent of our capital budget, and we do use these funds to do street maintenance, culvert, drainage maintenance. We definitely utilize the funds we receive from this distribution to help with some of the

After CBI released the findings of its report, the county commissioners issued a press release condemning some of the content in CBI's Summary Report.

"...the Board believes the CBI's summary report, authored by Agent Jack Haynes, contained personal opinions against current and former Archuleta County staff that are deeply concerning, unwarranted, and unprofessional," the press release reads.

In a May 13 letter to Commissioner Ron Maez obtained by The SUN, John Camper, director of CBI, agreed with the commissioners' sentiments expressed in the press release.

"...I've since had occasion to review that Summary Report, and I must tell you that I share your concern. As you may know, when the CBI is asked to conduct an investigation such as this, our role is to serve as fact-finders and then present those facts to the local District Attorney's Office so that they may make a determination of whether or not criminal violations took place. It is not our role to provide opinion, judgment, or criticism."

Asked which portions of the letter caused Camper to agree with the commissioners' sentiments, Susan Medina, communications director for CBI, replied in an email, "The portions of the summary that gave the appearance of offering personal conjecture regarding the motivations of individuals or the appropriateness of actions taken."

On Monday, Valdez questioned how county officials and department heads could claim they didn't know the county was in possession of certain 1033 assets, like vehicles, when they were plated, registered and insured.

He also expressed frustration that when county officials thought there may be wrongdoing at the sheriff's office, they didn't contact him directly.

"I can't stop something if I don't know about it," Valdez said.

In separate interviews with commissioners Ron Maez and Steve Wadley on Tuesday, both explained they were satisfied with the current status of the 1033 Program, in which the ACSO is only acquiring items that fill an immediate need to the county.

Maez confirmed the commissioners had received the completed inventory.

Valdez praised Maez and County Attorney Todd Weaver in working with the ACSO to help get the inventory completed.

"We're cooperating together because that's what we want to do. That's our goal," Valdez said. "This is all about working together and that was what was frustrating to me, because originally it was not working together. It's really been an attack against us on a regular basis."

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public services that the community expects," Phillips said, before explaining that the county has the discretion to change the number of mills that it puts toward its road and bridge functions.

Letter of concern and questions

At its Sept. 19 meeting, the town council considered the letter to send to the county, which outlines the financial hit the county's move would be to the town, with the funding being the second largest non-grant revenue source for the town's capital budget.

Phillips told the council, "That is a significant cut to our capital fund" and that it is an 82 percent reduction in the funding.

Phillips also presented additional information to the council, with an agenda brief explaining that Phillips met with county staff to discuss the issue further.

An agenda brief prepared by Phillips for the meeting states: "In addition to the attached letter,

Courthouse

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RAA presented three different courthouse designs to the commissioners, which included:

1. Renovate the downtown courthouse for \$5.5 million.

2. Renovate the downtown courthouse and purchase the adjacent property to construct a parking lot and a new entrance for \$7.2 million.

3. Construct a new courthouse at 85 Harman Park Drive for \$5.8 million.

The BoCC voted unanimously to move forward with the third option.

"...the Board believes it is in the best interest of the County and its citizens to pursue Option 3 because it allows for future expansion of the courthouse if the need so arises ...," the resolution reads.

RAA presented these options to the BoCC at its work session last week with lower prices.

For options 1, 2 and 3 the original estimates were \$5.5 million, \$6.3 million and \$5.1 million, respectively.

"There was two different driving forces for [the price increase]," Brian Huff, architect for RAA, said at the commissioners' work session Tuesday morning. "One was a simple formatting error on our part, some of the soft costs look like they were rolled into the grand total of the cost when they weren't, and the second was a contractor had done an evaluation of the cost analysis for us and came back with some different changes for it."

The new price per square for constructing the new facility in Harman Park is \$317.43.

The commissioners, along with Eric Hogue, court executive for the 6th and 22nd judicial districts, and Jeffrey R. Wilson, chief judge of the

Shooting

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tion and the practice of recreational handgun, rifle and shotgun shooting, as well as archery. Since Pagosa Country has a significant percentage of firearms owners, it is envisioned that the sports club would provide a site for a large portion of the area residents, as well as meeting the needs of the many hunters from outside the immediate area.

While there are places to shoot in Archuleta County, there is not a site open to the public that is dedicated exclusively for such purpose.

The benefits of a dedicated location include:

- Enhanced safety for partici-

Fires

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plained.

Following the containment of the mile marker 120 fire, PFPD crews went to the fire at mile marker 118 and handled that until the USFS took over control, Larson noted.

The mile marker 118 fire was about 1.5 acres, Larson described.

"We had another small one about a quarter mile down the road from there that a resident rancher saw and put out," Larson said. "We just went down and checked it."

Upper Pine took care of the fire around mile marker 116, Larson described.

CSP took care of the fire at mile marker 99.

Larson noted he was not sure of the other sizes of the fires.

All of the fires that occurred on Tuesday afternoon on U.S. 160 are under investigation, Larson noted.

Council directed the Town Attorney to review the legality of the proposed action. Staff has posed the following questions to County staff based on Council feedback:

• What is the principal amount and annual payment on the detention facility?

• How much is the DHS total project?

• How much of the proposed \$100,000 reallocation would go toward the DHS building (\$ figure and %) and how much of it would go toward the detention center payment (\$ figure and %)?

• What is the projected distribution to the County R and B (and therefore to the Town) in 2021 and beyond assuming that DHS is funded in 2020 with the "one time reduction"? Larry makes long term projections for each revenue source—please share these figures/graphs.

• What county road services be impacted by the reduction in funding? If not, how does the County plan to make up the difference within the county's budget to address road and

bridge services?"

Phillips told the council that, as of the meeting, she had not received answers to the questions, nor had the town heard back from its legal council on the matter.

The council then focused the letter of concern, with Mayor Don Volger reading the final paragraph of the letter, which states: "We understand that the County must make allowances within its budget for new Department of Human Services (DHS) offices and make the payments for the financed detention center. However, Town Council strongly encourages you and your staff to reconsider this reduction and find creative ways to address these facility needs without adversely affecting the services we provide to our residents."

"That's all we're asking, is just for reconsideration," Volger said, pointing out that the county knows what a hit it is to the town and that it is not a "nasty letter in any way, shape or form."

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6th Judicial District, discussed grant options that would help fund the courthouse, which include:

• That \$2 million to \$2.5 million could be available in grants from the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Commission.

• About \$1 million could be available in Colorado Department of Local Affairs grants.

• The U.S. Department of Agriculture has a facilities and communities grant program that the county may be eligible for. Commissioner Ron Maez is looking into eligibility.

Wilson cautioned the commissioners that time is of the essence to ensure the county gets the most from the underfunded courthouse grant, as the Underfunded Courthouse Facilities Commission currently has Archuleta County at the top of its list of counties in need for the money.

"It's this year or the amount we're gonna get from underfunded's gonna go way down," Wilson said.

Even with about \$3 million in grants expected to be available, plus the \$900,000 in the county's Justice System Capital Fund, Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton explained at the meeting that the county still doesn't have the money for the project.

"Even if we give it as a given that we're gonna get the \$3 million, either way I'm looking at it it comes up short by a material amount of money that we don't have. I don't know what to tell you other than we don't have it," Walton said.

County Administrator Scott Wall told The SUN Wednesday the county does not want to incur any more debt.

The commissioners threw around ideas to cut costs, with Commission-

er Steve Wadley asking how much the county would save if there were only two courtrooms instead of three and eliminated a "community room."

Huff reported that would bring the cost down to \$4.4 million.

"When you factor in courtroom time, jury trials, docket efficiency, court scheduling, public defender availability and district attorney availability, two(2) courtrooms are not sufficient," Hogue wrote in a follow-up email concerning why two courtrooms would not be enough in Archuleta County.

Maez had the same sentiment, saying at the meeting, "I think going down to two courtrooms instead of three, instead of what's needed, that just kinda bugs the hell outta me. It still keeps you guys at an inconvenience."

In an interview Wednesday, Maez explained the commissioners and county staff are working to find funding for the three-courtroom, \$5.8 million courthouse design at Harman Park.

If grants or other sources of funding can't be identified, Maez noted the county will have to "go back to the drawing board."

Both Maez and Wadley noted that the longer the county waits to build its capital facilities, the more expensive it will be in the future due to rising construction costs.

County Attorney Todd Weaver stated at the meeting that the county is required under state law to provide a space for the courts, and Maez told The SUN after the meeting that the courts could sue the county for not providing a courthouse.

The county's deadline to file the grant with the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Commission is Oct. 15.

pants and those in the surrounding area by ensuring projectile containment with appropriate bullet traps/backstops.

• Environmental benefits: cleaner forests and reduced soil and water hazards. (Unfortunately, some local shooting areas have experienced inconsiderate shooters not cleaning up their spent casings and target debris.)

• Greater educational opportunities for students, residents and hunters: It is envisioned that a classroom structure would provide an instructional environment for firearms safety, concealed handgun and hunter education courses.

Anecdotally, there have been

previous attempts to undertake this endeavor. It is well-known that there is a great interest in such a project. For this project to become a reality, community involvement and participation will be critical.

In an effort to engage and educate the community, there will be a town hall-style meeting held at Pagosa Springs Middle School (located at 309 Lewis St.) on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 6:30 p.m. All who are interested are asked to attend this meeting.

If you are interested in learning more and/or assisting in this program, but are unable to attend the meeting, please email PagosaSportsClub@gmail.com.

Inventory

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agencies and first responders.

On Monday, Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez sat down with The SUN and went over each item on the inventory.

According to Valdez, all capital assets obtained through the 1033 Program, meaning anything valued over \$5,000, is accounted for, with many capital assets currently in use by various county departments.

Other disposable items, such as gloves, backpacks or medical supplies, are required to be kept by the sheriff's office for one year and then may be disposed of, according to the contract ACSO has with the Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS), which oversees the 1033 Program in Colorado.

"The military's getting rid of it for a reason. Because it's done, it's either out of date for them, it's either broken, its missing parts, they're not complete kits. There's a lot to it as reasons why they're getting rid of it," Valdez said Monday.

Valdez also noted that the terminology used for 1033 items can be misleading and the values often inflated, using one example of a "TRUCK,CARRYALL" being issued to ACSO that was valued at \$25,700, which in reality is a used Ford Taurus. Archuleta County Undersheriff Derek Woodman explained in September that the value of the 1033 items were often overinflated, noting that something listed as a "helicopter repair kit" was just a bunch of common tools and were often an incomplete set, yet they were still valued at the price the tools would have been new.

Valdez explained Monday that many items the ACSO procured from the 1033 Program provided a direct benefit to the county and that they obtained a bulldozer, a truck tractor and semi-trailer "low boy" for ACSO's duty to have equipment to fight fires, as outlined in its Annual Operating Plan.

Valdez explained that those three items, among others, were obtained through the 1033 Program "on behalf of the county" and that the bulldozer is currently in use at the county's landfill.

All items on the 1033 inventory submitted to the county commissioners are accounted for, with many larger items like trailers and vehicles listed as being given to various county departments or still in use by the ACSO, while many smaller, disposable items like jackets, sleeping bags or clothing being marked as "used/dispo" meaning "used" or "disposed of."

Valdez explained that sleeping bags, jackets and other supplies given to the Office of Emergency Management are used in rescues and are not recovered when used.

An investigation into missing property

In December of 2018, former county attorney Todd Starr ap-

proached 6th Judicial District Attorney Christian Champagne with allegations that Valdez "had been misappropriating county funds and using them for personal expenditures ... He said that there was 2.2 million missing from the Archuleta County coffers and indicated that he believed Sheriff Valdez took these monies," according to the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's (CBI) Summary Report of the investigation.

After receiving Starr's request, the district attorney's office contacted CBI, which agreed to conduct the investigation. That investigation wrapped up in May.

A May press release from Champagne states, "As a result of the investigation completed by the CBI, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Richard Valdez, and his staff have been completely cleared of any wrongdoing and the allegation has been deemed to be entirely unfounded."

CBI's full report of the investigation detailed that current Archuleta County Coroner Brandon Bishop sold a military tent and a backpack online that had been issued to him while he was a deputy for the ACSO.

In the contract the ACSO signed with the CDPS, perishable goods like a backpack or a tent issued through the 1033 Program are required to be kept for one year, then the participating agency can dispose of them in any way consistent with the law.

Patricia Billinger, public information officer for CDPS, which oversees the 1033 Program in Colorado, commented on Bishop's actions as it relates to 1033 Program rules in a May interview.

"Someone selling a used piece of clothing or a backpack that had been obtained through the program is not necessarily a violation of the rules. Per the agreement that law enforcement agencies sign, they must request materials for a justified law enforcement purpose and with the intent of using those materials, and not with the intent of selling, trading or giving away those materials. However, there are some perishable goods that, after agencies have used them, they can dispose of those however they see fit within local and state laws."

When reached for comment about his actions in May, Bishop said, "We were all under the impression that all that property belonged to us personally after a year and those items I had for at least five. I had stuff here at my house for so long and nobody wanted it back at the county and I didn't know what else to do with it. If I would have known at any time that the county was going to claim five to 10 years later that this property belonged to them, I never would have sold it."

The ACSO recently changed its policies so that 1033 items will no longer be issued for personal use.

Pagosan receives special award from the Order of the Eastern Star

By Richard Wholf
Special to The SUN

Pagosa resident Patsy Troutner was thrilled to be the first recipient of the new "Star of the Year" award. She received the award at the 127th annual session of The Grand Chapter of Colorado, Order of the Eastern Star (OES), held Sept. 19-21 in Aurora, Colo.

Troutner was recognized by the Worthy Grand Matron Lydia Wingate and Worthy Grand Patron Mike Brewer for her outstanding leadership in organizing and inspiring men and women to establish a new Eastern Star Chapter in Pagosa Springs.

More than 240 representatives of the 4,600 Colorado OES members gave Troutner a standing ovation during Saturday's administrative session. The last Pagosa OES chapter ceased to exist about 20 years ago. In addition, the Pagosa chapter, Peace and Harmony No. 158, is the first new OES chapter in Colorado in over 16 years.

Troutner said, "I did not do this by myself. I feel that the award is recognition of all the Peace and Harmony Chapter members, their hard work and dedication. They worked very hard to meet all the requirements for the chapter to be instituted under dispensation and then receive its charter."

OES is the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women may belong.

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"The degrees of the Order of the Eastern Star teach lessons of fidelity, constancy, loyalty, faith and love ... and build an Order which is truly dedicated to charity, truth and loving kindness. The stated purposes of the organization are: Charitable, Educational, Fraternal, and Scientific."

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The Eastern Star is also a social



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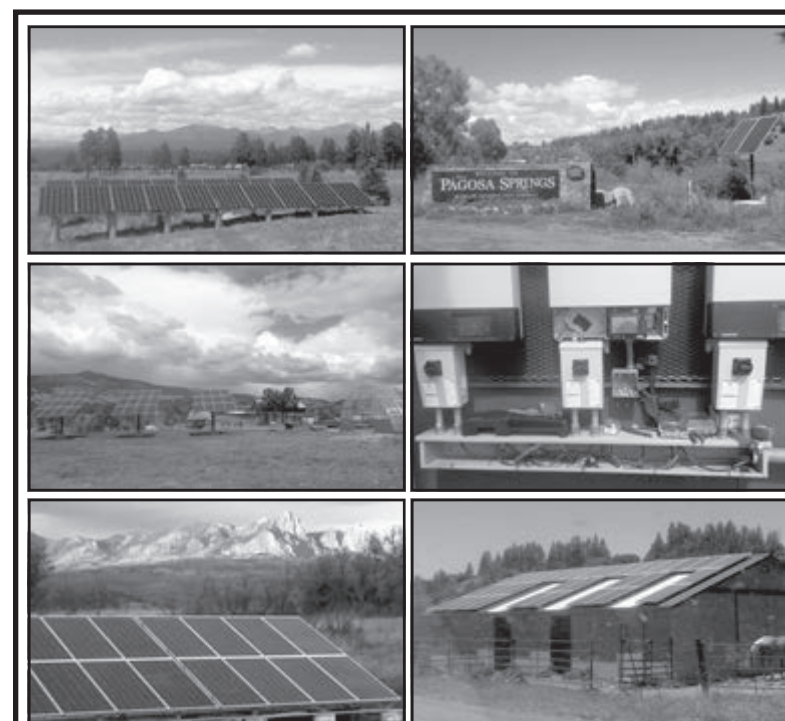
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organization with frequent formal events and ceremonies. Being a member is a wonderful and fulfilling way of life. If this sounds interesting

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PAWSD

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Later in the meeting, Hansen clarified the policy amendment that he was recommending PAWSD staff look into.

"So, moving five EUs of water downtown and of course I have to buy five EUs from the town for the sewer down there, and then, the five EUs of sewer that I bought that are moving the water part, sewer, I'm not going to be using that and so I'd like a credit so when I go back and buy five more for that unit, when I need that much water, then I don't have to buy the sewer again," he said.

Hansen added that with Ramsey explaining that the sewer EUs just "go away," then he has to buy sewer

EUs over again.

"That totally sounds fair to help you out," PAWSD board member Gordon McIver said.

Hansen explained that he is looking for a credit so that when he buys the sewer EUs back, he's credited with whatever the price was at the time.

"I think this is pretty fair. I just loathe to get into this whole business of starting to create markets in EUs, because that is going to be chaos," Walsh said.

Ramsey explained that he doubted the town would accept the wastewater EU transfer coming

from uptown because the town is not in PAWSD's sewer district.

"If you stay within the district, yes, that would certainly be the way that it would happen. You would move the water and the sewer," Ramsey said.

Both Ramsey and Walsh noted during the meeting that this potential policy amendment would not be for Hansen and his businesses and would have to be a much broader policy.

"It could happen to any business transferring stuff around," Hansen said.

Tracking the wastewater EUs

would have to be done through notes, as the PAWSD system cannot track wastewater EUs, PAWSD Comptroller Aaron Burns explained.

Later in the meeting, Hansen recommended that staff look into this issue for discussion at the next PAWSD board meeting.

PAWSD board chair Jim Smith noted that he does not want staff to look into this issue solely for Hansen and his businesses, but for all local businesses that run into this issue.

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Flag retirement, disposal ceremony set

By Roy Vega
Special to The PREVIEW

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Cross-Country



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Locals and visitors enjoy live music and craft beer during the Bands and Brews festival as part of the ColorFest activities on Sept. 21. Breweries from across the region came to town to let locals enjoy a selection of their finest brews while people had a good time dancing the night away.



Above-normal temperatures expected for Archuleta County in coming months

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

According to both one- and three-month outlook maps, Archuleta County is forecast to have above-normal temperatures. The maps, created by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), show that within a one-month outlook, Archuleta County has about a 50 percent probability of above-normal temperatures.

NOAA's three-month outlook shows Archuleta County having about a 60 percent probability of above-normal temperatures.

According to Climate Prediction Center Meteorologist Anthony Artusa, NOAA feels more confident in the three-month outlook for Archuleta County.

"A lot of this is tied to historical trends across the southwest," Artusa said of the maps.

Other things that go into the creation of the maps are things like computer and climate models, he added.

"For the month of October, it's usually a very tricky time because the atmosphere is going through a transition from the typical summertime pattern into the fall," he said.

With the three-month outlook, you have already gone through the full fall season, which would explain the elevated probabilities for above-normal temperatures, he added.

NOAA thinks that above-normal temperatures are likely to dominate those one-month and three-month periods, he explained.

"We think that the majority of the days, or at least the most dominant category, is likely to be above normal," he said. "There will also be, undoubtedly, periods of near normal and below normal."

These outlooks are coming from historical trends and are not to be

concerning for the general public, he noted.

River report

As of Sept. 25, the San Juan River had a reported flow of 59.5 cubic feet per second (cfs), a 42.5 decrease from last week.

That total is well below the average for Sept. 25, which, according to the U.S. Geological Survey, is 143 cfs.

The lowest Sept. 25 flow total for the San Juan River came in 1953, when the river was flowing at 12 cfs; the highest came in 2013, when the river had a flow of 860 cfs.

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The Blotter

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Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Calls for service over week: 180.

Sept. 16 — Criminal mischief, County Road 500/Riverview Drive.

Sept. 16 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

Sept. 17 — All other thefts, first-degree criminal trespass-theft from vehicle, Great West Avenue.

Sept. 18 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

Sept. 18 — Information only, Bonanza Avenue/Vista Boulevard.

Sept. 18 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

Sept. 18 — Warrant arrest, South 8th Street.

Sept. 18 — Expired license plates, owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, Great West Avenue/Goldmine Drive.

Sept. 18 — County warrant, U.S. 84.

Sept. 18 — Indecent exposure, disorderly conduct-misdemeanor, County Road 988.

Sept. 18 — Warrant arrest, Trails Boulevard.

Sept. 19 — Under investigation, U.S. 160.

Sept. 19 — Off-highway vehicle operation prohibited on streets, roads and highway, Hurt Drive/East Stollsteimer Road.

Sept. 19 — Harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, Navajo Trail Drive.

Sept. 19 — Information only, U.S. 160.

Sept. 20 — Under investigation, Dutton Drive.

Sept. 21 — Drove vehicle under F.R.A. suspension, failed to drive in single lane (weaving), U.S. 160.

Sept. 21 — Warrant arrest, San Juan Alley.

Sept. 22 — Illegal possession or consumption of ethyl alcohol or marijuana by a minor, improper reg-

istration, drove vehicle without valid driver's license, obstructing peace officer/police animal/fireman, resisting arrest, driver failed to yield right of way to emergency vehicle, failure to use turn signal, U.S. 160/Aspen Village Drive.

Sept. 22 — Warrant arrest, U.S. 160/Aspen Village Drive.

Sept. 23 — Warrant arrest, warrant arrest, warrant arrest, County Road 600.

Pagosa Springs Police Department

No report.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

Aug. 26 — Lance James Creed Ulery, trespass 1-dwelling, two years probation, total fines and costs — \$1,673.50.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Aug. 21 — Robert C. Kennington, speeding 10-19 over limit, total fines and costs — \$258.50.

Aug. 21 — Jose B. Villagrana, unsafe or defective vehicle, speeding 1-4 over limit, total fines and costs — \$141.50.

Aug. 21 — Andrew Madison Davis, violation of stage 1 fire ban, total fines and costs — \$109.

Aug. 22 — Kelton C. Hanley, own dangerous dog-injury/cause death, total fines and costs — \$219.50.

Aug. 22 — Kelton Hanley, violation p/o-criminal, 12 months probation, 50 hours community service, total fines and costs — \$922.50.

Aug. 23 — Danny Rae Shahan, violation p/o-criminal, 12 months probation, total fines and costs — \$864.50.

Aug. 23 — Danny Shahan, driving while ability impaired, 20 days jail suspended imposition, 24 hours community service, 12 months probation, total fines and costs — \$1,446.

Aug. 23 — Joaquin J. Ornelas, careless driving, total fines and costs — \$293.50.

Aug. 28 — Travis Ray Vigue, tampering 2-intent injury/inconvenience/annoy, one year probation, total fines and costs — \$892.50.

Aug. 28 — Travis Ray Vigue, violation p/o-criminal, one year probation, two days jail, total fines and costs —

\$864.50.

Aug. 28 — Ross Mitchell Rupe, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$120.50.

Sept. 17 — Georgette T. Baumgardner, license plates-expired, total fines and costs — \$89.50.

Sept. 18 — Christopher M. Temple, driver's license-expired one year/less total fines and costs — \$113.50.

Sept. 18 — Jonathan D. Mcswain, driving under restraint-outstanding judgment, total fines and costs — \$111.50.

Sept. 18 — Molly E. Donahue, speeding 10-19 over limit, total fines and costs — \$258.50.

Sept. 18 — Michael V. Caldwell, registration-unregistered vehicle, total fines and costs — \$191.50.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge Clayton Buchner

Sept. 9 — William Talley, prohibited acts in town parks, contempt/failure to appear, two days jail.

Sept. 11 — Darrin Strickland, following too closely, four points, total fines and costs — \$146.

Sept. 11 — Ronald Martinez, disobeyed official traffic device; signal, owner operated vehicle without insurance, four points, total fines and costs — \$411.

Sept. 11 — Evelyn Kantas, unsafe backing, total fines and costs — \$72.

Sept. 11 — John McKeithen Jr., failed to yield to oncoming traffic when making a left turn, one point, total fines and costs — \$116.

Sept. 11 — Melanie Montoya, following too closely, two points, total fines and costs — \$146.

Sept. 11 — Weston Clark, following too closely, two points, total fines and costs — \$146.

Sept. 11 — Tyler Lybarger, following too closely, one point, total fines and costs — \$111.

Sept. 11 — Kenneth Runyan, following too closely, two points, total fines and costs — \$146.

Sept. 11 — McKenna Deyapp, unsafe backing, two points, total fines and costs — \$72.

Sept. 11 — Katie Samora, following

too closely, three points, total fines and costs — \$146.

Sept. 11 — John Anderson, unsafe backing, two points, total fines and costs — \$72.

Sept. 11 — John Anderson, driver operated vehicle without insurance, four points, total fines and costs — \$400.

Sept. 12 — Bradley Beauregard, animal running at large prohibited, total fines and costs — \$50.

Sept. 12 — Juvenile, criminal mischief, six months supervised probation, 150 hours community service, graffiti clean-up session, apology letters, written and verbal, substance use 101 class, total fines and costs — \$420.

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Sept. 12 — Ewan Reay, criminal mischief, six months supervised probation, 150 hours community service, graffiti clean-up session, five days jail, \$275 costs of incarceration suspended, total fines and costs — \$420.

Sept. 12 — Bryan Garland, failure to yield to oncoming traffic when making a left turn, three points, total fines and costs — \$116.

Sept. 12 — Jackie Barron, failure to yield to oncoming traffic when proceeding from a stop sign, three points, total fines and costs — \$116.

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Outdoors

Ranger district seeking public input on proposed relocation of snowmobile trailhead parking area

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Public comment is welcome for those who have an opinion on a proposal to move an existing snowmobile trailhead parking area on Mill Creek Road.

According to a notice from the Pagosa Ranger District, the proposal would be to relocate the current snowmobile trailhead parking area 1 mile east from its current location beyond the intersection of Mill Creek Road and Nipple Mountain Road, specifically on the south side of Nipple Mountain Road.

The existing trailhead would be closed and decommissioned while also being returned to a "naturalized state," the notice describes.

The new site would only be open to vehicles during the winter season, the notice indicates.

According to Pagosa Ranger District Recreation Program Manager Paul Blackman, the existing parking lot has not functioned as it originally intended to.

Because Mill Creek Road was transferred to the county, snowmobiling is not allowed on plowed county roads that are open to

wheeled vehicles, Blackman explained.

"So, we had to create an alternate trail to get up into the trail system on the Nipple Mountain Road area, which is the destination," he said. "That trail has not held its snow really well over the years."

The trail gets so narrow in spots you can't groom it, Blackman added.

As a result of the trailhead not functioning properly, people have come to travel on Mill Creek Road to Nipple Mountain Road, which is illegal, he added.

"So, we have an access trail that was put in several years ago that's right there at the beginning of Nipple Mountain Road and that's where we want to situate the new parking area," he said.

The new parking area would put people in compliance with county laws and offer a groomed trail that they can start off from, Blackman explained further.

The local snowmobiling community has not been satisfied with the current trailhead because of its lack of functionality, he described.

Additionally, landowners in

the area have complained about people blocking Mill Creek Road, he added.

Another concern for the ranger district is that the existing site has been a spot where people like to have target practice, Blackman noted.

"Unfortunately, what folks do is they shoot over Mill Creek, across Mill Creek, into a hillside," he said. "That leaves a bunch of debris in Mill Creek and has become a big mess for the ranger district to address, he described further.

"Our plans are we're going to rip that area so that people cannot go in there any longer," he said. "There are numerous opportunities for target practice that are legal where you're not shooting into a creek, which is prohibited by our own statutes."

The new site would be able to accommodate vehicles with limited improvements, but Blackman noted the new trailhead is "not a huge trailhead by any means."

If the proposal goes through, the process of relocating the trailhead parking area would be very quick, he explained.

"It's a relatively level meadow

area, no immediately apparent environmental concerns like watershed or wildlife or anything like that," he explained.

In relation to shooting, the ranger district gets a "whole lot" of complaints in that area, Blackman added.

"It really is a big mess, where right across the road, there's a much more suitable area that doesn't involve shooting into a creek," he said. "There have been lots of complaints from landowners up there as well as just general recreationists about the general unsightliness of it."

Written comments regarding this proposal can be submitted to: Kevin Khung, Pagosa District Ranger, P.O. Box 310, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

Comments can also be hand-delivered to the Pagosa Ranger District Office at 180 Pagosa St. between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Additionally, comments can be faxed to Blackman at 264-1538 and electronic comments can be sent to comments-rocky-mountain-san-juan-pagosa@usda.gov.

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Bear hits dumpsters: Restaurants, residents urged to secure trash

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

A bear sighting over the weekend near a local shopping center has prompted wildlife officials to remind business owners and homeowners alike to make sure trash receptacles are locked and secured.

Last weekend, a bear was reported as being in a tree at the intersection of Village Drive and Pinon Causeway, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Southwest Region Public Information Officer Joe Lewandowski explained in an interview that this bear has been getting into dumpsters at local restaurants and going into trees for safety.

That behavior is common for bears around this time of year, as the animals are in hyperphagia, or a state of extreme eating before they hibernate for the winter.

Local CPW officers have requested that restaurants in the area

secure dumpsters, Lewandowski added.

"When they find an easy source of food like a dumpster with restaurant scraps, if that's available, they'll go into that," he said.

CPW officers have not been able to actually see the bear, Lewandowski explained, noting that the organization has just been receiving calls about the animal.

"We're not trying to trap the bear, yet," he said. "We're working with the restaurants to get them to try and button up their dumpsters."

If the dumpsters are taken care of and the bear cannot find food, it will head back into the wild and find food where it should, he added.

"We're trying to clean up the food sources. That's the problem. The bear is not the problem," he said. "The bear isn't exhibiting behavior that we would call aggressive."

The message not only is for restaurants to secure their trash, but local residents as well, Lewandowski explained.

"Residencies and apartment buildings should make sure they're taking care of their garbage and not leaving it out," he said.

CPW tips

With bears in hyperphagia, CPW offers tips to locals to bear-proof homes.

These tips include locking all doors, gates and windows within a home as well as doors and windows on vehicles.

CPW also recommends getting

rid of attractants for bears, including: not leaving trash out overnight, cleaning your trash can and cleaning up after picnics held in your yard or deck.

Locals can also do their part in teaching bears to remain wild by scaring bears away with loud noises such as hand claps or banging pots and pans together if a bear comes close to their home.

CPW notes that if a bear will not leave, call the local CPW office or Colorado State Patrol; if a bear presents an immediate threat to human safety, CPW notes for locals to call 911.

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Hunter safety card required for purchasing hunting license: Local classes offered

By Donald D. Volger
Special to The SUN

Hunter education classes will be offered two more times this season in Pagosa Springs, on Oct. 17 and 18 (before the start of the second rifle season on Oct. 19), and a final class on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 (prior to the start of the third rifle season on Nov. 2).

Sessions will take place 5:30-10 p.m. on Thursday and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday. Students must attend each session.

Classes will be held at the San Juan Ranger Building, 302 San Juan St.

Please contact Don Volger at 264-2197 or ddvolger@gmail.com for updated location information.

The cost is \$10 for the class. These courses will be open to anyone wishing to obtain a hunter safety card. Students should register online prior to the class. To register, go to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) website, click on "Learn" then click on "Classes — Traditional" under the Hunter Education heading and follow the instructions.

If you were born on or after Jan. 1, 1949, you are required to have a hunter safety card before you can purchase a hunting license.

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Sports

CROSS-COUNTRY



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Pagosa's Nell Taylor strides for the finish line during Saturday's Pagosa Springs Cross Country Challenge at Cloman Park. Taylor finished third overall, helping her team to a first-place finish.



Pirate teams take first, second at home meet

By **Randi Pierce**
Staff Writer

At the beginning of summer training, members of the Pagosa Springs High School cross-country team set a goal to "show up" at the team's home meet this fall — a goal they accomplished last weekend.

The Lady Pirates took first at the Pagosa Springs Cross-Country Challenge, while their Pirate counterparts finished second.

"That was a great day. It was an awesome day," coach Scott Anderson said, adding, "Not only was the weather great, the course did really well, people seemed to be happy with that."

He added that, more importantly, the vast majority of Pagosa's

runners had a good day.

"Both teams showed up very well," he said.

The team entered the meet with a goal of using the smaller meet to gain confidence, with the coach noted that, while not everyone was healthy, "a vast majority of them were racing together for the first time in a while."

Anderson added that the runners worked well together and met their goal of showing up at the home meet.

Both teams also packed well on the day, with several Pirates finishing close together.

"So, that was really encouraging to see again, pretty much on both sides, definitely on the guys," Anderson said, explaining the ability

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The Pagosa Springs Pirate cross-country teams hosted the Pagosa Springs Cross Country Challenge Saturday at Cloman Park, with the high school races capping off the day's activities.



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Cross-country

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levels on the boys' team has been more spread out than it is this year, while the girls' squad has established a culture that lends itself to packing tighter.

"They, we are able to see ... the potential of what they can do," the coach said.

A handful of Lady Pirates finished in the top 10 at the event, leaving Pagosa in first place with 28 points — 22 points ahead of second-place Aztec, N.M.

Nell Taylor led the way for the Lady Pirates at the meet, finishing third out of the race's 54 runners with a time of 22 minutes, 54 seconds.

Michelle Saucedo followed in seventh in 24:44, Megan Greenly crossed the finish line eighth in 24:53, Celia Taylor finished ninth in 24:56 and Sierra Liverett finished 10th in 25:19 in her return to race action.

Liverett returned to training a few weeks ago after battling injury since the track season last spring, the coach indicated.

"She really wanted to race and we let her in there, and ... I know what she's capable of," Anderson said, indicating that to run that well with the amount of training Liverett has been able to put in this season was "awesome to see."

Ivory Carpenter crossed the line 16th in 25:54.

Hailey Griego finished in 30th with a time of 29:05, followed by Sophia Raymond in 35th with a time of 30:10.

Megan Foster crossed the line in 31:59, putting her 42nd, Caroline Smith finished 47th in 34:50, Carolyn Foster finished 49th in 34:57 and Savannah Atole finished 53rd in 41:56.

The boys' squad finished the meet in second, five points behind Monticello, Utah.

The Pirates' lead runner also took third, with Gabe Heraty finishing the course in 19:23.

Jack Foster finished ninth out of the 52 runners with a time of 20:51.

David Morehouse followed in 16th in 21:51.

"He had a breakout race," Anderson said, with the race being the Morehouse's highest finish.

Cooper Evans took 19th with a time of 22 minutes and Elan



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Pirate Gabe Heraty leads a pack of runners Saturday during the Pagosa Springs Cross Country Challenge. Heraty finished third in the high school boys' race, with the Pirate team finishing second overall.

Ramirez, who the coach explained was under the weather, finished 20th 14 seconds later.

Cam Hinger followed close behind, finishing 21st in 22:22, and Mason Blakemore followed in 22 with a time of 22:25.

Clayton Cayard crossed the line 27th with a time of 23:02 and was followed by Noah Weiszbrod in 28th with a time of 23:09.

Cole Reis took 37th in 24:24, Andrew Bowles finished 41st in 24:52 and Tomas McNeill finished 43rd in 25:24.

This week, the Pirate teams will

head for the Salida Cross-Country Classic, which will kick off Saturday morning at 9 a.m.

At that meet, the teams will be working on taking the confidence level gained at last weekend's meet and applying it to a larger, more competitive meet that will have larger schools in attendance.

"So, if we can take our newfound belief in ourselves and see how that applies at a larger stage," Anderson said, noting he anticipates about 200 runners on the line for each high school race.

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GOLF

Two Pirates qualify for state, team takes third at regionals

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

A pair of Pagosa Springs High School golfers, Nathan Smith and Taylor Cotts, will represent the Pirates in the upcoming state tournament in October after qualifying at Tuesday's regional tournament in at Hollydot Golf Club in Colorado City.

Overall, the Pirate team placed third at the tournament with a team score of 32 over par, behind Kent Denver (11 over) and The Classical Academy (23 over).

From each region, two full teams and 13 individuals not on a team advance to the state tournament, which will be held at the Eisenhower Golf Course-Blue at the Air Force Academy on Oct. 7 and 8.

"It was a very good day, it really was," coach Mark Faber said Wednesday, noting he's not surprised by the Pirates' successes. He added, "They all played hard and did well."

Smith finished second out of 54 golfers at regionals, shooting three under par on the par-71 course.

Smith's effort included five birdies, 10 pars and two bogeys and was not only the best round of Smith's high school career, but also the best round ever for Pagosa Springs at regionals.

"This is the round we've been waitin' on all year. This is what we thought he could do all year. ... He went out and played exceptionally well," Faber said.

Faber explained that this has been coming all year for Smith, with all the pieces finally clicking.

"I expect him to continue to play like this," he said, adding, "It's good to see the results finally, of all the hard work and effort that he's put in. Yeah, it was fun. It was fun to watch. ... It was just a joy to watch him play. ... He's worked hard to get to this point and that's amazing."

Also having a "really good day," according to Faber, was Cotts, who finished tied for 12th with an 82. Cotts shot birdies on two holes



Photo courtesy Mark Faber

Pirates Dylan Manzaneres, Nathan Smith, Taylor Cotts and Britain Peterson pose following Tuesday's regional tournament in Colorado City. The Pirates finished third, with Smith and Cotts qualifying for the state tournament.

and par on seven holes, with Faber pointing out that Cotts struggled on one hole, but played well the rest of the day.

"He's worked hard and he's put himself in a good position," the coach said.

Dylan Manzaneres finished 30th on the day after shooting a 95, and Britain Peterson notched a 104 to tie for 35th.

"I may be prouder of those two than the others," Faber said, commending the golfers' effort. "They both probably worked harder and, you know, put as much effort as possible in."

Faber noted that while they didn't get the results they were looking for, it was not for lack of effort or preparation.

"Very pleased with the way all of them handled themselves yesterday," Faber said.

Rye Invitational

The Pirates preceded the regional tournament with the Rye Invitational on Sept. 20, also at Hollydot.

The Pirates took second at the invitational, falling six strokes behind The Classical Academy.

"The kids played well at Rye, they really did," Faber said, pointing out that Pagosa beat both Alamosa and Monte Vista.

He noted that it's nice to beat Pagosa's league rivals.

Smith placed second out of the 81 golfers on the day, shooting a 76, Cotts finished fifth with an 84, Peterson tied for 37th with a 100, and Manzaneres shot a 108 and tied for 61st.

"I just appreciate the work ethic and how hard they were trying, and, you know, it paid off. And that's good when it does that, it's really good to see," Faber said.



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Pirates soccer conquers Montezuma-Cortez, falls to Taos

By John Finerock
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate soccer team squeaked by the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers in a 5-4 victory on Sept. 20 and lost 10-0 to the Taos High School Tigers on Sept. 24.

"We just did everything right in that game," coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason said of the game against the Panthers. "We went out and established a short passing game, passing through the seams."

The Pirates connected on three goals in the first half, with team captain Will Villalobos netting the first goal in the sixth minute with an assist by Jordan Heaton.

The second goal was rocketed into the net by EJ Monteroso in the 10th minute, with an assist from Jamie Novoa Alvarez.

Then, in the 25th minute, a direct kick from Novoa Alvarez bounced off the Panther's goalkeeper and Villalobos followed the shot and put it into the net.

"The guys were looking good, feeling good," Kurt-Mason said of the first half, noting that the Pirates went into halftime with a 3-1 lead.

"They let down in the second half," Kurt-Mason said. "Cortez came charging back, they scored eight minutes into the second half and then another goal came about 10 minutes later."

The Panthers tied the game 3-3, and then Monteroso scored another goal to give the Pirates a 4-3 advantage.

But the Panthers battled back, scoring a goal in the 62nd minute of the game to tie the Pirates 4-4.

Two minutes later, on a pass from Monteroso, Villalobos scored his second and the final goal of the game, launching the Pirates to their second victory of the season with a 5-4 win.

"It was a great game, it was a lot of fun to watch," Kurt-Mason said, adding, "You gotta hand it to Cortez, they didn't give up, but we didn't give up either."

Kurt-Mason noted the Pirates are "finding their identity" in establishing a short passing game and seeing the passing lanes and seams in front of them.

"It's really cool when they're connecting," he said.

Villalobos earned the player of the game title with two goals and two assists.

Monteroso finished with two goals and one assist, Heaton had one assist and Novoa Alvarez finished with one goal and one assist.

Goalie Gabe Gallegos had 11 saves on the day.

The Pirates improved their record to 2-5 after beating Montezuma-Cortez.

Then, on Sept. 24, the Pirates hosted the Taos High School Tigers, who traveled to Pagosa with a 7-1-1 record.

"The guys just came out flat and they knew it," Kurt-Mason said of the Pirate athletes.

The Pirates allowed four goals in the first half and scored none, with Gallegos leaving his post as goalkeeper at halftime due to a stomach illness, finishing with five saves and four goals allowed.

"We had spurts of brilliance, sections of the game we were passing well," Kurt-Mason said. "I think our big mistake was not marking tight enough. Taos could basically pass without having any pressure. We just weren't tight enough as they approached."

Freshman Jonathan Nasralla went in at goalie for the second half and made an save that knocked the wind out of him.

"That was like a western, like Johnny got shot in the gut," Kurt-Mason said, adding, "[He's] trying to stand up and he went down forward."

Nasralla earned six saves and allowed two goals.

Nasralla came out of the game after the injury and Kameron Winkler took over at goal, with Winkler doing a "fine job" according to his coach.

Winkler also got injured at goal after allowing two goals and saving four, and was replaced with Wyatt Ziegler, who made six saves and allowed two goals.

Kurt-Mason said the Pirates "weren't marking well enough" and allowed too much space for the Tigers to move freely on their way to a 10-0 victory.

"Some lessons are hard to swal-



SUN photo/Randi Pierce

Pagosa Springs High School junior Elijah Olivares works to maintain possession against Taos during the Pirates' loss to the Tigers Tuesday afternoon. The Pirates lost the match 10-0.

low, but I think these guys are pretty resilient and they'll move on," Kurt-Mason said.

The Pirates stand at 2-6 after the loss to Taos.

The Pirates are 2-2 in Intermountain League play, behind Alamosa at 4-0 and ahead of Bayfield and Montezuma-Cortez, who each sit at 0-2 in league play.

The Pirates are ranked 52nd in the 3A Ratings Percentage Index, which helps determine postseason seeding.

The team now looks to its next opponent, Crested Butte Community School, who the Pirates faced in their first match of the season to

an 8-0 loss.

"It's good to play a team twice and gauge the difference," Kurt-Mason said. "I'm sure Crested Butte's improved as well as us, but I think we'll be able to see our successes."

The Pirates face the Crested Butte Titans on Sept. 28 at 11 a.m. in Crested Butte.

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FOOTBALL



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Elevating to make the grab, Pirate Mitch Lewis snags an 11-yard touchdown pass during the first quarter of the matchup against the Basalt Longhorns on Sept. 20. Lewis ended the night with two catches for 25 yards and two touchdowns against Basalt, but Pagosa fell at home to the Longhorns by a score of 39-19.



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Pirate Tyler Bowdridge stiff-arms Basalt Longhorn defender Tristan Johnston. Basalt defeated Pagosa 39-19 and the Pirates will look to rebound this Saturday on the road against the No. 2 Moffat County Bulldogs, with kickoff set for 11 a.m.

Pirates fall to Basalt on late turnovers, take on Moffat County Saturday

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The No. 18 Pagosa Springs High School Pirate football team (1-3 overall) kept it close with the No. 4 Basalt Longhorns (3-0 overall) for three quarters, but late turnovers turned out to be the team's downfall as it fell at home by a score of 39-19.

In the first quarter, Pagosa struck first when quarterback Grant Aucoin floated an 11-yard touchdown pass to Mitch Lewis, who made the bobbling catch.

With the extra point missed, the Pirates held a 6-0 lead, which was maintained into the second quarter.

Early in the second quarter, Basalt found some momentum, blocking a Pirate punt, which set up the Longhorns with good field position.

Basalt capitalized on the blocked punt as Longhorn running back Cole Dombrowski scampered in for a 7-yard rushing touchdown, giving Basalt the 7-6 lead.

Late in the first half, Basalt regained possession and scored once again, this time with quarterback Matty Gillis connecting with receiver Jackson Rappaport on a 30-yard touchdown pass, giving Basalt a 14-6 lead.

Pagosa, entering the second half, looked for a spark to garner some momentum; that spark was created when Basalt fumbled on its first possession of the second half.

Aucoin recovered the ball for the Pirates, which resulted in good field

position for the home team.

On the ensuing possession, Pirate Paden Bailey took a halfback toss 20 yards for a touchdown, breaking multiple tackles along the way.

Pagosa failed on the two-point conversion, but cut into Basalt's lead, 14-12.

What followed is 25 unanswered Basalt points, often coming at the result of Pagosa fumbles.

With the score at 39-12, Pagosa found its way back into the end zone with less than a minute remaining in the fourth quarter when Aucoin and Lewis connected again, this time on a 14-yard touchdown pass.

Aucoin finished the night completing six of 11 passing attempts for 67 yards and two touchdowns.

Lewis had five catches for 25 yards, Bailey led the team in receptions and yards with three catches for 33 yards, and Caleb Laverty had one catch for 9 yards.

Bailey also led the team in rushing attempts and yardage, finishing with 19 carries for 141 yards.

Wil Aucoin also eclipsed the century mark in rushing for Pagosa with 16 carries for 107 yards.

Grant Aucoin had seven carries for 5 yards while Lewis added two carries for two yards.

Pagosa currently sits in third place in the Intermountain League standings, ahead of Montezuma-Cortez and Salida.

Alamosa currently has top billing in the league standings with a 3-0 record, while Bayfield is in second place with a 1-2 record.

Basalt as a team does not do a whole lot of stuff offensively, only running a select-few plays, but what they do run, they do it well, coach Myron Stretton explained in an interview.

"We knew that in coming and had a plan to defend it and we did not execute it," Stretton said.

One such play was a play-action pass in which one receiver went deep into the flat and another went shallow into the flat, he explained.

"We told them repeatedly, 'You got to cover the deep guy in the flat. We'll come and make a tackle on the other guy.' And we just could not do it," he said. "I don't know what to say about that except it's just another failure in execution and it's ridiculous."

Not being able to stop the same plays was frustrating, but what made it more frustrating was that Pagosa had seen those same plays from Basalt when the teams played last season, Stretton explained.

The Pirates had also seen the plays on film and had a plan on how to cover it, he added later.

Offensively, the Pirates did things well when they executed, Stretton described.

Running the ball, the only thing that stopped Pagosa against Basalt was themselves, Stretton added later.

"It's just our mental lapses and our lack of execution that take away the opportunities that we have to win," he said.

To limit turnovers in the future, Pagosa will look to get more repeti-

tion on various things within its offense, Stretton explained.

"It's just unforced errors," he said.

Within the confines of its triple-option offense, Stretton noted that Pagosa makes good decisions most of the time when reading the defense; however, the fundamental errors hurt the team.

Moffat County

Next up for the Pirates will be a road matchup with the No. 2 Moffat County Bulldogs Saturday at 11 a.m.

This season, Moffat County is 3-0 and has outscored opponents 119-55.

Last year, Pagosa got the best of the Bulldogs, defeating them 49-20.

The game plan for defeating Moffat County for the second straight year will be the same thing that has been a focus all year long — execution, he explained.

"They're another good football team and I thought they were a pretty good football team last year," he said.

Last year, Pagosa struggled to stop Moffat County defensively, he noted.

"You've got to go compete the entire game and expect to win the game no matter who it is," Stretton said.

Outside of Durango, no opponent for the Pirates has effectively stopped the team on offense, he added later.

"We have to quit stopping ourselves. Defensively we still have a lot of improvements to make," he explained. "We've just got to overcome those things."

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VOLLEYBALL



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Lady Pirate Brigid Parken eyes the ball during a matchup between the Monte Vista Pirates on Sept 21. Parken, along with teammate Elsa Lindner, led the team in blocks with two apiece to help secure the 3-0 league victory over Monte Vista.



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Taylor Lewis rises for one of her team-high seven kills against Monte Vista on Sept 21. Lewis also led the team in serving aces with five. The No. 48 Lady Pirates will look to grab another win against the Ignacio Bobcats tonight at 6 p.m. Pagosa will then face No. 19 Centauri on the road on Saturday at 6 p.m. and return home on Oct. 1 to take on the No. 3 Alamosa Mean Moose at 6 p.m.

Lady Pirates defeat Tigers, split with league opponents at tri tournament

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate volleyball team picked up two wins in three games over the last week, including one over a league foe, to improve the team's overall record to 3-6, which includes a 1-1 record in Intermountain League (IML) play.

The Lady Pirates came into the week's action on the heels of a 3-0 loss to the 4A Durango Demons, which prompted coach Caitlin Forrest to make some changes, she wrote in an email to The SUN.

Forrest explained that these changes were made in an attempt to spark some competition and chemistry in the Lady Pirates.

"These changes are by no means permanent, but I am trying to figure out who needs to be on the court and in what capacity. Lucky for me, I have adaptable girls, capable of playing a range of different positions!" Forrest wrote.

Tigers tamed

First, Pagosa swept the Aztec Tigers in three sets on Sept. 19.

Playing in front of the home crowd for the first time this season, Pagosa came out on fire against Aztec in the first set, jumping out to a 13-3 lead.

The Lady Pirates never let up, going on a 7-2 run, leading 20-5 in the first set and going on to take the first set from the Tigers 25-10.

In the second set, Aztec showed a little bit more fight; however, Pagosa still led 12-6 midway through the second set.

That lead grew to 22-16 and Pagosa eventually finished off Aztec 25-19 in the second set.

In the final set, Aztec came out swinging, taking an early 8-4 lead.

The Lady Pirates clawed their way back into the final set, tying the game at 13 and going on to take an 18-17 lead.

Both the Lady Pirates and Tigers went back and forth as the third set wound down, with Pagosa looking to capture a home win and Aztec looking to extend the match; however, the Pirates triumphed over their opponents, winning the final set 25-22.

Pagosa finished with a season-high 32 kills against Aztec, with Patty Black and Teagan Stretton leading the team with seven each.

Brigid Parken added five kills and River Pitcher had another four.

Both Elsa Lindner and Taylor Lewis had three kills, while Kori Lucero had two and Molly Graham added one.

The Lady Pirates tallied up 11 serving aces against Aztec.

Lewis led the way with six, a career high, while Stretton and Chloe Bridges added three and two, respectively.

Defensively, Parken led the way with three blocks; Pagosa accumulated eight total against Aztec.

In total, Pagosa notched 77 total digs against Aztec, with four Lady

Pirates having double-digit digs.

Lucero led the team with a career-high 15, while Mackenzie Wedemeyer, Pitcher and Stretton each added 14.

Bridges and Stretton led the team with 13 assists each.

Forrest wrote in an email to The SUN that the match against Aztec was a fun one and showed how the Lady Pirates can come together and play.

"I was incredibly proud of their ability to fight for every point and not play down to the level of the opponent," she wrote.

The changes that were made heading into the matchup against Aztec, including switching who was playing the defensive specialist position, or libero, and moved into a 6-2 formation, she described.

The 6-2 formation allows for three hitters at all times and includes two setters; the libero was moved to left back instead of middle back, opening up a hitting option in the back row as well, she wrote.

While there were a lot of changes made, Forrest explained she was happy of the Lady Pirates for adapting so well.

League showdown

Over the weekend, on Sept. 21, Pagosa played its first two league games of the season as part of a home tri tournament, splitting with the Bayfield Wolverines and the Monte Vista Pirates.

First up for Pagosa was the Wolverines, who swept Pagosa in three sets.

Despite a late run in the first set, Bayfield was able to hold on for the 25-21 victory.

The Wolverines won the second set handily, 25-11, and held on in the final set 25-23.

The Lady Pirates accumulated 23 errors against Bayfield, the team's second-highest mark of the season.

Black led the team in kills with eight, a season high, with the Lady Pirates accumulating 24 kills total against Bayfield.

Four other Lady Pirates added three kills each against Bayfield: Lindner, Stretton, Lewis and Parken.

Pagosa logged just three serving aces against Bayfield, with Pitcher, Parken and Stretton having one apiece.

Defensively, Pagosa logged a season-low three blocks against Bayfield.

The Lady Pirates totaled 73 digs against Bayfield, the second-highest mark for the team so far this season.

Bridges led the team with 15 digs and Lucero added another 14; Pitcher and Stretton added 11 and 10 digs, respectively.

Stretton led the team with 16 assists.

Forrest noted that Bayfield came out strong against Pagosa, only having two errors in the first set, making it hard to beat a team who is playing almost mistake free.

"I think that got to my girls, and the 2nd set, we couldn't seem to stop their strong hitter," she added. "With some bad calls, me getting a yellow card, and feeling like they couldn't get a run, the girls struggled to play together."

Pagosa was able to pull it together in the third set, but still could not find a way to get a win, she explained, adding that Pagosa struggled to put a ball down against the Wolverine defense and noting that it's been a common theme for the Lady Pirates.

Pagosa rebounded in a big way later that day, sweeping the Monte Vista Pirates 3-0.

Pagosa dominated the first set, jumping out to a 19-8 lead that eventually turned into a 25-9 victory.

The second set was taken by Pagosa 25-11, and despite a final push by Monte Vista in the final set, Pagosa took the third set 25-17.

Pagosa tallied 22 total kills against Monte Vista, with Lewis leading the way with seven kills, and Lindner adding six.

Lewis also led the team with five serving aces, contributing to the team's season-high 15 total serving aces. Stretton added four serving aces while Wedemeyer and Parken added two each.

Lindner and Parken led the team with two blocks each.

Pagosa finished with 43 total digs, with Wedemeyer leading the team with 12; Bridges and Lucero added six each.

Stretton, once again, led the team in assists with 13.

"While we never look forward to these games as the competition seems to be low, the girls needed another win, and an opportunity to prove that they can do good things," Forrest wrote of Pagosa's win over

Monte Vista. "We had multiple aces, kills, blocks, etc. It was a fun one to boost stats and reestablish our offense. Something we needed a reset on after Bayfield."

Upcoming games

Looking to add a couple more wins, Pagosa will square off with a regional opponent and two league opponents.

First up for Pagosa will be a matchup against the 2A Ignacio Bobcats (4-3 overall) tonight at home at 6 p.m.

Last season, the Lady Pirates defeated the Bobcats in three sets in the lone matchup of the two teams.

On Saturday, Pagosa will travel to face the No. 19 Centauri Falcons (5-4 overall, 2-1 in league play) in a league matchup at 6 p.m.

Centauri currently sits third in the IML standings and Pagosa sits just under them in fourth.

Last season, Centauri swept the season series with Pagosa.

Against Ignacio and Centauri, the Lady Pirates will look to increase their runs and improving their serve receive, with Forrest noting that the Bobcats in particular always have strong serves, and playing as a unit.

She wrote, "We know we can't underestimate any opponent, and that every time we step onto the court, we need to see it as an opportunity to improve and work towards preparing ourselves for a hopeful post-season."

Then, on Oct. 1 at 6 p.m., the Lady Pirates will face the IML-leading, No. 2 Alamosa Mean Moose (10-1 overall, 3-0 in league play) at home.

Alamosa also swept the season series with the Lady Pirates last year.

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DUST2 mountain bike team races in Snowmass

By Lance Thornton
Special to The SUN

Switchbacks up and switchbacks down is the story behind the third race of the season. The DUST2 mountain bike team was in Snowmass, Colo., last weekend on a race course cut into the side of the ski slope.

The course started with a 3-mile climb with over 700 feet of elevation gain. Once at the top, the descent was 2 miles to the bottom to complete one lap.

In the first race of the day, 160 freshman boys took off. Carter Kasson, Tucker Mashue and Ethan Bergdolt crushed two laps of this hard course. Kasson had his best finish of the season so far, finishing 37th. Bergdolt, after competing with a cold all week, finished 50th and Mashue placed 111th, stating that "the downhill was awesome but the uphill was crushing."

The varsity boys took off in the second race. Brae Bergdolt had his best finish of this season, finishing 24th.

He competed for four laps and stated, "Snowmass is definitely the hardest race of the season. Lots of uphill, requiring you to dig deep."

The final race of the day was sophomore boys, where Sawyer Blakemore also had his best finish of the season, finishing in 14th. Davis Parker came in 33rd after getting stuck behind some slower



DUST2 mountain bike team members Sawyer Blakemore, Arden Blakemore, Davis Parker, Elijah Gerdes and Brae Bergdolt.

Photo courtesy Lance Thornton

riders going up the switchbacks.

Parker stated that, "You have to be in the right state of mind for this race, because you don't really get a chance to have a break."

Elijah Gerdes finished the day

in 105th after struggling with a flat tire.

All of the racers showed a great amount of grit and determination this week, with several of the riders turning in their best races of the

season. It seems that all the training and hours of practice is paying off. This is good with the state championships only two races away, but next up is the Haymaker Classic in Eagle, Colo.

Women's golf season comes to a close

By Lynne McCrudden
Special to The SUN

The Pagosa Springs Women's Golf Association has brought its season to a close.

The women's group, with 24 members, played every Tuesday from the end of May to the end of September. Weekly games were fun and devised so that all handicaps had a chance of winning.

The ladies also participated in the Four Corners team play events that took place at different courses around the Four Corners area about once a month. This Thursday, the last team play was held at San Juan Country Club in Farmington, N.M., with a celebration luncheon at the conclusion of play.

The club championship was held on two beautiful days the end of August. The overall club champion was Kay Crumpton, who finished with a gross score for two days of 141. The first flight net win-

ner was Cherry O'Donnell with a net score for two days of 134. In the second flight, the first net player was Joan Stone with a score of 134, and Nancy Dennis was the second net winner with a score of 139.

On the first day of play, there were three chip-ins by Beth Ross, Kathy McBane and Kay McKee. On the second day, Cherry O'Donnell had a 60-foot putt on Pinon nine for the longest putt of the championship. At the end of the last day of play, the group celebrated with lunch.

New officers were elected for the 2020 season: Lynne McCrudden, president; Beth Ross, vice president; Jane Baker, play day chairperson; and Kay McKeel, treasurer. Dues are \$50 for the season and the money is used to pay out the winners each week. If you are interested in playing with the ladies next season, please give McCrudden a call at 946-2517. There are all ranges of handicaps and it is very friendly competition.



Photo courtesy Lynne McCrudden

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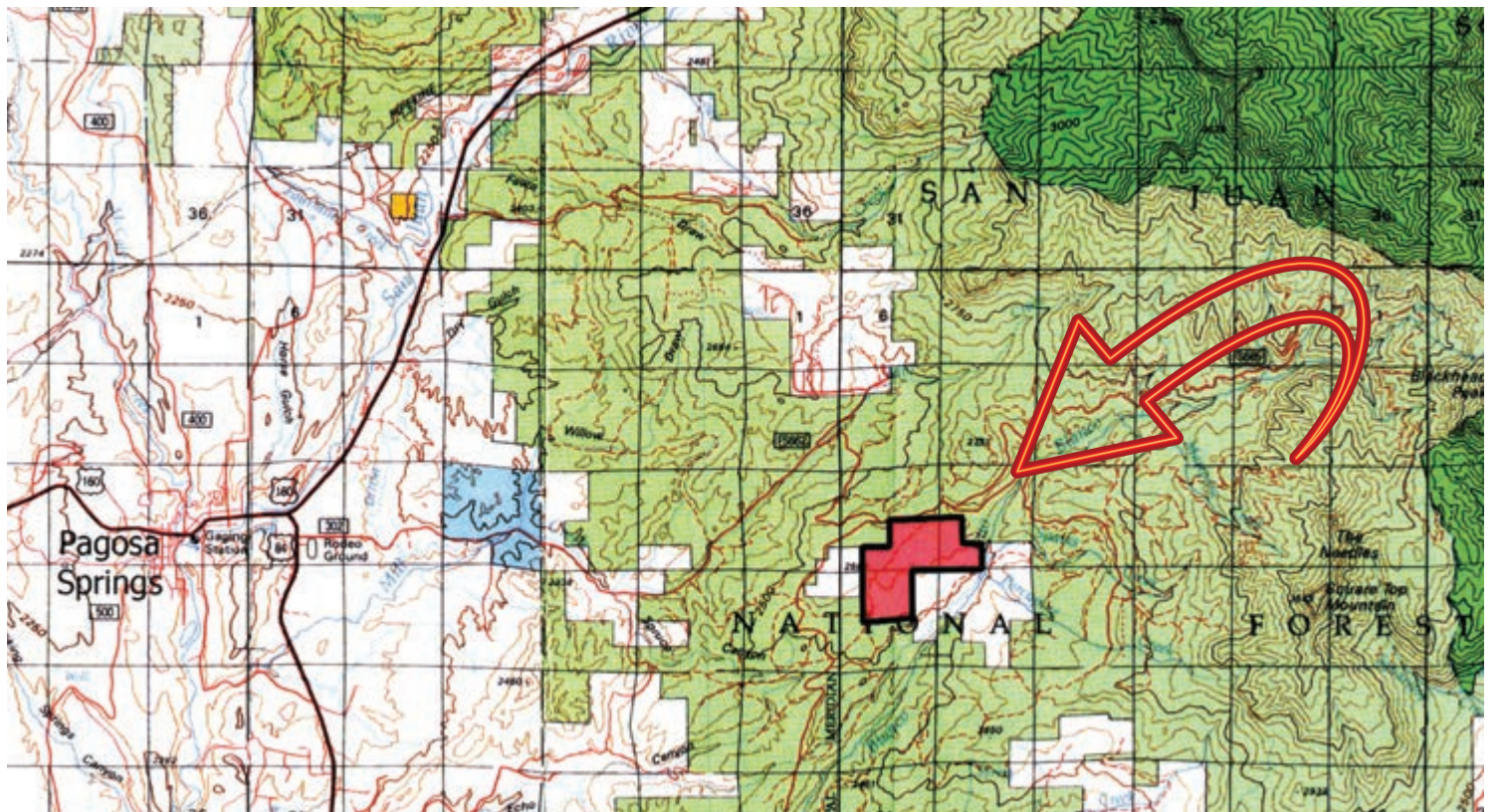
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EXTENSION VIEWPOINTS

Foraging for edible weeds

By Ethan Proud
SUN Columnist

I frequently get asked about whether or not noxious weeds can be eaten, used medicinally or as herbs. The short answer is yes (poisonous plant extracts are often used in modern medicine), though it is not an effective management strategy.

However, if you want to forage and try some weeds, do not harvest them from the rights of way as they may have a chemical residue, do not trespass and, if you plan on harvesting from the National Forest, check with the local office regarding the legality of such activities.

Planting and intentionally cultivating noxious weeds is against state law. However, if you want to try to eat some of your garden invaders, many can be added to a salad and are quite palatable. Hoary cress is in the brassicaceae family (mustards such as cabbage, broccoli and kale are in this same family) and tastes like a cruciferous vegetable with a spicy flavor, but some literature indicates that it may be poisonous. Dandelion and chicory greens may be added to a salad, though the leaves of mature plants often taste bitter. Dandelion wine is fairly popular and may be a good use for all the yellow flowers that are competing with your lawn. Chicory root is also used as a coffee substitute, though it is bitter and doesn't really taste like coffee.

Thistles are in the clade car-

duoideae and have a popular edible cousin, the artichoke. Some individuals eat thistle by peeling the skin off of the stem, though it seems labor-intensive and prickly for such a small morsel. Common mullein has also been used in teas for respiratory ailments, though its trichomes are a skin and mouth irritant and should not be eaten. Many noxious weeds also contain poisonous compounds or have highly poisonous look-alikes and foraging should only be done under the direction of an expert.

Many of our native plant species can also be great additions to a salad or a quick pick-me-up while hiking. The spurs of columbine contain nectar and are very sweet.

Misidentifying plants can lead to disastrous, if not fatal, repercussions. A native plant to this area, death camas, has an edible relative, blue camas, and smells and appears similar to a wild onion when not in bloom. It only takes three ounces of the bulb to kill an adult.

Foraging for wild foods is a great way to expand your palate and eat an "exotic" diet, but should not be undertaken without a reputable guide book and expert advice.

Archuleta County Weed and Pest is your local resource for managing noxious weed populations and controlling other pests.

Electric cooker 101

Do you have an electric pressure cooker at home, but don't know what to do with it? Are you think-

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The Extension office will be offering two classes on Oct. 2, at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Call the Extension office to register. Classes are \$15 each. Child care will be offered for the 6 p.m. class only and supports 4-H.

4-H open house

There will be a 4-H open house at 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the fairgrounds. Come see what 4-H is all about. Call the Extension office at 264-5931 for more information.

Health Lands Workshop

There will be a Healthy Lands Workshop from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov. 6 at the Extension office. Please call the San Juan Conservation District office at 731-3615 to register. There will be a free lunch.

CPR and first aid classes

CPR and first aid certification classes are offered monthly by the CSU Extension office on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month from 6 to 10 p.m. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

We will also attempt to schedule classes on additional dates with five or more registrations. Cost for the classes is \$80 for combined CPR/first aid and \$55 for CPR, first aid or recertification. The type of first aid information provided will vary by the needs of the audience.

38-38-302 shall be filed with the officer no later than eight (8) business days after the sale.

In this regard, you may desire and are advised to consult with your own private attorney. IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov Further, you are advised that the parties liable thereon, the owner of the property described above, or those with an interest in the subject property, may take appropriate and timely action under Colorado statutes, certain sections of which are attached hereto. In order to be entitled to take advantage of any rights provided for under Colorado law, you must strictly comply and adhere to the provisions of the law. Further, you are advised that the attached Colorado statutes merely set forth the applicable portions of Colorado statutory law relating to curative and redemption rights; therefore, you should read and review all the applicable statutes and laws in order to determine the requisite procedures and provisions which control your rights in the subject property. DATED in Colorado this 12 day of July, 2019 Sheriff of Archuleta County, Colorado By: Rich Valdez Sheriff ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF: ORTEN CAVANAGH & HOLMES, L.L.C. 1445 Market Street, Suite 305 Denver, CO 80202

Statutes attached: §§38-37-108, 38-38-103, 38-38-104, 38-38-301, 38-38-304, 38-38-305, and 38-38-306, C.R.S., as amended. Published September 12, 19, 26, October 3 and 10, 2019 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Estate of Orland Earl Tarbell, Deceased
Case No. 2019PR30031
All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before January 13, 2020, or the claims may be forever barred.
John M. Estes
1610 Hover Street, Suite 203
Longmont, Colorado 80501
Published September 12, 19 and 26, 2019 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado Court Address: 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81347 tel. 970.264.3000
Mountain Meadows Property Owner's Association, Inc.
Plaintiff
v.
TIMESHARE TRADE INS LLC
Defendant
Case No.: 2019CV30010
COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEMPTION

This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the Declaration of Interval Ownership for Mountain Meadows, recorded on January 21, 1986 under Reception Number 137132, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered May 30, 2019, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof Owner(s): Timeshare Trade Ins LLC Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Interval Ownership for Mountain Meadows, recorded on January 21, 1986 under Reception Number 137132, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado. Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Mountain Meadows Property Owners Association, Inc. Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs. Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901 Association Assessments Due to: M o u n t a i n Meadows Property Owners Association, Inc. Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A" Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A"

Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION. The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when due, and in whole or in part, but not limited to, the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST
THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, at 10 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, Sale Number: 2019-07, in the Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff, Civil Division, 777 Cty Road 600, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor/therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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CH FIRST AID SUPPLIES	300.06
OEM-COUNSELING	240.00
FAIR-ICE (174 BAGS)	696.00
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	975.88
SW-WATER ANALYSIS	215.40
ATTY-REFERENCE BOOKS	123.55
STATE WII & EMPLOYEE GARNISHMENT	18,700.10
AIRPORT-FUEL STORAGE TANK FEES	595.00
CLERK-DOCUMENT SHREDDING	110.00
EXT-3RD QTR PERSONNEL FEES	3,325.00
ACSO-CLASS REGIST. GUILLIAMS	795.00
DHS CS ENF COURT PWR DIEM	16.00
FLEET-SUPPLIES	3,493.85
COUNTY HLTH INS 8-1-19-8-31-19	160,076.06
ACSO-CAR WASHES	371.91
DHS CW CLIENT NEED CLEANING	60.00
R&B-REIMB CDL FEE	17.94
R&B-ENGINEERING	1,002.80
DISP-RENT SEPT.	1,185.45
R&B-ROAD CHEMICALS	145,715.45
COUNTY SIGNAGE & LETTERING	580.50
DHS CLIENT MEDICAL TRANSPORT	8,609.53
DHS PETTY CASH FUND TRASH RUN	31.00
COMMISS-GOVT. LEVIES CLASS	60.00
HR-DRUG TESTING	1,320.00
DISP-ANNUAL AGMT 7/31/19-7/20	4,490.00
HR-ADVERTISING	2,303.95
ACSO-PER DIEM INVEST CLASS	167.25
ASSESSOR-PER DIEM & MEALS	314.66
ACSO-BADGES	450.00
W&P-PER DIEM	41.25
BABYSITTING CLASS SUPPL/ BEE SUPPLIES/ TREE SHIPMENT/ STATE CONF HOTEL & MEAL	1,001.23
CHILD SUPPORT	845.51
DISPATCH-SPRINKLER SYSTEM CLNG	2,832.22
FLEET-FUEL	41,008.60
SW-MILEAGE REIMB.	53.36
ACSO-UNIFORMS	511.84
FLEET-TIRES	1,582.72
PLNG-APPLICATION FEE REFUND	150.00
B&G-REIMB FOR PAINT	15.76
MONTHLY FLEX FEES	3,942.66
SW-PORTA TOILETS	315.00
ACSO-UNIFORMS	1,717.46
DHS UA TESTING	26.00
FLEET-SUPPLIES	397.10
FLEET-PARTS & SUPPLIES	954.62
COUNTY-ANIMAL SERVICES	4,166.67
DISP-SOFTWARE 8/1-7/31/20	9,100.00
ACSO-FINGERPRINT MACH. SVC/PRP	1,913.30
FLEET PARTS	2,760.37
FLEET-PARTS	537.16
CORONER-AUTOPSY FEES	1,500.00
WITHHOLDING	138,271.62
BLDG -CODE BOOKS	606.00
R&B-AGGREGATE HAULING	11,130.00
FLEET-SUPPLIES	339.00
VETERANS-MENTAL HEALTH COUNSEL	720.00
CORONER-AUTOPSY ASSIST.	500.00
FAIR-REIMB. CORD PURCH	394.83
CORONER-ON CALL	200.00
FAIR-QUILT JUDGE FEE	296.08
DHS CS COURT MEAL	16.00
ASSESSOR-PRINTING	346.66
ACSO-PER DIEM CTS TRNG	399.60
ACSO-FENCE REPAIR	700.00
CORONER-ON CALL	100.00
FAIR-ADVERTISING	1,908.96
ACSO-INMATE HSG & MED MAY/JUNE/JULY	148,506.86
DA EXPENSES 2019 2 QTR	85,789.00
COUNTY ELECTRIC	6,018.13
DHS JULY 2019 CONTRACT TANF	2,186.32
FAIR-LIGHTING & ELECTRICAL	500.00
ACSO-SUBSCRIPTION-SERVEMANAGER	468.00
CLERKS-SOFTWARE 3 & 4 QTR	9,179.04
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	88.32
ACSO-STORAGE JUNE & JULY	310.00
ACSO-SUBSCRIPTION	100.00
FAIR-KARAOKO CHALLENGE	450.00
R&B-AGGREGATE HAULING	9,037.50
DHS CW TIRE DISPOSAL	36.00
DHS CW HOME VISIT REIMBURSEMENT	5.57
DHS CSW LICENSE RENEWAL REIMB	256.00
EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS	541.00
CORONER-AUTOPSY FEES	7,800.00
FAIR-ELECTRICAL LABOR	420.00
DHS APS TRAINING SNACKS REIMB	25.74
FAIR-REIMB. MEALS	760.26
IT-NETWORK MGT. SVCS	3,907.00
MET-ADVERT. CARICATURE MAP	150.00
ACSO & FAIR-UNIFORMS	1,992.85
FLEET-PARTS	167.60
COUNTY ALARM MAINT & MONITORING	607.48
FLEET-SUPPLIES	1,096.15
FLEET-CAR WASHES	552.25
IT-EQUIPMENT	99.99
R&B-ROAD SIGNAGE	1,371.16
CORONER-TOXICOLOGY	140.00
R&B-SUPPLIES	975.58
FLEET-REPAIRS	95.00
COUNTY OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,198.37
DHS OFFICE SUPPLIES/FURNITURE	1,492.84
AIRPORT-MOWING	3,625.50
COUNTY-WATER & SEWER	6,825.00
AIRPORT-CRASH SVCS CONT.	1,020.00
COUNTY DUES	550.00
ACSO-MED CONTRACT JULY	1,000.00
FLEET-REPAIRS	89.99
R&B-ASPHALT PATCHING PMTS	230,245.78
FLEET-PARTS & SUPPLIES RETURNS	2,704.61
B&G-SO & EXT. AC REPAIR	997.50
FAIR-BUILDING CLEANING	1,200.00
FLEET-REPAIRS	734.13
FAIR-LIGHT TOWER RENTAL	1,266.00
FLEET-2019 WASH TRAILER</	

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DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS IS ATTACHED HERETO.

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The name, address, and business telephone number of each of the attorneys representing the holder of the evidence of debt are as follows:

Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Sheriff's Department for Archuleta County, Civil Division, 777 Cty Road 600, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147.

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This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed July 19, 2019. Rich Valdez, Sheriff, Archuleta County, Colorado

By: /s/ Rich Valdez Exhibit A

As of May 28, 2019 Mountain Meadows - Phase Two Matter Amount

Owner Name(s): TIMESHARE TRADE INS LLC Parcel: 5699191330102

Lot (Unit) Weeks: One (1) Winter Unit Week as said Week is numbered and defined in the Declaration of Interval ownership for Mountain Meadows recorded under Reception No. 137132, and amendments and supplements thereto, and as identified in Unit Number(s): 7601 through 7608

of Mountain Meadows Townhomes - Phase Two as described and delineated on the Plat captioned "Mountain Meadows Townhomes - Phase Two" filed for record under Reception No. 20209311. Together with a right of ingress and egress over the existing road to Lakeside Drive.

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

Unpaid Assessments: \$753.62 Costs: \$405.00 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2,158.62

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District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado Court Address: 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Tel: 970-264-2498

Real Landing Property Owner's Association, Inc., Plaintiff

William M Meyers, et al Defendants
Case No.: 2018CV30093

COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM

This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium, recorded on August 10, 2000, Reception Number 20007580, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered May 30, 2019, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof Owner(s):

William M Meyers, Marion R Meyers, Larry B Kuopus, Trustee, Elizabeth L Kuopus, Trustee, Ronald D Steen, Dawn G Steen, Joe B Martinez,

Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium, recorded on August 10, 2000, Reception Number 20007580, as amended and supplemented from time-to-time, in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Teal Landing Property Owners Association, Inc.

Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs.

Applnt.: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901 Association Assessments Due to: Teal Landing Property Owners Association, Inc.

Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A" Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale:Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Condominium Ownership Act.

THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION.

The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when the indebtedness was due and owing and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will, at 10 o'clock A.M., on November 6, 2019, Sale Number: ____2019-06, in the Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff, Civil Division, 777 Cty Road 600, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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NOTICE OF RIGHTS

YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS IS ATTACHED HERETO.

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By: /s/ Rich Valdez Exhibit A

As of May 28, 2019 Mountain Meadows - Phase Two Matter Amount

Property Owner: WILLIAM M MEYERS & MARION R MEYERS Building Number: 12

Lot (Unit) Number: 1211-1216, 1221, 1224-1226 UDI Points: 49,000

of Teal Landing Condominium Phase Two- as built Building 11, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20105850, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651 and any further supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Teal Landing Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.

Unpaid Assessments: \$596.02 Costs: \$496.33 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2,092.35

Teal Landing Condominium Phase Five Matter Amount

Property Owner: LARRY B KUOPUS, Trustee & ELIZABETH L KUOPUS, Trustee Building Number: 15

Lot (Unit) Number: 1511-1516, 1521-1523, 1525-1526 UDI Points: 105,000

of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase Five- as built Building 15, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20204764, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20104161, and First supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651, and Second Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20204765 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

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

Unpaid Assessments: \$682.15 Costs: \$496.33 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2,178.48

Teal Landing Condominium Phase Six Matter Amount

Property Owner: RONALD D STEEN & DAWN G STEEN Building Number: 16

Lot (Unit) Number: 1611-1616, 1621-1626 UDI Points: 84,000

of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase Six- as depicted Building "E" (See Exhibit "1", Column "F"), as built on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20304272, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20104161, and First supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651, and Second Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20204765 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

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

Unpaid Assessments: \$665.84 Costs: \$496.33 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2,162.17

Teal Landing Condominium Phase Seven Matter Amount

Property Owner: JOE B MARTINEZ, JR Building Number: 17

Lot (Unit) Number: 1711-1716, 1721-1726 UDI Points: 77,000

of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase Seven - as built Building 17, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20204986, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20104161, and First Supplemental Declaration

of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20105651, and Second Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20206880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20110747, Third Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20204765, Fifth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20206614, First Amendment to Fifth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20211905 and Sixth Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20209497 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Teal Landing Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.

Unpaid Assessments: \$754.79 Costs: \$496.33 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2,251.12

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NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED

To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons Having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:

BOB RAU
 31722 HIGHWAY 550 , TFLR # 40 DURANGO, CO 81301-7185

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 3rd day of November 2011, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to

MOUNTAIN MANNA, LLC Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

LOT 95 IN PAGOSA VISTA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED SEPTEMBER 13, 1971 AS RECEPTION NO. 74884

Account Number: R009733 Schedule Number: 569919308032 Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2011-02091 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefor to MOUNTAIN MANNA, LLC

That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2010.

That said MOUNTAIN MANNA, LLC on the 22nd day of August 2019, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property.

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to MOUNTAIN MANNA, LLC On the 5th day of February 2020, unless the same has been redeemed.

Said property may be redeemed from said sale at any time prior to the actual execution of said Treasurer's Deed.

Witness my hand this 9th day of September 2019

/s/ Elsa P White
 Elsa P White, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Mill Creek Snowmobile Trailhead Relocation Project San Juan National Forest, Pagosa Ranger District Archuleta County

The San Juan National Forest, Pagosa Ranger District is seeking public comments on a Draft Environmental Assessment for the Mill Creek Snowmobile Trailhead Relocation project. The project proposes to relocate the existing snowmobile trailhead parking area on Mill Creek Road (CR 302) approximately one mile east to a small meadow immediately beyond the inter-section of Mill Creek Road and Nipple Mountain Road (NFSR 665) on the south side of Nipple Mountain Road. The existing trailhead will be closed, decommissioned, and returned to a naturalized state, with gravel from the lot being recovered and transported to the new site for surfacing following site preparation (cut and fill, leveling, drainage, etc.).

The new site will only be open to vehicles during the winter season. The formal Notice of Proposed Action, with maps, is available online at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56307>

The scoping and comment period for this project is being combined. This project is subject to the pre-decisional objection regulations at 36 CFR 218. Only individuals or entities (as defined by 36 CFR 218.2) who submit timely and specific written comments will be eligible to object. Other eligibility requirements are defined by 36 CFR 218.2 (a)(3). It is the responsibility of the sender to ensure timely receipt of any comments submitted. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection.

Written comments will be accepted for 30 days after the date of publication of this legal notice in the newspaper of record. The publication date in the newspaper of record (the Durango Herald) is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period, which is estimated to end on October 25, 2019. Written comments should be submitted to: Kevin Khung, Pagosa District Ranger, PO Box 310, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or hand-delivered to the Pagosa District Office at 180 Pagosa Street in Pagosa Springs, Colorado between 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Comments may also be faxed to: Attn: Paul Blackman, fax number 970-264-1538. Electronic comments should be sent to: comments-rocky-mountain-san-juan-pagosa@usda.gov in an email message, or in one of the following electronic formats: .rtf, .pdf, or .doc.

2019 DELINQUENT CORPORATE AND PERSONAL TAXES ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO

YOU CAN ALSO VIEW THIS LIST ON THE ARCHULETA COUNTY TREASURER'S WEBSITE LOCATED AT www.archuletacounty.org

ACCOUNT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT www.archuletatax.com

Additional fees may be added in October and November. Please look up your account at www.archuletatax.com or call 970-264-8325 for up-to-date payoff information.

ALL ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID BY CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK, OR CREDIT CARD
 Online credit card payments may be made at www.archuletatax.com

PERSONAL PROPERTY WILL BE DISTRAINED BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019. ALL COSTS ENTAILED IN POSTING DISTRRAINTS WILL BE BORNE BY THE TAXPAYER. TAXES THAT ARE NOT PAID MAY BE TURNED OVER TO A COLLECTION AGENCY.

DESCRIPTIONS are not to be considered legal descriptions and should not be used to convey title. You may want to research accounts with the unique identifier – Parcel Number.

P005536 AVALANCHE ARCADE Parcel:569913315016 729 SAN JUAN ST Total Due:\$2,749.92

P004810 DEBLE JOHN Parcel:557921420243 333 SWISS VILLAGE DR Total Due:\$228.17

P004955 GALAXAY PROPERTIES LLC Parcel:558326401008 1034 HILLS CIR Total Due:\$746.02

P005532 LA TAQUERIA Parcel:569920120009 135 COUNTRY CENTER DR #A Total Due:\$524.27

P005590 MEE HMONG CUISINE Parcel:569914413001 920 SAN JUAN ST Total Due:\$563.49

P000001 PAGOSA LODGE Parcel:569921232002 5605 W US HWY 160 Total Due:\$3,850.40

P000253 PAGOSA LODGING 2, LLC Parcel:569913412002 158 HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due:\$261.07

P001228 PAGOSA TIRE & AUTO CENTER Parcel:569915117001 1887 EAGLE DR Total Due:\$580.74

P005191 PAPA MURPHYS Parcel:569920120010 140 COUNTRY CENTER DR Total Due:\$2,572.47

P005271 REZ HILL GRILL Parcel:569913412004 158 HOT SPRINGS BLVD Total Due:\$219.17

P000098 SAN JUAN MOTEL Parcel:570118304044 191 E PAGOSA ST Total Due:\$336.41

P005439 STRIBLING TOM Parcel:5701062000116 489 ROYAL ELK PL Total Due:\$505.96

P005187 THE BAYCARD AT PAGOSA SPRINGS Parcel:569915319036 2045 EAGLE DR Total Due:\$280.14

P005059 WILLIAMS NANCY Parcel:5699191339010 575 LAKESIDE DR Total Due:\$348.62

M001122 BETZER DOROTHY A ESTATE OF Parcel:990012351658 TITLE:48E071722 SERIAL:TXFLW12A56263CO13 YEAR:1999 MAKE:FLEETWOOD SIZE:16X80 32735 COUNTRY RD 500 Total Due: \$152.62

M001122 BETZER RODNEY DALE Parcel:48E07264 SERIAL:TXCTOMW992387 YEAR:1999 MAKE:T & C SIZE:16X72 1917A COUNTRY RD 975 Total Due: \$112.05

M000081 GALLEGOS JOE Parcel:990012350081 TITLE:48E037865 SERIAL:C8441 YEAR:1981 MAKE:CENTURIUM SIZE:14X70 639 COUNTRY RD 975 Total Due: \$46.86

M000606 GLASSCOCK JOHN STEPHEN Parcel:990012350066 TITLE:48E066078 SERIAL:1PTX85485TX YEAR:1997 MAKE:FLEETWOOD SIZE:16X80 22 HOEMSTEAD DR Total Due: \$173.59

M001203 HAVENS FITZHUGH T Parcel:990012351203 TITLE:UNK SERIAL:22717978994 YEAR:1987 MAKE:CHAMPION SIZE:28X52 23460 US HWY 84 Total Due: \$84.70

M002043 HULL ETHEA ERLAR JR LIV TRUST Parcel:990012352043 TITLE:20E377321 SERIAL:10603224 YEAR:1977 MAKE:BOA SIZE:14X70 547 COUNTRY MEADOWS PL Total Due: \$42.84

M002050 KILCZER JEANETTE Parcel:990012352052 TITLE:48E116970 SERIAL:12521332 YEAR:1994 MAKE:TRI SIZE:16X60 301 NUTRIA CIR Total Due: \$178.43

M001590 LYONS JOHN R & BLAKE MELISSA K Parcel:990012351590 TITLE:48E054102 SERIAL:1PTX4476TX YEAR:1997 MAKE:RIDGECREEK SIZE:16X80 550 BEUCLER LN Total Due: \$178.43

M000095 MARTINEZ DANIEL RAY Parcel:990012350095 TITLE:48E099138 SERIAL:TKC8129H50543 YEAR:1978 MAKE:MAJESTIC SIZE:14X80 14411 COUNTRY RD 500 Total Due: \$43.05

M000480 MARTINEZ STANLEY J & ANNETTE A Parcel:990012350480 TITLE:48E42039 SERIAL:WXW1701428S217619 YEAR:1981 MAKE:WESTCHESTER SIZE:14X70 17 CANYON CIR Total Due: \$60.64

M002119 MENDEZ GAMALIEL PORTILLO Parcel:990012350119 TITLE:UNK SERIAL:UNK YEAR:2015 MAKE:UNK SIZE:14X80 814 E STOLLSTEIMER DR Total Due: \$103.79

M002052 MILLER PATRICIA G Parcel:990012352051 TITLE:UNK SERIAL:UNK YEAR:1996 MAKE:UNK SIZE:16X66 550 S 7TH ST Total Due: \$135.12

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DISTRICT COURT, COUNTY OF ARCHULETA, STATE OF COLORADO Court address: 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 1, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Case Number: 2019CV30057 Blue Spruce Servicing Company, LLC, Plaintiff, v.

Karen R. Wood; Elsa White as Treasurer for Archuleta County, Colorado, Aspen Springs Metropolitan District, a political subdivision; All unknown persons who claim any interest in the subject matter of this action, Defendants. Attorney for Plaintiff Christopher J. Conant Hatch Ray Olsen Conant LLC 730 17th Street, Suite 200 Denver, Colorado 80202 Phone Number: (303) 298-1900 Email Address: cconant@hatchlawyers.com Atty. Registration No. : 40269

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS: Karen R. Wood, Individually All unknown persons who claim any interest in the real property described herein

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this Summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the court. If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice.

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This summons is issued pursuant to Rule 4(g), C.R.C.P., as amended. This form should not be used where personal service is desired.

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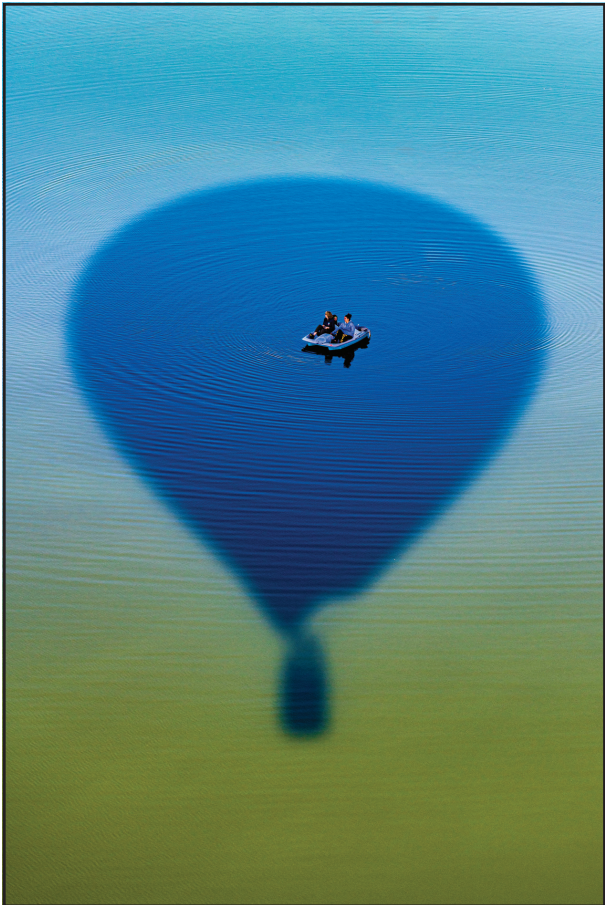
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Mountain Chile Cha Cha

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Photo courtesy Mountain Chile Cha Cha



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Saturday's 14th annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha, set to take place in Town Park rain or shine, will feature music from Sangre Joven, roasting green chiles, a green chile cook-off and more.

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East Side Market: Open Mic with Steve Rolig, 9 a.m.
Riff Raff downtown: Gary Gorence, 6 p.m.
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Springs Resort atrium: Bob Hemenger, 6 p.m.

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Celebrate fall at Saturday's Mountain Chile Cha Cha

By **Jacque Aragon**
Special to The PREVIEW

The 14th annual Mountain Chile Cha Cha will take place in Town Park rain or shine Saturday, Sept. 28. The festival includes a 5k, 10k and half marathon. Other activities include a Mexican beer garden, margarita contest and green chile cook-off and tasting, all-day kids corner and green chile roasted on-site.

For more about the festival and to register for the races or cook-off, visit ilovegreenchile.com.

The day begins with the races, hosted by the Pagosa Peaks Volleyball Club, at 8:30 a.m., followed by the Patty Aragon Green Chile Classic.

Roughly 40 entrants, both amateur and professional, compete in the cook-off each year. Cooks are required to show up with their slow cookers and ingredient lists between 10 and 10:30 a.m. to facilitate the official judging.

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.

Once the judges are finished, the tasting is opened up to the public at 12:30 p.m. Each person who partici-

pates 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.

Along with the other activities, Sangre Joven will be returning this year with a live latin music begin-

ning at 1:30 p.m.

Sangre Joven 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 consists of rancheras, cumbias, corridos, polkas and vales traditional to their

■ See Cha Cha on next page

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Cha Cha

■ continued from previous page heritage for centuries.

The band began its musical journey back in 1988 when Lorenzo Miguel Gallegos and brother Daniel Lee Gallegos founded the group. Several other members have contributed to the success throughout the last two decades, including artists such as Robert Gonzales, Michael Marquez y Dulzura, Joaquin Maestas of Quemoso, Bobby Madrid and Lorenzo Miguel. The result of these collaborations was 11 successful CDs.

The first album was recorded in 1989 and was titled "Sangre Joven de Las Vegas, New Mexico."

Three other albums followed, "Esta Vida," "On The Run" and "Mal Ideas," which were such a huge success that they established Sangre Joven as an opening act for Los Lobos in 1994.

From these four albums, numerous original hits were produced including: "Linda Morena," "Esta Vida," "Chiquitita de Mi Vida," "Triste Aqui," "Soy Musiquero," "El Carrito Chevy (55)" and many more.

During the summer of 1998, Sangre Joven released their fifth CD titled "Mala Sangre." This album was successful due in part to the impressive brass section that was added and more original songs. Sangre Joven wrote and arranged "Alegre Corazon," "Poco A Poco,"

"Sin tus Besos," "La Mas Hermosa" and "Besitos de Amor" (which was nominated for best salsa/tropical song of the year). This CDs success inspired and encouraged them to record a new enhanced CD titled "Nortenisimo."

In 2006, Sangre Joven released an all original CD titled "Sangre Joven" which consisted of 10 original songs all written by Daniel Lee Gallegos in the style of New Mexico music. Two of the original songs off the CD, "Te Me Fuistes" and "Y Que," appeared in the top five on KSLV's "Horas Latina" with Jerry Medina in Monte Vista. Also, a TV appearance on the "Anthony Segura Show" in Albuquerque, N.M., in late December of that year elevated the band to new heights.

From 2009 to 2012, Daniel Lee Gallegos decided to put Sangre Joven on the back burner. He concentrated on releasing two CDs with his brothers, Rey and Francisco Gallegos.

He also released his first solo CD, "Puras Conocidas."

In 2013, the band went through a transformation and became a five-piece group again, tying its music to its traditional roots. They released a CD called "Act Right" ("Portate Bien") and toured the southwest states of New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Arizona and Utah.

They also got nominated for

Salsa/Tropical Song of The Year for the song "La Camisa Negra" by The New Mexico Hispano Music Association.

With such tremendous success, the band released its ninth studio album titled "Que Viva La Raza" in 2014 and it catapulted them to perform over 100 shows that year at many casinos, fiestas, weddings, family reunions and private functions.

In 2015, Daniel Lee Gallegos released his second solo CD, "Hasta El Ultimo Cartucho," and he started performing with a full brass horn section, in full New Mexican style.

Later that year, Los Gallegos Brozz released their third studio CD, "Puros Exitos."

In 2016, Sangre Joven released its 10th CD called "Fierce" with Bobby Madrid and the song "Carta Jugada" hit No. 1 in Colorado (KSLV) and went on heavy rotation at all major radio stations in New Mexico.

In 2018, the band released their 11th CD, "Corridos."

In 2019, SJ released its 12th studio CD, "30th Anniversary 1989-2019," celebrating 30 years in the music industry with thousands of shows and a total of 19 albums combined.

Band members are Manny Lucero (drums), Gerald (bass), Ray Lucero (saxophone), Bobby Madrid (trumpet) and the original band member Daniel Lee Gallegos (lead guitar/vocals).

Sangre Joven's goal is to keep New Mexico music, rancheras, alive and make people happy with their God-given talent.

We hope to see you at the Cha Cha.

Creede Arts Council to present Jamboree

Debbie Whitmore
Special to The PREVIEW

Join four bands and the Creede Arts Council at the Creede Elks Lodge on Oct. 5 for its first Jamboree. A jamboree (according to Merriam-Webster) is a large festive gathering or a long, mixed program of entertainment.

Dancing will be encouraged at the Jamboree. The bands will play something for everyone: reggae, funk, rock and country music.

Rally Round is a reggae band featuring Malcolm Snead, Joe Baker and Steve Reynolds. The First Unitarian Funk Band (aka Creede Funk Band)

includes vocalist Jo Johnson, drummer Jim Turnbull, and guitarists Steve Reynolds and Tommy Speake. Rod Mechem and the Horseshoes is a rock and country combo. BGST (Steve Baxter, John Goss, Speake and Turnbull) is well-known to Creede music lovers for original country, rock, blues and Beatles covers.

A fun evening for all ages, the Jamboree proceeds will benefit the Creede Arts Council programming. A free-will donation will be accepted at the door and the Elks will offer a cash bar.

For more information, contact the Creede Arts Council at (719) 658-0312 or creedearts@outlook.com.

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Photo courtesy Dale Johnson

Curtains Up Pagosa (CUP) music director Dale Scrivener works with the cast for the community theater's winter show. CUP is in rehearsal for "Willy Wonka the Musical" with a cast of about 60 and a full orchestra pit. Save the dates now, Nov. 21-24, and make plans to kick off the holiday season.

Get your tickets now for the Jewels and Jeans Barn Dance

By JoAnn Laird
Special to The PREVIEW

While the popular song, "I Can't Dance, Don't Ask Me" was popular in the '50s, there's no excuse for this at the Jewels and Jeans Barn Dance, to be held on Oct. 19 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Lovers of country music that you are, the thought of the two-step may be a bit distressing. Well here's that "ah-ha" moment you've been looking for: get lost in the hordes of those who love

line dancing. And what better way to do it than being accompanied by Pagosa's own country-western band, Country Thunder? Now really, what's more fun than line dancing? Well, maybe watching it.

The Pagosa Springs Rotary Club is throwing its fifth annual event that has been a crowd pleaser for residents and visitors alike. There will be a silent auction with the likes of lift tickets at the ski area, candy-making classes, art work and gift certificates. Other offerings are libations and food truck

meals available for purchase, socializing and, more importantly, helping to build the coffers of Rotary's Scholarship Fund. All of the evening's proceeds are strictly to assist our graduating students in their quests for higher education. Your help with funding these scholarships may very well produce our next local family doctor or, dare I say it, an engineer to improve our roads.

Tickets may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce, The Choke Cherry Tree or from any of your fine Rotarians. Tickets are \$20 or \$25 at the door. Don't wait to get your tickets. With a passion to help our community, it makes your Rotarian buddies nervous.

Luminosity Talks to present Mark Kimmel Oct. 4

By Gary Friedrich
Special to The PREVIEW

Luminosity Talks will present Mark Kimmel on Friday, Oct. 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the New Thought Center located at the 24/7 Momentum Fitness Center on Put Hill.

Admission to the event is free. Kimmel has spoken at international forums, been a guest on radio and television shows, and has conducted workshops based on his unique insights into the transformation of Earth and his interactions with nonphysical beings.

Kimmel has written several books. "Aon, Voices of the Non-physicals" is an altogether new

adventure for Kimmel in that it features channeled communications from 15 nonhumans on subjects ranging from the creation of the universe to who we, the humans of Earth, really are and what is our destiny.

By focusing on nonphysical beings in his writing and speaking, Kimmel weaves a credible picture of the larger reality while presenting an uplifting vision for the future of humanity and of our planet. He presents his communications with archangels and other nonphysicals without a religious orientation.

Kimmel's passion for writing and teaching about nonphysicals ■ See Kimmel on page 8

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Spirited Women host Liz Curtis Higgs, announce next study book

By **Lynne McCrudden**
Special to The PREVIEW

For those lucky 131 women who attended the Liz Curtis Higgs' retreat last week at St. Patrick's Church, you don't need to be told how amazing Higgs was. Her message was delivered with love, humor and a continual acknowledgment of God's love for us as women.

It was truly an ecumenical group of women from not only the Pagosa Springs community, but also from Montrose, South Fork and Pueblo.

The event was sponsored and created by a group calling themselves Spirited Women. This group of ladies who meet for bible study is composed of both St. Patrick members and other women in the community. They meet on Mondays at

2 p.m. in the church library and their next book will be “Women of Christmas,” by Higgs, beginning on Monday, Sept. 30. This book is a look at Anne, Elizabeth and Mary, the three women who prayfully await the coming of a baby, who will become the messiah.

The Spirited Women thank all those who attended their retreat and the warm welcome that Pagosa Springs gave Liz and Bill Higgs.

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The annual Operation Christmas Child event kicks off with a chili cook-off contest hosted by Linda and Bob George. After much “tasting,” Donna Michaels’ white chicken chili was judged the winner.

Operation Christmas Child: Give out love, get back joy

By Jeannie Faverino
Special to The PREVIEW

Pagosa Springs kicked off the annual Operation Christmas Child (OCC) event this year with a chili cook-off contest hosted by Linda and Bob George.

The chili cook-off and competition were enjoyed by all in attendance. All in all, there were 13 entries. After much “tasting,” Donna Michaels’ white chicken chili was judged the winner.

The Georges’ musical guest was Allora Leonard, a very talented 15-year-old country singer and guitarist who writes many of her songs. Leonard is headed to the Lincoln Center to perform, then on to Nashville for the winter.

There were close to 100 people

in attendance at the event, including business owners, pastors and project leaders. The fun, spirited crowd clapped and sang along with Leonard as she sang “You Can Count on Me” by Bruno Mars. The guest speaker was Sally Rowland, Four Corners area coordinator, who shared her experience in Liberia witnessing the opening of OCC shoe box gifts by children there.

As the evening ended, everyone took home OCC shoe boxes, excited about filling them with school and hygiene supplies, toys, clothing and other appropriate items, and bringing them back to help Pagosa reach its 2019 goal of 3,000 filled shoe boxes. Look for boxes in local churches and stores in October and happy packing. The

third week of November will be here sooner than you think.

This year the Pagosa theme is “Wanted: 3,000 Shoeboxes — Reward: Joy.”

Following is the OCC drop-off schedule:

- Nov. 18, noon-5 p.m.
- Nov. 19, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.
- Nov. 20, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.
- Nov. 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Nov. 22, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.
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- Nov. 24, 1- 5 p.m.
- Nov. 25, 8-10 a.m.

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Kimmel

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is far different than his earlier career as a successful businessman, where he worked for major corporations and founded and ran three Colorado venture capital funds. He retired from business in 1996. He has degrees in engineering, marketing, finance, psychology and divinity.

Kimmel is married with two

grown sons and five grandchildren. He spends his days writing and speaking about this, the pivotal juncture in human history, and how each person has the power to impact all on this planet by living at higher consciousness. He is the founder of the Cosmic Paradigm Network, an international group dedicated to manifesting Earth’s transformation.

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Good old glory days

My heart turns to the boys of fall at this time of the year. I can hear Kenny Chesney sing those lyrics once again. "They didn't let just anybody in that club/Took every ounce of heart and sweat and blood/To get to wear those game-day jerseys down the hall/The kings of the school, man, we're the boys of fall/It's knocking heads and talking trash/It's slinging mud and dirt and grass/It's I got your number, I got your back."

Once again, it's football season. Our grandsons have graduated, but we haven't forgotten their glory days. We, along with other parents and grandparents, watched our boys on the field — and enjoyed every minute.

Before each game, we built them up. We even drove across the state to see them play. We knew every boy's name, their position and their number. We yelled from the bleachers, praised them, and told them how to play. We talked about the game from the time it was over until the next began. We didn't want those days to end, but like all things, they did. "Our boys" have grown up and a new crop is here to take their place.

We have all experienced the glory days at some point in life. Those times when we thought we owned the world. Wrong! The world owned us. Being important made us feel good and we didn't mind being owned. We gladly allowed ourselves to be captured by our own perception of glory.

Believe it or not, life is better after "the glory." Of course, we

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have to experience the other side to know this. It probably sounds like I am painting a picture of someone in their old age who has lived life, who now sits in a rocking chair dreaming of that last touchdown. Quite the opposite!

Life after the glory days is nothing less than snapping a ball back in to play, a new game, a new day. Perhaps even a new beginning. After all, we already know what we have accomplished. We even know how we failed along the way. The stress of the game is replaced

by an understanding of peace. An understanding of not just where we may have limitations, but of the promise of what we can achieve.

All too often, we struggle with faded glory. Why? Maybe it's because the mountain we once stood on now blocks our sight as viewed from its base. Isn't it interesting how the jersey we once wore that showed so bright now seems so dull when viewed from the side line?

It may sound defeating but it's not. In fact, there is a freedom we can experience when we lay down the reputation that we otherwise felt we had to defend. What happens when we take off our helmet? We see ourselves for the hot mess we are. If we can take comfort with anything in life, it's in seeing ourselves for who we are.

While the gone of the game may not always be easy, discovering who we are and becoming secure in that is tomorrow's touchdown. No run to play, no sweat to pour, just an opportunity to rest in grace and discover what lies ahead.

Final brushstroke: In a little town like ours, where newspaper clippings fill a coffee table, we cheer on those who rush the field, and celebrate those who led the way.

Readers' comments

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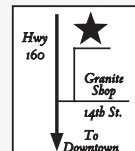
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Leaves, transformations and transitions

By Jessica Tanner
Special to The PREVIEW

The air is crisp and the leaves shift from green to brilliant orange, deep scarlet, and lively yellow. Summer's warmth slips away at autumn's cool touch. Earth's landscape transforms, as do our lives. Woven into each transition, or new leaf, of life is God.

My newest leaf in life is a job. I work part-time for the local post office delivering mail. Seeing God in a job that revolves around more paper than I knew could move in a day is not easy. Easy is spying the new scratches on the vehicle I'm using for the job. But God is there in my work. The morning exchange of news at the post office, brightly colored envelopes indicating re-

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membered birthdays and holidays, and the warm hellos at mailboxes from customers are everyday acts of caring that represent God's presence.

One day I came into work and the load of mail to deal with would never fit in my grandfather's Suburban. I took my family's advice of focusing on one piece of a project at a time. I selected a task and completed it, but the amount of paper and parcels to get through was still

more than I could handle.

As the clock ticked away and the pile still towered, a co-worker offered to help, and I accepted. Her smile and act of kindness sparked hope in me. Together, we conquered the mountain of mail. God, like a gardener, nurtured my new leaf in life.

Our lives are full of transitions. God is there through all of them. When work seems like it will swallow us whole — as with my mail load — God offers us a hand in the form of our friends, family and co-workers. We are not alone in any endeavor. We only have to say yes. Because God wishes to nurture our growth, not stunt it.

"For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave nor forsake you.'" —Hebrews 13:5.

New Thought Center to hold discussion on sacred relationships

By Lisa Burnson
Special to The PREVIEW

"A sacred relationship is one in which we are inspired to see the Divine in another person." — Shelly Bullard.

All are welcome to join New Thought Center (NTC, formerly Pagosa Community of New Thought) on Sunday, Sept. 29, at 10 a.m., to discuss "Sacred Relationships." Our guest speakers will be the Revs. Ron and Marie Flumoy, Science of Mind ministers from Clearwater, Fla.

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.

We will have spirited live music.

Meditation circle

NTC holds Meditation and Healing Circle each Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome.

Upcoming events

NTC is holding an art, book and jewelry sale on Friday, Sept. 27, and Saturday, Sept. 28, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be many pieces of spiritual art and books, as well as housewares available to

benefit NTC. Donations are being accepted. 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.

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

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St. Patrick's to celebrate Blessing of the Animals Oct. 6

By Sally Neel
Special to The PREVIEW

Dogs, cats, horses, alpacas and a sundry of small caged animals will line up for their annual blessing from Fr. Doug Neel on Sunday, Oct. 6, at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

This has become a favorite day in the life of the parish, when pets of all kinds are honored, blessed and remembered. Neel will bless the animals at 11:45 a.m. in the church parking lot following the 10 a.m. Sunday service.

"The blessing of the animals

is very special service, especially meaningful for those of us who know the precious joys pets can bring to our lives," said Neel, rector of St. Patrick's. "My family brought home a 9-year-old Yorkshire terrier a year ago. He has given his unconditional love to us ever since."

Dogs are frequent visitors to the church and often come with their humans to visit Neel.

"I keep dog treats in my desk drawer in my office for our special canine visitors. They know just where I keep them and come wagging their tails in great anticipation. They are certainly a revered

part of our parish family," he said.

This annual event honors the 13th century Roman Catholic saint St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, whose feast day is officially celebrated Oct. 4. St. Francis preached about man's responsibility to protect nature and to be good stewards of God's creation. He had a legendary ability to communicate with animals and a special affinity towards them.

The public is invited to bring pets to the church parking lot to receive a blessing at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Unitarian Universalists to learn what can be done about domestic violence

By Pauline Benetti
Special to The PREVIEW

October marks the annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Carmen Hubbs, executive director of Rise Above Violence, is our speaker this Sunday.

She will help us learn ways in which we can reach out and create a safe space in our own world to welcome even small changes to ending the violence epidemic. She will share tips for reaching out to someone in need and what few words and small actions that can make big impressions on not only survivors, but also on abusive partners who seek change.

Hubbs has spent the majority of her 20-year career leading social justice efforts to end domestic and sexual violence in Pagosa

Springs and beyond. She has done extensive work delivering professional training and coordinating responses between her agency and other first responders, including clergy. Reclaiming the dignity and rights of others is her passion.

Our fellowship offers the individual support in spiritual growth and an opportunity to participate in positive social and environmental action. We welcome diversity and invite everyone to share in our faith community. On the third and fourth Sundays (Oct. 20 and 27), leadership is by Pastor Dean Cerny. To schedule a private meeting with Cerny or for further information about the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (PUUF), call 731-7900.

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

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

Saint Francis of Assisi to hold annual Mass and fiesta

By Germaine Ewing
Special to The PREVIEW

Saint Francis of Assisi will hold its annual Mass and fiesta on Oct. 6 at 11 a.m. at Colo. 151 and Old Gallegos Road.

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Many an adventure took place at these springs. During pioneer days, cowboys and Indians celebrated July 4th by staging winner-take-all horse races near the springs. The springs' surroundings were dotted with tepees.

Hot water, hot springs and high hopes

It has been well documented that before the white man shouldered his way into Pagosa Country, the Great Pagosa Hot Springs were a source of awe to the resident native Americans. A legend of uncertain origin, but attributed to the Southern Ute Indians, is passed down with the folklore of Pagosa Country.

The legend tells of the origin of the Springs and adds to the aura of mystery surrounding the Springs to this day. Even now, when folks exchange stories about the Springs, voices get softer, more secretive, and sentences begin with "Did you know ...?" Everyone leans closer to the storyteller, hands cupped behind ears so as to not miss a word, and the mystery begins to unfold.

According to the Ute legend, a perplexing plague fell upon their people. They exhausted all of the skills of their medicine men, to no avail. Tribal members continued to drop dead. Drum beats thundered in desperation throughout the night, reaching the ears of large numbers of Utes, who abandoned buffalo hunting and other life skills and padded silently across the mountains to Pagosa Country,



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where they planted tepees on the banks of the San Juan River near the Springs.

A council of the greatest chiefs squatted in a ring around the Great Hot Spring, smoking pipes of peace as their guttural voices lifted heaven-ward, begging help from the ethereal gods.

Finally, after blackened pipes had rounded the circle many times, it was decided to build a gigantic fire accenting the desperate, upward cry for help. Around the roaring fire they danced and prayed. During the night while they slept on the spot where the fire had raged, a pool of boiling water appeared.

The grateful Utes bathed in and drank the water from the boiling spring and were healed.

Another story, which may well be fact, tells of a battle between Ute and Navajo for ownership

of the Spring. Some say the fight took place in 1867. Others say it was in 1873. The tribes, both desirous of owning the Springs, met and skirmished all day long with neither side gaining advantage. Finally, they settled the bitter fracas by choosing one man from each tribe and having the two, armed with knives, confront each other. The winner's tribe would own the springs.

Who won? Read next week's column and you'll know.

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More veterans die by suicide than in battle

By Dr. Kevin Kelly, Ph.D.
Special to The PREVIEW

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the suicide rates among veterans have increased from 2005 to 2015. In 2015, an average of 20 veterans died by suicide each day — a figure that is remained largely unchanged since 2005. In 2015, veterans accounted for 14.3 percent of all deaths by suicide among U.S. adults and made up 8.3 percent of the U.S. adult population.

Combat veterans are particularly vulnerable to acute stress reactions, and after some time has passed, to post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). In combat situations, veterans have seen and experienced things that are very disorienting and may shatter our view of ourselves and our world.

One of the common characteristics of people who are thinking about suicide is a sense of hopelessness. The belief that things cannot improve or get better. In almost all cases, this is a belief that is not entirely accurate.

According to the National Center for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, some 54 percent of veterans who are treated for PTSD no longer have the diagnosis after treatment. Newer treatments involving controlled substances such as ketamine and MDMA (psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy) are showing promise for helping reduce the emotional impact of intrusive thoughts and memories.

People often wonder if they asked directly about someone's thoughts about suicide, if such a discussion will "push" the person to take action against themselves. This turns out not to be the case. Often, people who are contemplating suicide have a part of them that would really like to feel hopeful and will appreciate someone caring enough to ask directly if that is what they are thinking about.

Giving away possessions and declining self-care are some of the nonverbal ways people communicate their sense of hopelessness. Other times, people will say things that may alert us to potential

danger. "I can't take this anymore" or "I don't think anything can help" may signal that a person is feeling hopeless. Asking directly, "Are you thinking about harming yourself?" is often the beginning of a conversation that can lead to getting help for someone who is suffering.

If you or someone you know is struggling, please reach out. You can contact any one of the following for help:

- Our local crisis line (Crisis

Mental Health Services) at 247-5245.

- State crisis line at (884) 493-8255.

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Karen Lindner and Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez. Lindner, the 4-H STEM AmeriCorps Service member, chose to recognize the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office for the 9/11 National Day of Service.

CSU Extension welcomes new member to team

By Robin Young
Special to The PREVIEW

Karen Lindner is the newest member of the Colorado State University Extension team in Archuleta County. Lindner is the 4-H STEM AmeriCorps Service member. She will be providing STEM resources and education in our community for the next year.

Lindner has been in full swing in her role so far. She organized the 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance. This is one of three national days of service that our 4-H STEM AmeriCorps members participate in each year.

This year, members were asked to perform an act of kindness in their communities. Lindner chose to recognize the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office on Sept. 11. Utilizing ideas from Pinterest and her skills as a crafter, Lindner assembled 50 care packages containing Gatorade, snacks and (the overwhelming hit) hand sanitizer. The bags also contained an inspiring quote to acknowledge the hard work and sacrifices the deputies make day in and day out.

Lindner was invited to attend the all-department staff meeting at

the sheriff's office on Sept. 11 and was able to speak to the staff about her role in the community this year with AmeriCorps and presenting 4-H STEM programming. She also shared her appreciation for the job that they all do in the community.

"I wanted the deputies to know that we see them, care about them and that they are appreciated," Lindner said.

The project was so successful that she plans to complete a similar project again next year. She also has plans to help with the sheriff's office holiday community service project in December.

Lindner's commitment to education and STEM are not new. In addition to her responsibilities with AmeriCorps, Lindner is a teacher and coach at the middle school. She has been teaching for 12 years and her experience expands from kindergarten through sixth grade. Lindner hopes to bring an awareness of the importance of STEM programming to Archuleta County.

"I want students to learn to love and appreciate math and science and see that there are many opportunities and careers that they can explore," she said.

The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Spring bloomer
- 6 Egyptian fertility goddess
- 10 "A Boy Named Sue" singer
- 14 Make happy
- 15 "Breaking Bad" drug
- 16 Not had by
- 17 Any "Friends" airing, now
- 18 Look closely
- 19 Big name in beauty products
- 20 Academic period
- 21 Lenient
- 23 Month of showers
- 25 Kind of crew
- 26 Shiny fabric
- 28 Furniture wood
- 30 Rust, e.g.
- 32 Concert venue
- 36 Gun, as an engine
- 37 Topographic map feature
- 39 Soaking spot
- 40 President-___
- 42 Many-limbed bug
- 44 ___ as rain
- 46 Castle feature
- 47 Like some volcanoes
- 50 Exorcist's target
- 51 Rafter's quest
- 54 Walk in water
- 57 Arial, for one
- 58 Joint ailment
- 59 Let have
- 60 Strongly suggest
- 61 Henry VIII's second or fourth
- 62 Dig
- 63 Sinister look
- 64 Age, as tires
- 65 Clothesline alternative

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- 2 Helm position
- 3 Written account
- 4 Perplexed
- 5 Kyoto cash
- 6 Motivate
- 7 Clairvoyant
- 8 Anagram for "time"
- 9 Seafood staple
- 10 Six Flags sight
- 11 Blacksmith's block
- 12 Potbelly, for one
- 13 Beehive product
- 21 Old Ford
- 22 Sunroom
- 24 Nuclear adjective
- 26 Like some losers
- 27 Figure skater's jump
- 28 Sacred choral piece
- 29 Briefly unknown?
- 31 Narrow margin
- 33 Forever

- 34 Stocking shade
- 35 Aid and ___
- 38 Put into words
- 41 Living creature
- 43 Alarm tripper
- 45 Showy trinket
- 47 More than bad
- 48 Household task
- 49 Hint
- 50 Ward off
- 52 Five-star
- 53 Fish for a sandwich
- 55 Bird of peace
- 56 Big jug
- 59 Make sense, with "up"

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Why all the purple?

By Ashley Wilson
Special to The PREVIEW

Next week begins Domestic Violence Awareness Month, so be prepared to see purple ribbons and hear proclamations at both the county commissioners' meeting and town council meeting next week.

Rise volunteers, staff and students work to line main street, Lewis Street, Hot Springs Boulevard and 8th Street with purple ribbons. The ribbons serve as a visual reminder of those who experience domestic violence in our community. We hope that it keeps the community thinking about how we can all make a difference for those suffering in our town.

The whole month of October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Awareness is a critical part to prevention. A community that is educated and responsive can work together to end interpersonal violence. Rise provides education to community groups who are interested in learning more about how to recognize the signs of domestic violence as well as ways to help. If you know someone who is in a violent relationship, Rise staff can work with you individually to learn how to support your friend or family member.

The county commissioners and the town council are joining with Rise to proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County. Both proclamations will be read on Oct. 1. The county proclamation will be during the commissioners' meeting on Oct. 1 at 1:30 p.m., followed by the town proclamation at 5 p.m. Join us at these meetings to stand with victims and survivors in our community.

Nationally, the numbers are astounding. One in four women and one in seven men will be a victim of domestic violence in their lifetime. Nearly 20 people per minute are physically abused by an intimate partner in the U.S. — that is more than 10 million women and men per year. We often see the national

numbers and can acknowledge the frightening rate at which violence occurs, but still believe that our own community is not affected. In Archuleta County, Rise Above Violence served more than 350 victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault and answered 117 crisis hotline calls, and more than 300 calls for non-crisis services in 2018.

In order to be part of the solution, we as a community must know what to look for and how to help. Knowing the warning signs are the first step.

Does your partner:

- Expect you to spend all of your time with him/her or to "check in" with and let them know where you are?
- Act extremely jealous and/or possessive of you?
- Isolate you by controlling where you go, who you see and talk to, what you wear?
- Treat you with disrespect and put you down?
- Put down your friends and family, your dreams, ideas and/or goals?
- Lose his/her temper frequently over little things?
- Make you feel as if you are walking on eggshells to keep the peace?
- Make threats to hurt you, leave you, hurt your pets, destroy your property and/or commit suicide if you don't do what he/she wants?
- Play mind games or make you feel guilty?
- Refuse to take responsibility for his/her actions? Blames you, drugs or alcohol, their boss, parents, etc. for their behavior? (Cited: www.newhopeforwomen.org.)

These are some of the warning signs of domestic abuse. If you see that this is happening to you or someone you love, there are resources to help you. Understanding what domestic violence is and that it can happen to any race, religion, gender or economic status is the first step of awareness.

How do you help yourself or someone else? Rise can help you with counseling, housing and

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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, Sept. 26

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.

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.

GED Accelerated Preparation Course Registration and Orientation. 2-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Call 264-2209 for more 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.

Pagosa Springs Medical Center Community Open House. 5:15-7:15 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center. A chance for the community to learn more about the many services PSMC provides, speak to providers and receive educational materials about our services. Attendees will be able to walk through the departments and participate in a variety of educational displays as well as get an up-close look at our state-of-the-art EMS ambulance and an emergency transport heli-

copter. This family-friendly evening will include a catered dinner, music by Jack Ellis, giveaways, interactive displays and much more.

Pagosa Pirates Girl's Varsity Volleyball. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa vs. Ignacio.

San Juan Stargazers. 7 p.m., Visitor Center conference room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd. Our program will be presented by Jerry Granock and will be an interactive practicum on locating constellations and stars. Hot drinks and a treat will be served at 6:30 p.m. with time to socialize. For more information, visit www.sanjuanstargazers.org, email sjstargazers@gmail.com or call 335-8286.

Friday, Sept. 27

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available.

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Purple

■ continued from previous page resources to keep you and your loved ones safe. Rise is our community's local domestic violence and sexual assault organization. Our hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 264-9075. If you would like to know how you can do more in your community to help, call us today at 264-1129. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed. We need all volunteers, from direct advocacy work to helping with behind the scenes projects and events.

Thank you to our community partners that stand with us during this important awareness month. Your support lets victims know that their community supports them and may even help end their silence.

Things to look for during Domestic Violence Awareness Month: the Art Above Violence Show on

Oct. 5; the Clothesline Project will be at Town Hall and the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library throughout the month.

To learn more about activities during Domestic Violence Awareness month, follow Rise Above Violence on Facebook or check out our website, www.riseaboveviolence.org.

Rise is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides 24-hour support and advocacy services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault or other forms of violence, serving over 300 victims each year. Rise also works to eliminate violence through education for youth and our community. All programs and services are free and confidential, including emergency prevention education and empowerment programs. Visit www.riseaboveviolence.org for more information or call 264-9075 to talk to an advocate today.

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

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

Literary Ladies Book Club. 10:30-11:30 a.m., Sisson Library. Discussion will be on "Natural Causes" by Barbara Ehrenreich. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

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

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

Read with a Ranger: Nutty by Nature-Squirrels. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. All ages. Discover the nutty world of squirrels with Ranger Brandon with nature-themed books and activities. Recommended for 6-to 10-year-olds, but all are welcome to attend. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Archuleta County Democratic Party Annual Chili Supper. 5 p.m., Extension building. Adults \$10. For more information, call Becky Herman at 264-2171.

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

Night Sky: Stars and Galaxies. 7:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This program is timed for when the moon is absent from the sky. Visitors can enjoy the night sky in a truly dark-sky environment and see fainter objects that the moon's light would normally obscure. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Saturday, Sept. 28

Mountain Chile Cha Cha. 8:30 a.m., Town Park. There will be a 5k, 10k and half marathon for competitors of all abilities. A Spanish music concert with Sangre Joven, a Mexican beer garden, Hatch green chiles for sale and roasted on-site, and a kids' corner. Don't miss the chile

cook-off and margarita contest. For more information and to register, go to ilovegreenchile.com.

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 Fall Book Sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church Parish Hall Library, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The Book Nook is overflowing with great reads at a terrific price. Paperbacks are a quarter and our hardbacks are \$1. There is something for everyone from fiction and nonfiction, cookbooks, crafts, history, mystery, adventure, westerns, kids books and spiritual books to feed your soul.

Tara Mandala Open House. 9:30 a.m., Tara Mandala Retreat Center. The public is invited for a free day of events including a guided tour of the Retreat Center and Tara Temple, a brief introduction to meditation with time for Q&A and a vegetarian buffet lunch. For more information and to register, visit www.taramandala.org/open-house.

Annual Ski Shop Gear Sale. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Pagosa Ski Rentals, 350 Pagosa St.

Meditation and Recorded Dharma Talk. 10 a.m., Unitarian Universal Fellowship, 70 Greenbriar Drive, Suite B-15. All are welcome.

Crafting Club. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Community Center. Join us for creativity, crafting and sharing ideas. This will be a time to bring your creativity, projects in progress, supplies and ideas to spend some time being crafty and connect with others who enjoy all aspects of creativity, too.

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. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Join us for great stories, fun songs, toddler-friendly crafts and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Sunday, Sept. 29

Annual Ski Shop Gear Sale. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Pagosa Ski Rentals, 350

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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.

Rosh Hashanah/Feast of Trumpets Service. 7-9 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Church, 1044 Park Ave. Come celebrate with Ahavat Adonai.

Monday, Sept. 30

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 or call 731-2040.

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced at 10:15 a.m. For more information, call Beverly at 264-2064.

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

Qigong. 10 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Maintain and improve

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GED Accelerated Preparation Course Registration and Orientation. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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.

Bridge for Fun. 1 p.m., Senior Center.
Hand and Foot Card Game. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Tween Gaming. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. For those in the 4th-8th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

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.

High Country Squares Dances. 6:30-8:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. We dance both mainstream and plus with Jim Park calling. Visitors welcome. For more information, contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 or email skeil@nso.edu.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

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.

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.

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

Alzheimer's Support Group. 2 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church. For more information, call 259-0122.

GED Accelerated Preparation Course. 2-7 p.m., Sisson Library. The accelerated course will use one-on-one tutoring with traditional and online materials giving you

study options to help complete your goals. Call 264-2209 for more information and to register.

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.

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

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.

Pagosa Pirates Girls' Varsity Volleyball. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Pagosa vs. Alamosa.

Come As You Are. 6-8 p.m., John Paul II Catholic Church. Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Have you been Baptized Catholic but not received your First Communion or confirmation? Have you been away from Mass and the Eucharist for some time because of questions/doubts about your faith? Then we invite you to come As You Are to learn more about The Way, The Truth and The Life through the RCIA Program. For more information and to register call 731-5744.

Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m. PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn the

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smooth and flowing romantic night club two-step. Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa> for more information.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

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 ceflittlekids@gmail.com.

Family Storytime: Heure du Conte Avec Zhenia. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Join us for an introduction to French via some songs and literacy activities. Storytime is a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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.

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

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.

Electric Cooker 101. 2 p.m., Extension office. Do you have a pressure cooker at home, but don't know what to do with it? Are you thinking about buying one? Then come learn about how to use one and make fabulous meals. The class is \$15. Call 264-5931 to register.

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

Role-Playing Game. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters in our ongoing RPG. This is a recurring program. If you want to be a part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in anytime. For those in the 7th-12th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

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

Electric Cooker 101. 6 p.m., Extension Office. Do you have a pressure cooker at home, but don't know what to do with it? Are you thinking about buying one? Then come

learn about how to use one and make fabulous meals. The class is \$15. Child care provided for this class and supports 4-H. Call 264-5931 to register.

Counselor's Talk about College. 6:30-8 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. The high school counseling department will present a program about the nuts and bolts of going to college: choosing a college or technical program, applying to the school and obtaining financial aid. Home-schooled and private school students are welcome.

Pagosa Sports Club Community Meeting. 6:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School, 309 Lewis St. The mission of the club will be to provide a safe environment conducive to both firearm instruction and the practice of recreational handgun, rifle and shotgun shooting as well as archery. All who are interested are asked to attend this meeting. For more information or to assist in this program, email PagosaSportsClub@gmail.com.

The Most Excellent Way. 7 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship

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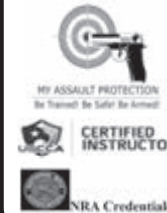
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Thursday, Oct. 3

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.

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.

Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For youth in the 6th-12th grades. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

San Juan Outdoor Club. 6:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Speaker Doug Coombs will present photographs of Yellowstone National Park and Grand Teton National Park. He will show photos taken during winter, spring and fall from various trips. Light

refreshments will be served at 6 p.m. Guests welcome. For more information, visit sanjuanoutdoorclub.org.

Friday, Oct. 4

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.

Pagosa Peak Open School Ninja Warrior Challenge. 10 a.m., Pagosa Peak Open School. We invite families to come show our students support as they engage in a fun and healthy field day challenge to successfully complete the Ninja Warrior obstacle course.

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.

AARP Smart Driver Course. 1-5 p.m., Senior Center. AARP membership is not required to take the course. Classroom Costs \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. To register call 462-9613.

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.

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

Pagosa Christian Women's Retreat. Sonlight Christian Camp, 1536 Sonlight Place. Guest speaker: Michelle Johnson. For more information and to register, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/pagosachristianwomen/>.

Luminosity Talks Presents Mark Kimmel. 6:30 p.m., New Thought Center. Kimmel has conducted workshops based on his unique insights into the transformation of Earth and his interactions with non-physical beings. He presents his communications with archangels and other nonphysicals without a religious orientation.

Pagosa Pirates Boys' Varsity Football. 7 p.m., Golden Peaks Stadium. Pagosa vs. Montezuma-Cortez.

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Meals on Wheels volunteers needed

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist

The Pagosa Springs Senior Center Meals on Wheels program delivers approximately 3,000 fresh and frozen meals a year. We deliver fresh Meals on Wheels five days a week (and provide frozen meals for weekends) to homebound Archuleta County residents to help them stay healthy and independent in their own homes.

This program is vitally important because many seniors have little to no access to nutritious meals. They are often too frail or have health complications that prevent them from preparing meals for themselves or from using the Pagosa Senior Center's Community Café, where lunch is served on-site Monday through Friday.

The Senior Center needs volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers for one day a week (or become part of our substitute driver team). Please join us as part of our driver team and build wonderful relationships with the seniors in our community. For more information or to volunteer, call 264-2167.

AARP Smart Driver Course

The AARP Smart Driver course, offered by AARP Driver Safety, is the nation's first and largest refresher course designed specifically for drivers age 50 and older. For more than 35 years, the course has taught 16 million drivers proven safety strategies so they can continue driving safely for as long as possible.

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them from being in a crash. Plus, you may be eligible to receive an insurance discount upon completing the course, so consult your insurance agent for details.

AARP membership is not required to take the course.

The classroom course costs only \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers.

To register, please call (970) 462-9613.

Due to popular demand, the Senior Center is hosting a fifth class on Oct. 4 from 1 to 5 p.m.

Zentangle

Zentangle is a form of relaxation using easy-to-learn patterns, drawn by focusing on single lines one at a time. The method focuses on simple, elemental strokes that anyone can draw, regardless of creative ability, and allows the mind and body to release stress while creating beautiful images.

The class instructor will be Roberta Strickland, CZT. She can be reached at 946-4582 or 264-2167.

The next class will be held Friday, Sept. 27, at 1 p.m.

History (Book) Club

Are you interested in reading and talking about history with others? If so, please join us the History (Book) Club and bring your ideas and experiences as we continue a history discussion group at the Senior Center.

The discussions will cover many historical subjects based on the preferences of the group. Please come and bring your friends who might also be interested.

Facilitated by Jim Van Liere, the

group meets the third Wednesday of every month.

The next meeting will be Oct. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Community Café Dining Room at the Senior Center.

Pre-Columbia America is the topic of the meeting. The vikings and other early explorers will be included. Native Americans, Machu Picchu and any other topics from early Pre-Columbian American history will be discussed. Please come and share the books or topics of the pre-Columbian period that interest you.

Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad prepared by our kitchen staff.

The guest fee for those 59 and under is \$10 and children 10 years and under can eat for \$8.50 each. Access to the salad bar is only \$6 for those under 60.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 26—Beefbrisket, macaroni and cheese, oven-fried okra, milk, salad bar and strawberry pie.

Friday, Sept. 27 — Chicken and dumplings, glazed carrots, green beans with almonds, milk, salad bar and fruit compote.

Monday, Sept. 30 — Pork ziti, roasted cauliflower soup, carrots with crème fraiche, milk, salad bar and blueberry muffin.

Tuesday, Oct. 1 — Turkey potpie with puff pastry, bacon green beans, milk, salad bar, cranberry sauce and apple crisp.

Wednesday, Oct. 2 — Beef stroganoff, broccoli casserole, yellow squash medley, milk, salad bar and strawberry pie.

Thursday, Oct. 3 — Chicken and pork sausage gumbo, rice, green chili corn pudding, milk, salad bar and bread pudding with pecans.

Reservations and cancellations are required. You can make a reservation at 264-2167 by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you would like to dine in the Community Cafe at the Senior Center.

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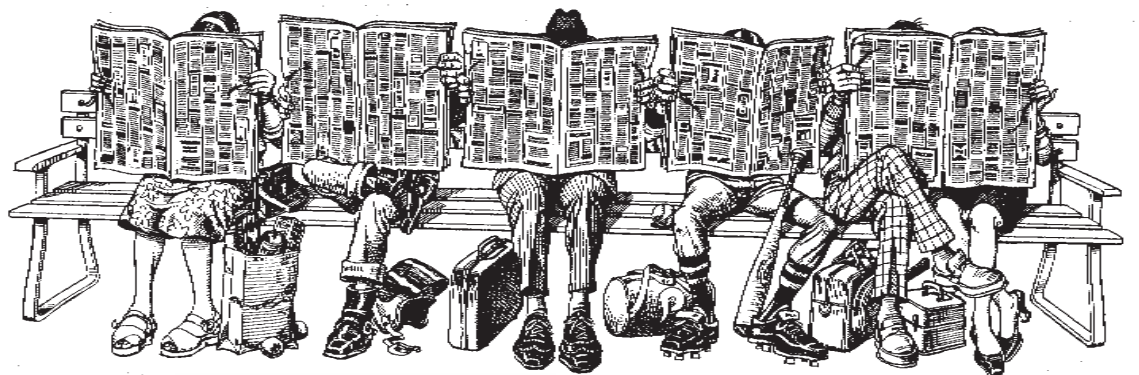


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Scene ... along the San Juan River as more than 200 folks enjoy this year's balloon ascension from the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) Breakfast with Balloons event, as well as breakfast, coffee, live music and a front-row view of balloons dipping into the river. The GGP's yearly fundraiser was a success, and the proceeds to be reinvested in the site for community enjoyment and benefit.



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Local high school students to host Fields of Faith event Oct. 9

By Eric Swithin
Special to The PREVIEW

Students from Pagosa Springs High School will join thousands of youth on athletic fields across the nation on Wednesday, Oct. 9, to share their Christian faith with fellow students during the 16th annual national Fellowship of Christian Athlete's (FCA) Fields of Faith event.

This rapidly growing, international outreach event will be held at more than 500 locations throughout the nation. The event will start at 6:30 p.m. on the Pagosa Springs High School football field and will include music, testimonies and a message of hope from God's word.

While many Christian rallies are anchored to an entertainer or professional speaker, FCA's Fields of Faith is structured as a student-to-student ministry. Peers invite their classmates and teammates to meet on their school's athletic field to hear fellow students share their testimonies, challenge them to read the Bible and to come to faith in Jesus Christ.

This is the first Fields of Faith event for Pagosa Springs. Since the beginning of Fields of Faith in 2004, more than a million people have joined the movement. In 2018 alone, more than 240,000 participants gathered at 521 fields, where 6,213 made first-time faith commitments, 5,015 recommitted their lives to Christ and 6,494 committed to reading their Bible.

This event is free, open to the public, and everyone is invited to join us for this very special night.

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 Canada jay.

A trip to the high country is required to spot these pretty, gregarious birds, but if they are around, they'll quickly make their presence known. These curious birds will swoop in with quiet flight to check out new sights and sounds in their territory. They have learned to associate humans with food and will eat from an extended hand. They can make pests of themselves at campsites, grabbing unattended food and earning the name camp robber.

A bird of many names, the Canada jay was known as the gray jay until the American Ornithological Society realigned the common and scientific (*perisoreus canadensis*) names in 2018. Occurring in spruce and mixed forests of the northern United States and Canada, and high mountain ranges in the west, the Canada jay figures as a trickster in the lore of northern Indigenous tribes. Another of its common names, whiskey jack, is derived from the Cree word wisikejack.

A rather large, stocky, long-tailed bird, both the male and female are dark gray above and light gray below with a black patch on the back of the head and a short, stout bill. Thick, fluffy plumage provides insulation. Mated pairs stay together for life and are rarely found apart.

The Canada jay will eat nearly anything, including carrion. It caches food in sticky globs using saliva to glue it to tree branches and behind loose bark. The amazing ability to locate this stored food allows this bird to winter in areas where other food sources are buried in snow.

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