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## **Exceptional** drought: Stevens Lake down 115 inches from full

By Chris Mannara Staff Writer

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, the southwest portion of Colorado has been classified as being in "exceptional drought."

Jim Pringle of the National Weather Service commented on the drought and weather conditions, as well as the lack of monsoon weather in southwest Colorado.

"We haven't had any big monsoonal surges yet, let's put it that way," Pringle said.

This is because of the position of the high pressure loft this summer, Pringle commented, "which has been a little farther west than usual and therefore, has suppressed that subtropical moisture from moving north into western Colorado, into this area.'

This summer, there have not been too many times where subtropical

■ See Drought A8



Photo courtesy Jeff Monafo

No, it wasn't a crash landing or a run-in with a vehicle, just another hot summer day. This Abert's squirrel has found a clever way to cool off in a Pagosa Country driveway.

## Settlement details released in school district case

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

Editor's note: Due to the nature of the allegations, The SUN has chosen not to include the names of the individuals involved or details of the actions alleged out of respect to those involved.

Details of a settlement between Archuleta School District 50 Jt. (ASD) and the family of a student who was allegedly molested on a school bus in 2016 have been released.

The lawsuit, filed in Archuleta County District Court on Aug. 31, 2017, alleged that a 13-year-old special needs student molested a 6-year-old student while on an ASD bus in 2016.

That lawsuit concluded on Oct. 9, 2017, with the plaintiff's attorney, Jason Eley, informing The SUN via email, "The matter has settled and as part of the settlement there will not be any further public statements and the final settlement terms will not be

■ See Settlement A8

## Possibility of new court facility discussed

**By Avery Martinez** Staff Writer

State Court Administrator Chris Ryan spoke with members of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Aug. 7 about new court facility could be built in Harman Park the possibility of a new court facility in Harman Park if the jail ballot initiative were to pass.

In an interview with The SUN on Aug. 14, BoCC Chair Steve Wadley explained that the future of the courts in Archuleta County could depend on the success of the jail initiative.

When asked if the BoCC stance on the courts or courthouse had changed, Wadley responded that the stance on the safety of the courthouse had not changed.

"No, we still think the courthouse is safe to inhabit, and we encourage them to re-inhabit it, and they're not going to," Wadley said.

County Courts vacated the Archuleta County Courthouse in mid-September of 2017 citing health and safety concerns with the building.

According to Wadley, if the initiative passed, a near the proposed jail site.

Wadley told The SUN that court building would be separate from the jail facility and built around the same time.

The money for the court facility would come from the money saved for remodeling the old court facility and would not come from the sales tax, Wadley explained.

"Should this bond issue pass, then I think we'll be in a position that we can look to them to work out some kind of an agreement for help with a new courthouse," Wadley told The SUN.

If the initiative passes, according to Wadley,

The Sixth Judicial District and Archuleta "that would put us in a position" to use existing reserves, Department of Local Affairs (DoLA) funding and funding from the state Underfunded Courthouse Facility Commission to "figure out a deal" on a new facility.

And, according to Wadley, there is a possibility for the construction of the new courthouse to start very quickly on what would "probably be a metal-and-steel-type building."

The BoCC met with Ryan and Chief of Staff Mindy Masias at a work session on Aug. 7 to discuss the future of the court facilities in Archuleta

Ryan expressed that he was there to speak about "where we are" with the facilities and come to a consensus.

"We're at a kind of an impasse, I think, at this

■ See Facility A8

## School district tables ballot language decision

By Chris Mannara Staff Writer

After much discussion, the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education (BOE) tabled the decision on its mill levy over-

regular board meeting on Tuesday. The ballot language will be revisited at a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 5 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School

ride (MLO) ballot language at its

auditorium. During Tuesday's meeting, ASD Superintendent Linda Reed explained that the draft ballot language had been drafted with bond council Thomas Peltz of Kutak

ASD Finance Director Mike Hodgson and BOE member Bruce Dryburgh also assisted Peltz, Reed

The proposed ballot language states: Shaii Archuleta County School District No. 50 JT taxes be increased \$1.7 million annually for a limited seven-year period (commencing in collection year 2019 and ending after collection year 2025) which moneys shall be used

"- recruit and retain highly qualified teachers and staff;

"- fund full time school resource officers for safety;

- fund full day kindergarten;

'- provide required funding for

Pagosa Peak Open School." The ballot language goes on to read: "Through a property tax override mill levy to be imposed

■ See Ballot A8

## Public input sought for main street improvement plan

By James Dickhoff

Special to The SUN

The Town of Pagosa Springs has recently finalized an agreement with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to share in the costs of consultation services to be performed by the Wood Group who will be conducting a local U.S. 160 corridor visioning process, for the portion of our main street (U.S. 160) between 1st Street and 10th Street.

This process is meant to compliment the U.S. 160 preliminary design work CDOT is currently conducting for a future reconstruction project between 1st Street and 10th Street.

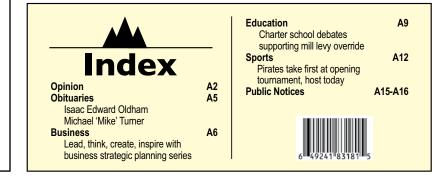
CDOT's goal is to create a preliminary reconstruction plan that will be shelved until funding becomes

The local corridor visioning process began on Wednesday, Aug. 15, with community stakeholder group meetings with the Town of Pagosa Springs, CDOT and the Wood Group. Stakeholder groups included Archuleta School District, multimodal transportation advocates, downtown business owners and residents, and town council and its

■ See Plan A8



A watched duck never crosses the finish line, or at least that's how it felt at Saturday's annual Duck Race hosted by the Knights of Columbus. The ducks took a leisurely 45 minutes to make their way down the San Juan River race course, with the judges waiting patiently at the finish line for the first three finishers.



# Opinion

## **E**DITORIAL

## We are not your enemy

The ongoing rhetoric from President Donald Trump calling out the news media as "the enemy of the people" is deeply concerning.

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The SUN reports on local matters of interest to our community and its citizens in the fairest and most impartial way that we can.

It's rewarding to receive emails such as one this week stating: "As a side note, my wife Lynne and I sincerely appreciate the SUN's coverage of local events, which you do to a degree that we have not experienced elsewhere. Thank you."

We are proud to over deliver in our coverage. We appreciate our readers reminding us when we fail to deliver and when we do well.

Tim Waltner with the Freeman Courier in South Dakota penned an editorial this week stating: "The free flow of information is at the heart of a democracy. When a person holding the highest elected position in the land constantly calls those who are providing this information 'the enemy of the people,' American citizens are in trouble.

"It gets worse. Last week, in a speech at the VFW annual convention in Kansas City, the president said, 'Stick with us. Don't believe the crap you see from these people, the fake news ... What you're seeing and what you're reading is not what's happening."

"When the president is asking the American people to believe that what is being reported is not the truth, we are in serious trouble as a

Waltner continued, "But to broadly label news media as 'fake news' and to tell people that 'what you're reading is not what's happening' is both irresponsible and dangerous."

Our concern with the president's comments has nothing to do with party affiliation. It's not about whether you're a conservative or a liberal. Heck, on any given day we have been called both conservative and liberal two or three times over. That doesn't matter to us.

What matters to us is keeping the public informed.

We agree with the president that "fake news" is irresponsible and dangerous. You find it everywhere on social media these days, but you won't find it in this community newspaper.

Are we perfect? Certainly not. When we make a mistake, we own it and we print a correction. Fortunately, we haven't had to print many of those corrections over the years.

In this week's Letters to the Editor a reader expressed, "Finally, I would like to thank the Pagosa Sun, its reporters and especially the editor for keeping the public apprised of the activities of the commissioners, the town council, and the powers that be. It is reassuring to know that someone is watching and listening and has the community's best interests at heart."

Washington Post Columnist Margaret Sullivan recently wrote, "in our terribly divided nation, we need the local newspaper to give us common information — an agreed-upon set of facts to argue about."

Without that, she wrote, "public officials aren't held accountable, town budgets go unscrutinized ... we never know what we don't know. Corruption can flourish, taxes can rise, public officials can indulge their worst impulses."

Last month, after The SUN called out the county for allowing the jail advisory committee to hold meetings behind closed doors, we received an email about the matter stating: "If ever there were an example of the importance of an independent press, this is it."

Terri Lynn Oldham House

## Whaddya Think?

What is your favorite way to cool off in the summer heat?



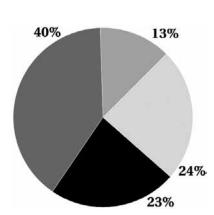
Joey Campbell "I ride my bike."



Anissa Lucero "Stay inside."



Sandy Cepon "Sitting at work in the air conditioning.



Poll results (110 Votes) Play in the river. — 24 percent Stay inside. — 23 percent Head to the high country. — 40 percent

Other. — 13 percent

This week online: Have you visited Chimney Rock National Monument this season? Vote at www.pagosasun.com

## LOOKING BACK



From the May 29, 1975, **Pagosa Springs** SUN. STUDENT COUNCIL **OFFICERS** -Newly elected student council officers for the next school term at Pagosa **Springs High** School are, left to right, Barbara Seielstad, vice president; Dell Gibbs, president; and Cindi Hudson, secretary-treasurer.

## **LEGACIES**

By Shari Pierce

## 90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of August 17, 1928

Mrs. Mildred Poynter Thompson, Pagosa's own 62-year-old flapper, was an arrival Wednesday evening from Chama, where she now resides, and will remain here for one week to demonstrate to the ladies of Pagosa Springs and vicinity the famous Clara Stanton line of toilet goods. She will also administer "facials."

A 6-pound girl was born Tuesday in Pagosa to Mr. and Mrs. Perfecto Garcia of Trujillo.

The Women's Civic club wishes to thank all those who assisted in the Gypsy carnival and especially Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Van Pelt for the use of Carlsbad hall.

Mrs. H.A. Rogers of Pagosa Junction continues to recover at the Loucks hospital in this city from a severe attack of malaria.

## 75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of August 20, 1943 Betty Sutherland, Pagosa H.S. graduate, and Miss Max McBride arrived Saturday from Berkeley, Calif., for a week's visit with relatives and friends. Both girls are employed as welders in the Kaiser Ship Yards.

The fire house at the Town Hall has been getting a new roof this week and other minor improvements.

Consumers will begin using war Ration Book No. 3 on September 12th. They will start with brown stamps which will be used to obtain meat, butter, fats, oils and rationed dairy products.

**The OPA** reminds motorists who still hold the old style B and C gasoline rationing coupons to exchange them for the new milage ration coupons between August 23rd and September 1st.

50 years ago
Taken from SUN files of August 15, 1968

The Archuleta County Court is taking on a new look. Furniture and fixtures from a Denver area court have been donated to the county and are being installed this week. The installation work is being done by youths from the state reformatory honor camp at Arboles and is under the supervision of Herb Browning WCO with the State Game, Fish and Parks Department. The new fixtures consist of a judge's bench, witness stand, clerk's work space, railing and paneling and attachments. The fixtures were used in the Denver area court but have been replaced with new, modern equipment. The entire assembly is of wood paneling construction and is very substantial. A justice of Colorado's Supreme Court, when visiting here some time ago, said that he would obtain the furniture.

## 25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of August 19, 1993

The county commissioners adopted a snow removal policy that excludes plowing private roads and driveways Tuesday. After much discussion by Commissioners Bob Formwalt and Bill Tallon, Tallon's motion on the snow removal policy passed by a 2-1 vote. Tallon and Commissioner Alvin Cannady voted to adopt the policy on public roads that was prepared by the ad hoc Road Advisory Committee. Under the heading of "Public Roads," the three-part statement defined public roads as "all roads which have been platted and/or dedicated to the public use by recorded deed and/or accepted for maintenance by the county." It further states that the county will "plow all county maintained roads and all residential public roads not in a municipality or metropolitan district."

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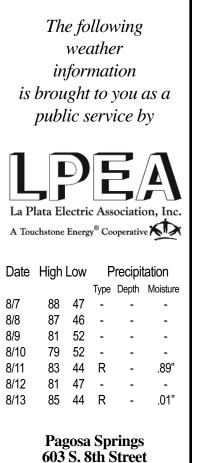
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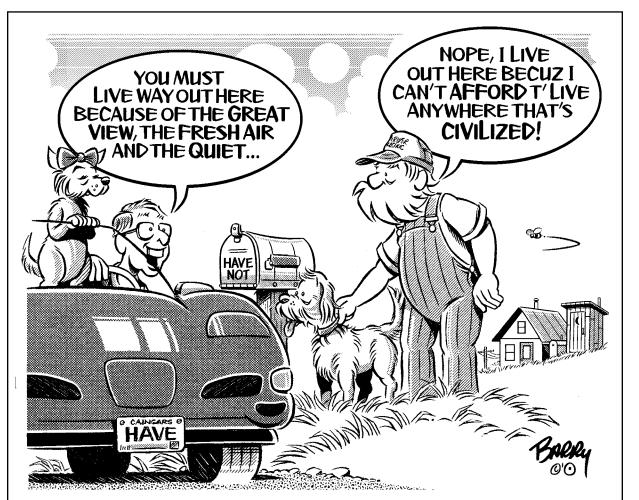
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## Letters

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#### Global action

Dear Editor:

This September, cities, municipalities, businesses and civil society from around the world will be gathering in California for the Global Climate Action Summit.

The Summit has invited every mayor, governor and local leader in the world to make a bold climate commitment to help the world make a fast and fair transition to 100% renewable energy and an immediate end to new fossil fuel

Our leaders do not make hard decisions in a vacuum. The pressure has to come from the grassroots and the pressure needs to be applied locally. On September 8, just before the summit, there is in the planning a massive day of action in cities and neighborhoods around the world to demand that local leaders commit to building a fossil free world that works for all of us.

One of those town is right here — Pagosa Springs. Getting the ball rolling are: Southwest Organization for Sustainability, Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Social Action Committee and the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership; however, this is only the beginning. We invite all of our local organization and individuals to join in. Our Rise for

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Climate March will begin at 3 pm from the GGP amphitheater, go through town and return to the amphitheater where we will have a speaker and refreshments.

Can't leave the topic without a recognition of the differences of opinion regarding renewable vs fossil based fuels. Change is always hard, especially if heavy investment is at stake; however, there are some common sense arguments I listen to — that fossil fuels are finite, that they are harmful to human beings and the planet and are now becoming more expensive to produce. And renewable power will become less expensive and more available as we support the technological investment that will make them so. These are the arguments that move me, though I realize it is not so with everyone. If we can't agree on this one, maybe the next one.

In the meantime, those who are of a like mind, contact us - pagosauuf@gmail.com — and we will put you on the roster.

Pauline Benetti

## Words' meaning

Words have meaning and their meaning can be understood.

I have lived my entire adult life in two different realms. I live my life in the realm of the Christian church and, at the same time, I live in the earthly realm as a citizen of the United States. While both of these realms are quite different, they do share one similarity. Both realms are based on a written text. For the realm of the church, that text is the Scriptures or the Holy Bible. For the U.S., that text is the Constitution and its Amendments. What I find interesting is that within both realms there is a great deal of effort to discredit and ignore the written text upon which the respective realms are based.

There are many within Christendom that would say that the Bible is a "living document" that has to change with the times, so that, the Bible doesn't always mean what it actually says. Thus (for instance) when the biblical text actually says that homosexuality is prohibited and gay marriage utterly unthinkable (Rom. 1:18 ff); or when God's Word speaks about those being in the Pastoral Office exclusively as men (I Timothy 2:11-13, Titus 2:3-5, et. al.) great effort is required to explain why God's Word doesn't actually mean what He actually said.

With the nomination of Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, and his declaration that if confirmed, he would interpret the Constitution "as written"; we see the same phenomena occurring within the realm of the state. Those in opposition to Mr. Kavanaugh want the Constitution to be a "living document" that changes with the times. In other words, the text of the Constitution has no fixed meaning and it will be decided by activist judges that the original words of the fundamental law of our land can mean anything they

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say it means regardless of what the words actually say.

It is frequently taught by leftist professors of philosophy in our universities that no reader of any text can determine the original intent of the original writer and thus it is necessary for modern readers of ancient texts (or not so ancient texts) to determine their own meaning for their own set of circumstances and prevailing cultural views. This is, of course, a great way to enable anyone to justify anything anyone wants to do. The wisdom of the ages becomes unknown, unknowable, and thus it cannot be transferred to the present. Naturally, this also completely destroys anything even approaching absolute truth.

In both realms the disregarding of the actual language of the foundational texts destroys the very organisms they serve to support. If the text of Holy Scripture is discounted, discarded, or made to say what it actually doesn't say, the church is harmed and divided. If the text of the U.S. Constitution is discounted, discarded, or made to say what it actually doesn't say, the very framework of our representative democracy is destroyed.

#### Hold applause

Dear Editor:

Back around 1936, a symphony was formed in Seattle and I attended a concert with my mother. The new young conductor actually stopped the music and asked the audience to please hold their applause until the symphony was completed, rather than clapping after each section or "movement."

Hopefully, enough music lovers in Pagosa will read this and respond accordingly.

Phyl Daleske

Richard Bolland

#### **Educator support**

Dear Editor:

Our community is thriving. As my wife and I walk around our neighborhood in the evening, we enjoy watching the progress being made by local builders on the three new houses that are being constructed. I regularly read in The Sun about increased revenue collection compared to previous times. Driving through town this summer, I observed many tourists visiting our wonderful local businesses. From all indications, economic times are good in Pagosa Springs.

I want to commend and express my sincere gratitude to our town and county leaders for investing and improving when there is abundance. It is important to wisely invest in projects that enhance our community. Projects like the new overlook, sidewalks and paving of town park and major streets, the purchase of open space like Cotton Hole Park and the construction of the new river feature below the dentist office known as the root canal. As preparations for repaving efforts begin on Piedra Road, I feel community pride growing. When

people ask where we are from, we respond with pride, "Pagosa Springs, Colorado."

I want to strongly encourage community members to continue to be forward thinking this November. In times of abundance, we must think to the future with regards to our wonderful town and state. As citizens, we are going to have opportunities to invest. We are living in abundant times. It's to time to vote "Yes" to support educators.

Chris Hinger

#### Gas wells

Dear Editor:

There has been a lot of controversy recently about gas wells in Archuleta County. Unfortunately, in spite of the county planning commission and the county commissioners' vote against issuing the permit, their actions will probably ultimately fail. In fact, the oil and gas commission has already issued a permit for the well. It was issued the day after the planning commission turned it down. If we want local control of the oil and gas industries, it will take a political action, namely, electing Guinn Unger to the state senate, Jared Polis to the governorship, and re-electing Barbara McLachlan to the state house. We also need a Representative in Washington from our district who is not beholden to the oil industry. That means replacing Scott Tipton with Diane Mitsch Bush.

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into state laws. In fact, the governing oil and gas rules say, "It is the intent and purpose of this article to permit each oil and gas pool in Colorado to produce up to the maximum effcient rate of production, subject to the prevention of waste, consistent with the protection of the environment and wildlife resources ..." In other words, the gas and oil commission should take into consideration aesthetics and the environment, but it cannot prevent gas and oil wells.

At the county level, the only power the county commissioners have is to require mitigation like putting up a fence or planting trees. This helps disguise the pump jacks, but not noise or pollution or carbon emissions. And, when fracking comes to the shale deposits in Archuleta County, hiding the wells will not mitigate water pollution, truck traffic and noise, or methane and other toxic chemical releases. You may not want truck traffic on your street, but if there is oil or gas nearby, too bad.

Candice Kelly

#### Jail construction

Dear Editor:

Regarding your recent editorial, "Jail: Make a Decision", I am prompted to respond to a number of items regarding construction of

Firstly, let me address a comment in the July 26th SUN article titled the "Jail campaign group opens meetings to public". In the article, Commissioner Ronnie Maez mentions that the proposedjail cost has increased to about \$19.7 million and then discusses a "'plan B' for the jail ... looking at building something small but 'adequate'". Maez was referring to a Plan B to be put into effect if the proposed jail sales-tax increase fails this Fall, as it did on the 2017 ballot. (Note: My husband sent an email to the BoCC suggesting that they reevaluate the proposed jail now to reduce its size and the amount of the requested sales-tax increase.) I believe that a smaller facility, i.e. fewer beds instead of the 54 proposed, and maintaining some of the Sheriff's Department offices at the Emergency Operations Center would reduce the cost of the building. A smaller building could be designed to permit adding future additional space when necessary and perhaps at a more financially-prudent time. A smaller facility could be financed with a smaller sales-tax increase, which would have less financial impact on the community, thereby increasing the likelihood of voter approval.

Secondly, many residents claim to have received substantial property-tax increases, and we face the possibility of an increase in Colorado State Sales Tax next year. Additionally, we will be confronted with the fire department's mill levy increase and the proposed Archuleta School District mill levy increase. Although my husband and I voted for the new jail last year, as a retired middle-school language arts teacher I can assure you that I will vote "Yes" for the school request versus

What'SUP

The Pagosa Lakes Lifestyle de-

partment would like to express its

extreme gratitude to those who

attended the What'SUP event this

year. A special thanks to those who

participated in the triathlon, expos

and obstacles. This year's events

Plan B jail request on the ballot, I would support both a new jail and the school proposal. I believe that the commissioners and the sheriff need to prioritize what is essential versus what is on their "Wish List". The jail needs to be functional, not an architectural marvel. And we certainly do not need to compare it or ourselves to wealthier and more populated areas.

Lastly, the commissioners and the Sheriff's Department need to reevaluate the prospective new jail. If last year's "Plan A" jail ballot proposal with a cost of approximately \$17 million and a 1% sales tax increase failed, why would the BoCC ask for the exact same thing when taxpayers will potentially be burdened with the aforementioned tax increases. It just does not make sense logically or financially.

Finally, I would like to thank the Pagosa Sun, its reporters and especially the editor for keeping the public apprised of the activities of the commissioners, the town council, and the powers that be. It is reassuring to know that someone is watching and listening and has the community's best interests at heart. Joanne Lucariello

#### **Counterpoints**

Dear Editor:

A couple of weeks you had a Letter to the Editor enumerating all that Trump's improvements. Here are my counterpoints.

1. Trump is a voyeur. He walks in on young girls at the Miss Teen pageant and at the Miss Universe pageant while they were dressing. He also bragged about grabbing women by their genitalia. Oh, in an interview he says that if Ivanka wasn't his daughter he would like to "date" her. That to me is a pervert

2. He is a liar. Thousand of Muslims cheering in the streets after 9/11.His inauguration crowd was bigger than Obama's. There are over another 4,000 lies he has said.

3. He is a draft dodger and/or a coward. He had a "bone spur" on his foot and could not serve in the military and then couldn't remember what foot it was on.

4. He is a thug and bully. I find it ironic that Melania talks about fighting bullying, when she is married to one of the biggest thug on the global stage. Pushing a dignitary from Montevideo aside so he could be in front. I watched him with the Queen of England.

5. During Obama's presidency the GDP went over 4% a few times. The ISIS caliphate was on the run way before Trump became President. He said that he was bringing in only the best people". Over 30 of his best people are gone. The deregulation by the EPA has given us, the citizens of the USA, poorer water quality, higher emissions by vehicles, advancing global warming. His cabinet members have spent tax payers' money on all kinds of incidentals that only enrich themselves. Draining the swamp? Trump has managed to enrich the swamp with creatures from the Black Lagoon.

6. Who else besides Trump's the presently proposed jail/office administration that has separated

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facility. However, with a reasonable children from their mothers and/or fathers? There are, at this time, still hundreds of children who have not been reunited with their parent(s). The only other one I can think of who did this sort of thing is Hitler.

> I wonder how many of Trumps employees at hotels and golf courses are legal immigrants and how much he pays them. On immigration, I wonder how Melania got a fast track to citizenship and her parents through chain immigration became citizens. Melania came in on an "Einstein visa" It is reserved for people with "extraordinary abilities". Is walking the runway without tripping, an extraordinary ability? Or hugging a rubber whale in a bikini for Sports Illustrated? Those rubber whales can be tricky. I wonder if Trump would have been such a good business man if his father hadn't given him the real estate business in New York City. I wonder what parents and grandparents tell their children what kind of world they are leaving them. There is over a trillion dollars in student debt. Trillion dollars in credit card debt and our country is in one of its biggest deficit. I am invested in the Stock Market, but I would gladly tighten my belt and take the hit to balance the budget and leave future generations a healthy world. We will have to rebuild a better world after Trump is gone.

Barbara Parada

#### Childhood center

Dear Editor:

I applaud SUN reporter Chris Mannara for capturing the facts of the Archuleta County Education Center's (ACEC) mission to open an early childhood center in the fall of 2019. In his article on the front page of the August 9, 2018 edition of the SUN, Chris caught my attention, as I know he did for others, by using a headline that hit home for many families in Archuleta County. We all know that there is a critical need for more licensed early childhood education services in Archuleta County, particularly for children ages 1-3. The headline made me dance in my kitchen — it confirmed that this dream is actually coming

I applaud the Pagosa Springs Town Council and the Board of County Commissioners for appointing and trusting the Early Care and Education Work Group to provide evidence-based recommendations for expanding early childhood education in our community—they heard that the number of available slots needs to more need in Archuleta County. In their wisdom, the Town and County allocated funds (\$100,000 each) in their 2018 budgets for implementation of the recommendations — open another large early childhood education center in our community. They understand the needs in our community and those issues that are adversely affecting our families and our economy.

I applaud the Archuleta County Education Center (ACEC) for all it has done to provide much-needed educational opportunities in our community since 1989 and for taking the Early Childhood Care and Education program under its wings. The ACEC Board understood

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that the program easily fit into their vision and mission and approved "the merger" in the fall of 2017. That action allowed the early childhood work group to immediately begin functioning as a 501(c)(3) organization, putting pertinent resources and funding opportuni-

ties within easy reach. I applaud the strong collaborative effort within our community that supports our mission to expand early childhood care and education services. As Chris explained in his article, a giant step forward has taken place thanks to the generosity that abounds in Archuleta County resulting in nearly \$600,000 toward an \$832,000 building acquisition and renovation project. Examples: Funding by the Town and County have or will provide leverage in seeking and/or securing matching donations and grants. A donation of \$50,000 was made by a community partner to match funds from the Town and County. Provision of a building (\$345,000) for the ACEC to use as an early childhood education center rent-free for 10 years is beyond amazing.

The ACEC is moving forward with the \$487,000 renovation project and looks forward to providing another state-licensed early childhood education center with a mission to provide quality, affordable programs for Archuleta County families and their toddlers (ages 1 up to 3 years) and preschoolers (ages 3-5) in the fall of 2019. Look for more information in the SUN. Jan Santopietro

#### **Alliances**

Dear Editor:

Continuing the words of Father Chacour, the Palestinian Priest today: "If I were merely railing against a political system, that would be one thing ... then I would become a politician. But I believe it is more than that. It's a spiritual sickness. There are unholy alliances between nations that talk about God while their true motives are purely military'

Father Chacour returned to the land of his home, the "West Bank." In addition to his church, he started schools that were open to all, has worked for peace every day. He wrote the following: "If you have been enlightened enough to take the side of the Palestinians — oh bless your hearts — take our side because for once you will be on the right side, right? But if taking our side would mean to be one-sided against my Jewish brothers and sisters, backup. We do not need such friendship. We need one more common friend. We do not need one more enemy, for God's sake." A more recent statement, "Justice does not mean to settle accounts. Justice means to learn how to forgive, to make concessions, to reconcile."

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## Sheriff's office could be

\$395,800 over budget

**By Avery Martinez** Staff Writer

The second quarter financial report for Archuleta County reveals that at least seven departments or major budget categories will be over budget by the end of the year.

Larry Walton, Archuleta County finance director, gave his second quarter financial report to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) on Aug. 7, revealing that there were currently 13 departments on the watch list, including seven that will be over budget by 2019.

"Most of the departments or major budget categories in the county are within budget at the moment without issues," Walton

However, Walton's presentation reads that 13 departments are on the watch list, and "at least 7 will be over budget at year end."

"We pay special attention and try to assist those departments in dealing with challenges they may be faced with," Walton said.

Walton explained more about those numbers.

"We're looking at a pool of about 53 of the total departments, just to give you context there," Walton

"While the majority of expense categories were within budget, there has been in [sic] increase in the number of departments expected to end the year over budget by material dollar amounts," the report reads.

It is too early to know if cost savings in some departments will sufficiently cover the overspending identified, according to the presentation.

Further, according to the presentation, "We are seeing some significant 'unanticipated' revenue, which could cover the excess spending.'

However, the presentation also reads, "... the County's long term capital replacement needs drastically exceed existing revenue streams and fund balances and it is desirable to target all 'unanticipated' revenue toward these capital

According to the report, during the first half of 2018, most revenue sources were at or above what was expected, "after taking seasonal variations into consideration."

At the same time in 2017 there were "three departments/major categories" expected to be over budget and two more were on the watch list, according to the report.

"That gives you some context as well, this year is more challenging than last year with regard to keeping the expense budgets under control," Walton said.

Walton explained that the preferred method was to look for opportunities to underspend other categories within the department, "trying to get enough savings to compensate for that so that the total amount spent over all stays the same."

Walton warned that it was too early to tell if there would be enough savings generated from other departments in order to satisfy the issues seen.

#### **Departments on watch list**

"During 2018, there are 13 departments/major categories on the watch list, of which 7 are (clearly) expected to go over budget by the end of the year," the report reads, "with little or no unanticipated revenue available within those depart- used to offset this excess cost." ments to cover the overspending."

The seven departments listed in the financial report are: investigations, patrol and detention within the Archuleta County's Sheriff's Office (ACSO), human resources, county coroner, road and bridge administration, and solid waste recycling.

The presentation explains that these ACSO departments "are budget challenged" and have projected cost overruns.

According to the presentation:

- Investigations was 62 percent expended, with projected overruns of \$10,000 for overtime and \$6,000 for travel and training.
- Patrol was 51 percent expended, with projected overruns of \$44,000 for overtime and \$4,500 for travel and training.
- Detention was 61 percent expended with projected overruns of \$68,700 for overtime, \$12,500 for on-call pay and \$4,600 for travel and training.

"Within the Detention budget, Inmate Housing (paid to La Plata County) will be about \$245,500 over budget," the presentation reads. "This item is not discretionary, but other categories are and could be

Walton explained that the ACSO had no way to control the expense item of the inmate housing, "and that is the largest problem I identified."

Commissioner Ron Maez asked if the detention budget was high due to trips to Durango for inmate housing, including officer time and travel time back and forth.

Walton explained that there were fleet charges and fuel charges under the expense budget, however, those "are not the numbers I was reporting here."

Walton explained that he was reporting "significant" over-budget items, which were payments to La Plata County.

Walton explained that there were many trips made to Durango, and that the department "may go a little over budget in fuel cost making those trips," but it was more significant to haul as many people as possible in each trip.

Walton explained that that was "driving up the charges that come back to us from La Plata County," since there was a daily rate charged for each inmate.

The last bill the county received from La Plata County was nearly

Report reveals several county departments will be over budget by year-end

\$33,000, according to Walton. According to the report, these three departments "are currently over budget and at the current rates of spending" the following categories will be over budget by the end of the year: overtime, oncall pay, travel and training, and inmate housing.

Those categories "will be over budget by the following amounts at year end":

- Overtime \$122,700.
- On-call pay \$12,500.
- •Travel (and training) \$15,100. • Inmate housing — \$245,500.

This is a total of \$395,800 for those departments.

Four other departments are expected to go over budget, according to the report; human resources, county coroner, road and bridge, and solid waste recycling.

Those departments "are budget challenged as of the first quarter, and have projected cost overruns,' according to the presentation. Human resources was 52 percent expended, county coroner was 57 percent expended, and road and bridge was 62 percent expended.

The report further explains how those departments are expected to ■ See Budget A6

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## **Obituaries**

#### **Isaac Edward** Oldham

Isaac Edward Oldham, born Jan. 3, 1940, went to be with the Lord Aug. 9. Ike is survived by his

loving wife of 48 years, Sharron (Holman) Oldham; three daughters: Carrie Bunn, Lynette (Joe) Cash, Cindy (Will) Tiffany, Brad (Becky) Trusty, all of

Pueblo, Colo., and Betty Smith, of Pagosa Springs, Colo. Ike has one living brother, Harry "Reggie" (Dorothy) Oldham, of Pueblo, Colo., and a sister, Jean (Larry) Weed, of Texas. Ike also leaves behind 11 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren. Living

in Pagosa Springs for most of his

life, Ike also leaves behind many friends and family members. He is preceded in death by parents Harry and Stella (Groves) Oldham, son Eddie Oldham, two sisters and a brother. Funeral services for will be held at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1879 Majestic Drive, on Friday, Aug. 17, at 10 a.m.

#### Michael 'Mike' Turner

On Aug. 8, Michael took one final journey through our Universe. As a son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, veteran and friend, he left an indelible impression on all of us. Throughout his battle with cancer and the com-

plications, he demonstrated the strength and courage we all can benefit from in our future. Artist, musicologist, archivist, creator, warrior, freak ... these are all applicable. If you knew Michael,

there was always More. More food, more lights, more music, more laughing, more singing, more hugs and more love.

He's been blessed with

his partner, Alice, for 31 years, as well as blessed with three amazing daughters, Elexis, Alisha and Larissa, and three incredible grandchildren, Elise, Ethan and Jaiden.

Michael didn't just bring friendship, but created an incredible community of overpowering and undeniable love. We will all miss you, Michael, but we can also rejoice and celebrate the amazing life you allowed us to share with you.

The Turner family will announce a remembrance at a future date.

## **Obituary**

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# Business



## Lead, think, create, inspire with business strategic planning series

By Mary Jo Coulehan

Special to The SUN

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) based in Durango is again looking to host the Leading Edge Business Strategic Planning Series here in Pagosa

Facilitating the series is SBDC Consultant Rich Lindblad. The series consists of seven weeks of classes as well as some computer work over an eight-week time frame. The classes are held on Wednesdays from Sept. 5 to Oct. 24

and will be held in the conference various marketing avenues. room at the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce at 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

The program has courses geared to help both start-up, existing and expanding businesses in the areas of finance, marketing, management and more using the "Canvas Business Model." This visual model helps businesses identify what their value proposition is; who their customers are; and who their key resources, partners and activities are in addition to identifying their cost structure, potential revenue streams and

This is a very helpful and exploratory course where you can test ideas, explore possibilities and determine the feasibility of your business. Because we want businesses in Pagosa not just to open, but be successful, this intensive course includes topics such as money management, budgeting, accounting, risk management and marketing.

The cost for the Leading Edge Strategic Planning Series is \$300. However, there are scholarships available. Tuition includes 36 hours of instruction, five hours of indi-

vidual consulting, access to SBDC resources, and instruction through the course instructor and guest presenters.

To register for the class, visit www.sbdcfortlewis.org/training/ workshops. To inquire about scholarships, contact Hannah Birdsong at the Fort Lewis SBDC offices at hbbirdsong@fortlewis.edu.

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## Town annexes RV park at Aug. 7 meeting

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

The Pagosa Pines RV Park is the newest part of the Town of Pagosa Springs, following the final reading of the ordinance annexing the property on Aug. 7.

Also approved by the Pagosa Springs Town Council at the Aug. 7 meeting was the ordinance zoning the newly annexed property and an annexation agreement.

Those ordinances were first approved by the council upon first reading on July 19.

According to agenda documentation used at the meeting, the application for the annexation of the 7.3-acre property was submitted to the town on May 11.

"The parcel is located along 'Putt Hill' interfacing with the highway as three established small storefronts and the entrance to the existing RV park," the agenda information explains. "The application states the intent of annexation is to become incorporated into the Town boundary without any proposed change of use or improvements planned.'

At the meeting, Planning Director James Dickhoff explained to council

that the town will see an increase in property tax revenue of \$132.30 due to the property being within the town boundaries and will see an increase in lodging tax revenues.

Other benefits to the town, Dickhoff explained, include having more control over an access development plan and regulatory control should the property be redeveloped in the future.

The ordinance was approved with a 6-0 vote, with no public comment offered and no council discussion.

Next was the ordinance zoning the property as mixed-use corridor.

On July 19, Dickhoff explained that mixed-use corridor was more consistent with the highway corridor than commercial, with mixed-use corridor zoning proposed following the property's annexation to the

At that July meeting, Dickhoff mentioned possible "adverse" effects of commercial zoning, with council member Mat deGraaf asking what those effects might be.

Dickhoff explained that commercial would allow for things such as light industrial and that there were a number of allowable uses that were not a right fit.

zoned commercial by Archuleta County.

The only public comment on the item was a comment thanking council for accepting public comment on the matter.

With no council discussion, the item was approved unanimously.

Also approved at the meeting was the annexation agreement for the property.

That agreement, according to agenda documentation used at the meeting, "sets forth conditions of the proposed annexation that Town Council is considering pursuant to Ordinance 887. Concurrent zoning is being contemplated as Mixed Use Corridor pursuant to Ordinance

The agenda documentation notes that town staff and the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission recommended that the town enter into an annexation agreement with the property owner. Mixed-use corridor zoning does

not recognize RV parks as an allowable use, but the annexation agreement allows the existing park to remain as a nonconforming use.

The agreement includes the exception that the RV park use will The property was previously be permitted to continue as long

as the use does not cease for more than 12 months.

The town's Land Use and Development Code section pertaining to nonconforming uses defines a time limit of six months, with Dickhoff explaining to council that 12 months would allow more room for the business to deal with issues relating to it being a seasonable business.

Council member Matt DeGuise asked what would happen after the 12 months, with Dickhoff noting that the use would no longer be allowable.

"Further," the agenda documentation states, "the agreement recognizes the adopted Hwy 160 access control plan and the future need for dedication of ROW to accomadate [sic] the contemplated secondary local road network AND upon any redevelopment, the requirement to obtain a new access permit from CDOT that may restrict or reduce the current points of access from Hwy 160."

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The agreement was approved unanimously.

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#### Consumers beware: Door-to-door asphalt sales scams may turn resurfacing into costly project **By Tom Clayton** consumers who end up paying for door-to-door. These scams usually

Special to The SUN

The Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association (CAPA) is urging Colorado consumers to beware of scams involving door-to-door salesmen offering unbelievably low-cost quotes on asphalt paving for driveways, parking lots and

• Human resources — \$17,000

• County coroner — \$26,000

over budget, "due to over spending

in advertising, office supply and

over budget, "due to over spend-

ing in medical services. And an

'unknown' additional amount to

provide training to a new Coroner."

tion — \$33,000 over budget, "due

to a higher than expected liability

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over budget, "due to a trivial un-

• Road and Bridge Administra-

According to Walton, the de-

• Solid waste recycling — \$500

Walton mentioned that sev-

One of the departments within

the ACSO, court security, dropped

off due to resolution to accept

grants for the position, according

dropped off the watch list by slow-

ing down the rate of expenditures,

according to the presentation.

Buildings and grounds also

Walton mentioned later in the

meeting that Archuleta County

Combined Dispatch was not on

the watch list, but the margin was

and a single department, they have

little margin for error," Walton said.

"Because they're both a fund

eral departments had fallen off the

watch list from the first quarter to

Budget

■ Continued from A5

office equipment budgets.

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ports of salesmen offering to pave or do other construction for very low costs, claiming to use "leftover" asphalt from a larger paving or other paving jobs. The reports have included the Four Corners area.

Such door-to-door scams typically result in less-than-satisfied

developments. I'd mentioned that

we got quite a bit of unanticipated

meeting that the county had re-

ceived some unforeseen revenue.

nificant unanticipated revenue. In

theory, it could be used to cover the

excess spending, but that would

not be our preference," Walton

Walton explained earlier in the

"We've also seen some sig-

revenue.'

Recently, CAPA has received reinferior work that often must be result in being swindled by consumers are desperate to get their lives back to somewhat normal and having a traveling scammer take advantage of them will only prolong the recovery process.

> "Reputable contractors don't peddle asphalt or other materials

tractors who are here today, gone tomorrow," said Thomas Clayton, director of training and member services for CAPA, the industry association for the \$500-million-peryear asphalt industry of Colorado.

"In asphalt paving, you defi-■ See Resurfacing A7

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"Our preference," Walton explained, was to return that excess to the fund balance to help with various capital issues.

"That's our intention, it's not to use that, unless it's absolutely necessary," Walton said.

The report notes some "positive developments," including:

• Payment in Lieu of Taxes annual funding was received and

came in \$474,204 over budget. "Note that the Feds extended a 'supplemental' increase to this funding which began with the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act," the report reads.

These supplemental amounts, according to the report, "have been uncertain from year to year" and as a result are not included in the county budget process.

• Sales tax revenue "is currently exceeding the growth projected for it (by about 6.2%), and may exceed budget by year end by approximately \$300,000," which is split "50/50" between the General Fund and the Road and Bridge Fund.

• Interest income is expected to exceed budget by \$200,000 to

the revenue was coming in at what was budgeted.

#### Finance department highlights

Some highlights from the finance department were listed in the presentation.

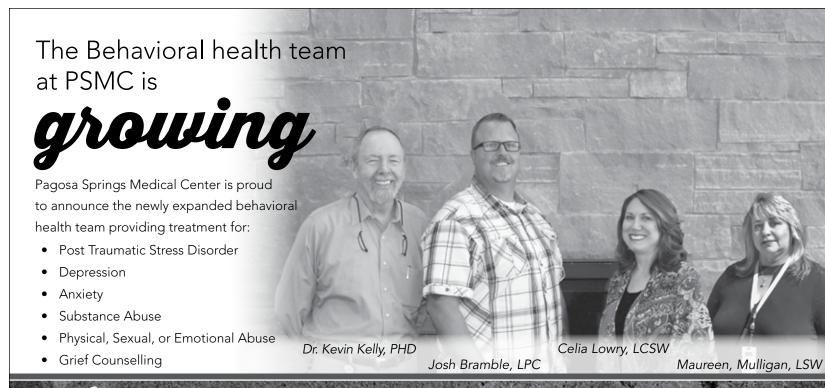
"Significant efforts were made in support of departments, including helping Road & Bridge and Solid Waste bid out major projects (such as Peidra [sic] Road construction and Cell 4A at the County Landfill), and providing information useful

Construction over the Courthouse Roof case," the presentation reads.

The "Year End Close" work was completed as scheduled, according to the presentation, and the auditors arrived and conducted their annual field work in June.

Efforts were made to closely monitor expenses and in analyzing options for various funding problems, "including major capital replacement issues," the presenta-

tion notes.



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'Positive developments' "That all sounds a little bit negative," Walton said. "There was some very positive revenue

Walton explained that the rest of

## Town planning commission offers feedback on vacation rental licensing proposal

By J. Williams Staff Writer

There were a number of important issues deliberated and addressed Tuesday evening at the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission meeting.

Although public attendance was sparse, with no comment throughout the proceedings from the few citizens present, the commissioners moved forward for over 90 minutes on a variety of community concerns.

Following a brief discussion, the commissioners once again decided to continue an application until Sept. 11 for a Major Design Review Application concerning a Timberline Framers property at 172 Goldmine Drive. That delay allows for documentation necessary for the review to be finalized.

Then, after hearing a thorough application review by Associate Planner Cindy Schultz, the commission took under consideration a new vacation rental conditional use permit (CUP) application for a property at 250 N. 3rd St. Concluding there would not be any negative impact to the neighboring residential area, the commission unanimously approved the application for owners William Chambers and Linda Barbeau.

Another item on the agenda was consideration of allowing Hinsdale County residents membership on the Pagosa Springs Planning Com-

Those Hinsdale County residents to allow for three nonresident memwould have to own real property within the Town of Pagosa Springs and operate a business in the town.

Having two open vacancies on the commission, the members entertained a lively discussion on the matter since it has not been easy filling those seats for lack of applications from Pagosa Springs residents.

In question was the portion of Hinsdale County that lies south of the Continental Divide in the vicinity toward Williams Reservoir. Geographically, the area is fairly isolated from the rest of Hinsdale County, with the residents there finding their daily life far more attached to adjoining Archuleta County and Pagosa Springs.

Town Planning Director James Dickhoff noted that "... they [Hinsdale residents] clearly identify more easily as members of our Pagosa community. They shop here, work here, and regularly participate in our local businesses and activities."

Although the commission members were in unanimous agreement that Hinsdale residents should be allowed to participate in future planning decisions, Commission Chairman Peter Adams noted that they had already reached their mandated limit of two commission members living outside the town limits, with both commissioners Peter Hurley and Mike Frederick filling that quota.

Commissioner Greg Giles presented a motion to amend the rules

bers instead of two, considering that there are already open vacancies on the commission that have been very difficult to fill.

Giles argued that as long as Hinsdale applicants have a "vested interest in the community" and meet the requirements of owning a property in town as well as operating a Pagosa Springs business, "they should be welcome" to be part of the decision-making process.

Giles' motion was unanimously approved and the recommendation will be considered by the Pagosa Springs Town Council next Thursday, Aug. 23.

Finally, the commission reviewed the new amendments proposed by the town council regarding vacation rental licensing. For more information on that licensing proposal, see the Aug. 9 edition of The SUN.

Town Manager Andrea Phillips presented an extensive assessment of the various proposals that would amend the current provisions. Drawing the most discussion was the amendment to create a new vacation rental license at a cost of \$400 instead of the current business license requirement that costs \$25. In addition, the current \$100 fee for a CUP would remain in effect for vacation rental applicants in town areas that are zoned residential.

Phillips then collected feedback from the planning commissioners.

Commissioner Mike Frederick presented a lengthy analysis on the matter, taking into consideration his involvement on the same issue with the Archuleta County Planning Commission.

Overall, he affirmed that changes should be made to the town's vacation rental licensing process and the increase in fees would be necessary to cover the costs of more thorough investigative reviews of compliance for the more than 100 properties currently licensed in Pagosa Springs, as well as many more vacation rentals that could be approved in the future.

Giles agreed, saying that although there may be complaints from some property owners that the additional \$400 in licensing fees might be excessive, he noted he thinks, "... it's definitely fair and justified. The administrative costs have to be covered to ensure compliance and enforcement. It's not gouging. It's needed and warranted. It's fair.'

Phillips thanked the planning commissioners for their input and assured them that their suggestions would be considered.

Following additional reports from staff and with no further business on the agenda, Adams adjourned the meeting.

The next planning commission meeting is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 28 at Town Hall.

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## Firefighters respond to deck fire, smoking cooking pot

**By Avery Martinez** 

The Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) responded to a fire that threatened a house, as well as a smoking cooking pot this week.

About 5:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14, the PFPD was dispatched to River Drive, where there was a report of a fire on the back patio of a house, according to PFPD Firefighter Josh Montoya.

When Montoya arrived on scene, the fire was solely outside the house on the back side of the house and was getting close to the structure,

the house," Montoya said.

Part of the deck was burning by the time the engine crew had arrived, according to Montoya.

The PFPD responded with a battalion officer, a chief car, three fire engines, a fire marshal vehicle, several personal vehicles of volunteers and a total of 15 personnel.

The PFPD attacked the fire and kept it from getting into the house, according to Montoya.

"It did have a little bit of burning on the outside siding," Montoya said of the house.

The deck was partly burnt, and the PFPD checked the structure for "It hadn't caught the house yet ... fire extension into the structure,

it was starting to warp the outside of but found nothing, according to

There was some smoke damage to the house, he added.

"But it was fully extinguished by fire service personnel," Montoya said of the fire.

The cause of the fire and the fire itself are currently under investigation, Montoya explained.

#### Cooking pot causes smoke

In a separate incident, a cooking pot was left on, creating a fair amount of smoke in an apartment complex on South 8th Street around 1:15 p.m. on Aug. 12.

According to PFPD Firefighter

Devin Fulton, the pot was left on with something cooking inside.

The occupant was not present in the apartment, according to Fulton. The resident thought they had turned the stove off; however, they

had not, according to Fulton. The pot produced a large amount of smoke, he explained.

"It actually didn't catch fire, it just created a lot of smoke and burned the food inside," Fulton said.

The entire incident was confined to the pot, according to Fulton.

The PFPD responded with a battalion vehicle, a chief car, three fire engines, a fire marshal vehicle, three personal vehicles and a total of nine

The apartment was still habitable after the incident, and the occupant was allowed back into the apartment around two hours after the incident, according to Fulton.

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■ Continued from A6 nitely get what you pay for. We table contractors take checks and those who work together to get the urge consumers to check out the companies making these offers, to make sure the company is reputable and will build a quality project for a fair price," Clayton added. There are plenty of local, reputable contractors ready to work with home and business owners to help get your lives back on track.

To avoid being swindled by the traveling scammers, CAPA and its members offer six warning signs:

1. Claims that it's "leftover" asphalt. Asphalt is never left over from a project. Leftover asphalt paving materials would be too cold to place properly, while cold mix is used exclusively for small patches, not general paving. Asphalt is a perishable product and if it cools too much, it is useless as an asphalt paving product.

2. Deals that seem "too good to be true." If the quoted price seems very low, chances are the quality of the work will be low as well.

don't require cash-only terms.

4. "One-time offer" price quotes. Reputable contractors will provide a quote before doing any work so that the homeowner has a chance to shop around.

5. Door-to-door sales. It's worth repeating: Reputable asphalt contractors do not sell their products door-to-door. Consumers should be very suspicious of anyone appearing at their front doors offering low-cost asphalt.

6. Vehicles with out-of-state license plates. This type of scam many times will be run by persons traveling through an area from other states. The big equipment may be licensed in Colorado, but many times the smaller equipment (pickups and trailers) will be licensed in other states.

7. In this time of rebuilding, work with others in your area to seek out a reputable contractor and partner in the rebuilding. Con-

3. Cash-only terms. Most reputractors can and will make deals to work done. There will be less cost to the contractor to move in and do several projects at one time rather than one at a time. The potential savings can be absorbed by all who work together.

If you suspect you have been scammed or contacted by a scam artist, contact your local Better Business Bureau, CAPA at (303) 741-6150, local law enforcement authorities or local district attorneys' offices. The investigators have compiled a list of scammers and are working diligently to apprehend them before they can take advantage of more unsuspecting

individuals. The association also provides a list of its members, all of them reputable, long-term Colorado contractors, on its website, www. co-asphalt.com, or contact Clayton at tomclayton@co-asphalt.com to discuss this or any other asphaltrelated issues.

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## **Ballot**

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at a rate sufficient to produce the amount set forth above, to be deposited into the general fund of the district, and to be in addition to the property taxes that otherwise would be levied for the general

Dryburgh noted that the four items that are outlined in the MLO ballot language have to be "crystal clear" to the community.

BOE member Brooks Lindner, participating in the meeting by phone, agreed with Dryburgh's comments, adding that the clarity within those four items in the MLO are of the "utmost importance."

Lindner raised a question about what happens after the seven-year period of the MLO.

Reed responded that ASD could bring forth a renewal of the resolution at the conclusion of the sevenyear period.

'So, we could in fact go back to the voters and ask them to extend that for however long the board would be interested in doing," Reed explained.

The funds allocated within the MLO would "sunset" after the seven-year period and "go away," Reed noted.

The world is going to change in the next seven years. We may get more money from the state, we may get less. Our property values may go up, they may go down," Dryburgh added. "Going past seven years is past my crystal ball."

According to Dryburgh, the community would feel better with a fairly short term on the MLO.

The seven-year bond sunset period was crafted by the bond council and Reed noted that time frame was "fairly standard" to her understanding with MLOs that do not go on in perpetuity.

'There's always a skepticism about public entities and what they're doing with the money. I don't think that's warranted with our organization. I think we've been extremely careful and diligent about how we're using public funds," Reed commented.

Reed later added that she believed that ASD has been doing an "awesome" job managing its public dollars, but the district will always have to "prove itself."

The BOE then allowed for public comment on the matter.

Matt Ford explained to the BOE that he is a strong proponent of having a sunset on an MLO, but also recognized that seven years might be too short.

positive outcome from that expenditure within the seven years or it won't be renewed," Ford said.

Ford later added that ASD needs to define how much of the \$1.7 million for the MLO will be spent on each of the four categories outlined in the potential ballot language.

"It is, I think, the most vital piece of passing this is not the sunset or the duration or anything else. It's that the board clearly and formally articulates exactly how much of that \$1.7 million will be used for each of the items," Ford said.

Reed responded that ASD had just received those figures and had just finished it the day of the meeting.

Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) Board President Ursala Hudson stated that PPOS "really regrets" that it was not at all part of the planning process.

"But we take full responsibility for that, given that we failed to respond an invite to your June work session regarding the mill levy override," Hudson said.

Hudson, however, noted that PPOS fully supports the MLO and the current ballot language.

"Moving forward, I hope that you guys can let us know how we can start supporting you to make sure that this ballot initiative gets passed," Hudson said.

However, Dryburgh raised a question regarding two PPOS board members voting during PPOS's regular board meeting on Aug. 13 to not support ASD in its ballot initiative.

"It was actually just about the ballot language. We were trying to decide whether we should mention anything about requesting a change to the ballot language or not," Hudson said. "And we agreed to support what the vote was.

Dryburgh noted that he would like to see PPOS outline specific language on the ballot on what it would spend its portion of the MLO funds on.

"For the same reason that we're being specific, because we think that the community would like that. And I think, with a new school, they'd probably like it from you probably even more than from us," Dryburgh explained.

The deadline for finalized ballot language is Sept. 7, Reed noted.

PPOS board member Mark Weiler noted that PPOS wants to be partners in public education with ASD.

"Now, if your instruction is, you would hate to go to the aforemen-

"The district better show a would like us to articulate how we would spend the money that we would get, we can consider convening an emergency meeting and we would have the answer for you by next week. If that's what you think is best," Weiler said.

**BOE** member Jason Peterson noted that a brief explanation by PPOS on what it would spend its MLO funds on would work

PPOS board member Bill Hudson commented that he recognized that PPOS did not have to spend its share of the MLO funds on the exact same items that ASD had outlined in the proposed ballot language.

However, he added that he was not sure if the PPOS board could come to a consensus that quickly on what it would spend its share of the MLO funds on.

"You guys have been working on this for a year, two years, to come up with what you're going to spend the money on. And I don't know if we can do that in a week or two," he said.

Weiler noted that PPOS has a meeting on Aug. 24 and could discuss the item at that time.

"I'd like to promise. I want to be a partner here. And if you think that this is good governance. We want to do it," Weiler said.

Hodgson noted that he had conversations with Aaron Oberg, director of school finance for the Colorado Department of Education, and Hodgson stated that he was not even sure if it was legal for ASD to require PPOS to craft a sentence regarding their potential use of MLO funds.

"We're not talking about requiring anything. What Bruce is saying is that he believes that it would be more attractive to the voters if it was more specific," Reed said.

Later, Pagosa Springs Middle School Principal Chris Hinger addressed the board with his thoughts on the MLO.

Hinger began his comments by commending the BOE and Reed on their efforts and pursuit of the

"But I arrived here and I was aghast that there was a seven-year limit," Hinger said.

Hinger then publicly named a new teacher and her starting salary as an example of the impacts of the seven-year sunset of the MLO.

"This is important. But I'm going to be here in seven years. You guys aren't," Hinger said.

Hinger later described that he

tioned newly hired teacher and say, "You know that raise we gave you to make us competitive with the rest of southwest Colorado? We're going to take that away from you."

Hinger continued, "Because it's going to be in teacher pay. Please, take that language out of the ballot measure. And then you have my full support. And I do mean at work and outside of work."

Dryburgh responded that Archuleta County governmental agencies have had a lot of trouble raising money in the past.

"I'm voting to be very conservative," Dryburgh said.

However, Dryburgh noted that he would be fine with a sunset of six, seven, eight or even 10 years. "Anything over 10 years would

be a mistake to discuss," Dryburgh added later in the meeting. "I really appreciate Chris' passion in his statement that he just made. But at the same time, Chris,

I hope you realize without some sunset on it, and the political climate in our county, it just may not pass," Lindner said.

Later, Hodgson explained what would happen, in terms of staff,

once the sunset period for the MLO ends and if another MLO is not passed.

"Î think, most likely, what you could do is reduce staff, not reduce pay of individual staff members," Hodgson said.

Lindner commented that if staff members' pay was reduced once the MLO ended, it would create "a situation of mutiny" and teachers would be "jumping ship."

Hinger later commented that Bayfield School District passed its MLO without a sunset.

Bill Hudson commented that the last successful ballot measure, to his knowledge, that was passed was in 2006 by Archuleta County, which had a six-year sunset.

"They went back to renew it after six years and failed. Because they had to failed to do anything good with the money," Bill Hudson.

If the MLO were to pass, Bill Hudson noted that he expected ASD to do good things with the money and show positive results in seven years.

"I share your concern, Chris. I want to pay our teachers more. And I want that to last, but first we've

got to get the money and pay them more," Lindner said.

Later, Lindner noted that even if ASD has to have some sort of sunset language within the ballot resolution, that he would like for Hinger to still give ASD his full support.

Hinger noted that the last ballot measure that passed in Archuleta County was the Pagosa Fire Protection District's mill levy increase

"So, our community is thriving. We've got to invest in our schools while there's an abundance. That economic time is turning; there's a window here, folks," Hinger said.

Investing in education is a good investment because education matters, Hinger added later.

'You want great schools? Then you've got to pay professionals like professionals. They're going to college, paying \$100,000 for college. It takes money to do that," Hinger said. "And I didn't mean no disrespect to anybody. I am passionate and I care about this topic. And I am here to the nth degree, I'm with you folks, but this seven-year thing is wrong.

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The public is invited to attend a public open house next Wednesday, Aug. 22, at the Ross Aragon Community Center between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Our community's input is very important at this stage of the process as we have a limited time frame and opportunity to include our local needs into the CDOT preliminary design process.

The Wood Group will complete the corridor visioning process by mid-September with a final pre-

sentation to the public regarding improvement that will be included into the final preliminary corridor reconstruction design.

We will also be discussing what CDOT's reconstruction plans include, taking comments on the results of the lane striping and bike lanes between 1st and 3rd streets and our future needs to accommodate traffic flows. Please plan on attending and sharing your thoughts. The town will provide light food and beverages.

The main street corridor vision-

ing process is an effort to identify potential town-funded improvements and amenities that could be incorporated into the CDOT U.S. 160 reconstruction preliminary design plans.

Potential town-funded improvements may include: pedestrian crosswalk bump-outs, planted or stamped medians, new street lighting, sidewalk improvements (maybe a wider sidewalk along the 400 block), installation of missing sidewalk sections, landscaping and

## Settlement

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However, upon further pursuit by The SUN, a law firm representing ASD disclosed this month that "the parties settled all disputes for a total of \$15,000, which was paid by the District's insurer, not with and District funds.'

Further, it was disclosed that ASD's insurer is the Colorado School District Self-Insurance Pool.

According to the Denver law firm representing ASD in the case, Semple, Farrington and Everall, P.C., the district did not agree to any "non monetary considerations" and the settlement contains a confidentiality clause "that provides that the claimants will not disclose the terms of the agreement to any third parties."

Semple, Farrington and Everall, P.C., declined to release the settlement in its entirety, citing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

The law firm also declined to provide information relating to whether the bus driver was suspended or terminated as a condition of the settlement.

#### The lawsuit

The civil suit, which was filed by Eley on behalf of the victim and her family, named the school district, a district bus driver, the 13-year-old and that student's parents as defendants.

The suit alleged that the students were assigned to the same seat on the school bus and that the 13-yearold performed "various acts" on the 6-year-old for 40 minutes before the 6-year-old exited the bus.

"Solely as a result of the injuries aforementioned, the Plaintiff has incurred damages, including: Medical expenses. She has, may, and probably will for an indefinite time in the future suffer great pain, inconvenience, embarrassment, and mental anguish; she has, may, and probably will for an indefinite time in the future be deprived of ordinary pleasures of life, loss of well-being, and equanimity; and her overall health, strength, and vitality has been greatly impaired," the complaint alleged.

The suit claimed the incident

proximately caused by the careless, negligent, grossly careless, and reckless conduct" of the bus driver. The lawsuit sought: "(1) That

the court award plaintiff judgment against defendants in such sums as shall be determined to fully and fairly compensate plaintiff for all general, special, incidental and consequential damages incurred, or to be incurred, by plaintiff as the direct and proximate result of the acts and omissions of defendants: (2) That the court award plaintiff her costs, disbursements and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred; (3) That the court award plaintiff the opportunity to amend or modify the provisions of this complaint as necessary or appropriate after additional or further discovery is completed in this matter, and after all appropriate parties have been served; and (4) That the court award such other and further relief as it deems necessary and proper in the circumstances."

ASD and the bus driver were represented in the case by Brent Case of Semple, Farrington and Everall, P.C.

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#### Drought ■ Continued from front

moisture has moved into western Colorado yet, Pringle added.

"And I emphasize yet because it remains to be seen what will happen as far as the flow pattern through the rest of August and September," Pringle said.

In terms of exceptional drought, Pringle explained that it implies that there is a "widespread lack of water for crops, pastures and livestock."

"And it does imply shortages, or expected shortages, of water in reservoirs, as well as actual shortages of water in streams," Pringle said.

Extreme drought implies major crop or pasture impacts as opposed to the widespread impacts of exceptional drought, Pringle described.

"So they're considering that this

is, you know, the highest level of drought that can occur over an area," Pringle said. Drought levels are based upon a

variety of factors, one of them being the Palmer Drought Severity Index (PSDI), Pringle stated. The PSDI, according to Pringle, is

based on monthly temperature and precipitation data as well as water holding capacity of soil. The seasonal outlook for south-

tions remaining, but improving, according to Pringle. "And that's based upon that threemonth outlook that's indicating odds favoring above-normal precipitation

west Colorado has drought condi-

divide particularly," Pringle said. However, in those same areas, the

odds also highly favor above-normal

above-normal precipitation and we have above-normal temperatures, on average, the warmer the temperatures, the greater the potential rate of

Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) recently released a press release detailing local lake levels, diversion flows and water production.

#### PAWSD outlook

release, Stevens Lake is down 115 inches from full.

PAWSD District Manager Justin this is "more than normal."

Stevens Lake was never quite full, Ramsey added.

know, six or seven years ago. And it wasn't quite full when we started this year. It was about 4 or 5 inches from full before we lost the water source to it," Ramsey explained. "So, it's a little less than what we typically have, but it's nothing I'd really be surprised with, especially as hot and dry as it's been, but it's certainly a little lower

than normal." Hatcher Lake is noted within the press release as being 52 inches from full, Lake Pagosa is 22 inches from full, Village Lake is 4 inches from full

"This year, since I've been here,

Juan diversion. This is the first year we've done it," Ramsey said.

Ramsey noted that, from the San Juan River, 1.5 cubic feet per second (cfs) of water is being pumped into Lake Forest every day.

Sometimes, 3 cfs is being pumped into Lake Forest from the San Juan River, Ramsey added later.

In 2017, from Aug. 3-9, from Snowball, Hatcher and the San Juan, PAWSD had water production totaling 14.64 million gallons, according to the press release.

In 2018, in the same time frame, PAWSD had water production totaling 19.81 million gallons.

When asked about this increase in water production, Ramsey offered a simple response: "It's dry. People are using water."

The press release states that the total cumulative available lake water for treatment and delivery is at 74.6 percent — a fact that Ramsey emphasized.

Currently, PAWSD is in a voluntary drought management stage. A mandatory drought management stage will go into effect if the total cumulative available lake water drops to 70 percent, the press release notes.

The mandatory drought management stage would allow for people to only irrigate at night from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m., Ramsey explained.

Additionally, a surcharge of \$7.68 will be added to PAWSD's customers' bills if the mandatory drought management stage goes into effect, Ramsey added later.

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point, and would like to get some mobility going forward to a solution that is going to be beneficial to the citizens of Archuleta County," Ryan

Wadley explained that he thought there would be a ballot initiative again to deal with the jail and Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) facility. "And at that same location, we

could come out of pocket, along with underfunded courts, DoLA and everybody else to try and address the courts issues with the new facility at that same location," Wadley said. In the future, according to Wadley,

expansion would be solved by using the site in Harman Park. "The flip side of this is if we're not successful, we're going to have to

many problems including possible

scale back any jail at all and just build it with what we got," Wadley said. If the jail initiative fails, the county would "use everything we can" to build an undersized facility, according to Wadley in the Aug. 14

interview.

"But we cannot continue to transport prisoners," Wadley said. The La Plata County Jail is running out of space, and the danger of the trip to and from Durango was not ideal for prisoner transportation, according to Wadley at the Aug. 7

Wadley explained to The SUN on Aug. 14 that the county is required to have a jail and must provide it as

best it could. Commissioner Ron Maez explained at the Aug. 7 session that if the building of the jail went to "plan B" it would be a small facility and the need to outsource prisoners to other counties would continue.

this November, we're going to have to do something," Maez said about This would lead to paying more for less for the jail facility and there

'So, looking at failure or success

would be cuts to county services, according to Wadley. This included cutting back on

road and bridge funding, and cutting back on capital purchases, according

to Wadley. Further, this would take up any possible money to address the courts, according to Wadley in the

Aug. 14 interview. If there were reasonable requests for reoccupation of the old courthouse, Wadley explained, the BoCC would entertain it.

However, this does not seem likely, Wadley explained, since "it is a non-starter with them." The long-range plan, according to

Wadley at the Aug. 7 session, would

be "to be completely out of that downtown location." Wadley explained that the courthouse building is riverfront property and it shouldn't be for a government

facility when we're getting significant tourism. Maez added that the courthouse could be something used for generating revenue for Archuleta County

and Pagosa Springs. Ryan asked if there were plans for submitting applications for underfunded facilities grants for

construction plans. "That's originally what you guys proposed two years ago," Ryan said, adding that grant fund was still in

Ryan added that the county needs to reapply at this point. Ryan warned that other counties

existence.

with ballot initiatives would be submitting, as well. Also, some of the counties applying were doing so just to get a "placeholder" depending on the outcome

of the election, according to Ryan. The dollars from the underfunded facilities piece would help put together a feasibility study which helps to define what kind of construction planning documents would be needed for a courthouse, according to Ryan.

That underfunded facilities fund, according to Ryan, was increased by legislature last year from a \$2 million annual appropriation from the state general fund to a \$3 million appropriation.

"And under plan B, if the initiative doesn't go through, looking back, are you still looking at modifying existing

facility?" Ryan asked. Ryan explained that the proposal could be submitted for funds explaining that the submitted proposal could be for "plan A" and a "plan B"

if not successful. Further, Ryan explained that there is a commission to go through

for funding. 'You'll come in and present them, because it's not just the commission looking at this in a vacuum, you've got an opportunity to discuss with them, you now have a more set course of action," Ryan said of pre-

senting the plans to the committee. ... our offer still holds that if there was some modifications to the current building that were cost effective, we'd be happy to look at those,"

Wadley said. Ryan asked if that was something

to be discussed. "Well, we don't want to talk about a cold box and going all the way through, if it's an air handler or something of a more minor thing to get you guys back in there," Wadley

nance personnel found three outside air vents intakes on the court building that were completely closed. After opening these air vents, according to Maez, the air quality has

improved.

Maez mentioned that the mainte-

Commissioner Michael Whiting added that if there was money out there for a feasibility or "plan B design work" for the courts, it should not be left out "on the table."

else that could be done to help or if the courts should just "hang tight." Wadley explained that if the initiative passes, "we can all get back on the same page, and get to be good partners and have this built in the

Ryan asked if there was anything

to the vote. "If we can just win polls, it'll solve a lot of problems," Wadley said. "And the downside is just ominous.

Wadley turned his attention back

best way possible."

temperatures, Pringle noted. 'That's the thing, if we do get

evaporation," Pringle added. In relation to drought, the Pagosa

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# Education

## Charter school debates supporting mill levy override

By Chris Mannara Staff Writer

At a regular meeting of the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) board on Monday evening, a discussion centered around PPOS, Archuleta School District (ASD) and ASD's pursuit of a mill levy override (MLO).

The ASD Board of Education had formally approved a decision to place an MLO initiative on the November ballot at a special meeting on June 28.

The MLO would be for \$1.7 million and the three main items of the MLO proposal include:

• Providing additional funding for the recruitment and retention

of high-quality teachers and staff. • Hiring school resource officers to improve student safety and security at each school.

• Expand full-day kindergarten opportunities.

#### **Ballot language and PPOS** proposed statement

During the PPOS meeting, PPOS Board President Ursala Hudson explained that ASD Superintendent Linda Reed had asked Hudson to make a statement at ASD's board meeting on Tuesday night.

The statement would be in reference to the PPOS board's position regarding ASD's potential ballot language for the MLO.

The proposed ballot language as presented at the PPOS meeting is as follows: "Shall Archuleta County School District No. 50 JT taxes be increased \$1.7 million annually for a limited seven-year period (commencing in collection year 2019 and ending after collection year 2025) which moneys shall be used to:

"- recruit and retain highly qualified teachers and staff;

'- fund full time school resource

officers for safety; - fund full day kindergarten; and "- provide required funding for

Pagosa Peak Open School."

ride mill levy to be imposed at a rate sufficient to produce the amount set forth above, to be deposited into the general fund of the district, and to be in addition to the property taxes that otherwise would be levied for the general fund?"

"It's a 25 percent increase in your taxes for the school," PPOS board member Bill Hudson commented, "which is half of your property tax."

Bill Hudson noted that every person's tax will increase "about 12 percent."

"That's why they didn't put it in there, because that's a lot," PPOS board member Clay Buchner add-

The conversation then turned to a draft statement that both Bill and Ursala Hudson had collaboratively drafted in preparation for the ASD board meeting.

"I'd like to thank Superintendent Linda Reed for inviting the Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors to offer a statement concerning the proposed mill levy override," Ursala Hudson read. "We understand that you have adopted a policy that will share any future mill levy overrides with district-authorized charter schools and for that we're very grateful. We would like to see similar language included in your ballot measure, if possible, so that it's not merely a board policy."

Ursala Hudson continued reading her statement, which noted, "Beyond that, the board of Pagosa Peak Open School has very limited information about the proposed tax increase, so we are unable to offer any further comment about the mill levy override."

The statement concludes, "We look forward to learning more about the proposal and ideally being given the opportunity to offer our input in the future."

#### PPOS board discussion

"Well, let me ask you this question, how much more input do The ballot language goes on to you need? They've said, 'Here's

read: "Through a property tax overthe amount of money; here's what we're going to do with it.' What more input do you need?"" PPOS board member Mark Weiler asked. Ursala Hudson further ex-

> "Well, just the fact that we weren't part of this discussion at all, but we are included in their mill levy override and we are expected, by the district, to support them to be on amicable terms," Ursala Hudson said. "Although, we weren't part of the process.'

plained her comments.

PPOS Business Services Manager Chenni Hammon acknowledged that despite the fact that PPOS was not extended a "formal invitation," PPOS was "well aware" of ASD's MLO efforts.

"We chose not to send anyone as a representative, so, I think we're co-equally part of the miscommunication, or lack of communication," Hammon said. "We didn't reach out even though we knew they were doing it. They didn't reach out even though they knew they were doing it.'

#### Clarification

However, in an email sent to The SUN on Tuesday morning, Ursala Hudson clarified that Reed and ASD had extended an invitation to PPOS to be a part of the MLO discussion.

In an email dated May 18, sent to PPOS School Director James Lewicki, Reed wrote: "I wanted to let you know that our board may be holding a discussion about the consideration to submit ballot questions to contract bonded indebtedness and authorize additional revenue through a Mill Levy Override."

The email later states: "I would like to invite you or another representative from PPOS to participate in the discussions regarding submission of such questions. The potential date of that meeting is Thursday, June 28th at 5:00 pm. The location has not yet been

Reed also noted that a parent of

a child attending PPOS had been invited to serve on ASD's facilities task force group.

In corresponding emails shared with The SUN, Lewicki acknowledged that he did receive this communication from Reed and was planning to attend the June 28 meeting.

However, Lewicki's email noted that issues surfaced and he was not able to attend the June 28 meeting, and he later added that it might have been useful to have the PPOS parent give updates to the PPOS board on ASD's efforts and have a PPOS board member join her at the meetings.

"Or I could've set it as a highest priority -- at that time I was teaching 6 hours a day with 4th grade," Lewicki wrote in his email.

In another email to The SUN, Ursala Hudson explained that ASD followed statute and the contract between both ASD and PPOS.

#### **Additional PPOS board** discussion

"The question we have to answer is, are we supportive of publicly funded education?" Weiler asked the board during the meeting on Monday night. "This is their game. I don't see how you could be not supportive of it."

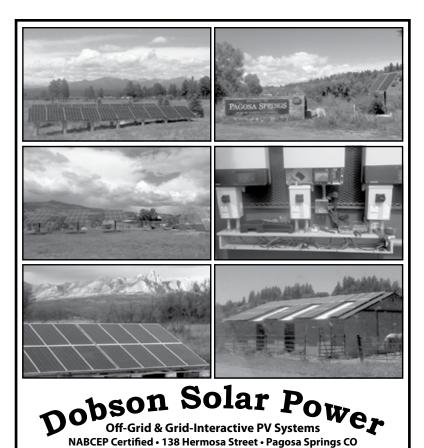
Whether PPOS was part of the process or not, PPOS needs to give ASD an answer, Weiler added.

"I don't think they're changing the ballot language based on any of our recommendations," Buchner said.

PPOS should be very careful in its wording to the ASD board because it could be perceived that PPOS is for it or against it "because of some little factoid," Buchner

"But, I would say that you want your language to, in my opinion, be just, 'Yes, we are supportive. We are happy to be here.' And maybe not mention anything about how, kind of imply, that maybe they haven't been as communicative with us

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## Pagosa Peak Open School to offer community presentations

By Gabrielle Dorr Special to The SUN

Entering its second year as a public charter school serving Pagosa Springs, Pagosa Peak Open School is offering community presentations to those who are interested in learning about the school's philosophy, culture and academic environment.

The presentations will be held Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 6:30 p.m.; and Thursday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

All three presentations will take place at the school, located at 7 Parelli Way, near Walmart in Aspen

James Lewicki, school director, will present student work from the first year of school. He will also explain how staff and teachers are supporting the recently revised vision and mission of the school,

which will be presented at the next Archuleta School District Board of Education meeting for review and hopeful approval.

"Our staff and teachers are really excited to share student accomplishments from our first school year. It is also very common for charter schools to redefine their vision within the first three to five years of opening their doors. Often, once ideas are transformed into reality, they look different than what you first envisioned," said Lewicki.

Another new aspect of the school this upcoming year is expanding to support kindergarten through fifth grade. Teachers are also working on a third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade shared curriculum to be further in line with one of the school's missions, which is multiage learning. This type of learning encourages peer-to-peer relationships and allows students to share

skills across age groups.

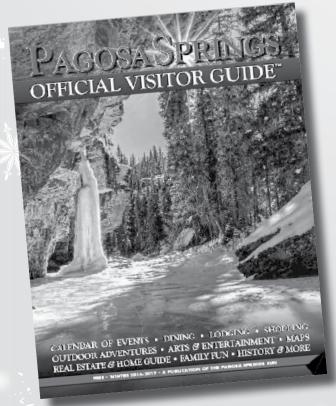
"Our school model is constantly evolving to adjust for new learning opportunities and new support staff. We are proud to add new advisors this year and more support staff that will help us meet all of our students' needs," said Lewicki.

Parents can also learn about future school enrollment at the presentations. Enrollment for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year is currently full for kindergarten, first and third grades. Although, parents are always welcome to add students to the school's waiting list as things can change last minute. There are one or two openings for students in second, fourth and fifth grade in the upcoming year.

For more information about the school, call 317-2151, visit the school website, pagosapeakopenschool.org, or find it on Facebook, Pagosa Peak Open School.

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as we would have liked," Buchner

Lewicki then offered his thoughts on the matter.

"I've been in this business for 30 years. The fact that you've got a district, No. 1 thing they want to raise money for is teachers, that's huge," Lewicki said. "That's a real plus. To know that we're moving into a district where teachers are supported and sustained throughout the district and the community, that's a real plus."

PPOS board member Ashley Wilson added that if the MLO passes, it benefits every student in Archuleta County.

"So, I don't know how we couldn't be in support of the mill levy," Wilson said.

Bill Hudson commented that there were two issues in play for him: whether or not the MLO was well crafted and making sure that PPOS is financially sound.

"From that perspective, we can't say no, as a board, to their request for support. As a person in the community, I'm not sure this was a well-crafted ballot measure," Bill Hudson said.

Bill Hudson noted that, as a board, PPOS would want to take a stance of support.

"That doesn't mean that as an individual I am compelled to support the mill levy," Bill Hudson

In response to Bill Hudson's comments, Weiler added his thoughts.

"We're partners in public education. And there's no way to argue against attracting and paying teachers," Weiler said.

Later, Weiler made a motion in support of ASD's MLO efforts: "I move that we fully support the ballot initiative of the school district without reservation."

"I second the motion that we

support the ballot, the mill levy proposal on the ballot," Buchner said.

Buchner later added that any comments PPOS makes during the ASD board meeting should "come off as very supportive."

During the discussion portion of this motion, Bill Hudson added more thoughts.

#### A question of retention

"The argument that the school district is making is with this extra money, we will retain more teachers," Bill Hudson said. "If you look at the teacher retention for the past five years, they've lost 50 teachers at the school district. They have 100 teachers, they've lost 10 percent a

The average in Colorado for losing teachers is 18 percent a year, Bill Hudson commented.

"They have very good teacher retention in this community. But that's what this sales pitch is all about, is we need more money to retain our teachers, when in fact, they have excellent teacher retention in this community," Bill Hudson said. "I can't explain that, maybe Linda can explain it, but she's presenting the opposite argument that we are losing a lot of teachers because we don't pay them enough. And that isn't true. That's not statistically a fact.'

Bill Hudson later raised a question about whether or not PPOS wants to support a campaign that is based on "false information."

#### Revenue conversation

Additionally, Bill Hudson also commented that the PPOS board does not know how much money would be allocated to each of the three items of the proposed MLO.

"I don't think this board knows the specifics of how that \$1.7 million is going to be expended," Bill Hudson said.

Later, Bill Hudson commented

that PPOS would receive about \$85,000 of the \$1.7 million of the potential MLO revenue.

"And we can spend it however we wish," Bill Hudson said.

ASD, however, has to use its MLO revenue for the three purposes outlined in the MLO proposal, he added later.

"My concern is that we can certainly question what percentage or how they're going to allocate their funds. I am much more concerned that if we were to get that money, how we choose to allocate ours," Wilson said.

Potentially not supporting the ballot initiative could imply that the \$85,000 would not make a huge impact on PPOS, Wilson commented.

"To me, that \$85,000 makes a huge impact, regardless of how they're choosing to allocate the funds that they're going to receive from the ballot measure," Wilson said.

#### Final comments

After more discussion, Buchner reiterated that PPOS has "contractual obligations" with ASD as it pertains to the MLO.

"And, furthermore, common sense does not allow me to say that we shouldn't support this. So, if we don't have more discussion, I'll second Mark's motion that we should support the mill levy override," Buchner said.

"That's not my motion. My motion is to support unconditionally. I believe you've seconded that," Weiler stated, addressing Buchner.

After more discussion on the motion's language, Weiler offered more comments for clarification.

"You're trying to do three things at once. They've asked for support. Give the support. If you want to put additional language in a contract in the future, put it in there. Don't muddy the waters on this," he said. "It's going to be hard enough

to sell this as it is. That's my personal opinion. And we're going to be at odds with the people under whose umbrella we stand. That's a mistake.'

If the community cannot afford it, the community will have a chance to express that in its vote, Weiler added.

"That's the end of it. We can make this complex if we want, or we can make this very simple, and I vote for very simple," Weiler said.

Later, Weiler explained that the statement drafted by PPOS did not have to have the word "unconditional" within it.

"Just say we support the ballot initiative as presented," Weiler said, amending his motion.

Wilson commented that conversations between ASD and PPOS regarding whether or not PPOS is truly included within this MLO process could be had at a later time.

"Well, I mean in the history of having discussions that weren't recorded, they have promised things and not followed through with their promises," Ursala Hudson responded.

"Hang on. Did you get your charter? Did they support you? Do you get your check on time? Yes, yes and yes. You can re-fight the Civil War if you want, but I don't think that's valuable," Weiler said.

#### **Decision**

Buchner explained that the PPOS board was "going around in circles" with its discussion.

"Mark votes to support the mill levy. I second the motion," Buchner

When it came to a vote of Weiler's motion to support ASD's MLO pursuit, Weiler, Wilson and Buchner all voted in favor of the motion.

Ursala Hudson and Bill Hudson both voted against Weiler's motion. The motion carried with a 3-2

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## Wildfire consumes over 30 acres near Chromo

By J. Williams Staff Writer

Pagosa Ranger District personnel reported that a wildfire consumed over 30 acres in the San Juan National Forest in the southernmost portion of Archuleta County, approximately 3 miles north of the New Mexico border, just west of U.S. 84 near Chromo.

According to Management Officer Jay Godson of the Pagosa Ranger District, "Despite the recent the area is still at a high risk for fire. from jet engine air tankers as well smoke and a lot of helicopters and

There's a lot of dry brush and timber that's very susceptible to quick ignition."

In this case, Godson said the fire was "definitely the result of a lightning strike."

The blaze began Monday on top of Vigil Mesa and quickly spread to the nearby southwest canyons.

Firefighters from the Pagosa Ranger District, Pagosa Fire Protection District, Northern Arizona Regulars and the New Mexico State Forest Service quickly responded,

as helicopter bucket drops.

Nine smoke jumpers from various jurisdictions were also called in to parachute directly into the heart of the fire to assist with containment.

Of greatest concern was the possibility the fire could spread to nearby residential communities less than a mile away in Spring Valley Ranch, Crowley Ranch Reserve and several other properties to the

north and east of Vigil Mesa. Crowley Ranch resident Teresa rainfall, people need to realize that conducting multiple slurry drops Bryan said, "We definitely saw the

planes going back and forth.'

Godson noted they received reports of visible smoke from as far north as Pagosa Springs to as far south as Chama, N.M. Helicopter water drops were

morning while hand crews continued to battle the blaze on the ground. The Pagosa Ranger District

maintained through Tuesday

declared the fire to be 100 percent contained by 7 p.m. Tuesday as crews began a cleanup operation through Wednesday.

Although this blaze was eventually contained without any structure damage or injury, Godson warned that "Everyone in Archuleta County and the surrounding area needs to keep their eyes open. We're not out of danger by any stretch of the imagination, and we're actually heading in to an even more dangerous period this fall as drought conditions continue for the entire region."

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of course, there is also work after event in the Preview Calendar.

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#### Compensation available for landowners to protect forestlands

By Ryan Lockwood Special to The SUN

Colorado landowners who want to protect environmentally valuable private forest areas that could someday be threatened by development or conversion to other non-forest uses -and who desire to receive monetary compensation in the process — now have the opportunity to submit pro-

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## Law enforcement agencies provide staffing updates

By Chris Mannara Staff Writer

In separate interviews with The SUN, Pagosa Springs Police Department (PSPD) Chief Bill Rockensock and Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez provided updates on their respective departments, staffing and recruitment of new officers.

#### Town

Currently, the Town of Pagosa Springs is short one officer and a dog catcher, Rockensock explained.

"We just started advertising for a new officer a couple weeks ago. I don't even know if we have any applications at this point," Rockensock said on Aug. 2. "We have two new officers that are currently in training. Other than that, pretty much business as usual."

Rockensock added later that the PSPD will be looking to fill the dog catcher position in the next month or so.

"There's not really a shortage, it's just we're in another transition because of attrition," Rockensock noted.

In hiring a new officer, Rockensock explained that the town looks for someone who is experienced or already has their POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training) certification.

If the town finds someone who is qualified but does not have the ability to put themselves through the police academy, the town may choose to sponsor that individual.

"I don't know if we're going to be doing that again this year. So we're basically just looking for a POST-certified officer at this point," Rockensock said.

It can be difficult at times to find

qualified applicants, Rockensock

In terms of selecting someone to be sponsored, Rockensock later added that it is a budgetary issue,

"So, we would not be doing that again this year. So, if we did have an opening in the future, it would be a budgetary request from our town council to be able to do that again," Rockensock noted.

It is also on a case-by-case basis depending on need, Rockensock later added.

For those interested in joining the town's police force, Rockensock explained some of the qualifications

"At a minimum they have to have a high school education," Rockensock noted.

Most of the time, interested parties need to be POST-certified in Colorado or another state, Rockensock added.

"So, my advice is if they want to be in law enforcement that they go check into a regional academy," Rockensock said. "And our regional academy is in Mancos and that one is hosted by Pueblo Community College."

#### County

Valdez explained that the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) currently has 12 patrol officers and one animal control officer.

"We have two that are in training that will be out on the road pretty quick. So, we're technically down three positions," Valdez explained. "And we are in the process of sending two to the academy."

Valdez later clarified that ACSO has 12 detention officers, one alternative sentencing officer and 12 and a half patrol officers.

The half within the patrol officers is because one patrol officer is part-time, Valdez noted.

This process of being short officers seems to "go in waves," Valdez noted.

"It sets us back a little bit because it is kind of tough that we're not fully staffed. But, hopefully, we can get there soon," Valdez said.

The biggest challenge is that even with the number of staff that ACSO does have, it is still shorthanded, Valdez noted.

"Even if we were fully staffed, we still need more people," Valdez explained, "because we're finding that just things are changing and we're just getting busier as time progresses."

With the current staff, the ACSO is still finding itself being more "reactive than proactive," Valdez added later.

"And we're just going call to call, I mean, we only have one deputy on duty at a time with the current staffing that we have," Valdez said.

To someone who is interested in joining the ACSO patrol and is properly qualified, Valdez offered a thought.

"Put an application in," he said. Valdez noted that at a meeting he attended of the Southwest Regional Law Enforcement Academy, the topic of even continuing to have the academy in Mancos/ Cortez was broached.

The sheriffs and police chiefs in attendance at that meeting noted that it would be detrimental to their respective departments if there was no law enforcement academy in the southwest corner of Colorado, Valdez explained.

"The primary reason is because it's so hard to recruit individuals from out of this area to come down to this area to live," Valdez explained.

Factors such as pay and cost of housing create struggles to recruit out-of-area officers, Valdez explained

"They're finding that if they have the capability to provide the academy and recruit from within their communities, they're finding that their turnover is not as high," Valdez described further.

Later, Valdez offered more comments.

"The biggest thing is that we have 13,001 square miles. We only have one deputy on duty at a time to be able to provide 24-hour, seven-days-a-week service," Valdez said.

Valdez did note that sometimes there is some overlap for those situations.

"It's not so much that we're down. We need more deputies to be able to provide a better service because we have so many different challenges that we want to be able to tackle," Valdez noted.

Valdez later noted that the ACSO will be going to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners this budget cycle to ask for additional staffing.

"We still are providing a service. It has its challenges. We're not completely down, you know, we're missing a couple of deputies," Valdez noted.

Later, Valdez explained that having a couple of deputies gone affects a small organization in a larger way.

"Losing two deputies in a small department has a big impact on it versus a large agency," Valdez said. chris@pagosasun.com

## Audubon Rockies seeks Four Mile Ranch Nature Program volunteers

By Keith Bruno

Special to The SUN

Four Mile Ranch environmental education programs have provided Pagosa youth a window into the natural world for over 10 years.

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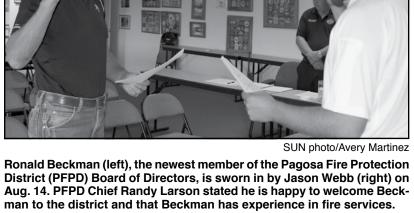


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## Swim team to be offered at Pagosa Springs High School this year

By Chris Mannara Staff Writer

A girls' swim team will be added to the list of athletic offerings for the 2018-19 school year at Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS).

The addition follows a decision made by the Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education (BOE) at its regular meeting on Tuesday night.

PSHS Athletic Director Marcie Ham further explained to the BOE the decision to request a women's swim team.

"I just wanted to address, Title IX is not black and white. It's not quite as easy as saying, 'We have 100 spots for boys and 100 spots for girls and so we're good.' It's not that easy at all," Ham explained.

Title IX is a federal law within the Education Amendments Act of 1972 that states: "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

Compliance with Title IX involves a three-pronged test, Ham explained.

The first question involves proportionality.

Within documents provided to the BOE at the meeting, Ham conducted proportionality surveys of

students at PSHS. The back of each of the proportionality surveys showed the total enrollment, enrollment of boys and girls, and the participation in ath-

letics of boys and girls, Ham noted. "And those are not proportional. And since 2014 they haven't been," Ham said.

The second question within the three-pronged test involves history and continuing practice, Ham explained.

"So, when we extend our programs, are we expanding opportunities for both? Are we trying to catch up with female? We haven't expanded in quite a while in anything," Ham said.

The third prong involves accommodating those abilities for female athletes within the PSHS building.

'There's a constant stream, I would say, of females asking about different sports, but not a large number," Ham said.

#### The issue of choice

According to Ham, 48 girls responded to her survey and most of them noted that they did not play a sport in the winter season.

"And for the winter season, that's a really long one for us. They start practice at the beginning of November and it ends in March," Ham said. "So, that's a really long time during the school year to not have many offerings for females in our school."

PSHS does offer girls' basketball and spirit in the winter season, Ham noted.

However, in Colorado, cheer and dance are only considered a sport if you compete in three or more competitions, Ham added.

"All the competitions in our state are in October and November and state is in December," Ham explained. "So that's over in January, February and March."

The other offerings for sports for girls in the winter by the Colorado High School Athletics Association (CHSAA) are basketball, skiing, girls swimming and wrestling, Ham described.

Girls' wrestling is currently a pilot program and brand new for CHSAA, Ham noted.

"The survey clearly shows that swimming is the highest priority for those almost 50 girls that responded to the survey," Ham said.

#### **Budgetary request**

Ham noted that swimming is a pretty low-cost sport to add to a school when you do not have a pool to maintain.

Within the document provided by Ham at the meeting, a line item notes that the swim team would rent pool time from the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Recreation Center.

The rate for the rental would be \$170 for 10 swimmers, totaling \$1,700.

The pool at the Healing Waters Resort and Spa is another possible option, Ham indicated.

The entire budgetary request for a girls' swim team would be \$13,658, according to Ham's document.

#### **Board questions**

**BOE** member Bruce Dryburgh raised a question on how many girls would be on the team each

Ham responded that at the high school level she imagined it would not be more than 10 girls.

'Our survey shows more than that in just those responses, but again, it's really easy to hit a button on a survey. It's a very different thing to commit," Ham said.

**BOE** member Brooks Lindner then asked Ham why skiing was left off of the survey.

"There are not a lot of high schools in our area that have skiing, so the competition level requires a lot of travel with overnight stays which really increases our budget for this sport," Ham said. "And looking at something that was lowcost that we do have a large interest in, just like skiing, swimming just came into that picture a little bit better.'

**BOE President Greg Schick** asked if PSHS were to add swimming, what that does for PSHS's compliance with Title IX.

"So, like I said, there's no black and white. But I think if we look at that three-pronged test, it definitely shows that we're bringing up our numbers for proportionality," Ham explained. "Our history of continuing participation is that we're expanding our programs for females and then we're also at looking at what the kids say and we're accommodating their abilities and their wants.'

Later in the meeting the BOE approved the decision unanimously to allow a girls' swim team to begin at PSHS for the 2018-19 school year. chris@pagosasun.com

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## GOLF

## Pirates take first at opening tournament, host today

By Randi Pierce

Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School golf team started the season with a bang last week in Cortez, claiming first place in their first tournament of the season.

Too, senior Jonathon Robel tied for second place among individuals participating in the tournament.

"The kids played pretty well, and, you know, to win a tournament is pretty good," said coach Mark Faber.

Robel led the Pirates with a 79 on the par-72 course.

"Jonathon played really, really well on his front side," Faber said. "He played real well. ... He had a really good day."

Faber noted that the team was fun to watch.

Richard Feidler followed with an 88, Nathan Smith logged a 90, Dylan Manzanares notched a 101 and Taylor Cotts rounded out the Pirates with a 104.

Faber explained that seven teams played in the tournament, with teams ranging from the 1A classification up to 5A (the Pirates are 3A).

"To beat a 5A school is pretty fun," he said. "Shoot, to win a tournament for these guys getting started is really, really nice.

Now, the Pirates will look to continue their "great" start in a pair of

#### RECREATION NEWS

#### Youth basketball registration open for ages 7-8

By Darren Lewis

SUN Columnist

The Recreation Department is currently accepting youth basketball registration for ages 7-8 through Sept. 28.

The cost is \$35 and you may register at the Ross Aragon Community Center or online.

Please feel free to contact the Recreation Department with any questions, 264-4152, ext. 232.

tournaments this week.

Pagosa Springs Golf Club today, with tournament action kicking off at 9 a.m.

The public is welcome and encouraged to support the Pirates at their sole home tournament, Faber indicated. While the same five will be

the junior varsity golfers will also be on the links. Faber noted that six or seven

sporting varsity shirts for the day,

teams would be participating in the tournament. The following day, the team

will head to Alamosa for a larger tournament that Faber estimated would have upwards of 20 teams. That tournament, too, is sched-

held at Cattails Golf Course. Lodd Condon

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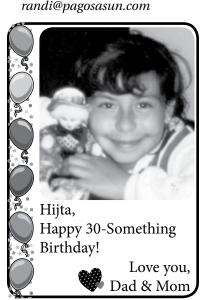
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uled to kick off at 9 a.m. and will be

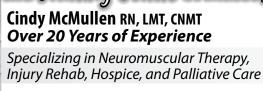
Following those back-to-back The Pirates are in action at tournaments, the team will have a break from tournament play until Sept. 7.

> Faber said that break will allow the team to really start working on specifics with each golfer.

> "We're just going to try to continue what we started," Faber said.



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#### **SENIOR NEWS**

## Falls prevention, driver safety classes scheduled

**By Cheryl Wilkinson** SUN Columnist

A Matter of Balance is an awardwinning falls-prevention program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase the activity levels of older adults who have concerns

The classes help participants to: view falls and fear of falling as controllable, set realistic goals for increasing activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and promote exercise to increase strength and balance.

You can benefit from the classes if: You are concerned about falls; have sustained a fall in the past; you restrict activities because of concerns about falling; you are interested in improving flexibility, balance and strength; you are age 60 or older, ambulatory and able to problem solve.

The Pagosa Springs Senior Center is pleased to announce our fourth Matter of Balance program. The Matter of Balance program lasts eight weeks. Classes are on Wednesdays beginning on Sept. 5. Each class is from 9 to 11 a.m. Snacks will be provided. Class size is limited.

Please call 264-2167 for more information or to register. Classes

#### **Second AARP Smart Driver course scheduled**

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

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AARP membership is not required to take the course.

The classroom course costs only \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers.

To register, visit aarp.org/findacourse. The Senior Center staff will be glad to help you register.

Due to popular demand, the Senior Center is hosting a second class on Sept. 14 from 1 to 5 p.m.

#### Health and wellness

The Senior Center has a pilot program expanding health and wellness services to Archuleta County seniors. The program includes wellness and blood pressure monitoring, or allows individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice.

There is no charge for Medicare enrollees. Participant IDs will include Medicare card, photo ID and, if necessary, any supplemental insurances. No Medicaid is accepted at this time. Participants are encouraged to bring a list of their current medications.

Clinical assessment will be provided by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C.

The goal of the outreach clinic is to provide care to those who are not able to travel.

The next health and wellness event is scheduled for Aug. 22.

#### San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging: Bullying is ageless III

By Kay Kaylor I advocate for residents at Pine Ridge and BeeHive Homes as the part-time long-term care ombudsman for Archuleta County. Federal and state laws protect residents to promote quality of care and quality of life.

Bullying in long-term care, senior housing and senior centers impacts elders in several ways, including self-isolation, retaliation followed by guilt and feelings of depression, anger, frustration and anxiety. Friends and family who see people exhibiting these behaviors and feelings might consider them as warning signs of bullying. Other bullied people might make vague complaints, such as "They don't like me" or "won't let me," or avoid specific areas and activities, noted Dr. Robin Bonifas at Arizona State University in 2015.

Warning signs of possible bullies are those who intimidate staff, boss others around, criticize others. appear to lack empathy, and make outraged and repeated complaints about people, even to the point of claiming to be bullied themselves.

Elders do find successful ways to cope, such as avoiding contact with the upsetting individual, letting go, biting their tongue or tuning out and calming others down. They also pursue individual activities, spend time with pets, engage with supportive people and strive to see the bully's point of view.

Preventing and minimizing bullying requires approaches at the organizational level, as well as with bullies and their targets, with the goal of creating caring communities. Part IV will present some ideas and examples

For further information, you may call me at 403-2164 or send an email to ombudsman2@sjbaaa.org

#### 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

Thursday, Aug. 16 — Turkey sausage soup, green peas, milk, salad bar and brownie.

Friday, Aug. 17 — Chicken Marsala with fettuccine, bacon green beans, spinach souffle, polenta cake, milk and salad bar.

Monday, Aug. 20 — Beef lasagna, lemon roasted eggplant, seasoned asparagus, milk, salad bar and blond brownie.

Tuesday, Aug. 21 — Tilapia tacos with black bean, peach and pineapple salsa, tomatoes Provencal, milk, salad bar and lemon cream pie.

Wednesday, Aug. 22 — Turkey broccoli with brown rice casserole, snap pea medley, milk, salad bar and ice cream sundae.

Thursday, Aug. 23 — Pork green chile stew, glazed carrots, squash calabacitas, cornbread muffin with butter, milk and salad bar.

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## Man arrested after holding fishermen at gunpoint

**By Avery Martinez** Staff Writer

A man held two fishermen at gunpoint on July 29 when he accused them of trespassing on property, only to be placed in custody himself when law enforcement arrived.

Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) deputies were dispatched at 10:10 p.m. to the area of Alamosa Place in reference to a possible trespass in progress, according to Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez.

When law enforcement arrived they found a man holding a firearm,

Items listed in The Blotter report

where an alleged incident occurred

and the nature of the incident. Readers should not assume employees or

owners of a place of business or a

parking lot reported as the scene of

an event are involved as perpetrators

**Archuleta County Sheriff's Office** 

Aug. 6 — Warrant arrest, Deer Trail.

Aug. 6 — Third-degree assault-

Aug. 7 - No insurance in pos-

session, failed to display lights when

visibility less than 1,000 feet, illegal

possession or consumption of ethyl

alcohol or marijuana, drove vehicle

without valid driver's license, posses-

sion of drug paraphernalia-penalty.

istration and use permits, violations of

special restrictions on certain drivers,

Aug. 7 — Off-highway vehicle reg-

Aug. 7 — Information only, Great

Aug. 8 — Failed to drive in single

lane (weaving), open container in a

motor vehicle, drove vehicle while

under the influence of alcohol, drove

vehicle when BAC .08 or more, Mis-

Aug. 8 — Information only, Metro

Aug. 8 — Information only, Metro

simple assault, domestic violence,

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and he had two male subjects at gunpoint, according to Valdez.

According to Valdez, the man holding the firearm was later identified as John Dimuccio, 64, of Archuleta County.

Dimuccio was later placed in custody for menacing and prohibited use of a firearm, according to Valdez. The deputies advised Dimuccio

to drop his weapon, which he did, according to Valdez. "They also recognized that Mr. Dimuccio was intoxicated," Valdez

Valdez explained that the officers removed the firearm from Dimuccio.

The Blotter

Aug. 9 — Indecent exposure, Lake

Aug. 9 - Information only, Eagle

Aug. 9 - Illegal possession or

consumption of alcohol, criminal pos-

session of a financial device, Solomon

Aug. 11 - Information only, Pin-

**Town of Pagosa Springs Police** 

Aug. 7 - Warrant arrest, East

Aug. 9 - DUI/careless driving,

Aug. 11 - Careless driving/no

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court:

**Archuleta County Court: Judge** 

July 25 - Nicholas John Zettler,

driving while ability impaired, 48 hours

community service, 12 months proba-

tion alcohol evaluation and supervi-

Dominguez, leaving scene/accident-

damage only, six months probation up-

dated sentence, 24 hours community

July 25 — Wesley Daniel Herrera,

service, fines and costs - \$604.50.

driving under the influence, 48 hours

July 25 - Jose L. Hernandez-

sion, fines and costs - \$771.50.

Drive.

eridge trail

Department

Pagosa Street.

North 5th Street.

No report.

Justin P. Fay

insurance, San Juan Street.

Judge D. Brett Van Winkle

Once investigated, it was discovered that the two men held at gunpoint had gone fishing on property off of Alamosa Place, according to Valdez.

they were approached by Dimuccio holding a firearm, according to Dimuccio approached the vehicle

When the two men were leaving,

as it was leaving and attempted to make contact with the two men, Valdez explained.

When the vehicle did not stop, Dimuccio fired a warning shot, according to Valdez.

Once the vehicle did stop, Dimuc-

community service, 12 months proba-

tion alcohol evaluation and supervi-

not used, fines and costs - \$163.50.

July 25 - Sheri Smith, seat belt

July 25 - Coleman J. Smith, seat belt not used, license plates-expired,

July 25 — Christopher Thomas

Aug. 9 — Michael Lawrence Budde,

Betrix, driving under restraint, fines and

driving ability impaired, two days jail,

56 hours of community service, eight

days electronic surveillance, two

Aug. 9 — Gatlin Bailey Cole, driv-

years probation, fines and costs -

ing under the influence, five days

jail, 48 hours community service,

20 days electronic surveillance, two

years probation, fines and costs -

Aug. 9 — William Bryan Schoonover,

assault 3-know/reckless cause injury,

12 months probation, fines and costs

sion, fines and costs - \$1,365.27.

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cio pointed the weapon at the two men and "made them exit the vehicle at gunpoint," according to Valdez.

Dimuccio then proceeded to have the men lay down prone on the ground, according to Valdez, and then waited for law enforcement to arrive. However, after the investigation,

it was determined that "these individuals were not trespassing, that they did have permission to go on to the property to fish," according to Valdez.

At that point, Dimuccio was placed under arrest for menacing and prohibited use of a weapon, according to Valdez.

Further, the property did not belong to Dimuccio, Valdez indicated.

"It was just a neighboring property; it wasn't even his property," Valdez said.

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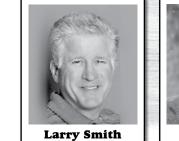


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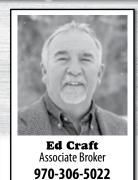




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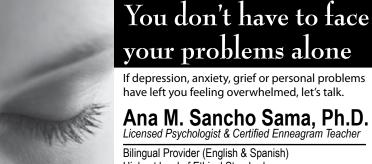








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#### LIBRARY NEWS

### Book Barns at 10 locations to become mini libraries around town

**By Carole Howard** 

SUN Columnist, and the library staff

You probably will see something new and clever as you move around our little mountain community in the coming weeks. They're called Book Barns and their goal is to make it easier for everybody to pick up books at many convenient places, not just at the library.

Built by a local Vets for Vets member on a volunteer basis, the Book Barns come in three sizes small (two shelves), medium (three shelves) and large (four shelves). They'll hold both paperback and hardcover books in various genres for all ages, including teens and kids. They're called Book Barns because each one has a barn-like roof with shingles.

Two Book Barns already are in place at the The Lift Coffee House in downtown Pagosa Springs and at the Archuleta County Department of Human Services in Town Hall. These host organizations will be joined by the Archuleta Housing Corp., Beehive Homes Assisted Living, Pagosa Baking Company, Pine Ridge Extended Care Center and the Ross Aragon Community Center in getting their own Book Barns this month. The goal is to have 10 in place by the end of August.

Book Barns will be sponsored in the various locations by generous organizations and businesses wanting to support the library's reading and literacy initiatives while also gaining visibility for their products and services. Onetime costs for sponsors are \$150 for a small Book Barn, \$250 for a medium and \$350 for a large.

The Book Barn idea came from a brainstorming session between Meg Wempe, library director, and Cindi Galabota, development

"We wanted to find new ways to take the library into the community outside of our building's four walls," Galabota explained.

Books borrowed from any of the Book Barns may be read on-site, taken home, returned to any Book Barn location, or even passed on to friends and family elsewhere. It's even OK if the books take their own path and never come back to any Book Barn. The goal is to make 17, from 2 to 3:15 p.m. for a free

it easy for people of all ages to read and to keep the books circulating.

"Take a book. Leave a book. Share a book. That's our motto," Galabota said. Library staff will maintain and periodically replenish the bookshelves.

If you would like a Book Barn in a public space in your business or nonprofit, or if you want to sponsor one, please contact Galabota at the library at 264-2209.

#### Help around town for heart emergencies including at your library

You've probably heard of an automated external defibrillator (AED), a portable electronic device that automatically checks the heart rhythms and can send an electric shock to the heart to try to return it to normal.

Immediate action is crucial when someone's heart stops beating, so we wanted to remind you that an AED is available at your library and in more than 20 other locations around town. They include the public schools, Community Center, county sheriff patrol cars, fire stations 3 and 7, St. Patrick's and Centerpoint churches, Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District, Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association rec center, Chimney Rock National Monument and more.

All you have to do is turn on the AED and follow the prompts. The AED will talk to you, giving stepby-step instructions and guidance as vou work on a patient. But if you want to take a class to build your confidence and be trained for emergencies, please contact Nicole Mariani LaGioia at Pagosa Springs Medical Center EMS at 731-5811 or pagosamed.com.

#### Early literacy librarian job opening

Paige Shook, our early literacy librarian, is resigning to take a library job in her home town, so we are looking for her replacement. If you are interested in the position, please go to the library's website to review the job description, requirements and how to apply.

#### All-ages gaming tomorrow

Join us tomorrow, Friday, Aug.

**Celebration** 

all-ages gaming session where you can enjoy video gaming on Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with your friends and family.

#### Family storytime and open play

This Saturday, Aug. 18, from 9:30 to 10 a.m., join us for free great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Then, starting Wednesday, Aug. 22, we will have open play on Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 to 10 a.m. for the rest of the month.

#### Otaku Club

The Otaku (Anime/Manga) Club meets Monday, Aug. 20, from 4 to 5 p.m. Join us to watch anime, talk about manga and Asian cultures, and enjoy snacks. This free club is for those in the fifth through 12th grades.

#### Teen gaming

Free teen gaming happens on Tuesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for teens in the seventh through 12th grades. Enjoy Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks.

#### DIY for adults

At this month's free DIY event next Wednesday, Aug. 22, from 1 to 2 p.m., you'll use multicolored washi tape paper straws to make all sorts of fun crafts from bookmarks to pencil holders. No registration is required.

#### Spanish conversation

Next Wednesday, Aug. 22, from 4 to 5 p.m., practice your Spanish with other Spanish-language learners and speakers at this free informal session. All are welcome, from beginners to native Spanish speakers. No registration is required.

#### Computer class

Join us on alternating Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. for free sessions to learn a useful skill or application. Aug. 23 is Microsoft OneDrive, helping you to get your files and photos from anywhere using any device via Microsoft's cloud platform. Aug. 27 is the Learning Express Library, an interactive learning platform of practice tests and tutorial courses to help you prepare for tests and improve your academic skills. There also are several computer and software tutorials for Windows 10, Microsoft Word, Excel and more.

#### Adult education summer schedule

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) is operating on a summer schedule — from 2 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. Come to your library to get help with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more.

#### Free tech sessions

Drop in with your technology questions on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m.

#### Activities calendars

To be sure you don't miss any of the free activities available to you and your families at your library, we encourage you to pick up a copy of the events calendar each month. There are three versions — kids, tweens/teens and adults.

#### Thrillers, mysteries and suspense

"The Quiet Side of Passion" by Alexander McCall Smith is an Isabel Dalhousie story. "This Body's Not Big Enough for Both of Us" by Edgar Cantero is a comic thriller. "The Madness of the Brave" by D.P. Medina is a blend of history and fiction. "A Measure of Darkness" by Jonathan and Jesse Killerman features Deputy Coroner Clay Edison. "Star Wars Thrawn Alliance" by Timothy Zahn is the latest in the Star Wars series. "Believe Me" by JP Delaney follows a woman whose job it is to entrap errant husbands.

"An Unwanted Guest" by Shari Lapena is set in a cozy mountain lodge. "Tailspin" by Sandra Brown features a daring pilot in a race against time.

#### Other novels

"The Masterpiece" by Fiona Davis tells of life at a glamorous art school under Grand Central Station. "Serpentine" by Laurell K. Hamilton is an Anita Blake vampire hunter novel.

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GERALD W GILKEY, et al Defendants Case No.: 2018CV30042 Attorney for Plaintiff Christopher B. Conley Hayes, Johnson & Conley, PLLC 700 South 21st Street Fort Smith, AR 72901 Tel. 479.242.8814 Fmail: chris@hiclegal.com Atty. Reg. No.: 51651
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT(S): **GERALD W GILKEY** STEPHANAIA A GILKEY WENDY JOSEFINA GIL SANTOS KENNETH B TATE JR

SUF N BAIL FY 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.

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This is an in rem action of judicial foreclosure on your timeshare interest(s) located at Teal Landing Condominium for failure to pay assessments to Tea Landing Property Owner's Association, Inc. The lega description for your real property is below.

Plaintiff Attorney: Christopher B. Conley, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901.

Defendant(s) / Legal Descriptions:
Teal Landing Condominium Phase One-Building 11
Property Owner: GERALD W GILKEY & STEPHANAIA Building Number: 11

Lot (Unit) Number: 1111-1116, 1121, 1124-1126 UDI Points: 77,000

of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase One- as built Building 11, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20102922, 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 at Reception Number 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration of Teal Landing Condominium recorded at Reception Number 20102923, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

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

Matter Matter Amount: \$1,631.86
Teal Landing Condominium Phase Six-Building 16
Property Owner: WENDY JOSEFINA GIL SANTOS Building Number: 16

Lot (Unit) Number: 1611-1616, 1621-1626

UDI Points: 105,000 of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase Six- as built Building 16, as depicted 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 Condomir Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number

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Amount Lien Amount: \$1.805.28 Teal Landing Condominium Phase Seven-Building 17 Property Owner: Kenneth B Tate Jr & Anne T Tate Building Number: 17 Lot (Unit) Number: 1711-1716, 1721-1726

UDI Points: 132,000 Property Owner: SUE N BAILEY Building Number: 17 Lot (Unit) Number: 1711-1716, 1721-1726 UDI Points: 600,000

of the Teal Landing Condominium Phase Seven - as built Building 17, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception No. 20209496, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendmen to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing 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 Tea Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20106880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception Number 20110747 Third Supplemental Declaration of Condominium for Tea 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 Tea Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20209497 and any future supplemental Plats of 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. Lien Amount: \$1,900.68 Lien Amount: \$4,210.00 Published in the Pagosa Springs Sun First Publication: July 26, 2018 Last Publication: August 23, 2018 /s/ Christopher B. Conley Christopher B. Conley Hayes, Johnson & Conley, PLLC 700 South 21st Stree Atty. Reg. No.: 5165 Published July 26, August 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2018 in The

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Atty. Reg. No.: 51651 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT(S): **Deborah Trammell** Nate A Newkirk Claire S Newkirk Craig Arthur Patinsky Mark McCarthy Timeshare E Alternative LLC Dells Vacation Holdings LLC Gladys I Fielder Leo É Fielder Jill S Haines Angel Onwardo LLC Amparo Q Durham Norberto Medina Vance C Johnston Maribelle J Spencer J.W. Hairston Sybil A Hairston **Bryon David Moseley** enise Dianne Moseley Richard J Bowers

Crystal Symonette OOC
Clemente Martinez Jr.
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complain 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 laspublication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained

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complaint without further notice.

This is an in rem action of judicial foreclosure on your timeshare interest(s) located at Eagle's Loft Townhouses Owner's Association, Inc. The legal description for your

Plaintiff Attorney: Christopher B. Conley, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901.

Defendant(s) / Legal Descriptions: Published in the Pagosa Springs Sun First Publication: August 2, 2018 Last Publication: August 30, 2018 /s/ Christopher B. Conley Christopher B. Conley Hayes, Johnson & Conley, PLLC 700 South 21st Street Fort Smith, AR 72901

Atty. Reg. No.: 51651 Amount Phase III of Eagle's Loft
Property Owner: James Trammell & Deborah Trammell Building Number: 38 Lot (Unit) Number: 38

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 28 Lien Amount: \$2,813.00
Property Owner: Nate A Newkirk & Claire S Newkirk Building Number: 35 Lot (Unit) Number: 35

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 2 Lien Amount: \$3,351.99
Property Owner: Craig Arthur Patinsky Building Number: 38 Lot (Unit) Number: 38 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 44

Lien Amount: \$2,894.44
Property Owner: Mark McCarthy Building Number: 17 Lot (Unit) Number: 85 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 14 Lien Amount: \$6,827.59
Property Owner: Timeshare E Alternative LLC

Building Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 50 Lien Amount: \$2,731.44
Property Owner: Dells Vacation Holdings LLC Building Number: 28

Lot (Unit) Number: 28 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 19 Lien Amount: \$6,854.19 Property Owner: Gladys I Fielder & Leo E Fielder Building Number: 19

Lot (Unit) Number: 19 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 34 Lien Amount: \$6,593.42 Property Owner: D J Haines & Jill S Haines Building Number: 30 Lot (Unit) Number: 30

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 39 Lien Amount: \$4,058.56
Property Owner: Angel Onwardo LLC Building Number: 24 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 10 Lien Amount: \$6,868,37 Property Owner: Angel Onwardo LLC

Building Number: 31 Lot (Unit) Number: 31 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 3 Lien Amount: \$6,868.37
Property Owner: Amparo Q Durham Building Number: 21

Lot (Unit) Number: 21 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 14 Lien Amount: \$6 009 70 Property Owner: Norberto Medina & Vance C Johnston Building Number: 20 Lot (Unit) Number: 20

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 48 Lien Amount: \$6,868.37
Property Owner: Maribelle J Spencer Building Number: 25

Lot (Unit) Number: 25 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$2,894.44 Property Owner: J.W. Hairston & Sybil A Hairston

Building Number: 19 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 51 Lien Amount: \$6,868.37

Property Owner: Bryon David Moseley & Denise Dianne Building Number: 38 Lot (Unit) Number: 38

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 21 Lien Amount: \$2,894.44 Property Owner: Richard J Bowers Building Number: 21 Lot (Unit) Number: 21 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 5 Lien Amount: \$7,892.21

Property Owner: David J Swanson & Mary E Swanson Building Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$6,868.37

Property Owner: Harold Hedges & Gloria Hedges. Trustees of Hedges Living Trust Building Number: 29 Lot (Unit) Number: 29 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 6

Lien Amount: \$6,736,14 Property Owner: Tamara Marie Turnquest & Crystal Symonette

Building Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Number: 18 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 38 Lien Amount: \$2,894.44 Property Owner: Clemente Martinez Jr. Building Number: 36 Lot (Unit) Number: 36 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 49

Lien Amount: \$6,854.19 in Phase III of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 130203 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200 page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/ or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on May 30, 1984, under Reception No. 123459, as amended

by that First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 13, 1984, Reception No. 124494, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple

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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. 970.264.2400 Eagle's Loft Property Owner's Association, Inc.

Mathew Dunham, et al Defendants Case No.: 2018CV30046 Attorney for Plaintiff: Christopher B. Conley Hayes, Johnson & Conley, PLLC 700 South 21st Street Fort Smith, AR 72901 Tel. 479.242.8814 Email: chris@hjclegal.com Atty. Reg. No.: 51651

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT(S): **Darcy Burton** A B Daugherty Venida Daughtery **B & B Enterprises** Gary J Garcia Linda O'Kelley Michael O'Kelley Angel Onwardo LLC

nderick Holloway Eugene D Townsend Shirley B Townsend Harold Hedges, Trustee Gloria Hedges, Trustee Antonio Saldana, Jr. Mary L Saldana Leslie Passage LLC Amelia K Morton

Alex Leon

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This is an in rem action of judicial foreclosure on your timeshare interest(s) located at Eagle's Loft for failure to pay assessments to Eagle's Loft Property Owner's Association, Inc. The legal description for your real property is below.

Plaintiff Attorney: Christopher B. Conley, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901.

Defendant(s) / Legal Descriptions: (see following page) Matter Amount

Phase I of Eagle's Loft Property Owner: Darcy Burton Building Number: 7 Lot (Unit) Number: 7007 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 15 Lien Amount: \$6,655.72
Property Owner: A B Daugherty & Venida Daughtery

Building Number: 7 Lot (Unit) Number: 7007 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 15 Lien Amount: \$6, 868.37 Property Owner: B & B Enterprises Building Number: 7

Lot (Unit) Number: 7 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 8 Lien Amount: \$6,324.22 Property Owner: Gary J Garcia & Maria L Garcia Building Number: 3 Lot (Unit) Number: 3

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 49 Lien Amount: \$12,369.26 in Phase I of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 117699 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and as further described in that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership of Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations").

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

Amount Phase II of Eagle's Loft Property Owner: Linda O'Kelley & Michael O'Kelley Building Number: 14 Lot (Unit) Number: 14 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 32 Lien Amount: \$ 6,841.64 Property Owner: Angel Onwardo LLC Building Number: 9 Lot (Unit) Number: 9 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 49 Lien Amount: \$6,868.37

in Phase II of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 119118 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject and for Architeta County, Colorado and Srain be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that First Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on October 7, 1983, in Book 203, Page 564, Reception No. 119119, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado (the "Declarations"). Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Eagle's Loft Townhouses in that percentage interest determined and

established by said Declaration for the above described

Matter Amount Phase IV of Eagle's Loft Property Owner: Shonderick Holloway Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 31 and 32; 33 and 34 Lien Amount: \$ 6,554.05
Property Owner: Eugene D Townsend & Shirley B Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$2,894.44 Property Owner: Shonderick Holloway Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Number: 52

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$ 6,476.43 Property Owner:Harold & Gloria Hedges, Trustees of Hedges Living Trust Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Number: 52

Lien Amount: \$ 6.736.14 Property Owner: Antonio Saldana, Jr. & Mary L Saldana Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 31 and 32; 33 and 34 Lien Amount: \$ 6.868.37 Property Owner: Leslie Passage LLC

Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 31 and 32; 33 and 34

Building Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$ 6.868.37 Property Owner: Amelia K Morton Building Number: 52

Lot (Unit) Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 31 and 32; 33 and 34 Lien Amount: \$ 6.868.37 Property Owner: Alex Leon & Jennifer Crawford Building Number: 52

Lot (Unit) Number: 52 Lot (Unit) Week(s) Number: 20 Lien Amount: \$ 2.894.44 in Phase IV of Eagle's Loft as recorded in Reception No. 132402 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Third Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/ or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 10, 1985, under Reception No. 132403, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta

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/s/ Betty A. Diller Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado Published August 2, 9 and 16, 2018 in *The Pagosa* 

DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address: Combined Court, 449 San Juan Street, P.O. Box 148, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Phone Number: (970) 264-8160
Plaintiff(s): WYNDHAM VACATION RESORTS, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION

Defendant(s): DAVID ALVAREZ, MARA ALVAREZ, RICHARD C. DELONG, A. BONNETA DELONG, JOHN D. ENDICOTT, WILLIAM GERO, DONNA MOODY, KENNETH HARRIS, CHARLOTTE HARRIS, KELLI HARRIS, GERALD HOFFMAN, SHERRY HOFFMAN, J. NADENE JENKINS, JAMES DENNIS JESTER, JEAN JESTER, KRISTY KAE COPPLE, ROBERT L. KELLEY, SUSAN JERI KELLEY, PING WONG, AND YVONNE WONG

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247-3100; E-Mail: knewbold@newboldchapmanlaw.com Case Number: 2018-CV-30028, Div.: Ctrm.: SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:

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.

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This is an action to foreclose on Mortgages and Promissory Notes given by Defendants for the benefit of Plaintiff, and to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof. DATED this 20th day of July, 2018. NEWBOLD CHAPMAN & GEYER PC

Original signature on file at the office of Newbold Chapman & Geyer PC /s/ Keith Newbold Keith Newbold, Esq., Reg. No. 010629

Attorney for Plaintiff This Summons is issued pursuant to Rule 4(g), Colorado

EXHIBIT "A" Description of Real Property 1. The property belonging to John D. Endicott (Contract

A 336,000/62,896,000 undivided fee simple absolute ownership interest in Units 1711, 1712, 1713, 1714, 1715, 1716, 1721, 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725 and 1726 in Building 17, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of TEAL LANDING CONDOMINIUM - PHASE SEVEN - AS BUILT BUILDING 17, as depicted on the Plat recorded as Reception No. 20209496, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium recorded as Reception No. 20009604. Second Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20102923. Third Am. Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20104161, First Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. as Reception No. 20106880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20110747, Third Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20204765, Fifth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20206614, First Amendment to Fifth Supple recorded December 12, 2002 as Reception No. 20211905 Sixth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20209497 and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. The property described above is an 336,000 ownership interest as described in the Declaration and such ownership interest has been allocated 336,000 points (as defined in the Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium) for use by the Grantee

in Each year(s). 2. The property belonging to William Gero and Donna Moody (Contract #171106354): A 126,000/17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7867-7868 in Building 34, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of PEREGRINE TOWNHOUSES PHASE VII, as depicted on the Plat recorded at Reception Number 20005495, subject to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, Third Supplemental Declaration recorded March 13 2000 as Reception No. 20002414 and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado, which undivided interest has been assigned 126,000

Fairshare Plus Points symbolic of said property interest.

3. The property belonging to Kenneth Harris, Charlotte Harris, and Kelli Harris (Contract #171103088): A 233,000/62,896,000 undivided fee simple absolute ownership interest in Units 1611, 1612, 1613, 1614, 1615, 1616, 1621, 1622, 1623, 1624, 1625 and 1626 in Building 16, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of CORRECTION PLAT TEAL LANDING CONDOMINIUM - PHASE SIX - AS BUILT BUILDING 16, as depicted on the Plat recorded as Reception No. 20304272, subject to Declaration of as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium recorded as Reception No. 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20104161, First Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20105651, Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20106880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20110747, Third Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20204765, Fifth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20206614, First Amendment to Fifth Supplemental recorded December 12, 2002 as Reception No. 20211905, and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. The property described above is an 233,000 ownership ownership interest has been allocated 233,000 points (as defined in the Declaration of Condomini Teal Landing Condominium) for use by the Grantee in

4. The property belonging to J. Nadene Jenkins (Contract #171107451): A 126.000/63.185.500 undivided fee simple absolute ownership interest in Units 1511, 1512, 1513, 1514, 1515, 1516, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1525 and 1526 in Building 15, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of TEAL LANDING CONDOMINIUM - PHASE FIVE - AS BUILT BUILDING 15, as depicted on the Plat recorded as Reception No. 20204764, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium recorded as Reception No. 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20102923, Third Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20104161, First Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No.

20105651, Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20106880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No 20110747, Third Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20203147, Fourth Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20204765, and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. The property described above is an Annual ownership interest as described in the Declaration and such ownership interest has been allocated 126,000 points (as defined in the Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium) for use by the Grantee in Each year(s).

5. The property belonging to James Dennis Jester and Jean Jester (Contract #170901219): A 518,000/63,185,500 undivided fee simple absolute ownership interest in Units 1311, 1312, 1313, 1314, 1315, 1316, 1321, 1322, 1323, 1325 and 1326 in Building 13, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of TEAL LANDING CONDOMINIUM - PHASE THREE - AS BUILT BUILDING 13, as depicted on the Plat recorded as Reception No. 20106879, subject to Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium recorded as Reception Number 20007580, First Amendment to Declaration of Condominium recorded as Reception No. 20009604, Second Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20102923. Third Amendment to Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20104161, First Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20105651, Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20106880, First Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration recorded as Reception No. 20110747, and any future supplemental Plats or Declarations thereto, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. The property described above is an Annual ownership interest as described in the Declaration and such ownership interest has been allocated 518,000 points (as defined in the Declaration of Condominium for Teal Landing Condominium) for use by the Grantee in Each year(s) Published August 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 2018 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

#### **COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION** CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2018-009

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

On June 7, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records.

Original Grantor(s) River Forest Ventures, LLC Original Beneficiary(ies) Weinberg Servicing, LLC Current Holder of Evidence of Debt Weinberg Servicing,

Date of Deed of Trust November 27, 2015 County of Recording Archuleta Recording Date of Deed of Trust November 25, 2015 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21508774

Re-Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21608396 Re-Recording Date of Deed of Trust December 13, 2016 Original Principal Amount \$220,000.00

Outstanding Principal Balance \$220,000.00

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

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. Lot 12, Echo Lake Estates, according to the plat thereof filed July 15, 1981, as Reception No. 105427, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado. Also known by street and number as: 265 River

Forest Drive, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.

NOTICE OF SALE

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

in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 10/04/2018, at the Archuleta County Treasurer's Office at 449 San Juan St. Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication 8/9/2018

Last Publication 9/6/2018 Name of Publication Pagosa Springs Sun
IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER
DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT
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MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; 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

FORECL OSLIRE PROCESS Colorado Attorney Genera 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 owa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372

DATE: 06/07/2018 Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado By: /s/ Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

CO 80203 (303) 592-4500 Attorney File # River Forest Ventures, LLC The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is

attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose. ©Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised

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COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE, PURSUANT TO C.R.S. §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Under an Order for Default Judgment for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County) entered March 8, 2018, in Archuleta County District Court Case No. 2017CV30130, I am order to sell certain real property, as follows Name of OBLIGOR(S): JAMES P. MATTHEWS and

ALIX C. MATTHEWS Name of OBLIGEE: PINON HILLS RANCH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Current Owner of Evidence of Debt Secured by Order on

Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County): PINON HILLS RANCH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Date of Order on Motion for Default Judgment of

Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County): MARCH 8, 2018. Recording Date of Order on Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County): MAY 10, 2018 at Reception No.

21802806 in ARCHULETA COUNTY
Recording Date of Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Pinon Hills Ranch; APRIL 25, 2003 at Reception No. 20304167 in ARCHULETA COUNTY Original Principal Balance of the Debt Secured by the Statement of Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County): \$7,600.00 plus interest bearing at 18% per annum and for further essments and late charges as they become due and for attorney's fees and costs incurred in collecting

Outstanding Principal Balance of the Debt Secured by the Statement of Assessment Lien (Reception No. 705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County) as of the Date of the Recording of Order on Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien: \$7,600.00 plus interest bearing at 18% per annum and for further assessments and late charges as they become due, and for attorney's fees and costs incurred in collecting said amounts.

This is to advise you that foreclosure proceeding No. 2017CV30130 has been commenced in the office of the undersigned Sheriff to foreclose the lien of the above described Order on Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705515, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County). The following described property situated in Archuleta County, State of Colorado, is all of the property encumbered by said Statement of Legal Description:
Subdivision: PINON HILLS RANCH 1 Lot: 24B PHR 1 Sec:

14 Twn: 33 Rng: 2W AMENDED PLAT #857;20707941 AMENDED PLAT 666;#20304168 AMENDED PLAT 669;20305715 REPLAT #686;20402067 NOTICE: THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED UPON MAY

NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. Pursuant to C.R.S. §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Pinon Hills Ranch (Reception No.

20304167; 04/25/2003) have been violated as follows: failure to pay annual, special, and/or default assessments when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the Order on Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on

Assessment Lien and other violations thereof.

If the borrower believes that a lender or servicer has violated the requirements for a single point of contact in C.R.S. §38-38-103.1 or the prohibition on dual tracking in C.R.S. §38-38-103.2, the borrower may file a complaint with the Colorado attorney general, the CFPB, or both, but the filing of a complaint will not stop the foreclosure

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NOTICE OF SALE The Archuleta County Sheriff shall offer for public sale on **October 3, 2018 at 10:00 o'clock AM** at the Archuleta County Courthouse, 449 San Juan Street, in Pagosa Springs, Colorado, to the highest bidder, for cash, at public auction, all the right, title, and interest of the defendant(s), their heirs and assigns therein, in said property for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Statement of Assessment Lien, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allow by law, and will

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YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE A CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES

PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. The name, address, telephone number, and bar registration number of each attorney representing the holder of the evidence of debt is:

Anthony Savastano, #45398, Duthie Savastano Brungard, PLLC, P.O. Box 219, Durango, Colorado 81302, 970-247-4545. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR

THAT PURPOSE. Signed this 26th day of July 2018.
ARCHULETA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE Undersheriff Tonya Hamilton Published in The Pagosa Springs Sun

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Lien (Reception No. 21705514, recorded 9/8/2017 in

Current Owner of Evidence of Debt Secured by Order on Motion for Default Judgment of Complaint for Foreclosure on Assessment Lien (Reception No. 21705514, recorded 9/8/2017 in Archuleta County): PINON HILLS RANCH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Date of Order on Motion for Default Judgment of

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BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Undersheriff Tonya Hamilton Published in The Pagosa Springs Sun First Publication August 9, 2018 Last Publication September 6, 2018 Published August 9, 16, 23, 30 and September 6, 2018

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROMULGATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF FIELD RULES TO GOVERN OPERATIONS FOR THE FRUITLAND COAL SEAMS, LA PLATA COUNTY, COLORADO CAUSE NO. 407 DOCKET NO. 180900629 TYPE: POOLING NOTICE OF HEARING
TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND TO WHOM IT

MAY CONCERN:

APPLICATION LANDS Township 34 North, Range 6 West, N.M.P.M. (S.U.L.)
Section 6U: Lots 1 and 2

Section 7U: E/2 APPLICATION
On June 19, 2018, Catamount Energy Partners, LLC (Operator No. 10464) ("Catamount" or "Applicant") filed a verified application pursuant to §34-60-116, C.R.S. for an order to:

 Vacate Order No. 112-280, which pooled all interests in the approximate 663-acre drilling and spacing unit established for the Application Lands and in the Morales 34-6-6U #2 well (API No. 05-067-09991), for the development and operation of the Fruitland Coal Seams

APPLICABLE ORDERS AND RULES (available online at: http://cogcc.state.co.us, under "Regulation."

then select "Orders" or "Rules") On December 9, 2008, the Commission entered Order No. 112-215, which allowed up to four wells to be drilled in each 320-acre drilling and spacing unit subject to the Order for the production of gas from the Fruitland Coal Seams, with the permitted wells to be located no closer than 660 feet from the unit boundary, with no interior section line setback. The Order further requires that the wells drilled pursuant to this Order must comply with the provisions of the MOU between BP America Production Company and La Plata County.

On December 14, 2015, the Commission entered Order

No. 112-246, which pooled all interests in the Application Lands for the development and operation of the Fruitland Coal Seams, effective as of the date of the Application, for the drilling of the Morales 34-6-7 #1 well (API No. 05-067-09972) and subjected all nonconsenting interests to the cost recovery provisions of Section 34-60-116(7), C.R.S.
• On March 19, 2018, the Commission entered Order No. 112-280, which pooled all interests in the Application Lands in the Morales 34-6-6U #2 well for the development and operation of the Fruitland Coal Seams and was made effective as of the earlier of the date of this Application, or the date costs specified in Section 34-60-116(7)(b)(II), C.R.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Morales

C.H.S., are first incurred for the drilling of the Morales 34-6-6U #2 well.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to §§ 34-60-101 to 130, C.R.S., and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 2 CCR 404-1, that the Commission has scheduled this matter for hearing on

September 17-18, 2018 Time: 9:00 a.m.

Garfield County Sheriff's Annex - Rifle 106 County Road 333-A Rifle, Colorado 81650 Additional information about the hearing on this Application will be in the Commission's Agenda, which

is posted on the Commission website approximately 3 days before the hearing. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. if in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if any party requires special accommodations as a result of a disability for this hearing, please contact Margaret Humecki at (303) 894-2100 ext. 5139, prior to the hearing and arrangements will be made.

At hearing, the Commission will consider the Application and enter an order pursuant to its authority under the statute. Any interested party desiring to protest or intervene should file with the Commission a written protest or intervention in accordance with Rule 509., no later than August 31, 2018. Such interested party shall, at the same time, serve a copy of the protest or intervention to the person filing the application. One electronic (cogcc hearings\_unit@state.co.us), one original and two copies shall be filed with the Commission. Anyone who files a protest or intervention must be able to participate in a chearing conference during the week of September 3, 2018, if a prehearing conference is requested by the Applicant, or any person who has filed a protest or intervention. Pursuant to Rule 511., if the matter is uncontested, it may be approved without a hearing.
OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

Julie Spence Prine, Secretary Dated: August 8, 2018 Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission 1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801 Denver, Colorado 80203 Website: http://cogcc.state.co.us Phone: (303) 894-2100 Fax: (303) 894-2109 Attorneys for Applicant: Joseph C. Pierzchala Geoffrey W. Storm Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, P.C. 1125 - 17th Street, Suite 2200 Denver, CO 80202 303-830-2500 jpierzchala@wsmtlaw.com

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Auction Saturday, September 1 at 11am. Please arrive 30min's beforehand to sign paper Cash/Cashiers Check offers only. MEG BLISS C32, 10x20. House ite

Anthony DeShazo C67 10x10 House/Outdoor items HEATHER JONES A4558, 10x30, House/Outdoor items MARY ANN VALDEZ A1029, 10x30, House items Danny Salas C65, 10x10, House/Outdoor items, CHRIS CURREN A44, 10x20, House/Outdoor items, LISA SMITH A35, 5x10, Home items, STEPHEN VANHORN C94,10x10, Home items, MARY ANN VALDEZ A60, 10x10, Home items Published August 16 and 23, 2018 in The Pagosa

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING** ON September 4th
Gary Devloo of Pagosa Springs and David Bouquet of Spring, TX, have applied for final plat approval of the Pagosa in the Pines Amendment 2018-01, a replat and

easement vacation of Lots 27, 28, 29, 31 & 32, Block 4 of Pagosa in the Pines subdivision, creating Lots 27Z (601 Handicap Ave) and 31Z (152 Carlee PI) (PLN18-128). The property is owned by the Gary H. Devloo Living Trust and David Bouquet, zoned Planned Unit Developmen Comments may be submitted to the Archuleta County

Development Services-Planning Department, P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970) 264-1390 or to Planning@archuletacounty.org prior to the public hearing by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners on September 4, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. in the County Administration Office Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs. Public comment will be taken at the meeting.
Published August 16 and 23, 2018 in *The Pagosa* 

Request for Qualifications: The Archuleta School District #50 JT is accepting Qualification Statements for Design/Build Services for the Pagosa Springs High School Safety project. Qualification Statements for this project will be accepted until 4:00 p.m., Thursday, September 6, 2018, at the

Archuleta School District #50 JT Administration Building. P.O. Box 1498, 309 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs Copies of the complete RFQ can be found on the District's website: www.mypagosaschools.com in the "District" section. Alternatively, specifications can be obtained at the Administration Office, Monday - Thursday from 8-4 or by sending an email to mhodgson@pagosa.k12.co.us.

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The Town of Pagosa Springs is seeking Bids and complete cost of services for the purchase of a new street sweeper. The unit shall be used as the primary means of street cleaning with-in the Town of Pagosa Springs. The bid solicitation process is in partnership with Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program, which is comprised of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds. For more information please visit the Town's website http://www.pagosasprings.co.gov/ Published August 16, 23, 30 and September 6, 2018 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

The Town of Pagosa Springs has received a "Notice of Appeal" from Deni Blaisch of Heart to Heart Health and 2u Mobile Massage, challenging the Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Director's final determination on the requirement to obtain a temporary use permit for operating the business from a temporary structure at

56 Talisman Drive.
The Board of Adjustments will conduct an Appeals Hearing to consider the facts and testimony as presented by the Town Planning Director and Heart to Heart Health/2u Mobile Massage regarding the Planning Director's final determination. The Board of Adjustments may, in whole or in part, affirm, reverse, or amend the Planning Director's determination

The Board of Adjustments has scheduled the Appeals Hearing on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 5:30pm in Town Hall, however, please note this date may change without timely notice to you before the scheduled hearing, **so please**, if you plan on attending, call the Planning Department to confirm the hearing date. All meetings and hearings will be conducted in Town Hall, located at 551 Hot Springs Blvd. Anyone wishing to receive more information should contact the Town Planning Department at 970-264-4151 x221. Published August 16, 2018 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

## LEGISLATURE

## We must utilize every tool available to prevent wildfires

Rep. Tipton's

Report

Wildfires have already had a are now at high devastating impact on Colorado and the Third District this year, destroying tens of thousands of acres and hundreds of homes.

While everybody acknowledges that the frequency and severity of wildfires have increased over the past decade, many in Washington still have been reluctant to make meaningful policy changes to how we maintain forests.

Since first coming to Washington, I have worked on the House Committee on Natural Resources to change the way we approach forest health and wildfire prevention away from the status quo that has left our forests overgrown, full of dead timber and unnaturally dense undergrowth.

The answer to reducing the frequency and severity of wildfire in the western U.S. is multifaceted, but the crux of the problem is in the federal government's response to these disasters and its overall forest management strategy.

Up until now, rather than proactively managing federal forests, the U.S. Forest Service's (USFS) priority has been on fire suppression. This is largely the result of the way in which the federal government treats wildfires from a budgetary perspective.

In recent years, USFS's spending on fire suppression has gone from 15 percent of its overall budget to a whopping 55 percent. In 2017, the USFS spent over \$2 billion on wildfire suppression, making 2017 the most expensive year on record. While the USFS continues to neglect forest health to focus on fighting fires, nearly 60 million acres of forest risk of going up in flames.

By spending more and more of its budget annually on suppression, the USFS has been forced to divert funds from land accounts. This practice, other-



dead material and unnaturally thick

undergrowth has built up, creating a

fuel load that burns unnaturally hot

and fast when ignited. To reverse this trend, we must stop being reactive to wildfires and focus greater resources on proactive forest management. Congress included important wildfire funding reforms in the 2018 Omnibus Bill that will allow the USFS to stop fire borrowing and use more of its budget on active forest management.

Under the new structure, \$2.25 billion in new budget authority will be available to the USFS and the Department of the Interior (DOI) for wildfire response beginning in 2020. This means that if firefighting costs exceed \$1.01 billion in any given year, the USFS and DOI will no longer need to borrow from

critical land management accounts to fight catastrophic fires. Instead, they will be able to tap into the new budget authority, similar to how other natural disasters are treated. The money available will increase by \$100 million each year until 2027.

Bringing an end to fire borrowing is critical if we are to restore the health of federal forests and better prevent future catastrophic wildfires. However, that is just one piece of the puzzle. It is also important that our federal land management agencies implement fuels-reduction methods that efficiently eliminate dead and downed timber and unnaturally dense growth that are known to spark wildfires. This can be done in a variety of ways, whether it be through coordination between the federal government and state to identify priority hazardous fuels reduction projects, private-public partnerships or Good Neighbor Agreements.

When we look for solutions to solve any problem facing our lands, we must always consider input from the affected communities and those who have a boots-on-theground view of the situation. For that reason, I pushed a provision in the Resilient Federal Forests Act, which passed the House last year, to allow governors to work with impacted county governments and Native American tribes to designate high-risk areas and develop emergency hazardousfuels-reduction projects for these endangered areas.

Ranchers across the West also

play a key role in the fight against wildfires. When ranchers pay a fee to the DOI to allow their livestock to graze on the public land that intersects with their private rangeland, they create a public-private partnership that is mutually beneficial for the ranchers and land management agencies. When done properly, livestock grazing helps to decrease the overgrowth of foliage on public lands that, when ignited, can lead to fast-moving fires.

Good Neighbor Agreements are also an important tool that allow the federal government to utilize the resources and expertise of state and local governments when it comes to managing the forests in their areas. Good Neighbor Agreements allow the DOI to enter into cooperative agreements with states and territories to perform a variety of management activities, like treatments for insect- and disease-infested trees and reduce hazardous fuels, and also projects to improve the watershed health. Good Neighbor Agreements have proven to be successful, so much so that the authority was expanded under the 2018 Omnibus to include reconstruction, repair and restoration of forest system roads.

Wildfires are naturally occurring and will forever be a part of life in the West. Fixing the way the federal government funds wildfire suppression and using all of the tools available to coordinate active forest management at the federal, state and local levels will vastly improve forest health and help prevent the frequency and severity of wildfires

#### What's a teacher to do? "What's a teacher to do? No, coming to

really."

When I went off to college to learn to be a teacher, the responsibility of an elementary school teacher was mostly teaching "reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic,' the 3Rs. Social studies, science and physical education rounded out the curriculum. Then came monitoring the cafeteria, to accommodate students receiving free lunch, then free breakfast. Students, we determined, couldn't learn if they were hungry. Now we have decided that there are many other demands on a teacher's time that are "necessary" for students to learn so we've expanded the "mission" of school.

Since I've been a member of the state board, I've visited with teachers, administrators and taxpayers in the school districts I represent. I've found that we've come a long way from the "3 Rs." For example, teachers are now required, in teacher prep programs, to take courses that enable them to teach non-English-speaking students. Classes aren't directed toward any specific language but languages in general (HB14-1298). The students are called English language learners (ELL). If teachers are already in the classroom, they are required to take continuing education courses in ELL as they earn credits to maintain their teaching credential.

Another tough duty is dealing with special needs students. I recently visited with several special education (SPED) teachers who specialize in autism. Some students are with their SPED teacher for part of the day and integrated into a general classroom the rest of the day. The SPED teachers told me that it is essential that all classroom teachers take specific coursework in teaching and understanding students with autism. So far this is not a requirement.

Teachers are also expected to incorporate "social and emotional" lessons into their classroom curriculum. Students are

school without skills usually learned at home; therefore, teachers need to include socialemotional skills in classroom lessons. Teachers are also required

to have an un-

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of suicide prevention, depression, mental illness and bullying. And then there's drug prevention, sex education and "safe schools." It's understandable why school administrators continue to request more school counselors and health professionals to address these needs.

Another area where teachers need ongoing professional development is in technology and its effective use in the classroom. On the flip side of technology, parents are becoming more concerned about too much "screen time" for their students in and out of school. Social skills and socialization may be compromised, say when too much time is spent on technology.

And I almost forgot about testing. At our August meeting this week, we'll receive test results from the Colorado Measurement of Academic Success, or CMAS, and the SAT, used for college admission.

So much to teach in so little time.

On a positive note, with the economy doing better, the legislature was able to put 10 percent more money into the K-12 budget for next year. A grateful superintendent that we visited with on the Western Slope said he was giving his teachers a raise. As the economy improves, the legislature sees the probability of additional money in the future.

I ask you, "What's a teacher to do?" Only one word comes to

## Local candidates for November election announced

By Randi Pierce

Staff Writer

The November ballot may not be finalized yet, but the official list of local candidates participating in the election has been released.

Seven county positions will be up for grabs at the polls in November: commissioner for District 3, clerk and recorder, treasurer, assessor, sheriff, surveyor, and coroner. Three of those races will be

The first of the contested races is commissioner, with Alvin Schaaf

running as a Republican and Elizabeth Dickerson, a Democrat, running as a write-in.

Also contested is the race for treasurer, with Republican Elsa P. White facing off against Democrat Debbie Condrey.

The last of the contested races on the ballot is for sheriff, with incumbent Republican Richard Valdez facing off against two unaffiliated candidates, Rob Keating and Cole W. Graham.

The following are the candidates for the uncontested county races

Clerk and recorder: Kristy Archuleta, Republican.

Assessor: Natalie Woodruff, Republican. Surveyor: Dean P. Schultz, unaf-

filiated. Coroner: Brandon L. Bishop, Republican.

Countywide ballot issues and questions will be determined in the coming weeks, with Sept. 7 being the deadline for certification from subdivisions.

The ballot will continue to be defined on Sept. 10 with the certification of state issues and candidates from the secretary of state

Ballots will be sent in compliance with the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act by Sept. 22, with Oct. 15 being the first day the Archuleta County Election's Office can mail ballots to other Archuleta County voters

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## **Public Meetings**

The following meetings are subject to change.

#### Thursday, Aug. 16

Citizens for a New Jail. 10 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

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

#### Monday, Aug. 20

Citizens for a New Jail. 10 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

San Juan Water Conservancy District board meeting. 6 p.m., 46 Eaton Drive, Unit 5.

#### Tuesday, Aug. 21

**Archuleta County Board of County** Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County

administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398

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

#### Wednesday, Aug. 22

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation work session. 11 a.m., First Southwest Bank conference room, 249 Navajo Trail Drive.

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

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

#### Thursday, Aug. 23

Citizens for a New Jail. 10 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

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

#### Friday, Aug. 24

Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors special meeting. 6 p.m., 7 Parelli Way.

#### Monday, Aug. 27

Citizens for a New Jail. 10 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

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

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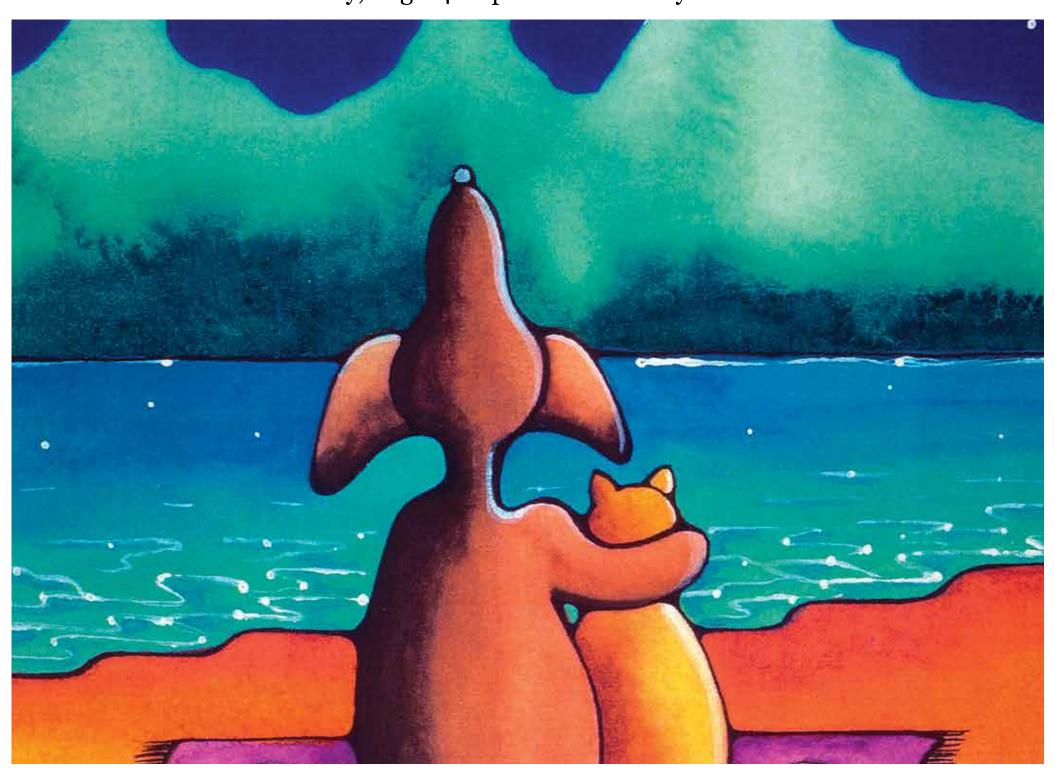
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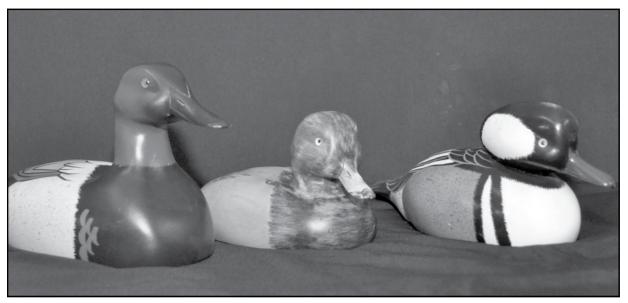


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The live auction at the 24th annual Auction for the Animals will include a collection of 14 handcrafted duck decoys. The wooden waterfowl represent numerous species, from pintails and mergansers to goldeneyes and loons. The Aug. 24 event will feature dinner and dessert, live music, and live and silent auctions, with tickets on sale now.

## Items galore available at Aug. 24 **Auction for the Animals**

By Mike Stoll

Special to The PREVIEW

The 24th edition of the Auction for the Animals on Friday, Aug. 24, is right around the corner.

The annual auction is the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs' major fundraiser of the year and always features some awesome items to bid on in both the silent and live auction portions of the evening. This year is no exception.

How does a South Pacific getaway sound? Win

a trip to Fiji for up to four people and experience a seven-night stay in a two-bedroom villa at a renowned oceanfront resort. Complimentary services include bicycles, guide service, ocean sports, crafts and cultural activities. Private in-villa chef prepared meals are available for an additional fee. Or, you can venture across the border with a getaway for two to Cabo San Lucas and a four-night stay at a beach and golf resort. Roundtrip airfare to San Jose del Cabo, Mexico, is included.

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#### Thursday

Mountain Pizza & Taproom: Tim Sullilvan and Band, 7

Riff Raff on the Rio: Tiffany Christopher, 6 p.m. **Shooters & Shenanigans:** Tylor Brandon, 7 p.m.

#### Friday

La Taqueria: Concerts for a Cause: Kyndra Lee, 6 p.m.;

Mark McKinney, 8 p.m.

Riff Raff downtown: San Juan Mountain Boys, 6 p.m. Shooters & Shenanigans: Astro Logic, 9 p.m.

#### Saturday

Coyote Moon: Karaoke, 9 p.m.

East Side Market: Open Mic with Steve Rolig, 9 a.m. La Taqueria: Jacque Grant with Rewired Blues, 6 p.m.

Riff Raff downtown: Gary Gorence, 6 p.m.

#### Sunday

La Taqueria: Kyndra Lee, 11 a.m.

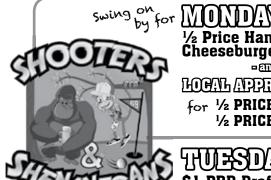
#### **Tuesday**

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

#### Wednesday

Pagosa Brewing Company: Trivia hosted by Justin T., 6

Shooters & Shenanigans: Karaoke, 7 p.m.



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The 24th annual Auction for the Animals is slated to have something for everyone on the auction block, including this 14-karat yellow gold and diamond pendant with a half-ounce fine gold coin depicting the Chinese calendar Year of the Dog on a gold omega chain. Tickets are on sale now for the Aug. 24 event.

## **Auction**

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Or, choose to experience San Francisco, Calif., and the Sonoma wine country with a three-night stay for two, including tours and tastings. Round-trip airfare is included. Booking and concierge service is provided for all trips.

Would you like to adorn yourself or loved one with exquisite one-ofa-kind jewelry? The live auction will include two pieces made exclusively for this year's Auction for the Animals. We have a stunning 14-karat yellow gold and diamond pendant with a half-ounce fine gold coin depicting the Chinese calendar Year of the Dog on a gold omega chain. We have a gorgeous combination sterling silver and 14-karat gold heart and puppy pendant, set with sapphires, on a sterling silver omega chain. Either piece would make a wonderful and exclusive gift that an animal lover will treasure.

Perhaps collectibles and memorabilia appeal to you. The live auction includes a collection of 14 beautiful duck decoys in superb condition. The wooden waterfowl were handcrafted between 1988 and 1993 and represent numerous species, from pintails and mergansers to goldeneyes and loons. For the sports enthusiast and history buff, we also have a framed photo

of the iconic image of Muhammad Ali defeating Sonny Liston in 1965. The photo is autographed by Ali and comes with a certificate of authenticity.

For the music lover or collector of rock 'n' roll memorabilia, the live auction also features a guitar autographed by Steven Tyler and the members of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame band Aerosmith. The "Walk This Way" guitar is tastefully mounted and framed for display. Bring a memorable piece of rock 'n' roll fame and history into your home with this awesome autographed guitar.

How about a unique gift for a budding chocolatier? Win an awe-some gift basket full of goodies that also includes an opportunity to create your own chocolate experience. Flex your chocolate-making skills with some expert guidance and let your confectionary creativity flow.

For the shooting enthusiast or collector, the live auction also includes a Remington 700 BDL, America's most popular bolt-action rifle of all time, in .30-06 caliber, with a scope, and a never-fired Marlin model XT-22 bolt-action .22 caliber rifle with a truly gorgeous stock.

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Among the many items up for grabs at the Auction for the Animals on Aug. 24 will be a guitar autographed by Steven Tyler and the members of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame band Aerosmith. Tickets for the event are on sale now.

## **Auction**

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who appreciates woodworking skill, we have a handcrafted chess table made with obvious care and dedication. The table was made as a mentored project by a young man at an at-risk youth camp and was originally purchased to support the work of the youth camp and subsequently donated to the Auction for the Animals to support the work of the Humane Society. A quality chess set is included with the table.

Other auction items include a stunning turned wooden vessel by a local wood artisan, gorgeous jewelry, and a unique and beautiful hand-dyed silk quilt.

The silent auction will feature a wide array of wonderful items with something for everyone, at a price point for everyone. Silent auction items include round-trip tickets on an airline; fine jewelry from local businesses and private collections; ski passes; tickets for a train; additional great trips; Native American pottery, baskets and blankets; a huge selection of gift certificates and gift baskets from area merchants; as well sporting

goods, memorabilia and much more.

There are also great gift certificates from local professional services ranging from veterinary, medical and dental care to therapeutic massage and personal styling to computer and website design and maintenance. Don't miss the opportunity to purchase a special treat for yourself and do some early holiday shopping for friends and family, too.

Tickets for the second annual Raining Cats and Dogs Raffle will also be for sale at the auction. Raffle tickets are \$50. One winning ticket will be drawn during the live auction portion of the evening and the winner will receive one-third of the raffle ticket proceeds. Last year's winner received over \$5,000. The balance of the ticket proceeds benefits the cats and dogs at the shelter, providing a much-needed boost to cover the costs of shelter operations. For additional raffle information, please call 264-5549.

All this exciting auction fun is happening Friday, Aug. 24, at the Ross Aragon Community Center. The festive evening features a delicious seated dinner and dessert, along with a selection of fine wines, great beers and soft drinks from the cash bar. Tickets are \$40, available only in advance. The auction has sold out the last four years, so don't delay. Any remaining tickets may be purchased at the Humane Society thrift store or by calling 264-5549.

The Community Center doors will open at 6 p.m. Festivities will begin with the silent auction followed by dinner at 6:45 p.m. and then the live auction. Live music will be provided by Bob Hemenger, and Thad McKain will be the evening's emcee. Popular professional auctioneer Ken Kincaid will again

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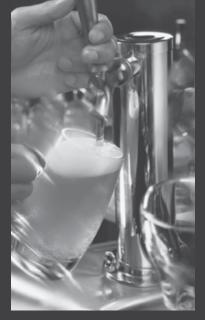
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A corner table at the bakery looked like it belonged in a 1920s speakeasy on Thursday morning, Aug. 9, when eight actors from Thingamajig Theatre Company's "Thoroughly Modern Millie" cast arrived for brunch with Bob and Carole Howard. The ladies wore fringed flapper dresses and bobbed hairstyles and the guys were dressed in Gatsby-like suits for this "Flappers and Flapjacks" event. It was one of many creative packages of experiences with the actors auctioned July 31 at the annual Broadway Gala, the theater's biggest fundraiser of the year. "Millie" and three more award-winning musicals — "Legally Blonde," "West Side Story" and "Little Shop of Horrors" - are playing in rotation until Aug. 31. Thingamajig is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit professional theater in residence at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

## Auction

**■** continued from previous page handle the bidding activity, ably assisted by local auction spotters Mike Branch and Mark Crain.

The theme of this year's auction is "A Bluesy Night in Memphis," so wear your best blues, bring a smile, and be ready to enjoy great Memphis-style barbecue and some soulful saxophone. Dress is "Pagosa Fancy" (in other words, jeans are OK).

The Humane Society of Pagosa Springs serves our community by providing homeless and lost animals with temporary shelter and care until they can be reunited with their owners or an adoptive family can be found. We also operate the Humane Society thrift store downtown, which serves the needs of so many in our community by offering low-cost and high-quality gently used household items, clothing and much more.

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The success of the annual Auction for the Animals is essential to the Humane Society's mission of providing a safe haven and quality care for nearly 700 temporary residents each year. The auction also supports our many community programs, including our new Aid for Seniors with Pets program, which provides support to senior citizens whose financial situation or living circumstances make it difficult for them to provide all of the nutritional, veterinary and daily care that their much-loved pets need and deserve. Aid for Seniors with Pets helps keep people and pets together to share that special bond that is so important for some of our senior citizens.

Please plan to attend one of the most enjoyable evenings of the year in support of a great cause. Our local Humane Society does not receive any funding from the Hu-

mane Society of the United States, American Humane, the ASPCA or the United Way. The animal shelter relies on revenue from private donations, our thrift store and fundraisers such as the Auction for the Animals to create a safe haven for animals in need.

For more information on the event, please contact the Humane Society at 264-5549. See you at the auction on Aug. 24.











Curtains Up Pagosa (CUP) is excited to announce the upcoming concert of its 2018 concert series, "One Night Only," an evening of Broadway music. The show will star Robert Neel (who recently played Father in CUP's "Children of Eden"), who will be accompanied by Sally Neel. The concert will be held on Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. CUP's concert is a fundraiser to benefit the Sally Neel Scholarship Fund for college students in the performing arts. Admission is \$15 at the door. Thank you in advance for supporting our young people and theater and

## **Experience** the joys of community musicmaking at **Tuesday** sessions

**By Paul Roberts** Special to The PREVIEW

Join musician and music therapist Paul Roberts for a free handdrumming class at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse on Tuesday, Aug.

The class offers a welcoming environment that encourages fun, creativity, playfulness and connecting with others. Drums are provided for those who do not have one. Designed as an opportunity for people of all ages to unleash their creativity, the drumming class is a familyfriendly activity open to all ages. No previous experience is neces-

Singing folk songs from around the world, while drumming, is an engaging way to tap into the joys of community music-making.

For more information about the hand-drumming class, please call Paul Roberts at 731-3117. The Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse is located at 230 Port Ave.

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Pagosa Springs girls interested in joining the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir for the 2018-2019 school year have one more opportunity. A welcome meeting for interested girls will be held Thursday, Aug. 23, at 7 p.m. in the band room at Pagosa Springs Middle School.

## Pagosa Springs Girls Choir announces August enrollment

**By Linda Parker** 

Special to The PREVIEW

Young girls in Pagosa Springs have one final opportunity to become a member of the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir for the 2018-2019 school year.

A welcome meeting for interested girls will be held Thursday, Aug. 23, at 7 p.m. in the band room at Pagosa Springs Middle School.

An enrollment packet is available on the website, www.singpagosa. org, or by emailing Director Linda Parker at singpagosa@gmail.com. Interested girls will need to bring the enrollment form and a \$10 fee to the meeting. The packet includes all information about the choir and membership requirements.

The meeting will consist of plac-

ing each girl on an appropriate voice part and answering any questions the girls/parents have about the choir.

Girls in the choir spend much of their time learning vocal and choral techniques. However, they also learn about stage presence and musicianship. Girls learn and sing music of all genres and some of their music includes props and choreography. They will also be singing their own concert at Christmastime and next

Community concerts are favorites for the girls and they often sing for several local organizations throughout the school year. In addition, they travel during the summer each year to experience live performances of music and art genres. The choir is under the direction of Parker and the accompanist is Gwen Taylor.

If next week's meeting won't work for you, call Parker at 264-1434 and she will arrange a different time to meet with you.

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#### Thursday, Aug. 16

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

Loaves and Fishes Community Lunch. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere.

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

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

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

San Juan Stargazers. 5 p.m., Sisson Library. Bob Mitchell will speak on the next space telescope, the James Webb Space Telescope. For more information, email sjstargazers@gmail.com, visit www.SanJuanStargazers.com or call 335-8286.

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#### Friday, Aug. 17

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

Pagosa Stitching Group. 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one

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

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

AARP Smart Driver Course. 1-5 p.m., Senior Center. This course offered by AARP Driver Safety is designed specifically for drivers age 50 and older. AARP membership is not required. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. To reserve a seat, call Barry Lausman at 403-9628.

Gaming. 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. For all ages. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Laugh for Life Banquet. 6 p.m., Centerpoint Church. Our annual banquet is back with a hilarious comedy duo Bean and Bailey. Enjoy a fun filled night with great entertainment and annual update on Aspire Medical Services and Education.

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Night Sky: Our Solar System. 7:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National

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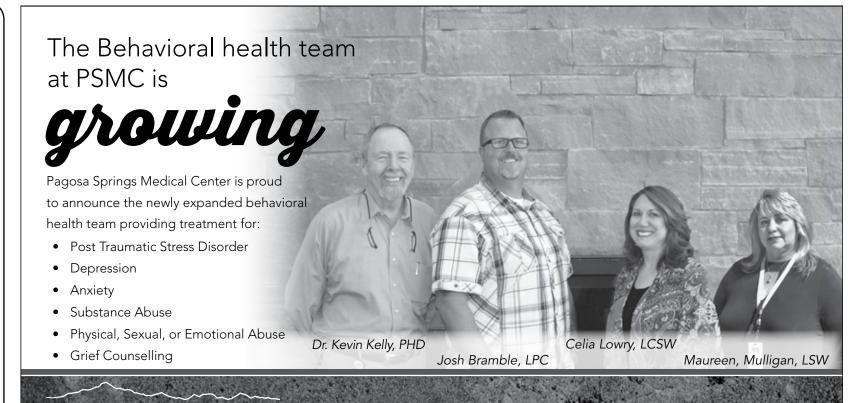
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#### Saturday, Aug. 18

GeologyWalk to Ice Cave Ridge. 9-11 a.m., Piedra River Trailhead. Join Rick and Lynne Stinchfield on a pleasant hike to Ice Cave Ridge to learn more about the rocks and processes that underlie Pagosa Country. The walk is around 2 miles round-trip with 400 feet of vertical gain. Wear walking shoes or boots, dress appropriately for the weather and bring drinking water. Please leave four-legged friends at home.

Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, contact Pauline Benetti at paulineb@centurytel. net.

Family Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs 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. For all ages. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Mountain High Gardeners and Geodesic Greenhouse Partnership Present 'Three Paths to a Successful Mountain Garden.' 10 a.m., Centennial Park GGP Education Dome. Demonstrations on greenhouses, raised beds and container gardening. Snacks will be provided, but any attendee is

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tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.

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

#### Monday, Aug. 20

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park (South 8th and Apache streets). 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 group at 10:15 a.m. Call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

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

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

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**TEFAP Food Distribution.** 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Restoration Fellowship Church, 264 Village Drive. There will be an inventory clearance from 1-2 p.m., in which any remaining inventory will be distributed until gone.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Bridge for Fun. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Southwest Organization for Sustainability. 3:30 p.m., Visitor Center conference room. Everyone welcome. Call Phyl Daleske at 731-4589 for more information.

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

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center. High Country Squares. 7-9 p.m.,

PLPOAVista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Jim Park calling mainstream and plus dances. A plus workshop will be held before the dance at 6 p.m. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 or Jim Park at 731-9910.

#### Tuesday, Aug. 21

Tai Chi Class. 8 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa

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

Yoga Fusion Class. 10 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

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, PLPOAVista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join musician and music therapist Paul Roberts for a handdrumming class. All are welcome. Hand drums will be provided for those who don't have one. For further information, email banjocrazy@centurytel.net or call 731-3117.

Men's PTSD Combat Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church library. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. For more information, contact Vets for Vets at 799-VETS.

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

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

The Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership and Southwest Organization for Sustainability present Woody Tasch. 6 p.m., GGP Amphitheater. Tasch, author of "Slow Money" and advocate of sustainable agriculture, will read from his new book, "Soil." A potluck meal will follow the discussion and book signing. Bring a dish to share and your own tableware. All

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Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn swing on the move, also called progressive swing. Danced to country music, this dance has a shuffling characteristic. Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to http:// www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa for more information.

#### Wednesday, Aug. 22

Summer Sunrise Program. 5-7 a.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Watch the sunrise from the ancient Great House Pueblo on top of the Chimney Rock Mesa. This is a great photo opportunity while enjoying 360-degree views. For more information and ticket purchases, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

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

Course in Miracles Study Group. 9-10:30 a.m., Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Call Karen LeCour at 264-0111 for more information.

Open Play. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. For ages 5 and under. We've got plenty of fun toys, puppets, puzzles and such that will be available for this hour of open playtime. Socialize, pretend, play and pick up a few books while you're here. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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Free Blood Pressure Checks. 10:30 a.m., Senior Center.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

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

Do-It-Yourself (DIY). 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Washi tape paper straws and other washi-tape crafts. Washi tape comes in a rainbow of colors and patterns and it lets you customize almost anything in seconds. You can customize your paper straws and almost anything else, for any occasion. We will also show you how to make unique bookmarks and pencil holders using washi tape. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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Spanish Conversation. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. This information meet-up allows you to increase fluency by speaking with other Spanish language learners and speakers. All are welcome, from

beginners to native Spanish speakers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center. **Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and

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

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Computer Class: Microsoft One-Drive. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Get to your files and photos from anywhere, on any devise using Microsoft's cloud platform. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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Pagosa Springs Girls Choir Welcome Meeting. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School band room. Girls who will be entering grades five through eight have another opportunity to become members of the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir. Rehearsals will begin Sept. 10. For more information, call Linda Parker at 264-1434 or visit singpagosa.org.

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We Banjo 3 will return to the Four Corners Folk Festival main stage on Sept. 2 at 4 p.m.

## Four Corners Folk Festival lineup to include We Banjo 3 and Bonnie and the Clydes

By Crista Munro Special to The PREVIEW

The 23rd annual Four Corners Folk Festival will be here in just two weeks. The longstanding Pagosa Springs Labor Day Weekend tradition will take place on Reservoir Hill in Pagosa Springs Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

This year's world-class musical lineup includes The Dawg Trio (featuring David Grisman, Danny Barnes and Samson Grisman), Nahko And Medicine For The People, Sam Bush, Amy Helm, The Accidentals, Sam Reider and the Human Hands, Front Country, Darling West, Jon Stickley Trio, The Jacob Jolliff Band, The Western Flyers, Tallgrass, Courtney Hartman and Taylor Ashton, and this week's featured performers: We Banjo 3 and Bonnie and the Clydes.

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We Banjo 3 made their southwest Colorado debut at the Four Corners Folk Festival last year and took the festival audience by storm, with nary a soul left sitting just a couple of songs into their memorable Sunday set. For that reason, Sunday is shaping up to be a hot-ticket day for the event that also features Sam Bush and David Grisman's Dawg Trio performing

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"Haven," was released this summer - the band's rousing revelry, sheer virtuosity, power, passion and purpose have made them one of the music world's most celebrated ensembles. Variously described as "astonishing," "the Gold Standard of Irish and American Roots music" and "the Irish Punch Brothers," they can claim the No. 1 position in Billboard's World Music charts, top honors from the Irish Music Rights Organization, top sales numbers and the distinction of entertaining an American president, an Irish prime minister and members of the U.S. Congress at the annual "Friends of Ireland" luncheon on Capitol Hill. Little wonder then that We Banjo 3 is crushing it on both sides of the Atlantic, carving a reputation as one of the world's most imaginative ensembles.

Of course, all results are generally due to the sum of the parts and the individuals involved here all contribute to the common cause. Made up of two sets of siblings brothers Enda Scahill (tenor banjo, vocals) and Fergal Scahill (fiddle, viola, dobro, percussion, guitar, mandolin, vocals) and brothers Martin Howley (tenor banjo, mandolin, vocals) and David Howley (lead vocals, guitar) — We Banjo 3 finds a natural symmetry as well as a cohesive chemistry that's been imbued in the band ever since they were initially drawn to one another by their common creative interests.

Inspired by the traditional Irish and Americana music they heard growing up, they placed three banjo players in the mix in the beginning, eventually diversifying their sound while broadening their boundaries as well.

Likewise, the individual members brought a credence that extended well beyond their family connections. Martin is a seventime all-Ireland banjo champion and the first Irish musician to perform at the Grand Ole Opry. Enda has recorded with Ricky Skaggs, the Chieftains and many others, aside from being considered as one of the world's leading authors and authorities on Irish banjo techniques. Fergal has performed with dozens of artists at home and abroad, and is widely recognized as an Irish champion of both fiddle and bodhran. David has been cited as a solo artist of exceptional skill.

The evolution in the group's sound followed a natural progression that evolved early on. Their 2012 debut album, "Roots of the Banjo Tree," leaned entirely on banjo music and the various styles implied by that instrumental arsenal. Their critically acclaimed sophomore set, "Gather the Good," released in 2014, furthered that vantage point, an aural summation of the impressions and experiences gained while touring the



Bonnie and the Clydes will open Saturday morning's music performances with an 11:30 a.m. set on the main stage of the Four Corners Folk Festival on Sept. 1.

U.S. and their initial introduction to Nashville that was followed by the release of 2015's "Live in Galway," recorded in the same small hometown pub where the band performed their very first gig.

"String Theory" demonstrated change in their tack, but only slightly. Half traditional covers, half original material, it found the band's reverence for their roots given a contemporary twist, further solidifying the common bonds between the two styles. The various jigs and reels underscore the band's celebratory stance, but on a tender ballad like the 17th century soliloquy "Two Sisters," the mix of love, jealousy and evil intent sound tailor made for modern times. While the instrumental interplay is in evidence as always, each individual musician adds his own distinctive style, further affirming their collective cause.

The band's latest release, "Haven," has earned wide critical acclaim already, having only been released a couple of weeks ago.

We Banjo 3 will return to the Four Corners main stage on Sept. 2 at 4 p.m.

#### Bonnie and the Clydes

Bonnie and the Clydes' unique brand of music has been turning heads all along Colorado's Front Range music scene for the past seven years. Fronted by Bonnie Sims, an onstage powerhouse whose passion reaches out and grabs you every time she sings, and supported by some of Colorado's tightest musicians, they dominate stages big and small.

Bonnie said she and The Clydes play "Rocky Mountain Country Soul," their own original take on rockin' roadhouse honky tonk, the blues and heartfelt wailin' shaped by the last four decades of country

Bonnie and the Clydes have played New West Fest, Copper Mountain Music Festival, Pagosa Folk 'N Bluegrass, Flatwater Folk Festival and countless honky tonks

and clubs all over the American West. The band won "Best Country Band" from Denver's Westword in 2013 and 2014. Their fourth studio album, "Dear Somebody," released in the autumn of 2016, earned a No. 1 People's Choice award and was listed Country Album of the Year (2016) on Colorado Playlist.

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## San Juan Stargazers to present James Webb Space Telescope update today, meet Aug. 23

By Joan Mieritz

Special to The PREVIEW

The San Juan Stargazers will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, Aug. 23, in the Visitor Center conference room, located at 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

The meeting is from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Come before 7 p.m. for time to socialize. We start the meeting with introductions and information about upcoming events.

For our program, we are using the series of lessons called "Getting to Know Our Night Sky," taught by Professor Edward Murphy of the University of Virginia.

That night's lesson is titled "Observing the Planets with a

Telescope." This is another valuable learning experience about the basics of viewing. We also will be discussing the possibility of setting up some special telescope practice sessions to apply what we have learned.

I want to remind everyone of the special opportunity we have this tonight, Aug. 16, at the Ruby Sisson Library at 5 p.m. Bob Mitchell will be updating us on the James Webb Space Telescope, which he has been working on for over a decade.

The Webb will be the future of astronomy for the next 20 years and possibly will discover other life-forms and maybe things we have not imagined. After Mitchell's

presentation, we will have a dinner celebration at a restaurant to be announced. Everyone is invited to join us. Prices are varied and reasonable.

The San Juan Stargazers are part of the Astronomical League, which includes clubs from all over the U.S. We have a website, www.San-JuanStargazers.com, as well as an email address, sjstargazers@gmail. com, and a club phone number, 335-8286, to help communicate with the public.

Out-of-town amateur astronomers are always welcome as well as anyone interested in learning more about our universe. We hope to see you soon at one of these outof- this-world events.

## **Archuleta County Fair horseshoe**pitching results announced

**By Mark Bergon** Special to The PREVIEW

There are few sports that allow an age difference of 80 years between contestants and, even more, remain legitimately competitive. Horseshoe pitching is one of them, as spectators and contestants witnessed at this year's Archuleta County Fair.

has been a staple of the fair since the mid-1980s. This year's event entertained a wide range of skill levels from the 22 participants who took a time out from their normal occupations to relax and have fun, as well as see who would prove the best at tossing his shoe around the

Ninety-two-year-old Stan "Iron Man" Ellis, from Pagosa Springs, The horseshoe competition and 12-year-old Thomas "The Tiger" Vigil, of Albuquerque, faced each other in the doubles segment. Neither competitor backed off his game throughout the day. In the end, Vigil and his partner, Duwayne "Coon" Reval, from Dulce, N.M., took home the first-place trophies. Ellis and Kerwin Phone, also from Dulce, placed second. While Doug Neuwald and Bart Cox, both from Pagosa Springs, claimed third place out of 10 teams.

In the singles portion, Reval remained unbeaten, taking first place. Larry Ulibarri, of Pojoaque, N.M., placed second. And Dulce's Duane Collado took third.

This annual event is hosted free of charge by the Archuleta County Fair for fun, healthy competition and to promote camaraderie among all those who participate.

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## **Festival**

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Bonnie grew up in Texas and attended South Plains College in Levelland, 30 miles west of Lubbock, where she pursued a degree in commercial music and was awarded Best Female Vocalist two years running and Best Female Instrumentalist (mandolin) her second year. It was there that she met Taylor Sims, who had been named Best Male Vocalist, and they began a love and partnership through music that has now blossomed into a 10-year marriage. In the years following, Bonnie and Taylor relocated to Colorado and the band began to take shape. Glenn Taylor, Jake Coffin and Caleb Roberts fill out the rest of the Clydes, each bringing decades of experience performing and recording.

Bonnie and the Clydes will open Saturday morning's music performances with an 11:30 a.m. set on Sept. 1 on the main stage.

#### More information

FolkWest is seeking volunteers age 17 and over to help out at the event. Volunteers who work two four-hour shifts earn free three-day admission to the festival and there

are shifts scheduled before, during and after the event. Additional information about volunteering can be found at www.folkwest. com/fcff-volunteer or by calling

The Four Corners Folk Festival is a family-friendly event, with free admission for children 12 and under (when accompanied by an adult) and lots of free activities and entertainment at the Kids Tent offered throughout the festival. The festival takes place rain or shine, and a central feature is the 10,000-square-foot tent with general admission seating for 1,300 people, available on a first-come basis. The meadow and trees outside the tent provide ample room for tarps, blankets and low festival chairs

Additional information about tickets, performers and schedules can be found online at www.folkwest.com. Tickets can also be purchased by phone at (877) 472-4672.

The Four Corners Folk Festival is supported in part by a matching Colorado Creates grant from Colorado Creative Industries. Bio information was provided by We Banjo 3 and Bonnie and the Clydes.

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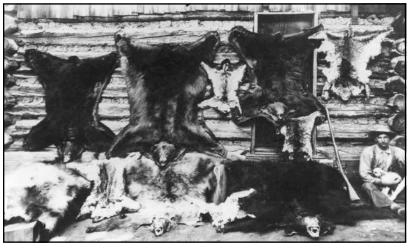


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These pelts displayed by the Chapson family who lived along the San Juan River West Fork shortly after 1900 provide proof positive that trapping was a productive business in old Pagosa Country. I don't know if any of the bear hides are grizzly, but I do know wolverine and lynx are in the collection.

## Lloyd Anderson and the bear

We continue from last week's column the story of now-deceased Lloyd Anderson's encounter with a grizzly bear up in the Weminuche Country circa 1952. I got the story directly from Anderson several years ago.

You should remember from last week's column that Anderson was a paid government trapper investigating the killing of livestock by a bear. Anderson's claim that the bear had been a grizzly was poohpoohed by his bosses who claimed no grizzlies existed in Colorado. The year was circa 1952.

An experienced trapper, Anderson prepared his trap, a large, iron spring trap no longer legal. Anderson baited the trap and then attached a large log to prevent the bear from disappearing with the trap on his leg. Satisfied with his work, Anderson moved a short distance away, staked out Old Paint and made camp. The trap had been set near one of the carcasses. Nightfall came and Anderson dozed off, sleeping with one eye open as most of us experienced backpackers do.

He was awakened by the snorting of Old Paint and the roaring of an enraged bear, forcing its way through a willow thicket with the trap on one leg dragging the huge log.

Up at first light, Anderson skipped breakfast and, leaving his skitterish horse behind, walked across the clearing toward the thrashing sound coming from the willow thicket. His rifle, I think I remember him telling me he



preferred a 30-40 Krag, was ready for instant use. As he approached the site where he'd set the trap, drag marks and a path of torn-up willows guided him to a huge bear desperately trying to separate itself from the trap.

One shot put the bear out of its misery. Anderson proceeded to skin the monster and boiled the head until only bone remained. When the boiled head arrived at the Game and Fish office in Denver a few days later, they confirmed it was a sure-enough grizzly.

I think a trapper friend of Anderson who lived at Saguache killed a grizzly the same year near where Fish Creek empties into the Piedra. Another grizzly was killed by a man named Ed Wiseman near the headwaters of the Conejos River in Banded Peaks Country in 1979. Wiseman was bow hunting. The bear turned aggressor and got him down before Wiseman managed to kill it by forcing an arrow into its throat.

Next week we'll return to stories about Banded Peaks Country, including my encounter a few years ago with a black bear near the South San Juan Wilderness trailhead near Price Lakes

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# Pagosa Therapeutics MEDICAL MARIJUANA STORE

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Unfortunately, the time has come for us to close. We want to convey our thanks to all of you in the community of Pagosa Springs for supporting this business and giving us our start.

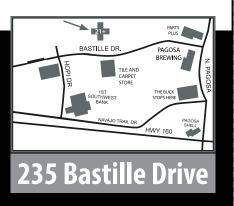
# Pagosa Therapeutics Medical Marijuana store will close for the last time Friday August 31, 2018.

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In order to still serve our medical patients to the best of our abilities, beginning September 1, 2018 we will be offering a 25% discount on ANYTHING at Pagosa Therapeutics Recreational Marijuana Dispensary, if you present your Colorado Medical Marijuana card. As always, if you require something specific, please let us know and we will do our best to fill your order.

Again, we wish to convey our gratitude to all of you in our local community for your loyalty. We will continue to support our local community going forward and of course offer great products through Pagosa Therapeutics Recreational Marijuana Dispensary.





# PAGOSA SCENE . . .

## DUCK RACE AND PARTY

PREVIEW photos/Randi Pierce

Scene ... at the annual duck race and party at Town Park Saturday. In annual tradition, the Knight of Columbus hosted the duck race, games, food, music and more to raise funds for community outreach































## UU topic: Religious beliefs as by-products, not starting points

Sunday's PCNT service to feature

presentation on ancient wisdom

By Bob Lecour

Special to The PREVIEW

Unitarian Universalism is often characterized as a church without beliefs. While it is true that Unitarian Universalism is a "free, tolerant and creedless church," it is not true that it is a faith without beliefs.

The Unitarian Universalist (UU) website lists two sets of documents to help UU churches and fellowships navigate spiritual waters. One is referred to as "The Seven Principles and the Sources of Our Living Tradition." The other is a concise, but not exhaustive, list of beliefs written by UU Rev. David Rankin titled "What Do UUs Believe?"

On Sunday, Aug, 19, at 10:30 a.m., Pastor Dean Cerny will shed some light upon the intent and purpose of the UU "Seven Principles." This discussion will explore what is visionary about these "principles," as well as what is lacking in their vision. It will be an honest conversation of UU beliefs exemplifying

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spiritual awakening." — Dr. Ernest

of New Thought (PCNT) on Sunday,

Aug. 19 at 10 a.m., as we present Re-

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take place in this sharing.

Cortez has considerable knowl-

on the topic "Ancient Wisdom."

**By Janie Garms** 

Holmes.

Special to The PREVIEW

Unitarian Universalism's fervent use of reason and conscience in the search for spiritual truths.

Perhaps the thought of religious principles strikes you as somewhat "churchy" in the sense of coercing one to believe in creeds and doctrines. However, principles, creeds and other religious beliefs are meant to be the by-product of spiritual seeking, not the starting point. The "Seven Principles" reflect UU's experience of the world. For those of you who have experienced the doctrinal and creedal oppression of traditional faiths, this topic may hold some interest for you.

Check out our calendar of events at pagosauu.org. All of these events take place at Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn onto Park Avenue, then turn into the Greenbriar Plaza, drive to the east side of the parking lot and look for the Unitarian Universalist sign, facing north.

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by Margie E. Burke

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## Answers to Last Week's Crossword:



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## Seeking advice from others

Special to The PREVIEW

Two eyes see better than one.

As I drink my coffee this morning, I still marvel at this story about J.R.R. Tolkien, the English writer and university professor who wrote the "The Hobbit" and then the "Lord of the Rings" book series.

Early in his writing he confided to his friend C.S. Lewis he had created these creatures called "Hobbits" and while he rather liked them, he found

## **A** Matter of Faith

them boring. Lewis told Tolkien to put his Hobbits in "un-hobbit like situations," which led to the muchhonored series. Where would story lovers be without that short insight?

My Bible wisdom verse this

"When there is no helping suggestion the people will have a fall, but with a number of wise guides they will be safe." — Proverbs 11:14

Solomon, the wisest man in the world, tells us to seek advice from someone besides ourselves. Getting advice from many wise folks is even better. None of us are smart enough to think through all of life's problems. Wise people are humble. When there is a problem they can't figure out, they get help. It's safer.

In my closet is a double-handed, double-edged English broad sword modeled after a sword in the "Rings" movies. Scripture also describes itself as a "two edged sword" in Hebrews 4:12.

Like a sword with two edges, the Bible is often best understood as a balance between ideas that seem opposed to each other. God hates evil, but loves people. God accepts me as I am. He changes me to become like Him. A leader must also be a learner and if I want self-reliance, I may have to seek out a few good, quiet folks for advice. The loudest voice is seldom the best.



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## Volunteers needed for **AARP Foundation Tax-Aide**

By Angela Cortez Special to The PREVIEW

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is looking to expand its team of volunteers for the upcoming tax season.

Tax-Aide, now in its 51st year, offers free in-person preparation and assistance to anyone, especially those 50 and older, who can't afford a tax preparation service. Volunteers make a difference in their communities by assisting many older, lower-income taxpayers, and their families, who might otherwise miss out on the tax credits and deductions they've earned.

Since its inception, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide has served more than 68 million taxpayers. The program is seeking volunteer tax preparers, client facilitators, those who can provide technical and management assistance and interpreters. Every level of experience is welcome. Volunteer tax preparers complete tax preparation training and IRS certification.

Last year, 3,073 AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers helped more than 31,257 people file their federal and state tax returns. The program is offered at approximately 61 sites in Colorado, including senior centers, libraries and other convenient

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## I'm sorry, did I roll my eyes out loud?

One of the greatest joys as a parent is when all of our children "come home." Cars unpacked and extra place settings added to the table, it's Sunday night and we eagerly await family dinner. There is a lot of laughter and stories to tell. At one point in the evening, our children decided to talk about what they were going to do with my Sweet Al and I when we became too old to help ourselves and beyond.

The night was filled with wisecracks and jokes as four adult children and two sons-in-law discussed how they would disperse of our things, even our ashes. Al and I sat quietly listening.

I felt like saying, "I'm sorry, did I just roll my eyes out loud? If you want to know what we think, you can always ask. Don't we have a say?" I knew better than to verbal $ize\ my\ thoughts.\ After\ all,\ my\ Sweet$ Al and I had turned our children's vacation into a time for cleaning out the house and garages, manning a garage sale, then taking a trip to the dump.

Sweet Al made a profound statement, "When we're gone, we won't have anything to say about any of it anyway." If I didn't have the promise of God in my heart and see the bigger picture, the table conversation would have been sad and morbid. My children found the discussion humorous, but thankfully, they were kind, but transparent.

One of our daughters started off the conversation. "Since we are all here, let's discuss what we are going to do with you and all of your stuff. We need to make decisions while we are all together."

Our son said, "My job will be to empty the garages and haul everything away. Once things are gone, I will feel like I have achieved my purpose as your son."

One of our sons-in-law said, "I'll just back the trailer up to the garage

## **Artist's** Lane

**Betty Slade** 



door and I'll make a quick run to the dump.'

Then one of my daughters chimed in and said to my Sweet Al, "You know, when you go, Whiskey has to go with you.

They are talking about our stuff and our lives. Have we lost control of who we are and what we own? Does anyone care how all of this talk makes us feel? We've lived productive lives and made choices for ourselves. Now, life's choices are decided for us. Fortunately, we have a loving family who only has our best interest in mind, even if the delivery of the dialogue was tongue-in-cheek.

The next morning, my Sweet Al said to me, "If they shoot Whiskey, they might as well shoot me." The sad look in his eyes made me realize how the prior evening's humorous talk was hard on him.

I reassured him, "No one is going to shoot your dog. I wouldn't let that happen. And for all the things I've said and thought over the years, not even I would harm a hair on that loyal dog's coat."

Then I started thinking about my own prized possessions, my artwork. Would I want someone to just do away with my paintings? Do you know how much time, effort and passion goes in to every stroke of the brush?

My Sweet Al and I continued talking about the conversation from the night before. I said, "Honey, only you and I understand each other and what is important to us. Some stuff we can let go of, but some things we can't. We've walked many miles and shared many precious moments and have many meaningful things around us."

We see ourselves differently than how our children see us. They are seeing us from eyes with their years in front of them, surfacing what they may need to do someday. We are seeing ourselves from eyes that have long lived, loved and appreciated.

I recall a passage in Ecclesiastes 2: "I should leave my labor unto the man that will be after me. And who knows whether he will be a wise man or a fool? Yet he will have rule over all my labor wherein I have labored, and wherein I have proved myself wise under the sun.

Then Solomon continues to write, "To everything there is a season and purpose ... A time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing. A time to keep and a time to throwaway. God has made everything beautiful in its time. He has put eternity in our hearts."

Final brushstroke: Some of life's decisions can be very different than what we may have imagined for ourselves. With children, it is all a matter of how one's life

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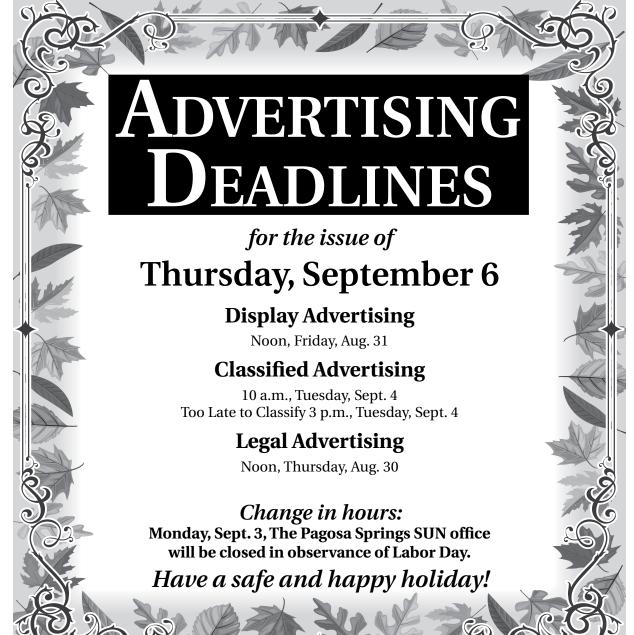
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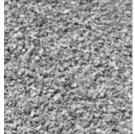
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## Art Above Violence to feature abstract artists Paula Jo Miller and Carol Meckling

**By Casey Crow** 

Special to The PREVIEW

On Sept. 29, Rise Above Violence will host the third annual Art Above Violence event to raise awareness around domestic violence and sexual assault. This innovative art activism project pairs incredible local artists with survivors of violence who share their personal story of overcoming abuse. These stories are then transformed into works of art using a wide variety of mediums, including visual, performance and photography, to name a few.

The theme of this year's Art Above Violence project is "Voices Rise." Every voice has an impact, but our collective voice is most powerful and holds the potential to end violence in our community.

The project highlights the hope, healing and transformation that survivors can experience, as well as helps those who have not experienced violence to understand the complexities of such trauma.

The ultimate hope for Voices Rise is that survivors find further healing by sharing their stories, individuals who remain silenced

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transcends into another. Maybe that is why we can lovingly laugh with family through those difficult conversations. Even if it feels like they are ready to "throw Momma from the train." I thank God I have transcendent power in my heart or I may have to throw them out the door.

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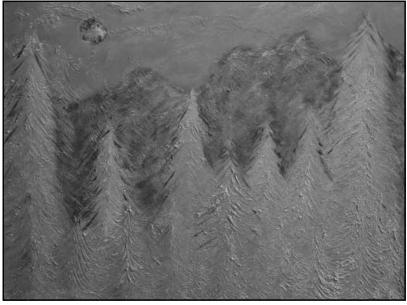


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Piece by Paula Jo Miller featured in the 2016 inaugural Art Above Violence show. Rise Above Violence will host the third annual Art Above Violence event to raise awareness around domestic violence and sexual assault on Sept. 29.

or at-risk realize they are not alone, and that the event will act as a catalyst for community solidarity and action.

While the event is moving, inspirational and seeks to provoke change, it is also a fantastic and entertaining evening. The artists showcasing their skills at this year's show come from all backgrounds and artistic disciplines. There is truly something for everyone. Two such phenomenal artists include Paula Jo Miller and Carol Meckling.

Miller is a contemporary abstract artist who retired to Pagosa Springs from Texas where she previously worked as a nonprofit consultant. Miller comes from a long line of female artists who first inspired her to embrace creative expression. Though her family worked largely in oil paint and realism, Miller was instinctively

drawn to the color and movement of abstract art. Miller showcased her work in the inaugural Art Above Violence event in 2016. The process has proven so rewarding for Miller that she continues to volunteer her time and skills to the project annually.

The event continues to show Miller what people in the community are going through.

"It opens my eyes to the trauma that so many people face, that I cannot even fathom. I feel this enormous sense of responsibility — but not in a bad way — to really

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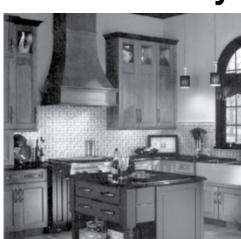
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credibly rewarding," she said.

One might wonder how an individual's story becomes a work of abstract art. For Miller, the process often starts with images, identifying colors that resonate with the survivor's healing process, and playing with feelings of courage

or calm, for example. In 2016, the process was highly collaborative. The survivor conveyed that being in the trees and mountains was a healing space. Miller shaped the landscape and together they chose colors. One piece from last year included fiery reds and oranges, with an abstract figure of a mother and child rising from the flames. Miller's work for Voices Rise is still taking shape.

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Painting by Carol Meckling featured in the 2017 Rise Above Violence event. Rise Above Violence will host the event this year on Sept. 29.



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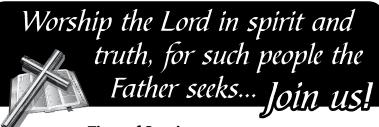
"I'm excited about this next one. I have images swirling around my head. Nothing I'm ready to paint yet; I like to let it percolate," she said.

In whatever way the piece comes to life, it is bound to move you towards hope. According to Miller, "This show is just all about hope. It's not all the sad stories. You can't deny history, but that's a small percentage of it. The whole feeling is about the positive — the hope, the courage, the resilience — and you can't help but feel good."

Joining Miller in Voices Rise is Meckling. Meckling grew up in the Chicago suburbs, where she cultivated her creativity through school art programs from a young age and went on to study fine arts in college. At that time, it was difficult to build a career as an artist, which led Meckling to graduate school in counseling psychology. She merged her fields by studying expressive arts therapy. Three years ago, Meckling relocated from Seattle to Bayfield, where she dedicated herself to working as an artist full time. This will be Meckling's

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# Theatre spotlight: Philip Eng

**By Cynda Green** 

Special to The PREVIEW

It seems that most young actors with the dream and grit to turn professional have their family cheering them on.

But not all.

Philip Eng, ensemble actor for Thingamajig Theatre Company's 2018 summer repertory season, is one such actor.

What led Eng into the world of professional theater?

"Many kids start theater in elementary school. I didn't start until I was 13. Before theater, I was a pretty boring kid. I didn't do anything, except school, because my parents were so academically focused."

Eng grew up in the suburbs of Westchester, N.Y. His dad is from Toy San, China, and his mom is from Hong Kong. They owned a restaurant together.

He explained, "I found theater



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

Kenny Tran (left) as Ching Ho, and Philip Eng as Bun Foo in Thingamajig Theatre's "Thoroughly Modern Millie."

by accident in seventh grade, when a friend invited me to see the school musical, 'Little Shop of Horrors.' That was the first show I'd ever seen, so it's funny that it's playing at Thingamajig right now.

"Theater looked like fun, and

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second time participating in the Art Above Violence show, of which she is a tremendous supporter.

"Having worked in the mental health field, it feels so important to me to hear peoples' stories and help them heal and process. This was a lovely way to participate in that, while doing what I want to do now. Art is so healing and such a good way to express difficult things. I get so much from that experience of hearing someone's story. I'm always so amazed by peoples' resiliency, their strength, their courage," she explained.

Meckling works largely in acrylic painting, often inspired by landscapes, but also ceramics, mixed media and fiber art.

"This area is so inspirational," she said, "the landscape, the colors, the big sky."

Meckling is currently discovering a more spontaneous style and exploring abstract landscapes, as well as abstract art more generally.

For the Voices Rise event, Meckling's work focuses on the question of how to get out of a violent situation. During her survivor interview, the individual recounted asking the question "How do I get out?" While people are quick to tell others when they should leave, there are far fewer answers as to how to leave. This becomes increasingly problematic when considering finances and children. Meckling's work highlights this question, as well as portrays the transition from darkness - sadness, loneliness, fear — into light.

"Something shifts and the light starts to creep in," she said. "I'd like to show that resiliency and that you can come out of that."

Meckling sees this type of work not only as most fulfilling, but also as a powerful vehicle for connection.

'Art has a way of touching into peoples' emotions. We have an emotional connection to art, but it is served up in a way that is less traumatizing than the news that is constantly shouting at you. That's the power of it. Whether you are a Me Too Movement person or not, everybody has experienced pain, we all have that in common. It's just different reasons and different degrees of it. When you see something that's moving — visual art, performance art, something that connects to you — you are fully alive because you are connected to your own humanity," she articulated.

Meckling encourages the community to attend, knowing it will be a positive experience.

"All the artwork, the whole evening, is about resiliency, beauty, connection and community — what we can do if we are a community. I don't remember any piece that was dark or depressing or hopeless. What a variety of mediums, and they all had their own perspective. It was a really positive experience," she said.

Art Above Violence: Voices Rise will take place Sept. 29 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. General admission is \$25 and VIP tickets are \$45.



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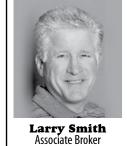


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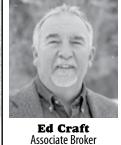


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I needed a way to get out of the house. So, in eighth grade, I auditioned for 'Once Upon a Mattress' and was cast in the ensemble.

"It was fun to rehearse and not just focus on school. I didn't know I was going to like it so much.

"In theater I found what I had subconsciously been looking for — a supportive community that worked together towards the common goal of creating something special."

Family.

How did Eng's parents react?
"They asked 'Why?' They thought theater was a distraction and didn't see the point," he said. "When my parents went to school back in China and Hong Kong, there were no after-school activi-

Eng was also on his own financially to advance his interest in musical theater.

"When I was a freshman in high school, I had to get a job to pay for my voice lessons and dance classes. It may have not been ideal at the time, but I know this benefited me in the long run because I developed a strong work ethic. I learned that you have to fight for what you want. The only thing I knew was that I

truly loved performing and giving audiences something magical. I wasn't going to let anything stop me," he said.

Eng's persistence led him to audition for college theater programs and, in May 2017, Eng earned his bachelor of arts in theater, with concentrations in musical theater and acting from Temple University.

Eng explained his parents have gone to one of his shows.

'They went to one show — in college. They didn't like it," he laughed.

There was no bitterness in his voice. Just an accounting of facts.

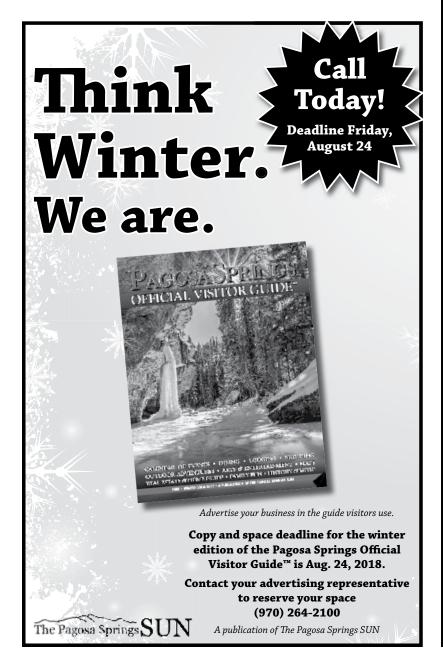
'It's honestly OK. I love what I do and that's all that matters. I'm just starting my professional career and I'm very happy with where I am right now," he said.

This summer is Eng's first repertory theater experience.

He explained, "Dennis Elkins (director of 'Thoroughly Modern Millie,' actor, writer and teacher) said it best when he said that rep theater is the best kind of training an actor can go through. I can say with confidence that I have learned more this summer doing rep than I  $\,$ did in four years of college.

"Rep requires long hours. You're

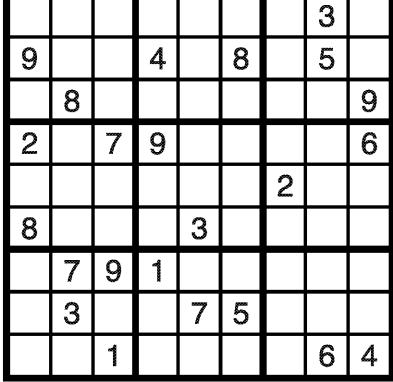
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in rehearsal for all these shows at the same time. If you can handle that workload, and those hours, it makes you a better actor. It expands your mind, and your ability to learn more and pick up material faster. Switching from one show to another is great practice. You never get bored."

For the next five to 10 years, Eng plans to continue working at regional theaters across the country.

"There are many theaters I would love to work at and, of course, revisit in my journey," he said. "I mean, the number of actors that return to Thingamajig speaks highly of Tim Moore (artistic director) and Laura Moore (executive director). Actors get tied to this theater and to this community. The people I've met in Pagosa Springs have quickly become my favorite part of working here."

What acting roles does Eng see in his future?

"As an actor of Asian descent, I sometimes still have difficulty seeing myself in certain roles, but I'm slowly starting to realize I can't limit myself like that anymore. Working at Thingamajig and doing rep is helping me solidify this. Some examples of roles I'd love to play right now include Arpad Laszlo in 'She Loves Me' and Robertson Ay in 'Mary Poppins.' As long as the character's race doesn't affect the story, there's no reason I can't play it," he said.

In "Thoroughly Modern Millie," Eng plays Bun Foo alongside brother Ching Ho, played by Kenny Tran. These lovable scene-stealing characters actually speak in Can-



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Thingamajig Theatre Company's Philip Eng.

tonese and sing in Mandarin and dance, thus providing some of the best comedic moments of the musical.

What does Eng have in common with his character, Bun Foo?

"Bun Foo has a goal and that's all he can focus on," he said. "When his brother Ching Ho gets off track and falls in love with Miss Dorothy, Bun Foo gets frustrated because they are in America to send money to their mother to come from Hong Kong

"I don't like to be distracted, either. Bun Foo and I sometimes take things too seriously."

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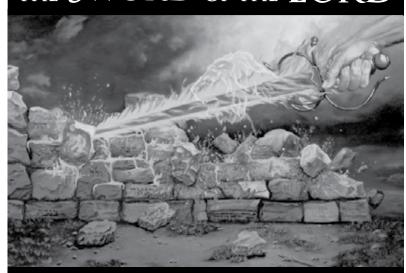
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On Saturday, Aug. 25, the Mountain High Gardening Club will host a workshop from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Centennial Park featuring information on growing your own mountain garden.

# **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 yellow warbler.

The yellow warbler is one of the most colorful and widely distributed of the 50 or so warbler species that migrate from Central and South America to breed across North America. Typically about 6 inches long with a wingspan of 6 to 8 inches, warblers are among the smallest and most beautiful birds that grace our forests, grasslands and wetlands in the late spring and through the summer months. Because they feed primarily on insects, yellow warblers and their cousins seldom appear at backyard bird feeders, so you need to explore their favored riparian and wetland habitats to view them.

True to its name, the male yellow warbler is bright yellow with vertical rust or red-colored streaks on its breast. The female is less colorful, lighter yellow on her back and a light yellow breast that lacks the streaks seen in the male. Their song is recognizable as a repeated variation on the phrase "sweet-sweet-sweet-l'm so sweet."

Favoring cottonwood and willow woodlands along streams and wetlands, yellow warblers are commonly seen high in the trees or shrubs seeking out caterpillars and other insects. They begin laying eggs soon after they arrive in their summer breeding grounds, as early as mid-May here.

Habitat destruction, pollution and the use of pesticides threaten yellow warblers in some areas, but their populations rebound quickly when their native habitat is allowed to recover from disturbance.

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

# Gardening workshop: Growing your mountain garden

By Cecilia Haviland Special to The PREVIEW

Join your fellow gardeners on Saturday, Aug. 25, at 10 a.m., at Centennial Park for a tour of the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership Growing Dome.

Then, stroll over to the Pagosa

Springs Community Garden for a presentation about successful growing in raised beds, which will be followed by a presentation about growing a botanical bounty in a small space using a vertical growing system.

Sponsored by the Mountain High Gardening Club, this Saturday-morning gathering will be followed by light refreshments. Bring some potluck finger foods and meet fellow gardeners to share growing tips and exchange solutions to that mystery ailment that may be attacking your garden.

The presentations will conclude by 11:30 a.m.



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