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Have you voted?

Ballots due by Tuesday

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Nov. 6 general election is less than a week away, and voters are urged to return their ballots in person to ensure they are received in time to be counted.

Ballots can be returned to several locations in and around the Archuleta County Courthouse by 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Those sites include the Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC), the Archuleta County clerk's Motor Vehicle Office and the 24/7 drop box.

The Archuleta County Election's

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Photo courtesy Dayle Morningstar Laird

Several vehicles sit off U.S. 160 Wednesday morning near the Parelli Ranch west of town. According to Trooper Jessica Parsons with the Colorado State Patrol, there were two two-car accidents at the site, as well as other cars stuck on the side of the road. Parsons explained that the crashes were due to road conditions, the corner and the hill, and she reminded drivers to slow down in icy and snowy conditions.

County, town discuss joining parks and rec efforts

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

Members of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and Pagosa Springs Town Council expressed interest in the creation of a joint parks and recreation district at a joint meeting on Oct. 23.

The discussion began with Pagosa Springs Town Manager Andrea Phillips presenting some data from the Pagosa Springs Community Parks and Recreation Survey.

The survey was performed last summer county-wide and the results shared in July. The response

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An ambulance years in the making

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) EMS's new ambulance has been years in the making, with local providers there along the way to help design it.

So, when the ambulance was christened during a ceremony at PSMC Friday, Oct. 26, it was a celebration not only that another ambulance is now available to meet emergency medical needs in the area, but also that EMS staff will be safer in providing that service.

"Having this new vehicle is essential for our being able to meet the needs of our community's 911 calls," PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb wrote in an email to The SUN.

"Safety is the No. 1 goal that

we're trying to achieve with each of the items on there," Jason Webb, PSMC's director of ancillary services and chief paramedic, told The SUN Friday.

EMS staff worked with a company to design many of the new safety features in the ambulance, explained the CEO.

"We took the recommendations from the Department of Transportation and had to basically restructure how a normal ambulance works to try to be able to incorporate all that," Jason Webb said of the safety features.

Features included in the ambulance will allow medics to be seated even while tending to patients, better communicate with each other and physicians at the

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Representatives of the Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD) and La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) pose with the health district's newest ambulance at a christening ceremony Friday at Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC). Pictured from left to right are Assistant Chief of EMS Operations Dave Bronson, PSMC CEO Dr. Rhonda Webb, USJHSD board chair Greg Schulte, LPEA CEO Mike Dreysspring and USJHSD board member Jason Cox.

A chance for reflection, understanding and healing:

Veterans Day breakfast to be held on Nov. 12

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

For the past 18 years, Pagosa Springs Middle School (PSMS) has held its annual eighth-grade Veterans Day breakfast for veterans within Archuleta County to enjoy some breakfast, tell some stories and connect with the youth of the community.

PSMS eighth-grade history teacher Scott White, who has been at the helm of the event for the past 16 years, noted that it was actually started by former Pagosa Springs

Middle School history teacher Dan Janowsky, who now teaches at the high school, as a way to honor local veterans.

The event seemingly grows every year, and, for White, it's a great way to tie together the community.

"Where kids get a chance to meet some of the most amazing people who are in our county. Our veterans young and old are terrific people," White said.

It's a great chance for students to practice working with primary

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Pagosa Springs Middle School teachers Scott White and Andy Guinn pose with eighth-grade students, from left to right, Jai Loveday, Hannah Rockensock, Skylar Sherman, Bea Yeneza, Braylon Cotts and Cisco Chavez after a discussion on the upcoming Veterans Day breakfast. This will mark the 18th year for the event, which will be held on Nov. 12 at the Ross Aragon Community Center. The doors will open at 7:30 a.m. and breakfast will be served until about 10:30 a.m. Volunteers will be decorating the community center gym on Nov. 11 at 2 p.m. All are welcome to volunteer and all veterans in town are welcome to attend.

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Opinion

EDITORIAL

End the hatred

Instead of allowing people to mourn the loss of life following the senseless attack on a synagogue in Pittsburgh Saturday, politicians continued with the onslaught of political rhetoric.

In no particular order, this is just a summary of election-related emails this editor received on Sunday:

- TeaParty.org started out at 4:12 a.m. with: "As your're (sic) reading this, there have been more than three separate Democrat attempts to impeach President Trump!"

- We received 16 emails from Colorado Dems Press throughout the day.

- An email from NRSC.org told us that our "2018 Membership Status" is "INACTIVE" and we can activate it by contributing \$250 for a "5x Match Membership" as this is the only way we can stand up to liberal extremists. We got five other emails just like that. There is plenty to be said for reputation and reinforcement.

- A congressman in California asked us to help fund candidates in Florida and North Carolina and flip those states from red to blue.

- One email urged us to "help Conservatives reach their final End of Month deadline immediately!" Somehow our gift was "worth 3x more" and we were warned: "By the time tomorrow hits, every ad buy, grassroots effort, and campaign necessity could become more expensive."

- Our 5:47 a.m. email request had an offer of a "quadruple-match." It makes us wonder if tomorrow we can get a 10x match? We'll roll the dice and take our chances.

- One of TeaParty.org's emails warned us that "Barack Obama Complains About Media Coverage Of Donald Trump."

- "The Daily Conspiracy" emailed, asking us, "Are You Living in a Parallel Universe?"

- Some guy named Chuck sent another email asking for more money, "Will you step up and contribute now to give Republicans the necessary resources to fight back against radical Democrat leaders and the liberal special interest groups that are funding their campaigns?"

- In two emails Democrats.com urged us to "#DefeatHate - Vote for Democrats."

- TeaParty.org emailed another time to tell us: "Mail 'Bomber' Aftermath: Arrest Of Cesar Sayoc Brings Up Several Unanswered Questions."

- The Democratic Senate Campaign Fund asked for money twice: "Your support means so much to us, and to our state senate candidates and right now. I'm worried we're going to come up short though."

- We heard from the Senate Conservatives Fund expressing, "Fellow Conservative: Senate conservatives have the momentum." That one confused us as we just got accused of being liberals last week.

- The Amendment 73 Campaign thought we should know who is supporting that effort around the state.

- One more came from TeaParty.org: "BREAKING NEWS! Exposed: Virginia Dem Candidate's History As A Leader In A Wiccan Cult... Read the latest now ..."

The rest of this week has followed with pretty much the same pattern of emails.

We are so sick of politics.

It was an unbelievably sad Sunday as we reflected on a week filled with pipe bombs and gun violence in two separate hate crimes that left 13 people dead in Kentucky and Pittsburgh.

You would think that in the aftermath of the past week, this country's leaders would be looking for ways to come together as a nation. Instead, we sifted through emails that demonstrate that divide continues to grow even deeper.

When will we end this hatred and divisiveness?

Terri Lynn Oldham House

WHADDYA THINK?

Have you returned your ballot?



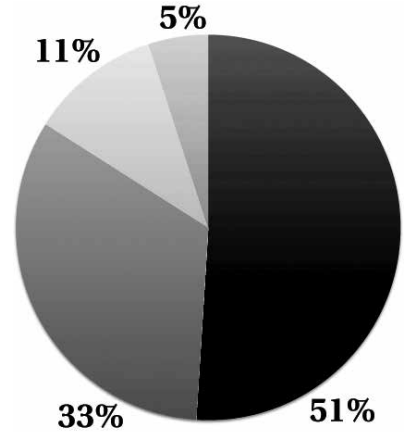
Arnold Rose
"Yes, I have."



Matt Smith
"I have."



Aaron Sikes
"No, but I plan to."



Poll results (123 Votes)

Yes. — 51 percent
No, I like to wait until closer to Election Day. — 33 percent
I am not voting. — 11 percent
I am not eligible to vote. — 5 percent

This week online: Should the U.S. do away with Daylight Saving Time?
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LOOKING BACK



From the Oct. 2, 1975, Pagosa Springs SUN. ON THE WAY UP — A large — 12 feet across — microwave head is on its way up to the reception town at Universal Telephone Co.'s plant in Pagosa Springs. This will both receive and transmit sound waves in the microwave toll system that is being installed.

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of November 2, 1928

Chas. F. Rumbaugh returned on Wednesday from Denver, where he had gone Monday as representative of the Wolf Creek Pass Highway Association from this section to attend a meeting of the state highway department, which was this week engrossed in preparing the 1929 budget for expenditures on Colorado highways. Through his efforts, the sum of \$175,000 was allotted to Wolf Creek Pass highway next year, which amount will place that highway among the leading thoroughfares of the state. In addition he arranged for and secured the assurance that the state highway between Pagosa Springs and Durango will be kept open during the present winter with the possibility that a snow plow may be provided for that purpose.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of November 5, 1943

Mrs. West Carlin, of Upper Piedra, got her 6-point elk Saturday and Tom Mee got his Monday. Lyle Russell of Chromo community got an elk Sunday. Mrs. Charles Pargin and Howard Cooper, both got 2-point bucks.

Lt. Irene Johnson, of Grand Junction was in Pagosa Springs last week in regards to all states recruiting to replace war casualties with women. The WACS recruit of 595 women between the ages of 20 and 50 years, are wanted in Colorado by Dec. 7.

Wanda Amyx spent last week hunting at Snowball Ranch with her father, Rube Amyx, and two brothers, Glen and Wayne. She returned home Saturday but her father and brothers are still there but have had no luck so far.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of October 31, 1968

Piedra District Ranger Bob Newlin reported that crews were battling a fire on Pagosa Peak. Newlin said the fire started about noon Tuesday and was apparently man-caused. It was under control early Wednesday but possible high winds placed it in the potentially dangerous category. The Forest Service man said that the fire had burned over about nine acres. A crew of approximately 20 men is now in the area combatting the blaze. Ten men from the Pagosa Springs Job Corps Center have been at the site of the fire as well as Forest Service fire crews from this and other areas. Ranger Newlin and Ranger Peters said this week that the fire danger is extremely high. The woods are like tinder and a large and dangerous fire could explode in a very short time.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of November 4, 1993

Due to an unsuccessful bid to trade 20 county-owned lots for La Plata Electric Association's nine-acre parcel at end of Light Plant Road, the county commissioners Tuesday continued their pursuit of relocating the county road and bridge operation. As one of two final official acts in office, Commissioner Alvin Cannady submitted a memo Tuesday recommending that Commissioners Bob Formwalt and Tallon "proceed to achieve our objective of moving the county maintenance facilities...." Cannady's resignation from office becomes effective Nov. 6. He likewise recommended the county review other unspecified sites that previously had been considered for housing the road and bridge operation and select the "best option, based on location, utilities and price considerations."

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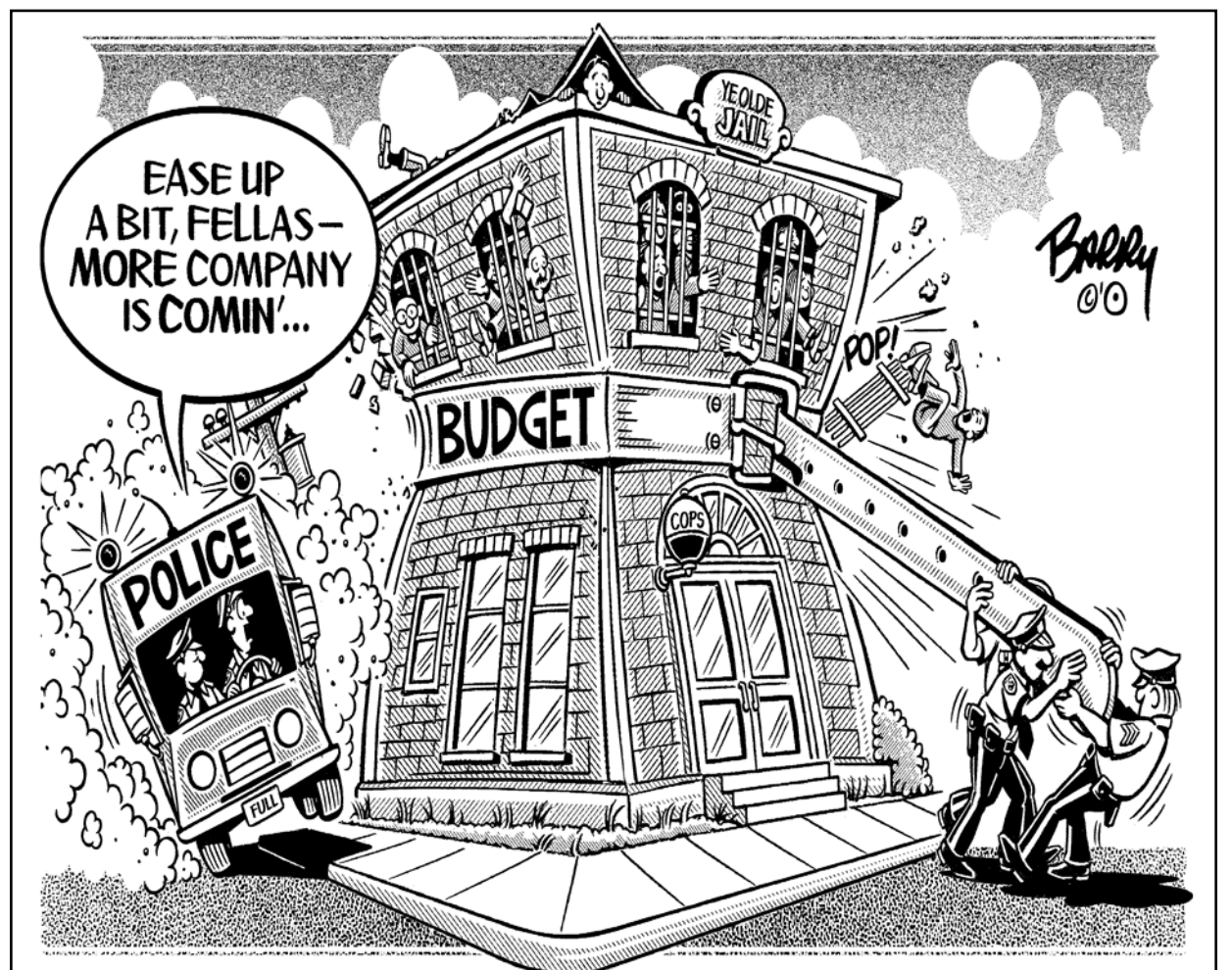
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10/28	65	30	-	-	-
10/29	63	31	-	-	-

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Letters



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Qualified sheriff

Dear Editor:
Not only is Rich Valdez the current Sheriff of Archuleta County, is the only Sheriff Candidate who's well educated, and most importantly, he is the only candidate who holds a Colorado Peace Officers Post Certificate and can work as a Peace Officer in the State of Colorado today and after November 6th. The other candidates cannot do this. They need to attend a Law Enforcement academy and complete it, while their Under-sheriff runs and is charge of the Archuleta Sheriff's Department. If this thought doesn't bother you, it should. The other two candidates have never been a Police Officer or Deputy Sheriff in their lifetime. They are running solely on their "management and leadership" skills not realizing how very little they know about law enforcement, let alone the criminal justice system. It's obvious from their campaign statements that they don't know basic statutes and best practices regarding some of our most routine calls for service. Keating made the statement about working with Domestic Violence situations instead of people always going to jail. It's a Colorado State law, when someone has committed Domestic Violence, the Suspect is required by the statute, to be taken into custody. By his own statement, Keating did not know this fact. Victims and the safety of our citizens cannot be jeopardized over someone's idealistic thinking. We live in a litigious society; therefore, our Sheriff must know the legally sound practices of the Sheriff's Office inside and out. A career in construction, without a Colorado Post Certificate, or prior experience, will not set one up for a successful career in law enforcement, let alone running a Sheriff's Department.

As tax payers, we have a responsibility to elect officials who are educated about the issues of the office they will be running. Keating and Graham want "you" to pay their salary and pay for them to attend the academy, just so they can learn to be a new Policeman. This is unacceptable, as the Sheriff in Archuleta County is a full time working position. Keep in mind per the Sheriff's policy, if either is able to complete the police academy, it would be months before he can write a ticket on his own. That is because law enforcement is incredibly complex and new deputies have to successfully complete a field training program with senior officers before being able to do anything from writing a ticket to making an arrest on his own. Rich Valdez has literally held every job within the Archuleta County Sheriff's Department. He has worked years in Patrol, Detective Division, Field/Detective Sergeant, Undersheriff and Sheriff. He knows law enforcement, the ability to supervise and lead. He has proven himself time and time again. Sheriff Valdez has a degree in

Public Management and IT which has been vital to his success as our Sheriff through the issues the past 4 years have presented.

Join me and vote for the only person who deserves the position of Sheriff in Archuleta County, Sheriff Rich Valdez.

Craig Anderson

Vote like never before

Dear Editor:
Paul Volker, retired Federal Reserve Chairman under Presidents Carter & Reagan: "We're in a hell of a mess in every direction, respect for government, respect for the Supreme Court, respect for the president, it's all gone," he said. "Even respect for the Federal Reserve ... and it's really bad. At least the military still has all the respect, but I don't know how you can run a democracy when nobody believes in the leadership of the country?"

Speaking of our leader, what does Donald have to say about the bombs sent to the people/organizations he attacks all the time ... "we need to be more civil;" but the congressman who "body slams reporters is my kind of guy." Wait, Trump's spin gets better, the fault with the bombs isn't my constant hate speech, oh gosh no no, or my terrorist bomber MAGA supporter, but the "nasty press." Yup, see they are always reporting my lies. I think that's called tripling down with his fans.

And on the murder of the reporter by the Saudis in Turkey, "I want to believe him (Prince Salman)" This, after his very flexible Saudi guy said, no ... no ... nope we don't know anything ... then, well you see this old man decided to have a fight with 18 younger guys ... and now, OK, OK we planned it but 'honestly' we don't know where we left his cutup body ... uuhhh, yea, definitely he is Donald's kind of guy.

Facts or fake news, common sense (any left) would tell you President Trump is a categorical liar bent on destroying America; and yet right after the bomb threat to Hillary, MAGA fans started their lock-her-up chant?

"I have been beaten, my skull fractured, and arrested more than forty times so that each and every person (citizen) has the right to register and vote. Friends of my (mine) gave their lives. Do your part. Get out there and vote like you've never voted before," John Lewis.

Dave Blake

Ballot suggestions

Dear Editor:
Here are my recommendations for this year's ballot.

Amendments Y and Z, congressional and legislative redistricting — Vote yes. These amendments set up a less political way for Congressional redistricting and State House and Senate district reapportionment. They are not perfect, but I believe they will make the process much fairer than the current process where one or the other political party controlling a majority of the House and Senate and the Governorship can gerrymander the districts to give total power to that one party.

Amendment 73, tax increase for public schools — Vote no. It not only raises income and property taxes, but it also sets up a very complex property tax assessment process that will be very difficult and costly to administer. Amendment 23, passed in 2010, already guarantees K-12 the previous year's money per student plus inflation. K-12 is the only department that has that guarantee. The legislature needs to quit playing games using the "negative factor" and fully fund K-12 within the mandates of Amendment 23.

Amendment 74, requiring compensation to be paid for government regulatory takings. Vote yes. The Colorado Supreme Court mistakenly ruled that government can devalue private property by 90% through regulation or legislation before any compensation is required. This is an abomination. Amendment 74 fixes this huge injustice.

Proposition 110, increase sales taxes and authorize a bond for transportation projects. Vote yes. I don't want to raise taxes, but Amendment 110 is the only realistic solution to highway funding. The legislature has put the State in the hole by not having the courage to ask the citizens of Colorado for adequate funding to maintain our highway infrastructure. The Democrats spend money on any

new spending proposal and put highways on the back burner while for every day that we do not take care of our highways, it costs us that much more. Republicans, on the other hand, have tried to squeeze money for highways out of the general fund, but the Democrats have denied them at every turn. Highways are being funded now by the 1991 dollars provided by gasoline and diesel taxes with no adjustment for inflation. Those dollars are simply not adequate to keep up with highway needs. (Could you survive on the salary earned in 1991?) Proposition 110 is a .62 cent increase in state sales tax that would adequately fund state, county, and city highways. The money would go into the Highway Users Tax Fund where the legislature will not be able to get their grubby hands on it for other purposes. Counties and cities will no longer need to ask for local tax increases for highways and roads. There is a 20 year sunset on Amendment 110.

Proposition 112, increase set-backs for oil and gas to 2500 feet. Vote no. This amendment does nothing to improve safety and will totally ruin the gas and oil industry costing the state billions of dollars.

Call me at 970-759-4157 on other amendments.

J. Paul Brown

Time to vote

Dear Editor:
Pelosi is coming back? I remember in her Senate speech to congress on July 22, 2010 during the Obama administration when she wanted to extend the unemployment benefits to 99 weeks. Democrats had majorities in the senate and the house so she really had no opposition, but the Republicans opposed, not to the extension, but to the lack of funding for the extension. Republicans also supported the extension but their bill included funding by eliminating other superfluous government spending, not by borrowing from China. Pelosi said "... they (Republicans) say everything has to be paid for." This is probably the most astute and honest statement she has made.

The Constitution is weak by giving congress the authority to

spend, tax, and borrow, but it does not require them to balance the books. Sadly, hence our always rising National Debt. A liberal good friend of mine told me "we need to take better care of the people". Pelosi has in the past tried to do that, and the Democrats and Republicans have been doing that for years, but the public does not realize our children and grandchildren are the ones who one day will have to pay this humongous national debt when it is called to be paid off. The "we" my friend was referring to was not she nor I, but future generations.

Congress finds it much easier to please us, the "most prosperous nation in the world", as long as they, on our behalf, can borrow. Congress has been acting like they had money for years. How naïve.

Pelosi has been taking pride in caring for the people with borrowed money.

Trump is trying to make America Great again, and he's making progress, whittling away at the ever-building excess costs associated to irresponsible spending (like paying more than our "fair share" of international activities such as imports/exports, NATO and UN operating costs, aid to corrupt and unfriendly nations). Trump is very popular with informed Americans, but he will not be popular when he (remember, he's a business man, not a politician) addresses the debt.

I am terrified at this moment because I fear we are at "death's door steps". If the liberals win on November 6 the country as we know it may be lost forever.

Karen Bynum
Union Springs, Tenn.

Name calling, vilification

Dear Editor:
Change can be good or change be harmful. In this election, there is a candidate running against Barbara McLachlan who is claiming that he is the better choice simply because he is "Independent." This is a case where change would do harm to Southwest Colorado. First, most of the campaign funds that support Barbara have come from within her district. By contrast, less than

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Letters

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15% of Mr. Jones' contributions come from within HD 59. Nearly all his large donations come from outside Colorado, from New York to California, from people who are just supporting "independents," no matter their qualifications.

Most importantly, we would be giving up an experienced and effective legislator who has fought hard for the issues that matter to rural Colorado, and who has a proven track record of working across the aisle to get legislation passed. Here are just a few of the bills that Barbara has co-sponsored and have passed with co-sponsors from the other party.

She was co-sponsor of a bill which would encourage and pay young people who want to go into farming but have no land to inherit. It will reimburse an agricultural business up to 50% of salary to hire a qualified intern for up to six months.

Barbara and others sponsored a bill that would give teachers up to \$6,000 to get National Board Certification or would allow teachers who are working with emergency credentials to get state certification in exchange for a commitment of three years teaching in a rural school.

Two of her bills concern broadband access in rural Colorado. One bill requires that the state Broadband Deployment Board petition for a waiver of FCC rules prohibiting a state entity from applying for broadband funds for use in rural areas. Another allows an existing service provider the right of first refusal for grants if the service provider can prove that they can deliver broadband at a speed and cost at or below that which they claim in the application.

A bill that allows a person to apply to the Ground Water Commission for approval of an aquifer storage and recover plan and requires the commission to write rules governing the requirements was passed with bipartisan support. Another bill eliminated the sales and use tax from manufactured homes and treats them the same way as other dwellings. Another reclassifies hemp seeds as an agricultural commodity. Barbara also proposed the bill that designated Highway 84 as the Nolan Olson Memorial Highway.

All the above bills were passed and signed. Of course, Barbara proposed other bills that died in the Republican Senate, such as a bill that would have changed the way mining companies guarantee that they could pay to treat mine water and for reclamation costs for as long as necessary.

We are all sick of partisan name calling and vilification of the opposing party. Barbara has proven that in District 59 we can work together for legislation that will benefit us all.

Lynn R. Frederick

Veterans For Veterans

Dear Editor:
I am so happy to be a member

of our home-grown Veterans club here in Pagosa Springs, Veterans For Veterans of Archuleta County.

I recently joined the American Legion also, but have been a member of Vets 4 Vets for perhaps five years.

Our veterans club is home-grown — a few guys meeting for coffee each morning in 2010, grousing about the Veterans Administration. Eventually someone, Bev Sontag, advised them to start their own club here, so they did.

We have met at the Buffalo Inn, the Quality Resort, Dorothy's, and are now meeting at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. (That's ten-hundred hours for you people that say the time correctly.)

Our club website is Vets 4 Vets PS CO .org, and although no officer on our Board of Directors gets paid one penny for serving, since they are all volunteers, the website is being kept up pretty well. So if any of you veterans out there are unable to attend our meetings on Tuesday mornings, you could at least note some of what we are doing by going to our website.

Help for PTSD, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, sufferers is part of our focus. We have several psychological people helping our members, male and female; when someone has PTSD, the whole family suffers.

We frequently have guests speak at our meetings, and enjoy associating with other people.

We have members who have served as far back as World War II, and this year honored one young lady celebrating her 99th birthday. We adore our widows and Gold Star Mothers. Our club is known in Denver and in Washington, D.C., and people in other states want us to help them start a veterans club just like ours, we are that effective and well-known.

Vets For Vets of Archuleta County helps veterans in many ways, so we invite any veteran to see what we do, and to join our brotherhood. We even have veterans in other states as members, and our membership has grown to over 200 members in eight years — not bad for being home-grown. Although some members are too busy with their lives to attend regularly, the camaraderie at our meetings is wonderful, enjoyable, and for me personally, always a chance to learn something more.

Come fellowship with us on Tuesday morning, dear veteran; we would love to meet your wife and you.

Douglas Gould

Get the jail built

Dear Editor:
The rural Archuleta County jail was rated sub-standard for several decades.

In 1983 some convicted prisoners signed a waiver to stay in the Archuleta jail rather than travel the dangerous sixty-mile drive to Durango. New jail facilities were needed.

By the end of May 1983 an advisory committee reported to the commissioners the jail was inadequate and possibly unconstitutional. The present jail could not be modified or remodeled to provide an adequate facility.

The courts can close the unconstitutional jail facility and force all prisoners transported to facilities outside the county or can order the county to build a new facility.

Neil Smith, a member of The Jail Advisory Committee, said "The jail is an unpopular subject. The feeling among many people is that no matter how bad the jail is, it's good enough for a bunch of crooks. I agree with that pretty much but realistically, we are going to get sued for it being unconstitutional and we are going to lose."

February of 1989 Archuleta county finally presented a jail design package that appeared to be the beginning of getting a jail built, but there were reservations.

The county was sued and something had to be done. The county was advised not to build on the floodplain next to the county building since the site was too small for future expansion. A temporary jail was built there in the early 1990s anyway. The estimated life of the jail was 20 years. This expense solved the immediate problem.

In 1993 the new jail increased from 22 beds to 24 beds once the county was granted relief from a federal court consent decree. According to Sheriff Tom Richards in July 1995, the jail was "near capacity all summer long, with several times when there was only one bed available." Using extra storage space, he added six more beds. They were used like a dormitory for low-security prisoners. The new temporary jail needed to be expanded to the max.

In 2018 our rural county has grown to a population of 13,300 with a much heavier tourist population and a need for a jail.

Now we are at a cross road again. Is history going to repeat itself? Today the county is still required to have a jail. The same as in 1983 with consequences. Kicking the can down the road the past three years has already cost at least ten percent more for building the required jail facility according to the Federal and State standards. It will not get less expensive.

Benjamin Franklin said, "A penny saved is a penny earned." In our case, a penny spent on each dollar is much more saved by us. The 1% sales tax for a set period of time will pay for the justice facility complex. Everyone that shops in our county will help pay for it — and it will not add to higher rents, nor higher property taxes. Let's stop kicking the can and get the jail built. Vote yes on 1 A.

Jackie Henderson

School facility fundraiser

Dear Editor:
As Pagosa Peak Open School

board president Ursula Hudson mentioned, in the SUN's October 25 issue of the Preview, Colorado charter schools are state-funded public schools, serving their communities with innovative, tuition-free educational programs.

But, unlike our conventional public schools, Colorado charter schools do not typically benefit from publicly-funded facilities. While the Pagosa Springs Elementary School, for example, was built many years ago through a community-funded bond issue, the elementary-age students at Pagosa Peak Open School attend classes in the Parelli Building, and the school pays a typical commercial rate to lease the space — a monthly cost that eats up about 16 percent of the school budget.

Pagosa Peak hopes to purchase their building, hopefully within the coming year, possibly with the help of USDA Rural Development grants and loans, and also with the financial assistance of community donors and sponsors. One local donor has made a pledge of \$1 million towards the facility purchase.

The SUN also reported on a recent fundraising effort by the parents and students at Pagosa Peak — the Ninja Warrior Challenge — which raised over \$10,000 from local supporters and family members.

The school's quest for ownership of its facility continues this Saturday, November 3 at the Extension Building, County Fairgrounds, where producer Blue Haas and music director DC Duncan — along with the Pagosa Peak Community Outreach Committee — will be hosting "The Blues Box," a musical re-creation of a Prohibition-era 'speakeasy' featuring a slew of talented professional musicians. Many local businesses have made generous contributions to this event, and two local personalities — Sheriff Rich Valdez and physician Bob Brown — have been "incarcerated" and will be seeking donations of "bail money" to free themselves.

I hope the community will turn out for this entertaining and worthwhile event on Saturday evening.

Bill Hudson

No longer Republican

Dear Editor:
Why I am not a Republican
I am a 77 year old retired aerospace engineer and wildlife biologist. I am originally from Boston but moved to Colorado in 1968. I served in the Air Force for four years, 1959 to 1963. I was an avid hunter, camper, backpacker, river runner. I am not anti gun as I own five rifles and two hand guns. I have never been registered as a Democrat. In my younger years I was a die hard Republican and a member of the NRA. I once ran for County Commissioner in Jackson County CO as a Republican.

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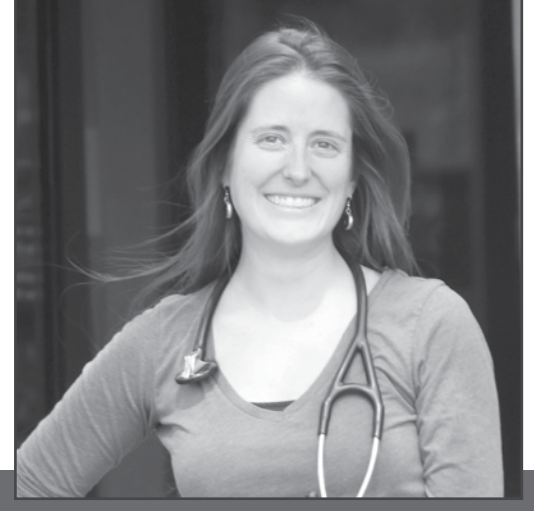
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Things have changed since. Fiscal responsibility and balanced federal budget were laudable Republican priorities. Since that time the Federal deficit has ballooned and its mostly due to Republican policies. The bulk of our deficit can be traced to cold war policies of Ronald Reagan, George H. W. Bush and the two unfunded wars started during the George W. Bush administration. In addition, two enormous tax breaks to the wealthy were enacted during the George W. Bush administration. Now the Trump administration has enacted another tax break that primarily benefits the wealthy and large corporations. The annual deficit is now over a trillion dollars a year. This in a time of tremendous prosperity for the wealthy and corporations. Republicans are quick to blame entitlement programs, such as Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid as drivers of the debt and this is true to a point. The cost of these programs can easily be made sustainable. Political courage on the part of our legislators would do it, but apparently they do not have what it takes.

Today I see Republicans taking away support systems for the poor and giving them to the rich. I see Republicans dismantling the environmental controls that have cleaned up our air, water, and land which has helped our national health improve, all in the name of providing jobs. Jobs mean more to Republicans than the overall health of the nation. I see Republicans dismantling our public lands, the envy of the world, so extraction industries can make billions on short term enterprises. I see Republicans, either through conspiracy or just willful ignorance, denying the existence of man-caused climate change so that their fossil fuel masters can make billions more. Climate change is probably the single greatest threat to mankind. I see the unconscionable treatment of hard working immigrant families simply to fulfill "promises made" without regard for empathy. I see Republicans instilling fear about personal safety in order to do the bidding of the NRA and arms industries to sell more guns regardless of the consequences. I see Republicans disenfranchising voters, mostly people of color, for political gain under the guise of fighting voter fraud which is largely non-existent. Finally I see the once Grand Old Party supporting and enabling an ignorant, amoral, narcissistic, self-indulgent, misogynist, pathological liar who manipulated himself to the presidency.

I am no longer Republican because I have principles.
Ernie OToole

Cannabis sales revenues

Dear Editor:
More taxes? ... Really? Improve schools? Absolutely. Our own jail, unfortunately, yes. It makes sense. So why aren't these funds coming from cannabis revenues?
It was stated in a newscast that over a million dollars were made in taxes alone for cannabis sales last year and then those taxes were raised. Where's that money going? Bottom line ... Where's the transparency?
T.J. Peterson

Weiser for attorney general

Dear Editor:
A recent letter in the Durango Herald claimed that most of Attorney General candidate Phil Weiser's campaign contributions come from out of state. The letter demands that he "come clean" on the source of his donations. Well, Mr. Weiser does not need to "come clean." All of his contributions are publicly posted on the Secretary of State's website, as they are for all state and local candidates. I reviewed the SOS website to determine the source of Mr. Weiser's contributions. First, I looked at the Major Contributor reports for the past four months. Only about 20% of these came from out of state. A sample of smaller contributions shows that even fewer of these contributions came from out of state, perhaps 15%. So, the accusation is clearly and provably false.
We have also seen advertise-

ments from Mr. Weiser's opponent claiming that having no prosecutorial experience makes Mr. Weiser unqualified for the position. Our own 6th Judicial District Attorney, Christian Champagne, has pointed out that the AG does not personally prosecute crimes. Rather, the AG has a staff of 300 attorneys who handle such cases. The mission of the AG's office is, "... to provide professional, ethical, and independent legal services to the State of Colorado and its citizens, to promote respect for law and access to the justice system, to ensure the fair and open exercise of government, and to protect and advance the public interest." The AG sets policy for the office, establishes cases to be brought on behalf of the state, makes sure state laws are properly interpreted and enforced, and manages the large office staff. The AG is the "People's Attorney," ensuring that our rights are protected. So, a candidate who has clerked for two U.S. Supreme Court Justices, worked in the U.S. Justice Department, and directed the UC law school is superbly suited for this position. So, the best choice in this election is Phil Weiser.
John Porco

Don't vote for Trump supporters

Dear Editor:
I could write a book about the daily acts and words of Donald Trump that upset me terribly and truly hurt my soul. About my inability to understand how Trump's supporters ignore his lack of morals, his endorsement of hatred, his pathological lying, and his attacks on any one or any institution that disagrees with him. Trump's attack on the media as "fake news" is because the only news he accepts is his fake news.

The horrible violence at the Pittsburgh synagogue and fear caused by the mail bomber of this past week is a direct reflection of Trump's divisive speech. Trump himself said that he was being nice at one of his rallies last week. In other words, he's not normally nice. Incredibly, Trump claims that "Democrats produce mobs." And yet his rallies are the ones where supporters yell for his political opponents to be locked up. Recently Trump praised Montana Republican Rep Greg Gianforte for assaulting a reporter during his campaign last May, saying "any guy who can do a body slam ... he's my guy."

America was founded upon the principle that all people are created equal and on religious freedom for all. Suddenly Americans are living in a political climate that targets "others" beginning with Hispanics, Middle Easterners, Muslims, immigrants, and now Jews.

I realize that Trump's name is not on the ballots we are casting in this mid-term election, but his supporters' names are. I so hope that voters will pause and think hard before casting a vote for one of them. The issues at stake have enormous ramifications including health care, climate change, education, gun safety laws, immigration,

and preserving public lands.
Tozi Rubin

Property tax notification

Dear Editor:
Inadequate and disingenuous property tax notification.

Why do so many people owe back property taxes in Archuleta County, CO? Also, why do most taxes get paid before the auction date?

It is because many are "older" retired or semi-retired U.S. citizens from other states moving to this beautiful area for various reasons. My wife and I are part of this group. We fell in love with the SW CO area by vacationing here over the years, hiking and skiing. We bought a half of an acre in 2014. In 2015 we contracted with a builder in Pagosa Springs to build us a small house which was completed in June 2016. We moved ourselves from Tulsa OK and sold our OK house in August 2016. We paid our 2015 taxes in 2016 before moving and our 2016 taxes on 3/27/17.

In 2018 we did not get a property tax notice for 2017 taxes. We did not think about not receiving this notice until we saw the tax notices in the Pagosa Sun, we've received the paper since moving here in 2016.

I called the Treasurer and Assessor offices and found out what we owed for our 2017 property taxes. I went to the Treasurers office to pay our taxes and was surprised that we owed a 9% penalty on top of our taxes (over 21% interest/year). From January to October we were not notified at our home address in Archuleta County even though the county knew we lived in Pagosa Springs, not Oklahoma. The tax bill was not forwarded or sent back to CO (19 months since we moved) after being sent to Oklahoma.

We are "older" Americans and do not always remember things as well as when we were younger.

The 9% gross overcharge we paid on our back taxes (5 months late) consisted of a \$5.00 delinquent notice, \$10.00 auction fee, \$25.00 advertising fee in the Pagosa Sun and 6% interest over 5 months (about 15% interest over years time).

Why not use some of this \$40.00 of fees to send a notice to the "situation address" here in Archuleta where the tax is originated, ie our house where we live. Bill the taxpayer for a mailing fee and get the tax dollars, not interest.

But then they could not make extra money on fees and interest to your tax bill.

Eric D. Sutton

Ignorant of the law

Dear Editor:
I lived in Pagosa Springs for a number of years while employed by the Sheriff's Department. My wife and I have relocated to Arizona but still follow the election activity of Pagosa Springs. We strongly support Richard Valdez for Sheriff and have donated to his campaign.
We've all heard the saying that ignorance of the law is no excuse.

A person simply can't say that she or he didn't know something was against the law and get away with breaking the law. Good intentions don't make up for ignorance of the law. When reading the answers that sheriff candidate Rob Keating provided to the Sun two weeks ago, it was very clear that he might have good intentions but he is obviously ignorant of the law.

In regard to domestic violence offenses, Colorado Revised Statute states, "When a peace officer determines that there is probably cause to believe that a crime or offense involving domestic violence, as defined by C.R.S. 18-6-800.3(1), has been committed, the officer "shall", without undue delay, arrest the person suspected of its commission."

Mr. Keating stated in his ad, "this attitude that someone must go to jail must end." The truth is, Colorado law "requires" law enforcement to make an arrest. Clearly Mr. Keating doesn't understand the criminal justice system nor does he realize there is already a mechanism in place for getting treatment for people who have either pled guilty or have been found guilty in a court of law. Domestic violence is a very real and very traumatic criminal issue. "DV" statutes are in place to protect the lives of domestic violence victims.

When selecting a candidate for Sheriff it is imperative that voters take into consideration the candidate's knowledge and awareness of local and state laws. From a legal and safety standpoint, Rob Keating's responses should be a real concern for the voters in the community.

There is clearly only one candidate for Sheriff who truly knows and understands the law. I strongly recommend Richard Valdez for Sheriff and implore the voters of Archuleta County to make the right choice and vote for Richard Valdez.
Bill Thomas
Prescott Valley, Ariz.

Pagosa 'attitude'

Dear Editor:
Time for a reminder: true Pagosans ask themselves "What good thing have I done today?" If a need comes across our path, we take time to do what we can to assist — every little bit helps. We call that "living on Pagosa Time" which means loving your neighbor as yourself. Let's protect our Pagosa "attitude" that makes this place so special.

Now, don't let anyone get the wrong idea. We are hard-working but with an "attitude". We do beyond what is expected to lend assistance when needed, both on the job and off the job — goodness is everyone's job. Pagosans are polite, considerate and kind. When responsibility and goodness go hand-in-hand, lives become successful.

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Obituary

Edward Lawrence Huddleston

Edward Lawrence Huddleston, 66, of Greeley, Colo., gave himself into the arms of the Lord on Oct. 18.

He was born in Upland, Calif., to Clayton and JoAnne (Maludy) Huddleston on Sept. 15, 1952.



Ed grew up a leader amongst the flock. With a booming voice and his unmistakable laughter, he was easily found amidst the crowd. His gentle yet demanding demeanor made him easy to talk with.

His passion for hunting and

fishing encompassed many forms. At home, adrift on the gentle swells of the mighty Pacific Ocean, or lounging against the monstrous boulders atop the peaks of America's mountains. A day in the sun or camping in the snow, Ed always made the best of what was put before him.

Many opportunities moved him throughout life from state to state. From California where he graduated from Fontana High School in 1970 on to Arizona where he became a renowned general contractor and loving father. Back to California and to the state of Oregon where he became the owner of Hudson's Honey Farm as a beekeeper. From there to Michigan and ultimately to where his heart belonged. April 1996 was when Colorado claimed his love for the outdoors and his inner child found peace. Soon after he met the love of his life, Kathi. Married in June

2000, they moved to Pagosa Springs and settled down for years of fun. Archery competitions, hunts and fishing trips kept them busy.

Life brought Ed and Kathi to Greeley in the year 2011 where he got his CDL license. He and Kathi traveled the United States together and visited 48 states. It was at this time that Ed discovered he had cancer. He did the only thing he knew to do: took it by the horns and ran with it. Unable to give up his passion for building, he laid down his CDL and began building model airplanes and boats as a remote control enthusiast. As a member of NAMBA, his summers were dedicated to weekend races and his winters building new models.

Ed is survived by his wife, Kathi, of Greeley; children: Eddy Huddleston, of Pagosa Springs, Colo., Scott (Alyssa) Huddleston, of Penrose, Colo., Michelle Huddleston, of San Diego, Calif., Amberly (Beau)

Ballentine, of Frederick, Colo., Melanie (Ben) Herold, of Cañon City, Colo., Brandon Taylor, of Aspen, Colo., Ashley (Michael) Riggs, of Pagosa Springs, Colo.; sister Lana Doring, of Victoria, Texas; brother Hays (Shari) Huddleston, of Loman, Minn.; mother JoAnne Ledbetter, of Prescott, Ariz.; niece Linda (Ricky) Powell, of Victoria, Texas; nephew Chuck Mahoney, of Prescott, Ariz.; and 15 grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his father.

A Life Celebration will be Friday, Nov. 9, at 11 a.m. at Northern Colorado Cowboy Church, 33131 U.S. Hwy. 85, Lucerne, CO 80646.

Memorial contributions may be made to "Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation" in care of Adamson Life Celebration Home, 2000 47th Avenue, Greeley, CO 80634.

Condolences may be left for the family at AdamsonCares.com.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Monday, Nov. 5

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.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

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

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

Wednesday, Nov. 7

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

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room, 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

Loma Linda Metropolitan District

Board of Directors meeting. 6 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

Thursday, Nov. 8

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

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners budget meeting. 2 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Monday, Nov. 12

Pagosa Peak Open School Board of Directors work session and regular meeting. 4:30 p.m. regular meeting, 6 p.m. work session, 7 Parelli Way.

Tuesday, Nov. 13

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

Pagosa Springs Area Tourism Board meeting. 4:30 p.m., Visitor Center, 105 Hot Springs Blvd.

Archuleta School District Board of Education work session and regular meeting. 5 p.m. work session, 6 p.m. regular meeting,

Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

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

Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Commission. 5:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

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

Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors meeting and Board of Trustees of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Firemen's Pension Fund regular meeting and public hearing on the proposed 2019 budget. 6:30 p.m., Station 1, Training Room, 191 N. Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

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

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

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

Thursday, Nov. 15

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

Monday, Nov. 19

San Juan Water Conservancy District special meeting to present 2019 draft budget. 5:30 p.m., 46 Eaton Drive, Unit 5.

Public meeting information should be sent to editor@pagosahun.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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Letters

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Keating ad insult

Dear Editor:

I have to call out the glaring factual error in last week's ad for Rob Keating for Sheriff. The ad states that the last 3 sheriffs had 7 uncontested four year terms. Many of us worked hard on Sheriff Gonzalez's primary election in 2006

and others worked just as hard on the opponents' campaigns. I met Rob Keating in 2006 at one of our fundraisers at the Office Lounge.

Historically, I recall that Sheriff Richards was contested for at least 3 of his terms, Sheriff Gonzalez's second term was uncontested and Sheriff Valdez had a contested primary election for his first term. Stating that the last 7 Sheriff's terms were uncontested is simply not true and is insulting to all of us who donated time and resources to our candidates whether they won

or not. The outcomes may have been decided at the primary level, but I can assure you that they were contested and grueling campaigns.

I've known Sheriff's Richards and Gonzalez and now Sheriff Valdez. I do not quite know what is meant by "good old boys", but I do know that each were certified Colorado peace officers with many years of experience before they ran for the office. In this election, Sheriff Valdez is the only candidate who has these qualifications.

John Weiss



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Parks

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rate was of 518 people, "which isn't huge," Phillips noted.

"We asked members of the community if they would support a joint effort between the town, Archuleta County and the [Pagosa Lakes Property Owner's Association (PLPOA)] to form a parks and recreation metro district, or similar type of authority ..." Phillips said.

Further, this would include joint funding and management for "these amenities," according to Phillips.

"Overwhelmingly, people supported that," Phillips said.

A total of 87 percent of respondents were in favor of supporting the joint effort, while "13 percent said no," according to Phillips.

In the comments sentiments for the town and county working together and sharing funding for a parks and recreation district were expressed, Phillips explained.

"They're saying that collaboration makes sense, that sort of thing," Phillips said.

Greg Schulte, an advisor to the BoCC and county administrator, had some information on a 2014 advisory vote on parks and recreation.

A county-wide advisory vote took place in 2014 and was similar to the question on the survey. There were three questions on the vote, which had over 5,000 responses, according to Schulte.

The first question was if there was support for the town and county combining the parks and recreation programs through the creation of a district, according to Schulte.

The results found that 65 percent of responders supported the creation of the district, while 35 percent opposed it, according to Schulte.

"And I guess in a certain sense that this just reinforces the notion that this is a topic that we've been talking about for quite a while," Schulte said.

He then talked about funding. "Having a district is one thing, but usually there's some sort of funding stream that's associated with that," Schulte said, adding that funding is typically sales tax.

The second question was if respondents would support a permanent sales tax increase for funding "not to exceed one cent," Schulte explained.

Schulte mentioned that this was before the jail flooded.

According to the results, 61 percent "said no," according to Schulte, while 39 percent "said yes."

The third question was if the parks and recreation district was not created, if respondents would "support a sales tax with a limited amount of time dedicated to completing recreation projects" such as the Town-To-Lakes Trail, according to Schulte.

Again, 61 percent were against and 39 percent for, according to Schulte.

"For me ... clearly, clearly, the public wants you guys to collaborate on parks and rec — they don't want to pay for it — but they want you to collaborate on parks and recreation stuff," Schulte said.

Schulte asked those present if they wanted to move forward, what that would look like and how it would be done.

Schulte suggested a similar model for funding is found in tourism.

"So, tourism ... is a community effort and the county has money for tourism, the town has money for tourism, and the decision of the two bodies was to craft an [memorandum of understanding (MOU)]

to bring those two together and have more clout to it," Schulte said.

The structure allows for both sides to have input into the budget, the "appointees" to the Tourism Advisory Board and if either partner wanted they could "exit at any time essentially," Schulte explained.

Schulte added that parks and recreation was not the same, "but certainly similar," as it is a community effort.

Phillips described the current funding sources for parks and recreation in the town.

One of these funding sources is the Conservation Trust Fund, which comes from lottery proceeds that both the town and county receive, according to Phillips.

"The town receives about \$17,000 a year, and the county through a prior MOU, has been giving the town \$30,000," Phillips said.

Schulte mentioned that he thinks the county received \$100,000 annually from the lottery proceeds.

The majority of the town's expenditures on parks and recreation come from the General Fund and the Capital Improvement Fund, which are supported by sales tax, as well as grants that are leveraged, according to Phillips.

Phillips also described some of the town's parks and recreation costs.

"For operations, we're budgeting \$419,000 for 2019, and that doesn't include the capital," Phillips said, adding later that was just for parks.

For trails, \$380,000 was budgeted for 2019, Phillips explained, adding that number could change. A total of \$249,000 was budgeted for parks, according to Phillips.

Phillips mentioned that major projects, such as the Town-to-Lakes Trail and the Hermosa Street section of the Riverwalk were pushed back years due to lack of funds to

complete them.

"Each section is like a million and some change," Phillips said of the Town-to-Lakes Trail.

The Riverwalk would cost about \$1 million to complete, and the town has received initial approval for a grant to help with about 60 percent of the cost, according to Phillips.

Schulte added that operating on an annual basis needed to be looked at since capital projects fluctuate year to year.

Schulte noted that a recreation program would need to be added, "which is probably another \$200 grand," and also mentioned needing to add in the costs of the Ross Aragon Community Center.

"Because the rec programs have to be operated somewhere," Schulte said, adding that there were already programs available from the Community Center.

"You can probably add another \$400,000 in annual operating costs that the county contributes," Schulte said.

Phillips gave some further information on the "rec division" costs.

"The rec division ... is \$528,000, and that includes the Community Center ..." Phillips said.

That \$528,000 is the total cost of the rec division, according to the town's proposed 2019 budget.

The grand total, according to Todd Starr, Archuleta County interim attorney, was \$4.5 million "not including the capital."

"So, obviously, Conservation Trust is really just a drop in the bucket," Phillips said.

Starr wondered if forming a single entity for parks and recreation could cause the county and town to lose funding from the Conservation Trust, stating, "I think that's in jeopardy."

According to Schulte, the funds are distributed from lottery funds based on population, but added that could be checked.

Wadley explained that this was better done together.

"We also recognize that there's things we didn't do at Cloman that we probably would've done, except we didn't have someone to maintain it," BoCC Chair Steve Wadley said.

Veteran's Park, according to Wadley, "will be coming on board" and other county facilities are likely in the future.

He explained that the county has been "holding back" because once something is created, it must be maintained.

"I would imagine it will just be a negotiation on what's fair and what's balanced," Wadley said.

Pagosa Springs Mayor Don Volger asked how much is spent by the county now versus what the county would hope to spend on parks and recreation in the future.

"The operations and management, it's virtually zero for us," Commissioner Michael Whiting said.

Cloman Park is a low-maintenance location, according to Whiting, "just trails and privately maintained disc golf baskets and tee boxes."

Volger explained that people did not know where town and county recreation lines are, "and we're not about to say, OK, this is for town residents because it's located in town, so county folks are going to have to pay premium; that's ridiculous."

"So, we are taking care of the recreation," Volger explained, asking if the county would like to help more.

"And, I think we do," Wadley said, adding that the county has helped with "a lot of infrastructure in the town."

The community's population base is in the PLPOA, Wadley mentioned, adding that the two groups should see if the PLPOA is willing to help.

Starr noted that the conversation was "migrating immediately or directly to an MOU or joint effort" and there was no discussion of "a separate district or authority."

Commissioner Ron Maez asked if the groups needed "to go to the tax people" and ask how to fund it.

Volger explained there are three options.

One option was to continue to fund parks and recreation as the town and county do now, the second was "reevaluate" in the town and county about what is "more equitable for the community" with an agreement to do something, Volger explained.

"Or, number three, form a special district and go to the public," Volger said, adding that if the community wants these things, there is a need for further funding.

Maez asked how to move forward.

The minimum was for a joint declaration on commitment of the two groups to move forward on recreation, Whiting explained.

Whiting explained that in the way the two groups had done with joint strategic priorities, declaring "our joint commitment to working together in some more significant ways," would show support for working together.

Volger explained that the town and county should get together and start working on an MOU with the financing available now for parks and recreation services "that we provide."

"And then, ... within a year or so, we'll be able to go back to the public and say we are working together, folks," Volger said, "... this is what we can do with projected funding that we have available under this current system, but what we could do if we had a different vehicle."

Phillips suggested creating a citizens committee, like an advisory group and having it be "citizen led."

Wadley suggested that Phillips meet with Peter Jankowski, the new county administrator, about moving forward.

Wadley also mentioned that perhaps in the development of the priorities for next year, "this rises to the top."

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Ambulance

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hospital, be more aware of wildlife, avoid more injuries themselves and more.

"We looked at, for the medics in the back, where they can do the vast majority of the work actually seat belted," Jason Webb said, pointing out that standing in the back of the ambulance is like standing in the back of a pickup truck. He added, "So you want people to be seated and belted in and be able to reach everything."

The new vehicle is also equipped with an infrared system to help detect wildlife.

"There's a lot of wildlife that we hit that causes a lot of accidents," Jason Webb said, "and so this system lets us know that there's wildlife next to the road or around us."

He further explained that the ambulance is equipped with "an innovating hearing system" that can block out the loud sirens so the medics can better communicate.

That system is also integrated into the radio system, so medics can more easily communicate with physicians at the hospital.

Other features within the ambulance are aimed at preserving the health of the medics.

"The other piece of it is the lifting causes a lot of back injuries for EMS workers, and so the system is designed with very minimal lifting," Jason Webb said, explaining

that it is equipped with a system so that the gurney can be raised and lowered on its own and can load itself, meaning medics aren't lifting a 200-pound gurney with a person on it in and out of the vehicle.

Too, Webb explained that the ambulance has been designed to eliminate as many "strike points," or places where a medic could hit and injure themselves in the event of an accident or sudden stop, as possible.

Another feature — making the box portion of the ambulance out of aluminum instead of wood — is both for safety and for cost, he explained.

Without any equipment, Jason Webb noted, ambulances can cost about \$250,000.

Locally, EMS goes through an ambulance every four to five years, which makes it expensive and difficult to raise funds for new ambulances.

By making the box out of aluminum, once an ambulance's motor and transmission are worn out, the box part of the ambulance can be moved to a different vehicle, which could reduce the cost to about \$100,000 per vehicle.

Too, should the ambulance ever be involved in a crash and roll, "aluminum will hold together far better than wood would," he said.

The new ambulance is now on the roads within Archuleta County,

allowing one of the older ambulances to serve as a backup.

"Emergency Medical Service is so important to our remote area. We have a commitment to expanding EMS services. We had 4 ambulances and they have very high mileage, frequently need repairs or are out of service," the CEO noted in an email to The SUN.

Rhonda Webb also pointed out that ambulances are very expensive and PSMC received a grant that covered half of the cost of the ambulance, with donors helping to raise the remaining funds.

That grant came from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, explained Jodi Scarpa, who works with the foundation that works with PSMC.

The final \$10,000 for the ambulance was granted by La Plata Electric Association, with the remainder coming from donors, Scarpa explained.

Without the adjunct equipment, the cost of the ambulance was \$219,708.97, she explained.

Rhonda Webb and Dave Bronson, assistant chief of EMS operations, christened the ambulance with water during a ceremony Friday, with PSMC staff, LPEA CEO Mike Dreyspring and Upper San Juan Health Service District (which oversees PSMC) on hand for the event.

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Election

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Office is serving as the official VSPC.

That office is located at 449 San Juan St. in the Archuleta County Courthouse. It is accessible from the rear of the courthouse.

The VSPC hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday through Nov. 6, 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 3, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 6.

In addition to the VSPC, voted ballots can be dropped off at the county clerk's Motor Vehicle Office, which is also located in the courthouse and open between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, including on Election Day.

The Motor Vehicle Office is accessible through the front of the courthouse.

Veterans

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sources, White explained.

"Where they get to go right to the source, hear the story right from the person, and honor what they have done for our country," White explained.

To White, this event and Veterans Day as a whole is an opportunity for students to apply and learn about those who fought for their country.

"To me it solidifies kids' understanding of, freedom comes at a cost. And that these people who serve at all capacities need to be honored," White said.

This year, White hopes that students are able to interview and talk to the true leaders of the community and listen to their stories.

Within the event, White hopes that the kids understand what it means to serve and give back to the community themselves.

"Because it's a great service project," White said, noting that he tells the students that it's not a school project, rather it's a county-wide project.

In addition to those things, it's a great way for students to build social skills, White added later.

"It's a maturity thing. I really see kids grow because of this program," White said.

This program has been described by White as one of the greatest pleasures of his teaching career.

"Some of the greatest people I've ever met have come from my meeting these veterans from year

The county also has a secure drop box that is open 24/7 with video surveillance. It will be open through 7 p.m. on Nov. 6 and is located on the sidewalk in front of the courthouse.

Archuleta County Clerk and Recorder June Madrid noted that there has been confusion about the location of the drop box and pointed out that it is now located on the opposite end of the courthouse from where it was last year.

It is now in front of the old Archuleta County Sheriff's Office, at the west end of the courthouse.

Can I still get a ballot?

While it is too late to register to vote and have a ballot mailed to you, it is still possible to register and vote at the VSPC.

Anyone looking to register to vote can do so up to and including Election Day, though Madrid noted, "All voters coming in will be asked to vote in the office now."

Election night information

Results of the county-level contested races and ballot issues in Tuesday's election will be available at www.PagosaSUN.com after they are announced.

To sign up to receive an election night update with that information via email, visit <https://tinyurl.com/yacwb4xm>.

Additional election information, including how Archuleta County voters voted in state races and on state issues, will be available in next Thursday's edition of The SUN.

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veterans that helped make us a free country," Braylon Cotts said.

For Hannah Rockensock, Veterans Day is about respecting and learning from the veterans themselves and hearing their stories.

"I hope I can take away, like, how many people have helped us and how many people put themselves in the front line of battle for the greater good of our union," Jai Loveday added.

Hearing stories and finding a new respect for veterans was also mentioned by Cisco Chavez.

"I'm kind of looking forward to hearing their stories and being able to take away how much our freedom really did cost," Skylar Sherman said.

Bea Yenezza added that she agreed with Sherman's thoughts and the breakfast will be a good chance to realize that things should not be taken for granted.

"Because there are people that fought for our freedom," Yenezza said.

The 18th-annual PSMS Veterans Day breakfast will be held on Nov. 12 at the Ross Aragon Community Center with doors opening at 7:30 a.m. and breakfast being served until around 10:30 a.m.

Volunteers will be decorating the Community Center gym on Nov. 11 starting around 2 p.m.

Anyone who would like to help decorate is welcome, and White noted that all veterans are welcome, including current veterans or veterans who are just visiting town.

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Better worlds start with great mothers

By Claire Ninde
Special to The SUN

At San Juan Basin Public Health's (SJBPH) Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP), first-time moms are empowered to transform their lives and create better futures for themselves and their babies.

NFP works by having specially-trained registered nurses regularly visit first-time moms, starting early in pregnancy and continuing through to the child's second birthday. Women enrolled in NFP must meet income qualifications.

NFP nurses serve as guides to first-time moms as they navigate the social, emotional and physical changes of pregnancy. Additionally, the nurses can assist pregnant moms with improving their diet and exercise, decreasing stress, and accessing support through family, friends and community resources. Moms can also receive education about topics such as breastfeeding, childbirth and symptoms to report to their prenatal care provider.

After the baby is born, a NFP family continues visits with their personal nurse, receiving information and support on topics such as nutrition, developmental milestones, activities

to do with their infants and toddlers, child behavior, and sleep concerns. NFP nurses can also support clients and family members in goals such as going back to school or work.

A recent NFP graduate describes her experience: "I found out I was pregnant mid-January 2016. I had no idea how to be a mom. I was alone, single and terrified. Danette and NFP walked me through all of my concerns and fears. She taught me about child nutrition, personal care, infant care and child/infant development. She gave me suggestions on games and activities I could play with my daughter, and she also provided age-appropriate books and puzzles from time to time. The confidence I gained with working with Danette and NFP is immeasurable. The support and guidance offered through this program was so useful and helpful for my child and me, I would absolutely recommend this program to all first-time mothers."

The strength of the NFP program is seen in the impacts on the families that graduate. The program has shown over 40 years of proven results demonstrated by research showing the NFP model's success in helping moms have healthier pregnancies, improving child health and development, and improving the economic self-sufficiency of the families served.

The program has also shown other significant health results including fewer closely spaced subsequent pregnancies, less child abuse and neglect, fewer child injuries, improved school readiness, reduced use of welfare and other government assistance, higher employment rates for the mothers, and increased pres-

ence of fathers and partner stability. Additionally, the program saves money. One recent analysis found that though the program costs only \$1.6 billion, it will save the federal government \$3 billion in spending on things like Medicaid and food stamps by 2031.

It seems that the effectiveness of the NFP model lies in the strong emphasis on the stable, trusting relationship between the nurse and the mother over 2 1/2 years. This relationship provides support, safety and accountability as the women set and make progress toward health and parenting goals. At SJBPH, NFP moms have also had the opportunity to meet each other at social gatherings two times a year hosted by NFP nurses. These gatherings allow families to share experiences, to learn from one another and to develop new relationships.

Since 1996, NFP has served over 280,000 families in 42 states, the U.S. Virgin Islands and five tribal communities. NFP programs are now established in 558 counties and the program is also being replicated internationally, including in the UK, Canada and the Netherlands.

Locally, in 2017 SJBPH's NFP served 108 new moms with 819 home visits in La Plata, Archuleta and San Juan counties.

Better worlds start with great mothers and SJBPH's NFP program aims to achieve this by positively transforming the lives of babies, mothers and families.

For more information, visit <https://sjbpublichealth.org/nfp/> or contact Danette Jackson, RN, BSN at 335-2083 ordjackson@sjbpublichealth.org. Jackson is SJBPH's NFP supervisor.

PAWSD to start cracking down on pressure-reducing valves within meter pits

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The issue of privately owned pressure-reducing valves (PRV) was discussed by the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) board of directors during a regular meeting on Oct. 25.

"We live in an area with a lot of terrain, and so we put pumps in that pump the water from where we have pressure up here and we have to reduce the pressure when it gets down here," PAWSD District Manager Justin Ramsey explained.

Some individual homeowners own PRVs and have subsequently decided to place them into PAWSD's meter pits, Ramsey explained further.

Because PAWSD owns those meter pits, they have begun to fine customers who place PRVs on their meter pits, Ramsey added.

"We're going to start forcing them to move those PRVs out of our meter pits," Ramsey said.

An issue arises when customers put the PRV into a PAWSD meter pit and something becomes damaged; in that case PAWSD has to fix the damage because it occurred on its meter pit, Ramsey explained.

For those customers who already have PRVs on a PAWSD meter pit, Ramsey explained the protocol PAWSD will take once something breaks.

"I don't think we're going to start looking in boxes," Ramsey described, "but when this thing breaks, we're going to go in the box and remove it. You're going to have to put it someplace else."

The PRV does not necessarily have to go in the house, but it just can't be within PAWSD's meter pit, Ramsey added in a follow-up interview.

As to why customers are putting the PRVs within PAWSD's meter pits, Ramsey noted that it was probably for convenience.

A PRV is a valve with a spring that sets the pressure and they eventually wear out and break, Ramsey explained.

"And we just have a rule not to get in our boxes, so it just seems counterintuitive to have private stuff in a box that they're not allowed to go into," Ramsey said.

Customers have gotten permission in the past to install PRVs in the past, but with this change that permission will be taken away, Ramsey noted.

"What ends up happening is it breaks, they're not allowed to go into to fix it, so we have to go and fix it, they pay us to fix it, but we're really getting busy and we really don't have time to be people's personal plumbers," Ramsey stated.

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Ballot Measure 1A allows the County to collect up to **\$2.97 million per year** in additional sales taxes, for up to 15 years. That equals **\$44.55 million** in new tax collections. But the **DEBT** authorized by 1A is only \$25.8 million. **What will the additional \$19 million be used for?** 1A allows the County to spend the money on "sheriff's patrol and transport vehicles, communications and dispatching, courtrooms, district attorney facilities, and related facilities." 1A is essentially a **\$44 million blank check** that can be spent **ONLY** on "Justice System" expenses — but **not** on roads or other essential services.

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Commissioners, residents discuss possible solutions for Bristlecone

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and concerned citizens met to discuss solutions to concerns over speed bumps and concerns on Bristlecone Drive at a work session on Oct. 9.

Topics covered at the session included talks of implementing speed bumps along Bristlecone, the county providing funding assistance for the maintenance of Bristlecone, the possibility of implementing a bypass in the future and more.

The work session followed a previous one where concerned citizens of Bristlecone Drive and Cascade Avenue discussed truck traffic, speed, history and alternatives to heavy truck traffic through the area.

According to Greg Schulte, an advisor to the BoCC and the county administrator, there were dilemmas surrounding Bristlecone.

These dilemmas included speed on the road by both trucks and cars. He also mentioned that, currently, the maintenance responsibility for Bristlecone falls on the Colorado's Timber Ridge Homeowners Association.

One of the suggestions made during the previous discussion was speed bumps, according to Schulte.

Bob Perry, the county's public works director, gave a report on his findings about speed bumps at the beginning of the Oct. 9 meeting.

Perry provided a report to the board in which he explained there are more than just speed bumps; there are also speed humps and tables.

Schulte noted that there are differences between speed bumps, humps and tables.

In the report, Perry lists that speed bumps are very short in width, somewhere between 10 and 12 inches wide, and "more of a short jolt impact."

Speed humps, however, are 10-12 feet wide, according to the report.

"... and tables 10-12 ft wide top and longer flatter tapers will have less jolt impact," the report reads.

Speed bumps are designed to be navigated at 5 mph, while humps are designed for speeds of 10-15 mph and tables for speeds at about 20-30 mph "depending on specific design characteristics."

Bumps are used mainly in private parking lots, "private roads (i.e. trailer parks)" and in "very specific residential neighborhoods."

Speed bumps "are not used on collector, major collector or arterial roads" according to the report, but used where traffic is already going at a slow speed.

Speed bumps need to be employed regularly and close together to be effective, according to the report.

The report also notes a "large number of complaints and large volume of litigation" can be created by speed bumps on public roads, as well as noise.

The "successful" litigation was mainly concerned with delay of

emergency vehicles "where every minute counts and lack of proper signage warning of the speed bumps for emergency vehicles and cause disruption of emergency care in the ambulance while routed to the hospital."

Other concerns for speed bumps included that tie-down spikes for portable speed bumps "tend to come loose and pop up and cause tire and/or vehicle underside damage," especially on gravel roads, according to the report.

Washboarding on gravel roads could be caused by speed bumps, according to the report.

A speed bump costs around \$1,500-\$2,500, with costs depending on if it was removable, asphalt or other specifics, according to Perry.

Perry noted that humps and tables are not removable.

A speed hump is "almost always in a paved area," and cost around \$7,000-\$10,000, according to Perry.

Humps are used generally for three purposes, according to the report.

These purposes include increasing safety on residential streets, improving the "environmental quality" of residential neighborhoods and improving traffic flow through a residential area.

Speed tables are a little more expensive, according to Perry and "they can run up to \$20,000" and are often used as crosswalks.

Schulte noted that part of the discussion was on the permanence of the bump, hump or table.

Removable speed bumps, according to Schulte, "like the ones at Ramon's," are put in during the summer and removed in the winter because of difficulty of snow plowing.

Speed tables are more easily plowed, according to Perry, and a hump was kind of "in between."

Perry noted that the Timber Ridge Metro District plows Bristlecone.

"One of the things that everyone has to understand is that, regardless of the three solutions, Bristlecone is long enough ... you're going to have to have multiple installations ..." Schulte said.

Whiting added that some sort of calculator for spacing of the bumps, humps or tables must exist to determine the number needed, and asked how many would be needed to successfully slow down traffic.

Further, Whiting stated he was assuming that humps and tables could only be used on paved roads.

A member of the Timber Ridge Metro District told the BoCC that the district's snowplow operator had expressed concerns over speed bumps, humps and tables existed since they could damage his equipment.

Further, according to the member, the cost of plowing would increase due to increased time and damage.

Another idea expressed by an audience member was to place stop signs at every intersection along Bristlecone.

Whiting asked if a stop sign could be placed anywhere the county liked, or if it would need to be at an

intersection.

Whiting explained that all that putting a stop sign would do is raise the "pain point" of speeding on the road.

"The pain point for a stop sign is much, much higher than exceeding the speed limit by 5 or 10 miles an hour," Whiting said.

Maez expressed of the county, "we're going to have to assume some financial responsibility for this road somehow ..."

He noted it costs money to stop and start "in a big truck."

"Maybe, inherently, they might start seeking a different route and coming down 8th Street or Hot Springs or whatever else," Maez said.

An audience member stated there are two problems trying to be solved for Bristlecone: the financial impact of heavy haul traffic and the excessive speed.

A Timber Ridge resident asked why the situation was being treated as if there was no other alternative and Bristlecone was the only road to be taken.

Maez responded that it was a public access road.

The resident discussed two other alternatives: Hot Springs Boulevard and 8th Street.

"We have discussed those," Whiting said, adding that those were roads open to haulers.

However, the haulers are going to take the shortest route, no matter which road was closed to the haulers, according to Whiting.

The haulers would take the next closest road, Whiting explained.

In response, the resident explained that those two roads were not taken care of by a private metro district.

Other topics of discussion included adding more deputies in the sheriff's office, using cameras to catch violators and entering into franchise agreements with the haulers.

Some residents added that the county could be liable for safety issues along the road.

Todd Starr, the interim county attorney, added that the county concern on safety was a practical one, but, legally, "we enjoy immunity from dangerous conditions of the road."

Other ideas discussed included increasing fees at the dump and private police officers.

Many comments were made about not allowing heavy truck traffic on the road.

"So, closing the road to that style of vehicle, I'm seeing a lot of that," Whiting said.

Additional comments were made about closing Bristlecone to truck traffic and sending the trucks down U.S. 160.

Aside from closing Bristlecone, Whiting asked, what could be possible solutions?

One member of the audience explained that the commissioners had a "golden opportunity" to solve several problems and plan for the future.

"Here is my suggestion. There is a pathway that runs through Alpha,

another subdivision, that can be, right now, planned for the future for Pagosa Springs ... you can put a road in that will accommodate all the traffic you're talking about now, for the future," the audience member said.

This brought up a discussion about a bypass.

A bypass was a "big deal," according to Schulte, due to the necessity to take land.

Starr noted that taking land eliminated most grants.

Maez explained that the increase in traffic was from the increase of growth in the county. This included trash collection, construction and other traffic.

Another member of the public explained that if the road wasn't to be shut down to heavy truck traffic there were three solutions: physical speed restraint, such as a speed table, redistribution of the traffic and funding for the road.

Schulte noted that several good ideas had been mentioned at the session and merited following up.

Much of the discussion was on sending trucks down South 8th Street, according to Schulte.

Schulte mentioned that if the trucks came down South 8th Street, it put the trucks closer to schools, senior citizens and parks.

Schulte explained that there are other ways to slow traffic and he also wanted staff to investigate other types of "traffic calming."

During his time as town manager, there was a project on South 8th Street for traffic calming, according to Schulte. The plan used bulb outs on curbs to slow traffic and narrowing the road to cause slower speeds.

Whiting identified two ways to address solutions: long-term and short-term.

A bypass would be a very long-term solution, according to Whiting.

Schulte explained that in the short term, one option was to speak with the contract haulers and get volunteer compliance while also looking at franchise agreements.

Speed bumps, humps and tables were not a "near-term" solution because of the approaching winter, according to Schulte.

County staff would need to look at the effectiveness of the speed humps or tables, according to Schulte, as bumps did not seem appropriate to him.

Schulte also noted that the placement of the humps, bumps or tables would cause another meeting, as no one would like the sound of the trucks hitting the bump near their home.

Another option was to look at signs and their costs, Schulte noted.

Schulte added that he would contact the Colorado Department of Transportation for a bypass, which was described as a long process that would go through somebody's neighborhood and property.

Signs were the most likely solution in the near term, Schulte explained.

No future date for another discussion was given.

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Annexation process begins for future early childhood education center

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Another annexation process is underway for the Town of Pagosa Springs, with the owner of 74 Backswing Drive, which is slated to become an early childhood education facility, requesting to become a part of the town.

At its Oct. 18 meeting, the Pagosa

Springs Town Council gave the go-ahead for the annexation application to begin making its way through the town's process by declaring that the application was in "substantial compliance" with state statute.

Now, the annexation request will go before the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission, which will be followed by two public hearings by town council.

According to the agenda brief prepared for the meeting, on Nov. 13 the planning commission will consider resolutions with recommendations for town council on the proposed annexation and zoning for the property.

The first readings of the ordinances that would approve the annexation and zoning are scheduled for Nov. 20, with the second read-

ings currently scheduled for Dec. 4.

In presenting the item to council for consideration, Planning Director James Dickhoff informed council that the property proposed for annexation is bordered by town on three sides, with the fourth side being the Archuleta County airport.

The property is about one acre in size, Dickhoff explained.

■ See Annexation A11

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Veterans Memorial Park announces a beachhead landing

By James Van Liere
Special to The SUN

Thanks to Boyd Anderson and his troops, an initial assault to establish a beachhead for the Veterans Memorial Park of Archuleta County has been successful. Thus, this first operation toward the completion of the Veterans Memorial Park has now established a foothold.

Inasmuch as part of the parking area is finished, it may be used. If used, please remember that this is hallowed ground honoring our past, present and future veterans and, as such, should be treated and used with the utmost respect. If desired, flowers may be placed at the base of the flagpole to remember and honor loved ones. Dead and dying flowers will be removed periodically.

As a matter of background, the

current board of directors consists of President Karin Daniels, Vice President Jim Stone, Secretary Trista Nauman, Treasurer Jim Van Liere, board members Jim Huffman, Raymond Taylor, Val Valentine, Roy Vega and President Emeritus Dick Fortier.

The park was formed in 2013 as a nonprofit 501(c)19 corporation with the IRS recognizing that donations in cash or in-kind are deductible under Internal Revenue Code Section 170(c)3. The board members serve on a voluntary basis donating their time and knowledge toward this \$2.5 million project.

Membership is open to all in the form of a regular membership at a cost of \$25 per year, a charter membership at an initial cost of \$100 and \$25 per year (limited to 100 memberships) and a lifetime membership of \$500. Charter

memberships receive a certificate and numbered key fob and lifetime memberships automatically become a charter membership and receive the same plus a dog tag and a free 4-inch-by-8-inch brick.

In October 2014, the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association deeded 6.9 acres to Archuleta County, who in turn gave it to the Veterans Memorial Park Board of Directors to be developed as a Memorial Park and a public recreation site. Presently, the board is continuing to develop design concepts for trails, the memorial itself, a facilities building, a picnic pavilion, picnic shelters, a playground and two military displays. All facilities, structures, et cetera, will be designed to be handicapped accessible.

Obviously, additional funds are still required to accomplish the successful completion of this proj-

ect. To raise funds, the board has applied for grants, has conducted four successful golf tournaments, has sponsored a couple of special movies, a special dinner and sells memorial bricks to be placed in the memorial section of the park.

In 2017, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners generously donated \$80,000 to jumpstart construction of the park. Several individuals, too numerous to mention, have also donated funds, for which the board is very grateful.

So, in honor of Veterans Day, now is the time to send in your donation to move this park forward to serve as a Veterans Memorial Park to honor all our veterans, past, present and future and as a community park. Please send your donation to the Veterans Memorial Park, P.O. Box 2642, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

VETERAN'S CORNER

VA updates disability rating schedule related to skin conditions

By Raymond Taylor
SUN Columnist

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced that President Donald J. Trump recently approved the appointment of four new veterans law judges to the VA's Board of Veterans' Appeals.

"Bringing on additional judges means the board will be better staffed to conduct hearings and decide appeals properly in a timely manner," said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. "Combined with procedural changes under the Appeals Modernization and Improvement Act of 2017 [AMA] and the hiring of more than 200 additional board attorneys, this translates into better and faster service for veterans."

Veterans law judges are presidential appointees and go through a thorough vetting process. After an initial screening, the chairman of the board recommends a list of candidates to the secretary of the VA. If agreed to, the list of selectees is forwarded to the White House for final approval. Once approved, the selectees are notified by the chairman and officially sworn in.

The following veterans law judges assumed their roles Oct. 14: Lauren Cryan, Evan Deichert, William Donnelly and Cynthia Skow.

In fiscal year 2018, the board issued a historic 85,288 decisions to veterans — 61.6 percent more than in 2017. Expanding the roster of veterans law judges will allow the board to continue issuing more decisions for veterans, as the VA prepares for full implementation of the AMA. This law transforms a complex appeals process into one that is simplified, timely and transparent by providing veterans with increased choice and control. The AMA will go into effect on Feb. 14.

Veterans Day breakfast

The Veterans Day breakfast will be held on Nov. 12 at the Ross Aragon Community Center. All veterans and family members are urged to attend. You will be glad you did.

Presentation of flag-folding service will be at 9 a.m., anyone in uniform please join us. This will be followed by a luncheon at the American Legion Post at noon. A short ceremony marking Veterans Day will precede the potluck lunch.

For further information, please contact the Veteran Services Office.

Services available for local veterans

Pine Ridge Extended Care Center is VA-certified, which means there are services available for our local veterans. These services have eligibility requirements and specific programs. For more information, please contact this office or Pine Ridge.

For more information

The office of the Archuleta County veterans service officer (VSO) provides assistance to qualified military veterans, and their families, or a veteran's survivors, in applying to and in obtaining VA program assistance, benefits and claims.

This assistance is provided within the guidelines, policies and procedures established by the Colorado Department of Military and Veteran Affairs. This is a mandated program of the state of Colorado.

For further information on VA benefits, please call or stop by the Archuleta County Veterans Service Office, located at the Pagosa Springs Senior Center in the Ross Aragon Community Center on Hot Springs Boulevard.

The best way to contact me is to set up an appointment, for either at your home or in the office, so I can schedule a specific time in order to answer and assist each veteran in Archuleta County.

The office number is 264-4013, fax number is 264-4014, cell number is 946-3590 and email is raytaylor@archuletacounty.org. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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for applications to VA programs or benefits for which the veteran may be entitled to enroll, and for filing in the Archuleta County VSO office.

Always leave me a message and phone number to contact you.

Veterans' groups

The following veterans groups meet in Pagosa Springs:

- American Legion Post 108: second Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.
- American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary: first Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.
- Veterans for Veterans: Every Tuesday at 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.
- Combat Veterans PTSD Group: Every other Tuesday at noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Contact Kevin Kelly at (505) 699-0824.
- Women's Group of Spouses of Veterans: First and third Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., Dr. Sharon Carter's office. Contact Charlotte at 903-9690.

Important numbers

- 799-VETS, www.Vets4VetsPSCO.org.
- Durango VA Outpatient Clinic: 247-2214.
- Farmington VA Center: (505) 326-4383.
- VAMC Albuquerque, N.M.: (800) 465-8262.
- VAMC Albuquerque, N.M., emergency notification: (800) 465-8262, ext. 5739.
- The Veterans Crisis Line offers free, confidential support to veterans in crisis, as well as their family and friends 24/7/365. Call (800) 273-8255, chat online or text 838255.

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'Make Colorado even better': Polis outlines goals and challenges in run for office

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Colorado is an amazing state, but it also has its challenges, Democratic gubernatorial nominee Jared Polis explained in a brief interview with The SUN while visiting Pagosa Springs on Oct. 28.

Polis was superintendent of the New America School, a school which he founded in 2004, and also served six years on the state board of education.

In addition to his educational efforts, Polis explained that he helped start a nonprofit called Patriot Boot Camp to help train veterans to be their own bosses and start their own companies.

Patriot Boot Camp has trained hundreds of veterans, Polis added. Improving schools, saving families money on health care, protecting public lands are just some of the challenges Colorado faces, Polis noted.

"I've created businesses and hundreds of jobs. I have started and been superintendent of schools and I'm ready to put my skills and background to work to make

Colorado even better," Polis said.

In terms of goals, saving families money on health care was again referenced by Polis.

"So people have more money left in their pocket at the end of the month," Polis said. "We want to improve our schools and make college more affordable and fix our roads and infrastructure."

Current Gov. John Hickenlooper's legacy is strong economic growth; however, a better effort needs to be made to make that economy work for everyone, Polis explained.

"I've also been a representative for Northern Colorado in congress and I've learned enough about how to get Republicans and Democrats to work together to get things done," Polis said.

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Jared Polis

Annexation

Continued from A10

Council member Nicole DeMarco asked David Smith, the property's owner, why he wanted to annex the property into the town.

Smith responded that he had talked with several people and felt he could probably get more help from town staff and that town staff is more "accustomed" to dealing with commercial projects.

"The Early Childhood Education (ECE) workgroup was established

to facilitate the joint priority of ECE services in the community," the agenda brief explains. "The owners purchased the property and have entered a 10-year lease to provide the space rent free for the purpose of an ECE center. The application proposes annexation prior to major renovation of the existing 4153 sqft building required to bring the facility into compliance. The completed facility will serve more than 40 children under 5 years of age."

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Education



Photos courtesy Seeds of Learning
Seeds of Learning kids celebrate Fall Fest on Oct. 18. Students and families participated in movement activities as well as arts and crafts activities.

Families enjoy fun Fall Fest activities at Seeds

By Terri Hardeman
 Special to The SUN

Whose faces are poking through the sunflowers? They are Seeds kids. On Oct. 18, Seeds of Learning hosted Fall Fest to celebrate fall activities with students and families.

The event has been held annually for over 10 years and provides an opportunity for families to share fun experiences with their children at school.

Miss Becca, lead teacher in the Ladybug class and coordinator for

the event, commented that more older siblings attended this year as well as lots of new families.

Each classroom offered movement activities as well as arts and crafts activities. Those activities included Pumpkin Twister in the Dragonfly classroom. In the Ladybug classroom, families participated in the leaf-blowing race. When visiting the Butterfly classroom, the children played pumpkin bowling and the spider ring game. Face painting was a favorite in every classroom. Healthy fall snacks were provided by the parents.



Photo courtesy Kristin Morehouse

Six Pirates from the Pagosa Springs High School Speech and Debate Team attend the eight-school tournament at Alamosa High School on Oct. 27. Three came home with awards. Volunteer help is needed in putting on a scrimmage locally.

Pagosa Springs High School Speech and Debate Team brings home awards from Alamosa tournament

By Kristin Morehouse
 Special to The SUN

Six Pirates from the Pagosa Springs High School Speech and Debate Team went to the eight-school tournament at Alamosa High School on Oct. 27. Everyone challenged themselves and grew. Three came home with awards.

Makayla Garcia won fourth place in Poetry by performing a series of poems centered on finding one's fuel in life.

Emma Happ received a fourth-place ribbon in Original Oratory for a 10-minute piece she wrote and performed on the need for more female role models in the media.

Anneka Sleed won a second place overall and a first-place novice award with her three un-

defeated rounds of Value Debate.

Tournaments can take in excess of 12 hours as the competitors take turns competing against teens from all over the state.

We were fortunate to be able to attend this tournament in Alamosa. There are currently only two speech and debate programs in our part of Colorado.

We are preparing to host a scrimmage with Alamosa High School and would greatly appreciate the assistance of anyone willing to help with this; training and guidance will be provided.

Please contact Kristin Morehouse at kmorehouse@pagosa.k12.co.us or 903-1263 if you are willing to help speech and debate in the Four Corners region continue to grow.



Photo courtesy Cindi Galabota

On Thursday, Oct. 25, the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library celebrated Lisa Cowell's accomplishment of achieving her GED. She reached that goal by studying with instructor Mark Wardell at the library.

Library program assists with long-term educational goal

By Meg Wempe
 Special to The SUN

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose." These famous lines come from the beloved author Dr. Seuss.

On Thursday, Oct. 25, the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library celebrated Lisa Cowell's accomplishment of achieving her GED. She reached that goal by studying with instructor Mark Wardell at the library.

■ See Goal A13

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Upcoming shop local opportunities

By Mary Jo Coulehan
Special to The SUN

There are several upcoming dates where consumers can keep their shopping dollars local instead of leaking the tax dollars out of the community.

At this time of year, many people are looking for “high ticket” items such as electronic equipment, computers, appliances or furniture. There are stores in Pagosa that offer these types of items and it is at this time of year that you can reap great savings by purchasing your items locally.

Some Pagosa stores will be offering “Black Friday” specials. However, since the majority of retail in Pagosa Springs is considered small business, enjoy two weekends of special sales and savings as a consumer or a retail provider. Studies show that for every \$100 spent, approximately \$68 stays in a community versus shopping outside the community, where only

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cial on Nov. 24 in conjunction with this special shopping event.

Nov. 30-Dec. 2: Parade of Stores

Celebrating our 12th year, the Parade of Stores is another shop local event. The Chamber coordinates this event on behalf of our retail industry.

Through this event, shopping local is promoted and while the shoppers can cash in on great deals and savings throughout the community, the retailers can take advantage of cooperative marketing opportunities, savings and business promotion.

In addition to receiving great shopping deals around town, for every \$10 spent in a store, you will be entered into a drawing for gift certificates offered by every participating store. The more you spend, the more chances you have at winning those certificates. The drawing will take place the week after Parade of Stores, when both the stores and the winners will be notified.

This is the perfect time of year to create those wish lists of items that are provided locally. And then shop local. So you shop and get a great deal online — we all like a great deal. But, do you realize that you are taking valuable sales tax dollars out of our community that supports our

schools, police, fire and emergency service departments in addition to our friends and neighbors who own the stores?

Make a day or two of the Parade of Stores. Gather the girlfriends and enjoy shopping, lunch or a late afternoon pick-me-up. Grab the family and make it a family affair to shop local. Send friends and family members a part of Pagosa by shopping local.

Membership news

The next Maximizing Your Membership class will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 9 to 10 a.m. This free, short seminar for members and those interested in joining the Chamber is fast-paced and jam-packed with information on how you can better utilize your Chamber membership.

The class is held in the Chamber conference room and a light breakfast will also be served. Rick Artis, new membership coordinator, will take you through the motions of how the Chamber works for you, small things you can do to better promote yourself and how you can better utilize the Chamber's services. Reserve your space now by contacting Artis at 264-2360. Prepare now for better business marketing in 2019.

Water production down 1.92 million gallons from last week

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

As of Oct. 29, Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) has seen a slight increase in the amount of total cumulative available lake water for treatment and delivery, with 67.1 percent available compared to last week's total of 66.5 percent.

Lake Hatcher is 73 inches from full, compared to 75 inches last week.

Stevens Lake is 136 inches from full, while last week it was 138 inches from full.

Lake Pagosa and Village Lake have sustained the same totals from last week, with Pagosa still sitting at 29 inches from full and Village remaining at 15 inches from full.

To round out the lake level totals for this week, Lake Forest is now at 12 inches from full, compared to last week's total of 13 inches.

Total diversion flows remain the same as last week with a cumulative 5 cubic feet per second (cfs).

Individual diversion flow totals also remain the same as last week, with the West Fork having a diversion flow of 3 cfs, Four Mile remaining at 0.5 cfs and the San Juan River at 1.5 cfs.

From Oct. 19 through Oct. 25 last year, total water production totaled 11.31 million gallons.

Contributing to that total last year, the Snowball water treatment plant produced 3.88 million gallons, the Hatcher water treatment plant produced 7.43 million gallons and the San Juan plant produced none.

This year in that same time frame, water production totaled 10.98 million gallons.

Last week, water production was 12.90 million gallons in total.

This year, from Oct. 19 through Oct. 25, the Snowball plant produced 4.03 million gallons, the Hatcher plant produced 2.32 million gallons and the San Juan plant produced 4.63 million gallons.

PAWSD District Manager Justin Ramsey added in an interview with The SUN that the San Juan water treatment plant has been closed down for the winter.

“So, we’re going to be relying solely on Hatcher and Snowball,” he said.

The San Juan plant was shut down on Oct. 25, Ramsey noted.

PAWSD usually shuts down the San Juan plant earlier, Ramsey explained.

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Goal

Continued from A12

M. Sisson Memorial Library celebrated one such positive steering in a person's life. Lisa Cowell recently completed her GED. This milestone was achieved through Cowell's hard work and determination and with coursework studied at the library.

She had help through the Pagosa Adult Learning Services (PALS), which is at the library, located at U.S. 160 and 8th Street. By working with Mark Wardell, the lead instructor, she studied for and passed the four different GED subject tests that are required to attain a GED.

The PALS program has no additional cost and is a resource open to any adult. You can receive help with your high school equivalency, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Some students have studied for their CDL (commercial driver's license) or taken placement tests for

their continued scholastic pursuits.

During the school year, Wardell is at the library on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 7 p.m. You do not need to call or register ahead of time. When you're ready to take that next step — or know someone that is — we encourage you to come to the library during one of those times and talk with Wardell.

Most of our students have different educational aims, so the program is not set up in a cookie-cutter style. When you come in, you will work with Wardell to create a personal learning plan tailored to reach your educational goals.

Like Cowell, “You can steer yourself in any direction you choose,” and the library can help. If you have questions, you can reach the library at 264-2209.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Family storytimes return on Wednesday mornings and expanded policy for DVDs

By Carole Howard
SUN Columnist, and the library staff

We are delighted to announce that family storytimes return to your library on Wednesday mornings this month, thanks to our part-time employee, Jeanne Hanson-Colburn.

They had been replaced by open play sessions for the last two months, since the resignation of our early literacy librarian. Her replacement cannot join our staff until the summer, after she graduates with her master's degree.

Until then, Hanson-Colburn has agreed to work more hours and lead our very popular family storytimes on both Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. and Saturdays from 9:30 to 10 a.m. for kids of all ages. Storytimes are a great way for youngsters to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Please note that both storytimes are open to babies, toddlers and youngsters of all ages to make it easier for parents to attend with their children depending on their busy schedules rather than the age of their little ones.

We are lucky to have someone with Hanson-Colburn's experience and credentials filling in for this key position. She has worked as a librarian in the Dulce, N.M., school district and chaired the mid-high and elementary schools' bi-annual book fairs there. She has worked part time in our library since March 2017.

Expanded policy for DVDs

Starting today, Nov. 1, you can check out 10 DVDs at a time. Also, new DVDs will be a separate category and you can check out two new DVDs in addition to the 10 from the regular offerings. We believe our DVD fans will appreciate this additional checkout number. It's a win for your library as well, as we project it will create additional shelf space as more of our collection is checked out.

Did you know ...

Did you know that your library has a collection of 689 books that we affectionately call The Hershey Collection? These nonfiction books largely come from the personal collection of Jacob and Terese Hershey and center around the Four Corners region and Colorado.

You will find a wide variety of topics, including hiking, western art, ghost towns, flora and fauna, history and more. Examples include "Golden Treasures of the San Juan" by Temple H. Cornelius and John B. Marshall, "Four Corners: History, Land and People of the Desert Southwest" by Kenneth A. Brown, "Watchable Birds of the Rocky Mountains" by Mary Taylor Gary, "Ghost Towns Colorado Style" by Kenneth Jessen and "Weird Colorado: Your Travel Guide to Colorado's Local Legends and Best Kept Secrets" by Charmaine Ortega Getz.

All of the books in the Hershey Collection are available for check out.

Library activities next two weeks

Today's column covers activities and events at your library for youngsters, tweens, teens and adults over the next two weeks as your columnist will be traveling. The next "Library News" column will appear on Nov. 15.

Library closure

Your library will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12, for Veterans Day.

Lifelong Learning today

The fifth of seven free fall Lifelong Learning Lectures takes place today, Thursday, Nov. 1, with "Child Abuse and Neglect Training," when Lacy Brown explains what it means to be a mandated reporter and what happens when a report is made to the Department of Human Services. This lecture series runs through Nov. 15 on Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

"Why Trauma Matters" by Doty Shephard of Resilient Colorado on Nov. 8 helps you understand the impact of trauma on brains, bodies and behaviors.

"Visualizing an Unseen World: Close-up and Macro Photography" by Andy Butler on Nov. 15 covers types of equipment, lighting and composition in close-up photography.

Pick up a brochure at your library with more details about these very interesting presentations and the impressive credentials of the speakers.

Teen advisory board

Today, Thursday, Nov. 1, the teen advisory board meets from 4 to 5 p.m. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Share an idea to pick out a free book.

All-ages gaming tomorrow

Join us tomorrow, Friday, Nov. 2, from 2 to 3:15 p.m. for a free all-ages gaming session where you can enjoy video gaming on Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with your friends and family.

Paws to Read Saturday

Saturday, Nov. 3, from 11 a.m. to noon, youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to share their favorite books with Hondo, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories, at a Paws to Read session. This is a great way for beginning readers to build confidence.

Tween gaming

Free gaming for those in the fourth through eighth grades is Monday, Nov. 5, from 4 to 5 p.m. Enjoy Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks.

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.

Teen role-playing

The free role-playing game for seventh- through 12th-graders takes place Wednesday, Nov. 7, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters. You can join this group any time.

Spanish instruction

Join us for this free basic course Wednesday, Nov. 7, from 3 to 4 p.m. to improve your ability to speak and understand Spanish. No registration or previous attendance is required.

Medicare 101

Do you have questions about Medicare? San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging Medicare counselor Katy Deshler will help you understand your rights, options, deadlines and where to get more information at a free class on Thursday, Nov. 8, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. After her presentation, there will be plenty of time for questions.

All-ages movie

Join us Friday, Nov. 9, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. to enjoy a free PG movie with your friends and family. Our contract does not allow us to name the film in the media, but you can find the name in the activities calendars.

Legal clinic

Friday, Nov. 9, from 2 to 3 p.m. is a free legal clinic for parties who have no attorney that will take place via computer link. Volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for legal issues in the areas of family law, civil litigation, property tax, probate law, collections, appeals, landlord-tenant law, veterans benefits and civil protection orders. Please check in at the registration desk. This clinic takes place the second Friday of every month.

LEGO Club

LEGO Club for kids 6-12 years is 11 a.m. to noon on Saturday,

Nov. 10.

Book club for adults

Our free book club for adults meets the second Tuesday of each month from 2 to 3 p.m. to discuss alternating fiction and nonfiction titles and enjoy refreshments.

On Nov. 13, we will discuss "The Handmaid's Tale" by Margaret Atwood. If you need a copy, please stop by your library. No registration is required.

Teen writers group

Join us Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 4 to 5 p.m. for our free teen writers meeting for seventh- through 12th-graders. This group's interests include stories, poetry, graphic novels and fan fiction.

DIY for adults

At this month's free DIY event on Wednesday, Nov. 14, from 1 to 2 p.m., you'll use paper towels and fabric dye to make customizable table runners, a great alternative to expensive store-bought runners that get stained from food or beverages. No registration is required.

Otaku Club

The Otaku (Anime/Manga) Club will not meet in November due to a scheduling issue. It will resume in December, when you can 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.

Computer classes

Join us on for free sessions at 1 p.m. to learn a useful technology skill or application. Monday, Nov. 5, focuses on removing programs, managing the space on your computer, speeding up your browsing and more. Thursday, Nov. 15, is a basics session, with no computer experience necessary. Thursday, Nov. 29, you'll learn how to access e-books and audio books using the Cloud Library. Bring your own smartphone, tablet or laptop to browse and download materials. No registration is required.

Adult education

Our free PALS (Pagosa Adult Learning Services) takes place on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., plus Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Come to your library to get help from Mark with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more.

Free tech sessions

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

Nonfiction

"The Woolly West" by historian Andrew Gulliford describes the sheep industry's place in the history of Colorado and the American West.

Thrillers, mysteries and suspense

"The Dead Ringer" by M.C. Beaton is an Agatha Raisin mystery. "Melmoth" by Sarah Perry begins with the discovery of a mysterious letter in a library amid superstitions of a dark legend found in obscure fairy tales. "November Road" by Lou Berney features a desperate cat-and-mouse chase across 1960s America. "Shell Game" by Sara Paretsky is a V.I. Warshawski mystery.

Large print

"George and Barbara Bush: A Great American Love Story" is written by their granddaughter Ellie Le Blonde Sosa and Kelly Anne Chase. "Under My Skin" by Lisa Unger features a wife trying to unravel the mystery around her husband's death. "Why Not Tonight" by Susan Mallery is a Happily Inc. romance. "The Dream Daughter" by Diane

Chamberlain centers around the possibility of a cure to help an unborn baby with a heart defect.

Other novels

"Unsheltered" by Barbara Kingsolver follows a family facing great difficulties and a precarious future after job losses. "The Collector's Apprentice" by B.A. Shapiro is set in the world of Gertrude Stein's Paris salon and the Postimpressionist painters. "Every Breath" by Nicholas Sparks tells of a chance encounter that becomes a touchstone for two very different people.

DVDs

"Leave No Trace" follows a father and daughter living off the grid in Portland, Ore. "Lost Horizon" is the classic starring Ronald Coleman and Jane Wyatt. "Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story" is a documentary about this beautiful actress who also was a brilliant inventor. "North Korea's Deadly Dictator" is a Frontline documentary. "Hocus Pocus" is a Disney family comedy. "The Dark Tower" is based on the bestselling book series by Stephen King.

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Outdoors

Hunter fails to identify target and kills a moose instead of an elk near Silverton

By Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Special to The SUN

In a mistake that occurs occasionally during Colorado's big-game hunting seasons, a hunter accidentally shot a moose that he mistook for a bull elk near Silverton on Oct. 21.

"The hunter didn't take enough time to be sure of his target," said Matt Thorpe, area wildlife manager for Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) in Durango. "Hunters must know exactly what they're shooting at before they pull the trigger. Target identification is a core component of being an ethical hunter."

Moose occur throughout Colorado's high country and CPW advises elk and deer hunters to be 100 percent certain of their targets. Every year in Colorado, hunters misidentify moose for elk and occasionally deer for elk.

"Anyone can make a mistake," said Thorpe. "What's important and what sets responsible hunters apart is how they handle their mistakes."

While the Silverton hunter made a mistake, he did the right thing by self-reporting the accident to CPW.

The hunter, Bruce Black, of Farmington, N.M., talked about the incident and was remorseful and apologetic.

"I've never felt like a bigger idiot; I feel sick about it," Black said.

He was charged by CPW with careless hunting, which carries a fine of up to \$1,000, an assessment of 20 hunting-license suspension points and requires a mandatory court appearance. Hunters who do not self-report and are later found can face more severe penalties.

Hunters most often mistake the two animals when they only look at the antlers. The antlers of young bull moose, those 2 to 3 years old, do not grow into a large paddle shape. The antlers of a small bull can be confused with the size and shape of elk antlers.

One factor that contributes significantly to mistaken kills is viewing the animal only through a rifle scope.

"We advise people to use binoculars to get a better identification," explained Thorpe.

The hide of a moose is almost black when viewed from a distance and the body and head of a moose are larger than an elk. At this time of year, an elk's coat is light brown, although the head can be dark brown.

Other factors also contribute to misidentification. Black said he spotted the moose lying down and in shadow at about 6 p.m. as light was beginning to fade, which can make it difficult to see distinguishing features.

He said he was about 300 yards away and saw the antlers and the

head of the animal straight on. When the animal stood up he said it appeared to be an elk and he made the shot.

When asked what he'd say to other hunters who might find themselves in a similar situation, Black said: "It was too dark to see coloration. Even when you see a head, don't shoot, wait until it turns sideways."

CPW officers learned of the accident about 10 p.m. on Oct. 21 and met Black at the site at 6 a.m. on Oct. 22. The meat from the animal was donated to a family.

One thing Black didn't do was field dress the animal after he shot it. Fortunately, it was cold enough overnight that the meat didn't spoil. Hunters who make an accidental kill should notify CPW and field dress the animal as soon as possible.

CPW also asks hunters to report suspicious activity that they observe while in the field. Every year, tips from hunters help CPW officers make cases against poachers and others hunting illegally. Hunters who are concerned should gather as much information as possible — vehicle descriptions, locations, descriptions of people or camps — and call the nearest CPW office. Hunters should not confront anyone on their own.

To report violations or concerns about crimes against wildlife, call the nearest CPW office or Operation Game Thief at (877) 265-6648.



Photo courtesy Mike Le Roux

A hunter who received a cut and was unable to walk is loaded onto a UTV to be driven out to a waiting ambulance on Oct. 25. Members of the Archuleta County Office of Emergency Management, search and rescue and EMS hiked to the hunter, while the UTV was driven in.

Hunter rescued after injury

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

A hunter in the Valle Seco area sustained a "fairly bad" cut and had to be driven out by search and rescue volunteers, emergency management personnel and, finally, by ambulance last Thursday, Oct. 25.

According to Mike Le Roux, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office Director of Emergency Operations, around 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 25 a call came in for a hunter who had received a cut to his leg in the Valle Seco area.

The injured hunter was in a hunting party of six and had cut his leg open "fairly badly" and was unable to walk, according to Le Roux.

"I believe," Le Roux explained, the injury was sustained while field dressing a deer the man had shot.

"He slipped and cut his leg pretty badly with, I suppose, the skinning knife or field knife," Le Roux said.

The injured hunter was a male in his late 50s or early 60s, according to Le Roux.

The hunting party was able to stop the bleeding and elevate the leg, and then called 911, Le Roux explained.

"We plotted their location from the cell phone call," Le Roux said.

Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) Emergency Medical Services, volunteers of the Upper San Juan Search and Rescue (SAR) and members of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) responded to the call, according to Le Roux.

Members of the different groups hiked in to the location to make patient contact and "start the patch-up process," Le Roux explained.

Meanwhile, Le Roux drove a utility task vehicle (UTV) to the location. Le Roux described the UTV as a "six-by-six" vehicle with a patient-carrying module on the back.

"We all kind of got to the patient at the same time," Le Roux said.

After reaching the patient, the hunter was loaded on to the UTV and driven out, according to Le Roux.

Next, the hunter was placed into the ambulance and taken to PSMC, according to Le Roux.

When asked about the hunter's condition, Le Roux wrote in an email, "I believe that he is in good health and was released shortly after a checkup."

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Kokanee salmon giveaway scheduled at Nighthorse Reservoir

By Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Special to The SUN

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) will be giving away kokanee salmon Nov. 2, 9 and 16 at the boat ramp at La Plata County's Nighthorse Reservoir. Anyone wanting fish is encouraged to arrive early at the reservoir as the giveaway starts promptly at 3 p.m. and moves quickly.

Anyone wanting fish must present a 2018 Colorado fishing license. The fish are harvested by CPW during the annual spawning operation on the reservoir. The fee to enter the reservoir is \$6 per vehicle.

People interested in receiving fish should bring a cooler or other container. Most of the kokanee are 10 to 13 inches in size. The number

of fish that each person will receive depends on how many fish are available and how many people are in line.

These will be the only kokanee giveaways in southwestern Colorado this fall. There were no spawning operations on the Dolores River or at Vallecito Reservoir this year.

Anglers are also reminded that snagging kokanee at Lake Nighthorse is prohibited. Those fishing also need to stay at least 100 yards from the salmon-spawning platform.

Kokanee are a freshwater, landlocked sockeye salmon. It is not native to Colorado, but is well suited to Colorado's large reservoirs.

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Sports

FOOTBALL

Pirate football falls to Alamosa in season finale, eliminated from postseason play

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The No. 17 Pagosa Springs High School Pirate football team took a trip over Wolf Creek Pass for its final game of the regular season, looking to secure one of the final seeds in the bracket for the state tournament for the 2A classification.

However, that trip left the Pirates empty-handed as they fell to the No. 16 Alamosa Mean Moose (4-4 overall, 1-3 in league play) on Oct. 26 by a score of 30-19, eliminating Pagosa from postseason contention.

Alamosa took a commanding lead early in the game, scoring 14 points in the first quarter and 16 in the second.

Pagosa scored seven in the second quarter to take a 30-7 deficit into halftime.

The Pirates were able to keep the Mean Moose quiet in the second half while scoring a touchdown in each of the last two quarters, but it wasn't enough, and the Pirates returned home with the loss.

Pagosa's final record sits at 3-6 overall with a 1-3 record in league play.

This marks the first time that Pagosa has finished below .500 since the 2016 season.

In his final game under center for the Pirates, quarterback Cade Cowan completed two of five pass attempts for 56 yards and one interception.

Paden Bailey had a career night on the ground for the Pirates, finishing with a team-high 23 carries for 212 yards.

Pagosa finished with 274 total yards against Alamosa.

The 212 rushing yards were not only a career high for Bailey, but a team high for Pagosa this season, and the first time a Pirate runner eclipsed the 200-yard mark in five years.

The last time a Pirate runner had 200 yards rushing in a game was when Keenan Earley had 248 yards against the Coal Ridge Titans on Sept. 27, 2013.

In addition to the production on the ground, Bailey finished the game with all three rushing touchdowns for Pagosa.

Against Alamosa, Cowan had 11 carries for 2 yards, Connor Aragon added 10 carries for 27 yards and Michael Caldwell finished with three carries for 27 yards.

Dustin Clark rounded up the rushing stats for the Pirates with two carries for 6 yards.

Mitch Lewis led the team in receptions and yards, finishing with two catches for 56 yards.

On the defensive side of the ball, more Pirate seniors had strong



Photo courtesy Justin Cowan

Pirate quarterback Cade Cowan looks to handoff the ball against the Alamosa Mean Moose on Oct. 26. Cowan finished with 52 yards passing in his final game under center for Pagosa. The Pirates lost to the Mean Moose by a score of 30-19, eliminating them from postseason contention.

performances in their last game.

Aragon led the team in tackles with 11, while Brayden Shulda added six.

Ian Reinhardt finished with four tackles, Javier Mariñelarena and James Thomas both added two and Cowan finished with one.

Pagosa finished with three total interceptions on Alamosa pass attempts, with Cowan, Mariñelarena and Bailey all having one.

"I guess, in general, really disappointed. Disappointed for the guys. I think we're a better team than a lot of the teams in the playoffs. I think we can play with any of them, but you got to win football games to get there and, unfortunately, we didn't do it," coach Myron Stretton said.

In preparation for Alamosa, the Pirates did not have a very good week of practice, Stretton explained.

"I just felt like we weren't prepared, which is my fault," Stretton said.

The Pirates played "pretty well"

against Alamosa on defense, Stretton described.

It was just the mistakes that killed the Pirates, Stretton added, describing those mistakes as "big mistakes."

After the game, with the Pirates' playoff hopes seemingly dashed in the moment, Stretton explained that he apologized to the team.

"I felt responsible for it. I had felt bad for them because, most probably, their season was over," Stretton said.

Pagosa, overall, had a good season, Stretton said.

At season's end, Pagosa finished with the toughest schedule in terms of opponent's

winning percentage.

Pagosa's opponents' winning percentage ended with a collective total of .727, well above the mark of an average team of .500.

"Honestly, I would much rather play the best and know where we stacked up against them then beat a bunch of bad football teams," Stretton said, adding that he personally thought playing the

best teams is more fun.

Playing all the best teams within the 2A classification wasn't necessarily the approach that Stretton had in mind in crafting the schedule this season, he explained.

"I was trying to get good football teams for us. I didn't necessarily try to get the toughest schedule in the state," Stretton explained, adding that he was glad that Pagosa played the schedule that it did.

With the rating percentage index system set up the way it is now, it also can be hard to schedule games for an upcoming season, Stretton described.

"Looking back on the whole season, I think it was a successful season," Stretton said. "I wish we would have won more games, I wish we would have had a few other things go our way, but they didn't. But, I thought it was good."

After a season's end, Stretton explained that you do need time away.

"It's a long season that takes a lot of time," he said.

However, the coaching staff of the Pirates have already discussed what personnel they will have returning for next season, Stretton explained.

Senior farewell

Among the seniors who played their last game in black and gold for the Pirates include Cowan, Mariñelarena, Aragon, Shulda, Reinhardt and Thomas.

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VOLLEYBALL

Lady Pirates end season at Coal Ridge tournament

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

In its final four games of the 2018 regular season, the Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirate volleyball team finished with a 1-3 record at the Coal Ridge tournament over the weekend.

The Lady Pirates ended their season with an 8-15 overall record, which included a 3-7 record in Intermountain League (IML) play.

The Lady Pirates also finished fourth in the IML standings for the season.

Glenwood Springs

Kicking off the Coal Ridge tournament on Oct. 26, Pagosa squared off with the 4A Glenwood Springs Demons (11-12 overall).

The Demons were able to best the Lady Pirates in three sets.

Glenwood Springs took an early 1-0 lead by defeating Pagosa in the first set by a score of 25-18.

The Lady Pirates were able to even it up by winning the second set 25-16; however, in the final set, the Demons pulled away and took the match in the third set by a score of 15-8.

Against the Demons, Mackenzie Wedemeyer led the team in kills with eight and both Patty Black and Taylor Lewis added four each.

Wedemeyer, along with Brighid Parken, also led the team in serving aces with two apiece.

Lewis led the team with four blocks while Teagan Stretton and Parken both added two.

Pagosa finished with 44 total digs against Glenwood Springs, with River Pitcher being the only Lady Pirate in double figures with 14.

Battle Mountain

Later on Friday night, Pagosa squared off with the No. 13, 4A Battle Mountain Huskies (17-6 overall).

Pagosa, again, battled hard in this match, but fell to Battle Mountain in two sets.

The Huskies were able to take the first set by a score of 25-19 and squeeze past the Lady Pirates in the second set by a score of 25-23.

Collectively, Pagosa finished with 15 kills against Battle Mountain.

Individually, Lewis led the team with five kills while Stretton added three of her own.

Three Lady Pirates finished with two kills each, with those

players being Parken, Black and Elsa Lindner.

Chloe Bridges led the team with four serving aces, the only ones recorded against the Huskies.

Lindner and Parken led the charge with two blocks each.

Lindner also led the charge in digs, finishing with 11, one of three Lady Pirates to finish with double-digit digs, the others being Wedemeyer and Pitcher.

Coal Ridge

The next day, on Saturday, Pagosa started the second half of the tournament against the host, the No. 21 3A Coal Ridge Titans (15-8 overall).

The Titans showed a strong effort, beating the Lady Pirates in two straight sets by scores of 25-13 and 25-15.

Pagosa recorded only 11 kills against Coal Ridge, with Lewis and Black leading the team with four each, Wedemeyer adding two and Lindner adding one.

Pagosa failed to record a serving ace against Coal Ridge, a first for the season.

The Lady Pirates also recorded a season-low one block against the Titans, with that block belonging to Lewis.

Pitcher led the team in digs with 10 against Coal Ridge, while Stretton and Wedemeyer added five and four each, respectively.

Delta

To conclude the tournament, Pagosa found itself on the winning side of things, defeating the 3A Delta Panthers (12-11 overall) in a thrilling five sets.

Pagosa found itself down early by one set as Delta captured the first by a score of 25-14.

Pagosa was able to tie things up by taking the second set 25-15 and eventually took the lead by winning the third set 25-13.

Delta came right back in the fourth set, winning by a narrow margin, 25-23, forcing the decisive fifth and final set.

In their final set of the season, Pagosa showed patience and were able to win the final set and the match by a score of 15-12.

Lewis led the team with a season- and career-high 14 kills, while Black followed with eight.

Wedemeyer, Lindner and Stretton all followed in order with seven, six and five kills each.

Parken added three kills and DeAnn SchAAF, the Lady Pirates' lone senior, in her last game in

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CROSS-COUNTRY

Pirates finish 16th at state, Lady Pirates take eighth

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Another successful season is in the books for the Pagosa Springs High School cross-country team, with both squads having a “good day” at last weekend’s state meet.

The boys’ squad finished 16th at the event, while their Lady Pirate counterparts took eighth.

Several Pagosa runners set personal records at the meet and others ran pain-free for the first time this season, explained coach Scott Anderson.

The guys’ squad ran first at the state meet, finishing 16th out of 20 teams, with 160 total runners taking part in the meet including those who qualified as individuals.

“Going into it, we were just focusing on having a good day with us, focusing on just us ... running to the best of our abilities,” Anderson said, adding, “That’s pretty much what they did.”

Anderson noted that Pagosa finished ahead of regional foe Aspen (who finished ahead of Pagosa at the regional meet) and accomplished its goal of finishing ahead of several other teams who qualified for state as fourth-place teams.

Too, the coach noted, everyone who ran the pre-state meet at the same course at the beginning of the season ran it faster last weekend.

The Pirates were led at the meet by sophomore Gabe Heraty, who finished 71st overall with a time of 18 minutes, 10.4 seconds — a personal record.

“That course is not a fast course ... so it really says something about stepping up your game when you set a personal record on that course,” Anderson said, adding, “That is really saying something about the kind of day you’re having.”

Senior Nate Lewis was the next Pirate across the line, finishing 82nd in 18:23.2.

“Nate, actually, was not bothered by anything,” the coach explained, noting that Lewis has battled ankle and other health issues, but was able to run pain-free in his final high school race. “So yeah, he had a great day.”

Next was senior Kaleb Buffington, who finished 88th in 18:26.3.

Anderson noted that Buffington was “just solid” and gave the race everything he had, without being bothered by it being his final high school race.

Junior Jack Foster finished 119th at the meet with a time of 18:59.3, with Anderson noting Foster never ran in the pre-state meet due to a foreign exchange program, but has been working on his fitness and was able to run the course in under 19 minutes.

Anderson also pointed out the pack time of the team’s top runners, saying, “For all of them to be running that tight, it’s nice to see.”

Senior Cole Cayard was the next Pirate across the line and was the team’s final scoring runner, finishing 132nd in 19:14.3 — three minutes faster than he ran the course at the beginning of the season.

Anderson pointed out that Cayard, who has been struggling with some breathing issues throughout the season and has “never been a huge fan of this course,” ran a really solid race.

The coach also noted it was the best Cayard has been able to breathe this season and that Cayard finished only a minute and four seconds behind Heraty.

David Morehouse — “the flying freshman,” as his coach has dubbed him — finished 152nd with a time of 19:49.8, with Anderson explaining that Morehouse ran a great second half of the race and was able to move up.

“He doesn’t seem to be intimidated by all the more mature runners around him,” Anderson said, adding he “went and did a really good job.”

Junior Trent Buffington finished next, in 153rd, with a time of 19:50.1.

“Trent overcame his ankle injury to pretty much run pain-free for the first time, as well,” Anderson said, adding that he “ran a solid race and closed out the year really well, particularly as minimally as he’s been racing for us this season.”

In the end, Anderson and the team were happy with the result.

“Every one of them, they were happy with their race,” he said, “and so to get seven teenage, high school boys to be on the same page, that’s a special day,” he said.

The Lady Pirates ran later in the day, with the coach noting that any expectations for the team’s finish were given up prior to the race when one of the team’s top runners, freshman Nell Taylor, became sick.

Instead, the focus was solely doing the best they could.

“We try to convey to them that on any given day it’s about giving it the best you can,” Anderson said,



Photo courtesy Tim Taylor

Pirate sophomore Gabe Heraty works to pass multiple runners at last weekend’s state meet in Colorado Springs. Heraty set a personal record, finished 71st and helped his team to a 16th-place finish.

noting that he was content with the outcome.

But, even without all the girls being at the top of their game, the Lady Pirates put up a top-10 performance.

The girls’ squad claimed eighth place, with Anderson pointing out that the difference between the fourth-place team and the eighth-place team was 35 points, which equates to about 25 seconds.

In addition to the top-10 performance, three Lady Pirates set personal records at the championship meet.

Freshman Sierra Liverett led her team on the day, finishing 23rd overall in 20:08.9 and shaving 2:22 off her time from the pre-state meet.

Anderson reiterated that setting a personal record on that course is “huge,” adding, “To be flirting with sub-20 on that course is an awesome day.”

He continued, “The direction she’s trending just makes us look good. She’s a fearless runner. She’ll stick it out there and give it everything she’s got and it’s just pretty to watch.”

He added he had already issued Liverett a new goal for next year — to make it into the top 10 as an individual.

Senior Emma Heidelmeier finished 47th with a time of 21:00.9.

Anderson pointed out that Heidelmeier, running in her final



Photo courtesy Tim Taylor

Pirate freshman Sierra Liverett strides ahead of a pair of Frontier Academy runners at last weekend’s state championships in Colorado Springs. Liverett placed 23rd at the event and set a personal record. The Lady Pirates claimed an eighth-place finish at the meet.

high school cross-country race, topped her own personal best she had set the previous weekend.

“We couldn’t ask much more of her,” he said, calling her an “awesome leader” who always included the rest of the team and inspired them. “It’s been an awesome four years hanging out with her.”

Sophomore Megan Greenly finished next in 48th with a time of 21:01.0.

“Megan was here last year all by her lonesome and although she embraced the challenge, she was much happier to have six other of her teammates,” the coach said, noting she used that to “run an extremely solid race.”

Freshman Michelle Saucedo finished 78th in 21:47.1 — a personal best and 2:42 quicker than she ran the course earlier this season.

Anderson noted she had an “awesome day.”

Taylor finished 85th in 21:53.7 and was the team’s final scoring runner.

“She’s a really strong, determined person,” Anderson said, adding he would take her running on six cylinders over most people running on all eight. He added, “to be running as strong as she did shows a tremendous amount of courage and grit.”

The Lady Pirates’ final two runners are seniors.

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Pagosans bring home the gold in Texas Marathon-To-Marathon

By John Duvall
Special to The SUN

Pagosans Kriss and Dave Campbell each won gold medals in their distance/age/gender categories in the Marathon-To-Marathon (M2M), which is held each October in the west Texas town of Marathon.

The Campbells competed in the 70-plus age group at a distance of 5 kilometers. A total of 530 runners from 17 states ran in the various categories.

The race was run at an altitude of 4,500 feet — which was no big deal for the Campbells, since they walk their dog, Carson, for 5 miles every day in Pagosa's 7,500-foot altitude.

For most of the Texas-based competitors from the likes of Houston, Austin and Dallas, a run at 4,500 feet above sea level meant gasping for air much of the time.

The Campbells are members of the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club, the Gray Wolves and other Pagosa organizations.



Kriss and Dave Campbell

Volleyball

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black and gold, recorded two kills. Pitcher finished with a season- and career-high seven serving aces against Delta.

Lindner also had a career- and season-high in serving aces with three.

Defensively, the charge was led by Parken with four blocks, while Lindner added another three.

Three Lady Pirates ended the match with double-digit dig totals against the Panthers with Pitcher leading the way with 21, Wedemeyer following with 12 and Stretton adding 11.

Coach Caitlin Forrest noted in an email to The SUN that she thought the Lady Pirates played well at the Coal Ridge tournament.

"They played against some highly ranked 4A teams, and a couple top 3A teams. We were neck in neck with both Battle Mountain and Glenwood. The girls fought so hard and truly played to their potential, and got us all really excited for next year!" Forrest wrote.

After the Delta game, Forrest explained that she relayed how proud she was to the team.

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"They fought so hard, they were fun to watch, and they played one point at a time--something we have worked on all season," Forrest wrote, adding that the Lady Pirates received compliments throughout the tournament on how they played, which also included praise for their energy and fight.

"No one expected us to bring so much heart and grit to the court and I think we surprised each team," Forrest noted.

Despite feeling lucky to end the season on a win, the Lady Pirates are hungry for more next season.

"The morale is high and it's safe to say we ended with a lot of momentum which will set us up for next season!" Forrest explained.

A time for reflection

As her first year under the helm comes to a close, Forrest offered some comments on her first year of being the head coach of the Lady

Pirates.

The season had its challenges, and Forrest noted that she "desperately" missed having former head coach Connie O'Donnell by her side.

"We've always made a great team," Forrest acknowledged.

However, this group of girls this year made the season enjoyable, with Forrest adding that she loved the team and felt honored to be their head coach.

Despite the challenges faced by the Lady Pirates this season, Forrest explained that she thinks those challenges will help the team as it prepares for next season.

"I'm already working with other regional coaches for off season play, and I think we all agree that we want to make the southwest region more competitive, which is one of my overall goals as head coach!" Forrest wrote.

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Seven local martial arts students display 13 trophies from a recent karate tournament in Belen, N.M. Pictured in the front row, left to right, are Shawn Martinez, Kaleb Lokey, Jaden Lokey, Gavin Lugenbeel, Derek Johnson, Xavier Sanchez and Noah Martinez. Pictured in the back row are instructors Stephen Firth, Eric Schlom, Sarah Martinez and Rick Bass.

RECREATION NEWS AND COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

Applications open for Festival of Trees

By Darren Lewis
SUN Columnist

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Shelby Cronin finished 91st in 22:00.5 and Sarah Ross finished 98th in 22:12.5.

"They were, again, both really happy with their day. I was happy for them," Anderson said, adding that they closed out their high school careers with "very solid races."

The coach also pointed out that it was great to see the seniors "rally the troops" after not qualifying for state last year and having the team finish so high this year.

"Everybody had a great day," he said, noting that they were ready and required little coaching on the day.

The state meet also wrapped up Anderson's 18th year coaching the cross-country team and his 18th year to lose runners to graduation.

But, as usual, Anderson sees hope in the future, both for those graduating and for their teams.

"Each of those senior guys over their careers had differing issues they

had to work through and overcome and my, what gives me hope as a citizen of this country, this world, [is] when you see young people having the maturity and resolve to keep working at things," Anderson said of the three senior boys.

He noted it was an honor to have been some small part of that and watch it happen.

But, moving into next year, Anderson said the guys are solid and "should be able to keep exceeding

whatever expectations ... have been put on them."

Among the highlights Anderson listed for next year were Foster and Trent Buffington having a solid year of training behind them, that Cam Hinger is expected to return to the team and that there are a "couple other guys waiting in the wings."

"We expect them to continue to be the engine that could," Anderson said.

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Triple Impact Student-Athlete of the Week

Tay Barker
Football

Favorite subject: Chemistry
Comments from coach Bryan Looper: "Tay is a consistent football player that is very coach-able and does everything that's asked of him. I always start practice with "Hey Tay" and he just smiles and says "Hey". Tay is our smallest Offensive lineman size wise, but one of the most consistent, determined and hardworking lineman we have, showing everyone size doesn't matter to be a good lineman. Tay has taken over the role of deep snapper for punts and PAT's as well as backup center for the team. Tay is a hardworking athlete and deserves the recognition of being a triple impact athlete of the week."

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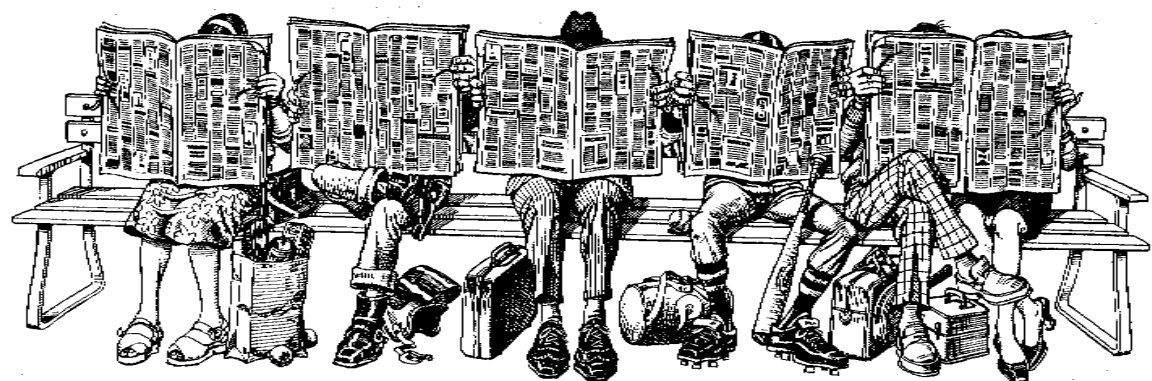
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between people and the land they own and manage.

Nominations may be submitted on behalf of a landowner or landowners may nominate themselves. The application can be found at: <https://sandcountyfoundation.org/uploads/CO-CFN-2019.pdf>.

The application deadline date is Feb. 1, 2019. Applications can be emailed to maggie@calt.org. If mailed, applications must be postmarked by Feb. 1 and mailed to: Leopold Conservation Award, c/o Colorado Cattlemen's Association, 8833 Ralston Road, Arvada, CO 80002-2239.

The 2018 recipient of the award was Beatty Canyon Ranch from Las Animas County.

The Leopold Conservation Award Program in Colorado is made possible thanks to the generous support of Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, The Stanko Ranch, The Gates Family Foundation, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service of Colorado, American AgCredit, The Bird Conservancy of the Rockies, and The Nature Conservancy.

The Blotter

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

Archuleta County Sheriff's Office Calls for service over week: 120.
Oct. 16 — Under investigation, no address listed.

Oct. 17 — Violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, County Road 600.
Oct. 23 — County warrant, Harman Park Drive.

Oct. 23 — All other thefts, County Road 600.

Oct. 24 — Attempt to influence public servant, Bill's Place.

Oct. 26 — Abandonment of motor vehicle, Fireside Street.

Oct. 24 — Second-degree burglary, Alpine Drive.

Oct. 26 — Warrant arrest, La Plata County Courthouse.

Oct. 26 — Abandonment of motor vehicle, Lyn Avenue.

Oct. 28 — Warrant arrest, Creekside Place/East McCabe Street.

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Oct. 28 — No registration in vehicle, failed to display valid registration, criminal impersonation, false reporting to authorities, improper registration-registration rescinded, drove vehicle without insurance, U.S. 84.

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

Oct. 23 — Theft, Eagle Drive.

Oct. 25 — Found property, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Oct. 25 — Traffic/no insurance, U.S. 160.

Oct. 26 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

Oct. 26 — Theft, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Oct. 26 — Found property, South 6th Street.

Oct. 27 — Criminal trespass, North 14th Street.

Oct. 27 — Prohibited noise/exces-

sive/loud/no permit, Pike Drive.

Oct. 28 — Traffic/no license/insurance/registration, Aspen Village Drive.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge D. Brett Van Winkle No report.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Oct. 24 — Ivan Hernandez, registration-fictitious plate, fines and costs — \$137.50.

Oct. 24 — Jordin M. Gladden, seat belt not used, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$170.50.

Oct. 24 — Justin Leon Fauskee, driving under the influence, 80 days jail, 48 hours community service, 10 days electronic surveillance, one year probation, fines and costs — \$1,915.50.

Oct. 24 — Delia J. Rizzo, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$163.50.

Oct. 24 — Jaymus W. Perry, speeding 20-24 over limit, fines and costs — \$339.50.

Oct. 24 — Casey C. Houtz, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$258.50.

Oct. 24 — Samantha L. Martinez, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$163.50.

Oct. 24 — Lance Creed Ulery, disorderly conduct-offensive gesture, fines and costs — \$503.50.

Oct. 24 — James D. Beaird, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$98.50.

Oct. 24 — Andrew Williams Roscoe Wilkinson, alcohol-under 21-possession/consumption, fines and costs — \$166.

Oct. 24 — Casandra J. Carroll, seat belt not used, child restraint not used, fines and costs — \$180.50.

Oct. 24 — Joseph Anderson Morris, nuisance dog (first offense no injury), fines and costs — \$76.

Oct. 24 — Logan Wesley McAlister, disorderly conduct-offensive gesture, 12 months probation-unsupervised, fines and costs — \$194.50.

Oct. 24 — Jason L. Heida, seat belt not used, fines and costs — \$98.50.

Oct. 25 — Austin W. Courtney, careless driving, fines and costs — \$238.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

State

Continued from A18

Of the senior girls, the coach highlighted their leadership and noted it's always sad to lose seniors.

"When I know people of this quality are going to be moving on in the world and achieving bigger things, it just makes my heart a little lighter," he said.

And, for next year, Anderson believes the team can match this year's effort, if not improve upon it.

"We definitely have a really strong core and there's some of the girls that did not make that cut that have already embraced the challenge of working to be there again next year," he said.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of the hereinafter Described Land, Lot or Premises, and to the Person in Whose Name the same was Taxed or Specially Assessed, and to all Persons having Interest of Title of Record in or to the said Premises and To Whom It May Concern, and more especially to:

PAUL ATKINSON
3882 JEWELL ST., APT G 308
SAN DIEGO, CA 92109-6494
PORNPEN ATKINSON
3882 JEWELL ST., APT G 308
SAN DIEGO, CA 92109-6494

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 5th day of November 2015, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to

MICHAEL J. CAREY the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit: **Lot 197 in LAKE HATCHER PARK, according to the plat thereof filed for record November 5, 1973 as Reception No. 78738.**

Account Number: R001694
Schedule Number: 558336202013
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2015-03500
and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to MICHAEL J. CAREY That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2014.

That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of PAUL ATKINSON and PORNPEN ATKINSON for said year 2014.

That said MICHAEL J. CAREY on the 17th day of September 2018, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to MICHAEL J. CAREY On the 27th day of February 2019, unless the same has been redeemed.

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

Witness my hand this 8th day of October 2018
/s/ Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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STEVEN J. DITTER
5225 N 40TH STREET
PHOENIX, AZ 85018

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JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

NW1/4SW1/4 Section 28, Township 35 North, Range 1 West, N.M.P.M., Archuleta County, Colorado.

Account Number: R013248
Schedule Number: 570128300077
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2015-03492
and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2014.
That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of STEVEN J. DITTER for said year 2014.
That said JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC on the 17th day of September 2018, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC On the 27th day of February 2019, unless the same has been redeemed.

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

Witness my hand this 9th day of October 2018
/s/ Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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SW1/4SW1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, N.M.P.M.
Account Number: R013249
Schedule Number: 570128300083
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2015-03493

and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2014.

That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of STEVEN J. DITTER for said year 2014.

That said JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC on the 17th day of September 2018, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to JERICHO HOLDINGS LLC On the 27th day of February 2019, unless the same has been redeemed.

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District Court, Archuleta County, Colorado
449 San Juan Avenue
P.O. Box 148
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
(970) 264-8160
GREEN ACRE PROPERTIES, LLC, A COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, Plaintiff,

v. ANDREW G. FENNEY, THE DONALD C. AND BARBARA J. ZEPP FAMILY TRUST, A TRUST FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF CALIFORNIA AND PURSUANT TO DECLARATION OF TRUST DATED, JUNE 10, 1975, AS AMENDED, AND ASPEN SPRINGS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, BETTY DILLER IN HER CAPACITY AS ARCHULETA COUNTY TREASURER AND PUBLIC TRUSTEE, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION, Defendants.

Kenneth J. Miller, #32909
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 1020
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
Telephone: 307-399-6703
Electronic: kjmillerlaw@hotmail.com
Case Number: 2018CV30039

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the Clerk of this Court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court.

If you fail to file your answer or other response to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice.

This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiffs in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows and by this reference made a part hereof:

Lot 250 in ASPEN SPRINGS SUBDIVISION No. 5, according to the plat thereof filed for record August 3, 1971 as Reception No. 74690.

4. No annexation proceedings have been commenced for the annexation to another municipality of part or all of the Property.

5. The annexation of the Property will not result in the detachment of area from any school district and the attachment of it to another school district.

6. The annexation of the Property will not have the effect of extending the boundary of the Town more than three miles in any direction from any point of the Town's boundary in any one year.

7. If a portion of a platted street or alley is to be annexed, the entire width of said street or alley is included within the Property.

8. Reasonable access shall not be denied to landowners, owners of an easement, or the owners of a franchise, adjoining any platted street or alley annexed by the Town but not bounded on both sides by the Town.

C. An allegation that the signers of the Petition comprise landowners of one hundred percent (100%) of the Property, exclusive of streets and alleys and any land owned by the Town;

D. A request that the Town approve annexation of the Property;

E. The mailing address of each Petition signer;

F. The legal description of the land owned by each Petition signer;

H. The date of signing of each signature, which date is not more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the date of filing of the Petition with the Town Clerk;

I. An affidavit of each circulator of the Petition that each signature is the signature of the person whose name it purports to be;

J. Four copies of an annexation map containing a written legal description of the boundaries of the Property; a map showing the boundary of the Property; a showing of the location of each ownership tract of un-platted land, and the boundaries and the plat numbers of plots or lots and blocks of platted land within the Property, and the boundary of the Town and any other municipality contiguous to the Property.

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Town to annex said area to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to initiate annexation proceedings in accordance with law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS, COLORADO, as follows:

(i) The recitals contained above are incorporated as if recited and set forth in full.

(ii) The Petition and the annexation map are in substantial compliance with the requirements of Section 31-12-107(1), C.R.S., and the provisions of the Municipal Annexation Act.

(iii) The Town Council hereby accepts the Petition and initiates annexation proceedings for the Property, situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, as described in the Petition, and incorporated herein by this reference.

(iv) The Notice attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A is adopted as a part of this Resolution. The Notice establishes the date, time and place when a hearing will be held regarding the final passage of an annexation ordinance pertaining to the Property.

The Town Clerk is directed to publish a copy of this Resolution and the Notice once a week for four successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the Property, with the first publication at least thirty days prior to the hearing.

(v) A copy of the published Notice, together with a copy of this Resolution and the Petition as filed, shall also be sent by registered mail by the Town Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, the County Attorney and to any special district or school district having territory within the Property at least twenty-five days prior to the date fixed for such hearing.

NOTICE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT TAX LIEN SALE AND OF APPLICATION FOR ISSUANCE OF TREASURER'S DEED To Every Person in Actual Possession or Occupancy of

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

JAMES E. WOLFE and VIRGINIA L. WOLFE
Co-trustees of the James E. Wolfe & Virginia L. Wolfe Revocable Family Trust dated April 5, 2001 as their interests appear on the plat thereof.
40742 N 40 RD RD 10
Collinsville, OK 74021
JOY MADDEN
476 Summit Trail
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
STEVE SIMONSON
P O BOX 32
RANSOM, KS 67572

You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 5th day of November 2015, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to

KENT TAYLOR the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:

Lot 6 of Block 6 in Aspen Springs Subdivision No. 3, according to the plat thereof filed for record July 19, 1970 as Reception No. 74567, being an Amendment to the plat of Aspen Springs Ranch Subdivision No. 3, filed on April 9, 1971 as Reception No. 74284.

Account Number: R003450
Schedule Number: 569312101016
Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2015-03435
and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to KENT TAYLOR That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2014.

That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of James E. Wolfe and Virginia L. Wolfe and JOY MADDEN and STEVE SIMONSON for said year 2014.

That said KENT TAYLOR on the 17th day of September 2018, the present holder of said certificate (who) has made request upon the Treasurer of said County for a deed to said property;

That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to KENT TAYLOR On the 27th day of February 2019, unless the same has been redeemed.

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

Witness my hand this 8th day of October 2018
/s/ Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Council of the Town of Pagosa Springs, Colorado has adopted a Resolution Initiating Annexation Proceedings for Certain Property known as the Early Childhood Center — 74 Back Swing Court, said Annexation being more particularly described as follows: **Tract 1, Mountain Vista Commercial Phase 1, Reception Number 138291, also known as lying within Section 15 Township 35 North, Range 2 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Archuleta County, Colorado.**

That, on the 4th day of December, 2018, at the hour of 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may come on for hearing at the Town Council Chambers, Town of Pagosa Springs, 551 Hot Springs Boulevard, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, the Town Council will hold a hearing for the purpose of finding and determining whether the property proposed to be annexed meets the applicable requirements of Colorado law and is considered eligible for annexation. At such hearing, any person may appear and present such evidence upon any matter to be determined by the Town Council. First reading of the Ordinances will be considered on November 20 contingent on favorable recommendations from the Planning Commission at their November 13, 2018 public hearing.

TOWN OF PAGOSA SPRINGS, COLORADO
TOWN COUNCIL
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-25
A RESOLUTION INITIATING ANNEXATION PROCEEDINGS

FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TO BE KNOWN AS EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER ANNEXATION AND FINDING THE PETITION FOR ANNEXATION NO. 2018-04.

TO BE IN SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 31-12-107, C.R.S.

WHEREAS, a Petition for Annexation No. 2018-04 ("Petition") has been filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Pagosa Springs ("Town") and referred by the Clerk to the Town Council, requesting annexation of certain property to be known as the Early Childhood Center Annexation (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Petition contains the following:

A. An allegation that it is desirable and necessary that the Property be annexed to the Town;

B. An allegation that the Property meets the requirements of Sections 31-12-104 and 31-12-105, C.R.S., and is eligible for annexation in that:

1. Not less than one sixth (1/6th) of the perimeter of the Property is contiguous with the Town, which contiguity may be established by the annexation of one or more parcels in a series;

2. A community of interest exists between the Property and the Town; the Property is urban or will be urbanized in the near future; and the Property is integrated with or is capable of being integrated with the Town.

3. Without the consent of the landowners, no land included within the Property, which is held in identical ownership, whether consisting of one tract or parcel of real estate or two or more contiguous tracts or parcels of real estate;

(a) is divided into separate parts or parcels, unless such tracts or parcels are separated by a dedicated street, road, or other public way; or

(b) comprises 20 acres or more and, together with the buildings and improvements situated thereon, has a valuation for assessment in excess of \$200,000.00 for ad valorem tax purposes for the year next preceding the proposed annexation.

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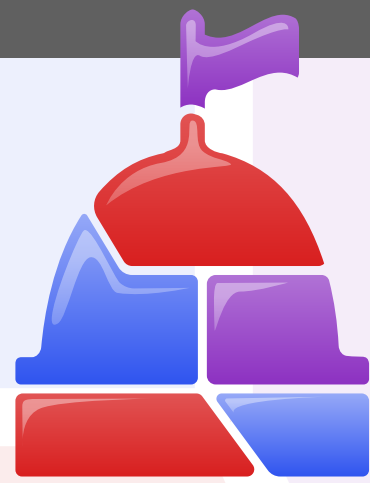
Pagosa Springs Elementary School family night

SUN photos/Chris Mannara

Halloween-clad students of all ages enjoy time spent with family and friends at Pagosa Springs Elementary School during a family night put together by the Partners In Education Committee on Oct. 24. Students and parents alike were treated to a homemade meal along with a special magic show. The event accompanied the book fair that was being held at the school earlier this month.



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44th annual Holiday Bazaar

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Photo courtesy Peggy Andrews

November 1, 2018

44th annual Holiday Bazaar Nov. 10 at Pagosa Springs High School

By Peggy Andrews
Special to The PREVIEW

Save the date: The 2018 Holiday Bazaar is being held on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pagosa Springs High School. This free event is a fundraiser hosted by the Pagosa Springs Realtors Community Outreach in support of local nonprofit organizations.

The bazaar will have 55 booths of beautiful art and handcrafted items made by local and regional artists. Meet the artists and get a jump start on your Christmas shopping.

A huge bake sale with lots of homemade goodies for sale will benefit the Pagosa Springs Girls' Choir. A major feature of the show is a silent auction with

beautiful gift baskets and donated art items available for immediate purchase or bidding. A food concession will be open for business all day long during the bazaar, operated by the Pagosa Springs Athletic Boosters Club. Enjoy a snack while shopping to fill your Christmas list.

The Holiday Bazaar has been sponsored by various clubs and organizations as a fundraiser for local charities since 1974. This year is the 44th year for the bazaar and the third year it is being hosted by the Pagosa Springs Realtors Community Outreach, an initiative of the local board of Realtors to support local nonprofit organizations.

Come out and enjoy the Holiday Bazaar while keeping your shopping dollars local and helping others in our community.

Live Performers



Thursday

Mountain Pizza & Taproom: Kendra Lee, 6 p.m.

Friday

Pagosa Brewing Company: The San Juan Mountain Boys, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

Coyote Moon: Karaoke with Lisa Saunders, 9 p.m.
Riff Raff on the Rio: Bo DePena, 6 p.m.

Tuesday

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

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WEEKDAY HAPPY HOUR & WEEKEND BRUNCH!

Genealogical Society to discuss using DNA data

By Carolyn Paschal
Special to The PREVIEW

This Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Archuleta County Genealogical Society meeting, Pam Hayes will demonstrate how to download your raw DNA data from other sites and upload it to My Heritage.

Looking at your matches on different sites increases your pool of available matches. At this time, My Heritage allows you to down-

load your data with a free account. However, as of Dec. 1, it will be necessary to purchase a membership to do this.

Hayes will walk us through the steps to take advantage of this window of opportunity. She will also explain My Heritage's chromosome browser feature to aid in finding relatives.

This program will be an informal presentation and workshop, so bring your laptop to join in and follow the demonstration. It is rec-

ommended that you sign up for a free My Heritage account prior to attending.

At the beginning of the meeting, there will be a time to socialize, followed by a brief business meeting and the program.

Archuleta County Genealogical Society meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Community United Methodist Church on Lewis Street.

All visitors are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Homemakers to hold annual day of thanksgiving Nov. 8

By Tozi Rubin
Special to The PREVIEW

On Nov. 8, the Mountain View Homemakers will be presenting five local nonprofit organizations with a monetary donation. This will truly be a day of thanksgiving for these charities. It will also be a day to express our thanks for the contributions that these charities make in Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County. They serve men, women and children.

Club members worked throughout the last year to ensure that we would raise enough money to make these donations possible. We also thank community members for your generous support at our events.

Our meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Community United Methodist Church on Lewis Street. We socialize before we enjoy a pot-luck lunch provided by members. First-time visitors are not expected to bring food.

Following our meal, checks will be given to representatives of each of the five organizations. Attending members voted for these groups in September. Their representatives will each briefly explain how they can utilize these funds.

Mountain View Homemakers is a 50-year-old women's service organization. We welcome all area women who are interested in bettering their lives, the lives of their families and the community as a whole. The monthly meetings include lunch and a speaker or activity.

This is a wonderful opportunity to make new friends in the community. There are no dues or membership requirements to join this friendly, interesting and diverse group of women. We meet the second Thursday of every month. If you have a home, you are a homemaker.

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Colorado Gives Day scheduled donations begin, Thingamajig participating

By Tess Wisner
Special to The PREVIEW

Today, Thursday, Nov. 1, Colorado Gives Day donation scheduling begins. Many Pagosa Springs and Colorado nonprofits will be taking part in the Dec. 4 event where Coloradans are encouraged to “give where they live” to support local charities.

If you are interested in participating in Colorado Gives Day through donating, but don't know if you'll remember to log on Dec. 4, you're in luck. Through the Colorado Gives Day website, you are able to schedule donations that will automatically proceed on Dec. 4 so you can give to your favorite Colorado nonprofits with ease.

Thingamajig Theatre Company will be participating in Colorado Gives Day by raising funds for its general production fund, which helps keep thrilling professional theater in Pagosa Springs, and its air and heating system, which is in desperate need of upgrading. Thingamajig has been using the same loud and inefficient swamp cooler and heating system since the doors of the theater opened.

During the dog days of summer, the actors of Thingamajig are often performing eight high-energy shows a week, including large Broadway-style musicals with plenty of singing and dancing. With all of that activity, the hot mountain sun and a loud, windy swamp cooler that can't be run during the show, the theater can get sweltering enough that patrons will leave midway through the performance.

In the winter, when snow and ice blanket the Pagosa landscape, Thingamajig is still performing crowd-pleasing comedies, dramas and musicals. With the current loud heating system, which also cannot be run during performances, as it in-

terferes with the ability to hear the performers, patrons can go from comfortable to Popsicles over the course of the show.

Thingamajig Theatre wants to make the performance spaces at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts comfortable

for everyone. To do that, the theater would like to replace the swamp cooler in the black box space, add air conditioning in the lobby space and replace two loud gas heaters in the black box. These new systems will ensure that our cooling and heating systems will be quiet and efficient. This means the cooling and heating systems can be run during shows to keep everyone comfortable through-

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Photo courtesy Tess Wisner

“Thoroughly Modern Millie,” pictured above, was one of the shows at Thingamajig Theatre Company that was supported partially by donations and days like the Colorado Gives Day.

out the seasons.

The total cost of the improvements will be \$30,000. Luckily, John and Ginger Baxt have agreed to match the first \$10,000 of donations so with Thingamajig Theatre,

your Colorado Gives Day donations go even further. With this improvement, Thingamajig Theatre can continue to provide exhilarating shows in a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere to the people and visitors of Pagosa Springs.

For more information on Colorado Gives Day and all the nonprofits participating in this heartwarming day of giving, visit ColorDogives.org. To see all the information on what Thingamajig Theatre and what amazing theater is being made in Pagosa, visit pagosacenter.org or visit our Colorado Gives Day page at coloragives.org.

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Marines to gather Nov. 10 in celebration of 243 years

By Sepp Ramsperger
Special to The PREVIEW

The 243rd birthday of the United States Marine Corps is approaching.

On Nov. 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress resolved for the formation of two battalions of Marines for and during the war with Great Britain and that they be distinguished by name as "American Marines." On Nov. 28, 1775, Samuel Nicholson of Philadelphia was commissioned as a captain of Marines and established a recruiting station in "Tun Tavern." He is regarded as the first commandant of the Marine Corps.

Since then, as the Marine an-

them proclaims, "We have fought in every clime and place we could take a gun."

To honor Nov. 10, our families and our history, Marines around the world conduct a birthday party.

We Marines of Pagosa Springs will host the celebration at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave., commencing at 6 p.m. on Nov. 10.

Beer and wine are provided, along with an informal barbecue and cake. An appetizer or side dish would be appreciated, but not required.

All area Marines and Navy corpsmen and their ladies are hereby requested to attend the

festivities. Dress is informal, but uniforms are always welcome.

"Once a Marine, always a Marine."

Call Ed Robinson at 731-0718 or Don MacNamee at 731-0306 with any questions.

Semper Fidelis.

Veterans Day, flag retirement events announced

By Roy Vega
Special to The PREVIEW

The veterans breakfast hosted by the eighth-grade class will be held on Monday, Nov. 12, at the Ross Aragon Community Center. The doors will open at 7:30 a.m. and breakfast will be served until 10:30 a.m.

Nov. 12 is the official day of observance of Veterans Day this year.

The American Legion Post Honor Guard will demonstrate the flag folding and presentation conducted at military funerals at 9 a.m. in lieu of posting colors.

The Legion Veterans Day ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. at the Legion Hall on Monday, Nov. 12 (with a missing man formation flyover by the San Juan Flying Squadron) and will be followed by a free catered lunch for veterans in the hall hosted by the Post Auxiliary.

The next event will be the flag retirement and disposal ceremony on Thursday, Nov. 14, at 3 p.m. behind the Legion building. It will be followed by the regular meeting at 6 p.m. All are invited to participate and help.



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On Nov. 7, the Americana Project will be holding a free community concert to celebrate the talent and dedication of the current students. The show will start at 7 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium.

Free Americana Project Concert set for Nov. 7

By Izzy Mijares
Special to The PREVIEW

On Nov. 7, the Americana Project will be holding a free community concert to celebrate the talent and dedication of the current students. They will present a mix of original music, covers and collaborations. Americana Project has a wonderful mix of talent this year and can't wait to share what they have to offer.

The Americana Project is a class offered at Pagosa Springs High School where students can work at bringing their individual talents toward a shared love. The class focuses on songwriting and technique used in Americana roots music while also allowing students to put their own twists on the music. This concert will provide a chance for the students to show what they've learned or have been working on since the beginning of the year while also letting them learn some of the ins and outs of the music industry.

One student in the class explained their enthusiasm for the upcoming concert by saying, "It's exciting to have the opportunity to present to a larger audience, because although our lunch time and smaller class performances are fun, this offers a much more real experience. Especially for those in the class that think they want to pursue music in the future, as well as just being able to hear all our hard work getting enjoyed by more of Pagosa."

It is a common goal that the students work to support each other as they develop individual talents associated with music writing, singing and playing instruments. The students enthusiastically hope to share their voice and talent with the Pagosa Springs audience. The evening of Nov. 7 is guaranteed to be uplifting, entertaining and filled with laughter. The show starts at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Please join The Americana Project as we celebrate our common love for music.

Also, please save the date of Dec.

4 for the Americana Project Special Guest Concert. This concert will feature the homegrown talent of Elder Grown, which includes the Hoffman brothers and former Americana Project alumni Brandon Clark. The show will start 7 p.m. with students from the Americana Project opening the show. Tickets are \$10.



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“The Nutcracker” soldiers prepare to battle the Mouse King and his army. In the front row, left to right, are Trace Gross, Kaeden Thomas and Cheyenne Todd. In the back row are, left to right, are Gracelyn Kiker, Karissa Foster, Kianna Plate, Doug Roberts, Paulette Heber and Nina Smith.

‘Nutcracker’ cast and crew preparing for Nov. 15 opening night

By Dale Johnson
Special to The PREVIEW

Curtains Up Pagosa (CUP) is entering the final weeks of a 10-week rehearsal period of song, dance and scene work in anticipation of an opening night of Thursday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. on its home stage at Pagosa Springs High School.

“Nutcracker the Musical,” with book and lyrics by Debbie Meyer, tells the classic tale of the Nutcracker and Mouse King alongside the beautiful music of Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky. CUP’s “Nutcracker,” Pagosa style, will be presented in partnership with more than 100 local dance students.

Some of the wonderful cast includes actors portraying rats, mice, peasants, soldiers, a page, angels and more: Eileen Bartig, Joy Wiersma, Leela Simpson, Karissa Foster, Nina Smith, Charity Domingo, Hope Domingo, Jaiden

Lokey, Avari Pacheco, Anja Nasralla, Olivia Mazur, Paulette Heber and Maverick Webb.

CUP performs with live volunteer musicians in the pit, led by Music Director Robert Neel and Assistant Music Director and Accompanist Dale Scrivener. It is always a joy to sit back and listen to our orchestra.

Our tech crew is led by soundmasters Gavin Kiker and Carly Owen, lightmaster Megan Foster and stage managers and crew Susie Tanner, Jessica Tanner and Chris Weigand, without whom we could not produce our shows. All of our techs have been trained and mentored through CUP’s ongoing mentoring program, passing knowledge and skills down through almost 30 years of productions.

“Nutcracker” runs Nov. 15-18, for four shows only. The final performance on Nov. 18 is a matinee

at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the door, starting at 6:15 p.m. This is a show for all ages. Rated G. Come on out and support all of our kids and community folks working hard to present this show to Pagosa.

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Michelle White points out her canvases, part of the Pagosa Springs Arts Council Mosaic Project. The project will be displayed at various locations in town until Nov. 15.

Be a participant in traveling Mosaic Project

By Cynda Green
Special to The PREVIEW

Last month, the Pagosa Springs Arts Council (PSAC) distributed 6-inch-by-6-inch mini-canvases to anyone who wished to create a piece of art, using any medium. More than 150 community members — artists and art lovers — created beautiful pieces that were assembled into a two-sided mosaic masterpiece.

The Mosaic Project is on display through Nov. 2 in the Pagosa Springs Town Hall lobby. On Nov. 3, a portion of the project will travel to City Market, where tickets will be sold for a chance to own one of

the canvases.

The Mosaic Project will then be displayed at Pagosa Springs Medical Center from Nov. 5 to Nov. 15. The last stop will be a reception at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts on Nov. 15.

The Mosaic Project not only brings local art into public places, but also is a fundraiser for PSAC, with proceeds going to Arts in Education. The PSAC is selling \$35 tickets, each with a number that will match the number on the back of one of the canvases.

On Nov. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m., there will be a reception at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, where the random canvas numbers

will be announced. The project will be disassembled and those with tickets will take possession of their art piece that night.

The reception is free, with food and a cash bar, but a ticket must be purchased to obtain a canvas. To purchase a ticket and learn more about the Mosaic Project and reception, visit the PSAC website at <https://ps-artsCouncil.org> or email PSAC at info@ps-artsCouncil.org.

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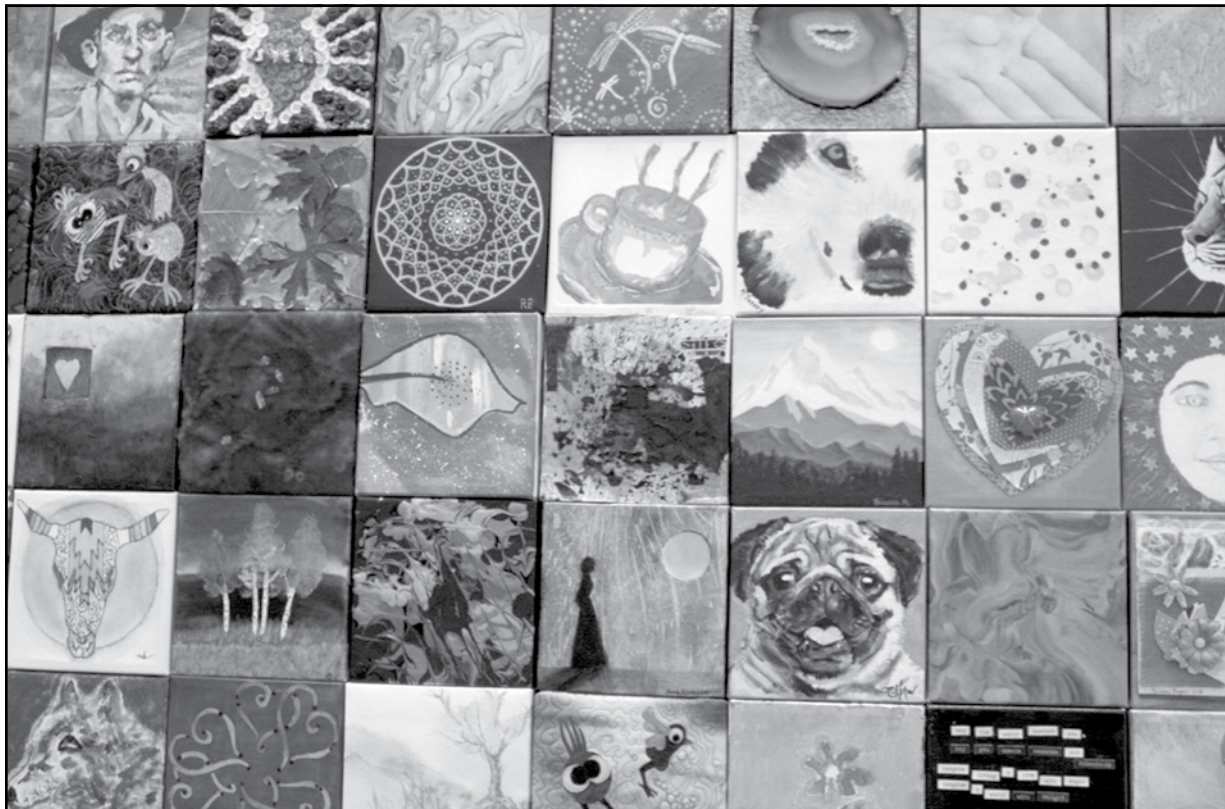


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Some of many art pieces that comprise the Mosaic Project, currently on display at Town Hall.



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The apple falls close to the tree

It's apple season and fall apples are ready for harvest. The neighbor's bees have pollinated the whole Lower Blanco and our apple tree and everything else around us is producing fruit this year.

We planted the tree in 1995 and, for the first time, hundreds of apples are hanging on its limbs. The tree has lived through many seasons and we gave up on the tree a long time ago. We could have cut it down and not blinked an eye. Fruitless, it still remained an apple tree and had the potential of bearing apples.

It's similar as to how we are. I read something this week that caught my interest. We are written in secret and the plans in the heart of God are from generation to generation. I had to think about that statement. We really don't know how God has written on our life in secret and how it takes more than one generation to understand and to see the fruition of that plan.

I look in the mirror and I see my mother. Golly, when did it happen? She was tough; she needed to be tough, a widow at 36 with three teenagers. She was all business and didn't have time for hugs and kisses. I inherited that harsh side and I have to work at being sweet. One of our grandsons inherited that harshness and also has to work at being sweet.

My father had an enormously generous heart and loved everyone. He left us early in life, but his DNA has passed down to one of our daughters, now to her son. That one gene has passed through four generations.

When I look at my Sweet Al, I see his mother. When did that happen? Like his mother, he has an unconditional love for his family, but one difference: she could only love two people, Al and his brother. She had no room in her heart for anyone else. Al has room to love everyone and doesn't have to work at being

Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



sweet. That sweetness has been passed down to our daughter and her daughter.

This is part of our family tree. DNA, traits, character, similar qualities and personalities have found their way to the next, next and next generations. So, here we are. We are living a plan which we had no idea we were living. Yes, there is the good, bad and ugly, but they are ours and we love them. They are family.

The creative gene has been passed down through my grandfather, my dad, me, my children and now my three grandchildren. There are five generations of talented and creative members of this family. With that, comes being temperamental, moodiness, another world and marching-to-a-different-drummer kind of personalities that are hard to deal with.

As our children have married, they, too, have brought in their spouses' family tree. We can see definite traits for the other side of the family.

We say, "The apple doesn't fall far from the tree." It is true. The same traits are being played out in our grandchildren. When two of our daughters ask me what to do about their sons, I say, "It's who they are, they can't help themselves. You will live through it. It just takes a lot more prayer to get them raised."

I spend an hour and half every Tuesday night on video conference, praying with three couples whose sons are part of the film department at BIOLA University, located in southern California. Our

grandson is interning with a Hollywood film studio for his senior credits and will soon be headed to Hollywood and the movies.

Eight of us from Colorado, Arizona and California have built a fortified umbrella for these boys to walk under. I remind the other parents, when we pray, we are passing our faith on to our children and grandchildren. They are living out the promises we received from God 50 years ago.

"The plans in God's heart are from generation to generation." — Psalm 33:11 (NAS).

It's like that apple tree we planted over 20 years ago. People questioned if it was an apple tree or something else. We told them, "All we know, when we bought the tree, it said it was an apple on the tag." This year we are seeing the evidence of its kind.

Final brushstroke: It's like having four children. We knew little about who they were and how to raise them. We had no idea how they would turn out. They are all a part of our family tree and are part of God's plan. Today, my Sweet Al and I are living in tomorrow's plan for our grandchildren. It is definitely a bigger plan than we expected.

Readers' comments

Send your comments to betty@bettyslade.com.

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FolkWest receives Colorado Creative Industries grant

By Crista Munro
Special to The PREVIEW

FolkWest has been awarded a matching grant of \$8,500 from Colorado Creative Industries (CCI), a division of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

This grant is administered through CCI's Colorado Creates Program and will support performing artist fees at the 2019 Pagosa Folk 'N Bluegrass and Four Corners Folk Festival events, both held annually on Reservoir Hill.

State grants are awarded through a competitive process.

This grant signifies that FolkWest provides a high-level of quality in its programs, community service and administrative ability.

Pagosa Folk 'N Bluegrass will celebrate its 14th festival June 7-9, 2019, and the 24th annual Four Corners Folk Festival will take place Aug. 30-Sept. 1, 2019. The events have a combined attendance of more than 15,000 people over six days, with an annual economic significance to the southwest Colorado region of more than \$3.5 million.

Preliminary lineups will be announced and discounted 2019 festival tickets will go on sale on Dec. 11 at www.folkwest.com.

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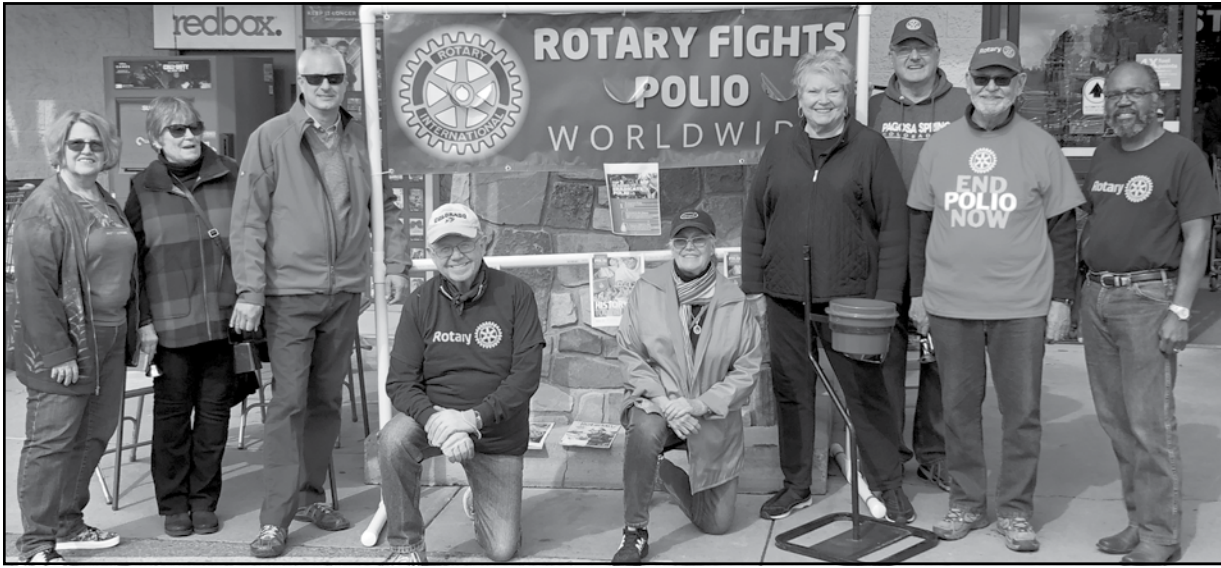


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Rotarians with the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs solicit donations on World Polio Day, Oct. 24. The effort collected more than \$500, which will be matched with \$2 by the Bill and Malinda Gates Foundation for every \$1 donated locally and sent to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Rotary raises more than \$500 on World Polio Day

By Sam Pittmon
Special to The PREVIEW

Two weeks ago, the Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs asked for your

help to raise funds on World Polio Day, Oct. 24.

We are pleased to report that we raised over \$500 to support our efforts to eradicate polio from the face

of the earth. All money raised will be forwarded to our International Rotary Foundation Polio Plus Committee, where the Bill and Malinda Gates Foundation will match \$2 dollars for every \$1 donated. So, what that means is that your donations will grow to \$1,500. All those funds are then forwarded to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, whose goal is to stop the spread of the polio virus and rid the world of polio disease.

The Rotary Club of Pagosa Springs appreciates the generosity of the Pagosa community in supporting this fundraiser and all other Rotary sponsored activities.

To learn more about the global efforts to eradicate polio and to donate to the cause, go to endpolionow.org.

Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Ben Bailey

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

Strolling by the cattails of our nearby lakes, you might see individuals or small groups of medium-sized, darkly feathered, duck-like birds swimming by with a distinctively white or light gray bill. This is the American coot. If you see them on land, you will notice that they don't waddle like a duck – their stride is more like that of a chicken. Instead of webbed feet, they have flaps of skin on their toes that fan out when they paddle through the water or walk on mud flats. So, they are duck-like, but not closely related to the various duck species that they share habitat with.

They are found across North America during at least some portion of the year and are typically year-round residents in southwest Colorado. They love shorelines of lakes or standing bodies of water where cattails and other emergent vegetation provide shelter and nesting habitat. Coots feed primarily on aquatic plants while swimming, diving or foraging on land, but occasionally will dine on insects and other invertebrates.

Populations of the American coot appear to be stable. Because their favored habitats are often subject to agricultural and industrial runoff, coots can accumulate toxins deposited in their environment, making them useful for monitoring the potential ecological impacts of these toxins.

For many of us, the affectionate phrase "old coot" may apply as our gait becomes a bit unsteady, our heads bob a bit when we walk and perhaps our knees buckle, but our belts won't.

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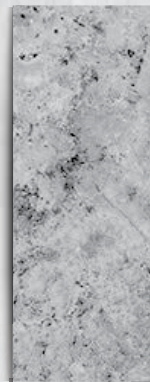


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The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship congregants volunteer at the Oct. 25 Loaves and Fishes lunch. From left to right are Phyl Daleske, John Buckler, Joan Ward, Windsor Chacey, Tom Fox, Cindy Clark, Kathy Schultz, Pastor Dean Cerny, Bob LeCour, Avalon Haykus, Judy James, Cedar McGrath, Anita Bowles and Juli Ferrara. Not pictured are Karen LeCour, Barbara Asprey, Dori Chadwick and Melissa Robeson.

Pagosa Community of New Thought to discuss manifesting abundance

By Lisa Burnson
Special to The PREVIEW

“We are born to be happy, to be abundantly supplied with every good thing, to have fun in living, to unite with the Divine Power that is around and within us.” — Dr. Ernest Holmes.

The Pagosa Community of New Thought (PCNT) and the Rev. Janet Wyrick welcome all on Sunday, Nov. 4, at 10 a.m. to join in exploration and discussion of the topic: “The Art of Abundance: Manifesting Abundance.”

PCNT is a New Thought center, based on fostering living a spiritually centered life and promoting

the philosophies of the Centers for Spiritual Living and the Agape Centers.

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

Weekly meditation and healing circle

PCNT holds a meditation and healing circle every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend. No experience is necessary.

Dallas Meditation states, “There are spiritual reasons for group

meditation. By concentration in union with others, we strengthen our vibrations through fellowship.”

PCNT holds Sunday services each week at 10 a.m. at the Momentum Fitness building, 40 N. 15th St.

Weekly lecture series

PCNT announces a weekly lecture series beginning this Thursday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m. All are wel-

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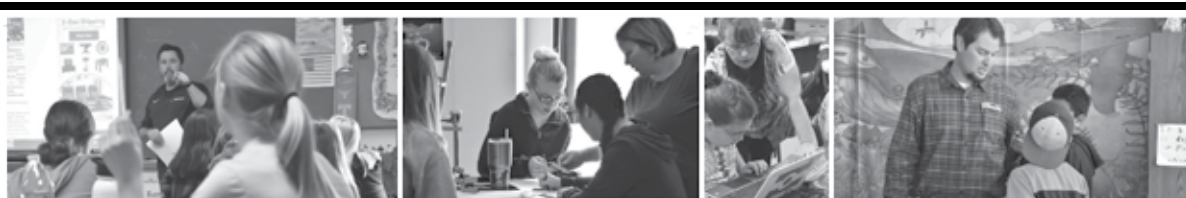
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- ▶ In just the past five years alone, ASD has lost 51 teachers and staff.
- ▶ The District's salary schedule is below the state average as well as that of many neighboring school districts.

- ▶ Some families cannot afford the tuition for full-day kindergarten, limiting their child's opportunity for optimal growth in school.
- ▶ Both the police department and county sheriff currently patrol our local schools, however, additional security is needed.
- ▶ Even in the face of these difficulties, since 2009, the State has withheld more than \$13 million from ASD due to the budget stabilization factor.

The Solutions:

- ▶ Archuleta School District is placing a \$1.7 million mill levy override (MLO) proposal on the November 2018 ballot.
- ▶ Proceeds of the MLO will be used to:
 - Recruit and retain highly-qualified teachers and staff
 - Fund full-time school resource officers (one for each school) to improve security
 - Fund full-day kindergarten
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The proposed Jail and Sheriff's Office is Too Big, and Too Expensive.

The BOCC is proposing a 54-bed jail, but the average number of Archuleta County inmates since 2010 has been **less than 20 per day**. The proposed jail is **twice the size** we need in 2019. The County's planned Sheriff's Office is **three times larger** than the space occupied by Sheriff Pete Gonzalez in 2014 — even though the Sheriff has a smaller staff than in 2010. *(Source: Archuleta County Budget)*

The 1A Sales Tax Increase does not match the proposed Debt.

Ballot Measure 1A allows the County to collect up to **\$2.97 million per year** in additional sales taxes, for up to 15 years. That equals **\$44.55 million** in new tax collections. But the **DEBT** authorized by 1A is only \$25.8 million. **What will the additional \$19 million be used for?** 1A allows the County to spend the money on “sheriff's patrol and transport vehicles, communications and dispatching, courtrooms, district attorney facilities, and related facilities.” 1A is essentially a **\$44 million blank check** that can be spent **ONLY** on “Justice System” expenses — but **not** on roads or other essential services.

The Wrong type of Tax

1A would increase the **County sales tax** from 2 percent to 3 percent — a 50% increase. A sales tax unfairly targets those least able to afford higher taxes: our working class families. A new County sales tax harms the Town government, which relies almost entirely on sales tax revenues.

If these facts make you uncomfortable, we have an Affordable Alternative...

Build the right size facility for 2019

We can build a jail sized to our current needs, and **add on in the future**, as the community grows. We can upgrade the air quality in the County Courthouse — affordably — and allow the Sheriff and Courts to reoccupy our existing facility.

The County has \$8 million in its savings accounts

The BOCC should be **using the contingency money** they've socked away since 2007, to address our need for jail facilities. An adequate jail can be built for much less than \$44 million.

Vote NO on Ballot Measure 1A Ask the Commissioners to Build an Affordable Jail!

Take refuge in your God

By Andrew Packer
Special to The PREVIEW

In the beginning of Exodus chapter 5, Moses declares the Word of the Lord to Pharaoh, but Pharaoh refuses to listen and instead makes things even more difficult for the Israelites by requiring them to make bricks without giving them straw.

The Lord, through Moses, had commanded Pharaoh to let His people go so that they could hold a feast to Him. Pharaoh considered himself to be the incarnation of the deity Horus and the son of Ra. Since the Lord is not one of the gods that the Egyptians worshiped, Pharaoh refused to let the people go and worship the true God and instead saw it as an excuse for the people to be lazy.

At the end of Exodus chapter 4, the people were excited that their deliverer, Moses, had come. But that joy quickly turned to complaints when their deliverance did not come as quickly as they had hoped. Rather than being delivered right away, their suffering was made even worse. The conditions of their slavery had been made impossible by the efforts of their deliverer.

The people blamed Moses and Aaron. They said to them, "The Lord look on you and judge, because you have made us stink in the sight of Pharaoh and his servants, and have put a sword in their hand to kill us" (Exodus 5:21).

Moses, in response to Pharaoh's hardheartedness and the people's

A Matter of Faith

grumbling, goes to the Lord in prayer with his own complaint. Then Moses turned to the Lord and said, "O Lord, why have you done evil to this people? Why did you ever send me? 23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people, and you have not delivered your people at all" (Exodus 5:22-23).

This is evidence of Moses' faith — when Moses doesn't understand the ways of the Lord, he flees to him in prayer. The cry of "Why, O Lord? How long, O Lord?" does not show a lack of faith in a believer — it shows that they know where to go in the time of need. The Lord actually wants us to wrestle with Him in prayer.

Many times, things appear to get far worse before they get any better and those are certainly times of severe testing for our faith. And, yet, we must look in faith because God is always helping us, often it just isn't in the way we think he should. Just think of Paul praying for deliverance, and God instead giving him the grace to endure it. The fact is we don't usually know what is best for us and must trust our good and gracious heavenly Father who does do what is best for us — always.

Because of what Christ has done

for you, you have the wonderful gift of prayer. You are blessed by Christ. Keep praying—even when you don't understand what the Lord is doing. Take refuge in your God, who hears your prayers because of Christ and promises to give you whatever you ask in His name.

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"And There You Go."

Community

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come to attend.

Our first featured speaker will be Todd Curtis and his topic is "Great to Greatness: Beyond and Back."

Curtis experienced several near-death experiences and invites those who are interested in, or who have experienced out-of-body events, to join.

The lectures will take place at PCNT. Anyone needing more in-

formation may call (505) 604-5031.

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Unitarian Universalists to celebrate pagan Samhain

By **Pauline Benetti**
Special to The PREVIEW

You may have heard it said, “Those UUs have no creed; they can believe anything.”

While the former is true, the latter is definitely not. There is no creed, just seven principles that are simple to state and hard to live by and to which we commit — inclusiveness, compassion, democratic process, human equality, social justice, personal exploration without judgment and the interdependent web of all existence. These set the ethical parameters for what we believe. With respect to creed, we have abandoned divisive doctrinal battles in order to seek our truth together without assuming that we all share the same truth.

With the understanding that our beliefs do have parameter, then we can say that ours is a “living tradition” of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, personal experience and a wide range of spiritual teachings.

The specific source from which this Sunday’s service emerges is “The spiritual teachings of Earth” — centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

Many Unitarian Universalists draw inspiration from the cycles of seasons, the beauty and complexity of the natural world, and the intricate relationships between humans and all the other life on this planet. And of these, some practice modern paganism. Some of our congregations have modern pagan groups within them, organized as chapters of CUUPS (the Covenant of UU Pagans). Our Fellowship does not; however, one of our members, Michael Demchak, who will lead this Sunday’s service, is both an ordained minister and a pagan priest.

Demchak will help us understand Samhain (pronounced “sow-in”), the ancient pagan holiday that marks the end of the harvest season and pays respect to the deceased. Many neo-pagans still celebrate Samhain today and consider it to be the most important of the sabbats.

Please come join us as he reviews the history and traditions of this holiday and explains how some of the symbols and activities in Halloween actually have Samhain roots. He will also dispel some fallacies regarding paganism as well, and explain the spiritual meaning of this holiday and time of year, sharing what it means to him. Demchak was raised with a

Unitarian Universalist background for most of his childhood in Connecticut. He moved to Denver with his family in 1976 and began attending the Mile High Church of Religious Science. He studied computer science at Metropolitan State College, but pursued other careers including pharmacy technician, accounting and facilities management.

In 2006, Demchak helped facilitate The Magickal Mystical Muse in Boulder, a weekly intentional dance with live musicians and a spiritual emphasis. In 2007, he became active in a pagan meet-up group and helped it grow into Living Earth Church, where he co-created many circles and events as a pagan priest. He also created and was the music director of an annual pagan music festival from 2009-2011.

Demchak has been an ordained minister since 2008 and has officiated several weddings and handfastings. He enjoys camping, four-wheeling, skating, music, reading, photography and nature. He now lives in Pagosa Springs with his daughter, Katie, and is a member of the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

Demchak invites those of you who have lost a loved one (human) **■ See Celebrate on page 18**

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HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

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Scene ... at the Town of Pagosa Springs' annual community Halloween carnival Saturday afternoon. Hundreds of area children and their families donned costumes of all sorts and took to Yamaguchi Park for a variety of games and activities, collecting goodies and, of course, candy along the way.

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Cabbage: An exceptionally healthy food

By Robin Young
PREVIEW Columnist

Cabbage is an exceptionally healthy food, but sometimes overlooked when making good choices to our diet. It has an outstanding nutrient profile, is low in sodium and is especially high in vitamins C and K.

In addition, eating cabbage may even help lower the risk of certain diseases, improve digestion and combat inflammation. Plus, cabbage makes a tasty and inexpensive addition to several recipes.

With so many potential health benefits, it is easy to see why cabbage deserves some time in the spotlight and some room on your plate.

Did you know more than 1,500 acres of cabbage are harvested in Colorado each year? Cabbage is not a leafy green; it is related to broccoli and cauliflower, and there are more than 400 varieties of cabbage in the world.

Choose cabbage heads with compact leaves that are heavy for their size.

Braised Colorado cabbage recipe

- 4 slices thick-cut bacon, chopped
- 1 yellow onion, julienned
- 1 teaspoon fresh garlic, minced

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- 1 red apple, cored and julienned
- 1 cup carrots, shredded
- 1 1/2 cups red cabbage, shredded
- 1 1/2 cups green cabbage, shredded
- 2 teaspoons caraway seed
- 3 tablespoons dark brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons smoked apple-wood salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black ground pepper
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1 cup ale beer

On the stove top, heat a cast iron skillet or Dutch oven on high. Add the bacon and cook until rendered and bacon starts to caramelize. Add the onions and garlic and sauté in the bacon fat until soft and translucent.

Add the carrots, apples and cabbage and sauté for five minutes to soften. Add the seasonings, sugar and chicken stock and mix well then add the beer.

Cover and cook on medium heat for about 20 minutes. Remove cover, stir well and continue to cook

on medium heat until 80 percent of liquid has evaporated.

Adjust seasoning as needed. If too much liquid evaporates, add more stock. Serve hot with your favorite sausage or bratwurst.

CPR and first aid classes

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

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

Celebrate

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or animal) this year to bring a picture or a memento to place on an altar table this Sunday.

Join us this Sunday. We are a welcoming congregation and we invite everyone to share in our faith community. We cherish diversity and foster a safe environment for all.

Usually, the first two Sundays of the month are lay-led and the last two are lead by our pastor, Dean Cerny. Service begins at 10:30 a.m. and, following that, we invite you

to share refreshments and conversation.

Find us in Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn right onto Park Avenue and right again into Greenbriar Plaza, then turn left and continue around the complex until you see the Unitarian Universalist sign as it faces the mountains. Come in and join us. You are welcome.

For further information, visit pagosauu.org or call 731-7900.

Is there a God?

Might be. Might not be.

If there is no God, then it does not matter much how a person lives in this life.

However if there is a God, we should seek out who God is and learn what God desires of us.

May we talk more about it with you?

Time of Services

Sunday	Bible Class	9:30 a.m.
	AM Worship	10:30 a.m.
	PM Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

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Pagosa's two biggest lumber outfits back around 1900 had their own railroads and provided housing for their employees. We get a look here at those employees and their families moving to another mill site while their tar-paper shacks are being moved by the company railroad. The way those folks dressed looks familiar to me. As a small boy in Oregon, circa 1940, my dad was a mill worker and they all dressed as you see in this picture.

Banded Peaks country and the Tierra Amarilla Land Grant

We have established that Cumbrés Pass was the first pass across the south San Juan Mountains to be fully developed. This fact is important for our story featuring the history of southeastern Archuleta County, an area we are calling the Banded Peaks area.

Now we are going way back in time to describe another historic fact peculiar to this portion of the county. Most of you who read my column know that southern Colorado history is closely tied to New Mexico history. In fact, the Spanish word Colorado translates "with much red" or "blushing."

The southeastern part of Archuleta County we are studying was once part of a Hispaño land grant named the Tierra Amarilla Land Grant. Tierra Amarilla translates "yellow land or earth." Land grants involved giving free land to entice settlement. The Spanish government used this enticement to encourage settlement in the New World, especially in Texas, California, New Mexico and Arizona.

Millions of acres were included in the 277 land grants issued by the Spanish and Mexican governments to promote settlement of New Mexico. When the U.S. government took over New Mexico at the end of the Mexican American War, an agreement called "The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo" signed by the U.S. in 1848 guaranteed that the property of Mexican citizens



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John M. Motter

would be "inviolably respected." The surveyor general was empowered to approve claims to land grants and to submit them to Congress for confirmation.

Problems with the process arose

and so a Court of Private Land Claims was established to investigate all claims. Some 64 land grants to Spanish and Indian communities comprising over 9 million acres were confirmed by Congress, and 82 New Mexico grants embracing almost 2 million acres were confirmed by the Court of Private Land Claims.

The procedures failed to achieve their objectives. With the U.S. occupancy came a horde of land

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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, Nov. 1

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.

Pickleball. Noon-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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.

Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For youth in the 7th-12th grades. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Meet in the Teen Area. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

PALS Adult Education. 4:30-7 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. PALS can help you with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series: Child Abuse Prevention. 5 p.m., Sisson Library. Lacy Brown from

the Department of Human Services will discuss child abuse prevention and what it means to be a mandated reporter. This discussion is open to all who are seeking to have a better understanding of what happens when a report is made to the Department of Human Services and it will address how law enforcement, medical personnel and others can help assess the needs of families. Call 264-2209 for more information.

San Juan Outdoor Club. 7 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Andy Butler will present "Hiking Iceland" by camper van. Light refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.sanjuanoutdoorclub.org.

Friday, Nov. 2

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. 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.

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.

Gaming. 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Li-

brary. 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.

Saturday, Nov. 3

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.

Archuleta County Genealogical Society. 11 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. Pam Hayes will present a hands-on workshop going through the steps to download your raw DNA results and then upload them to another site in order to obtain additional information. Bring your laptop to join in and follow the demonstration. It is recommended that you sign up for a free My Heritage account

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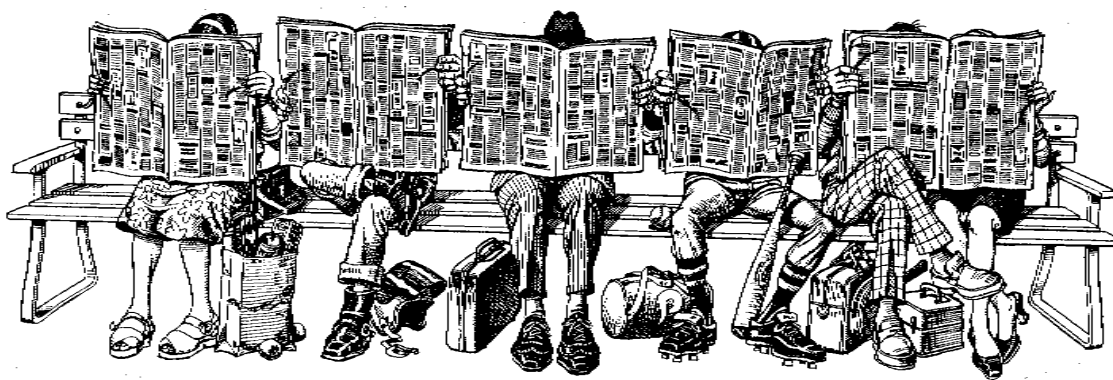
speculators, cattle and railroad companies, and unscrupulous lawyers eager to bend the laws for their own gain. It is reported that from 1869 through 1884, the office of the surveyor general was aligned with the "dominant element" in New Mexico known as the Santa Fe Ring.

Its most notorious member was Thomas B. Catron, United States attorney general for New Mexico, a shrewd lawyer, politician and land speculator. Catron purportedly acquired the Tierra Amarilla grant with 42 deeds, but neglected to purchase the interests of most of the settlers whose hijuelas (deeds) had been recorded. Then he had

a court decree that he owned the entire grant without mentioning these recorded hijuelas.

The land we are referring to as the Banded Peaks in Archuleta County was a portion of the Tierra Amarilla Land Grant. As a source for this information, I am using a book titled "The Tierra Amarilla Grant: A History of Chicanery," written by Malcom Ebright, copyright 1980 by the Center for Land Grant Studies.

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The Blues Box. 7 p.m., Archuleta County Extension Building. A grand blues concert event that will immerse you in the prohibition era of speakeasy bars, music and gaiety. Featured talent is Blue Haas, with special guests Kathy Keyes, Faith Eva Evangeline, Chris Haas and Dale Scrivener. The all-star G-Men band features music director DC Duncan, Kirk James, Evan Suiter, Jack Maynes and Bob Hemenger. Fundraiser for Pagosa Peak Open School. For more information and tickets, visit www.psprohibition.com.

Sunday, Nov. 4

High Country Squares. 2-4 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. It's a fun and a wonderful time for all. Come a few minutes early, if you can, to say hello and to help set up. Everyone is welcome (locals and visitors). Snacks and refreshments are always available at our main-stream and plus dances. Our nationally recognized caller Jim Park is a treasure to experience. Square dancing is not just healthy, it's beautiful. Join us. We look forward to sharing squares. For additional information, visit www.HighCountrySquares.com, or contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 or Jim Park at 731-9910.

Pagosa Uke Jam. 2:30-4:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. All levels welcome. Come sing and share the fun. Instruction for beginners provided.

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, Nov. 5

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

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

Medicare Mondays. 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging office. For benefits, explanation, questions

and assistance for enrollment regarding Medicare parts A, B, D and supplemental policies. Call 264-0501, ext. 1 to make an appointment.

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

PALS Adult Education. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. PALS can help you with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Speaker from Pagosa Springs Medical Center. 11 a.m., Senior Center.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

Computer Class: Clean Up and Speed Up Your Computer. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. Learn how to remove programs, manage space on your computer, speed up your browsing and more. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Tween Gaming. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 4th-8th grade. Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Women's Group. 6-7:30 p.m., Aspire, 602 S. 8th St. A weekly support group for women who have experienced violence. A separate children's group meets at the same time and provides art support for children ages 5-12 years. This resource provides essential support for women and their children as they heal from any sort of abuse or violence in a relationship. Women are welcome to attend any session, and drop-ins are welcome. Call Mara Koch at 946-2255 for more information.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

Tai Chi Class. 8 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Yoga Fusion Class. 10 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center

Tech Time. 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Hand-Drumming Class. Noon, PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join musician and music therapist Paul Roberts for a hand-drumming class.

All are welcome. Hand drums will be provided for those who don't have one. For further information, email banjocrazy@centurytel.net or call 731-3117.

Pickleball. Noon-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Mahjong. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary. 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

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

Wednesday, Nov. 7

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

Family Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs, and plenty

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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.

Flow Yoga Class. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat and a towel. For more information, call Roz at (281) 435-0563.

Red Hat Meeting. 11:30 a.m., Boss Hogg's Restaurant.

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

Spanish Instruction. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us in this basic course to improve your ability to speak and understand Spanish. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Jelly Beans After-School Club. 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. Free to all ages. For information, call 903-8104 or (702) 556-5649.

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

Role-Playing Game. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens in the 7th-12th grade. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters in our ongoing RPG. This is a recurring program. If you want to be a part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in anytime. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Veterans Day Appreciation Dinner. 5:30-7 p.m., Parish Hall. An appreciation dinner and presentation will be offered for all military members past and present and their families. This free event is sponsored by Cub Scout Pack 807 and the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2704.

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

Americana Project Concert. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. Please join us as we celebrate our common love for music.

The Most Excellent Way. 7 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship Church, 1044 Park Ave. The Most Excellent Way offers Bible-based relief from addictions and compulsions, with men and women meeting separately for utmost confidentiality. Call 507-0123 for more information.

Thursday, Nov. 8

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

Medicare 101. 10:30 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Learn about Medicare Parts A to D and Medi-

care Advantage plans. For more information and to reserve a spot, call the San Juan Basin Area Agency of Aging at 264-0501, ext. 1.

Mountain View Homemakers: Homemakers Day of Thanksgiving. 11:30 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. As a result of fundraising events, the club is presenting checks to five local nonprofits. Join us. A potluck lunch will be provided by members. Questions, call Tozi at 731-3360.

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.

Pickleball. Noon-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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.

PALS Adult Education. 4:30-7 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. PALS can help you with high school equivalency, GED, college prep, financial aid, tutoring and more. Mark can help you develop a plan to achieve your education goals. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series: 'Trauma-Informed Care.' 5 p.m., Sisson Library. Doty Shepard of Resilient Colorado will present on trauma-informed care. Becoming "trauma informed" means recognizing people often have many different types of trauma in their lives, and they need support and understanding from those around them. Understanding the impact of

trauma is an important first step in becoming a compassionate and supportive community. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Friday, Nov. 9

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. 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.

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.

Business Training and Consultation. 12-1:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Robert Blaise, the local Small Business Development Center consultant, will be on hand to help you start, expand or work through any business issues. Interested clients can book a noon-1 p.m. or a 1:30-3 p.m. appointment on the second Friday of every month. If these two sessions are filled, a 3-4:30 p.m. session can be added. Call 264-2360 for more information.

Free legal Clinic. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. No registration required. Everyone will be helped

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Movie. 2-3:30 p.m. Sisson Library. For all ages. Meg meets three supernatural beings who transport her through the universe to rescue her father, who mysteriously disappeared and is being held captive by an evil force. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Saturday, Nov. 10

Holiday Bazaar. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. A fundraiser hosted by the Pagosa Springs Realtors Community Outreach in support of local non-profit organizations. There will be booths with art and handcrafted items made by local and regional artists, a huge bake sale with lots of homemade goodies, and a silent auction with beautiful gift baskets and donated art items available for immediate purchase or bidding. A food concession will be open during the bazaar.

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.

Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt guild. 10 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Social time begins at 9:30 a.m. All levels of quilters are invited to attend. We have exciting events and programs coming up in 2019. This will be our last open meeting for 2018. Additional information can be found on Facebook or contact us at pagosapiecemakers@gmail.com.

Fundamentals of Buddhism: A Practice and study with Debra Quayle. 10 a.m., Universalist Unitarian, Suite B-15, 70 Greenbriar Drive. All are welcome.

LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. For kids 6-12 years old. We have the LEGOs, all you need to bring is your imagination. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Community Potluck. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., American Legion

Hall.

243rd Marine Corps Birthday. 6 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Marines, their spouses and especially Navy corpsmen are requested to attend. An informal barbecue, wine and beer, and complimentary birthday cake will be provided. Dress is informal, but uniforms are always welcome. Call Ed Robinson at 731-0718 or Don Macnamee at 731-0306 for more information.

Sunday, Nov. 11

High Country Squares. 2-4 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. It's a fun and a wonderful time for all. Come a few minutes early, if you can, to say hello and to help set up. Everyone is welcome (locals and visitors). Snacks and refreshments are always available at our mainstream and plus dances. Our nationally recognized caller Jim Park is a treasure to experience. Square dancing is not just healthy, it's beautiful. Join us. We look forward to sharing squares. For additional information, visit www.HighCountrySquares.com, or contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 or Jim Park at 731-9910.

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, Nov. 12

Eighth-Grade Class Veterans Day Breakfast. 7:30-11 a.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Doors open at 7:30 a.m.

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

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

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 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.

Veterans Day Ceremony. 11 a.m., American Legion Post 108. The

ceremony will be followed by a catered lunch for veterans in the hall hosted by the auxiliary.

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

Women's Group. 6-7:30 p.m., Aspire, 602 S. 8th St. A weekly support group for women who have experienced violence. A separate children's group meets at the same time and provides art support for children ages 5-12 years. This resource provides essential support for women and their children as they heal from any sort of abuse or violence in a relationship. Women are welcome to attend any session, and drop-ins are welcome. Call Mara Koch at 946-2255 for more information.

CPR Certification Training. 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension Office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling 264-5931.

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Next health and wellness event set for Nov. 14

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist

The Pagosa Springs 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 date will be Nov. 14.

Free legal documents preparation

The San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging provides legal services for seniors through the program attorney, Daniel Fiedler. Fiedler will be spending the day at the Senior Center on Jan. 25, 2019.

Following are the legal services Fiedler can assist with:

- Public benefits and utilities shut off.
- Landlord-tenant problems, such as persons being evicted.
- Simple wills, POAs, medical durable power of attorney and living wills.
- Consumer issues such as advocating for persons harassed by debt collectors.
- Emergency limited long-term care guardianship and domestic problems, such as abuse.

Please come by or call the Senior Center office to schedule an appointment. We are located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd., Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (inside the Ross Aragon Community Center) and can be reached by calling 264-2167.

San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging: Long-Term care staffing levels

By Kay Kaylor
I advocate for residents at Pine Ridge, a 24-hour extended care home, and BeeHive, an assisted living residence, as the part-time

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long-term care ombudsman for Archuleta County. Federal and state laws protect residents to promote quality of care and quality of life.

Maintaining appropriate staffing levels is an ongoing issue in long-term care. For example, on July 8, The New York Times published an article stating that American nursing homes have overstated their staffing levels for years. A new reporting system based on payroll journal data shows that nursing homes had less staffing, especially on weekends, than previously reported to the government.

Inadequate staffing leads to higher health and safety violations, such as not having a registered nurse on duty (required eight hours every day in nursing homes), as well as not meeting the increasing needs of today's residents.

Of the 43,709 residents in Colorado long-term care from July 2016 to July 2017, the top two complaints to ombudsmen were about resident care and resident rights. The fifth highest, with 301 complaints, was about level of staff training and lack of staff responsiveness.

Yet residents are entitled to the "highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being," according to the federal Nursing Home Reform Law. Advocates have for years tried to add a staff-per-resident ratio to federal and state laws and consistently meet resistance from the long-term care industry.

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

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Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad prepared by our kitchen staff.

The guest fee for those 59 and under is \$10 and children 10 years and under can eat for \$8.50 each. Access to the salad bar is only \$6 for those under 60.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 1 — Hot turkey sandwich, coleslaw with apples, green beans with honey and garlic, milk, salad bar and snickerdoodle cookies.

Friday, Nov. 2 — Tuna casserole with noodles, broccoli with lemon butter, shredded Brussels sprouts, milk, salad bar and peach cobbler.

Monday, Nov. 5 — Shredded beef enchiladas with sides, brown rice pilaf, black bean and mango salsa, milk and salad bar.

Tuesday, Nov. 6 — Pork baked ziti, roasted cauliflower soup, glazed carrots, focaccia bread with

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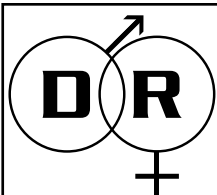
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When is it time for a new job?

By John Lough
Special to The PREVIEW

Whether you're a highly paid executive or have a lower-level position, you still head to your job each day and try to do your best. But is that job doing its best for you?

While most of us need that regular paycheck in order to survive, it shouldn't mean being miserable in order to earn a living. If your job isn't making you happy, it's time to ask some serious questions and to consider the possibility of a job, or even a career, change.

The process starts with simply looking at how your current position is affecting you. Do you feel bored, unchallenged and unmotivated in the work you're currently doing? If so, they're clear signs that it might be worth considering an employment move.

There are other questions to ask yourself. Do you dread heading off to work most days? Are Sunday evenings depressing because you know you have to be back at work in the morning? Has the job simply become uninteresting and isn't really making much use of your abilities and experience?

When you find yourself answering "yes" to questions like these, it's a good time to consider a

change. When someone continues in a position where they're bored and unhappy, it affects a lot more of their life than simply those hours at work. Personal mental and physical health can suffer, family life can be affected and relationship issues with a spouse are not uncommon.

If you do believe it's time for a major employment change, there's a lot of help available. Start with a visit to your local library or bookstore and browse through the many books about making career changes that are available. A search online will also produce a variety of articles about the right and wrong ways of making a career change.

It can also be helpful to consider working with a professional counselor specializing in career and employment guidance. He or she can help you in defining your goals and interests, and in developing an action plan. The American Counseling Association (ACA) website, www.counseling.org, has a Find A Counselor link that can take you to a directory of counselors in your area.

"Counseling Corner" is provided by the ACA. Send your comments and questions to ACACorner@counseling.org or visit the ACA website at www.counseling.org.

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butter, milk and salad bar.

Wednesday, Nov. 7 — Barbecued chicken, roasted asparagus with walnuts, roasted red potatoes, milk, salad bar and lime dessert.

Thursday, Nov. 8 — Teriyaki salmon with tartar sauce, roasted broccoli, whipped sweet potatoes, milk, salad bar and baked apples.

Reservations and cancellations

are required. You can make a reservation at 264-2167 by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you would like to dine in the Community Cafe at the Senior Center.

For your convenience, you can make your reservations in advance or have a standing reservation on days you know you will always attend. Please cancel if you cannot attend on your standing reservation days.

The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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