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Bishop appointed as coroner

Contingent upon fingerprint check

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer



Bishop

An interim coroner to fill the remainder of Dan Keuning's term, until next January, was appointed by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) Tuesday.

Brandon Bishop, a deputy with the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), was unanimously appointed coroner for the interim by the BoCC.

Bishop was appointed to the position "contingent upon compliance with state statute."

The position of coroner was left vacant after the resignation of Keuning.

In his resignation letter from June 21, Keuning wrote, "It is with great sadness that I would like to request that my medical leave of absence be completed today and my immediate resignation be accepted."

The day before his resignation, on June 20, Keuning requested a medical leave of absence, effective immediately.

Keuning explained in his resignation letter that he believed "be-

■ See Coroner A8



Photos courtesy Peggy Andrews

Traffic was stopped for a considerable amount of time due to a mudslide on U.S. 160 just west of Colo. 151 on Tuesday evening. The mudslides occurred due to heavy rainfall. U.S. 160 re-opened later that evening. The highway sustained shoulder damage on the south side of the road from the incident.



County settles case with Hart Construction over jail roof

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

Archuleta County and Hart Construction have agreed to a settlement over an incident involving the roof over what was the Archuleta County jail.

On Tuesday, at a regular meeting of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC), the board voted unanimously to approve the \$450,000 settlement.

The county will receive a total of \$780,000 in the case, however.

"This arises out of a lawsuit of Archuleta County versus Hart," Archuleta County Attorney Todd Starr said.

Starr explained that in April of 2015, Hart Construction undertook to replace the roof over the west end of the courthouse structure, the jail and the former Archuleta County Sheriff's Office administration area, and Archuleta County alleged in that lawsuit that Hart Construction was negligent.

■ See Settlement A8

Hot Springs Blvd. to be closed temporarily Friday morning

Special to The SUN

The town's contractor for the Town Park/Hermosa Street project will be completing striping on the south side of the Hot Springs Boulevard intersection on Friday morning, July 20.

The work will require a temporary closure of the road at the intersection from the hours of 6:30 to 9 a.m.

Additionally, there will be intermittent lane closures during this time at San Juan Street intersection to address that crosswalk.

Residents and visitors are advised to follow all traffic control measures and detours related to this work. The town advises all traffic seeking to reach the south end of Hot Springs Boulevard and or U.S. 160 to utilize 2nd Street to Hermosa Street during this time.

County downgrades fire restrictions to Stage 1

Town to consider removing restrictions today

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

Fire restrictions are currently at Stage 1 in unincorporated Archuleta County as of Tuesday.

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved the lowering of the county-wide fire ban to Stage 1 at its regular meeting on July 17.

Mike Le Roux, Archuleta County's manager of emergency operations, explained to the BoCC that, as of the morning of July 13, the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) had rescinded its fire ban for the San Juan National Forest completely.

"The San Juan National Forest is lifting all fire restrictions on Forest Service Land," a USFS press release from July 12 states.

Further, according to Le Roux, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT) has lowered its fire restrictions to Stage 1.

"In the past we have typically followed the [SUIT] with their fire restrictions, only because they relate to a drier area of our county," Le Roux said.

Le Roux explained that probably by the end of the week the SUIT would drop its ban completely.

Le Roux explained that before the county can drop the restrictions, it must be below the minimum requirements for seven days.

Currently, Le Roux explained, the county has about five days below requirements.

The recent rain, Le Roux explained, had helped with fire

conditions.

Le Roux asked the BoCC to lower fire restrictions to Stage 1 on Tuesday and "have the option" later in the week to rescind all fire restrictions without necessity of a public meeting.

BoCC Chair Steve Wadley mentioned that Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez had the authority to amend fire restrictions.

The BoCC unanimously approved a motion to amend fire restrictions to Stage 1 and added the sheriff had the ability to amend the restrictions hereafter.

Elsewhere in the region, as of Wednesday, fire restrictions had been removed for all lands managed by the Rio Grande National Forest, Bureau of Land Management San Luis Valley Field Office and Great Sand Dunes National Park and

■ See Restrictions A8

County awards contract for 1.35 miles of work on Piedra Road

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

Piedra Road will be entering into its next phase of work, stretching 1.35 miles from Ace Court to Cloud Cap Avenue.

The Archuleta Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) approved contracting with Old Castle Southwest Group at its July 3 meeting to perform the work for a total not to exceed \$1,401,976.05.

According to the agenda for the BoCC meeting of July 3, "The project consists of full depth reclamation of 1.35 miles of Piedra Road."

The project will entail the replacement of a drainage culvert, up-sizing two drainage culverts and signing and striping improvements, according to the agenda of the July 3 BoCC meeting.

According to Bob Perry, the Archuleta County public works director, two bids came in for the project.

One is from Old Castle Southwest Group for a total of \$1,401,976.05, and the second is from Kilgore Companies LLC doing business as Elam Construction for a total of \$1,447,986.80.

"The bid from Old Castle was a good bid," Perry said at the meeting.

Old Castle has a good history of work in this area, Perry explained to the BoCC, also telling the board that it was a good bid for the project.

Information concerning when the project will start and its potential effect on travel was not available by press time Wednesday. That information will be disseminated as it becomes available.

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Photo courtesy Robert Penton

An Archuleta County Road and Bridge truck with a belly dump trailer took out the stoplight at the corner of U.S. 160 and Hot Springs Boulevard around 5 p.m. on July 12. The truck was trying to turn south onto Hot Springs Boulevard and took the turn too sharply. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) temporarily replaced the stoplight the next day. CDOT has plans to put up another stoplight facing 4th Street in the near future.

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Opinion

EDITORIAL

'Barn To Be Wild' at the fair

The 67th annual Archuleta County Fair kicks off just two weeks from today, running Aug. 2 through 5.

Dedicated fair board members and CSU Extension staff have been putting in countless hours to pull off one of the largest community events of the year.

The fair gives us all a chance to celebrate ourselves, our community and the things that make Archuleta County great. The theme of this year's celebration is, appropriately, "Barn To Be Wild."

Highlights in this year's lineup include the Kids' Rodeo; Ranch Rodeo; Bares, Broncs, 'n Bulls event; plenty of live entertainment; Wild Man Phil and his animals; Parelli Natural Horsemanship exhibition; Wacky Science Fun; Tug-of-War competition; a pie-eating contest; and much more.

For all of you rodeo fans, there will be both a kids' rodeo and a ranch rodeo at this year's fair. Saturday's Western Heritage Ranch Rodeo isn't just your regular rodeo event. A ranch rodeo is an event that was re-created to return to the roots of rodeo. You will see ranch cowboys and cowgirls compete in horse catching, calf branding, team penning, team doctoring and wild cow milking. It is a competition of ranch versus ranch.

Saturday's 4-H Chuckwagon Dinner is a treasured community gathering followed by the livestock auction and fair dance featuring The High Rollers.

The real heart and soul of the fair is the junior livestock show, where youth active in 4-H showcase their months of work caring for and feeding animals. For many young exhibitors, the money they make from the livestock auction helps pay for a college education.

This great slice of Archuleta County life and heritage doesn't come off successfully without the support of livestock buyers. Auction organizers and 4-H youth are hoping for a repeat of last year's auction success.

No other event focuses more on local people and their accomplishments than our county fair. Youngsters and adults have worked long and hard to prepare exhibits, ranging from livestock to arts and crafts, and the fair showcases the results. It's fun to see the fruits of their labors.

If you are a newcomer to the area, a visit to the county fair is the single best way to learn about what has made this community strong and what makes it tick today.

If you've lived here longer, then a visit to the county fair is an opportunity to renew friendships after a busy summer.

There might be no other event during the year in the county that has as much tradition attached to it as our county fair.

The mission of the Archuleta County Fair is to "unite our community by preserving our history through building memories, encouraging cooperation, creating learning opportunities, providing entertainment, as well as developing healthy competition for exhibitors of Archuleta County enrolled in 4-H and open class competitors from any geographical area of the world."

On Aug. 10, 1951, this newspaper reported that the fair is for the benefit of the entire community, townspeople and ranchers alike.

As it is with most of our events, more volunteers are needed to pull off Archuleta County's annual celebration of community. Over 150 volunteers are needed to put on the fair each year. Some of the volunteer activities include taking tickets at the entrance gates, directing traffic in the parking lot, driving the train that gives free rides to youth of all ages around the fairgrounds and many other fun activities.

Each volunteer receives a free t-shirt, gate passes, training, an invitation to the annual Thank You Volunteers lunch and the gratitude of the community. Signing up to volunteer is easy by visiting the fair's website, archuletacountyfair.com, or by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

If you've never been to the county fair, you're in for some pleasant surprises. Start a great summer tradition by taking the whole family to the fairgrounds and taking in a day or more of fun and entertainment.

Even though it marks us as shamelessly old-fashioned, we're big fans of this county fair.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

WHADDYA THINK?

Who should pay for the expense of law enforcement and security at the Fourth of July parade?



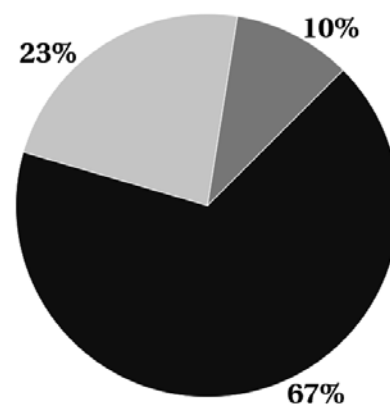
Chris Olivarez
"The town, because the town benefits from it."



David Murrey
"A combination would be best probably. That would be ideal."



Tim Brink
"The tourism industry, because I believe they're the industrial population that benefits most from the entertainment during the summer months."



Poll results (178 Votes)
Local government — 67 percent
Parade entries — 23 percent
Donations — 10 percent

This week online: Should more companies stop using plastic straws?
Vote at www.pagosasun.com

LOOKING BACK



From the June 26, 1975, Pagosa Springs SUN. **NARROW ESCAPE** — Four persons narrowly escaped death or serious injury last Thursday evening when a vehicle went out of control, skidded broadside 158 feet, then turned completely over and came to rest on its wheels in the light plant ditch. The accident, investigated by State Patrol Officer Tom Richards, took place at 6:30 p.m. There were no injuries.

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 20, 1928

A large aeroplane passed over Pagosa Springs Saturday morning enroute to Durango but was compelled to land on Florida mesa, eight miles south of Durango, owing to poor landing facilities in Durango. R.E. Edgar, state distributor for the Travel Air Corporation, was pilot of the machine, which came from Colorado Springs.

The laying of brick for the construction of the new county court house has commenced in earnest and will be rushed to completion.

About 140 head of cattle were loaded at Aztec yesterday and will arrive here tonight. They were purchased by Fred Catchpole and will be placed in his pasture on the Little Blanco.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 23, 1943

Dr. M.M. Lamp, Chiropractor and Electro-Therapist, has re-opened her office in Apartment 1, Joy Apartments, and is ready to receive patients. Dr. Lamp's former office was destroyed by fire, and she was injured in escaping from the burning building on a ladder.

Barney Alley, Warren Miller, Bill Maxwell and Henry Treseis, of Denver are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. George Alley and are also enjoying their annual fishing.

A business deal was completed Tuesday of this week, when C.M. Hughes of Kenton, Oklahoma, purchased the Lloyd Jones' Blanco Basin ranch consisting of 360 acres.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 18, 1968

A member of the local volunteer fire department, **Orrin Ford**, was honored at a dinner and meeting here Monday night. He has been a volunteer fireman for more than 50 years and was given a plaque in recognition of his unpaid service to the community.

Forest Service officials, ranchers, and sportsmen are keeping their fingers crossed these days hoping against fire. The area has been fortunate to date in that there have been no large fires on either the Pagosa or Piedra ranger districts. Several small lightning fires have been reported and brought under control in a short time. Fire crews, though, are on standby because of the dry conditions. The present dry condition will probably continue and officials are concerned about fires of any kind.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of July 22, 1993

Responding to a request by Warren Grams, Pagosa Fire Protection District chief, and the fact fire hazards are "high" in the nearby national forest, the county commissioners imposed a ban Tuesday on burning open fires in the unincorporated areas of Archuleta County.

Whereas the drought of the past two months has created a potential fire hazard; the commissioners learned Tuesday they could face a deficit in the county's general fund during the next six months due to unbudgeted expenditures on health insurance. The potential deficit is related to a decision by Commissioners Cannady, Formwalt and Tallon to include the families of county employees and elected officials under the county's health insurance program.

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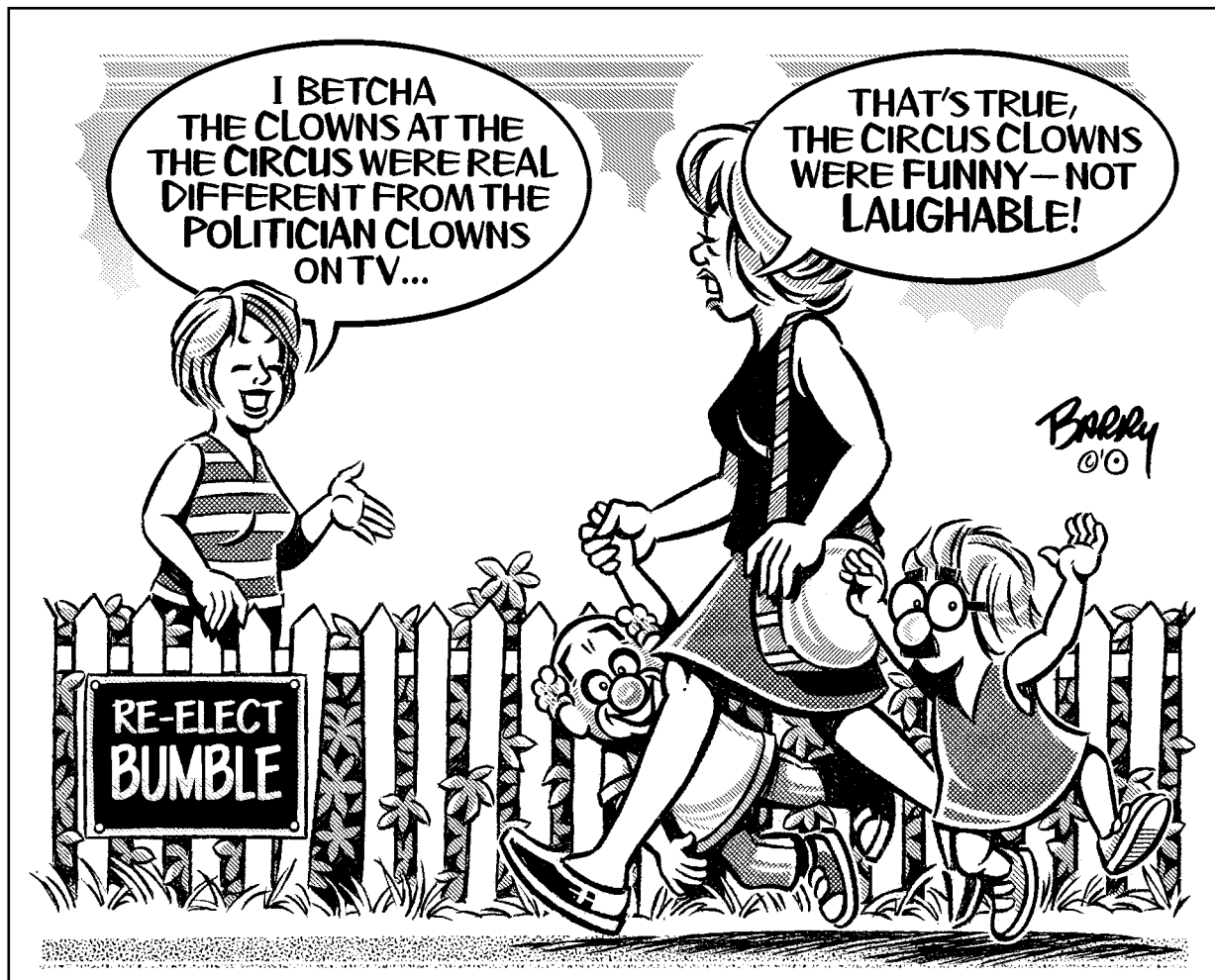
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				Depth	Moisture	
7/10	83	50	R .19"			
7/11	83	50	-			
7/12	79	56	-			
7/13	84	51	R .02"			
7/14	80	56	R .13"			
7/15	79	54	R .02"			
7/16	81	55	R .15"			

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Letters



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

Yield protocol

Dear Editor:
Dear Mountain Bicycle Riders,
Good for you. You are up off the couch and you are riding your bike. Please remember you are on multi-use trails.

There is a yield protocol established by the forest service: People and bikes yield to horses, bikes yield to people.

In the few years, the trails have more and more bicycles. When we are walking, we have to jump off the trail to allow a bicycle to pass. We have no choice if we don't want to get run over. I understand that the law of physics makes it more difficult for a bike to stop than a person on foot, but with your bike, you are bigger and more dangerous. And since we are getting out of your way, please be polite.

Some suggestions
1. Look more than three feet ahead of you on the trail. Look out for us.

2. If there is a hiker in front of you, call out or ring a bell. This is a biggie. We might intuit you are behind us, but unless there is a little jingle, we usually don't know you are there. It is your responsibility to let us know

before you give us a heart attack.
3. Slow down when you ride past us. Even if you are enjoying blasting down the hill, or even, in a race.

4. Say, thank you.
My husband said that the most stressful part of hiking the Colorado Trail was the people on bikes constantly running up behind him. It wasn't that easy to jump out of the way of a careening bicycle, carrying a 40 pound pack.

Gail Hershey

Fracking

Dear Editor:
For the Health & Safety of our Communities ...

I like to use my life energy to improve the health and well being of people and our planet, so I am volunteering as a coordinator for the Colorado Rising ballet initiative that would create commonsense setbacks for neighborhood fracking from the current 500 feet to 2,500 feet.

I am a mother of two young adults, nanny for five children and have worked in community health and education for 15 years. My past employment at the Cancer Center and Mountain Valley Developmental Services have motivated me to learn how fracking and environmental toxins affect the health and quality of life of our community members.

Health: A recent study from the Colorado School of Public Health

shows that the concentration of known carcinogens increase dramatically near Colorado's oil and gas facilities, exceeding the EPA's upper threshold by 800%. This study showed eight times the normal cancer risk for Coloradans living within 500 feet of a well and a fourfold increased risk of leukemia. Long-term impacts include increases in heart disease, endocrine disorders, congenital birth defects, and permanent brain damage to children.

Safety/Resources: In 2017, 93,000 gallons of oil where spilled into Colorado soil, groundwater, and streams and our state has experienced at least 14 fires and explosions at oil and gas sites, some resulting in death or serious injury. Additionally, fracking uses approximately 4.6 billion gallons of our state's fresh water annually.

Quality of Life: When fracking comes to communities, our friends, families, and neighbors throughout Colorado, are forced to live in an industrial zone with stadium-style lights, 24/7 construction noise and vibration, noxious chemical orders and diesel tanker trucks.

I encourage you to sign the petition now and vote in November. Donations and volunteers are also needed — information at CoRising.org.

Michelle Williams
Carbondale, Colo.

Bill rider

Dear Editor:
Thanks to emails from Audubon Rockies, I and other members of our local Weminuche Audubon Society have been made aware of current negotiations in the US Senate that could add an anti-environmental rider to the National Defense Authorization Act now being discussed. The NDAA is an important bill that must be passed yearly by Congress in order to continue funding the military. This year, attached to this bill as a rider, are measures that could undermine years of good science and collaborative efforts by private landowners, state, federal, and environmental agencies to save the greater sage-grouse and lesser prairie chicken. Among other things, this rider would prevent the listing of these birds under the Endangered Species Act for 10 years, regardless of the status of their populations. Objections to the rider are explained clearly at www.cleanwater.org/publications/letter-congress-remove-anti-environmental-ridersndaa.

This rider has nothing to do with national defense and has no place being attached to this bill. Please call Senator Gardner at (202) 224-5941 and let him know that you are one of his constituents. Urge him to let it be known that he will not support the NDAA bill as long as this anti-environmental rider is attached. Calls do make a difference and the time to act is now before it becomes law.

Jean Zirnheld



Welcome
The
Legendary
Jeweler
Ray Tracey

Native American designer & jeweler Ray Tracey will join us at Two Old Crows on July 27 & 28 for his third annual Trunk Show.

If you missed him last year, now is your chance to add one or two of his designer pieces to your collection.

Friday, July 27 noon-7 pm,
Saturday, July 28 10 am-4:30 pm



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Join us for our monthly art walk
Friday, July 27 from 5-7 pm
Greet our featured artists Ray Tracy and Blue the Vigorist

Planned-giving seminar: 'Maximizing the Benefits of Your Generosity'

By Tracy Pope
Special to The SUN

The Archuleta Committee of the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado has scheduled a seminar, "Maximizing the Benefits of Your Generosity," Thursday, Aug. 2, at the EcoLuxe Hotel Conference Room. This event will bring financial

advisor Jeff Gott to Pagosa Springs. Gott has an MBA from Vanderbilt University, is a certified financial planner and comes with a rich history in the nonprofit sector.

Gott will be addressing questions related to:

- Giving strategies that take the new tax laws into consideration.
- Advantages of establishing a donor-advised fund.
- Maximizing the impact of your generosity.

The chair of the Archuleta Committee, Jan Johnson, said, "This will be an opportunity not often available locally. Nonprofit organizations depend on the generosity of the men and women of our community and having the knowledge to give wisely is imperative. I am looking forward to hearing how planning ahead and developing giving strategies will lead to more significant impact of my generosity."

Following the presentation, Gott will answer questions and will be available for private 15-minute meetings to address personal situations. Reservations are requested, as space is limited. Please call Johnson at 485-0573 to secure your place.

Gott is a sought-after speaker, having presented to the Denver and Colorado Springs estate planning councils, the Colorado Bar Association Estate Planners, Advisors in Philanthropy and multiple radio

programs. Previously, he was an executive vice president of a Colorado Springs-based community foundation, a marketing vice president of a major publishing house and a strategy consultant with an international consulting firm.

The Community Foundation has been supporting local Archuleta County nonprofits the past three summers by presenting the 19th Hole Concerts. As a result of the concerts, a total of 18 grants have been awarded. In addition, the Archuleta Fund has been established and, as it grows to a sustainable amount, will be used to make more grants. The fund currently invests \$10,000. Donations can be made at www.swcommunityfoundation.org.

The Community Foundation is home to more than 60 donor advised funds, organizational funds, designated funds, scholarship funds and field-of-interest funds. The foundation manages nearly \$5 million in investments for philanthropists in our region, offering invaluable resources to ensure that donors can be impactful with their giving, making a difference in the lives of others.

For more information on expanding the culture of giving to meet the needs of the community, visit swcommunityfoundation.org or call Briggan Wrinkle, executive director, at 375-5807.

Memorial

Mojie J. Adler

The family of Mojie J. Adler will hold a memorial service in her honor on Friday, July 27, between the hours of 12:30 and 4:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse, located at 230 Port Ave.

All friends of Mojie are welcome

to attend, pay their respects, visit with her family and share stories of her incredible life. Light refreshments will be served.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in her memory to the American Cancer Society by visiting its website at www.cancer.org and clicking on "donate" at the top right.

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Business

Community Development Corporation selects broadband project manager

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

During its regular meeting on July 11, the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) selected the Lindblad Group to complete the initial assessment and planning process of the CDC's broadband efforts.

The CDC may also utilize HR Green or NEO Connect for phase two of the project to identify grant opportunities and possible implementation plans, according to the broadband request for proposal (RFP) analysis.

During the meeting, CDC Administrator Mary Jo Coulehan described further the CDC's decision. "We did get three responses. The Lindblad Group, HR Green and NEO Connect were the three that we got," Coulehan explained.

The Lindblad Group is local, while HR Green and NEO Connect are out-of-town firms, Coulehan explained.

However, NEO Connect has done work with the Southwest Colorado Council of Governments, Coulehan noted.

"We still believe that one of the most important facets is that we have some boots on the ground here and we believe that the Lindblad Group has the technical knowledge to do what we need to have done," Coulehan said. "We

modified the RFP again to remind you that it is an assessment and a plan at this time. Not the implementation."

The implementation was not included in the revised RFP because, as Coulehan described, "We felt that it was just too much to take on."

The project is scheduled to conclude at the end of September, Coulehan added.

CDC broadband subcommittee member Jason Cox explained that the broadband group is looking for a plan that it can move forward with.

"And, primarily, we want to be able to go to all stakeholders, but especially the town and the county, and say, 'OK, guys, here's the approach; we don't know all the implementation details yet, but we know we're working with all of these players and we're going to go after this set of financing,'" Cox described.

The Lindblad Group has local knowledge in things such as project management and expertise, as well as communications expertise, Cox explained.

A weak point of the Lindblad Group was knowledge of financing mechanisms, Cox explained.

"Just because they're not working in this realm all the time," Cox explained. "HR Green has a particularly strong practice in this because they do lots of projects

like this."

The broadband subcommittee proposed to use the Lindblad Group to do project management and coordination, Cox explained.

The financial aspect could be delegated to HR Green or NEO Connect in the next phase of the project, Cox added later.

According to the RFP response analysis, all three proposals came in over what CDC had budgeted at the time — \$30,000.

That funding came from monies set aside by the town and county to address broadband, which has been identified as a joint strategic priority.

"The Lindblad Group came in the lowest at a minimum of \$4,000 over budget. We would most likely need to request an additional \$6,000 or \$7,000," the RFP analysis explains.

Later, during the July 11 meeting, Cox further explained the process of utilizing HR Green or NEO Connect at a later time.

"The point, I think, is to take a part of either HR Green or NEO Connect who both have expertise in the financing arena for these types of projects," Cox said.

Once the project cycle concludes in September, the Lindblad Group would present an outlined proposal to the town and county that would explain how the broadband that the community needs

could be brought to Archuleta County, Cox clarified.

The presentation would also include the cost for the next phase of the project, Cox added later.

Because the CDC knows and has worked with Lindblad Group representatives Rich Lindblad and Eric Hittle in the past, Coulehan noted that she thinks the group will "over-deliver."

"Whoever we pick there should be a moment in there where that consultant says, 'What's the high level on this?'" CDC board member Michael Whiting commented.

Coulehan later added that the recommendation is to accept the Lindblad Group's contract as presented.

"But it does put us, right now, \$6,000 over what we requested from town and county," Coulehan explained.

CDC board member Sherry Waner commented that she appreciated the process that the CDC went through in order to fill the broadband project manager vacancy.

"It wouldn't make sense to try to engage finance until you have a really good grip on your deployment scenario," Whiting said.

The motion to hire the Lindblad Group and utilize HR Green or NEO Connect passed unanimously among the CDC board.

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Pagosa Springs' ED 2020 among 17 Colorado projects to receive 2018 Blueprint 2.0 program award

Special to The SUN

Colorado Lt. Gov. Donna Lynne joined local officials and state representatives at the Logan County Courthouse to reveal the 17 Colorado communities selected as

2018 Blueprint 2.0 program award recipients.

"We see the tremendous opportunity for Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County in ED 2020 being selected for the Grow Your Outdoor Recreation Industry Initiative and

greatly appreciate the state's acceptance of our application," said Pagosa Springs Executive Director of Tourism and ED 2020 team member Jennifer Green.

Green continued, "These programs are shaped by the rural areas they serve and this will provide one more avenue for our area to develop a cohesive plan to strategically recruit new direct-job-creating businesses from the outdoor recreation industry. We look forward to working with the town, the business community, the [Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation] and the state on this new initiative."

A program of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT), Blueprint 2.0 is marking its third year of rural economic development support throughout Colorado.

"Blueprint 2.0 has become an integral part of rural Colorado's economic resurgence," said Lynne. "These programs deliver the vital economic services and expertise

to help spark economic growth in a collaborative community-led effort. I'm honored to announce this year's awardees and am excited to watch the transformative process within each community unfold."

About Blueprint 2.0

Blueprint 2.0 is a series of technical assistance initiatives offered by OEDIT to enhance rural economic development strategies across the state. The program leverages state partnerships and specialized resources to address the unique economic development goals of rural Colorado.

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19th Hole Concerts end tonight with a bang: J-Calvin's Funk Express

By Laurel Sebastian
Special to The SUN

The last show of the six-part 19th Hole Concerts is tonight from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club.

The third-annual concerts have been a great success so far, with \$7,000 raised for six local nonprofits by the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado. Nearly 800 people have attended, but we're hoping for a big finale to celebrate and fill these nonprofits' pockets.

Tonight's soulful talent, J-Calvin's Funk Express, will play to support San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership.

J-Calvin, based out of Durango and featured at this year's Telluride Jazz Fest, is a varying collective of some of the southwest's finest musicians. The band brings its original down-tempo grooves, conscious lyrics and high energy, soul-abducting funk-jazz to each show.

If you haven't had the chance to catch this group yet, you're in for a treat and you may find yourself following them around the southwest from now on.

The San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership, founded in 2009, works in the Pagosa Springs area to provide a forum to share stakeholder perspectives in order to develop science-based collaborative priorities for the management and monitoring of local forests. Some of their work has included improving the health of forests in Reservoir Hill Park, Cloman Park and Turkey Springs.

In a year like this, you might understand their efforts. By restoring forests to less-dense, historic conditions, San Juan Headwaters hopes to reduce the intensity of wildfire and insect infestation, and, therefore, increase the resilience of communi-

ties and water quality in the area. In addition to on-the-ground treatment and research efforts, they lead educational opportunities, from forestry tours to research projects with Pagosa Springs High School.

This family-friendly concert is \$10 per person, although kids 10 and under get in free. Drinks and food are available for purchase. Please leave your pets at home, but don't forget your blankets and chairs.

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Upper San Juan Health Service District receives clean audit for 2017

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD), which operates as Pagosa Springs Medical Center, received an unmodified, clean audit for 2017 at its June 26 meeting. The USJHSD Board of Directors heard the audit report from

Michael Nelson, of Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis & Co. Prior to Nelson's audit presentation, which occurred via phone, board chair Greg Schulte informed his fellow board members that special districts with revenues over \$750,000 are required to perform an audit, which has to be filed with the Colorado Department of Local

Affairs by June 30.

"We should look at our audit services periodically," Schulte said, later noting that, while a district may contract with the same auditor again, it's good to use a competitive process every three to five years.

Chief Administrative Officer Ann Bruzzese stated that the USJHSD has likely used Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis & Co. since 2008.

"We have prepared a request for proposals and it will go out in July asking people to provide a proposal," she explained, with responses anticipated in time for the board to make a decision in August or September.

Nelson then informed the board of the clean audit and went over portions of the audit document.

"From our standpoint, ... we didn't have any significant findings," Nelson said. "We had a couple of journal entries, but most of those were expected."

Nelson relayed that upon showing up for the audit, staff had things that they requested help with.

"So, we didn't have any significant issues," he said. "In fact, the audit report is an unmodified report, meaning what we would call a clean report. It didn't have any deviations from the standards that we saw."

One of the biggest areas the firm concentrates on more due to its impact, Nelson explained, is the billing and collections cycle.

"So, we spend a significant amount of our time there," he said.

He noted that staff was doing a better job collecting despite more revenues coming in, adding, "So, that's always a positive."

Nelson also noted other things

during his presentation: that the district saw some significant capital expenses during the year being audited, that the district is in compliance with debt covenants, that operating revenues were where they needed to be and that, even though the district was about \$1 million under budget (or about 3 percent), that was "reasonable."

Nelson noted later in his presentation that the district is "in pretty decent financial position moving forward."

Following Nelson's presentation, the board voted unanimously to accept the audit. Director Kate Alfred was absent from the meeting.

Financial highlights

In addition to the district's financial statement, the audit document also includes financial highlights compiled by the district.

According to the "Management's Discussion and Analysis" in the audit document, between 2016 and 2017 the USJHSD's:

- Net assets increased by \$780,757 (2.6 percent of net revenues).

- Total operating revenues increased 7.4 percent, from \$28,015,845 to \$30,101,343. Operating revenues exclude revenues from capital grants and donations.

- Total operating expenses, including interest, increased 9 percent, from \$28,779,132 to \$31,396,267.

- Total assets, net of depreciation, decreased by \$19,772 from \$37,796,993 to \$37,777,221.


- Cash decreased by \$1,496,958 to \$6,867,360.

- Total liabilities decreased by \$842,416 to \$27,261,456.

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Renewable Generation Funds Grants available to nonprofits

By Indiana Reed
Special to The SUN

In an effort to support area not-for-profit organizations and encourage new renewable electricity generation projects in its service territory, La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) has established a Renewable Generation Funds Grants Program.

Not-for-profit organizations that are current consumer-members in good standing and based within LPEA's service territory qualify to apply. The application deadline is Nov. 1.

"Our board of directors is very enthusiastic about increasing distributed, renewable generation projects in La Plata and Archuleta counties," said Ron Meier, manager of engineering and member relations. "Cost is often a barrier for our consumer-members — especially not-for-profits. For these organizations, a grant such as this is win-win because by installing renewable generation, they will reduce their electric bills, enabling their valuable dollars to go to serving the community."

The LPEA grant funds will be distributed from the Local Renewable Generation Fund — a separate, opt-in fund to which consumer-members can contribute to support development of renewable generation projects in the region. LPEA's board of directors endeavors to put those amassed dollars back into the community for the greatest consumer-member benefit.

Limited funds will be available for this and any future grant cycles. For 2018, LPEA anticipates granting a total of \$40,000. Grants could range between \$5,000 and \$40,000, and preference will be given to projects securing up to 50 percent matching funds. Partial grants may also be awarded.

"We ask that applicants request funds for a specific project," said Dan Harms, manager of rates, technology and energy policy. "Define the project. For example, installation of solar panels to provide electricity for a homeless shelter or a church, or something as small as solar panels on the dog kennels at our rescue locations to keep the pups warm in the winter, or power a water pump at a nonprofit community garden."

All applicants must provide documentation of not-for-profit tax status, as well as proof of easement or title to the property where the renewable generation project will be installed.

Additionally, prior to acceptance and installation of any renewable

project, an engineering review is required to identify the system impact at any given location. The review can be made prior to or following application submission, but must be completed prior to release of the grant funds.

"All renewable projects seeking interconnection with LPEA's grid, be they individual homes or businesses — or now with this grant — must undergo an engineering review," said Meier. "It's purely to ensure that LPEA's equipment and that section of our system can manage the new distributed generation load. We also want to help our consumer-members understand the nuances of producing their own electricity."

Detailed requirements are outlined on the grant application, available for download on LPEA's website, www.lpea.coop. Nonprofit organizations with questions regarding the grant application process are asked to contact Jeannie Bennett at 382-3505 or jbennett@lpea.coop.

To learn more about supporting LPEA's Local Renewable Generation Fund, call 247-5786.

CDC appoints new board member

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) gained a new board member during its regular meeting on July 11.

Jim Garrett was appointed by the board unanimously during the meeting.

In email to The SUN, Garrett gave comments on his appointment to the CDC board.

"Thoughtful efforts to help the community thrive are the mission of the CDC. I'm very grateful for the opportunity to contribute," Garrett wrote.

CDC Board President Jodi Scarpa also offered comments to The SUN on Garrett's appointment.

"I am excited to have Jim on our Board. He will bring a unique skill set, history and enthusiasm to our work, and we are fortunate to have him," Scarpa wrote.

When asked why he wanted to be a part of the CDC board, Garrett explained his willingness to help.

"There are so many who want to do their best for this community. I'm no different," Garrett explained.



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LEGISLATURE

Preventing the illicit financing of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons

Last year, all eyes turned to North Korea as the hermit kingdom launched yet another ballistic missile, this time into the Sea of Japan. Actions like this pose a huge threat to global security and are cause for immediate concern. They also raise important questions, the main being: how do we better prevent hostile nations and dangerous organizations from gaining access to nuclear, chemical, biological and other hazardous weapons?

Almost every country that seeks to obtain a weapon of mass destruction faces the same challenge: It cannot produce everything it needs for the weapon domestically. This means that if hostile nations and dangerous organizations successfully gain the resources and materials necessary to create weapons of mass destruction, they have been able to do so by accessing and exploiting the global financial system.

In North Korea's case, it has been able to access the global financial system through front companies, joint ventures with foreign firms and, most notably, through Chinese financial institutions, all of which have enabled this antagonistic regime to successfully acquire the necessary resources and technology to build weapons.

Even though many financial institutions throughout the world are very careful not to do business with hostile nations and dangerous organizations looking to build weapons of mass destruction, some

have done so accidentally. To effectively prevent the spread of dangerous weapons, otherwise known as weapons proliferation, we must close the gaps that allow bad actors to take advantage of the global financial system.

I recently introduced a bill that will help the United States close any gaps that may be found in our financial system. The bill, the Improving Strategies to Counter Weapons Proliferation Act (HR 6332), would help financial institutions and law enforcement identify the signs of illegal weapons financing so they can more easily coordinate strategies that disrupt, and ultimately prevent, this dangerous crime.

In the United States, we have robust protections in place to prevent the financing of weapons proliferation. Under the Bank Secrecy Act, whenever a financial institution encounters suspicious activity, they are required to file Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) with the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) at the Department of Treasury. However, while FinCEN has reported that some SARs have been helpful in in-



Rep. Tipton's Report

dividual cases, the bureau has also reported that more can be done to analyze these filings and provide financial institutions with guidance on how to better recognize and prevent types of illicit weapons financing.

At a recent Financial Services Terrorism and Illicit Finance Subcommittee hearing that was centered around combating weapons-proliferation financing, we had the chance to discuss what problems financial institutions and law enforcement currently face as it relates to this issue and what the federal government can do to assist them in preventing these dangerous crimes.

The expert witnesses at this hearing each emphasized that the complexity of the financial networks makes it incredibly difficult to recognize when an experienced bad actor is financing weapons proliferation. They pointed out that many banks, especially smaller ones, may not have the staff and resources available to recognize every instance of suspicious activity that might tip them off to a weapons financier. They also noted that many banks don't even know exactly what constitutes as a weapons-related suspicious activity, and that it's unclear to the public exactly what kinds of suspicious-activity reporting law enforcement finds helpful.

If we are to truly prevent dangerous regimes and organizations from financing the spread of

weapons that can do catastrophic damage, then we must first have a clear understanding of the warning signs. This is the goal of the Improving Strategies to Counter Weapons Proliferation Act. It would require the director of FinCEN to submit a report to Congress each year on the way that SARs reports are used to combat weapons proliferation, as well as FinCEN's efforts to collaborate with law enforcement and national intelligence agencies to maximize the use of data collected from SARs reports. Armed with the knowledge of how current suspicious activity data is being used, Congress will be able to determine if additional policies need to be created to allow for better coordination among federal agencies trying to disrupt the financing of weapons proliferation.

The financial system is critical to the success of a weapons program, so if we can prevent bad actors from transferring money and other resources into the global financial system, then we can help eliminate this problem.

The spread of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons is one of the biggest threats facing not just this nation, but all of mankind, so I will continue to work with my colleagues on the Financial Services Terrorism and Illicit Finance Subcommittee, financial institutions across the nation and our dedicated law enforcement officers to prevent misuse of the U.S. financial system.

Reviewing highlights from the 2018 legislative session

The session ended on May 9. Following a short vacation, I had time to reread some of the legislation that passed and failed during the 2018 legislative session. There were 71 education bills of interest to the state board. Forty-five of these bills passed and 26 failed. Forty-one bills require rulemaking and implementation from the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) or from the state board.

Four-digit bills originated in the House of Representatives, three-digit bills originated in the Senate. The year the bill is introduced is the first number. Many of you are now thinking, "I knew that."

Highlights from the 2018 session include House Bill 18-1355, the Public Education Accountability Bill. This was a bill submitted by the CDE at the request of the state board. It addresses the basic dilemma of turn-around schools, those schools failing evaluations

for five consecutive years. What happens after year five, after the board makes improvement decisions? This was the question the state board was asking and the legislature tackled in 2018. The bill allows the department to track students' progress and make further recommendations to the board if students continue to fail. The schools will be held accountable for the additional grants and support received in their school improvement efforts. Implementation of the bill will be accomplished through rulemaking without additional funding.

HB 18-1412, Retaining Teacher Grant Programs. The CDE will review the effectiveness of three-year grants and the state board will vote on their renewal. The department will submit reports to the state board and to the General Assembly. Frequently, grants are given without follow-up for accountability. I like the opportunity to review this grant.



Joyce Rankin State Board of Education

HB 18-1269 addressed Parent Notification for Safety and Protection. This bill requires local education providers (principals and teachers) to notify parents of charges brought against an employee or former employee of any felony offense that requires denial, suspension or revocation of a teacher license.

This year also brought forth yet another bill addressing marijuana. HB 18-1286 will allow medical marijuana to be given to a student while at school. The school principal and child's parents must sign a written agreement that allows

for medical marijuana to be dispensed by school personnel. The new legislation would not apply if the schools can demonstrate that they would lose federal funding if enacted. Parents must provide medical documentation and supply the product daily.

SB18-011, Students excused from taking state tests. If parents excuse their child from state assessments, the school cannot prohibit the student from participating in an activity or any other form of award for taking the test. This bill is also known as the "Pizza Party Bill" because of a party that was given only to those students who had taken state tests.

These are just a few of the bills passing through the legislature during the 2018 session. One of the major responsibilities of the state board is to make rules in order to implement the legislation. We'll be involved in this process at our future board meetings.

Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Thursday, July 19

Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District special meeting with directors participating by telephone. 8:30 a.m., 100 Lyn Ave.

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

Tuesday, July 24

Colorado Department of Human Services, Archuleta County summer planning session. 9

a.m., municipal court room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

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

Town Planning Commission, Board of Adjustments and Design Review Board. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 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 Peak Open School Board of Directors regular meeting. 6 p.m., 7 Parelli Way.

Wednesday, July 25

Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation work session. 11 a.m., First Southwest Bank conference room, 249 Navajo Trail Drive.

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

Archuleta County Planning Com-

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

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Parks and recreation survey results released

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The results from the recent Pagosa Springs Community Parks and Recreation Survey conducted by the Town of Pagosa Springs have been released.

The survey asked a variety of questions concerning existing amenities, potential future amenities and funding options, with 518 surveys returned. Of those, 401 were completed online and 117 were paper surveys.

"The purpose of this survey was to gather community feedback on the current recreational and parks amenities in the Pagosa Springs area and to develop ideas for planning for future facilities," the results introduction states.

Following are the questions with the top answers and ideas that were well-represented in the "Other (please specify)" category, where applicable.

Question one asked, "What are your favorite parks and amenities besides forest service areas?" and asked respondents to select their top three.

The top answer, selected by 64.48 percent of respondents, was the Riverwalk. It was followed by Reservoir Hill, which was selected by 41.89 percent, and Yamaguchi Park, which was selected by 33.01 percent.

The second question asked, "What are your favorite activities to do in these places?" and asked respondents to identify their top five.

The top answer was jogging or walking, with 80.89% choosing the answer. Dog walking came in next with 61 percent of respondents choosing the answer, with the third most-selected option being rafting/kayaking/stand-up paddleboarding/canoeing, which was selected by 48.26 of respondents.

Fourth was mountain biking with 40.93 percent, with fishing coming in a close fifth with 40.15 percent of respondents choosing the option.

The third question asked, "What new, additional facilities should the community build?" and asked those taking the survey to select their top three.

The top answer was a recreation center, with 42.64 percent choosing it, followed by more developed/

paved trails with 38.18 percent. Third was a swimming pool/splash park with 35.08 percent.

The fourth question asked where additional facilities should be built, with the top answer being in the downtown core of Pagosa Springs. A total of 36.67 percent of respondents chose the option.

Next was south of U.S. 160 and west of Piedra Road, near Harman Park, with 13.92 percent choosing the option. The third option was near the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association (PLPOA), with 12.35 percent choosing the location.

Next was "Other (please specify)" with suggested locations ranging from the lagoon property near Yamaguchi Park and the Yamaguchi Park area to a location along U.S. 84, "Anywhere along the River," across from the City Market shopping area, in parts of the PLPOA and more. Others suggested that new amenities should go wherever it's appropriate and cost-effective, while other suggested that there be no new developed areas or that the town work on maintaining existing amenities.

The fifth most-popular location chosen on the survey was west of downtown along Put Hill, with 12.35 percent of respondents choosing the option. East of downtown Pagosa Springs followed with 5.69 percent, Cloman Community Park followed with 4.90 percent and Veterans Memorial Park followed with 3.53 percent.

Question five asked those taking the survey to rate four areas of town-sponsored programming within the town if their family had participated in those programs within the last two years. Those programs were the Kickin' It During Summer (K.I.D.S.) Camp, free exercise classes at the Ross Aragon Community Center, youth sports through the town's recreation programs, and the senior center and activities for seniors.

Of the 359 people who responded to the question, the majority chose good for three of the four categories, while the majority of respondents chose excellent for the K.I.D.S. Camp.

The sixth question asked: "Providing dedicated parks, trails, open spaces and recreational programs comes with a cost. What is the best

avenue to secure funds to provide these amenities?"

A total of 43.92 percent of those answering the survey chose additional, dedicated sales tax, while 32.55 percent chose increased user fees and 23.73 percent chose an additional, dedicated property tax.

Question seven asked, "Would you support a joint effort between the Town of Pagosa Springs, Archuleta County, and PLPOA to form a parks and recreation metro district or similar [sic] type of authority? This would allow for joint funding, planning, and management of these amenities."

Of those answering the question, 87 percent said yes, while 13 percent answered no.

The question also garnered a large number of written responses along with the yes and no answers. Those answers suggested a range of things, from the fact that combining funds and resources would lead to the best outcome to "PLPOA is evil."

Others suggested that the PLPOA should be left out and any districts formed should be strictly public through the town and county, and some comments noted that PLPOA amenities and national forest parking and access should be re-opened to the general public.

Others suggested that districts like the PLPOA receive money, but that any joint efforts would have to be done transparently and with citizen participation.

Others requested more information on the idea before being able to voice an opinion, while others still suggested additional community partners.

Question eight asked respondents how they get information about parks and recreation amenities, including trails, park facilities and recreation programs. Those answering the question were asked to select their top three.

The top response, chosen by 393 people, was word of mouth. It was followed by the town's website and the Pagosa Springs Official Visitor Guide, each with 213 people selecting it.

The ninth question asked those taking the survey to provide any additional thoughts about existing parks and recreation amenities in our community, as well as those that they would like to see in our

future.

A large number of people suggested dedicated pickleball courts as well as additional time at the Community Center, with those respondents suggesting that would also contribute to tourism. Other suggestions included a water park, splash park, pool, better river access, a dog park, expanded trails, wildlife habitat, continued support for the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership, a recreation center, more things for active seniors, more development along the river, tennis courts and more. Others suggested a focus on Reservoir Hill and the Riverwalk, while others suggested maintaining the current amenities.

The final question asked demographic information.

"Of the 506 individuals who responded to Question #10 (demographic information) on the survey, 83.4% indicated that they are residents of Pagosa Springs," the introduction to the survey results indicates. "Average household size is 2.19 people. 38.3% of respondents have at least one person in the household who is over 65 years old. 28.5% of respondents have at least one child under age eighteen living in the home."

What now?

"We hope to use the results to help with planning for future parks and recreation programs," Town Manager Andrea Phillips explained in an email to The SUN Tuesday.

The survey, she explained, was not meant to be the final determination on projects, but "to help guide additional discussions and get feedback in a different way from the community."

Phillips noted that the results from the survey are being shared with stakeholders such as the town council; the town's parks and recreation commission; town staff, county staff and elected officials; the county's Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Committee; PLPOA leadership; and others.

"We can use the results to guide planning for amenities in the parks, and in some cases as a starting point for deeper discussions on issues such as combining town and county parks management," Phillips wrote.

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Register now for 2018 Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days

By Kristi Smith
Special to The SUN

Online registration opened July 9 for the 2018 Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days (SWRPD), which takes place Sept. 12-14 in Cortez, Colo.

Southwest Colorado nonprofits will have a unique opportunity to connect with over 30 Colorado foundations at the 2018 SWRPD conference. Nonprofits, government, business and community leaders from Archuleta, La Plata, San Juan, Dolores and Montezuma counties are all invited to attend.

For 27 years, local communities have worked to coordinate Rural Philanthropy Days (RPD) in partnership with the Community Resource Center, the Anschutz Family Foundation and statewide grantmakers. The RPD program provides a powerful opportunity for the state's most influential funders and local grantseekers to strengthen partnerships to better meet the needs of rural Colorado communities. It results in increased access to resources, relationships and skill building opportunities for important local projects.

RPD began in 1991. At that time, just 3 percent of grant dollars from Colorado's private foundations were awarded outside of the Front Range. In the southwest region, the 12 core funders of the statewide RPD program have awarded 884 grants for a total of \$23,917,964 over seven years (2009-2015). RPD makes a difference for nonprofits and the economy at a time when local funding dollars designated for nonprofits have decreased.

SWRPD is expecting over 300 attendees for the September conference, including representatives from private and govern-

ment funders. The three-day event will begin with discussions within the communities about the region's needs with funders, local governments, nonprofits, business owners and community members.

The conference includes workshops and presentations, and culminates in "Funder Roundtables" at which nonprofit representatives discuss their projects and programs with grantors and receive immediate indication from funders about whether they would welcome a funding proposal for the project or

organization.

This year's presentations cover many topics from planned giving to grantwriting, but also include a focus on regional issues: rural infrastructure, Early Childhood, Food Insecurity, youth development, arts and culture, and fostering diverse community discussion.

The schedule of events includes:

- Guest speakers, food and entertainment.
- Opening reception at Crow Canyon in Cortez.
- Taste of Southwest Colorado with local food, vintners and brew-

ery tastings.

- Roundtable discussions.
- Community solutions workshops with funders and government officials.

Nonprofits, grantseekers, funders and grantmakers are all encouraged to attend and be involved in this collaborative process for "mountains of opportunity." Registration is open online at www.southwestrpd.org.

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Settlement

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The recitals of the settlement acknowledge that “a storm event occurred in April 2015 while the re-roofing work was underway” and “water entered the building during the April 2015 storm event.”

Initially, the county received approximately \$330,000 from its insurance carrier, County Techni-

cal Services Inc. (CTSI), and “after some legal wrangling on our part,” Starr explained, the county filed the lawsuit against Hart.

Starr explained that a third-party claim had also been filed against Tim Bilazzo, a construction subcontractor for Hart Construction.

“Essentially, Hart Construction and Bob Hart will be paying

\$320,000 and Tim Bilazzo will be paying \$130,000,” Starr said, adding that the county expects payment within 30 days of execution of the agreement.

A couple days after the parties took part in a full day of mediation in Denver, in June, they had agreed to the terms of a settlement, Starr explained.

“And we have agreed to settle that claim for the sum \$450,000,” Starr said.

Starr further explained that “to the credit of” BoCC Chair Steve Wadley, CTSI agreed to waive its separation interests.

Starr explained that the county will realize over \$750,000 out of “a \$241,000 job.”

Provision of note

However, the settlement agreement contains a certain piece of prose.

“Contrary to the desires of Commissioner Whiting, the settlement agreement does contain an anti-disparagement provision,” Starr said, referring to Commissioner Michael Whiting.

“As partial consideration for this Agreement, the Parties shall refrain from disparaging one another with respect to Hart, Hart Construction, and Bilazzo’s work performed at the Property, payment related thereto, and any claims or injuries or damages alleged in the Lawsuit,” the settlement reads.

“For the purposes of this Agreement,” the settlement reads, “disparagement means making any derogatory comment or statement (whether true or untrue) in a public forum or in the media.”

Starr explained that after the settlement was approved, no derogatory comments could be made about Hart, Hart Construction or Bilazzo.

Starr then said before the BoCC approved the settlement that “... from or after this point, you cannot go out and say Bob Hart totally messed up the courthouse job. That type of statement would be an example of a violation.”

Starr suggested some other examples of violating the provision, again before the settlement was approved.

“You cannot say that Bob Hart admitted to negligence,” Starr said, “Because that might be disparaging, even though it is a true statement. Well, actually, he didn’t admit negligence, ‘cause they’re not even getting fault in this settlement.”

Starr then gave some examples of what the BoCC could say, such as that the county expected to receive

a Firestone warranty on the project and the county did not.

“In fact, we discovered, well we probably can’t say that we discovered, that Mr. Hart was in fact not certified by Firestone at the time that he completed the job,” Starr said.

Whiting asked if these were things the BoCC could not say after they voted on the settlement.

“That’s correct, I’m just trying to give you some examples of how this clause might apply,” Starr said.

Wadley explained that since it was public money involved, there could be no nondisclosure agreement, but that the county could not hurt Hart’s or Bilazzo’s reputations.

It was after these comments and a vote of the BoCC that the settlement was approved.

The settlement and case history

“The settlement agreement which is not subject to any kind of a gag order and is public record,” Starr said.

The settlement itself explains most of the history of the legal action.

According to the settlement, the county entered into a construction contract for re-roofing a section of the former jail with Hart Construction in late March of 2015.

At some point after the contract, Hart Construction retained Bilazzo to perform construction trade work relative to the re-roofing, the settlement reads.

Then, according to the settlement, in April of 2015 a “storm event” occurred while work on the re-roofing was in progress, and “water entered the building during the April 2015 storm event.”

“... the Property re-roofing work was completed after the April 2015 storm event,” the settlement reads.

Archuleta County, according to the settlement, “asserted direct claims” against Hart Construction “alleging defects in and damages resulting from the re-roof work performed” on the jail.

Hart Construction then “asserted third-party claims” against Bilazzo “arising from Archuleta’s allegations of defects and damages.”

“Hart Construction, Hart, and

Bilazzo deny the Claims,” the settlement reads, “and further deny any wrongdoing or liability to each other and to Archuleta and have raised numerous affirmative defenses ...”

Further, according to the settlement, all parties involved “deem it to be in their best respective interests to resolve all Claims and defenses among themselves ...”

The county, in accordance with the settlement, “hereby releases, acquits, and forever discharges Bilazzo, Hart Construction, and Hart” from “any and all allegations, causes of actions, claims or demands, whether known or unknown, contingent or liquidated, certain or uncertain, present or future, which were or could have been asserted against Bilazzo, Hart Construction, or Hart by Archuleta in the Lawsuit ...”

Further, the county “shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Hart Construction Corporation, Robert Hart, and their insurers” for insurance claims for “losses sought.”

“Nothing contained in this Agreement should be deemed an admission of any liability or wrongdoing by any of the Parties ...,” the settlement reads.

Closing comments

“This is a pretty darn good settlement for the county,” Starr said.

Starr explained that the county got more than three times what the county paid for the job originally.

“We did the best we could given the facts in front of us,” Wadley said.

“There’s an old saying that I always tell my clients,” Starr said. “A bad settlement is always better than a good trial.”

Starr explained that he felt this was not a bad settlement, but it was an “excellent” settlement for Archuleta County.

Whiting praised the work of Starr, Wadley and Archuleta County Administrator Bentley Henderson for their work on the case.

“This was not easy, and it wasn’t simple, but you guys got it done,” Whiting said.

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Coroner

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ing on disability long term would have a negative impact” on the coroner’s office, and would leave the position “unfilled until January of 2019.”

Keuning wrote that the resignation came after discussion with the county attorney, human resources department and county manager.

Keuning ended the letter with an expression of appreciation for the support received in the four years he served as coroner.

Questions over filling the position

With Keuning’s resignation and the upcoming election, questions have been raised about the filling of Keuning’s position.

Archuleta County Administrator Bentley Henderson explained to the BoCC on July 10 that there were a lot of misunderstandings surrounding the vacant position of county coroner.

“We’re talking about two different events. One is the vacancy, the other one is the election process, and they are distinct and they are not tied together,” Henderson said.

What’s happening, Henderson described, is that people are believing that it is some form of a political process to select the person to fill the vacancy.

A vacancy is filled by someone selected by the members of the BoCC to fill out the remainder of the term, Henderson explained.

“Regardless of whose term it is,” Henderson said.

Henderson explained if that was understood, the other issues would work themselves out.

Keuning described this in his resignation letter, as well: “With my resignation the BOCC can appoint an interim coroner to lead the great team of professionals that we have developed. Caring for the citizens of this county should be the top priority.”

Commissioner comments

Before the vote was cast Tuesday, BoCC Chair Steve Wadley noted that the BoCC wished Bishop well, and that the county staff was available to help navigate these waters.

“It’s kind of tough getting thrown into a new position,” Wadley said. “I went through the same process.”

Wadley invited Bishop to ask the commissioners for help if needed, and that the county attorney and administrator would also be available to assist him.

Bishop’s appointment

Bishop was appointed to the position “contingent upon compli-

ance with state statute.”

That compliance is passing a fingerprint check with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, Todd Starr, Archuleta County attorney, confirmed to The SUN Wednesday.

“I’m excited for the opportunity,” Bishop said in a Wednesday interview with The SUN about his appointment, adding, “I’m excited for the new challenges and to take on this new role as the coroner.”

Bishop explained that he is a 12-year veteran of the ACSO.

However, Bishop also explained that as the coroner he will be leaving the ACSO due to conflict.

“It would be nice if I could, but I can’t do both,” Bishop said.

Bishop explained that he became aware of the coroner position being open when he heard about “Dan’s unfortunate resignation” and that he had always been interested in the coroner position.

When Bishop discovered the open coroner position, he immediately began gathering letters of recommendation, a letter of interest, contacted the Republican vacancy committee and began the process, he explained.

Bishop also mentioned that the Republican Party Vacancy Committee selected him to replace Keuning on the ballot.

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The Blotter

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Archuleta County Sheriff’s Office

July 2 — Natural death-death investigation, Crooked Road.

July 2 — First-degree criminal trespass-other intent, Pineridge Trail.

July 3 — Drove vehicle without insurance, expired license plates, drove vehicle when license suspended, U.S. 160.

July 3 — Violation of restraining order, Canyon Circle.

July 3 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

July 3 — All other thefts, Aspenglow Boulevard.

July 3 — First-degree criminal trespass-other intent, third-degree assault-simple assault, North Pagosa Boulevard.

July 3 — All other thefts, Bastille Drive.

July 4 — Violation of restraining order, Alamosa Place.

July 4 — Information only, Paradise Place.

July 5 — All other thefts, Alamosa Place.

July 6 — Information only, Navajo Trail Drive.

July 6 — Information only, U.S. 160.

July 6 — Theft, Prospect Boulevard.

July 6 — Information only, harassment-insults/taunts/challenges, U.S. 84.

July 6 — Reckless driver, U.S. 160.

July 6 — Second-degree burglary, County Road 359.

July 7 — Third-degree criminal trespass, disorderly conduct-misdemeanor, criminal attempt to commit-felony, criminal mischief, Buttercup Drive.

July 7 — Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, third-degree assault-simple assault, Beaver Circle.

July 7 — Reckless driving, menacing-felony-aggravated-weapon, harassment-public place obscene language or gesture, Hopi Drive.

July 7 — Harassment-repeated communications invade, domestic violence, patronizing a prostitute, Davis Cup Drive.

July 8 — Violation of restraining order, felony-drugs, unlawful possession of a controlled substance, violation of bail bond condition-felony, Canyon Circle.

July 9 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

July 9 — Violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, County Road 600.

July 10 — Third-degree assault-simple assault, Highland Avenue.

July 11 — Warrant arrest, North Pagosa Boulevard.

July 11 — Cruelty to animals, County Road 339.

July 11 — Missing property, Prospect Boulevard.

July 11 — Violation of bail bond condition-felony, County Road 600.

July 11 — County warrant, county warrant, Spruce Circle.

July 11 — Information only, North Pagosa Boulevard.

July 11 — Agency assist, Eaton Drive.

July 11 — Warrant arrest, Pettit’s Circle.

July 11 — Criminal extortion, identity theft-uses identity, gathering identity information by deception, Yeoman Drive.

July 12 — Warrant arrest, County Road 600.

July 12 — Driving under restraint alcohol/drug-related offense, drove vehicle without insurance, Spruce Circle.

July 12 — Menacing-felony/aggravated/weapon,

Horseshoe Circle.

July 12 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, Navajo Trail.

July 12 — Violation of restraining order, Canyon Circle.

July 12 — Open burning in unincorporated Archuleta County, Catchpole Drive.

July 12 — Information only, Great West Avenue.

July 13 — Warrant arrest, Great West Avenue.

July 13 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, signal lamps or devices failed to meet requirements, glass in vehicle did not permit normal vision, failed to display registration, U.S. 160.

July 13 — Under investigation, no location listed.

July 13 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Jack Rabbit Road.

July 14 — Enforcement of fire bans, Doc Adams Road.

July 15 — Information only, Great West Avenue.

July 15 — Animals running at large, unlawful ownership of dangerous dog-misdemeanor, Robin Drive.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

July 2 — DUI/careless driving, Country Center Drive.

July 3 — Second-degree burglary/criminal trespass, North 1st Street.

July 3 — Harassment, North 8th Street.

July 3 — Agency assist, North Pagosa Boulevard.

July 4 — Information only, South 8th Street.

July 4 — DUI/reckless driving, Pike Drive.

July 4 — Assault, Pagosa Street.

July 5 — Careless driving, U.S. 160.

July 5 — Information only, U.S. 160.

July 7 — Noisy animal prohibited, South 6th Street.

July 7 — Violation of restraining order, Pagosa Street.

July 7 — Agency assist, Davis Cup Drive.

July 8 — Careless driving, U.S. 160.

July 8 — Information only, Coyote Drive.

July 10 — Driver operated vehicle without insurance, U.S. 160.

July 10 — Second-degree burglary/trespass warning, U.S. 160.

July 11 — Warrant arrest, Eaton Drive.

July 11 — Harassment/violation of restraining order, Eaton Drive.

July 13 — Shoplifting, Aspen Village Drive.

July 13 — Traffic/moving/license, San Juan Street.

July 13 — Obstructing a peace officer/fireperson, San Juan Street.

July 13 — Agency assist, Village Drive.

July 14 — Warrant arrest, Eagle Drive.

July 14 — Traffic/insurance, U.S. 160.

July 14 — Third-degree assault, South Pagosa Boulevard.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge D. Brett Van Winkle

No report.

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

July 6 — Michael Joseph Rodriguez, violation p/o criminal, 180 days jail, fines and costs — \$247.50.

July 11 — David B. Oss, registration-unregistered vehicle, fines and costs — \$126.50.

July 12 — Jacob Andrew Kovacs, menacing, harassment-strike/shove/kick, 18 months probation, fines and costs — \$1,309.50.

July 12 — Tyler Ulery, careless driving resulting in injury, 36 hours community service, complete Alive at 25 class, write letter of apology, fines and costs — \$383.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

Restrictions

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Preserve.

However, as of Thursday morning, the Town of Pagosa Springs remains under Stage 2 fire restrictions.

The possible removal of the town’s fire restrictions are part of the agenda for this evening’s meeting of the Pagosa Springs Town Council, which is set to begin at 5 p.m. at Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Stage 1 fire restrictions

Archuleta County is currently in a Stage 1 fire ban, which prohibits open burning, burn barrels and

agricultural burning.

Specific restrictions prohibit:

- Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, coal- or wood-burning stove, any charcoal-fueled boiler or any type of fire in undeveloped areas.

This restriction does not include camp stoves, grills or lights fueled by bottled gas, liquid fuel or specifically designed for cooking or illumination. The restriction does not apply to charcoal fires in barbecues, gas grills in private residences or in designated campground pits with protective grates.

- Smoking, except in a vehicle

or building, in a developed recreation site, or 3 feet from flammable vegetation.

- Explosive materials such as fireworks or blasting caps.

• Agricultural burning of any cropland, fields, rangeland, debris burning, slash piles, prescribed burning and weed burning.

- Operating or using any internal combustion engine, unless it is equipped with a working spark arrester.

The county ban will remain in effect until amended or rescinded by the sheriff or the BoCC.

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County, town fund joint strategic priority projects

By Randi Pierce and Avery Martinez
Staff Writers

Following a series of five meetings and disconnect between the two entities, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) and Pagosa Springs Town Council voted this month to fund several projects that fall under the governments' joint strategic priorities.

More specifically, those projects relate to early childcare and education, broadband and affordable/workforce housing.

The town and county agreed on those three joint strategic priorities for the community in 2015.

Since, those three areas have continued to be joint strategic priorities for the governments, with each earmarking funds within their respective 2018 budgets to fund projects within each category.

Between the two governments, \$100,000 was appropriated for each broadband and housing, and \$200,000 was appropriated for early childhood care and education.

Along with earmarking that funding, the governments reached a verbal agreement to fund projects equally and jointly.

However, equal funding and what that meant came to the forefront this month when it came time for the county and town to consider allocating funds from their respective coffers.

On July 3, both governing boards were slated to consider funding requests for three projects, with the BoCC meeting in the afternoon, followed by the town council in the evening.

Project requests

Before coming before the BoCC and town council, project funding requests are vetted through a process.

Agenda information for both the town and county from July 3 explains that process.

"Over the last year, working groups developed around each of the three priorities," the town's agenda brief states. "These working groups heard proposals from service providers and vetted projects."

Those proposals were then provided to what has been called the "super group," the Joint Strategic Priorities Funding Advisory Group (JSPFAG), the agenda information for each entity explains.

The JSPFAG is made up of representatives of each of the working groups, as well as from the town and county.

The JSPFAG evaluates proposals from each of the three working groups and makes a recommendation for funding which is then presented to each funding agency for final funding decisions, the county's informational memorandum states.

The projects up for funding consideration on July 3 were:

- Broadband: \$30,000 for a coordinator to create an infrastructure plan, \$25,000 for conduit infra-

structure, \$5,000 to complete the SCAN (Southwest Colorado Access Network) project and \$5,000 for Hinsdale County tower.

The total request was for \$65,000, with each entity considering funding \$32,500.

- Early childcare and education- \$13,799.52 for coordinator salary and \$50,000 toward a match for the renovation of a day care center.

The total request was for \$63,799.52, with each entity considering \$31,899.76.

- Housing: \$50,000 for the Archuleta County Housing Authority (ACHA) to complete site work on a 40-unit Low Income Housing Tax Credit project, and up to \$50,000 (with \$15,000 as the first allotment) to the Pagosa Housing Project (PHP) for coordination of housing efforts and creation of an overall housing action plan.

The total request was for \$65,000, with each entity considering \$32,500.

The above recommendations came unanimously from the JSPFAG with the exception of the housing allocation, which was recommended with a 4-1 vote (Archuleta County Commissioner Steve Wadley voted against the allocation recommendation).

July 3 BoCC meeting

Henderson introduced the funding requests at the July 3 BoCC meeting.

These are county funds appropriated in the budget, but allocated by the BoCC, Henderson explained.

Wadley mentioned that the funds were contingent upon approval by the town.

Funding the county's half of both the broadband and early childcare and education requests came unanimously from the two commissioners present, Wadley and Ron Maez.

With housing, though, there was some discussion.

ACHA representatives Jason Cox and Clifford Lucero presented ACHA's plans and request for funding for preliminary work on a "yet-to-be-named site" irrigation, asbestos and other parts of the design project for "workforce housing."

The ACHA was approved for the full amount of their ask from the county, \$25,000, via a 2-0 vote.

However, when the PHP stood for its ask, discussion ensued.

PHP representative Lynne Vickerstaff explained that they would like to pair with the ACHA and to "assess the needs greater than the study" performed.

The PHP would then "create a comprehensive action plan," Vickerstaff explained.

Further, the PHP wished to achieve this goal from local sources and funding, but, in order to do this, the PHP wanted a study on needs of the community, Vickerstaff explained.

In order to create houses, you must have a detailed plan for investors, Vickerstaff explained, like plans in the past for early childhood, to create a specific project.

The plan would address more specific plans for housing over the next five years, Vickerstaff explained.

Wadley explained that he was a "no vote" on this at the funding meeting because \$56,000 of the budget would go to consultants.

"When this money was set aside, I was very plain in our budgeting process it wasn't pay for positions but for actual work being done," Wadley said.

Wadley mentioned there was value in what the PHP was proposing, but "in this community that is so strapped for tax money, and potholes and other problems that we have, it was my concern that I didn't think we needed to spend money on more consultants."

Vickerstaff responded by explaining that you have to have a plan for sizes, property and other pieces to make a specific project.

The consultants provide the county with details to find investors, she explained.

"I would rather see walls, roof, a floor going into a place," Maez said.

Maez explained the money was supposed to breed self-sustainability and he did not see it.

"I really find it hard to get behind this," Maez said.

Maez explained he wanted to see what was going to be done, not what was going to be planned.

A motion was passed 2-0 to not fund PHP in any amount.

Town council

That evening, it was town council's turn to consider the funding requests.

However, due to there being only four council members present and with council member David Schanzenbaker needing to recuse himself from the housing conversation due to a personal conflict of interest, town council did not have a quorum to make any decisions on the housing requests.

Those present at the meeting — Mayor Pro Tem David Schanzenbaker, Nicole DeMarco, Mat deGraaf and Matt DeGuise — discussed the "larger picture" of how to consider the funding requests.

Schanzenbaker noted that there was a verbal agreement in place, but the county decided to not fund the request based on the JSPFAG's recommendations.

deGraaf asked if that meant the town was obligated to not fund the PHP project, with Town Manager Andrea Phillips affirming that that had been the discussion.

deGraaf suggested that maybe moving forward the town should be the first to make the decisions.

Schanzenbaker suggested that maybe moving forward there would be independent support from each government.

Phillips explained that there was no formal agreement, only a verbal agreement, leaving it up to council how to fund.

With that, the council members present unanimously supported the broadband and early childhood requests.

During discussion on the matters, it was revealed by Jan Santopietro that \$400,000 was planned to renovate a building to be a day care center that had been purchased by a "generous donor" for \$345,000.

The space, which formerly housed the Greenhouse restaurant, she noted, will be provided rent-free and is 3,800 square feet.

Council then scheduled a special meeting for July 5 to discuss the housing requests.

At that meeting, four town council members — deGraaf, DeGuise, DeMarco and Mayor Don Volger — considered the housing requests.

Schanzenbaker was present at the meeting, but recused himself from the housing discussion and decision.

In providing a summary of the topic, Phillips informed the councilors that they had a few different options: follow the county lead, choose to do what they like with the town's portion of the funding, or send it back to the housing work group for another look and more options.

Cox noted that the purpose of the JSPFAG was to vet the funding, with that group offering a "meaningful review."

If the JSPFAG recommendation isn't followed, he suggested, "something else is at work."

Mary Jo Coulehan echoed Cox's sentiments and noted that each group was at a different part of the process, leading to each group's asks to be different.

Vickerstaff then informed council that the study suggested would dig deeper than the previous study.

"We need to know exactly the depth of the problem," she said.

She further explained that the consultant the group intended to hire has helped small, rural towns all across Colorado.

"We want to create projects that then can find a funding stream," she said.

The council members present then discussed the topic, acknowledging the need to bring in people with more knowledge.

DeMarco suggested she was in favor of funding the full \$50,000 for the PHP project and dipping into

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the town's reserves to complete the funding requests.

DeGuise then noted he was in favor of funding the initial \$15,000 allotment asked for the ACHA project.

As discussion continued, deGraaf surfaced the idea of fully funding the PHP's request of \$50,000, then the county could go back and choose to fully fund the ACHA request.

The other council members expressed their support for deGraaf's idea, with Volger noting that they could offer a strong recommendation to the county to fund the other portion of the ACHA request.

deGraaf noted that he fully supports the ACHA request, also, but stated, "It's simply a way to make things equal."

The motion to fully fund the PHP request and strongly recommend that the county fund an additional \$25,000 for ACHA passed with a 4-0 vote.

BoCC reconsideration

Then, at the BoCC's work session on July 10, tempers flared between the commissioners over the amounts awarded at its July 3 meeting.

Specifically, Commissioner Michael Whiting, who had been absent from the meeting on July 3, voiced his concerns over the vote against funding PHP.

It began with Henderson explaining that the town council had intended to go with the housing priority in full and offered the recommendation for additional county funding.

"They're spending our money for us," Wadley said.

Henderson asked if the BoCC wanted to revisit the PHP on July 17 at the board's regular meeting.

Whiting explained that there were roughly 30 volunteers involved in the different groups and that he was confused as to why the other BoCC members did not take their advice.

"I didn't want to pay for consultants," Wadley said.

Maez explained he was against it because it wasn't to "create jobs," but the PHP proposal had three salaries involved.

Maez also mentioned that the grant money would be gone.

"I hear your argument that we don't want to spend any more money than necessary on consultants," Whiting said, further explaining that, from his understanding, the money going to "outside consultants" would be to train "inside consultants."

"That's upfront organizational costs that's ready, aim, fire," Whiting said.

However, Whiting continued,

when he looked at the ACHA most of the money, "in fact none of it goes to bricks and mortar."

Wadley said that it was going to pre-bricks and mortar, to which Whiting mentioned that everything was all pre-bricks and mortar.

"But if you had a stack of bricks here and a bag of mortar, and I said, 'Build it,' your first question would be, 'Build what?'" Whiting said.

Whiting said that they needed to answer the question of what to build.

The commissioner discussion continued with Whiting noting that elements of the ACHA proposal also included paying people.

"The decision has been rendered," Maez said.

Whiting explained he appreciated that the decision had been rendered, and acknowledged that the decision would not have been different with him there.

"Because you guys made up your mind a long time ago, and it's not based on the data, it's not based on the recommendation," Whiting said.

"And actually it wasn't made a long time ago," Wadley said in response. "I made mine at the group."

Whiting asked on what basis Wadley made up his mind, with Wadley responding, "On the basis that it was consultant, consultant, study, study, study."

Wadley explained that he appreciated the time put in by other groups, but that they are using taxpayer money and that he can't go to the taxpayers and "rubber stamp it."

"But there has to be logic to it," Whiting said, explaining that you can't just disagree with 30 people who spent two and a half years on it because you generally disagree.

Wadley said that he had no qualms about the vote, and that "sometimes reasonable people disagree."

"Sometimes reasonable people disagree, and sometimes people are just unreasonable," Whiting said.

"I guess it's whose hat you're wearing, huh?" Wadley responded.

The point is, Whiting noted, the BoCC had put the town in a position to fund a piece of the priorities entirely.

"They put us in a position," Wadley said.

"But our vote was first, your vote," Whiting said.

Further, according to Whiting, the vote communicated that the BoCC was not going to vote based on the recommendation and the agreement between the town and county to pay jointly.

"So, we forced them, we forced their hand," Whiting said, adding later that he felt there was "no clear logic" to the decision.

"My opinion is that other influences are at work here," Whiting said, adding, "It's gotta be politics."

Whiting mentioned that it was luck that this was a self-correcting problem and expressed his approval of the town for the actions they took.

Wadley expressed that he felt this was an honest disagreement.

"I promise you this is not about politics. This is about issues I saw," Wadley said.

Whiting explained that he felt they were short-changing the town with these actions.

Wadley offered to agendaize the \$50,000 at the BoCC meeting on July 17.

"On [short-term rentals] you guys did the right thing, on this one you did not," Whiting said of decisions made in his absence.

Whiting explained that due diligence needed to be done just like it was on early child care and education.

"Some people like vanilla and some people like chocolate, and I think that's where we're at," Wadley said.

"I just wish it was that simple," Whiting responded.

The BoCC then discussed the matter again during its meeting Tuesday, July 17.

Henderson explained that at the BoCC's previous meeting, funding for the housing was approved on wording that was specific.

"... motions were contingent upon action by the town effectively mimicking the [BoCC]," Henderson said, adding, "So the board is in a position to take new action on the housing front."

Wadley explained that there were two ways to look at the funding.

"We could do part now and part later. We did set aside \$50,000, more or less, to be split a different way," Wadley said.

And now ACHA financing "falls on the county's shoulders," Wadley explained.

"Each government has to do what they think is best, without second-guessing, and I'm not going to second-guess the town," Wadley said.

The town did what it thought was right, Wadley explained, and now the BoCC had a chance to do something for ACHA.

"We put that \$100,000 to get spent and get used, in this case, to get us down the road on getting affordable housing in Archuleta County," Whiting said.

The county received two good proposals, Whiting explained, and originally the agreement was "to share the burden 50/50."

"It didn't work out exactly the way that some people thought it should go, but we can create that

50/50 balance today by allocating the resources accordingly," Whiting said.

Whiting explained that since the town had allocated half the resources to PHP, then the BoCC could allocate \$50,000 for ACHA "and call it good, and get on with it."

Wadley expressed that was where he was headed.

Maez, however, wondered if there was a certain allotment of money could be given now and more later.

"Just seeing the progress of what we plan to invest in," Maez said.

Maez explained that, to him, the PHP created another level of bureaucracy, and that he did not want to do that.

"Since the PHP, we chose not to fund it, I don't want to second-guess the town. We're all responsible for our own decisions," Wadley said.

And so, Wadley explained, that they should allocate the funds fully to ACHA so they could "get moving."

Maez said that he would like to see the 40-unit affordable housing happen, with Whiting agreeing.

"We're a long way from there ... looking at 24 to 36 months," Whiting said.

Whiting further explained that much like the jail, the county is now "behind the eight ball" with housing.

"... (T)he best time to plant the tree was 30 years ago, the next best time is right now," Whiting said, quoting a former commissioner.

Whiting later added, in reference to the wider county and town budgets, "These are small amounts of money."

Further, Whiting explained that he would like to get the money out and get the project moving.

"We're a team on this, and the team got a little uncoordinated on the field," Whiting said, with Maez mentioning that one part of the team was going the other way.

Whiting said that the problem could be solved that day and every-one would be back in alignment.

"I'm not going to point a finger, and I don't want to, I'd rather get all our paddles in the water on this as soon as possible," Whiting said.

Whiting mentioned that he had spoken with Volger, who indicated that "he had polled as many of town council as he could within Sunshine Laws" and that this instance did not change their view of the joint strategic priorities.

"You can pick this to pieces," Whiting said, adding, "I'm more interested in getting traction on these issues."

Whiting mentioned that he was more worried about coordination and dedication to take action on solving issues.

"I just think that we would aim for being more coordinated in the future between the town and the county that's all," Whiting said.

"Sometimes people disagree and that's OK," Wadley said.

Maez then explained that he hoped both groups knew that this was not a never-ending fund.

"I don't want this happening again," Maez said.

Whiting noted that making the alliance of the town and county as a team on strategic priorities was unique in the history of the town and county.

Following more discussion, the BoCC approved the funding of the ACHA project with a 3-0 vote. avery@pagosasun.com

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Town council holds strategic planning retreat

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council met for more than nine hours on Saturday, July 14, for a strategic planning retreat.

The retreat was facilitated by Yvonne Wilcox and was broken down into several sessions such as a collective vision exercise, defining service priorities, identifying two-year goals and strategic objectives, and looking at milestones and action strategies for those priorities.

Six of the seven town council members attended the retreat, as well as Town Manager Andrea Phillips and Town Clerk April Hesson. Council member Clint Alley was absent.

To determine priorities, Wilcox read off a series of more than 130 items to the town council members and had them prioritize them as "desirable," "important" or "critical" by only stating the category it should fall in, with no further discussion.

The items for those sticky notes

were taken from the town's "2018 Goals and Objectives" and from a pre-retreat exercise Wilcox had each person do individually, Phillips explained in a Tuesday email to The SUN.

Those sticky notes covered a wide variety of topics, including: economic development, communication with the public, parks, partnerships with other entities, a splash park, a dog park and more.

As the day progressed, the council and staff members further categorized those sticky notes into whether or not the town is directly involved in the project and whether action on the item should start in 2018, 2019 or further in the future.

Those projects that landed as priority projects in 2018 and 2019 were then discussed further, with action items and milestones identified.

"The report from the retreat will go back to Council and will also help inform the budget, capital plans, and staff work to implement these goals. It will also be shared with the community," Phillips wrote. randi@pagosasun.com

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Town requests use of property jointly owned by SJWCD and PAWSD

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

At a special meeting held on July 9, the San Juan Water Conservancy District (SJWCD) board briefly discussed the possibility of allowing the Town of Pagosa Springs to utilize property for access to the San Juan River.

The property is owned jointly by the SJWCD and Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD), SJWCD Chairman John Porco explained during the meeting.

Town Planning Director James Dickhoff had sent an email to the SJWCD board with the request, Porco explained.

"Bringing up the possibility again, which has been talked about for years, about using the property that we jointly own with PAWSD. The property on the north side of 160 for access to the river for a put-in for rafting," Porco explained.

Specifically, the property is located at 2980 U.S. 160, Porco explained.

Noting again that this item had been discussed in the past, Porco also mentioned that SJWCD's board had generally been in favor of letting the town use the property.

"I don't think the PAWSD board was, but I don't know. That was a previous PAWSD board," Porco commented.

There would be a lot of questions that would have to be answered before the SJWCD could act on this topic, Porco added.

Porco later added that he had

talked to PAWSD General Manager Justin Ramsey about this idea and if both boards were interested in pursuing this, a joint meeting between both SJWCD and PAWSD boards would be necessary.

"Because we would both have to approve it and if one board is opposed to it, period, then it wouldn't go any further," Porco said.

If certain issues such as liability can be addressed, then this project could be good as it could show that SJWCD is trying to help the community, Porco explained.

"I would tend to be in favor of it," Porco said.

SJWCD board member Doug Secrist suggested meeting more with Dickhoff to see what role the town would play in this, as well as talking to the Colorado Department of Transportation.

"To me, if there's any money involved, it's not coming out of our pocketbook," Porco said. "If the town wants to do this as town initiative, that would be fine. But they would have to foot the bill."

Instead of going right to Dickhoff, SJWCD board member Candice Kelly suggested meeting with the PAWSD board first.

"Because if they're opposed to this, why bother?" Kelly asked.

Secrist responded that SJWCD is just trying to "find out all the facts."

Dickhoff also sent the same letter to Ramsey, Porco explained.

Ramsey's comments

In an interview with The SUN on July 13, Ramsey explained that

Porco, Dickhoff and PAWSD Chairman Jim Smith would be having a meeting to further discuss this topic.

Ramsey noted that he was unsure of a concrete date for the meeting and also added that it was not a full board meeting.

"Because I'm not sure that it's even going to get that far," Ramsey said.

The item was discussed last year and the PAWSD board rejected the idea, Ramsey explained.

"And I think they will again, simply because there's just a lot of moving parts. Is this going to be allowable through the CWCB [Colorado Water Conservation Board] agreement?" Ramsey asked. "That property is all, right now, leased to the Webers. So, really, they are probably going to have a say in it."

Ramsey noted that there also are liability issues or potential impacts on the ability to sell the property in the future.

"That's why I think it's probably an uphill battle for that to actually go through. A lot of people got to agree with it, and that makes it difficult," Ramsey said.

Ramsey also added that if the town is able to use the property, the PAWSD board would not want to pay for any costs associated with the project.

"It's not that I'm for or against it, it's just that there's a lot that has to be figured out," Ramsey commented.

Moving forward

Dickhoff explained in an interview with The SUN that this topic is still preliminary and in the very

early stages of discussion.

If all parties were to agree to the town utilizing the property, Dickhoff noted that the process would still need to be defined.

"Because there's a number of entities, certainly from PAWSD and San Juan Conservancy District, is, you know, who's going to manage this? Who's going to oversee it? Who's going to maintain it? If it does end up being an additional river access point for boaters. And we don't have all those answers yet," Dickhoff said.

When asked what entity would pay for the possible changes to the property, Dickhoff again noted he was unclear.

"Well, I don't know that. Because we need to identify what those improvements might be. I think in the rustic form it is right now there'd be very little improvements. It would be really maintenance," Dickhoff explained. "Unless you're going to start getting into campsites, and that's a whole different conversation which may or may not fit on this property."

Parking for some vehicles and trailers is all that is really being talked about currently, Dickhoff noted.

"Some vehicle parking, some trash facilities, generally that's it. So, those improvements would be pretty small given that there's already a roadway, a rustic roadway, but it's improved with gravel," Dickhoff said.

The discussion between Dickhoff, Porco and Smith will really determine if this topic is worth pursuing, Dickhoff noted.

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By Cynthia Purcell
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By Laura Spann
Special to The SUN

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Life at Chimney Rock: A festival of crafts and culture Saturday and Sunday, July 21-22

By Nadia Werby
Special to The SUN

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One of the many artists at the market this year is Flo Vallo. Vallo is a fourth-generation potter from Acoma Pueblo who inherited the

art of pottery from the women in her family. She learned from her grandmother how to gather the clay, grind the potsherds for temper and shape the pieces. After Vallo creates the forms, her husband, Lee, paints the pieces in the traditional way with a yucca leaf brush. They gather the materials near their home at Acoma while making "offerings of prayers and water to Mother Earth as we take these things from her to make our pots," she said.

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By Simon Fuger
Special to The SUN

Current and prospective Gray Wolves Ski Club members are reminded that the deadline to renew your membership and be eligible for the discount on your Wolf Creek Ski Area pass is Aug. 15. There can be no exceptions or extensions.

In order to receive the full discount from the ski area, you must purchase your season pass from Wolf Creek Ski Area between Sept. 29 and Oct. 7, and you must be a Gray Wolf member as of Aug. 15.

For more information on the Gray Wolves Ski Club and to download the application form, please access our website at graywolveski-club.com. Application forms and payment can be submitted electronically through the website. Application forms and a check for \$15 per person can also be submitted by mail to Gray Wolves Ski Club, P.O. Box 2394, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. The application form and check must also be received before Aug. 15.



Photo courtesy Simon Fuger

Current and prospective Gray Wolves Ski Club members are reminded that the deadline to renew your membership and be eligible for the discount on your Wolf Creek Ski Area pass is Aug. 15.

Besides the discount off the season pass, membership in the Gray Wolves provides the opportunity to participate in club events such as subsidized luncheons and fountain drinks during the ski season and numerous other social events and

parties hosted by the club. This includes the tailgate party, Christmas party and the luau-themed annual meeting. For over 35 years, the club has provided a skiing and social outlet for those over 50. Come and enjoy the fun.

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Sports

High school fall sports practices will start Aug. 6

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Fall sports are just around the corner for Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) student-athletes, with practices and tryouts set to begin Aug. 6.

But, the process of becoming an athlete at PSHS is different this year, Athletic Director Marcie Ham pointed out.

The Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) implemented a pair of changes that affect PSHS, explains a statement released to The SUN.

First, the statement explains, CHSAA adopted the National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) calendar for all of its sports and legislation dates.

"What this means for us is that fall sports will begin one week earlier than usual this year. The first official date for sports practice is Monday, August 6," the statement reads.

Secondly, the statement explains, CHSAA is now requiring that all Colorado athletes and a parent/guardian create an account and register on ArbiterAthlete.

"This will allow schools and CHSAA to better track parent consent, forms, eligibility, and transfers," the statement explains, noting that this must be completed prior to practice on Aug. 6.

What to do to be ready for practice

According to the statement provided by Ham, there are two ways to sign up for ArbiterAthlete. One is to text "S41032" to 69274, while the other is to go to www.arbiterathlete.com and create an account.

Once the student and parent/guardian both create accounts, be sure to link the accounts so all the forms can be completed.

Next, complete and/or upload all the required forms to ArbiterAthlete: physical examination, parent permission for athletic participation, acknowledgment/agreement to the PSHS Student and Parent Athletic Handbook, CHSAA anti-hazing policy, warning to student-athletes and parents, and emergency contact and consent form.

Due to the entire state of Colorado setting up forms on this system, the forms may not all be uploaded yet, the statement explains. Once your account is created, you will receive a notification when there is a form ready for you to complete.

Following those steps, athletes should check in at the PSHS front office and receive a blue permit-to-play card that must be given to the coach.

The PSHS front office will be open Wednesday through Friday, Aug. 1-3, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and again on Aug. 6 at 8 a.m.

The statement also cautions that some practices begin before 8 a.m. on Aug. 6, so waiting until that day to check in with the office may result in missing the first practice.

Sports physicals dates

PSHS has set up three upcoming

clinics with local medical professionals at the high school to complete sports physicals. All sessions are on a first-come, first-served basis.

The three upcoming sessions are as follows, with students directed to go to the PSHS front office:

- Aug. 1 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$25.

- Aug. 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$25.

- Aug. 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no cost.

Colorado sports physicals are valid for one year, but must be on file at the PSHS front office.

Sports physicals can be received from any MD, DO or DC, though chiropractors must have a special certification for sports physicals.

The physical form can be obtained from PSHS or www.pagosaathletics.com. The forms require signatures from both the athlete and the parent/guardian.

Official tryout/practice times for Aug. 6-10

Following are the times, locations and coach information for each fall sport, as provided by Ham on Tuesday.

Cross-country: 7 to 9 a.m., beginning at the PSHS track. Aug. 8-10 will be at the Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve. The head coach is Scott Anderson, pagosa.chiropractic@gmail.com.

Volleyball: 7 a.m. to noon in the PSHS gym. The head coach is Caitlin Forrest, cforrest@pagosa.k12.co.us.

Football: 6 to 8 a.m. and 6 to 8 p.m., beginning in the boys' locker room for both practices. The head coach is Myron Stretton, smzstretton@hotmail.com.

Golf: 5:30-7:30 p.m., with players meeting outside of the Pagosa Springs Golf Club clubhouse. The head coach is Mark Faber, mfaber-pagosa@yahoo.com.

Cheer and dance: 6 to 8 p.m. in the PSHS commons. The head coach is Ham, mham@pagosa.k12.co.us.

Boys' soccer: 7 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. at the PSHS soccer practice field (behind the bleachers of Golden Peaks Stadium). The head coach is Lindsey Kurt-Mason, lkurtmason@pagosa.k12.co.us.

Mandatory athlete, parent/guardian and coach's meetings

To be eligible for competition, student-athletes and a parent/guardian must attend both the sport-specific meeting and the

■ See Practices A14



Photo courtesy Diana Talbot

Local cowboy Chad Shaw holds the Henry Golden Boy Rifle he was awarded after winning the All-Around Cowboy Award at the three-day Red Ryder Roundup Rodeo. Shaw competed in saddle bronc riding, ranch bronc riding and tie-down roping. Quincy Sullivan, from Bosque Farms, N.M., won the same prize after winning the All-Around Cowgirl Award.

Support veterans by playing 'Golf with A Military Slant' on July 28

By Karin Daniels
Special to The SUN

The Veterans Memorial Park of Archuleta County is proud to announce its fourth annual golf tournament, "Golf with A Military Slant," taking place on Saturday, July 28, at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. There are many prizes to be won through a variety of military-related contests and challenges.

The four-player best-ball scramble is open to all golfers and will have an open flight as well as a veterans' flight. You can win \$10,000 for a hole-in-one and the grand prize is golf for four at Dalton Ranch. Mulligans and "Hand

Grenades" can also be purchased to increase your chances of winning.

Come out for a great day of golf and support the Veterans Memorial Park project which is currently underway. The cost is \$75 per player, which includes green fee, golf cart and lunch at the end of the tournament. Sign up at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club or pick up a form from any member. You can also download the sign-up sheet from our website: www.vets-memorialpark.org. Please plan to pay by cash or check made payable to "VMPAC."

For more information, contact Val Valentine, tournament director, at 946-6086 or the Pagosa Springs Golf Club at 731-4755. Thank you for supporting the Veterans Memorial Park.

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DUST2 offers mountain biking opportunities for youth and juniors

By Annie Sewell
Special to The SUN

Next week, DUST2 kicks off year two of its youth cycling team programming in Pagosa Springs.

Middle schoolers going into fifth through eighth grade will enjoy a week of riding bikes, learning skills and giving back to the community by completing trail work from July 23-27.

Starting Aug. 1, ninth- through 12th-graders can join the fun for DUST2's first season in the Colorado High School Cycling League. With over 15 full-ride scholarships available to fifth- through 12th-grade students, the opportunities to join the team regardless of ability to pay are abundant.

DUST2, which stands for Developing Urban Single Track Trail and Team, is a grassroots junior cycling program and trail advocacy nonprofit based in Pagosa Springs. Its core purpose is to promote active lifestyles in Archuleta County youth through the development of a junior mountain bike team and

championing trail building and accessibility to trails.

DUST2's youth cycling team aims to introduce the excitement and fun of cycling to local youth regardless of biking experience, competitive level, income or ability to pay. Its experienced team of coaches work to instill traits such as courage, integrity, responsibility, independence, lifelong healthy habits and good sportsmanship through bicycle advocacy, riding and racing.

Our youth cycling team is based on the following goals:

- Enable youth to become lifelong bike lovers and happy, healthy citizens.
- Educate and inspire youth to overcome obstacles, both personal and societal (i.e. choosing the bicycle as a primary means of transportation).
- Empower youth to set and achieve personal and team goals.
- Make riding bikes fun, safer and more accessible for those under 18 years of age.
- Help students develop integ-

rity, honesty, independence, responsibility and passion in cycling.

DUST2 was founded in 2016 as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization and enrolled 23 students in the first year of the youth cycling development team. This year, DUST2 has joined the Colorado High School Cycling League to offer a racing/competitive component for high school students who choose to compete.

DUST2's focus will, however, remain on creating a fun and positive cycling experience for students of any ability, giving them confidence and courage on a bike.

There is still space in both the summer and fall programs, and scholarships available for both. Registration is open for summer until July 22. The fall program, open to fifth- through 12th-graders, starts Aug. 1, and registration is open until July 31.

Further information can be

found at: <https://dustx2.com/youth-cycling-team-camp-over-view/>.

Backyard mountain bike ride and event series

DUST2 is hosting a variety of rides and events right here in Pagosa's backyard. This fun series has something to offer for the whole family and all your friends.

- Upcoming rides:
- July 20 at 6 p.m. — Shaeffer's Shredder, 2445 County Road 400.
 - Aug 3. at 6 p.m. — Bush's Pump Track Classic race, 601 Stevens Circle.
 - Sept. 16 at 2 p.m. — Sonlight Session, 1536 Sonlight Place.

The fee is \$20 for adults and \$10 for under 15.

Visit www.DUSTx2.com for more details and information.

All proceeds to benefit DUST2 and the completion of Phase 2 of the urban single-track trail.

Lightning strike starts fire beneath modular home

Fire did not reach living space of home

By Avery Martinez
Staff Writer

A lightning strike caused a fire to start beneath a mobile home on Ray Court on Sunday.

According to Lt. Thad McKain of the Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD), "The home was struck by lightning, the lightning carried down to the ground, there was active fire underneath the modular home."

McKain explained that this was technically a structure fire.

McKain explained that when the lightning had struck the house there had been three adults and one baby inside.

The people inside the house described to the firefighters what happened when the lightning struck.

"They said that the house shook, they heard the lightning, and then the house shook really hard," McKain said.

A call to 9-1-1 was made at about 2:43 p.m. by the family.

The PFPD arrived by 2:49 p.m. according to McKain, including PFPD Chief Randy Larson, 11 firefighters and three trucks.

The family felt sure they knew where the lightning had struck,

McKain explained, and the firefighters and an Archuleta County Sheriff's Office deputy could smell smoke in a corner of the house.

"And we could also see the skirting around the bottom had a burn mark on it from where the lightning made contact with the ground," McKain said.

There was an active fire underneath the modular home, McKain explained, and the PFPD proceeded to pull away the skirting to fight the flames.

The PFPD was able to extinguish the flames, McKain told The SUN.

"The fire did not get into the actual living space of the home," McKain said.

McKain explained that usually the PFPD deals with this sort of fire at least once a year or once every two years.

"We've had a couple of houses turn into full-on structure fires because of lightning strikes," McKain said.

McKain explained that the PFPD did have EMS respond to make sure everyone was all right.

The family was given assistance from the Red Cross, McKain explained, and the family was cleared to return to the house that evening.

McKain explained the PFPD was thankful for the Red Cross's aid. avery@pagosun.com

Church of Christ to hold Vacation Bible School next week

By Dorman Diller
Special to The SUN

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at the Pagosa Springs Church of Christ begins next Monday.

The free VBS runs through Friday, July 23-27, at the church building from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The church is located at 277 Lewis St. The youth group from Woodward, Okla., is planning on returning to work together with the Pagosa Springs church for the five-day VBS.

The theme for VBS is "Sailing with the Savior." Each day in class, the students will journey with Jesus as he lives his life on earth. Lesson themes for each day will be commitment, faith, respect, love and sharing. The Bible stories come to life with acting, puppets, games, quizzes, songs and crafts. Each child is actively engaged and encouraged as they learn great lessons through the week. Refreshments are served daily.

On Wednesday evening, the children put on a program demonstrating the things they have learned

in VBS. At the end of the program, there will also be an opportunity to visit the children's classrooms and meet their teachers. Vacation Bible School concludes on Friday with a hot dog picnic at South Park on 8th Street. Parents, family and friends are invited to those activities, as well as being encouraged to visit the daily classes at any time.

A special quiet time of Bible study and prayer for adults is also being added this summer. Any adults who would like to attend while their children are attending class are welcome to come.

Transportation to VBS is provided in buses and vans. For the stop nearest you and time of pick up in your area, or for more information, call the church office at 264-2552 or Dorman Diller, minister, at 264-4454.

We would be delighted for your children to attend the free Vacation Bible School. Enrollment forms may be found in the paper or posted around town. Call the office now and sign up your children so they can attend this exciting time of learning and growing.

Practices

Continued from A13

general meeting.

The general meeting for all parents, athletes and coaches will be held at PSHS at 8 p.m. on Aug. 13.

The following are the times for the mandatory meetings for each sport. Each meeting will be held at PSHS.

Cross-country: 6 p.m. on Aug.

6 in the PSHS auditorium. The meeting is held a week before the others due to the Sand Dunes trip, though the general meeting on Aug. 13 must still be attended.

Volleyball and cheer and dance: 7 p.m. on Aug. 13.

Golf and boys' soccer: 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 13.

Football: 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 13.

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VETERANS CORNER

VA partnership with National Cancer Institute will boost veteran access to clinical trials

By Raymond Taylor
SUN Columnist

Today the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that it has formed a partnership with the National Cancer Institute (NCI) which will provide more access to the latest treatment options for VA patients with cancer.

“Strategic partnerships, such as this one with the National Cancer Institute, allow VA to leverage the strengths of both organizations to the benefit of all stakeholders, especially our veterans,” said VA Acting Secretary Peter O’Rourke. “By increasing enrollment in these trials, VA and veterans will contribute to important cancer research — this will not only help our veterans, but also advance cancer care for all Americans and people around the world.”

The NCI and VA Interagency Group to Accelerate Trials Enrollment, also known as NAVIGATE, is launching at 12 VA sites: Atlanta, Ga.; Bronx, N.Y.; Charleston, S.C.; Denver, Colo.; Durham, N.C.; Hines, Ill.; Long Beach, Calif.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Palo Alto, Calif.; Portland, Ore.; San Antonio, Texas; and West Haven, Conn. Boston, Mass., will also serve as a coordinating center for the effort.

NAVIGATE will build infrastructure at VA sites to enable more veterans to take part in cutting-edge clinical trials sponsored by NCI. Such trials typically test innovative

experimental treatments, such as precision-medicine therapies based on patients’ genetic profiles, or immunotherapies that harness patients’ own immune systems to bring about cures.

The NAVIGATE network will also establish best practices and share insights to help other VA Medical Centers nationwide enroll more veterans in cancer clinical trials. Special attention is being given to minority patients, who often have less access to new treatments and are not as well represented in clinical trials in the U.S.

While the VA has a robust research program — including clinical trials on cancer and other diseases — at more than 100 sites nationwide, VA facilities often face challenges initiating and completing trials, including ones conducted through the NCI National Clinical Trials Network. Local VA research staff, for example, may lack adequate support to handle certain regulatory and administrative tasks involved in these studies. NAVIGATE will help remove those barriers.

NAVIGATE will also seek to enroll veterans in trials sponsored by NCI’s Community Oncology Research Program, which focuses on cancer prevention and symptom management.

The VA’s involvement in NAVIGATE is being managed through the Cooperative Studies Program (CSP) part of the VA’s Office of Research and Development.

CSP has a long history of running impactful clinical trials focused on veterans’ health needs.

To learn more about CSP and VA research, visit www.research.va.gov.

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.

Bring a DD Form 214 (discharge) 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.

SENIOR NEWS

Senior Center announces falls-prevention program

By Cheryl Wilkinson
SUN Columnist

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

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

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

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

Class size is limited. Please call 264-2167 for more information or to register. Classes are free.

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AARP membership is not required to take the course.

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

To register, visit aarp.org/findacourse (the Pagosa Senior Center staff will be glad to help you register).

The Pagosa Senior Center is hosting a class on Aug. 17 from 1 to 5 p.m.

San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging: Supportive independence for people living with dementia III

By Kay Kaylor

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

In this final column on information from a webinar titled “Finding the Balance: Enhancing

Self-Efficacy in Persons Living with Dementia” by Dr. Susan Wehry, chief of geriatrics at the University of New England, I will feature what a person living with dementia can’t do and what the person can do. Interactions can be enhanced when family, friends and caregivers focus on what the person can do.

In the early stage of dementia, for example, a person may need help with familiar tasks and remembering words or names and may get frustrated easily. In a more positive light, the person can carry on conversations, plan common tasks, and recognize some familiar people and places.

In the middle stage, a person may get lost easily, need more care, repeat more and experience changes in personality. Yet, the person can remember people and events from early in life, read some words, respond to simple questions and make basic decisions. In the late stage, a person may lose the ability to communicate or smile, may need more care and may not recognize family. However, the person can interpret and use basic body language and enjoy sound, sights and other senses.

To enhance the confidence and independence of persons living with dementia, consider delaying a move to a long-term care facility. Home-delivered meals, part-time caregiving and assistive renovations in the home are some of the options that might be available.

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

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LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Reading party for all ages next Friday

By Carole Howard
SUN Columnist, and the library staff

All Summer Reading Program participants are invited to join us next Friday, July 27, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. for your library's free all-ages closing party.

Prizes will be given out (but you have to be present to win) and everyone will enjoy live music from the Narrow Gauge band, food, crafts and a cake walk.

For the youngest children (0-4 years), the grand prize is a box full of books and early literacy music toys. For children kindergarten through sixth grade and also for teens, the prize is a ukulele (one for each age group). The adult grand prize is a \$100 gift card.

Meanwhile, you still have a week and a day to participate in the many free and fun activities of the Summer Reading Program. You receive a free book each time you turn in a completed bingo sheet, and kids also have the option of getting a small toy out of our treasure chest. Completing bingo sheets also enters you into the drawing for the grand prizes listed above.

Friends of the Library book sale

One of the most popular events of the summer — the Friends of the Library book sale — will take place on Aug. 10 and 11.

Friday's potluck and preview sale for members starts at 5 p.m. The Saturday sale for the public runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., an hour longer than last year, and unsold items will be marked down to half price in the afternoon.

Watch for more details as the date gets closer, and be sure to mark your calendars now so you don't miss it.

Teen book club tomorrow

Tomorrow, Friday, July 20, from 2 to 3 p.m. at the teen book club, seventh- through 12th-graders will discuss "Daughter of the Pirate King" by Tricia Levenseller and enjoy free snacks. Stop by the library to pick up a copy.

SR Club for kids tomorrow

Tomorrow, Friday, July 20, you'll

create a sand art masterpiece at the Summer Reading Club event for kids from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Two Paws to Read sessions

On Saturday, July 21, from 11 a.m. to noon, youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grades are invited to share their favorite books with Lainey, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories, at a free Paws to Read session.

Then, on Monday, July 24, from 2 to 3 p.m. Bacchus will be the special guest dog. 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, July 23, from 4 to 5 p.m. Enjoy Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snaks.

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 will take place next Wednesday, July 25, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters. You can join this group any time.

DIY for adults

At this month's free DIY event next Wednesday, July 25, from 1 to 2 p.m., you'll have the option of making a pie tin picture frame, great for framing an old photograph or a map, or you can make a souvenir keepsake box using a jewelry box and a map, photograph or other image. No registration is required.

Spanish conversation

Next Wednesday, July 25, from 4 to 5 p.m., practice your Spanish with other Spanish-language learners and speakers at this free informal session. All are welcome, from beginners to native Spanish speakers. No registration is required.

Sand art fun

Fourth- through 12th-graders

are invited to join us next Thursday, July 26, from 4 to 5 p.m. for a fun and colorful sand art event.

Adult education summer schedule

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

Free Tech sessions

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

Computer/technology classes

Join us on alternate Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. for free sessions to learn a technology skill or application. July 26 is saving photos to the cloud using a variety of online platforms. July 30 is Google maps.

Family storytimes

Every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. and Saturday from 9:30 to 10 a.m., join us for free great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. This is an excellent way for babies, toddlers and youngsters of all ages to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers.

Activities calendars

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

Novels

"Clock Dance" by Anne Tyler follows a woman who flies across the country to care for a young woman she has never met. "The Good Fight" by Danielle Steel features a young man fighting for many of the causes in the 1960s. "A Gathering of Secrets" by Linda Castillo is the newest book in the Amish thriller series. "The Historian" by Elizabeth Kostova is a vampire story that is part thriller,

part history and part romance.

Large print

"Long Road to Abilene" by Robert Vaughan is book one of the Western Adventures of Cade McCall series. "Slate Creek: Journey to the White Clouds" by Wallace J. Swenson is a western. "The Last Equation of Isaac Severy" by Nova Jacobs requires a granddaughter to find clues in a novel. "The Legend of Perley Gates" by William W. and J.A. Johnstone is a Perley Gates western.

Nonfiction

"Shrubs and Trees of the Southwest Deserts" by Janice Emily Bowers and "Flowers of the Southwest Mountains" by Leslie P. Aramberger are illustrated guides. "Japan" is an Insight Guide with an e-book and app. "The Prison Letters of Nelson Mandela" edited by Sahn Venter contains many of the letters by the South African leader written during his 27 years in prison. "I See Life Through Rosé-Colored Glasses" by the mother-daughter team of Lisa Scottoline and Francesca Serritella is a collection of humorous, heartfelt essays.

CDs

"Calypso" by David Sedaris is a collection of comedic short stories. "Shelter in Place" by Nora Roberts follows the victims of a mall mass shooting. "Line of Sight" by Tom Clancy is a Jack Ryan Jr. adventure.

DVDs

"Jersey Boys" is the film based on the Broadway hit musical. "Case Histories" is the four-disc complete collection. "Homestead Blessings: The Art of Dairy Delights" features the four West Ladies teaching you how to make a wide variety of dairy dishes. "Indian Summers" is the complete second season. "Hired Gun: Out of the Shadows. Into the Spotlight" is a documentary about some of the world's most famous musicians. "Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella" is the Disney musical. "Pele" is the story of the legendary soccer star.

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Quotable quote

"All those years in jail, I never heard the sound of children. That is the thing I missed the most." — Nelson Mandela (1918-2013), South African political leader, philanthropist and president of South Africa 1994-1999 who was jailed for 27 years for his anti-apartheid government activities, as quoted in his grandson Ndaba Mandela's memoir "Going to the Mountain."

Public Notices

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

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LOT 329 IN AMENDED ASPEN SPRINGS SUBDIVISION NO. 6, ACCORDING TO THE AMENDED PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD JANUARY 31, 1974 AS RECEPTION NO 79307.

Account Number: R014918 Schedule Number: 589308401012 Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2014-03149 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to ROBERT L HILL OR CATHERINE C HILL

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That a Treasurer's Deed will be issued for said property to ROBERT L HILL OR CATHERINE C HILL On the 14th day of November 2018, 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 27th day of June 2018

Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado Published July 5, 12 and 19, 2018 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

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LOT 352 IN AMENDED ASPEN SPRINGS

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EXTENSION VIEWPOINTS

Noxious weed of the month: oxeye daisy

By Ethan Proud
SUN Columnist

That pretty white flower your neighbor just planted that you think you want in your yard? No worries, it will be taking over the adjacent subdivision in just a few growing seasons.

Oxeye daisy is an aggressive noxious weed that is commonly mistaken for Shasta daisy, which is a larger plant and does not escape planters. The main distinction (other than the size) between the two species, which lends oxeye daisy its rapidly colonizing traits, is the presence of creeping rhizomes.

Oxeye daisy can spread by its roots as well as producing two hundred seeds per flower. Oxeye daisy is hard to identify, as it looks like any other white daisy, a yellow disc subtended by white flowers, 1 to 2 inches across.

The leaves are a better distinguishing characteristic. The leaves are a dark green with a waxy surface and toothed margins.

Oxeye daisy chokes out the roots



Oxeye daisy

of native plants and establishes a monoculture that is unpalatable to wildlife, thus reducing the forage potential of high-mountain meadows, rangeland and homesteads. Cattle and livestock typically avoid grazing oxeye daisy, as well.

Digging and hand-pulling is only effective on small patches that can be monitored for new growth, as root fragments will regenerate a new plant. Mowing before flowering can prevent seed set, but will not control the plant. Herbicides are the best method of control when it comes to oxeye daisy populations.

Wildfire preparedness presentation

On July 26, the CSU Extension office will host the presentation "Wildfire Preparedness: It's Never Too Late Until It's Too Late — Learn how to protect yourself and loved ones from the threat of wildfire."

This presentation will walk you through the process of how to manage vegetation, get your home prepared, and how to plan for evacuation for people and animals.

The program will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Extension office. Please call 264-5931 for more information.

Archuleta County Fair

The Archuleta County Fair will be Aug. 2-5.

Open classes are available for all Archuleta County residents. Admission costs \$4 for adults, and \$2 for youth 12 and under. You can purchase wristbands \$12 for adults and \$6 for youth. Tickets can be purchased at the gate.

All information can be found on the website at www.ArchuletaCountyFair.com.

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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.

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 This is an in rem action of judicial foreclosure on your timeshare interest(s) located at Village Pointe Condominiums for failure to pay assessments to Village Pointe Property Owner's Association, Inc. The legal description for your real property is below.
 Plaintiff Attorney: Christopher B. Conley, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901.
 Defendant(s) / Legal Description:
 Village Pointe Condominiums Phase I
 Matter Amount
 Property Owner: ARTURO CISNEROS
 Unit Number: 7501
 Building Number: 001D
 Unit Week Number: 11
 Lien Amount: \$ 3,158.01
 Property Owner: WILLIAM R O HAIR, JR & ADZEL JEAN O HAIR
 Unit Number: 7502
 Building Number: 001D
 Unit Week Number: 36
 Lien Amount: \$7,191.71
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 Unit Number: 7506
 Building Number: 002D
 Unit Week Number: 19
 Lien Amount: \$7,191.71
 Property Owner: LARRY MOECKEL
 Unit Number: 7507
 Building Number: 002D
 Unit Week Number: 32
 Lien Amount: \$6,641.10
 Property Owner: BOBBY B TAYLOR
 Unit Number: 7503
 Building Number: 001D
 Unit Week Number: 30
 Lien Amount: \$ 3,158.01
 Property Owner: SUE E ROPER & BOBBY S ROPER
 Unit Number: 7504
 Building Number: 001D
 Unit Week Number: 44
 Lien Amount: \$ 3,158.01
 in that property which is described as a parcel of land being a portion of Parcel B, Third Replat of South Village Lake, recorded as Reception No. 130304, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado, that property on which is located two (2) two-story buildings containing four units per building, which are designated, respectively, as Building 1, Units 7501, 7502, 7503 and 7504; and Building 2, Units 7505, 7506, 7507, and 7508 as per Plat File No. 331 A-E, Reception No. 0168713, and which are subject to that certain Declaration of Condominium and Interval Ownership dated December 30, 1988, recorded January 6, 1989 at Reception No. 0160495, Book 239, Page 2 and Second Amendment to Declaration of Condominium and Interval Ownership for Village Pointe Condominiums recorded January 16, 1990, at Reception No. 0168714, Book 280, Page 213, with the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, at such time as the final as-built plat has been recorded.
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 Unit Number: 7511
 Building Number: 003D
 Unit Week Number: 12
 Lien Amount: \$3,158.01
 Property Owner: HEATHER R PARROTT
 Unit Number: 7513
 Building Number: 004D
 Unit Week Number: 44
 Lien Amount: \$7,163.67
 Property Owner: HAROLD & GLORIA HEDGES, TRUSTEES
 Unit Number: 7514
 Building Number: 004D
 Unit Week Number: 39
 Lien Amount: \$7,173.20
 Property Owner: JANN MINOR
 Unit Number: 7512
 Building Number: 003D
 Unit Week Number: 51
 Lien Amount: \$3,231.58
 Property Owner: KENNETH R SLATEN & ROSEMARY E SLATEN
 Unit Number: 7511
 Building Number: 003D
 Unit Week Number: 21
 Lien Amount: \$3,158.01
 in that property which is described as a parcel of land being a portion of Parcel B, Third Replat of South Village Lake, recorded as Reception No. 130304, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta County, Colorado, that property on which is located two (2) two-story buildings containing four units per building, which are designated, respectively, as Building 1, Units 7501, 7502, 7503 and 7504; and Building 2, Units 7505, 7506, 7507, and 7508 as per Plat File No. 331 A-E, Reception No. 0168713, and which are subject to that certain Declaration of Condominium and Interval Ownership dated December 30, 1988, recorded January 6, 1989 at Reception No. 0160495, Book 239, Page 2 and Second Amendment to Declaration of Condominium and Interval Ownership for Village Pointe Condominiums recorded January 16, 1990, at Reception No. 0168714, Book 280, Page 213, with the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, at such time as the final as-built plat has been recorded.
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 Village Pointe Condominiums Phase III
 Matter Amount
 Property Owner: BARRY SALSBURY
 Unit Number: 7521
 Building Number: 005D
 Unit Week Number: 19
 Lien Amount: \$5,735.09
 Property Owners: LIBERTY INNOVATIONS LLC & RUBY J SCHOTT
 Unit Number: 7521
 Building Number: 005D
 Unit Week Number: 49
 Lien Amount: \$6,311.20
 Property Owners: ROBERTA RAE LAMONT
 Unit Number: 7525
 Building Number: 006D
 Unit Week Number: 37
 Lien Amount: \$7,163.67
 Property Owners: ANGEL ONWARD LO
 Unit Number: 7526
 Building Number: 006D
 Unit Week Number: 21
 Lien Amount: \$7,191.84

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 Unit Number: 7528
 Building Number: 006D
 Unit Week Number: 13
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 700 South 21st Street
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COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM
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 Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered April 2, 2018, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows:
 See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof (owner):
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 GEORGE L ENGLAND
 WILLIAM D SCHWARZER
 ROSEMARY E SCHWARZER
 CAS B WINDHAM JR
 DONNA MARIE WINDHAM
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 Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Village Pointe Property Owners Association, Inc.
 Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs.
 Agent: Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 51651, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
 Samuel S. Vigil, Reg. No. 40454, 437 6th Street, Las Animas, CO 81054
 Association Assessments Due to Village Pointe Property Owners Association, Inc.
 Debtor(s) & Amount Due: See attached Exhibit "A"
 Amount of Judgment: See attached Exhibit "A"
 Type of Sale/Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act
 THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION.
 The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments when the indebtedness was due and owing and the legal holder of the indebtedness has accelerated the same and declared the same immediately fully due and payable.
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 THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, Sale Number: 2018-2 in the Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff, Civil Division, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns

of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
 First Publication: [07/12/2018]
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 The name, address, and business telephone number of each of the attorneys representing the holder of the evidence of debt are as follows:
 Christopher B. Conley, Reg. No. 16PPA0144, 700 South 21st Street, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901
 (479) 242-8814
 Samuel S. Vigil, Reg. No. 40454, 437 6th Street, Las Animas, CO 81054
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 By: /s/ Tonya Hamilton

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 Costs: \$413.78
 Attorney's Fees: \$1,000.00
 CAS B WINDHAM JR & DONNA MARIE WINDHAM
 Building Number: 4
 Unit Number: 7511
 Unit Week Number: 20
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 Together with a vested remainder over in fee simple absolute, as tenant in common with the other owners of all Unit Weeks in the described Units in Village Pointe Condominiums in that percentage interest determined and established by said Declaration for the above described real estate.
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 Unit Number: 7528
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18CW3018 Archuleta County - Piedra River; Marcus Elliott, Denise L. Elliott, and William R. Whitney; c/o Bruce C. Walters, Dufford, Waldeck, Milburn & Krohn, LLP, 744 Horizon Court, Suite 300, Grand Junction, CO 81506, (970) 248-5865; APPLICATION FOR SURFACE WATER RIGHTS; Name, mailing address, and telephone number of applicants: Marcus Elliott, Denise L. Elliott, and William R. Whitney; 25285 Highway 160; Durango, CO 81301; Request for surface right; Name of structure: Burns Spring Pipeline, First Enlargement; Legal description of point of diversion: NW corner of Section 3 (north of the Ute Line), T34N, R5W, N.M.P.M., bearing North 30°20' West, 1890.3 feet. The UTM coordinates are as follows: Zone 13; Easting: 285966; Northing: 4125107.0; Source: Surface flows, tributary to the Piedra River; Regarding appropriation: Date of appropriation: April 1, 2002; How appropriation was initiated: By retaining an engineer to inspect spring structures and design pipeline and pipeline infrastructure and by independently measuring water and placing water to beneficial use for irrigation; Date water applied to beneficial use: April 1, 2002; Amount Claimed: 35 gpm absolute for irrigation, 90 gpm conditional for irrigation, and 124 gpm conditional for commercial; Uses: Commercial and irrigation of 12 acres in the SW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 3, (4 pages)
THE WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED BY THE FOREGOING APPLICATION(S) MAY AFFECT IN PRIORITY ANY WATER RIGHTS CLAIMED OR HERETOFORE ADJUDICATED WITHIN THIS DIVISION AND OWNERS OF AFFECTED RIGHTS MUST APPEAR TO OBJECT AND PROTEST WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY STATUTE, OR BE FOREVER BARRED.
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE until the last day of August, 2018, to file with the Water Clerk, a verified Statement of Opposition, setting forth facts as to why a certain application should not be granted or why it should be granted only in part or on certain conditions. A copy of such Statement of Opposition must also be served upon the applicant or the applicant's attorney and an affidavit or certificate of such service shall be filed with the Water Clerk, as prescribed by Rule 5, CRCP. (Filing fee: \$158.00. Forms are available through the Office of the Water Clerk on the Judicial web site at www.courts.state.co.us. Danene M. Etz, Water Court Specialist, 1060 E. 2nd Ave., Room 106, Durango, CO 81301; 970-385-6181)
 Published: before July 31, 2018 /s/ Danene M. Etz
 Danene M. Etz, Water Court Specialist
 Published July 19, 2018 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

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:
 PATRICIA A SCANLIN
 505 FAIRWAY ROAD
 RIDGEWOOD, NJ 07450-3535
 PATRICIA A SCANLIN
 6141 EDSON ROAD, APT J
 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304-4152
 You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 6th day of November 2014, the then County Treasurer of Archuleta County, in the State of Colorado, sold at public tax lien sale to
 CLARE MOXLEY
 the following described property situate in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado, to-wit:
CRS 38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE
ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD FEBRUARY 7, 1972 AS RECEPTION NO. 75409
 Account Number: R000879
 Schedule Number: 58325201009
 Tax Sale Certificate Number: 2014-03014
 and said County Treasurer issued a certificate of purchase therefore to CLARE MOXLEY
 That said tax lien sale was made to satisfy the delinquent property (and special assessment) taxes assessed against said property for the year 2013
 That said real estate was taxed or specially assessed in the name(s) of PATRICIA A SCANLIN for said year 2013.
 That said CLARE MOXLEY on the 7th day of June 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 CLARE MOXLEY
 On the 14th day of November 2018, 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 19th day of June 2018
 /s/ Betty A. Diller
 Betty A. Diller, Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado
 Published July 5, 12 and 19, 2018 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION
CRS 38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2018-008
 To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:
 On May 10, 2018, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta records.
 Original Grantor(s) Stephen P. Van Horn and Colette Van Horn
 Original Beneficiary(ies) Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Concorde Acceptance Corporation
 Current Holder of Evidence of Debt LSF9 Master Participation of Trust August 05, 2005
 County of Recording Archuleta
 Recording Date of Deed of Trust August 10, 2005
 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 20508294
 Original Principal Amount \$126,000.00
 Outstanding Principal Balance \$11,498.75
 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof.
THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. UNIT 17B, BUILDING 16, PAGOSA PINES CONDOMINIUMS, ACCORDING TO THE CONDOMINIUM MAP FOR PAGOSA PINES CONDOMINIUMS FILED JANUARY 7, 1980, AS RECEPTION NO. 98152 AND AS DEFINED AND DESCRIBED IN CONDOMINIUM DECLARATION FOR PAGOSA PINES CONDOMINIUMS RECORDED JANUARY 7, 1980, IN BOOK 107 PAGE 666, ALL RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO.
Also known by street and number as: 160 Pinon Causeway #3050, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.
THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.
NOTICE OF SALE
 The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.
 THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 09/06/2018, at the Archuleta County Treasurer's Office at 449 San Juan St, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.
 First Publication 7/12/2018
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 Colorado Attorney General
 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor
 Denver, Colorado 80203
 (800) 222-4444
 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov
 Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
 P.O. Box 4503
 Iowa City, Iowa 52244
 (855) 411-2372
 www.consumerfinance.gov
 DATE: 05/10/2018
 Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado
 By: /s/ Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee
 The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:
 Erin Croke #46557
 McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (773) 369-6122
 Attorney File # CO-18-807155-L
 The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ON August 7th
 BP Production Company, represented by Naomi Azulai of Durango, CO, has applied for a Major Oil & Gas Facility Permit for the BP Cox 3 Well Pad Special Exception, on a portion of the SW ¼ NW ¼ Section 14, T32N R9W NMPM, under a Surface Use Agreement with property owners Raymond Charles Egger and RaDawna Ann Egger, at 814 County Rd 988, Arboles, CO. The proposal is for a new well pad to accommodate one well by Special Exception to exceed four well pads within Section 14. This property is zoned Agricultural/Ranching (AR). The application is available for inspection M-F 8:00-4:00 p.m. at the Planning & Building office, 1122 Highway 84, or online at https://aca.accela.com/archco/ select Planning and search for Record PLN18-094.
 Comments regarding this proposal may be submitted to the Archuleta County Development Services-Planning Department, P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970) 264-1390 or to Planning@archuleta

Mudslide causes closure and shoulder damage of U.S. 160

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

Following heavy rain on Tuesday evening, multiple mudslides were reported around Archuleta County.

According to Lisa Schwantes, the Region 5 coordinator for the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), U.S. 160 sustained some damage where the mud and debris flow occurred.

There were also reported mudslides on Colo. 151 and U.S. 550.

"There was some shoulder damage on the south side of the road. So, we could be doing cleanup there, probably for the rest of the week," Schwantes explained concerning U.S. 160.

There will be activity in the area cleaning up the additional mud and debris, as well as repairing the shoulder, Schwantes explained.

"We'll have a crew there for the remainder of the week, cleaning things up, repairing the shoulder on the south side that was damaged and we just ask folks to slow down, watch for the crews, watch for heavy equipment and, of course, we need to watch for the weather and drive wisely," Schwantes said.

Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez explained that the mudslide on U.S. 160 closed the highway down for about four hours.

"It was on Highway 160 in between the entrances to County Road 175," Valdez explained. "It was complete blockage. It was a long ways."

No injuries were reported from the mudslide on U.S. 160, but a vehicle did get stuck and had to be removed.

County Road 175 was used as the bypass for the U.S. 160 mudslide, Valdez added later.

The Colo. 151 mudslide was between mile markers 27 and 28, Valdez explained.

"It was complete blockage of the road as well from rocks and mud," Valdez said. "And it was about 50 yards wide."

The Colo. 151 mudslide only shut down the road for about an hour, however, Archuleta County sheriff's deputies were there for about three hours washing the road off, Valdez explained.

"The one on 151 is a common area that it does flood there. That one wasn't unusual. What was unusual for this one was the fact that it had a lot more debris than usual on that one," Valdez said. "Just glad nobody got hurt. That's the main thing."

Of the slide on U.S. 160, Valdez stated, "That was new to me, never seen it flood like that in that area."

Preventative measures?

In regard to preventative measures for mudslides, Schwantes explained that there is not a lot citizens can do to avoid these natural occurrences.

"We're definitely at the mercy of mother nature. These storms are very difficult to predict in southwest Colorado," Schwantes said.

Even if CDOT is aware of monsoon activity, it is still hard to predict where the downpours will occur, Schwantes added.

"But, of course, what we can do is definitely ask the public to be aware of the weather for the day," Schwantes said.

If members of the public are venturing out into the high country, they should also be aware of the weather, Schwantes noted.

"Gully washers happen in an instant. And some are more severe than others, and sometimes it'll

bring debris across the highway and sometimes it won't," Schwantes said. "We are just trying to be prepared and have our equipment ready to go at a moment's notice."

Schwantes explained that CDOT compares mudslide prevention to its winter avalanche mitigation measures.

"There are definitely areas that we keep an eye on. And that's why we do rock scaling. And so those little interruptions that traffic might encounter when they're driving along — especially canyon areas, high cliff areas, slopes — those are areas that we do definitely keep an eye on," Schwantes explained.

CDOT also makes sure that culverts are clear and clean so that when a gully washer comes, the water flows directly under the highway and not on top of it, Schwantes described.

Additional highway information

In a follow-up email to The SUN, Schwantes gave status updates on three highways that were accurate as of press time Wednesday.

U.S. 160, west of Pagosa Springs:

- Fully open.
- South side of highway sustained slight shoulder damage.
- Crews will be cleaning up mud and debris, as well as repairing shoulder damage, for the remainder of the week.

U.S. 550, north of Durango:

- Fully open.
- Maintenance personnel will be assessing any potential road or shoulder damage.

• There is still an extreme amount of debris on both sides of the highway, which came down with the flash-flood event.

• CDOT crews will be cleaning up the area with roadside activity taking place for the remainder of the week.

Colo. 151, 6 miles south of the U.S. 160 junction at Lake Capote:

- Fully open.
- Maintenance personnel will be assessing any potential road or shoulder damage.
- A crew will be cleaning up any excess debris on the side of the roadway. This could carry over until Friday.

Monsoon forecast

According to Jim Pringle of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), there are odds favoring above-normal precipitation for monsoon season across western Colorado this year.

"Well, most people that live there, have lived there any period of time, know that the average monsoon season in western Colorado, including southwest Colorado, is roughly from mid-July through about mid-September," Pringle explained.

This year, the Climate Prediction Center has indicated the above-normal precipitation odds since spring, Pringle explained.

The term "monsoon season" can vary depending on what part of the world you are in, Pringle explained.

"They imply or indicate the rainy period where you have the most amount of rainfall that comes into the region," Pringle said.

Later, Pringle explained that NOAA hopes for a productive and positive monsoon season.

"If we can get an above-normal season that helps out with vegetation and doesn't cause too many flash floods that could threaten peoples lives and livelihoods, then that's a good thing," Pringle said.

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On Sunday, July 29, the 100th anniversary of the mission church Saint James the Apostle will be celebrated with a Mass at 11 a.m. followed by a community picnic in Trujillo, Colo.

Photo courtesy Debbie McAlister

Join the 100th anniversary celebration of Saint James the Apostle mission church

By Debbie McAlister
Special to The SUN

On Sunday July 29, in rural Trujillo, Colo., the 100th anniversary of the mission church Saint James the Apostle will be celebrated with a Mass at 11 a.m. followed by a community picnic for which meat will be provided.

Saint James, known also as Santiago, is one of five mission churches located across southern Archuleta County, including Saint Francis, near Arboles, and Saint John in Pagosa Junction, which serve rural congregations and date from a time when areas that are today remote and less populated, had substantial local economies, schools and stores.

Since 2007, much large-scale restoration has been done in effort to retain the original character of the little adobe church.

Please join our community in celebration of the history and faith represented in Saint James the Apostle Church over the last 100 years.

Trujillo is reached by following County Road 500 (Trujillo Road) approximately 14 miles south of Pagosa Springs. All are welcome.

Raffle tickets are still available: first prize \$500 cash; second prize \$300; third prize \$200 or a lamb; fourth prize \$125 or a goat.

One ticket is \$2 or six for \$10; tickets are available around town or call Lupita Gallegos at 264-2319.



Photo courtesy Don Brenno

Roy Vega, pictured second from the left and flanked by numerous family members, was presented a special award by Mullins-Nickerson American Legion Post 108 Cmdr. Raymond Taylor on July 11. The award cited Vega for his outstanding dedication, commitment and longtime service to Post 108. Among Vega's many accomplishments, he formed and organized a permanent Honor Guard in 2009. The Honor Guard has since provided final military honors to scores of deceased Archuleta County veterans. Vega currently serves as the Post 108 adjutant.

San Juan Water Conservancy District chooses new legal counsel

By Chris Mannara
Staff Writer

The San Juan Water Conservancy District (SJWCD) now has new legal representation following a special meeting on July 6.

The SJWCD board, after an extensive interview process held during the special meeting, opted to choose Newbold, Chapman & Geyer PC (NCG) as its new legal counsel.

The board's previous counsel, Holsinger Law LLC along with its representative Kent Holsinger, resigned from working with the board in April.

This was covered in the April 19 issue of The SUN.

Holsinger, however, has continued to work with the SJWCD until it filled the vacancy.

The board also interviewed Hill & Robbins PC and Trout Raley during the special meeting.

However, when it came down to making a decision on a firm after all three interviews, the board ultimately decided to choose NCG.

Board discussion and decision

SJWCD board member Stacy Thompson explained that NCG's representatives were very precise in their interview.

"I do like that the second one (Hill & Robbins) had a lot of water dealings. It seemed like they had a lot more hands-on and that they

were a lot more in the conservation department. They were like, hands-on, developing conservation," Thompson said.

SJWCD board member Susan Nossaman, participating in the meeting by phone, added that she was also impressed with NCG.

"They seemed to really cover all the bases of what we need as far as open records act, all the due diligence things that we know will be forthcoming. I was impressed with them," Nossaman said.

Another positive about NCG is that they are based out of Durango, Nossaman added.

"I don't like the idea that they want to attend all of our board meetings in person," SJWCD board member Candice Kelly said in regards to NCG. "I can see the initial board meeting, an introduction, but beyond that, I don't think it's necessary that they be here every time."

Having legal counsel at every meeting is an expense that SJWCD cannot afford, Kelly commented.

Having legal representation at every meeting is something that the SJWCD board can decide, Thompson responded.

All three firms sounded capable of doing what the SJWCD needs, Kelly added later.

SJWCD board member Doug Secrist liked that NCG had numerous attorneys within the organization that had various skill sets.

NCG's willingness to attend

SJWCD's meetings was noted by Secrist as a positive.

"I share Candice's concern about, you know, because we're looking at legal costs and expenses as certainly an issue. That is something we have to work out with them," Secrist explained. "But I also appreciate the fact that they want to be, if you will, a part of the team and be present, so I think that's a plus because they are willing to commit the time and the interest. That's a good thing, but we just need to temper that with our budget."

A concern about choosing NCG is due to a potential conflict of interest, Secrist noted.

"Because they do also represent some entities around here. We hope that wouldn't be an issue but certainly it's possible down the road. So we have to make sure that we have some sort of system or some way of working that out," Secrist said.

The conflict of interest stems from the Southern Ute Indian Tribe contesting SJWCD's filing for due diligence on one of its water rights, SJWCD board member Al Pfister noted in a follow-up interview.

The practice of filing a letter of opposition is somewhat standard procedure, Pfister went on to say.

"If somebody is going to due diligence on a water right, any water right holder, that people that could be adversely affected by

them, an entity utilizing their water right, if there's potentially a negative impact, people will frequently contest to be on record so that they don't lose some standing, et cetera, in court if something doesn't work out right," Pfister explained.

Pfister also noted during the meeting that he liked that NCG is a local firm.

Pfister did recognize that he has some bias towards Hill & Robbins as he has worked with them in the past.

After the discussion on the three candidates, each SJWCD board member took an individual vote on which firm they would select.

Kelly, Thompson, Nossaman and Secrist all chose NCG as their first choice.

Pfister chose Hill & Robbins as his first choice.

"So it's four to one that we select the first group," Pfister said.

Secrist then made a motion that SJWCD would approach NCG and identify that they are the district's first choice for its legal counsel vacancy.

"I would say contact them, advise them that they are our first selection pending results of the discussion regarding the pending Southern Ute litigation," Secrist said.

The SJWCD board will also discuss with NCG on how often they would like the firm to attend the board's meetings.

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How Social Security benefits can help youth

By Josh Weller
Special to The SUN

Social Security is here for young people when a parent passes away. We know that the loss of a parent isn't just emotionally painful; it can be devastating to a family's finances. In the same way that Social Security helps to lift up the disabled and elderly when they need it, we support families when an income-earning parent dies.

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Within a family, a child can receive up to half of the parent's full retirement or disability benefit. If a child receives survivors benefits, he or she can get up to 75 percent of the deceased parent's basic Social Security benefit.

There is a limit to the amount of money that we can pay to a family. This family maximum is determined as part of every Social Security benefit computation. It can be from 150 to 180 percent of the parent's full benefit amount.

Children with disabilities may also be eligible for benefits. You can read more about Benefits for Children with Disabilities at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/EN-05-10026.pdf.

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Saturday, July 21 • Self-paced tour from 1-5 p.m.



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Experience Pagosa with a View at Saturday event

By Liz Alley
Special to The PREVIEW

Who has the best view in Pagosa Springs? You get to decide this Saturday. Tickets are still available at the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and at Justice Ministries at 459 Lewis St.

You will receive a tour map of six homes that will showcase some of the best views in Pagosa Springs. The self-paced tour lasts from 1 to 5 p.m., then join us from 5-6:30 p.m. for a party, raffle prizes and announcement of the winner voted to have the best view of all.

Tickets are \$45 per person or \$60

for two people. We are a nonprofit. Your tickets are tax-deductible.

For more information, please contact us at 264-4483, visit justiceministriesofpagosa.org or email us at justiceministriesofpagosa@gmail.com. Tickets may also be purchased on EventBrite. Enter "Justice Ministries Pagosa With a View."

'I said a boom chicka boom': Hand-drumming class to meet Tuesday

By Paul Roberts
Special to The PREVIEW

Join musician and music therapist Paul Roberts for a free hand-drumming class at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse on Tuesday, July 24, at noon.

The class offers a welcoming environment that encourages fun, creativity, playfulness and connecting with others. Drums are provided for those who do not have one. Designed as an opportunity for people of all ages to unleash

their creativity, the drumming class is a family-friendly activity open to all ages. No previous experience is necessary.

"All children are artists," said Pablo Picasso.

The problem, he explained, is how they can remain artists once they grow up.


The drumming class is infused with an atmosphere of freedom, allowing us to lose ourselves in play and to get in touch with our childlike, artistic nature.

Give this a try; echo each line: I

said a boom chicka boom/ I said a boom chicka boom/ I said a boom chicka rocka chicka rocka chicka boom/ Oh yeah/ Alright/ One more time.


Call and response chants like "Boom Chicka Boom" remind us how to be playful in our self-expression. Besides giving us permission to stay connected with our childlike sense of fun, this chant has a tricky syncopation, lending itself to intricate hand-drumming and body percussion improvisa-

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Coyote Moon: Karaoke, 9 p.m.
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La Taqueria: Rewired Blues Band, 6 p.m.
Pagosa Brewing Company: The San Juan Mountain Boys, 5:30 p.m.
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Shooters & Shenanigans: Dave Mensch, 8 p.m.

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Pagosa Peak Open School third- and fourth-graders take part in the Whatchamawhozits' Summer Theatre Camp for Kids. The camp culminates with a production of "Annie Kids" on July 20, 21 and 22, with the performances open to the public.

Pagosa Peak Open School gets dramatic this summer

By Gabrielle Dorr
Special to The PREVIEW

This week, in partnership with the Thingamajig Theatre Company located at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, the entire second- and third-grade classes from Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) are participating in the Whatchamawhozits' Summer Theatre Camp for Kids.

Since PPOS is a charter school, the school director has more flexibility to incorporate new programs into the school's curriculum. When

parents approached PPOS about wanting to participate in the theater camp this year, the school worked on an agreement to bring in 28 students.

"This new partnership represents exactly what Pagosa Peak Open School is about, which is creating educational opportunities that inspire the joy of learning and build confidence," said James Lewicki, school director.

As part of the summer camp, kids learn the entire process of putting

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tion. Call and response is a very old technique used in music all over the world. In combination with rhythmic activities, these songs encourage group singing, and develop musical skills and an appreciation for how music has been used for thousands of years.

Like a runner's high, group drumming releases the brain's own feel-good chemicals. Sparking happy brain reactions, group drumming is its own reward. It's an

activity based on positive interactions in which enthusiasm spreads to everyone involved.

The Pagosa hand-drumming class is a down-home, spirit-lifting hootenanny that encourages participants to be creative.

I said a Bzzzz chicka Bzzzz/ I said a Bzzzz chicka Bzzzz/ I said a Bzzzz flower nectar pollen honey chicka Bzzzz/ Oh yeah/ Alright/ One more time.

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San Juan Stargazers announce trio of events

By Joan Mieritz
Special to The PREVIEW

The San Juan Stargazers will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, July 26, in the Chamber of Commerce/ Visitor Center conference room, located at 105 Hot Springs Blvd. The meeting is from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Come before 7 p.m. to have time for treats and to socialize.

For our program, we are using the series of lessons called “Our Night Sky,” taught by award-winning astronomer Professor Edward Murphy of the University of Virginia. The lesson is titled “Observing the Moon and the Sun” and is especially valuable for our group.

If you missed getting a celestial planisphere and/or constellation flash cards back in April, they are now available if you ask for them.

At 6 p.m. on July 26, we will again have a telescope clinic. This is an opportunity to bring a telescope that you need help with. We are asking that you call 335-8286 to reserve a “telescope expert” no later than July 25 (the day before the meeting). Your expert will then be waiting for you at 6 p.m.

It is amazing how our telescope experts can quickly analyze problems and help you get your scope working. If you’ve already gotten help and are still uncertain or you have a new problem, feel free to return. We are committed to getting every telescope in Archuleta County working so more people will be learning about

our amazing universe.

I want everyone to mark their calendar for an extraordinary opportunity on Aug. 16 at 7 p.m. We have an amazing scientist who lives, whenever possible, near Pagosa Springs. When not here, he is in Washington D.C., California, Europe or somewhere else in the world working on our next space telescope, the James D. Webb Infrared Telescope.

Bob Mitchell is part of the international group of scientists taking on this formidable task. He tries to run a low profile and enjoy the peace and quiet of Pagosa, but he has agreed to provide us with an update of this wonderful project that now is scheduled to be launched in 2021.

The San Juan Stargazers will be providing a larger venue so that all people who want to hear about the scientific successor to the Hubble can attend. This is a free program which every adult and student in southwest Colorado will want to attend on Aug. 16 at 7 p.m. The location will be announced later.

The San Juan Stargazers are part of the Astronomical League, which includes clubs from all over the U.S. We have a website, www.SanJuanStargazers.com, as well as an email address, sjstargazers@gmail.com, and a club phone number, 335-8286, to help communicate with the public.

Out-of-town amateur astronomers are always welcome, as well as anyone interested in learning more about astronomy. We hope to see you.

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on a production but also gain many lifelong skills. The students learn empathy by putting themselves in another character’s shoes. They also learn public speaking skills by performing in front of an audience. Most importantly, they gain confidence by trying something new and meaningful to them.

“What I think is so great about working with PPOS is that we are reaching kids that we may not normally reach. Some of the kids who are participating may not have signed up for the camp because they may have not known they had an interest in performance art. We hope they do find their passion in performance as a result of this

experience,” said Laura Moore, co-founder of Thingamajig Theatre Company.

PPOS students are participating in the camp at very little cost to the families. Thingamajig Theatre worked with the school to create an affordable tuition for the group. Partial funding came from a student activity fund which is collected at the beginning of the school year for each student. The other part of the camp tuition came from a scholarship fund that was raised by the school from various grants.

This year’s camp, which runs from July 9 to July 19, will feature an “Annie Kids” production. The public can see the kids’ performance on July 20, 21 and 22.

PPOS will continue working with Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts throughout the upcoming school year. Theater professionals plan to bring a series of acting and performance workshops to fourth-grade students during the last two weeks in July. At various times of the year, all students from kindergarten through fourth grade will participate in theatrical workshops and events put on by Center for the Arts and Thingamajig Theatre Company’s artists.

Archuleta County nonprofit organizations invited to apply for a Mountain View Homemakers monetary donation

By Tozi Rubin
Special to The PREVIEW

Nonprofit organizations located in Archuleta County are invited to apply for a 2018 Mountain View Homemakers monetary donation. Eligible applicants must directly

impact the women, men or children of Archuleta County. To receive an application, email a request to Cathy Ashford at cathyashford@aol.com or call her at (903) 815-5057.

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Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls coming to the Archuleta County Fair

By Leslie Wustrack
Special to The PREVIEW

Archuleta County Fair Board President Jason Cox just announced, "Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls is coming to the fair."

He added, "The fair board unanimously voted to support this sure to be spectacular event which will be held on Friday night, Aug. 3, at 7 p.m.

"Our annual Saturday Ranch Rodeo at noon is an important part of the fair's 67-year heritage. The Ranch Rodeo is followed by the Annual 4-H Chuckwagon Dinner, the Jr. Livestock Auction and the Saturday night dance. But, by adding the Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls on Friday night, we're offering folks a full complement of events that can beat any county fair anywhere."

An 1882 event produced by William F. Cody, aka Buffalo Bill, is generally recognized as the first rodeo. Cody incorporated trick riding into his event, but the main competition was about local ranches and their quest to be known as the best ranch in the rodeo. Rodeo ranch events recreated what the cowboys actually did in their everyday ranch work.

Rodeos became community gatherings of ranch families. They were celebrated as a rare and important social function that allowed time together, visiting and sharing of their lives. Eventually, rodeos evolved to become a contest of individuals rather than ranches.

But the Archuleta County Fair Ranch Rodeo is a return to the times of friendly team competition. The Ranch Rodeo participants consist of four-man teams. The entry and fees paid deadline for the noon Saturday Ranch Rodeo is 10



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

Something new is coming to this year's Archuleta County Fair: Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls. The new event is slated to be held at 7 p.m. on Aug. 3.

a.m. on Aug. 4; \$1,000 will be added to the pot, which pays three spots.

Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls are exciting events due to the unbroken rough stock. Competent cowboys and cowgirls thrill the audience with their daredevil attitudes and athletic skills.

Fresh rough stock will be the centerpiece of the new Friday night event. The entry deadline for Bares, Broncs 'n Bulls participants is 9 p.m. on Aug. 1. Fees must be paid by 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 3; and the performance begins at 7 p.m. \$2,000 will be added to the Bares and Broncs pot. An additional \$2,000 will be added the Bulls pots. Ten riders must participate in each pot for the full added money.

To enter or for more information about either event, interested cowboys/cowgirls should call Kelsey Garcia at (970) 819-9172.

"We are striving to be the best," Cox added. "The fair board has a few more surprises to announce

soon. Please stay tuned."

Volunteers are needed for the annual event. Each volunteer receives a free T-shirt, gate passes, training and an invitation to the annual Thank You Volunteers lunch. Signing up to volunteer is easy by visiting the fair's website, archuletacountyfair.com, or by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

The 67th annual Archuleta County Fair will be held Aug. 2-5 at the fairgrounds, 344 U.S. 84. The fairgrounds are located just southeast of the U.S. 160 and U.S. 84 intersection. Daily live music, a ranch rodeo, Broncs 'n Bulls, a horse show, family entertainment

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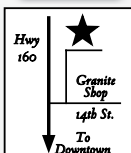
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Baylor Brass set to return for Mountain Light Music Festival concerts

By Kathy Wadenpfuhl
Special to The PREVIEW

Baylor Brass will once again headline the August concerts for Mountain Light Music Festival. But, in addition to this fabulous brass quintet, Sol Brass quintet will be performing. This brass quintet includes students who are majoring in music performance or music education at Baylor University. Their backgrounds are varied, but all are prodigious musicians in their own rights.

Members of the Baylor Brass all serve as music faculty in the Department of Music.

Wiff Rudd, trumpet, has toured internationally with the Dal-

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Photo courtesy Mountain Light Music Festival

Baylor Brass will once again headline the August concerts for Mountain Light Music Festival. The quintet comprises several distinguished musicians who teach in the Baylor University Department of Music.

Fair

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livestock showmanship, the annual Jr. Livestock Auction, and the annual Saturday night dance and 4-H Chuckwagon Dinner are just a few of the exciting features. Everyone is invited to participate; there is

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Vegetable Garden Tour: Three paths to a successful mountain garden

By Cecilia Haviland
Special to The PREVIEW

The Mountain High Garden Club will host its annual Vegetable Garden Tour in a new way this year. On Aug. 25, the public is invited to a presentation that discusses the pros and cons for successful gardening utilizing a greenhouse dome for prolific year-round harvests.

A tour of the Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership project, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Education Dome, will showcase the advantages of providing a controlled climate

for endless growing.

For those who prefer growing in the great outdoors during our pleasant albeit short summer season, Ron Chacey will walk us through the secrets of growing abundantly in raised beds. He will guide you through our outdoor Community Garden located a few steps from the Geothermal Education Dome as his example.

A large space for growing a summer veggie garden is not necessary. For those who want fresh veggies, berries and flowers, but do not have access to a sizeable growing space,

Cecilia Haviland will show you how to grow vertically, using containers that would greatly increase the crop yield by utilizing a very small footprint such as that found on a deck, rooftop or balcony.

Join the fun while exploring your options at the Centennial Park (near the domes) for our vegetable gardening showcase from 10 a.m. to noon. Bring your own “potluck” contribution to the “finger-food” refreshments served following the presentation.

Contact Haviland at 731-2370 or balconybudeze@centurylink.net.

Baylor

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las Brass for eight years and is a founding member of Rhythm and Brass. R&B has toured extensively throughout the U.S. and internationally, and has several critically acclaimed recordings.

In addition to serving as principal trumpet with the Waco Symphony, Rudd’s orchestral experience includes work with such orchestras as the Dallas Symphony, Oklahoma Symphony, Houston Symphony and Houston Grand Opera. His experience as a soloist includes the New York premiere performance of Joseph Turrin’s “Chronicles for Trumpet and Wind Symphony” in Carnegie Hall. Rudd is a Yamaha artist/clinician and has presented over 300 clinics and master classes at universities and conservatories, conferences and music festivals across the country.

Mark Schubert is lecturer in trumpet at Baylor. He performed with the Honolulu Symphony for 33 years. Schubert has also performed with the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Pops, the Opera Company of Boston, the Filharmonica de las Americas (Mexico City), the Houston Symphony and the Houston Grand Opera. He graduated from the New England Conservatory and Baylor University. Schubert is also a member of

the Waco Symphony and a Yamaha artist/clinician.

Jeffrey Powers, professor of horn, is a native of San Antonio, Texas. He holds a bachelor of arts degree from Austin College and a master of music from the Cleveland Institute of Music.

Powers began his professional career in the Hong Kong Philharmonic, followed by positions with the New Jersey Symphony, Philharmonic of Caracas, Venezuela, and Cleveland Orchestra under Lorin Maazel and Christoph von Dohnanyi. He also held a tenured position with the Royal Philharmonic of Flanders in Antwerp, Belgium. Presently, Powers is principal horn with the Waco Symphony and Abilene Philharmonic Orchestras, and also a member of The Baylor Winds. Powers has recorded five solo CDs to date.

Brent Phillips, director of the Mountain Light Music Festival and associate professor of trombone, began his professional music career with the prestigious “President’s Own” United States Marine Band. He served as a frequent trombone soloist with this outstanding band and performed with the Marine Band Chamber Orchestra. Phillips has also performed with the Dallas Symphony, the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra,

and the San Antonio and Houston symphony orchestras. He currently is principal trombone with the Waco Symphony and the Abilene Philharmonic.

In addition to numerous solo performances worldwide, Phillips has made recordings with the Marine Band, Discovery Channel, Animal Planet, “Performance Today” on public radio, the Stentorian Consort and his own two solo CDs. He has just released his third solo CD titled “Meditations.”

As a soloist, Clay Garrett has won first prize at the Leonard Falcone International Tuba Competition and has been named a finalist or semifinalist for several other competitions including the International Tuba and Euphonium Conference Competition, the

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Broadway Gala concert and fundraiser for Thingamajig Theatre to feature summer actors

By Carole Howard
Special to The PREVIEW

This year's much-anticipated Broadway Gala concert and fundraising event on Tuesday, July 31, at 5 p.m. will feature the talents of the Thingamajig Theatre Company's brilliant summer musical cast performing in a cabaret-style show directed by Boni McIntyre.

It's part of a special evening to raise funds for Pagosa's only non-profit professional theater that also will include a live auction for unique interactions with the actors, live music by the actors, backstage tours conducted by cast members, and catered hors d'oeuvres. There will be a cash bar with tips going to the cast and crew.

Only about half of the costs of Thingamajig productions are covered by ticket sales. The remainder of the theater's funding comes from private donors, business sponsors, program advertising, grants and proceeds from this annual Broadway Gala fundraiser — the most important event of the year to keep the theater up and running.

Tickets are \$100 for this dressy evening at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

Unique auction items

The actors are working on their acts for the cabaret concert and their

contributions to the auction — and keeping them a secret for now. Word is that there also will be a well-known surprise guest who will delight you and bring back fond memories.

A look at last year's one-of-a-kind auction offerings gives you a good idea of what very special fun will be available this year. That auction included an actor's serenade at a private party, a brunch with many of the actors, a sunrise hike led by two actors followed by an outdoor brunch and a personalized cocktail party featuring a drink created just for you.

Also, two of the perennial favorites will be offered again — a progressive dinner for 10 people when actors will chauffeur you and your friends to four incredible locations where you'll enjoy wine pairings, serenades and delicious food prepared by the cast; and a photo shoot for four where the actors will do your hair and makeup as you enjoy champagne and chocolate, then provide costumes before you pose with the cast for a very special picture that could be your best Christmas card ever.

"We know from previous galas that our guests have been surprised and delighted by the evening's festivities — and especially the clever and creative auction opportunities," said Laura Moore, executive director and co-founder of Thingamajig Theatre with her husband, Tim. "We are deeply grateful for everyone's

support because the five musicals that folks are seeing on stage this summer would not be possible without the funding raised at the gala."

The five summer shows

This summer's company of 56

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Lieksa Brass Week Competition, the International Markneukirchen Competition and the prestigious Concert Artist Guild of New York City. He has also been a soloist with the U.S. Army Band Tuba Workshop and Texas Music Educators Association Convention. Garrett is also an active chamber musician. He is currently pursuing a doctor of musical arts degree at the University of Texas and teaching at Temple College.

To hear all of these tremendous musicians, attend the two concerts

which will feature them, the Pagosa Brass and the Mountain Light Festival Brass.

The concerts are Aug. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Community United Methodist Church and Aug. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the PLPOA Clubhouse. Tickets for each performance are \$25 and can be purchased from the following: Community United Methodist Church, Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, Bookends, Choke Cherry Tree, PLPOA, members of the Pagosa Mountain Rotary and Airport Self-Storage.



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The people-eating plant Audrey II claims another human victim — in this case, actor Hannah Zilber — in a rehearsal for “Little Shop of Horrors.” She is one of the many actors, singers and dancers performing at Thingamajig Theatre Company’s exciting Broadway Gala concert and fundraising event on Tuesday, July 31, at 5 p.m. The brilliant summer musical cast will present a cabaret-style show, part of a special evening that will include a live auction for unique interactions with the actors, live music by the actors, backstage tours conducted by cast members and catered hors d’oeuvres. Tickets are \$100 for this dressy evening at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

Gala

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actors, singers, dancers, directors and crew is the largest ever at Thingamajig. They are performing in a blockbuster summer season aptly titled “Broadway in the Mountains.” Here are the musical hits playing in rotation until Aug. 31 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. They are prompting rave reviews from audiences lucky enough to already have seen them.

• “Legally Blonde,” rated PG-13, is based on the book and film by the same name. Directed by Boni McIntyre, it is a fun, upbeat story of a beautiful sorority girl who enrolls at Harvard Law School to win back her ex-boyfriend. She discovers that her knowledge of the law can help others win cases when her fellow

students underestimate her increasing self-confidence and impressive skills. In addition to other honors, it was nominated for seven Tonys and won for best original score.

• “West Side Story,” rated PG, features music by Leonard Bernstein and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. Directed by Melissa Firlit, it’s a powerful love story based on Shakespeare’s “Romeo and Juliet” about two rival gangs in New York City, one Puerto Rican and the other white. The dark theme, sophisticated music (many of its songs became popular hits), impressive dance scenes and focus on social problems marked a turning point in American musical theater. It was nominated for six Tonys and won two, including best choreography for Jerome Robbins.

• “Thoroughly Modern Millie,” rated PG, is a fast-paced comedy based on the film by the same name. Directed by Dennis Elkins, it tells the story of a small-town girl who comes to New York City to marry for money instead of love — a thoroughly modern goal in 1922. She comes to enjoy the flapper lifestyle, but problems arise when she checks into a hotel owned by the leader of a white slavery ring. It won six Tonys, including best musical.

• “Little Shop of Horrors,” rated PG-13 and directed by Ali Whitman, is a dark comedy rock musical about a florist shop worker who raises a plant that feeds on human blood and flesh. The music, composed by Alan Menken in the rock ‘n’ roll, doo-

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wop and Motown styles of the early 1960s, resulted in several popular hits. Produced off-Broadway and thus ineligible for the Tonys, it won several other awards including the New York Drama Critics Award for best musical.

These musicals will be performed in rotation with five to eight shows a week until the end of August.

Special family musical

“Pinkalicious” is a special musical for families based on the best-selling educational books for kids. Directed by Anita Jo Lenhart, it tells the story of a little girl who loves the color pink and can’t stop eating pink cupcakes despite warnings from her parents. Her pink indulgences land her in the doctor’s office with an illness that turns her pink from head to toe.

In addition to several of the professional actors, this show features local teens, fulfilling a long-time dream of Laura Moore to provide on-stage acting opportunities for youngsters ages 13-17 who have graduated from Thingamajig’s Children’s Theatre Summer Camps. This impressive audition-only opportunity allows teens to work alongside adult actors and perform in a fully produced stage musical.

“Pinkalicious” plays Saturdays at 11 a.m. until Aug. 25.

More about Thingamajig

Thingamajig Theatre Company is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit professional theater in residence at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts producing comedies, dramas and musicals year-round.

This is Thingamajig’s eighth season.

“The circle continues to grow wider with our commitment to being a radically welcoming theater serving all audiences,” said Tim Moore. “We have made the commitment to create a space where diverse

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Nipple Mountain by Andy Butler, of the Pagosa Springs Photography Club. The club has announced its 2018 Digital Photo Contest, open to all members of the club.

Pagosa Springs Photography Club announces contest

By Gregg Heid
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Photography Club (PSPC) is pleased to announce its 2018 Digital Photo Contest. The contest is open to all current members of the club.

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Winners will receive cash prizes of \$25 for first, \$15 for second and \$10 for third place, plus a \$40 grand prize. Submissions are due by Aug. 1 and will be judged by two independent professional photographers. Awards will be presented at

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For contest guidelines and the entry form, go to <https://pagosapriningsphotoclub.org/2018/06/24/announcing-2018-digital-photo-contest/>. The guidelines and entry form have instructions on how and where to submit your files.

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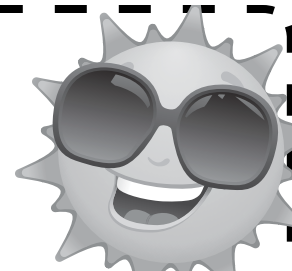
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Artists José Luis Vílchez and Cora Rose, new to Pagosa Springs, have just launched a fundraising campaign to convert a school bus into an art and recording studio on wheels. Following the work, they will then drive the studio from the United States to Argentina over a two-year period.

A journey from the USA to Argentina begins in Pagosa

Special to The PREVIEW

Two newly arrived artists in Pagosa Springs have just launched a fundraising campaign to convert a school bus into an art and recording studio on wheels. They will then drive the studio from the USA to Argentina over two years.

The initiative is part of an ongoing project called Art We There Yet and its mission is twofold. First, to build a body of visual and musical art inspired by the Americas, illustrating the diversity and shared humanity of peoples across the Americas. Second, to bring arts education and public art to communities that lack access to arts programming.

Art We There Yet is the brainchild of artists José Luis Vílchez and Cora Rose, who arrived in Pagosa this past May. Vílchez is a fine art painter and professional photographer; Rose is a songwriter and record producer. Combined, they have traveled to over 72 countries, creating art and teaching around the world.

The pair met in China in 2016 and founded Art We There Yet in 2017. Since then, they have created works together in China, Nepal, India and Nicaragua. In June, they worked with Pagosa Peak Open School to provide

art and songwriting workshops to the fourth-grade class.

The Art We There Yet bus trip across the Americas will consist of a series of creative projects. Vílchez will create a series of photographic portraits and paintings, while Rose will record a set of collaborative albums with artists across both continents. Together, they will produce a documentary film, a book and an exhibition to bring to galleries throughout the world after the trip has finished. They will also work with communities to provide free arts programming along the way: public murals, art installations, free art and music workshops, and free concerts at schools, hospitals and homes for the elderly.

“The heart of this project is to demonstrate our shared humanity, our shared challenges and that in our diversity lies our greatest strength,” explained Rose.

Vílchez and Rose are welcoming in grassroots participation in the project by launching an Indiegogo crowdfunding campaign to buy and convert the bus. Contributors receive music and artwork directly from the artists, as well as the opportunity to sponsor public art in communities along the bus trip route.

“We also want to put out an open

call into the community — if you would like to support the project by hosting a house concert or painting party, we would love to do so,” offered Rose.

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By Mike Stoll
Special to The SUN

On Aug. 24, the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs will host the annual Auction for the Animals at the Ross Aragon Community Center — a fun evening featuring fabulous auction items, fine spirits and great dining.

The theme of this year's auction is A Bluesy Night in Memphis, featuring soulful sax music from Bob Hemenger and a delicious barbecue menu.

The annual August auction is the Humane Society's largest and most important fundraising event of the year, so please mark your calendar now to attend a worthwhile and highly entertaining evening.

Auction attendees will be able to bid on fabulous items donated by local artists, merchants and businesses, as well as awesome items from around the globe.

Tickets are \$40 and go on sale Monday, July 23. Ticket locations include both the Humane Society

thrift store and animal shelter, the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, Two Old Crows Gallery and the Choke Cherry Tree, or by calling 264-5549. Tickets will not be available at the door. This is a very popular event that has sold out the past several years, so don't delay and remember to buy your tickets in advance.

When you're buying your auction tickets, don't forget to purchase tickets for the second annual Raining Cats and Dogs raffle, too. Raffle tickets are \$50 and one lucky winner will receive one-third of ticket sale proceeds. Last year's winner took home over \$5,000. The shelter dogs and cats get the rest. Raffle tickets are available at the Chamber, Two Old Crows Gallery and the Choke Cherry Tree. Buy a ticket and make it rain for the shelter animals.

The Humane Society of Pagosa Springs is a private nonprofit organization that operates the only animal shelter in Archuleta County. Your local humane society does not receive funding from the Humane

Society of the United States, American Humane, ASPCA or any other national animal welfare organizations. Private donations, grants and thrift store revenues cover only a portion of animal shelter operating expenses. The remainder of shelter costs must be met through fundraising events like the Auction for the Animals.

Funds raised through the auction go directly to benefit the homeless dogs and cats in our community. Board members and volunteers donate their time and talents to handle all fundraising efforts by the organization and new volunteers are always welcome. Auction donations are tax deductible, and auction items and cash sponsorships are currently being accepted.

For more information about donating or volunteering, please contact the Humane Society of Pagosa Springs administration office at 264-5549. The Humane Society of Pagosa Springs is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

What SUP set for Aug. 11 at Lake Forest

By Jen Pitcher
Special to The PREVIEW

It's with great excitement that Pagosa Lakes and the Young Professionals of Pagosa Springs (YPOPS) announce the second year of the What SUP (stand-up paddleboard) event and expo on Lake Forest.

SUP is the fastest-growing watersport in the world; the growth in the surrounding area is explosive as new participants are eager to explore local waterways while

enjoying exercise. Proceeds from the event will go toward the YPOP's professional development funds and the Pagosa Lakes outdoor amenities fund.

Kicking off this year's event is the main event, the "Givin' it a Tri" triathlon starting at 10 a.m. While triathletes are out running and biking, the kids will hit the water for our youth expo, followed by a SUP yoga class at noon and a SUP obstacle course at 1 p.m.

All of our local SUP rental com-

panies will have boards available on site to rent to participate or demo during free paddle time.

We hope that we will get some takers to enter a couple of our exceptionally fun events that will take place following the completion of the triathlon. All the event happenings are open to anyone and everyone.

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Spotlight: Lighting Designer Elaine Wong illuminates the Thingamajig stage

By Tess Wisher
Special to The PREVIEW

Thingamajig Theatre Company, the only professional live theater in Pagosa Springs, has successfully opened all five of its summer shows that will continue to run through the end of August.

All five shows have been illuminated by high-grade LED theatrical lighting instruments by Pagosa's favorite lighting designer, Elaine Wong.

Wong, Thingamajig Theatre's lighting designer, hails from Toronto, Canada. In 2009, Wong moved to New Jersey to obtain her masters in lighting design from Rutgers University, a well-regarded theatrical education institution. Many of Thingamajig's current and former company members also hail from

Rutgers University, including Melissa Firlit, Christina Norris, Matt Bittner and Criag Dolezel.

Wong's fascination with theater began in high school when she stepped on stage as an actor for the first time. When she realized that the process of creating theater involved more than just acting, she jumped at the chance to immerse herself in all aspects of the theatrical craft.

It was during her undergrad education at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, she fell in love with lighting design.

"The lighting is the subconscious guide of the show. It helps illustrate the mood of the show, focus the audience's attention and reveals relationships between characters," she said.

Wong began working for Thingamajig Theatre in October 2013

as the lighting designer for "Misterman." She fell in love with the community within Pagosa Springs and the investment the entire community has in the theater.

"It's wonderful to come from a place like the East Coast, where there's a basement theater in every other building and no one cares what you're doing, to a place like Pagosa where people truly care about the theater and the people in the theater," she said.

When not at Thingamajig Theatre, Wong is an adjunct professor at Montclair State University in New Jersey, where she teaches lighting design and works as the master electrician for the theater.

This summer, Wong has enjoyed getting to work on such a wide stylistic variety of shows from classics like **See Spotlight on next page**



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Nick Drivas plays Tony in “West Side Story.” The show is lighting designed by Elaine Wong. In this show, she focused on creating a sense of atmosphere and shadow to focus on the motion happening on stage.

Spotlight

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“West Side Story” to the cult horrors like “Little Shop of Horrors.”

“Each stylistic variety requires a different mindset,” she said. “Based on the set design, the music and the overall tone of the show, each design requires different stylistic choices within color, speed, focus and mood.”

She has also enjoyed getting to work alongside Laura and Tim Moore once again, because, ultimately, they are what brings so many theater professionals back to Pagosa. The charismatic and amazingly talented couple has created a theater where professionals thrive while putting on an amazing amount of high-quality theater in a mind-bogglingly short amount

of time.

Over the past two months, over 50 performers, designers, directors and technicians have been rehearsing and preparing for the various openings of five different shows with Thingamajig Theatre for this “Broadway in the Mountains” summer. “Legally Blonde,” “West Side Story,” “Thoroughly Modern Millie,” “Little Shop of Horrors” and “Pinkalicious” have taken the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts stage and have been wowing audiences since their openings.

If you’d like to see Wong’s designs in action, come see a show at Thingamajig Theatre housed in the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. To reserve your tickets, call 731-SHOW (7469) or visit pagosacenter.org.

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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- 15 Caddie offering
- 16 Firefighting need
- 17 Film based on a novel, e.g.
- 19 Teaspoonful, maybe
- 20 U-boat, briefly
- 21 Send out
- 22 Weight watcher
- 24 ___ of passage
- 26 Black gold
- 28 Foul
- 29 Beauty parlor
- 30 Hang around
- 32 The "U" in I.C.U.
- 33 Trusted teacher
- 34 De Niro's, "City By The ___"
- 37 Dermal affliction
- 39 Part of PTSD
- 41 Kicker's aid
- 42 Fasten (to)
- 46 Mark of a ruler
- 47 Take the pulpit
- 48 Evaluate, as ore
- 49 Cartoon hedgehog
- 52 Fish delicacy
- 53 Wedding wear
- 54 Throat soother
- 56 Back of the neck
- 58 "The Hundred Secret Senses" author
- 60 Farm cry
- 61 Type of pact
- 64 Ship's backbone
- 65 Supply party food
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- 67 "What ___?"
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- 69 Smart-alecky

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- 6 Leafstalk
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- 8 Long ___
- 9 Tear to bits
- 10 Cry of dismay
- 11 Alex Haley classic
- 12 Strong suit
- 13 Distrustful
- 18 Prom attendee
- 23 Like some gases
- 25 Shopper's aid
- 27 Blitzed
- 29 Feeder filler
- 31 Reggae great Peter
- 33 Pal, in Perth
- 34 Easily offended
- 35 Moving stairway
- 36 Grayish
- 38 Month for some Pisces
- 40 Bailiff's request
- 43 Old salt
- 44 Monkshood
- 45 Lessen the value of
- 47 Predicament
- 48 State categorically
- 49 Feed, as a fire
- 50 Large bay window
- 51 Canonical hour
- 55 Carve in stone
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- 59 Small salamander
- 62 Beam of light
- 63 Keg opening

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The Western Flyers have a slot on the Four Corners Folk Festival main stage at 1 p.m. on Sept. 1 and will get the late night stage going on Aug. 31.

Tallgrass to open Four Corners Folk Festival main stage, The Western Flyers to kick off late night stage

By Crista Munro
Special to The PREVIEW

The 23rd annual Four Corners Folk Festival takes place on Reservoir Hill in Pagosa Springs Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

This year's world-class musical lineup includes The Dawg Trio (featuring David Grisman, Danny Barnes and Samson Grisman), Nahko And Medicine For The People, Sam Bush, We Banjo 3, Amy Helm, The Accidentals, Sam Reider and the Human Hands, Front Country, Jon Stickley Trio, The Jacob Jolliff Band, Darling West, Bonnie and the Clydes, Courtney Hartman and Taylor Ashton, and this week's featured performers: The Western Flyers and Tallgrass.

The Western Flyers

The Western Flyers are one of the most exciting groups to glide on the scene in years. The band features arctop guitar slinger Joey McKenzie, who brings his dynamic rhythm guitar style and smooth vocals to the band, and Katie Glassman, a three-time National Swing Fiddle Champion and vintage-style

singer extraordinaire. The "Baron of the Bass," Gavin Kelso, compliments the band in a mighty way with his incredible upright bass playing and baritone vocals.

Dubbed "The Biggest Little Band in the Land," folks often comment, "You guys sound bigger than you look."

Equally at ease on the concert stage, music festivals and smaller performing arts venues, the Flyers appeal to a diverse cross section of enthusiastic music fans young and old. Blending tradition with musical innovation, The Western Flyers astound the music fan in all.

McKenzie is universally recognized as one of the finest rhythm guitarists of our time, a peerless practitioner of the most essential element to all music. His lifelong immersion in Western swing and Texas fiddle styles has made him the preeminent authority as a player and teacher over a wide range of traditional American genres. Whether backing up a fiddle tune or a complex jazz arrangement, McKenzie's absolute command of

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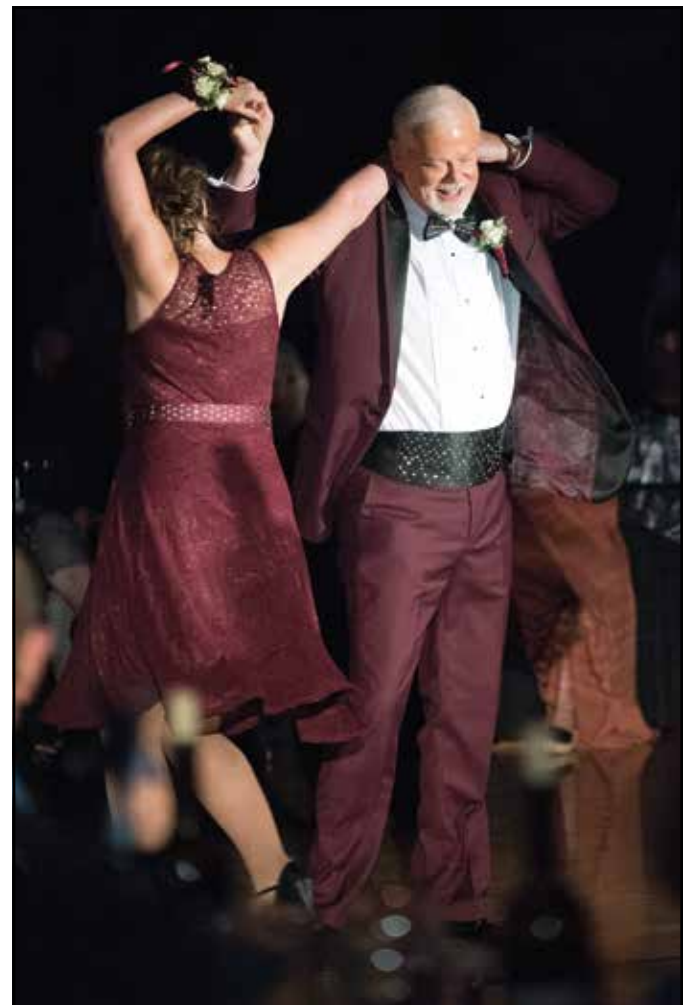
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DANCING WITH THE PAGOSA STARS

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Scene ... Dancing with the Pagosa Stars Saturday night at the Ross Aragon Community Center. Seeds of Learning kicked off its new fundraiser in big fashion Saturday, with eight Pagosa Springs "stars" pairing with a coach to learn and perform a dance in front of a sold-out crowd. The evening raised funds to help offset tuition at the early learning center. Pagosa's dancing stars included Fran Lohr (the evening's Mirror Ball Champion), Cindy Houston (who won Best Female Dancer), Jacob Miskimens (who won Best Male Dancer, Bob Brobst (who won for Best Costume), Brad Ash (who won for Best Video), Brent Christians, Tammy Searle and Lisa Miranda.





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Tallgrass will open the 23rd annual Four Corners Folk Festival with a 3 p.m. set on Aug. 31.

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the instrument leaves listeners and musicians alike in wonder.

At the age of 17, McKenzie became interested in playing the fiddle after becoming friends with Texas fiddle legend Benny Thomason. It wasn't long before McKenzie began competing and has since won well over 100 fiddle contests and many more contest wins on other stringed instruments. Some of McKenzie's titles include: three-time World Champion Fiddler, World Series of Fiddling Champion, U.S. Open Fiddle Champion and National Men's Fiddle Champion.

Since moving with his wife, Sherry (herself a champion fiddle player and teacher extraordinaire) to the Fort Worth suburb of Burleson, Texas, McKenzie has worked with many of the Lone Star state's finest bands and musicians. During his years as a studio musician, he played on numerous studio albums, television and film scores, and his musical arrangements have been orchestrated for symphony and performed by the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and the Reno Philharmonic Orchestra. From 2000 to 2013, McKenzie performed with three of his fiddle and vocal students in the Quebe Sisters Band,

where he created the band's musical arrangements, played archtop rhythm guitar, and produced the Quebe Sisters Band's three studio albums. The Western Flyers is the perfect platform for McKenzie's rhythm guitar chops and seasoned singing.

Glassman is that rare musician who possesses a combination of instrumental virtuosity and powerful musical expression. She is one of the country's most renowned and decorated Texas-style and swing fiddlers, as well as an accomplished songwriter, singer and a highly sought-after teacher. She maintains a thriving private teaching practice and travels to teach at music camps throughout the country. Glassman holds a bachelor's in performance with a Jazz Certificate from University of Colorado, Boulder, and in 2007 spent a year studying jazz violin at the world-renowned Centre Musique Didier Lockwood in Dammarie-Les-Lys, France.

In 2015 and 2016, Glassman won the National Swing Fiddle Championship in Weiser, Idaho, took first in both the Bob Wills and Open divisions at the Bob Wills Festival and Fiddle Contest in Greenville, Texas and is the three-time reigning Colorado state fiddle

champion. Other notable victories were in 2013 at Rockygrass in Lyons, Colo., and Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield, Kan., to name but a few.

With the formation of The Western Flyers in 2015, Glassman has found her ultimate musical home. McKenzie and Kelso are Glassman's counterparts on their instrument; lifelong devotees of Western swing and Texas fiddle music who have completely immersed themselves in the style. They are inarguably one of the best swing rhythm sec-

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Kelso has been addicted to musical vibration for as long as he can remember. At his home in Neosho, Mo., his parents had a wonderful collection of rock 'n' roll, rhythm and blues and jazz records, and some of Kelso's earliest memories include sitting in front of the stereo, mesmerized by the sounds. It wasn't long before he knew definitively that his relationship with music could not and would not be limited to listening to it. It was around this time that he began to recognize a common element in almost all the music he loved — great bass lines.

Within his first year of playing the electric bass, he progressed from playing along with recordings in his basement to playing in school ensembles and becoming a sought-after professional in the Four State Area. It was during this time that he discovered the double bass, the instrument that would become his true musical voice.

Upon graduation from high school, Kelso moved to Denton, Texas, where he enrolled in the largest double bass program in the world and immersed himself in the study of the bass and of classical music under the tutelage of world-renowned pedagogue and performer Jeff Bradetich. In May 2011, he graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in double bass performance. From 2012-2013, Kelso served as the touring bassist for the critically acclaimed Quebe Sisters Band. It was in this context that he met rhythm guitarist, arranger and future Western Flyers bandmate McKenzie.

While touring throughout the United States, Canada and Europe with McKenzie, Kelso quickly developed a deep love for the fiddling of Major Franklin, Norman and Vernon Solomon, and Jimmie Don Bates; the honky-tonk shuffles of Ray Price and Johnny Paycheck; and, of course, the mad swing of the great Bob Wills and his Texas Playboys. Gifted with a powerful

dexterity on the bass, a lively imagination and a selfless dedication to the music and to the groove, Kelso continues to emerge as a standout performer in his generation.

The Western Flyers have a slot on the festival main stage on Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. and will get the late night stage going at approximately 10 p.m. on Aug. 31 (immediately following the culmination of the main stage performances).

Influenced by old-timey sounds while digging through new-timey notes, they write and perform homemade auditory originals — three-part harmonies backed by drums, bass, guitar and banjo sit on music's front porch, ready to play.

Tallgrass

Raised by wolves, taught by squirrels, enemy of the owl — Tallgrass sings songs of happiness and sorrow.

This Colorado-based trio brings gravel road vocals, quick-picked guitar and a rhythm section with stomping ground sound. While they have a banjo, it's not bluegrass. Influenced by old-timey sounds while digging through new-timey notes, they write and perform homemade auditory originals — three-part harmonies backed by drums, bass, guitar and banjo sit on music's front porch, ready to play.

Brothers Adam and Austin Morford formed Tallgrass with long-time friend Matt Skinner during May of 2011. Their debut album, "God, Sin, Whiskey and Women," was released in the summer of 2012. Their sophomore album, "Better Than Medicine," was re-

leased in early February 2014 and they're currently finishing their third album, "Laughing."

The band has shared the stage with President Barack Obama, Melissa Etheridge, Sublime with Rome, The White Buffalo and The Ben Miller Band, among many others. They were on the lineup at the 2018 Pagosa Folk 'N Bluegrass festival for their second appearance at that festival.

Tallgrass will open the festival with a 3 p.m. main stage set on Aug. 31.

More information

The Four Corners Folk Festival is an extremely family-friendly event, with free admission for children 12 and under (when accompanied by an adult) and lots of free activities and entertainment at the Kids Tent offered throughout the festival.

The festival takes place rain or shine, and a central feature is the 10,000-square-foot tent with general admission seating for 1,300 people, available on a first-come basis. The meadow and trees outside the tent provide ample room for tarps, blankets and low festival chairs.

Additional information about tickets, performers and schedules can be found online at www.folkwest.com. Tickets can also be purchased by phone at 731-5582. There is information available on the website about volunteering for a festival ticket (ages 17 and up).

The Four Corners Folk Festival is supported in part by a matching Colorado Creates grant from Colorado Creative Industries. Bio information provided by The Western Flyers and Tallgrass.

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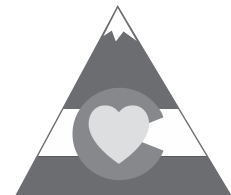
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John R. Curry, editor of Silverton's newspaper, The La Plata



Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

Miner, published a letter written from Pagosa Springs in 1881. It said in part: "Pagosa Springs, the largest, hottest and most singularly curious springs of their class in the world, are no longer isolated, as they have been in times past, shut off from the great traveling thoroughfares of the country by a formidable range of mountains, a trip across which at any season of the year, by such conveyances as were available, was unpleasant and tedious to the extreme. Now these difficulties are overcome by the approach of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, which was extended over the range in question and has a station at Chama only forty-five miles distant from the Springs. J.L. Sanderson & Co. and Wall & Witter have established lines of coaches between Chama and Durango, the flourishing city of the Animas Valley ... This has given initiative to hotels and building houses ... persons coming here now to see these wonderful springs and to bathe in their benefit giving waters, can feel assured that comfortable lodging will be provided and something nice to eat at reasonable prices."

Change is represented by the coming and going of the railroad. We should note that Durango, "the flourishing city of the Animas Valley," was started in 1881 when the railroad came to town. The older community, Animas City, was bypassed in favor of Durango. The town fathers of Animas City wanted too much money, so Gen. Palmer's railroad saved money by creating their own town. The rem-



Photo courtesy John M. Motter

Thomas Blair built the first bathhouse at Pagosa Springs in 1881. At the time, the springs were still owned by the U.S. Government, so Blair was trespassing. The bathhouse contained a large plunge bath 4.5-feet deep and several single bathtubs.

nants of Animas City remain at the north end of Durango.

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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, July 19

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

Tech Time. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Loaves and Fishes Community Lunch. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Parish Hall, Lewis Street. All are invited to enjoy a hot meal in a welcoming atmosphere.

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

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

Grief Support Group. 4-5:30 p.m., Methodist Church. GriefShare is a national nondenominational program. The purpose of the meetings is to help people who have experienced the loss of any family member or of a special friend. A person may attend one or all of the meetings. Topics vary, so there is no progression of subjects. Interested persons can call the church office at 264-5508 for further information.

Adult ESL Classes. 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. English as a second language class. Free child care is provided. Contact ACEC-manager@gmail.com for more information.

19th Hole Concert. 5:30-7:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. J-Calvin's Soul Sessions hosted by San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership. The cover charge is a \$10 donation (children 10 and younger are free). No outside food or beverage. Food and

drinks can be purchased from the grill. Bring a chair or blanket. Please leave pets at home. Concert will happen rain or shine.

Thingamajig Theatre Presents 'West Side Story.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Young lovers are caught between prejudice and warring street gangs in this seminal retelling of "Romeo and Juliet." From the first notes to the final breath, "West Side Story" is one of the most memorable musicals and greatest love stories of all time. The story remains as powerful, poignant and timely as ever. The score is widely regarded as one of the best written. This groundbreaking new production offers a bold experience unlike any before it. For more information and tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Friday, July 20

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

Pagosa Stitching Group. 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Tai Chi. 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance, strength, flexibility and lung capacity while reducing stress and increasing an overall sense of well-being.

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

Whatchmawhozits Summer The-

atre Camp Presents 'Annie Kids.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information, call 731-SHOW.

Teen Book Club. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens in the 7-12th grade. Join us for snacks and lively discussion for this month's book, "Daughter of the Pirate King" by Tricia Levenseller. Stop by to pick up a copy. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Summer Reading Club: Sand Art. 2-3:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the K-5th grades. Create a sand art masterpiece. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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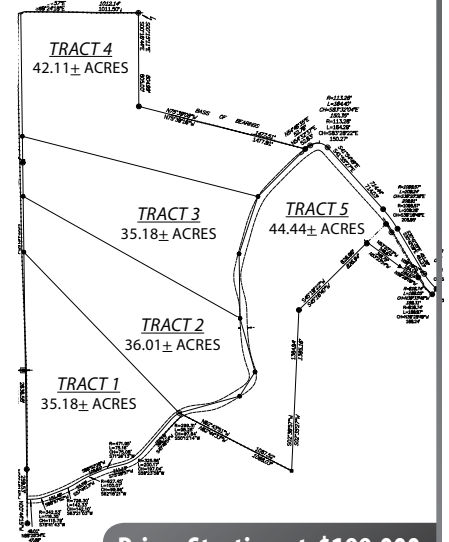
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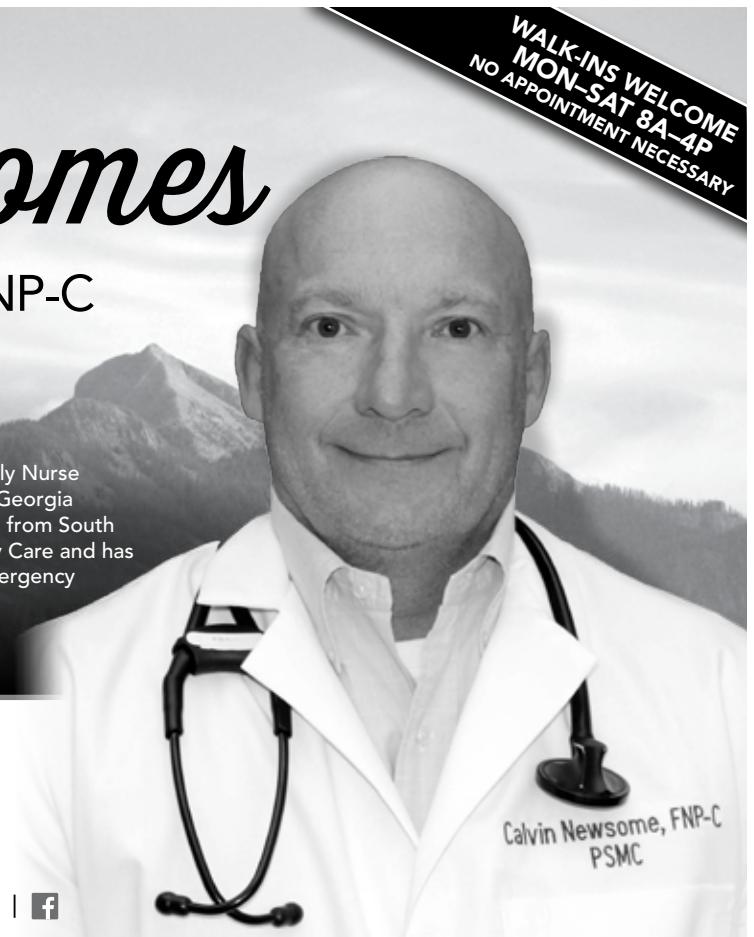
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Night Sky: Our Solar System. 7:30 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. This program is timed for when the moon is present in the sky, but not fully illuminated. This enables us to enjoy the night sky unimpeded by artificial lighting or the brightness of a full moon and see many of the brighter objects that are visible. For more information, go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

Saturday, July 21

Raffle and Games Manager Certification Training. 8:30 a.m.-noon, Parish Hall, Lewis Street. Darleen Herrera with the Secretary of State's Office will be here to conduct the training. The cost of the class is free; however, the certification cost is \$20. Those interested in signing up for the class should do so by contacting Darleen at darleen.herrera@sos.co.us. Instructional handouts will be provided. A light continental breakfast will also be served.

LPEA Golf Tournament. 9 a.m., Pagosa Springs Golf Club. The event, originally scheduled on June 16, was canceled due to storms. Registration for those previously signed up for the June event will be honored and refunds are available to those who cannot attend. Tournament proceeds benefit Aspire Medical Services and Education. To confirm registration, or for further information, contact Garrett Hammer at 946-9434 or Jeremy Matney at 759-8881.

Pagosa Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., East Side Market. For more information, contact Pauline Benetti at paulineb@centurytel.net.

Family Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. Join us for great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. It's a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. For all ages. Call 264-

2209 for more information.
Life at Chimney Rock Festival. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Chimney Rock National Monument. Bring the whole family. Family activities and interactive demonstrations of the skills of the ancients will include grinding corn with a mano and metate; pounding yucca to make rope, netting or sandals; throwing the hunting spear known as an atlatl; and creating your own pictograph. The San Juan Stargazers will be there with a solar scope demonstration so the kids will have the opportunity to safely view the sun and learn about how the ancient Puebloans viewed the night sky. A major festival attraction is an invitational Native American Arts and Crafts Market and Native American tacos. Guided and audio-guided tours of the site will also be available. For more information, visit www.chimneyrockco.org.

Thingamajig Theatre Presents 'Pinkalicious the Musical.' 11 a.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Pinkalicious can't stop eating pink cupcakes, despite warnings from her parents. Her pink indulgence lands her at the doctor's office with pinkitis, an affection that turns her pink from head to toe, a dream come true for this pink-loving enthusiast. But when her hue goes too far, only Pinkalicious can figure out a way to get out of this predicament. For more information and tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

Paws to Read. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library.

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Pagosa with a View Parade of Homes. 1 p.m. Justice Ministries is hosting Parade of Homes with a twist. Six homes in Pagosa Springs with spectacular views of the San Juan Mountains will be open for tour. A tour map will be provided. Party and winner of the best view will be from 5-6:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased online. Visit justiceministriesofpagosa.org and click on the Eventbrite link. Minimum donation of \$45.

Whatchmawhozits Summer Theatre Camp Presents 'Annie Kids.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information, call 731-SHOW.

Thingamajig Theatre Presents 'Thoroughly Modern Millie.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. The winner of six Tony Awards, including Best Musical, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" was the 2002 season's most awarded new show on Broadway. Based on the 1967 Academy Award-winning film, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" takes you back to the height of the Jazz Age in New York City, when "moderns," including a flapper named Millie Dillmount, were bobbing their hair, raising their hemlines, entering the workforce and rewriting the rules of love. For more information and tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

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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.

Whatchmawhozits Summer Theatre Camp Presents 'Annie Kids.'

6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For more information, call 731-SHOW.

Monday, July 23

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

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

Line Dancing. 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners at 9:15 a.m., advanced group at 10:15 a.m. Call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

Medicare Mondays. 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Senior Center, Area Agency on Aging office. For benefits, explanation, questions and assistance for enrollment regarding Medicare parts A, B, D and supplemental policies. Call 264-0501, ext. 1 to make an appointment.

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

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

Tween Gaming. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. For those in the 4th-8th grade. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

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

High Country Squares. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230

Port Ave. Jim Park calling mainstream and plus dances. A plus workshop will be held before the dance at 6 p.m. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Steve Keil at 731-0044 or Jim Park at 731-9910.

Tuesday, July 24

Tai Chi Class. 8 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

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

Yoga Fusion Class. 10 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.

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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.

Men's PTSD Combat Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church library. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. For more information, contact Vets for Vets at 799-VETS.

Mahjong. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

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

PALS Adult Education. 2-7 p.m., Sisson Library. Interested in getting your high school equivalency or GED? Need tutoring or help with placement tests? Come and see how Mark can help you. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Paws to Read. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. For kids in the K-5th grade. Come and share your favorite book with Bacchus, a therapy dog who loves listening to stories. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Adult ESL Classes. 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. English as a second language class. Free child care is provided. Contact ACEC-manager@gmail.com for more information.

Let's Dance Pagosa. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn the nightclub two-

step, a flowing smooth romantic dance. Call Wayne at 264-4792 or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa> for more information.

Wednesday, July 25

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, South Park (South 8th and Apache streets). 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 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.

Free Blood Pressure Checks. 10:30 a.m., Senior Center.

Pickleball. 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

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

DIY: Pie Tin Picture Frames and Souvenir Keepsake Boxes. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. We will have the option of making a pie tin picture frame, great for framing an old photograph or a map, or you can make a souvenir keepsake box using a jewelry box and a map, photograph or any other image. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Role-Playing Game. 3:30-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters in our ongoing role-playing game. This is a recurring program. If you want to be a part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in anytime. For teens in the 7th-12th grade. Call 264-2209 for more

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Spanish Conversation. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. This information meet-up allows you to increase fluency by speaking with other Spanish language learners and speakers. All are welcome, from beginners to native Spanish speakers. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 4-5 p.m., Community Center.
Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Thingamajig Theatre Presents 'Thoroughly Modern Millie.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. The winner of six Tony Awards, including Best Musical, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" was the 2002 season's most awarded new show on Broadway. Based on the 1967 Academy Award-winning film, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" takes you back to the height of the Jazz Age in New York City, when "moderns," including a flapper named Millie Dillmount, were bobbing their hair, raising their hemlines, entering the workforce and rewriting the rules of love. For more information and tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

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, July 26

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

(South 8th and Apache streets). 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.

Computer Class: Photos to the Cloud. 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. We will discuss and practice saving photos and videos to the cloud using a variety of platforms. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Grief Support Group. 4-5:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. GriefShare is a national nondenominational program. The purpose of the meetings is to help people who have experienced the loss of any family member or of a special friend. A person may attend one or all of the meetings. Topics vary, so there is no progression of subjects. Interested persons can call the church office at 264-5508 for further information.

Sand Art. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For those in the 4th-12th grade. Join us to create colorful sand art. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Adult ESL Classes. 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. English as a second language class. Free child care is provided. Contact ACEC-manager@gmail.com for more information.

Wildfire Preparedness. 5:30-7 p.m., CSU Extension Office. Learn how to protect yourself and loved ones from the threat of

wildfire. This presentation will walk you through the process of how to manage vegetation, get your home prepared, and how to plan for evacuation for people and animals. Call 264-5931 for more information.

San Juan Stargazers Telescope Clinic. 6 p.m., Visitor Center. This is an opportunity to bring a telescope that you need help with. We are asking that you call 335-8286 to reserve a telescope expert no later than July 25. Your expert will then be waiting for you at 6 p.m. For more information, email sjstargazers@gmail.com, visit www.SanJuanStargazers.com or call 335-8286.

Thingamajig Theatre Presents 'Legally Blonde the Musical.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. This fabulous award-winning musical based on the movie follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. Ac-

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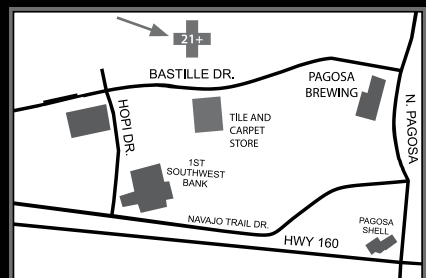
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UU to consider the nones among us

By Dean Cerny
Special to The PREVIEW

Recent research has shown that there is a substantial number of the U.S. population that identify themselves as religious “nones.”

Research polls indicate this group is approaching 25 percent of the population. They are definitely among us. It would be no surprise to find them at the Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

Who are these people? What might we learn from them concerning the future of religious America? Can “nones” help us

grow as a spiritual community? Our service on July 22 at 10:30 a.m. will explore some possible answers to these questions. This service will be led by Pastor Dean Cerny.

“Nones” by definition are those who call themselves religious or spiritual but prefer not to affiliate with any organized religion. When the Pew Research Center asked “nones” if they were “looking for a religion that would be right” for them, 88 percent responded by saying, “Thanks, but no thanks.”

“Nones” are independent-thinking individuals who are determined to write their own spiritual

story. The desire of “nones” to write their own spiritual ticket without the encumbrances of organized religion is a courageous exercise in religious freedom. We can both admire and learn from “nones” when pursuing our own spiritual narrative.

For the next two Sundays, I encourage any and all “nones” within the Pagosa Springs area to attend these services. In doing so, we might all discover the spiritual value of the “nones” among us.

Special musical guests this week are Acoustic Picnic, a local Pagosa musical group. Three vocals and three sets of strings, they are Carol Blechschmidt on autoharp, Steve Blechschmidt on banjo and Dave Pettus on guitar.

Check out our calendar of events at pagosauu.org. All of these events take place at Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn onto Park Avenue, then turn into the Greenbriar Plaza, drive to the east side of the parking lot and look for the Unitarian Universalist sign, facing north.

If you would like to schedule a private meeting with Cerny, or for further information, call 731-7900.



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Grief Support meetings continue today

By Beverly Arrendell
Special to The PREVIEW

Grief Support meetings are being held today and every Thursday afternoon through Aug. 2 at Community United Methodist Church.

The time is 4 to 5:30 p.m. Held in the church library, these meetings are free and are open to the public.

The purpose of the meetings is

to help people who have experienced the loss of any family member (spouse, parent, child, close relative) or of a special friend. A person may attend one or all of the remaining sessions. Topics vary, so there is no progression of subject.

Interested persons can call the church office at 264-5508 for further information. The church is located at 434 Lewis St. The Rev. Leighton Mekeal is pastor.

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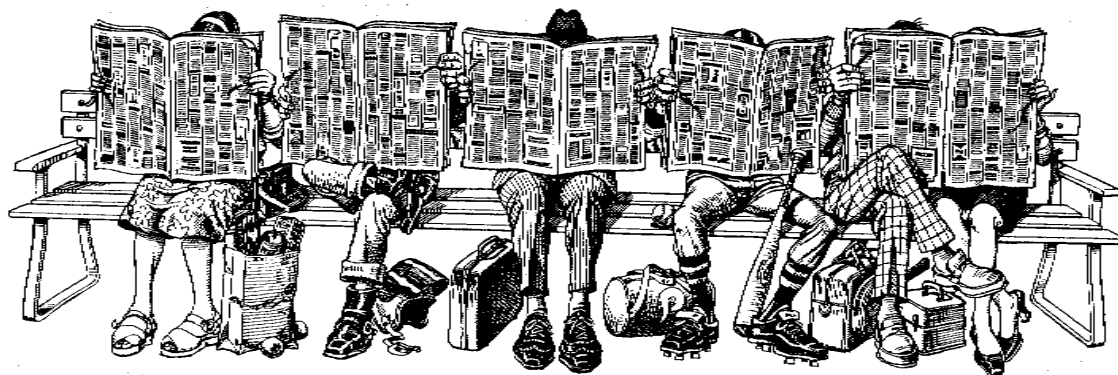
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tion-packed and exploding with memorable songs and dynamic dances, this musical is so much fun, it should be illegal. For more information and tickets, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.

San Juan Stargazers. 7-8:30 p.m., Visitor Center. Come before 7 p.m. for treats and to socialize. For our program, we are using the series of lessons called “Our Night Sky,” taught by astronomer

Professor Edward Murphy of the University of Virginia. The lesson is titled “Observing the Moon and the Sun” and is valuable for our group. For more information, email sjstargazers@gmail.com, visit www.SanJuanStargazers.com or call 335-8286.

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PCNT to discuss ‘The Boundless Life in You’

By Lisa Burnson
Special to The PREVIEW

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Thought (PCNT) and the Rev. Janet Wyrick welcome all to join us on Sunday, July 22, at 10 a.m. for our topic, “The Boundless Life in You.” We will be exploring basic concepts of Science of Mind, a philosophy for affirmative living. We welcome all to come walk a spiritual path of discovery, insight and revelation

with our group of individuals who wish to embrace and manifest a powerful destiny.

Unity is shifting the collective consciousness for all. What brings us together is much more powerful than what divides us. PCNT (a center of spiritual living) is establishing community and exploring all paths to the divine and to increase peace and empowerment. We welcome you to join us in sharing laughter, music, prayer and conversation.

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.

PCNT holds Sunday services each week at 10 a.m. at the Momentum Fitness building, 40 N. 15th St.

Request a concentrated affirmative mind treatment or obtain information by joining us, emailing PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com, calling (505) 604-5031 or mailing P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1052. Find us on Facebook (Pagosa Community of New Thought) or our website: www.PagosaNewThought.org.

Bird of the Week



Photo courtesy Charles Martinez

This week’s Bird of the Week, compliments of the Weminuche Audubon Society and Audubon Rockies, is the mountain bluebird.

The color of a clear, blue summer sky, the male mountain bluebird is a familiar sight in open spaces of Pagosa Country. His image adorns the logo of our local Audubon chapter. But it is not his beautiful color or song that makes him an attractive mate. Rather, it is his ability to scout out a suitable nesting cavity that wins him over to a female. Arriving early in the spring to nesting grounds with open areas for feeding and trees with cavities for nesting gives mountain bluebirds a competitive edge over other cavity nesters. However, late spring snowstorms may prove fatal.

Mountain bluebirds hunt insects and spiders from open perches on tree tops, power lines and fence lines. When food is more scarce, they will also hover over open ground like mini hawks, or snatch insects from the air. Moving with food sources, they are more readily seen here in spring and summer. In winter, they congregate in small flocks and add seeds, berries and small fruits to their diet. The bright blue male is hard to mistake and although the female is gray brown, she does sport blue in her wing and tail feathers.

Man-made nest boxes have provided a boost in population numbers as this bird copes with changes to the landscape in its historic range.

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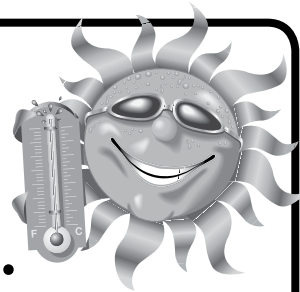
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WILDLAND FIRE WORKSHOP- July 26th, 5:30p.m. at the CSU Extension Office. Learn how to protect yourself and loved ones from the threat of wildfire. This presentation will walk you through the process of how to manage vegetation, get your home and family prepared, and how to plan for evacuation for people and animals.

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APRIL BATTLES INTERNATIONAL EQUINE Speaker/Instructor will be here in August doing hands-on workshops. Call 731-5529 for details.

AL-ANON meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Saturday, 10:30a.m., 234 N. 2nd Street (CR200/ Snowball Road). www.al-anon-co.org.

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A.A. PAGOSA SPRINGS GROUP. 234 N. 2nd St./CR 200- Snowball Rd. Sunday 10a.m. (OD); Monday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (C-BB); Tuesday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (CM); Wednesday 7:30a.m. (OD), noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (OD); Thursday noon (OD), 5:30p.m. (ON); Friday noon (OD), 7p.m. (OD); Saturday 7:30a.m. (OD), 5:30p.m. (OD). (Last Friday of the month 6p.m. potluck, 7p.m. birthday speaker meeting.) Questions, contact (970)245-9649, aa-westerncolorado.org or aadistrict18.org, or call Ed K. 946-2606 or Val V. 264-2685 or Ellen C. (214)566-5921.

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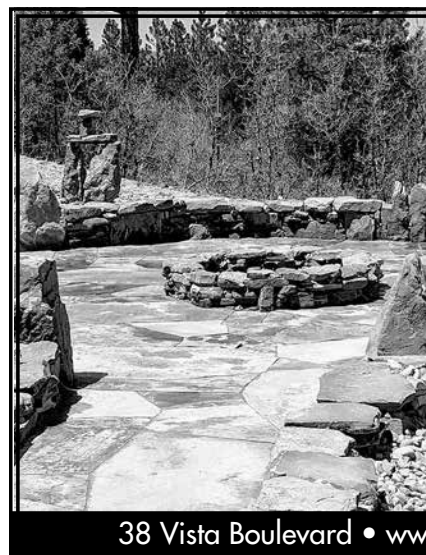
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LOST DOG- Sable went missing from 3056 Meadows Dr. Sunday 7/15. Female red heeler, older, hard of hearing. Reddish brown and white with some black. Dark pink collar, tumor on chest. Needs meds daily, friendly. Responds well to whistles and calling her name. Call (970)903-9268 if found.

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VARIOUS ITEMS IN GOOD condition. Saturday, 21 July, 8a.m.-11a.m. 685 Prospect Blvd.

MOVING TO PINE RIDGE. Must sell everything. Saturday 7/21, 8a.m.-noon. 503 S. 8th St., #10.

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SATURDAY ONLY. 166 FAIRWAY PL. 8a.m.-12p.m. Moving sale, everything must go.

SATURDAY, 8A.M.-1P.M. FIESTA WARE, Ojo Caliente, ruby red. Camping, RVing, fly fishing, canning, Native American. 1135 Park Ave. Whispering Pines #804. **Please Don't Park On Grass.**

MOVED FROM ASPEN, BROUGHT too much stuff. Surround sound system, chest freezer, art, linens. 28 S. Stymie Ct. Pagosa. Saturday, 9a.m.-noon.

SATURDAY, JULY 21, 8A.M.-4P.M. 30 W. McCabe St., corner of Alpha. Small men's clothes, woodworking tools, electric tools, miscellaneous household.

BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

MOVING SALE, 8A.M.-1P.M. SATURDAY, 1/2 off everything on Sunday, 1-3p.m. 113 San Juan Dr., Loma Linda.

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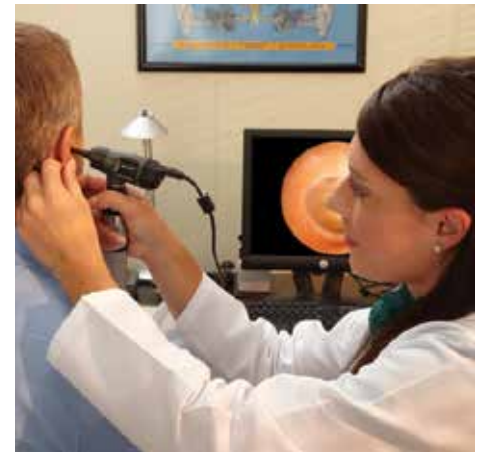
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