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Town approves overlook design

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

During its regular meeting on April 4, the Pagosa Springs Town Council approved the proposed overlook design and directed staff to solicit bids for the project.

The overlook is the deck that offers views of the San Juan River in the downtown area.

Action on the item was postponed at the council's Feb. 16 meeting due to the council being unable

■ See Overlook A8



LEGO Club

Photo courtesy
Rachael Perry

River Wilson concentrates on creating his LEGO masterpiece at the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library's spring break Special Edition LEGO Club event Friday.

Courts, sheriff support Harman Museum site for new county facility

By Jim Garrett
Staff Writer

Discussion by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) of the recent proposal of the site of the Fred Harman Art Museum as a location for a new jail and sheriff's office continued at the commissioners' work session and regular meeting this week.

The site, at the top of Put Hill adjacent to the intersection of U.S. 160 and Piedra Road, was described at the work session by Sheriff Rich Valdez as "probably one of the best possibilities," for effective law enforcement, as it affords excellent highway access.

Unlike the plan previously ac-

cepted by a majority vote of the commissioners last fall to build a new justice center housing a jail, the sheriff's office and the courts on Hot Spring Boulevard, the recent proposal would separate the courts from the other facilities.

Court facilities would remain at the current downtown location on San Juan Street under the recent proposal, with extensive remodeling of the existing courthouse.

Valdez said the separation was not ideal because transportation of prisoners from jail to court is always "a concern," but said it would be manageable if everybody works together.

■ See County A8

Emails reveal illegal meetings

■ Town's Historic Preservation Board

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

The Historic Preservation Board (HPB) has been holding illegal meetings via email throughout the last two months.

According to Colorado's Open Meetings Law (OML), a meeting is defined as "Any kind of gathering convened to discuss public business in person, by telephone, electronically or by other means of communication."

Through the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA), The SUN requested "emails between a quorum of Historic Preservation Board members for the month of February and March 2017."

The SUN, in turn, received a stack of printed emails a little higher than one-half inch.

A large number of the emails are different board members emailing the rest of the board members about whether or not they will be able to attend scheduled meetings.

Another large portion of the emails pertain to the letter that the HPB gave to the Pagosa Springs Town Council that pertained to recommendations for the overlook deck and design.

When Associate Planner Rachel Novak emailed updated drafts of

the letter to the rest of the board, board members would reply to all of other board members with their recommendations, instead of just emailing Novak.

For example, when Novak emailed an updated draft to the board and requested feedback on March 11, HPB board member Larry Garcia replied to all board members instead of just Novak and provided feedback on the draft.

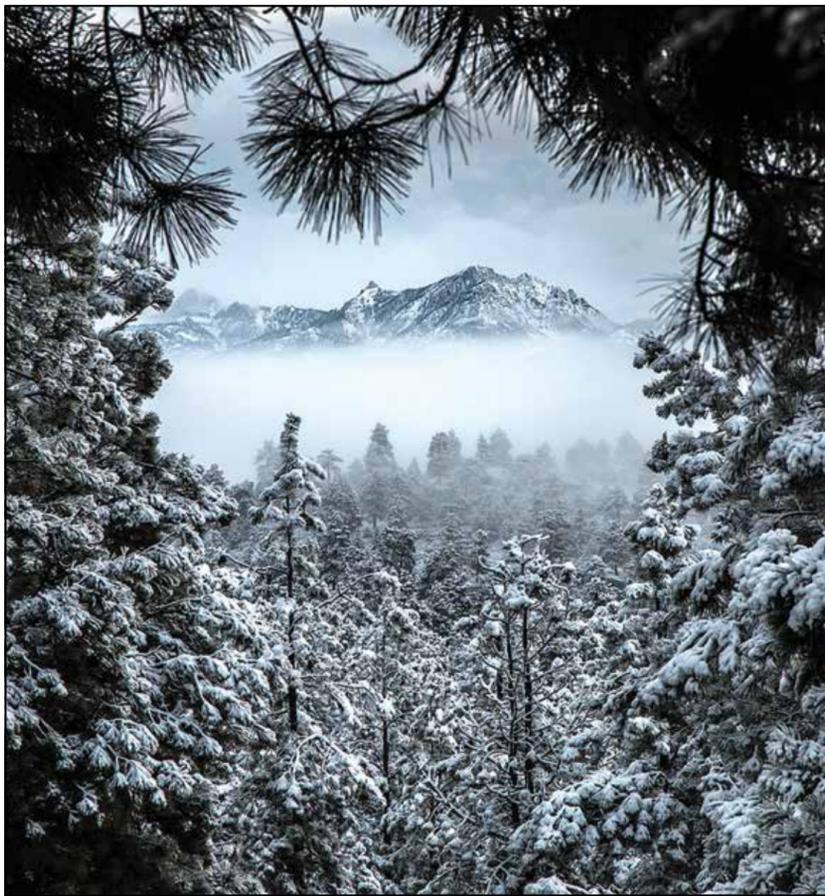
When Garcia emailed all of the board members and discussed his thoughts, the HPB held an illegal meeting.

In an email to all board members dated Feb. 21, board member Andre Redstone provided feedback and recommendations regarding a grant from the State Historic Fund, and provided recommendations on more discussion items for the following meeting.

In an email dated March 7, HPB Chairperson Lindsey Smith emailed the rest of the board and reminded them to look over the meeting packet before the upcoming meeting, and provided some changes to a draft letter to Fred Harman Art Museum Board Members.

Board member Chrissy Karas responded to the email by emailing the entire board with a correction to the letter and to explain she was in agreement with the rest of

■ See Emails A8



Mother Nature started pulling April Fool's jokes this past week, with up to 8 inches of snow reported in some locations of the county. More precipitation is in the forecast for the upcoming weekend.

Photo courtesy Beth Tollefsen

Primary care clinic receives 'terrific' audit results

Improvements outlined

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

Things are looking up for the Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) Primary Care Clinic, with positive evaluation results and a new outpatient wing soon opening its doors.

The results of the 2016 Rural Health Clinic Annual Evaluation for PSMC's primary care clinic were recently released and were presented on March 28 by the clinic's director, Sikendar Fidai.

The results included a report following a month-long comprehensive audit on the facility that included a "surprise" two-day site visit on Jan. 4.

"This is the report we got. It basically said that there was absolutely no finding," Fidai said, reading, "No deficiencies were cited."

Fidai further pointed out the meaning of having no deficiencies. "I've never worked in even a

■ See Clinic A8

Pagosa Peak Open School hires director ... sort of

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The board of the Pagosa Peak Open School (PPOS) is in the thick of work to open the school's doors for the first time this fall, including voting to hire James Lewicki as the school's director late last week.

The unanimous vote to hire Lewicki, who has been working with the board as a consultant, came during a special meeting on March 31.

The board also voted to allow board president Ursula Hudson and treasurer Chenni Hammon to negotiate Lewicki's contract.

However, the board had not previously followed steps outlined in a portion of the Colorado Revised Statutes commonly known as the Open Meetings Laws (OML) that dictates how public bodies must go about hiring their top employees.

According to the statute, for CEO searches, a list of finalists must be made public at least 14 days prior to an

appointment, with no prior offer of employment made. The school director is PPOS's top employee and reports to the PPOS board.

The law states, "if only three or fewer applicants or candidates for the chief executive officer position possess the minimum qualifications for the position, said applicants or candidates shall be considered finalists."

According to Jeff Roberts, executive director of the Colorado Freedom of Information Coalition, "The Open Meetings Law is clear that a local public body, in this case a charter school, must reveal the list of finalists for its chief executive position no less than 14 days prior to the date on which one of the finalists is appointed. This applies even if there is only one finalist."

In response to a SUN question concerning the board's adherence to the OML, board member Bill Hudson noted the timeline facing the school in the board's decision to vote to hire Lewicki on March 31.

■ See Director A8



This bluebird enjoys the warmth of the sun during a break in this week's storms.

Photo courtesy George Hunyadi

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Opinion

EDITORIAL

Hang up the phone

Do you ever send or read a text message while you are driving? Do you eat while driving? Talk on your phone? Put the last touches on your makeup? Find yourself daydreaming? Attend to your pet? There are many things that can be attributed to distracted driving, and according to AAA, one out of every four automobile accidents in the United States is caused by someone texting while driving.

We can't even drive the short distance from the newspaper office to the post office without seeing someone texting or manipulating their handheld device.

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) reports that "according to a recent survey of Colorado drivers, cell phone use behind the wheel is an ongoing threat in our state, with 22 percent admitting to reading a message while driving. Beyond messaging, 64 percent had selected entertainment on a mobile device and 33 percent had talked on a hand-held phone."

"In 2015, there were 68 fatalities in distracted driving crashes. Of the estimated 57,298 distracted driving crashes in Colorado between 2012 and 2015, drivers 21- to 30-years-old were involved in 30 percent of the crashes. Furthermore, drivers 31- to 40-years-old were the second largest group of distracted drivers, accounting for 18 percent of distracted driving crashes. The most common distraction in these crashes were cell phones followed closely by other passengers in the vehicle."

Other interesting statistics provided by AAA include:

- Texting while driving is six times more likely to cause an accident than driving drunk.
- Answering a text takes away your attention for about five seconds. Traveling at 55 mph, that's enough time to travel the length of a football field.
- Texting while driving causes a 400 percent increase in time spent with your eyes off the road.
- Of all cellphone related tasks, texting is by far the most dangerous activity.
- 94 percent of drivers support a ban on texting while driving.
- 74 percent of drivers support a ban on hand-held cellphone use.

Did you know that 11 teenagers die each and every day as a result of texting while driving?

According to AAA's poll:

- 94 percent of teen drivers acknowledge the dangers of texting and driving, but 35 percent admitted to doing it anyway.
- 21 percent of teen drivers involved in fatal accidents were distracted by their cellphones.
- Teen drivers are four times more likely than adults to get into car crashes or near-crashes when talking or texting on a cellphone.

For the year 2015, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports:

- 3,477 people were killed in distraction-related crashes.
- 391,000 people were injured in crashes involving distracted drivers.
- During daylight hours, approximately 660,000 drivers are using cellphones while driving.

A 2012 national survey on distracted driving attitudes and behaviors reported that a majority of respondents supported laws that ban talking on cell phones, texting or emailing while driving. Sending a text message or making a phone call isn't worth killing another human being. Please put the phone down — don't drive distracted.

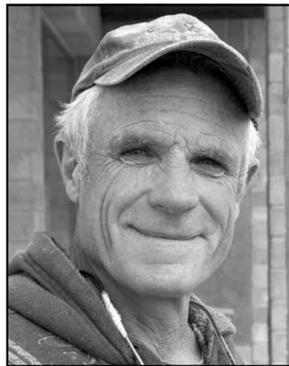
Terri Lynn Oldham House

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Has legalizing recreational marijuana been successful?



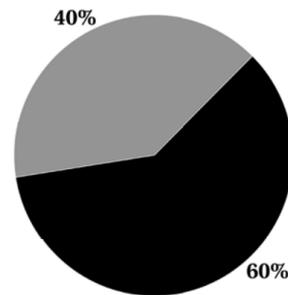
Rusty Hinger
"Maybe its been successful for those who sell it, but we have problems with the smell of marijuana in guest accommodations, so I need to eliminate its use and advertise we're not marijuana friendly."



Randy Blackley
"Of course it's been successful. It's come out of the dark ages, and generated a lot of money and jobs."



Eric Polczynski
"Yes. Everybody is happy."



Poll results (231 Votes)
Yes. — 60 percent
No. — 40 percent

This week online: What national topic are you most interested in/concerned with? Vote at www.pagosasun.com

LOOKING BACK



Dean Cox shared this photo of Pagosa Springs Masonic Lodge 32nd degree inductees, Pueblo, Colo. from 1952. Pictured are, back row, left to right: Herman (Red) Sisson, Blanco Basin rancher and husband of Ruby M. Sisson; Les Halverson, Yellow Jacket rancher; Lee Cox, Pagosa businessman, San Juan Supply; Lloyd Anderson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (trapper) and father of Franklin Anderson, retired U.S. Navy Seal and Tiffany rancher; and Mr. Rudolph, teacher. Front row, left to right: Roy Brown Sr., meat cutter and locker plant operator; Pueblo instructor; unidentified; Pueblo instructor; Elmo Lowell, Pagosa water system manager; Ruben Connelly, State Farm Insurance representative; Fred Nossaman, Standard Oil service station operator, grandson of Dr. Welch Nossaman, first Pagosa area settler.

LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 1, 1927

The Pagosa Springs Motor company is today having shipped from Alamosa two new Fordson tractors, equipped with Oliver plows, one of which is consigned to Pound Bros. at Chama and the other to Whitney Newton at Pagosa Springs. Each will be used in extensive farm work by the purchasers.

C.W. Houser and crew journeyed this week to Juanita to commence work on the Sullenberger timber preparatory to complete the sawing of the same at the Sullenberger mill at once.

Jas. Morehead, head mechanic at the Pagosa Springs Motor company garage last season, will arrive here about April 15th to again take charge of the mechanical department this season.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 10, 1942

St. Edward's Catholic Church has been covered with insulbrick and trimmed in white and green. This certainly improves the appearance of the building, and adds greatly to the attractiveness of the street.

Delfin Lucero, P.E.C., arrived Thursday of last week from Camp Berkeley, Texas, for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Lucero. Delfin has been doing well for himself in the army. He is now a first class private and likes army life fine.

Fred Yamaguchi, who was transferred recently from California to Fort Sheridan, Ill., has been made a first class private. Fred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F.R. Yamaguchi.

Fred Flaugh was appointed Town Marshal at the regular meeting of the Town Board last Monday night.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 6, 1967

History was made last Thursday, March 30, when the Blanco Tunnel holed through at 8:44 p.m. It was a historic moment in tunnel drilling because of the speed with which the tunnel was drilled. It was a historical moment in reclamation history because it is one of the trans-mountain diversion projects that have been visualized for many years. The Blanco Tunnel, 8.2 miles long, was started well over a year ago by Colorado-Horner Co. but operation of the earth drilling mole started less than a year ago. In less than 12 months the machine advanced more than seven miles through the divide between the Blanco River and the Little Navajo River. The Blanco tunnel is the first of three on the San Juan-Chama diversion project to be completed.

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of April 9, 1992

The purpose of a May 4 public meeting at the County Extension building will be to disseminate information about local medical services and to discuss the need, if any, for changes in the medical service picture. Following a change this year in the manner in which local physicians handle emergency medical calls for the Upper San Juan Hospital District, questions were raised about what types of medical services were desired by the residents of Archuleta County. Since January 1 of this year, local physicians no longer provide 24-hour, seven-day-a-week emergency coverage for the Upper San Juan Hospital District. A Task Force was formed to gather information about available medical services and to formulate ideas about the potential to expand and improve services.

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Letters

Puzzle solved

Dear Editor:
The world is changing so fast, it's hard to keep up, I (sic) guessing what we really want is stability. But what are the odds of the world slowing down ... not great.
Let's suppose all the changes we face locally and globally were put on a risk chart. With impact (or damage) on the bottom leg (low to high) and probability of occurrence on the vertical leg. The bottom left of the chart would be low-low level risk, half way across the chart you'd be in the mid-level of risk and the upper right would be critical (high-high) risk. Let's put a "change" on the chart that

many deny it's (sic) existence; i.e., climate change. You'd have to rate it's (sic) damage potential high and here's where the probability would be disputed. If you live on the coast, you've already seen the threat, so a hi..hi (sic) rating. If you live in the Midwest/Rockies you'd rate it's (sic) impact as a low probability. I'm guessing that would tie into your political position; and guess what, that pretty well aligns with the red/blue state divide. So try it out, take any other hazard/threat physical, social or religious and put it on the chart ... what was the outcome and how does that tie into your political beliefs?

Let's go back to climate change, doesn't the scripture say something about Christians should be good stewards of the land (earth). If that makes Christians the first tree huggers, why are you allowing Trump to desecrate our land and water by destroying the EPA and our government's signing the global "Paris Agreement?"

You might be way ahead of me but I just heard the term, blue lies. It seems an ordinary lie is black, not saying something that hurts another is white and lying about anything to support or protect your group is blue. In fact, it's extraordinary but if your group perceives your lie attacks the "bad guys" ... you're not only telling the "truth" but have to be supported for defending the group. Finally the Trump puzzle is solved ... blue lies ... go figure.

Dave Blake

Editor's note: Blake's email sending his letter to the editor to The SUN included the following.

"Hopefully this letter passes your new editorial 'hate mail' test.

"I initially read your editorial on letter neutrality with support until I realized that you continually allow letters that disparage, slander and potentially defame other writers. G.H.W. Bush said it best for those seeking public office... 'if they can't stand the heat they should get out of the kitchen.' I am not seeking public office.

"As a local paper you have done a fine job, as a publisher of comment not so much. As I see it, the section of the paper titled "Letters

to the Editor" isn't there for birth-day wishes but rather as an outlet for your customers intelligent, reasoned observations and opinions on events and public issues not an outlet for personalized anger. You will have noticed that I fact check my comments and never respond to personal attacks.

"Archuleta is currently a conservative and religious county. As such, the SUN's readers hear, see and converse mostly with others of similar opinion. The SUN is the substantive paper for this county. Our county is growing substantially. You may wish to consider the growing diversity of your readership rather than continuing to cater the past."

Climate change

Dear Editor:

Mr. Reithmiller and Mr. Wenzel. Please take the time to review an article in the journal Environmental Research Letters titled "Consensus on consensus: a synthesis of consensus estimates on human-caused global warming" which is available in full on the internet.

This study takes a look at 13 previous studies attempting to measure the scientific consensus on anthropogenic climate change. They find that the scientific consensus on human causing global warming ranges from 90-100 percent. They also find that lower expertise in the field correlates with disagreement that climate change is human caused, that is, the more expert a scientist is in the field of climate change research, the more likely they are to agree that humans are causing it.

Tom Dorgan

Free speech

Dear Editor:

I have been traveling this past week and have had the opportunity listen to a lot of radio. I have Sirius XM — over 100 channels of bad radio. There has been a lot of discussion of free speech lately — both sides claiming that the other is opposed to that freedom in some way or another.

Our state and federal constitution guarantee the right to free speech

■ See Letters A4

Letters

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basically allowing us to say whatever we want. There are some limits on that freedom, usually referred to by the courts as "prior restraint." Prior restraint of free speech is extremely limited and applies to activities such as fomenting a riot.

There have been allegations that professional, I think they mean paid, hecklers have gone to political functions to shout down the speaker. There have been specific examples reported. I choose not to repeat any of those reports.

So, if I have free speech, I can say pretty much anything, right? In general, that is true but if you say bad things about someone and those bad things aren't true, or the person about whom you have made a statement thinks they are not true, and are harmful to that person's reputation, you may find yourself in court as a defendant against whom substantial damages are being sought.

So, what happened to "free speech?" Well, our rights come with some responsibility about their use. The best example I have heard is that your freedom to swing your arms around ends where my nose starts. Something to think about before exercising any of your freedoms.

Should you feel that you have been defamed by someone else's free speech, keep this in mind. Suing a defendant for defamation gives that defendant a forum in which whatever was said can be proven to be true. It happens.

William L. Hubbard

Titanic

Dear Editor:

This month is a great time to remember those who helped others on board the sinking Titanic over 100 years ago. Every time I sing "Nearer, My God To Thee" I think of the poor souls who lost their lives in that terrible marine tragedy. Though it was a British luxury liner, it will always have an awesome place in U. S. history.

As a boy, I often wondered what would I do if I was on the deck of the Titanic that night?

All our lifetime we should have heard of the musicians who at the very end of their lives offered a hymn of solace to the masses there that night. However, for me, it was just yesterday that I first read the names of these musicians who (as the history book from 1912 says) stood knee-deep in icy water to finish playing a hymn of comfort to their fellow-shipmates.

Here is just a note, over 100 years late, to honor musicians: Kraus, Hume, Taylor, Woodward, Clark, Brailey, Breicoux and Hartley. I do not know what kind of lives they lived, but I honor them for what they were willing to do for the 1,500 souls who would soon meet their Maker.

Hooray for the musicians who stood leaning on that tilted deck to be a comfort to their fellowman in a time of great sorrow.

Yours for the souls of the Titanic,
Dan Manka

Earth Week

Dear Editor:

April is the month that the world comes together to celebrate our beautiful planet Earth. Southwest Organization for Sustainability (SOS) has for years coordinated a calendar of events hosted by various community members the entire week before Earth Day on April 22. This year is no exception, and there is a great line up of activities that you are invited to participate in to show your appreciation for our home.

The Life Long Learning Series at the Library has two slated presentations in support of Earth Day. On April 13, FORE (Friends of Renewable Energy) will talk about solar energy and answer questions in regard to their work toward community solar projects. On April 20 at the Life Long Learning Series there will be a presentation on Climate Reality Project, causes and solutions. Both Life Long Learning events start at 5:30 and all are welcome.

The week of April 16-22 is Earth Week, and there is a full calendar of events. You can join a group to pick up trash, the Geothermal Greenhouse Project will have an open house, a movie on the importance of water will be shown, among other events, and the week will culminate in an Earth Day Fair to be held on Earth Day, April 22, at the high school from 10-2.

The Earth Day Fair will host an impressive list of seven guest speakers ranging from wildlife biologists to representatives from the Forest Service. Community service representatives from some of the governmental sectors, community groups, environmental groups, and students have information and activities. There will be kids' activities, such as a chance to color a picture of the Earth, or read a book with a ranger. Two students will present their science fair projects, and science demonstrations will be conducted for your learning pleasure.

After the fair at 2:30, we will meet to March for Science through town, supporting a national event that is being held across the country to show our appreciation for the importance of science in our society.

Another event that is coming up on April 29 is March for Climate Reality. Nationwide, groups will be showing their support for initiatives that provide monitoring and solutions for climate change.

A schedule of activities will be published by SOS and posted around town, in media, on the radio, on SOS website (www.sospagosa.org) and on flyers sent home with students. In order to be a success, we need you, our friends and neighbors, to participate in one or as many Earth Week events as possible. True and lasting solutions require that we come together as a community to address concerns.

Holly Metzler

Bad science

Dear Editor:

In response to the previous let-

ter "Bad science" that disputed my citation of 97 percent of scientists agree that climate change exists.

I agree that we all need to be skeptical of statistics, and that the 97 percent statistic is somewhat arbitrary since truly sampling all scientists is not possible and subject to bias. As a matter of fact, I should be more specific in both my sources and my referencing of those sources, which actually states, "The consensus that humans are causing recent global warming is shared by 90 percent-100 percent of publishing climate scientists ... consistent with the 97 percent" (Cook et al. 2016).

To be open with these sources I would direct readers to these sources: Cook et al. 2016 "Consensus on consensus: a synthesis of consensus estimates on human-caused global warming," Anderegg 2010 "Expert Credibility in Climate Change," and Doran and Zimmerman 2009 "Examining the Scientific Consensus on Climate Change."

I would also direct readers to look at the leading scientific organizations that have publicly endorsing this position: NASA, American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Chemical Society, American Geophysical Union, American Meteorological Society, American Physical Society, U.S. National Academy of Sciences. This is not a comprehensive list, but just a few of the top scientific organizations in the United States (see <https://climate.nasa.gov/scientific-consensus/>).

I commend the previous author for having a healthy skepticism of statistics. Scientists are also natural skeptics. Maybe you should have been a scientist? However, despite the "97 percent statistic" I would recommend that people look to the overwhelming body of research and scientific organization that support the theory of Climate Change. For scientists around the world it is no longer a question of if climate change is occurring and if it is caused by humans, but how to mitigate the changes and adapt.

Michael Netzer

Lawsuit

Dear Editor:

Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God. I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death.

How many of you had ancestors who gave their life for the freedom you enjoy today? I had many who died and were involved in the independence of freedom to live without fear and feel safe in our homes. I am involved with the group of citizens who want to get our constitutional rights restored here in Archuleta County. The 11 ballot initiatives that were flat out denied to be put on the ballot so you "we the people" could vote on were: 1. Right to concealed carry, 2. Archuleta County credit union

(owned by the people), 3. Fully informed jury, 4. Injured party (in any legal action there must be an injured party, not people of), 5. County judges and magistrates shall be elected by the people, 6. Oath of office accountability, 7. Preservation of gun rights, 8. Reinstatement of the peoples grand jury, 9. Preservation of habeas corpus and civil liberties, 10. Nullification of patient protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, 11. Common law courts. But of course you didn't know this because the county attorney Mr. Starr said "You do not have the right to do petitions without our permission." Excuse me but we the people have all the rights. That is what the lawsuit is all about but of course you only know what The Pagosa SUN printed. We did not have our day in court or were interviewed about our lawsuit, but what do you expect from a corrupt court and biased newspaper? These 11 Initiatives had the right amount of signatures and was accepted by our county clerk, yet Starr blocked them from being put on the November ballot to be voted on by the people. No statutes (sic), codes or ordinances can override our Constitution. But here we are.

If you do not know your rights, then how will you know when your rights are being violated? Do you not give a damn? If not for yourselves then for your children, grandchildren? Did all our ancestors die in vain? Really? Is your world just golf? parties? social groups? (sic) Your ancestors are rolling in their graves because of your non action (sic). If you do not get involved in what's happening here, you deserve everything that comes your way. I will not let my family that died for my rights look down and be ashamed of me, and that they died for nothing. I don't want my kids and grandkids to remember me as a coward. Come on people get off your butts and help us fight for your rights. Don't you want a better world for your family? I would rather be remembered as a patriot than a coward. Give me liberty or give me death.

Sharon Parker

Editor's note: Two representatives of the plaintiffs were contacted for comment pertaining to the lawsuit for The SUN's most recent article. One never responded, the other responded after the deadline and said he knew nothing about the status of the case as he had not received any notification from the court. The SUN covered the lawsuit in several stories and published several sections of the complaint, which presumably states the plaintiff's side of the lawsuit.

Balancing debt

Dear Editor:

You are not going to solve our economic problems with tax cuts to the economic structures that caused our economic problems (high debt), etc. We are not going to solve our problems by balancing

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No LPEA election for District 1, Archuleta County

By Indiana Reed
Special to The SUN

Ballots for the election of three directors on the La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) board are set to be mailed on or around April 13. LPEA directors represent their geographic districts and help determine current and future policy at the electric cooperative. Election results will be announced during the LPEA annual meeting, May 13.

In accordance with LPEA's by-laws, annually one seat in each of LPEA's four districts comes up for election. This year in District 1 (Archuleta County), incumbent candidate Bob Lynch is the only nominee, thus the election in that district will be canceled and Lynch will retain his seat. The approximately 8,620 LPEA

members in District 2, south and west La Plata County, will select between incumbent Davin Montoya and new candidate Kim Martin. In District 3 (city of Durango), two new candidates will vie for the seat vacated by retiring incumbent Jeff Berman: R. Michael Bell and Rachel Landis. District 3 includes approximately 8,045 eligible voters. District 4 members have an option to vote for one of two: incumbent Joe Wheeling or new candidate Guinn Unger. More than 7,886 eligible voters are in District 4, which covers north and east La Plata County, including part of Bayfield.

If not voting prior to the meeting, members can bring their ballots to the annual meeting at Sky Ute Casino and Resort in Ignacio on May 13. Registration for the annual meeting begins at 9 a.m., with the business meeting to commence at 10:30 a.m. Any member voting at the annual meeting must do so prior to 10:30 a.m.

Elementary school to hold kindergarten open house

By Sanya Peterson
Special to The SUN

Pagosa Springs Elementary School kindergarten's open house will be held April 21 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. New kindergarten students will be given registration information for the 2017-2018 school year. Students and families will have the opportunity to meet staff members and tour the kindergarten hall. We look forward to seeing you.




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Letters

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the debt.

Don Reid

J. Paul Brown

Dear Editor:
So what do J. Paul Brown and the snowpack have in common?
Let's begin with the premise that water is the most important issue facing the west and certainly Colorado. We are in a remarkable year where the great California drought has been broken virtually overnight and in Colorado the snowpack is higher than average for the date and in many places, including the San Juan Basin, is substantially greater than the average peak.
This is a huge amount of water but the problem lies with the other side of the mountains, the Eastern Slope. It was easier to capture West Slope water than it was to try some other method like impoundment. They have taken millions of acre feet away from Western Colorado

and the over-committed Colorado River. They continue to seek water from this side of the mountains.
So what has that to do with J. Paul Brown?
I think that J. Paul knew more about water than anyone else in the legislature. He wrote and succeeded in getting legislation passed to study the building of dams and the impoundment of water to meet the needs of the metropolitan areas on the Eastern Slope. I know, dams have bad names, but these dams are not like Hoover or Glenn Canyon or dams on the Columbia River. They are generally long and low and impound water in low areas of farm or pasture land and do not destroy scenic rivers, bury archaeological sites or interfere with fish spawning; and they will hold water for those metropolitan areas.
So what is going to happen to the huge amounts of water currently waiting to run off in the Platte River drainage? It's going to simply run down the rivers and be wasted to the Mississippi. It will

not be put to use in the cities or on the farms. Without impoundment it will simply be lost.
So what did the voters in the 59th District do? They replaced J. Paul with Barbara McLachlan who doesn't know the first thing about the most important issue facing us. Good job libs.
George Thompson
Durango

Pagosa skyrocket
Dear Editor:
Ipomopsis polyantha. Have you heard of it? Do you know what it is and where it lives? If you haven't you may not be alone. You could search the entire world over and not see it until you come back home to Pagosa Springs. What is it you say? The "Pagosa skyrocket": A rare plant in the phlox family that has been listed on the endangered species list since 8-26-2011. It is only found in Archuleta County, Colorado. If I have my story straight, part of its limited habitat was the proposed building site

for softball fields east and south of town. Thankfully, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service stepped in and implemented protection practices.
My questions: Who can I contact to learn more about this rare flower? Should the Town of Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County commissioners be doing more to promote this rare endemic species as yet another reason to visit our town? Could this be promoted more intensely like a rare bird that many Audubon Club members will go thousands of miles to see only instead of birders we'd have botanists from all over the world coming to see it bloom?
I know the town hangs the skyrocket street banners but I've never read about any promotional or informational events when the plant blooms between June and July. Please tell me who I can contact to learn more about this rare plant and maybe help organize an informational "field trip" to learn more.
MJ Valentine

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Obituaries

Cherie Ann Clodfelter

Cherie Ann Clodfelter considered it her mission to educate future teachers during her 37-year career at the University of Dallas.

This is how she described teaching in 1975: "You get paid for sharing your mind," she said. "If I were any happier, it would be immoral or illegal."



The UD professor emerita died Saturday, March 4, at Baylor Scott and White Irving after collapsing at her Irving home. She was 86.

A memorial was held Thursday at Woodhaven Presbyterian Church, where she had been an active member.

"The single word that describes her best is feisty," said Barbara Khirallah, a former student of Clodfelter and now a UD education professor. "She was very spirited and spoke her mind. Sometimes that would get her in trouble."

Clodfelter was petite, spunky and hardworking, said Sybil Novinski, a former colleague who is now UD's archivist.

While Clodfelter could seem abrupt, "it was just that she was getting things done," Novinski said. "She cared deeply about her students. Her belief in her students and her sense of them was just remarkable."

Clodfelter was known for her sayings.

"I loved the way she said, 'We do not do teacher in-service training,'" said her brother, Ron Clodfelter, of Irving. "We educate teachers. We train seals."

Clodfelter was born in Bartlesville, Okla., where her parents were educators. She received her bachelor's degree from Oklahoma

State University, where she was a member of Kappa Delta sorority. She earned her master's from Texas Woman's University, and a doctorate in a joint program between TWU and George Washington University.

Clodfelter joined the UD faculty in 1970. She became a professor, chairwoman of the education department and served on the faculty senate.

"She taught the famous course Child and Young Adult Literature," Novinski said. "We all simply referred to it as kiddie lit."

Clodfelter wanted to leave her students thirsting to learn more.

"She would read a book to us in children's literature and we would be just enthralled, because she was an outstanding reader," Khirallah said. "Then she would stop right at that critical moment in the book and we would beg her to finish."

"And she would say, 'No, no. You can just check out the book.'"

Clodfelter brought authors to the Irving campus and arranged to make them available at book signings, visits and workshops at the city library.

"She really made a difference all the time, which is what she expected her teachers to do," Novinski said.

From 1982 to 2004, Clodfelter was a young adult and children's book critic for The Dallas Morning News.

She was active with groups including the Sunrise Rotary, the Irving/Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce and Irving ISD. She was the chamber's Woman of the Year in 1999.

Clodfelter helped develop the 18-volume Reading Basal Series published by Harper & Row. She was senior editor for the books designed to teach children reading in grade-level steps.

In 1974, the International Reading Association named her the College Teacher of the Decade.

"She was the most effective and

best teacher I ever experienced, hands down," Khirallah said.

Clodfelter retired from UD in 2007, the year she published her last book, "Books That All Children Should Hear and Read: Perpetuating the Stories."

She is survived by her brother, a retired Texas A&M University developmental psychology professor.

Ardella Mae Knutson-Roehrs Simacek

Memorial services for Ardella Mae Simacek, of Waseca, Minn., will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday,

April 8, at the Vista Lutheran Church of New Richland, Minn. Pastor Brian Gegel will officiate. Friends are invited to greet the family an hour before the service

and to stay for lunch following the service at the church, where they are invited to enjoy one of Ardella's favorite meals. Interment will be in the Woodville Cemetery, Waseca, Minn.

Ardella passed away Friday, March 31, at the Mayo Clinic Health System-Mankato Hospital. She was 80 years of age.

Ardella, oldest of seven children, was born in rural Bricelyn, Minn., on Feb. 28, 1937, the daughter of Lester and Hattie (Winter) Knutson. She attended country school and graduated Kiester High School class of 1955. On Nov. 26, 1955, she was united in marriage to Ronald Roehrs. Ardella was married to Ron for 19 years; later, she married Emil Simacek on Nov. 3, 1975.

Ardella was no stranger to having an amazing entrepreneurial spirit. While raising six children, Ardella was instrumental in the establishment of a family farm,



worked at Brown Printing Company and EF Johnson, was active in leadership in 4-H, Garden Club and Vista Lutheran Church. In 1990, she relocated to Texas and obtained her CDL license and drove cross country with her husband. She was a founder in a fiber optic company which became Fiber Systems International — a multi-million-dollar company providing communication technology used in our military's national defense. Ardella remained active in the company until her retirement in 2003. When outside of work, Ardella loved baking and cooking, and was an avid gardener.

Ardella is survived by six children: Janet (John) Tharp, of Prosper, Texas; Rhonda (Gary) Conrath of Waseca, Minn.; Michael (Valerie) Roehrs, of Argyle, Texas; Steven (Kathy) Roehrs, of Frederic, Wis.; Sandra (Garry) Walstrom, of New Richland, Minn.; Daniel (Renae) Roehrs, of Pagosa Springs; 16 grandchildren: Jeremy (Jamie) Conrath, Ted (AmyJo) Conrath, Jessica Conrath, Josh Conrath, Natalie Roehrs, Jennifer Roehrs, Sarah Roehrs, Andrew Roehrs, Kristy Roehrs, Megan Roehrs, Kristin Walstrom, Katie (Rod) Walstrom, Jonathan Walstrom, Tiffany (Darrin) DeBoer, Timothy Roehrs, Brianna (Rory) Burnett; seven great-grandchildren: Mikayla Conrath, Josiah Behncke, Jaxon Yenish, Jameson Conrath, Jasmine DeBoer, Levi DeBoer and Titus DeBoer.

Ardella is survived by four brothers: Alvin Knutson, Roger (LeAnn) Knutson, Jimmie Knutson, Lloyd (Becky) Knutson; and two sisters: Laura (Gerald) Heitland and Karen (Barry) Warren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil, in 2001; ex-husband Ronald, father to their six children in 2000; special friend and partner Tommy Thompson in 2004; father in 1964; mother in 2001; sister-in-law Janice Knutson; and nephews Jeffrey Heitland and Terry Knutson.

National Public Health Week 2017 set for April 3-9

By Claire Ninde
Special to The SUN

During the week honoring public health efforts nationwide, San Juan Basin Public Health (SJBPH) announces the launch of its Community Health Assessment (CHA).

As a result of the Colorado Public Health Act of 2008, SJBPH is required to collect health data and input from community members and stakeholders and to create a CHA for Archuleta and La Plata counties. With completion in 2012 of its first assessment, SJBPH then created a five-year

Public Health Improvement Plan (PHIP), which was approved by the Board of Health in December 2013.

The theme for this year's National Public Health Week is Healthiest Nation 2030. SJBPH will simultaneously work toward this future goal as it initiates its five-year assessment and planning process, as well as look to the past to acknowledge the significant impacts public health has had on life expectancy in our nation.

Over the last 200 years, the U.S. life expectancy has more than doubled to almost 80 years, with vast improvements in health and quality of life due to public health initiatives such as control of infectious diseases, more abundant and safer foods, cleaner water and other nonmedical social improvements. The importance of

highlighting public health's role in extending life and improving health is crucial, especially in relation to the creation of public health policy, since public health initiatives are often underfunded compared to medical health care expenditures.

SJBPH has launched its next CHA with the goal of completing the process and releasing its PHIP in 2018. The CHA will include numerous engagement opportunities for local community members to provide feedback on public health issues and policy.

SJBPH is a local public health agency, governed by a seven-member local Board of Health, serving all residents of Archuleta and La Plata counties. For close to 70 years, SJBPH has improved the health and environment of southwest Colorado.

Vietnam War 50th anniversary memorial flag to fly at Mullins-Nickerson Post 108

By Roy Vega
Special to The SUN

The Mariner/Marlin Association (WWII, Korea and Vietnam era seaplane) will fly their traveling Vietnam War 50th anniversary memorial flag at Mullins-Nickerson Post 108 for a few days starting Saturday, April 8. The flag is coming here from

Texas, having already flown in 22 states. Mullins-Nickerson Post 108 in Pagosa Springs will make Colorado the 23rd state.

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Business



Local efforts to encourage business discussed by CDC, Region 9

By Jim Garrett
Staff Writer

The nonprofit Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) is currently a volunteer, membership-based organization that seeks to foster business development in the community.

One of its roles in achieving that objective is to help with development of local Internet-related infrastructure to increase broadband service. The CDC is currently working on a plan for that goal to be presented to Archuleta County and the Town of Pagosa Springs this June.

But the CDC's efforts to encourage business go well beyond increasing broadband in the community. It undertakes as well strategically to encourage business growth through building a welcoming community, and to provide tactically useful business assistance through means such as microloans, education, training and mentoring.

The need for such strategic and tactical efforts was considered in a broad-ranging discussion among the CDC board members at the organization's work session on March 28.

Board president Jason Cox started the discussion with comments that the CDC's objectives should include efforts to do more to provide useful data on local business activity, increase the availability of capital resources, develop policy recommendations and enhance public awareness through better communications.

On the latter subject, Archuleta County Commissioner Michael Whiting, a CDC board member, added the comment that the CDC needs to clarify for the community that as presently constituted, the organization is not the same as that which existed half a decade or more ago, despite using the same name.

The former CDC became con-

troversial during the period spanning the years 2010-2012, for its large requests for funding from the county and town, its heavy spending on a professional director and office space, and its failure to achieve substantial results.

On April 4, The SUN discussed the contrast between the current organization and its predecessor with Laura Lewis Marchino, executive director of Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado.

Region 9 works closely with the CDC to help encourage business growth in Archuleta County and Marchino attends CDC meetings.

According to its website, Region 9 is a nonprofit "public-private partnership that promotes and coordinates economic development efforts throughout southwest Colorado."

The website reads that its "mission is to be a regional leader, working cooperatively with the private and public sectors to enhance the economic conditions in the area, and improve the region's economic prosperity."

Region 9 operates in Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma and San Juan counties.

Marchino said the period in which the CDC's predecessor organization retained a professional developer as its executive director "left a bitter taste."

So, instead of going down that path, she said, the present CDC "is taking a grassroots approach" under the leadership of the community members who make up the board.

She explained the board is "working on a consensus" in the community, to build comfort and confidence in its efforts.

In addition, Marchino noted that with the benefit of efforts by board member Mary Jo Coulehan, who also serves as the executive director of the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, the

CDC is making good strides to put its finances and organization on a sound footing.

Marchino expressed the view that the CDC is currently "on the right track." But she also agreed with the comments at the work session the previous week that the CDC needs better communications.

It needs "to figure out a way to make people care," she said.

As to achieving business growth, Marchino said it is necessary "to have a toolbox full of resources" to encourage, facilitate and assist new business ventures.

The "CDC could be the unifier" that encourages creation of the tools, and facilitates their accessibility in the toolbox, she said. That role is critical in a small community with limited resources for centralized program management.

After the discussion among the board members of the communications' issue at the recent CDC work session, the subject of attracting new business was raised. But the discussion focused on some difficulties that have been experienced: businesses' decisions against locating here despite active interest.

One such instance was brought up by Whiting, who mentioned an aeronautical equipment producer that had considered locating near the county airport, Stevens Field, but ultimately rejected the idea.

In a later interview with The SUN, Whiting elaborated that the producer had loved the community and the local environment, but he said, we had failed "to lock the deal down," in the absence of a coherent community "playbook" to facilitate business.

Another instance of recent loss of a potential new business was brought up at the CDC meeting by Coulehan, who recalled that Mayfly, a fishing equipment manufacturer, had been interested in opening a production facility here,

but chose Montrose, Colo., instead.

Coulehan said that the decision not to come to Pagosa Springs was because the company found "doors slammed" here, and also had been offered tax incentives in Montrose under the state's "Jump Start" program, which is not currently available in Archuleta County.

Mayfly's website reports that it opened its facility in Montrose in October 2016.

Rural Jump Start Zone program

Marchino had made a presentation on the Rural Jump Start Zone program to a joint work session of county commissioners and town council two weeks prior to the CDC meeting, on March 14. She also discussed the program with The SUN.

Jump Start is a tax relief program for new businesses which locate in selected parts of the state, including Archuleta County. But, it is not available absent endorsement of the program through passage of a resolution by the commissioners of an eligible county. No such resolution has been passed here.

The program is available only to businesses newly locating into an eligible county, that will not be in direct competition with another business already located there.

It provides broad relief to the new business for four years from state income and sales taxes, and local property taxes. It also provides income tax relief for the business' employees.

The business must pay employees at least the area median wage.

In addition, it must be supported by a local "Institute of Higher Education," locally, Fort Lewis College.

Marchino said the latter requirement will help ensure that despite being new to a community, the business will "be connected" locally. In addition, connection with an educational institution may facilitate the business in finding

■ See Business A10

Personal property declaration filing deadline nearing

By Carla Elliott
Special to The SUN

The Archuleta County assessor reminds all persons owning, possessing or controlling taxable personal property (furnishings, equipment and other movable personal property) that the deadline for filing a Personal Property Declaration Schedule is April 17.

All persons who own, possess or control taxable personal property with a total actual value greater than \$7,400 per owner, per county, are required to report the personal property to the county assessor. Failure to declare your personal property each year by the deadline

will result in the assessor valuing your property using the "best information available" and attaching a penalty to your tax bill. If you did not receive a declaration schedule, please contact the county assessor at 264-8310.

All personal property with a total actual value in excess of \$7,400 (per owner, per county) is taxable unless specifically exempt by law.

Taxable personal property includes:

- All residential household furnishings used to produce income.
- Equipment, furniture and machinery used by commercial, industrial and natural resource operations.

• Property used in an agribusiness that does not qualify as agricultural pursuant to §39-1-102(1.6) (a), C.R.S.

• Expensed assets with a life greater than one year.

• Fully depreciated assets still in use.

• Personal property in storage that is subject to IRS depreciation.

• Leasehold improvements.

Equipment that is licensed as a motor vehicle (SMM plate or Z-Tab) is not reported on the Personal Property Declaration Schedule.

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Emails

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the letter.
Again, this constitutes an illegal meeting.
Garcia followed up that email, replying to all, to say that he would be at the meeting.
Karas and board member Peggy Bergon did the same.
On March 6, Novak emailed the HPB board to inform them that a meeting would need to take place that day, at 2:15 p.m.
By holding the meeting a few

hours after the email went out, the HPB did not notice the meeting and allow a timely noticing of the meeting.
The OML states that any meeting where a majority or quorum is expected to be in attendance requires a public notice that is "full and timely."
"In addition to any other means of full and timely notice, a local public body shall be deemed to have given full and timely notice if the notice of the meeting is posted

in a designated public place within the boundaries of the local public body no less than twenty-four hours prior to the holding of the meeting," reads state statute.
On March 9, Novak emailed the board to explain that she would not change anything on a draft that was discussed at a prior meeting.
Different board members then replied to all other board members to express approval over the draft, which in turn meant that the HPB came to a consensus on an issue,

instead of discussing it at the next meeting.
Regarding the letter to town council pertaining to the overlook, different members of the HPB emailed each other on March 16 to discuss a part of the draft that was about transparency.
In an email from Garcia to Novak and the rest of the HPB, Garcia wrote, "Great revision, takes care of the concerns regarding TC's lack of transparency, possibly being perceived in the wrong context."
Redstone also commented on the letter discussing transparency, writing, in an email to all HPB members, "I am not sure that we are making a wise choice to include the 'Transparency' component in the letter, even though I agree with the sentiment as a member of the community. My concern is that

the council will take offense to the perception of a value judgement, but also, it is not in our remit as an advisory body to Town Council, to remark on governmental procedure."
These themes of replying to all board members and coming to a consensus on issues continue to reappear within the stack of emails, along with the theme of board members communicating with each other on whether or not they'll be attending upcoming meetings.
Ironically, Town Planner James Dickhoff emailed the HPB members on March 6 and wrote, "Please find attached some information on Ethics, Liability & Best Practices for Officials. Although most is related to elected positions, HPB members should follow the same best practices outlined."

Attached to the email are two documents, with one titled "Public Officials Liability Handbook" and the other titled "Ethics Liability and Best Practices (2015)."
It is acceptable for staff to distribute information to board members.
Town Manager Greg Schulte issued a statement and explained that, even though the HPB has held many illegal meetings, he doesn't believe they were acting with nefarious intent.
"It's unfortunate that the Historic Preservation Board appears to have held unnoticed meetings via e-mail regarding the proposed letter to Council regarding the Overlook design," wrote Schulte. "I don't believe it was the intent of the HPB to not be transparent with the public."

Overlook

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to make a decision regarding the improvements.
Because two council members were absent during that meeting, Mayor Don Volger made the decision to postpone the discussion and possible action on the item until all of the council could be present.
However, at the meeting on April 4, three council members — David Schanzenbaker, John Egan and Rebecca Anderson — were absent.
In attendance was Volger as well as council members Mat deGraaf, Nicole DeMarco and Tracy Bunning.

The discussion on the issue began with Town Manager Greg Schulte giving some background information to the council about the project.
"During routine maintenance in 2016, the Parks staff noticed that the Highway 160 Overlook deck was deteriorating due to the lack of drainage at the hot springs 'cone,'" reads agenda documentation used at a prior meeting. "In order to address the deck deterioration, staff have been partnering with the Tourism Board to remedy the situation and explore alternatives for expanding the Overlook deck. Staff went out to bid for a redevelopment plan for the site and Reynolds Ash and Associates was awarded the contract (\$5,000) to conduct soil testing and initial design work."

The documentation goes on to explain that Reynolds Ash and Associates (RAA) returned to the tourism board and the parks and recreation advisory board with three different designs, which the boards then discussed.

The tourism board and parks and recreation advisory board then decided to extend the contract with RAA to fine-tune a design that added a roof fixture and was similar to the Yamaguchi Park pavilion.

"The Historic Preservation Board also provided feedback in recent weeks and wants to do additional community meetings, master planning and utilize local sourced products per their letter to Council," reads the documentation. "It must be noted that staff did start this en-

deavor before the River Master Plan and is unsure of the locally sourced materials for steel (possibly Pueblo steel) and composite decking. Staff does not have an updated cost estimate at this time to reflect locally sourced materials. In the event that the HPB wants to re-evaluate design and or materials, it will require new cost estimates, additional money for design, and delay the solicitation process and construction start time."

The documentation states that the design, in its current form, will cost an estimated \$250,000.
"The design proposal features a re-worked hot springs overflow, larger deck space at roughly 2,400 square feet, two permanent roof fixtures with ample sign frontage for both directions on Highway 160, and invokes similar design elements to those of the pedestrian bridges in the river corridor," reads the documentation.

The documentation goes on to note that the overlook design fits into the "footprint" of the overlook area and Riverwalk, and doesn't cross into private property boundaries.

The documentation also states that, because of the fast-approaching construction season, staff recommended that the council approve the design proposal in order to start soliciting bids for the project.

"The Town's 2017 approved capital improvement budget includes \$190,000 allocated towards the new Scenic River Overlook and deck," reads the agenda item. "Of the \$190,000, \$25,000 is budgeted from the Tourism Board's infrastructure line item."

The documentation states that, when the proposal was presented to the tourism board on Feb. 16, that board voted to recommend that council approve allocation of up to \$60,000 from the unrestricted fund balance of the Tourism Fund in order to complete the project in 2017.

"The 2017 approved Tourism Budget reflects a 2017 reserve balance in excess of \$269,500. Auditors have recommended the reserve balance be at least 10% of annual revenues, or for 2017, at least \$73,150,"

reads the documentation. "An allocation of \$60,000 from lodging tax reserves, would reduce the lodging tax reserves to \$209,500."

Then, the discussion was opened up for comments and questions from council, in addition to comments from the public.

Bunning asked if any seating had been considered for the overlook deck.

"We actually sized this for the most restrictive assembly purposes, so that's tables, chairs, benches, everything is included," said Brad Ash of RAA, adding, "The roof is typical for snow loads in the area."

One audience member pointed out that the design utilized a lot of rusted steel, which he took issue with.

"It looks like an unfinished rusted building that didn't quite ever get completed," said the audience member. "But more than that, one of the concerns that I'm sure this council has, is, 'Is this project going to be built by somebody from Denver who has massive equipment, or is this going to be built by a local contractor who's familiar with the materials we normally work with in our community?'"

Ash responded to this concern as well, saying his office has already been approached by three different local contractors who requested to be notified when the project went out to bid.

"I'm confident in the local contractors here being able to give a pretty competitive price, and they've already shown quite a bit of interest," said Ash.

After the item had been discussed, Volger said he'd accept a motion.

"I'll tackle this one," said deGraaf. "I move to approve the overlook design as presented in this report and direct staff to proceed with solicitation of bids consistent with the design and to approve the allocation of up to \$60,000 from the unrestricted fund balance of the Tourism Fund."

Bunning seconded the motion, which proceeded to pass unanimously.

County

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Sixth Judicial District Administrator Eric Hogue also told the commissioners that the court system did not oppose the new idea to build a jail and the sheriff's office uptown, and keep the courts downtown in the existing courthouse.

However, at the regular meeting Hogue added the clarification that the courts would not support any request by the county to repurpose an earlier state grant of \$200,000 for justice center design work to instead pay for an assessment of the feasibility of the remodeling needed for the old courthouse.

If the old facility is to continue to be used to house the courts, Hogue noted, it will be necessary to bring it up to modern standards for court and public security.

Hogue explained that the courts did not want to invest the money into an assessment of the proposed remodeling at the risk of later discovering the idea was not feasible. He noted that the county's architects have not undertaken a study of the old building with an eye to determining what remodeling would cost.

Hogue said, however, that the courts would agree to use of the \$200,000 for actual design of the remodeling project, if the commissioners do ultimately settle on the old courthouse as the location to continue housing the courts.

Director

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"Because the Archuleta School District had imposed a condition that the Pagosa Peak School District MUST have experience with Project-Based Learning, we did not consider any applications from candidates who didn't have that experience. James Lewicki was, in fact, the only candidate who met the qualifications. So, in a sense, we did not have any 'finalists.' We had only one qualified candidate to choose from, based on the School District's conditions," he wrote in an email.

"Another consideration was the timeline imposed by the School District in the charter contract," he continued. "Although we submitted our application in a timely fashion, on August 1, 2016, the School District did not approve our contract until February 17, 2017... imposing a condition that we have our School Director hired by April 1. So you might say, things were a bit rushed, on the hiring end of the School Director issue."

The PPOS board had previously asked for, and been granted, an extension to that April 1 deadline from the Archuleta School District (ASD). ASD Superintendent Linda Reed granted the extension, giving the PPOS board until May 1 to hire a director.

"I made an administrative decision to grant their request, due to the fact that they have worked diligently since the contract was signed, to find a director," Reed states in a March 17 email to The SUN. "To be sure (ASD) board members were aware, I shared my decision with them individually and none had a concern."

Following additional questioning of the timeline, PPOS vice president Kierstan Renner reported late Tuesday afternoon that the PPOS board, in an effort to be open and transparent, would follow the process outlined by the state beginning with its next board meeting, which is set for Sunday, April 9, at 4 p.m.

"... I was looking over the law to see what we possibly could have missed, and most of our consultant/experts never reminded us of this because 'Chief Executive Officers' isn't clear if a school principal is a Chief Executive Officer," Renner wrote in

Hogue responded affirmatively to a suggestion by County Attorney Todd Starr that the substance of the court system's position was that it wanted to be sure the county was committed to a specific site before the state money is spent.

Despite the lack to date of a thorough assessment of the cost of remodeling the old courthouse, the commissioners expressed hope that the possibility of building a new jail and sheriff's office at the museum site and remodeling the old courthouse would yield savings compared to the Hot Springs Boulevard, single-facility plan.

Commissioner Ron Maez commented that he understood the choice to remodel the old courthouse could potentially save significant money, and received an affirmative response from County Administrator Bentley Henderson. Maez noted that possibility is important to the community, if it proves correct.

In his remarks to the commissioners on the new proposal during the work session, in addition to his observations on its potential effects on the operations of the sheriff's office, Valdez commented that a new jail is urgently needed, and it is important to settle on a final plan.

BoCC chair Steve Wadley responded that, in his view, consideration of the new proposal should

not change the timeline for getting the justice center project underway.

In the later regular meeting, Wadley noted that the decision on whether to accept the new proposal "was on an accelerated timeline."

Wadley stressed that the commissioners wanted to receive reaction to the proposal from the public, but urged that anybody who wanted to express a view should do so "in the next couple of weeks."

Henderson told the commissioners that funds already appropriated for the justice center project could be used for the needed assessments by the county architects of the new plan, and stated the county staff will start the process of "looking into its viability" immediately.

Henderson added that there would be opportunities for public reaction to the new plan at the commissioners' work session on April 11, and their work session and regular meeting on April 18.

Starr pointed out the need to settle on a plan for moving ahead in order to timely frame a legally valid ballot question to raise the needed funds.

Commissioner Michael Whiting and Wadley noted their agreement, commenting respectively that any ballot question should identify a specific plan, and that "we need to be upfront with the voters."

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Clinic

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single provider" that had such results, he said.

Comments around the room following Fidai's announcement included: "Nice," "That's terrific," and "That never happens."

The results were presented to the Upper San Juan Health Service District's (USJHSD) Board of Directors on March 28, as well as other points in the 16-page report that resulted from the audit and an evaluation.

The board's meeting was held in the new outpatient wing of PSMC (slated to house the primary care clinic), which is set to open its doors to patients on April 10.

Annually, Fidai's report indicated, the Colorado Department of Health and the Environment requires each rural health clinic to self-evaluate and submit a report annually that looks at compliance and reviews clinical records, as well as looking at a self-analysis and plans for the health clinic to address future needs of the community.

Fidai then outlined some of the results.

First, his presentation notes, the PSMC clinic "continues to have a healthy mixture of preventative, acute and chronic encounters."

Compared to previous years, the presentation notes, PSMC's clinic is seeing an increase in chronic condition encounters, which Fidai noted was due to the aging population.

The clinic is also seeing steady growth in behavioral health encounters and an increasing need for local access to OB/GYN and cardiology services.

To address the growth in chronic conditions, Fidai said the clinic is working with Cerner (PSMC's electronic health record system provider) to include chronic care management services in Cerner's Community-

Works product, which PSMC uses.

The clinic has also changed its scheduling to support chronic care patients, including opening the clinic on a walk-in basis on Saturdays, versus being open only for acute matters.

He noted that chronic care patients bring in \$46 per month per patient to PSMC — an income source board member Jim Pruitt also noted.

And, effective March 27, the clinic moved to an "open" schedule, versus defining times for follow-up patients, etc., Fidai explained.

That, he explained, is more patient-driven.

The clinic has also hired a nurse navigator, he said, who is currently focused on quality.

Fidai noted that, if the trend of increasing chronic care patients continues, the clinic will need to add another half-time physician.

In terms of behavioral health, Fidai explained that a second behavioral health specialist was added, and they are "actively recruiting" for additional psychiatry services.

The presentation also indicates increased patient appointment time slots for the behavioral health providers, and a change from a referral-only system to a standard schedule, meaning behavioral health patients no longer require a referral from their primary care physician.

Fidai noted PSMC is "seeing an increase in office visits for them, also."

Under the topic of OB/GYN and cardiology services, Fidai's presentation noted that PSMC is adding another two family medicine physicians in the clinic, one of them starting Oct. 1, with one having OB/GYN experience and an interest in providing OB/GYN services.

While noting that providing those services would require additional

support, including nursing, "We are looking at what we can do with her expertise and knowledge."

Fidai also noted that they started a second visiting gynecology provider, but that it is still not enough.

Too, the clinic added a part-time cardiologist in addition to a bi-monthly visit from a Mercy Regional Medical Center cardiologist.

PSMC's clinic sees 43 percent of its encounters fall under commercial insurance, followed by 28 percent Medicare, 21 percent Medicaid, 7 percent self-pay (with many self-pay patients receiving discounted rates), and 1 percent is charity care.

PSMC Chief Financial Officer Dennis Wilson noted that the breakdown by insurance type is typical of what PSMC has been seeing, and Fidai noted during the discussion that the insurance makeup depends on location.

Operational improvements

Following his presentation of the annual evaluation results, Fidai outlined some of the operational improvements that are in progress in the clinic.

First, because the clinic's point-of-sale collections are very low, they have created a pre-service organization to increase collection and to reduce insurance denial and rejection, Fidai's presentation notes.

To do that, the presentation stated they have "Merged insurance verification, prior authorization, scheduling and registration teams."

Second, Fidai told the board that a review of the current call flow has been completed and areas of improvement have been identified.
He noted that by April 10, they sought to reintroduce telephone receptionists to answer hospital and
■ See Clinic A12

LEGISLATURE

A hectic, long week and loss of civility at the Capitol

It has been a hectic week at the Capitol as it has been budget week, which is also long with many debates. It is too bad that some amendments to the budget can be so contentious and some members lose their civility.

Before I address the budget, I would like to bring you up to date on a couple of issues that I have been involved with recently. For three years, I have carried legislation in regards to the appellate process for underground water and a change of use. For years, investors have bought water rights and filed for a change of use to sell to municipalities. When farmers have objected and it goes before the Ground Water Commission, it is sent to district court. As of this time, no ruling by the Ground Water Commission has been overturned. The investors then file a new case that they claim to have new evidence. Each time the farmer is then required to hire water attorneys and engineers to contest

this new challenge. This bill is on the way to the governor.

I am currently carrying around 40 bills and I know that they say not to marry a bill, but a bill that I was married to was Nuisance Exhaust. This bill also referred to as "coal rolling" was recently killed in the Senate State Affairs committee. This bill has been reintroduced and will be up for consideration in a week or two. I hope to have video testimony available from Fort Lewis College and Colorado Mesa University in order to garner support to rid us of this unhealthy and irritating situation.

Now to the budget. The budget is about \$750 million larger than last year. In order to balance the



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budget, the Joint Budget Committee took \$264 million from the Hospital Provider Fee. This action is not good for rural hospitals. Without this, it would not have been able to present a balanced budget as required by the Colorado Constitution. Sen. Jerry Sonnenberg presented a bill to move the Hospital Provider Fee to an enterprise, meaning it will not be counted as revenue against the TABOR cap. This will allow us to put more funding into transportation and education, among other programs.

The next big issue coming before the Senate is HB-1242. At first glance, HB-1242 seems to lack transparency and might be a bit over-bureaucratic. From introduction to what the final bill will hold is unknown until all the amendments are added or even deleted. The bill will bond \$3.5 billion dollars for construction. Bonds will be paid by collecting a .62 percent sales tax sunset in 20 years. The first \$375 million collected will go to

pay bonds, and of the remaining funds, 70 percent will go to cities and counties, and the remaining for multimodal. On the surface, I like the fact that local government will have a say in how and where money will be spent locally. It is important to note that if the General Assembly approves this bill, it will go to the voters for final approval. The hard part for me, is to ask the voters in Senate District 6 to trust my opinion, but for me to say that I don't trust your opinion is wrong. Therefore, unless the bill morphs into something totally egregious to rural Colorado, I will vote for it and will let you make that final decision. In the past, I have always worried that transportation dollars end up going to the metro area. HB-1242 gives all of Colorado a piece of the pie, and I believe that the bill will be improved as it goes through the process. This may end up being a proposal that rural Colorado supports and the metro area does not. Please stay tuned for further information.

Bill designed to kick-start Water Plan

When it comes to the water battle in Colorado, the divide is much stronger between urban and rural than Democrat and Republican.

We continually encourage urban areas to start conserving more and using less; we hope they make plans for water storage, then follow through on those plans. The last thing we want is for anyone to abandon those plans, stick a straw through the mountain and start siphoning our Western Slope treasure.

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how important our natural resources are and we are committed to protecting our way of life.

The state's Water Plan, a result of an ambitious two-year consensus building process among stakeholders, also moves water policy in the right direction. Conservation goals have been created for cities, while greater leeway



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has been provided for agricultural producers. This is critical because of the way that conservation goals as a blunt instrument can divert water rights and access away from our crop producers and endanger the business of making our food.

A bill I am cosponsoring with Rep. Jeni Arndt, chair of the House Agriculture Committee, earned initial approval from the House this week. It is one of several bills designed to give the Water Plan a kick-start, providing a method to reuse and conserve water. It expands a pilot program in four basins — the South Platte, the Arkansas, the Rio Grande and the

Colorado — that permits farmers to fallow their property and lease the water rights to municipalities. The farmer wins by letting the land recover from years of the same crop, maintaining his or her water rights, and being reimbursed.

The municipality wins by obtaining a temporary water right to serve its citizens. Our ranchers and farmers are key to conservation efforts. They think longterm about water, they provide habitats for birds, and they know the land better than anyone. Providing them voluntary and flexible options to take off the pressure to overuse or lose is prudent policy.

CLUB 20 2017 spring conference set for April 8

By Nicolle McCown
Special to The SUN

CLUB 20 will host the 2017 spring conference on April 8 in Grand Junction.

The spring conference is a great place for members, guests and others to meet local, state and fed-

eral elected and appointed officials and offers an opportunity to learn about various issues impacting our region, from experts.

This year, the conference will focus on how communities can drive economic development in new and exciting ways.

The agenda will feature presen-

tations on many relevant topics impacting Western Colorado including presentations by:

- Congressman Scott Tipton.
- Sen. Cory Gardner.
- Brian Lewandowski-Colorado Leeds School of Business.
- David Ulane-Colorado Division of Aeronautics.
- Luis Benitez-director of Colorado Office of Outdoor Recreation.
- Panel discussion: How are the State of Colorado and Local School Districts Working to Promote Career and Technical Education, and Why Should Businesses Invest in Education?
- Panel Discussion: Not Just Another Weed: Hemp Uses and Issues Surrounding Cultivation.

"Now, more than ever before, it is imperative to engage with our elected officials so we have a voice in shaping the landscape of the Western Slope, both literally and figuratively," said CLUB 20 Executive Director Christian Reece. "The issues we are facing as a region, a state and a nation have far-reaching implications and it is vital that Western Slope leaders be strong advocates on behalf of the needs of Western Slope communities."

In conjunction with the event, the evening of Friday, April 7, starting at 5:30 p.m., CLUB 20 will honor longtime members for their service to the organization and Western Colorado during the annual CLUB 20 Awards and Recognition Ban-

quet. The banquet is attended by Western Slope community leaders, appointed and elected officials, friends and family of the recipients and attendees of the CLUB 20 Spring Conference.

The event is open to the public. For more information and to register, call the office at (970) 242-3264. Tickets are limited for the Friday evening awards banquet, so be sure to register early.



Photo courtesy Archuleta County Republican Women

Marilyn Harris, past president of the Archuleta County Republican Women, currently holds the office of president of the Colorado Federation of Republican Women. Harris was honored on March 31 by the State GOP and inducted into the state GOP Hall of Fame for her years of volunteer service to the Republican Party. She was also elected to the National Federation of Republican Women Nominating Committee, an esteemed committee which appoints officers at the national level.

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Business

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local employment. Marchino commented that she was "concerned" that Region 9 had not been involved in the effort to attract Mayfly to Archuleta County.

Other programs

Marchino pointed out that although tax incentives under Jump Start could not have been offered to the company at the time, there are a variety of additional programs that may be used to help develop business in the area.

An example is tax credits that can be offered to promote business

and encourage new employment in an "Enterprise Zone," including parts of Archuleta County. In addition, Region 9 can provide business technical assistance. It can also supply other resources to assist businesses that produce products and services distributed beyond the Southwest Colorado region.

Marchino also noted that Region 9 has loan programs to benefit "start up" businesses "that wouldn't be eligible for commercial financing under conventional underwriting standards."

She explained that Region 9's loan programs supplement, and

do not compete with, commercial financing available from banks. A prospective borrower starting a business who seeks financing from a bank in the region but does not meet its lending standards can be referred to Region 9.

Marchino added that commercial lenders usually look for a two-year business history in order to grant a business loan.

Marchino said that Region 9 has lending criteria, too, but affirmatively seeks opportunities through its loans to encourage employment, foster unique businesses, and bring new money into communities in the region.

In the interview with Whiting, he commented that the community had lost the opportunity to have Mayfly start operations here because it was not prepared.

The fishing company had taken the attractive bait provided by the community's features, but "we didn't set the hook and get them in the boat" because we lacked a strategy.

Whiting said that the CDC was trying to get the community "more ready" to respond to businesses like Mayfly having an interest in starting local operations.

A "strategy" is essential, Whiting emphasized.

There are factors that present local hurdles to business opera-

tions, he noted, like limited means of transportation, a small potential workforce and inadequate broadband (at least at present).

So, he said, we need to emphasize the positives such as our local "awesome" lifestyle, accessible recreation and climate. And we need to identify target types of businesses, such as small manufacturers, that will not find local limiting features posing an insurmountable bar to possible operations.

Similar to Marchino's comment that a business "toolbox" is needed, Whiting added that the community needs to become more business friendly.

He mentioned elements such as providing encouragement, including information and guidance on meeting local requirements to begin a business, having references available to potential sites for operations and maintaining a package of information on available incentives.

Plus, Whiting suggested, the community should undertake reasonably calculated, strategic recruitment efforts. One possibility, he noted, would be to participate with the assistance of existing local businesses in selected industry trade shows to find companies that would potentially be interested in starting operations locally.

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By Mary Jo Coulehan
Special to The SUN

Perhaps you missed reading the Chamber article the past few weeks and are catching up. So, as a reminder, have you thought about personally as an entrepreneur or professionally with your business joining the Proud Partners Program initiated by the Archuleta School District? Visit www.mypagosaschools.com for more information.

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

Sunday, April 9

Pagosa Peak Open School work session and board meeting. 3 p.m. work session, 4 p.m. board meeting, 7 Parelli Way.

Monday, April 10

San Juan Water Conservancy District Board of Directors bi-monthly meeting. 7 p.m., 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 5.

Tuesday, April 11

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

Archuleta School District Board of Education work session and meeting. 5 p.m. work session, 6 p.m. meeting, Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

Town of Pagosa Springs Planning

Congressman Tipton to speak in Pagosa on April 11

By Julie Church
Special to The SUN

U.S. Congressman Scott Tipton will be the featured speaker for ACRW on Tuesday, April 11.

As the Third Congressional District representative in Washington, D.C., Tipton has made many trips to Pagosa Springs to keep the community updated on his work regarding water rights, forest safety and energy.

Next Tuesday, Tipton will set the record straight regarding his work on repealing and replacing Obamacare and the scope of the House Intelligence Committee investigations.

Tipton is also working on two subcommittees involving mining on federal lands and closing the loop on illicit financing of terrorism. This is an amazing opportunity to hear directly from our U.S. congressman about the most important issues facing our government today.

The meeting will be held at noon at Boss Hogg's Restaurant with lunch available for \$12. All are welcome.

Commission. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors meeting and Board of Trustees of the Pagosa Fire Protection District Firemen's Pension Fund meeting. 6:30 p.m., Station No. 1 training room, 191 North Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, April 12

Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall front conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

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

Tuesday, April 18

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

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

Town of Pagosa Springs comprehensive plan meeting public open house. 5 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center senior dining room, 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

Wednesday, April 19

Upper San Juan Library District

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

Thursday, April 20

Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District work session and board meeting. 4 p.m. work session, 5:30 p.m. board meeting. PAWSD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave.

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

Monday, April 24

Archuleta School District Board of Education Special Meeting, superintendent evaluation. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

Tuesday, April 25

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and Pagosa Springs Town Council joint work session. 8 a.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 9:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

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

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Pagosa Catholic Community Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 13, Mass • 7:00 p.m. at JP II
Good Friday, April 14
Procession from IHM Church to JP II Church • 2:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross • JP II Prayer Garden • 4:00 p.m.
Good Friday Liturgy at JP II • 5:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 15, Easter Vigil • 8:00 p.m. at JP II
Easter Sunday, April 16, One Mass Only • 9:30 a.m. • JP II

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Man steals identity to get out of traffic ticket

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

The Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) is currently in the process of getting a warrant for an individual who lied to deputies about who he was during a traffic stop.

According to ACSO Undersheriff Tonya Hamilton, the traffic stop occurred in January.

The individual was pulled over by Deputy Jason Hibbert for several traffic violations.

"The driver gave a deputy somebody else's identity," explained Hamilton, later adding that the

deputy wrote him a ticket, with fines adding up to roughly \$235, and then let the individual go.

"He said he had a valid license but he didn't have it on him," Hamilton said. "That's when he gave the deputy this other person's name and date of birth."

She explained that the name and date of birth that the individual was actually a childhood friend of the suspect.

The suspect's Texas registration was expired, and there was an opened container of vodka in plain view, Hamilton said, adding that the suspect did have a passenger.

"He did not appear to be intoxicated," Hamilton said. "(The deputy) did do roadsides on the driver. He was cut loose with a ticket and a promise to appear in court."

Hamilton went on to explain that the victim whose identity had been used, called the ACSO saying the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) he lived near told him he had outstanding fines that could result in a suspended license and warrant for his arrest.

"(The victim) had no idea what it was for, so they called us, and in talking to them, we realized this guy's identity was used," said Hamilton. "We confirmed that through his employment, that he

was at work the day the ticket was issued. (The victim) knew right away who did it, so he gave us the guy's name."

She explained that the ACSO obtained photos via the DMV, and Hibbert identified the suspect as the person he had issued the ticket to.

Hamilton went on to explain that she couldn't give the name of the suspect, as the ACSO was in the process of getting a warrant for his arrest.

"The investigation is still ongoing; we're trying to locate the individual, and we'll be getting a warrant for his arrest," Hamilton said. marshall@pagosasun.com

Pregnant horse dies after getting hit on highway

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

Summonses have been issued for two individuals who have allegedly allowed horses to roam on and near the highway continuously, resulting in one pregnant horse being hit and killed by a car.

According to the Archuleta County Undersheriff Tonya Hamilton, the horse was hit early on March 28 on U.S. 84, near Catchpole Drive.

"We received a call that a horse had been hit on the highway by a vehicle passing through,"

Hamilton said, later adding, "We do have free range laws, but there are exclusions to that rule. You cannot allow your livestock to be on public roadways or highways."

Hamilton explained that this wasn't the first time the ACSO had received calls about horses being on roadways in the area.

She said that, since 2013, the ACSO had 17 documented calls complaining about horses on or near that section of highway.

"We went ahead and issued both the owners of the horses summons to appear in court," Hamilton said. "Even after the horse was hit and

killed, Deputy (Roxanne) Lattin went back out to conduct some more follow-up investigation with the owners, and found another 12 horses on the highway."

Hamilton explained that Lattin was able to herd the horses back to the side of the road where the horses are kept.

Both owners will be charged with knowingly permitting livestock on public highway.

Because the owners of the horses have yet to appear in court, the ACSO declined to release the names of the owners at this time. marshall@pagosasun.com

The Blotter

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

Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

March 27 — Warrant arrest, East Pagosa Street.

March 27 — Violation of restraining order, violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, possession of drug paraphernalia-penalty, East Pagosa Street.

March 28 — County warrant, parole violation hold, Flintlock Place.

March 28 — Knowingly permitted livestock on public highway, U.S. 84.

March 28 — Criminal impersonation, false reporting to authorities, Monticello Court.

March 29 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, County Road 600.

March 29 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, U.S. 160.

March 29 — Domestic violence, harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, Buttercup Drive.

March 29 — Information only, Dayspring Place.

March 31 — Domestic violence, violation of restraining order, Butter-

cup Drive.

April 2 — Violation of restraining order, Waxwing Place.

April 3 — Drove vehicle without insurance, failed to display valid registration, drove vehicle when license suspended, U.S. 160.

April 3 — Drove vehicle without insurance, expired license plates, improper registration-registration rescinded or canceled, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

March 28 — Menacing, East Pagosa Street.

March 28 — Found property, South 5th Street.

March 28 — Harassment, South 8th Street.

March 29 — Shoplifting, Aspen Village Drive.

March 29 — Agency assist, Piedra Road.

March 29 — Information only, South Pagosa Boulevard.

March 29 — Information only, Hot Springs Boulevard.

March 29 — Information only, U.S. 160.

March 29 — Shoplifting, Aspen Village Drive.

April 1 — Criminal trespass, Aspen Village Drive.

April 1 — Traffic/license, Aspen Village Drive.

April 2 — DUI, Pinon Causeway.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge William Anderson

March 22 — Linda Hill, exceeded safe speed, three points, fines and costs — \$121.

March 22 — Roman Espinosa, speeding 10-19 mph over, four points, fines and costs — \$197.

March 22 — Chirag Patel, nuisances declared, 60 days unsupervised probation, fines and costs — \$11,370 (\$8,835 suspended).

March 22 — Chirag Patel, failure to obtain a demolition permit and failure to obtain a contractors work permit, fines and costs — \$200.

March 23 — Melanie Holle, failure to use turn signals, two points, fines and costs — \$112.

March 23 — Brinton Castolenia, animal at large, six months unsupervised probation, \$85 probation fee suspended, fines and costs — \$135 (\$75 suspended).

March 23 — Jonathon Kinder, animal at large, six months unsupervised probation, \$85 probation fee suspended, fines and costs — \$135 (\$75 suspended).

March 23 — Jonathon Kinder, animal at large, six months unsupervised probation, \$85 probation fee suspended, fines and costs — \$135 (\$35 suspended).

March 23 — Phillip Salas, possess an open container of alcoholic beverage, 20 hours alcohol education, fines

and costs — \$120 (\$120 suspended).

Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

March 28 — Jasmine L. McClanahan, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$193.50.

March 29 — Eric R. Spors, driving while ability impaired, one year jail suspended imposition, two years probation, 30 days electronic surveillance, 48 hours community service, fines and costs — \$2,513.50.

March 29 — Jacob O. Jonas, speeding 5-9 over limit, fines and costs — \$134.50.

March 29 — Patty J. Dedios, driving while ability impaired, one year jail suspended imposition, two years probation, 10 days electronic surveillance, 48 hours community service, fines and costs — \$1,313.50.

March 30 — Andrew K. Hayett, U-turn unsafely, fines and costs — \$172.50.

March 30 — Marylou Mowrer, dog at large (first offense no injury), fines and costs — \$76.

March 30 — Casey Lyn Widner, license plates-expired, fines and costs — \$120.50.

March 30 — George D. Candelaria, wildlife-illegal possession, hunting out of season, fines and costs — \$3,125.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

PFPD responds to two separate crashes

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) recently responded to a pair of vehicle accidents.

On Wednesday, March 29, PFPD units responded to a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Park Avenue and North Pagosa Boulevard.

The accident occurred when one vehicle went through a stop sign on Park Avenue and collided with a vehicle traveling on North Pagosa Boulevard, explained PFPD Deputy Chief Karn Macht.

The two vehicles involved in the

accident were a Jeep Grand Cherokee and a Jaguar SUV.

Macht explained that the vehicles both sustained so much damage that they both needed to be towed from the scene, though he added there were no injuries.

Radiator coolant was leaking at the scene of the accident, and PFPD units cleaned it up before assisting with traffic mitigation.

When tow trucks arrived, the PFPD cleared the scene.

On Saturday, April 1, PFPD units responded to a single-vehicle rollover at the intersection of North Pagosa Boulevard and County Road 600 (Piedra Road).

Macht explained that units were paged at 11:06 p.m., arriving to the scene at 11:15 p.m.

When units first arrived to the vehicle, it was on its top and out of the roadway, with no occupants on scene.

A rescue vehicle that had been dispatched was then called off.

Units with the PFPD spoke with Colorado State Patrol to learn that the owner of the vehicle had called for a tow truck and left the scene.

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PAGWAPA takes another step toward dissolution

By Jim Garrett
Staff Writer

Pagosa Area Geothermal Water and Power Authority (PAGWAPA) inched further toward dissolution at the meeting of its board Monday.

PAGWAPA was formed by Archuleta County and the Town of Pagosa Springs in 2014 to explore the area's geothermal energy resource and evaluate its potential for commercial exploitation.

However, in mid-2015, key funding committed by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) was terminated for inability to meet a federal budgetary timeline due to delay of the exploration for unexpected environmental concerns.

The loss of the DOE funding

could not be overcome by PAGWAPA, despite various efforts to find alternative means of continuing the project.

That resulted in the a final decision by the PAGWAPA board to terminate its exploration project last summer, without having reached any definitive findings.

At that point, PAGWAPA's board voted to dissolve the not-for-profit corporation it had formed to conduct the exploration, Pagosa Waters LLC. But an effort was also then initiated by PAGWAPA to obtain approval by the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to repurpose a grant it had committed to help fund the exploration.

Late last year, DOLA refused the repurposing request. The PAGWAPA board decided in December

2016 that no option remained for the authority other than to initiate its own dissolution.

Before that step could be taken, however, PAGWAPA needed to have a financial audit of its activities during 2015 conducted.

According to an email message on Tuesday this week from Pagosa Springs Manager Greg Schulte to The SUN, the audit was needed because during 2015 PAGWAPA had "transactional activity" of more than \$750,000.

The year 2015 was the peak period of the exploration conducted before the termination of DOE funding. After the exploration died, Schulte wrote, the authority had very little activity, so no audit was needed for 2016.

At its meeting this week, PAG-

WAPA's board received the audit report, which it approved after brief discussion.

The board then voted to direct town and county staff to take steps needed to cause the dissolution of PAGWAPA, which Schulte told The SUN is a "governmental entity."

Schulte said it was not clear exactly what steps will be needed, saying that county attorney Todd Starr and town attorney Bob Cole would be consulted.

Before adjourning its meeting Monday night, the board agreed it would hold one additional meeting, hopefully to approve any needed steps to complete the dissolution. The meeting is to be called after the needed action has been determined and prepared.

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Colorado early care and learning programs show strong quality improvement

By Claire Carroll
Special to The SUN

Child care programs across Colorado have posted significant increases in quality, as measured by Colorado Shines, the state's quality rating and improvement system for early care and learning programs.

Colorado Shines rates child care programs on a scale of 1-5 and works with them to improve the quality of care they provide.

At the start of 2016, only two child care programs in the state had achieved a rating of Level 5 — the highest possible quality rating — but by February 2017, the number jumped to 32.

In addition:

- Level 2 programs more than doubled from 501 at the beginning of 2016 to 1,070 today.

- Level 4 programs grew from 364 to 437.

Pagosa Springs Head Start The Mardel Gallegos Center and Seeds of Learning are both rated as Level 4 programs.

The early years are a critical period for a child's learning as it is a time of intense brain development. Decades of research shows that children who attend quality early learning programs are more likely to do well in school and less likely to drop out or need remedial education.

"During the first few years of life, between 700 and 1,000 new neural connections form every second — a rate unmatched at any other point in development," said Mary Anne Snyder, director of the Colorado Department of Human Services' Office of Early Childhood. "That's

why the quality of care a child receives during the early years is so vitally important to their development."

The online search tool at ColoradoShines.com connects families with quality-rated programs in their community. Colorado Shines is a free service for families, programs and early childhood professionals.

By participating in Colorado Shines, early learning programs demonstrate their commitment to quality and continual improvement. Licensed child care programs are automatically rated Level 1 and then can increase their quality rating through a process that includes training for staff:

- Level 1: The program is licensed by the state of Colorado and meets basic health and safety standards.

- Level 2: The program meets the requirements of Level 1 and is taking specific steps to improve its quality.

- Level 3-5: The program has completed an intensive process to demonstrate quality in the following areas:

- Support for children's health and safety.
- Well-trained and effective staff.
- Supportive learning environment that teaches children new skills.
- Helping families to become partners in their child's learning.
- Strong leadership and business practices.

These 10 counties increased the overall number of quality-rated programs: Alamosa, Boulder, Costilla, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Larimer, Mineral, Rio Grande, Routt and Saguache.

Clinic

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clinic calls during working hours, meaning callers will only have to listen to one automated menu.

"Yay," board member Kate Alfred commented.

It was also noted that the April 10 date was perfect timing with the opening of the new outpatient wing.

Fidai noted the movement between automated and receptionist systems was "just a growing thing."

Next, Fidai outlined an increase in point-of-care testing, with some tests being performed in the clinic versus sending patients to the hospital from the clinic for the testing.

That, Fidai noted, is "to improve patient outcome."

Ongoing initiatives

The next part of Fidai's report outlines a trio of initiatives staff is working on.

One initiative includes enhancements to Cerner and working with the company to develop tools to "help us improve patient outcome, meet quality goals, report provider productivity, clinic efficiencies and financial analysis."

He also noted working with existing tools with Cerner to reach out to patients with "delinquent" prescriptions, further explaining they are working on the "work flow."

Another initiative is working with Cerner to enable advanced care planning services within Cerner.

He noted that larger Cerner products have the service, but CommunityWorks does not.

He described it as an educational tool to make sure that advanced planning documents are created and put in Cerner.

Other initiatives outlined in Fidai's report include working with employers in the county to set up flu vaccination drives and physical exams, building relationships with other providers in the community, and investigating the possibility of providing medical assistant classes for the community.

For Medicare, Fidai said, all clinic support staff must be certified medical assistants, with the closest class being 172 miles away.

He noted the classes would help prepare staff for the test, and added that PSMC's EMTs are working as medical assistants in the clinic.

Services being evaluated

Fidai's report also noted services that are being evaluated to "improve patient compliance and patient outcome."

Those include having patients seen by a visiting specialty provider make follow-up appointments with mid-level providers, potentially offering intrauterine device (IUD) placement, potentially offering osteopathic manipulative treatment, shingles vaccinations (patients are currently sent to City Market with a

prescription, Fidai noted), and introducing patient and family support education classes.

Those classes, Fidai explained, could touch on diabetics, hypertension, be a breast cancer support group or a caregiver support group.

He suggested that there could be a pool of six to seven classes providers could then point patients toward.

He also noted the classes would potentially help PSMC's reimbursement by showing an effort to work with noncompliant patients.

New outpatient wing

The new outpatient wing, Fidai's report notes, provides opportunities to integrate primary and specialty clinics, which will improve coordination between providers and clinic staff, reduce patient anxiety and increase efficiencies.

The new two-story wing has a single entry and a centralized registration area for all services, as well as three waiting areas with additional seating in the foyer.

It will house the clinic and features 28 exam rooms for primary care, two exam rooms for subspecialty services, two procedure rooms for orthopedic and minor surgical services and two rooms for behavioral health consultations.

In the new wing, the health care providers will have dedicated exam rooms and increased space for the nurses and medical assistants.

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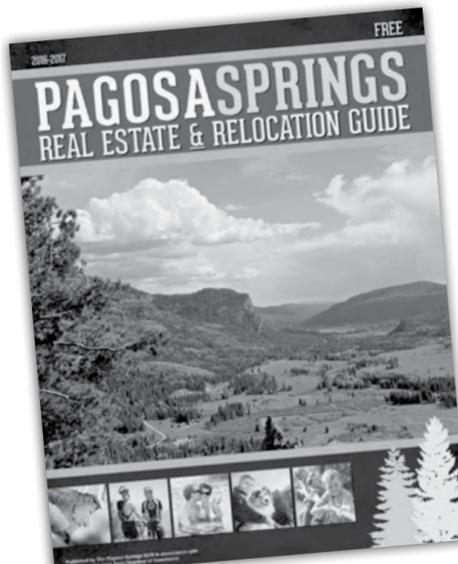
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Sports

SOCCER

Lady Pirates storm Montezuma-Cortez

By Jim Garrett
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School girls' soccer team visited the lair of league rival Montezuma-Cortez Panthers on Tuesday, April 4, and captured a solid victory, 6-1.

Coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason said that striker Hannah Marnocha led the Lady Pirates to the win with a powerful game, tallying five goals. He named Marnocha player of the game.

An additional tally was credited to Hayley Mitchell. Addie Thompson had two assists for the Lady Pirates and Marnocha, Mitchell, Alyssa Lewis and Alanah Gallegos had one each.

The coach described one of the scores by Marnocha as "one of the best ever," resulting from good

teamwork and skillful play by the striker and Lewis attacking from the wing.

Lewis, he said, carried down the side, making eye contact with Marnocha, and sent a long, accurate cross toward the goal with "perfect" timing as the striker moved into position. Marnocha met the ball on the run, in the air, and put a "world-class header" into the back of the net.

But Kurt-Mason also had warm praise for the play against the Panthers of a long list of Lady Pirates. Mitchell "dominated" in the midfield, he said.

Thompson, who for the first time teamed with Mitchell in midfield, was great, with "excellent footwork."

Kurt-Mason added that he had moved Thompson up to midfield to

get her more touches in view of her continuing, strong play this season.

Gallegos, too, played great. The coach described her play as relentless, frustrating the Panthers "all over the field."

Kurt-Mason said he had tried a new defensive alignment, with Kim Armendariz at sweeper and Melissa Medina in front of her at stopper. The alignment worked great, he added, as the defense really kept the Panthers under control.

Armendariz, he said, "was really tough. She has the attitude to shut people down."

Keeper Diana Scott also had a strong game, Kurt-Mason said.

In addition to five saves, she "controlled the goal box, and was very vocal" with calls for defenders to mark-up on attackers. It was a cold, windy day, but "you

could hear her all over the field," he added.

The coach was pleased that everybody in good health on the roster had played against the Panthers.

Overall, Kurt-Mason said the Lady Pirates had "come out hard," against Montezuma-Cortez, and maintained that level throughout the match.

There was "great communication and great shape." The Lady Pirates were strong across the board, he said.

The team's play is nearing a level, "even better than last year," the coach added, noting that last year's team had been a strong group.

The coach added the Lady Pirates, "love the game," and it is clear to see in their play. Even at practice Monday before the match at Montezuma-Cortez, although the weather was bleak, the team "had a blast."

The team is at home for two matches this weekend. The Lady Pirates will host Buena Vista High School on Friday at 4 p.m. and Salida High School on Saturday at 11 a.m.

Next Tuesday, they will also host a match against rival Bayfield High School, at 4 p.m. The Lady Pirates earlier bested the Wolverines 1-0 on the road in a tight contest to open the season.

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RECREATION NEWS

Get registered for youth baseball

By Darren Lewis
SUN Columnist

The Parks and Recreation Department is accepting registrations for youth baseball for the following divisions: Coach Pitch ages 6-8, Machine Pitch ages 9-10, and Kid Pitch 11-12.

Registrations will be accepted online or at the Ross Aragon Community Center through April 21.

The cost is \$35 per child, which includes hat and team jersey.

Practices will start in May and games will begin in June.

Tee-ball registration ages 5-6

The recreation department is currently accepting tee-ball registrations through April 24.

The cost is \$35, which includes hat and jersey.

The tee-ball season will be held every Monday and Wednesday evening during May.

Adult soccer

The recreation department is accepting registrations for adult soccer teams through April 21.

The team registration fee is \$150 and an early-bird registration ■ See Recreation A14



Photo courtesy Kelly Laner

The sixth-grade Pagosa Springs Youth Basketball Team takes first place at the Olathe Basketball Invitational held March 24-25. Pictured are, front row, left to right: Kayson Shahan, Ridge Wilson, Blake Laner and Devin Tsosie. Back row: coach Yul Wilson, Collin Bridges, Colt Lewis, Elijah Pacheco and coach Wes Lewis.

BASEBALL

Mother Nature postpones Pirate baseball

By Randi Pierce
Staff Writer

The winter-like weather got the best of the Pagosa Springs High School Pirate baseball team Tuesday, postponing the team's doubleheader in Bayfield.

Instead, the Pirates headed to Bayfield Wednesday afternoon for the doubleheader.

The weather also pushed the team inside for several practices.

But, despite the poor weather, coach Jim Fait said Tuesday, "We're

doing pretty good right now."

The team has held its recent practices in the high school gym, working on pitching, groundballs and some hitting.

During outside practices over spring break, the team focused on hitting — something Fait previously noted the team would need facing Bayfield.

The Pirates were 5-2 heading into their league opener, while the Wolverines were 3-2.

The results of Wednesday's doubleheader will be printed in

next week's SUN.

Next, the Pirates will host the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers on April 15 for another league doubleheader.

The Panthers are currently 3-5 on the season and are set to face the Wolverines after that.

Recently, the Panthers defeated fellow league opponent Monte Vista in a pair of games, but fell to Kirtland Central High School in New Mexico in a pair of games.

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TRACK

Track athletes to compete in Ignacio Saturday

By Marshall Dunham
Staff Writer

After returning from last week's spring break, Pagosa Springs High School track athletes will compete in the Abel Velasquez Invitational hosted at Ignacio High School this Saturday, April 8.

"Over spring break, every athlete was given workouts to do. They were

workouts designed to keep them on track for fitness and speed for the season and some of them were difficult," wrote coach Connie O'Donnell in an email to SUN staff. "They were given options for those who were traveling and they could easily be modified to involve pools, beaches, etc."

She went on to explain that, upon returning, she asked the athletes to be honest about who

completed the workouts and who didn't, as the workout the athletes complete on that Monday after returning is strenuous.

"We did have a large number of kids who said that they didn't do the workouts this year so, now we have to modify for them and hope that they have time to get back into shape and be competitive this season," wrote O'Donnell.

She added that the athletes do workouts and sprints on hills about once a week, which improves knee drive and mental toughness.

"Right now, Jacob Hughes is ranked 13th in the 1600 in 3A and 6th in the 3200 in 3A. The boys 4x800 is ranked 8th and we are really hoping to improve that time this weekend," wrote O'Donnell. "On the girls side, Keena Murphy is ranked 2nd in discus and 6th in shot."

The Pirates will compete in the Abel Velasquez Invitational this Saturday in Ignacio.

The meet is scheduled to start at 9 a.m.

"The meet in Ignacio has some smaller schools, but we shouldn't lack for competition in events," wrote O'Donnell. "We aren't really doing anything different because it is just a regular meet. I'm hoping that we can get some competitive relays together."

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Recreation

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through April 15 is \$100.

Adult soccer games will be held during the month of May every Tuesday and Thursday evening.

You may register your team for play at the Community Center.

Open gym Saturday

The Community Center will be open on Saturday, April 8, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for open gym.

Any event conflicts which would not allow a Saturday open gym will be posted in advance on the town's website, Facebook page and

newspaper.

Online registration

The Town of Pagosa Springs Recreation Department offers online registration for most youth programs.

To register for programs online, visit the Parks and Recreation Department page at www.townofpagosaspings.com.

You may also register at the Community Center.

For more information, call the recreation office at 264-4151, ext. 232.

Wolf Creek Challenge Series race results announced

Special to The SUN

Saturday, April 1, the kids of the Wolf Creek Ski Team woke up knowing a Super G course awaited them at Wolf Creek Ski Area.

Four inches of new snow fell for Wolf Creek Ski Area's closing weekend, April 1 and 2. The storm system lingered at the ski area Saturday morning, refreshing the slopes and dusting the second race of the Wolf Creek Challenge Series.

The second race in the two-part challenge series was a true Super G from the top of Bonanza Lift to the bottom of Powder Puff. The race was open to individuals and teams, with all proceeds going to support the Wolf Creek Ski Team.

Roughly 50 racers took on the Super G. The fastest adult of the day went to Dean Sell, coach, with a time of 1:10:52. Samaya Dunn, age 14, of the ski team, gave her coach a good run for his money with a time of 1:11:86, earning herself the fastest time for ladies under 18 and overall for the ski team.

Nolan Kay, of Pagosa Springs, age 14, had the fastest time for men under 18 with a time of 1:17:80. Corbin Horrocks, age 9, of South Fork; Kenli Bush, age 8, of Pagosa Springs; Chloe Crabtree, age 10, of Pagosa Springs; and Andrew Bowles, age 11, of Pagosa Springs, all took the gold in their age categories.

In the Girls' 7-9, Kenli Bush placed first with a time of 1:52.31.

In the Girls' 10-11, Chloe Crabtree placed first with a time of 1:40.18.

In the Girls' 12-14, Samaya Dunn

placed first with a time of 1:11.86.

Annabelle Bowles placed first with a time of 1:14.31 in the Girls' 15-17.

In the Women's 18-59, Kristi Bush placed first with a time of 1:23.06, Brittany Bedtke placed second with a time of 1:25.16 and Elizabeth Rimann placed third with a time of 1:28.20.

In the Fastest Women Under 18, Samaya Dunn placed with a time of 1:11.86.

In the Boys' 10-11, Andrew Bowles placed first with a time of 1:24.04.

In the Boys' 12-14, Nolan Kay placed first with a time of 1:17.80, Timmy Hittle placed second with a time of 1:20.93 and Trent Conner placed third with a time of 1:33.80.

Tad Hittle placed first with a time of 1:18.17 in the Boys 15-17.

In the Men's 60-69, Dean Sell placed first with a time of 1:10.52, Buzz Burke placed second with a time of 1:12.65 and Doug Carlson placed third with a time of 1:18.84.

In the Men's Snowboard, Kalei Pitcher placed first with a time of 1:21.58, Jonathon Ashley placed second with a time of 1:30.79 and Kyle Kunz placed third with a time of 1:33.80.

In the Fastest Men's Under 18, Nolan Kay had a time of 1:17.80.

In the Fastest Men's Over 18, Dean Sell had a time of 1:10.52.

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Outdoors



Free training session for storm spotters

By Mike Le Roux
Special to The SUN

Meteorologists from the National Weather Service (NWS) conduct storm spotter training sessions each year to help prepare spotters for the upcoming severe weather season.

The NWS conducts the training at the invitation of local emergency management officials who organize the training and who, in most cases, are responsible for maintaining their local storm spotter network.

The training sessions are typically about two hours long and cover fundamental information that every spotter needs to know, with a focus on safety, identification of key weather features and proper reporting procedures. Most sessions are open to anyone who is interested in learning more about being a spotter.

This year, Jim Pringle from the NWS will be visiting Archuleta County to present the training module. The training will be held on Monday, May 1, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Archuleta County Emergency Operations Center at 777 CR 600.

This is a free seminar and is open to anyone.



Photo courtesy Marcia Craig

This tom turkey spreads out his fantail and struts his stuff. Spring turkey hunting season gets underway Saturday, April 8, and runs through May 21.

American Women's Expedition to the South Pole to be topic of meeting

By Kathy Sherer
Special to The SUN

The Four Corners Back Country Horsemen will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m. at Bayfield Town Hall. Nonmembers are always welcome to attend.

Anne Dal Vera will give a presentation about the triumphs and hardships of the four members of the American Women's Expedition to the South Pole in 1993. This will be a very personal account of their attempt to become the first all-female team to cross Antarctica on skis and to reach the South Pole on foot.

Wild horse adoption set for April 8 in Deer Trail

Special to The SUN

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is holding a wild horse adoption for 20 wild horses gathered this winter from the Sand Wash Herd Management Area in northwestern Colorado.

The adoption will be held on Saturday, April 8, in Deer Trail, at the Great Escape Mustang Sanctuary, 42132 Ridge Road through a silent auction from 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Interested adopters are required to have completed adoption applications submitted and approved by BLM personnel before the silent auction starts to place bids on horses. To learn more about adopting wild horses, visit <https://www.blm.gov/programs/wild-horse-and-burro>.

Last winter, the BLM worked with the Sand Wash Advocate Team and Great Escape Mustang Sanctuary (GEMS) to gather wild horses by baiting them into corrals to curb the herd's population growth, which exceeds 600 horses. The Appropriate Management Level for the Sand Wash herd is 163-362 horses.

For more information, contact Stephen Leonard at (719) 269-8511 or via email at sleonard@blm.gov. To learn more about GEMS, visit <https://greatescapesanctuary.org/>.

EXTENSION VIEWPOINTS

What is pecking on my house and what can I do about it?

By Roberta Tolan
SUN Columnist

The snow is quickly melting, grass is beginning to green up and the birds are beginning their mating season. It must be spring.

But as mating season begins, some birds become territorial and others are calling to potential mates and their activity can be annoying and sometimes damaging to homes. The two culprits are often bluebirds and woodpeckers.

Bluebirds

During nesting season, both male and female bluebirds are extremely territorial. Typically, the male aggressively defends the edges of the territory, while the female tends to defend the area around the nest site.

When bluebirds display territorial behaviors at windows, they may be reacting to what they perceive to be a rival bird. While seldom resulting in death or injury, this behavior can increase stress levels (for both the birds and the house occupants) and is a waste of energy. The behavior generally ceases once egg laying commences.

The only effective way to deal with this problem is to eliminate the reflection. Closing the curtains does not usually work, so other options include: covering the window on the outside with cloth, newspaper or any other type of paper; hanging garden netting over the windows; rubbing the surface of the window with a bar of hand soap; placing a window screen over the window; tying several rows of string across the window (tie several thin pieces of colorful cloth or ribbon from the string); or hanging long, thin pieces of reflective Mylar over the window, allowing them to blow in the breeze.

Note: It is important to remember that bluebirds and all other native birds that use nest boxes are wild birds that are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. It is not legal to touch or handle the eggs or young of bluebirds or any other native bird without a special permit. It is illegal to possess nests, eggs or feathers of native birds without a special permit. State wildlife or natural resource

offices or provincial fish and wildlife offices should be contacted for more information about permit requirements.

The above information was provided by the North American Bluebird Society and you can read more about this important bird species on their website: www.nabluebirdsociety.org.

Woodpeckers

One of the most common calls that I receive at the Extension office during the spring months is how to keep woodpeckers from damaging homes and structures.

Woodpeckers cause property damage by drilling holes in wood and synthetic stucco siding and eaves and are an annoyance when hammering or "drumming" on houses. Drumming is most common in the spring during early morning and late afternoon and usually ends by July 1.

Woodpeckers hammer to attract mates, to establish and/or defend a territory, to excavate nesting or roosting sites, and to search for insects. Wooden shingles, cedar or redwood siding, metal or plastic gutters, television antennas, chimney caps and light posts are selected as drumming sites because these materials produce loud sounds.

Woodpeckers are 7 to 15 inches long, have short legs, sharp-clawed toes and stiff tails. Most woodpeckers feed on wood-boring insects, insects on trees and the ground, vegetable matter, berries or tree sap. The northern flicker (*colaptes auratus*), responsible for the most woodpecker damage to Colorado homes, is identified in flight by a yellow or salmon tint under the wings and tail feathers. Flickers have black spots on a tannish-white breast and belly. Males have a black or red mustache extending from the gape of the beak to below the eyes.

Woodpecker damage can be prevented or eliminated with several techniques including visual repellents, loud noises, exclusion, alternate construction materials and providing alternative nesting boxes. Take immediate action to reduce damage because woodpeckers are not easily driven from their

territories or pecking sites once they are established. Nests may be removed as long as there are no eggs or young in the nest. Once eggs or young are in a nest, they must be left alone until the young have fledged and flown away.

Repellents: Preliminary research indicates that the following visual repellents can be successful in frightening woodpeckers from homes.

Cosmetic mirrors can be effective placed on the side of the house where damage occurs. Attach one or two mirrors flat to the wood with the enlarging lens outward to frighten woodpeckers.

Hawk mobiles with a wing span of about 22 inches and a length of 11 inches can be constructed from cardboard, half-inch Styrofoam or quarter-inch plywood. Paint black or another dark color and hang one hawk mobile from the eave near the damaged area with monofilament line.

Black plastic strips (cut from 4 or 6 mil. plastic) 1 to 1 1/2 inches wide and 2 to 3 feet long. Mylar strips, pinwheels with reflective vanes or aluminum pie tins may also be placed near the damaged area to frighten woodpeckers. Allow the wind to blow the strips, pinwheels and pie tins freely. Owl effigies generally are unsuccessful for frightening woodpeckers.

Where woodpeckers are persistent, use two or more of the above frightening devices simultaneously. Few chemicals that have objectionable tastes and odors are effective and none are currently registered for this use.

Loud noises: Some woodpeckers are frightened away with persistent loud noises such as banging pots and pans together, firing toy cap guns or yelling. Others are discouraged by deadening the sound-producing area by filling the hollow space behind the wood with expanding foam insulation. This product comes in a can and enables you to spray the foam into the hollow area.

Exclusion: Repair large holes promptly by covering the holes with aluminum flashing, tin can tops or metal sheathing and paint them to match the siding. Woodpeckers may also be excluded from damage sites under the eaves by

attaching hardware cloth or plastic netting to the eaves, angling it back to the siding below the damaged area and fastening it securely.

Provide alternative nesting sites: All North American woodpeckers are primarily cavity nesters that excavate their own cavities, but some species occasionally use existing cavities or nest boxes. If tree snags are not available for them to excavate the woodpeckers are forced to find suitable alternatives. In the event your building is chosen, nest boxes are worth trying where other methods have failed. Place cavity-type nest boxes on buildings in the vicinity of northern flicker damage. Nesting woodpeckers will defend their territories and keep other woodpeckers away.

For more information on building woodpecker nesting sites as a deterrent or other methods of exclusion, download Fact Sheet No. 6.516, "Preventing Woodpecker Damage," written by W.F. Andelt, S.N. Hopper and M. Cerato. It can be found on the CSU Extension website at www.ext.colostate.edu.

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Volunteers gearing up for 9Health Fair

By Caroline Brown
Special to The SUN

With the 2017 Pagosa Springs 9Health Fair only a few weeks away, the volunteers are gearing up for another successful health fair and giving Pagosa Springs residents the opportunity to own their health.

April 29 is the date to mark on your calendars, the place is Pagosa Springs High School and the doors will be open from 7 to 11 a.m.

The 2017 Pagosa 9Health Fair is excited to partner with the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office for the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 29. If you have outdated or unused prescriptions, you can bring them to the health fair and the sheriff's office will safely dispose of them.

Three new blood tests have been added to this year's screenings, which include testosterone for men (\$35) and testosterone for women (\$45). In addition, a free vitamin B12 screening will be included with the purchase of any other

blood screening or colon cancer kit. Other screenings that are offered include the blood chemistry (\$35), PSA for men (\$30), vitamin D (\$45), blood cell count (\$20), hemoglobin a1c (\$30) and a colon cancer take-home screening kit (\$25). All 9Health Fair participants are encouraged to check with their health care provider regarding which blood screenings would be beneficial.

Fasting remains optional. However, 9Health advises all participants to check with their health care provider if they have any questions or concerns about fasting or not fasting for the blood draw. Regardless of whether or not a participant fasts, all participants should drink plenty of water prior to the blood draw.

Online preregistration is available for Pagosa 9Health Fair participants. Just go to www.9healthfair.org and follow the directions under the Find A Fair option. The Pagosa Springs 9Health Fair cannot accept credit

cards; however, online preregistration gives the participant the opportunity to use their credit card and avoid the registration process the day of the fair.

Future articles in The Pagosa Springs SUN and PREVIEW will go into detail regarding the information each of the blood screenings provide.

If you are interested in joining the 9Health Fair volunteer crew, or if you have any questions, please contact Caroline Brown at 731-4248 or pagosa9healthfair@gmail.com.

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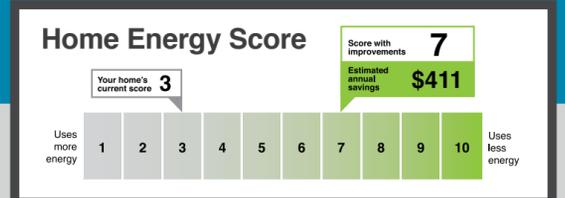
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By Fred Harman



Photo club speaker to present lesson on critiquing photos

By Gregg Heid
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Springs Photography Club will meet on Wednesday, April 12, at the Community Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St.

Join us for socializing at 6 p.m., followed by a brief business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Our speaker for the evening will be Gregg Heid. He was a teacher in

Denver for 28 years and retired to Pagosa in 2014. He will be doing a lesson on critiquing photos using the f/5.3 method. We will practice the technique on some of his photos from a recent trip to South America.

All photographers will want to attend in order to enhance their ability to critique their own photos.

Everyone is invited to bring 10-12 pictures on a flash drive, with

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Free 10-week beginning square dance course starts April 12

By Carla Roberts
Special to The PREVIEW

On Wednesday, April 12, Four Corners-based square dance caller Carla Roberts will begin a free 10-week Introduction to Square Dance.

The class time is 6 to 7 p.m., and it runs from April 12 through June 14 at the PLPOA Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave.

This is a fun, easygoing class open to families, couples and singles. The suggested age for children is at least 8 years old. Call Carla Roberts to enroll at 903-6478.

This new dance course covers the very basic level of square

dance, so new dancers can quickly master enough calls (or dance steps) to experience the exhilaration of dancing in a group setting. The class focus is for everyone to have an enjoyable dance session while learning the building blocks of square dance. It's an activity the whole family can enjoy. If you have children old enough to follow instructions (usually 8 or older), they can participate right along with the adults.

Make new friends on the dance floor and enjoy learning something new and exciting with the Wild West Squares in Pagosa Springs. For more information, call 903-6478.

'Sister Act' auditions Friday

By Dale Johnson
Special to The PREVIEW

Auditions for Curtains Up Pagosa's "Sister Act: The Musical" will be held Friday, April 7, in the high school music room from 2 to 8 p.m.

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Pagosa Springs Film Festival ‘inspires, educates and motivates’ and benefits Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership

By Sally High
Special to The PREVIEW

The Colorado Environmental Film Festival (CEFF) produces a three-day event in Golden each February. Its mission is “to inspire, educate and motivate” viewers about “a wide variety of interconnected ecological, social and economic themes.”

The Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) produces an event in Pagosa Springs each year, with the CEFF Caravan, to meet the same goals and to build awareness for GGP’s project.

Saturday, April 8, brings a full day of films to the historic downtown Liberty Theatre. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., GGP supporters will gather to see cutting-edge, first-run documentaries. Tickets cover GGP’s expenses of hosting the films in Pagosa. GGP members buy wristbands for only \$10 and then can come and go from the theater all day. Nonmembers pay \$15 for their wristbands.

On Friday evening, April 7, Borde Rio Restaurant is hosting a special premiere night to benefit the GGP’s educational programming, including the film fest. From 6 to 9 p.m., guests will enjoy a buffet and exclusive viewing of two films.

For each \$50 ticket, each guest also receives admission to a full day of films on Saturday and a GGP 2017 membership. Existing 2017 members can buy their premiere night tickets at the door for only \$25.

This year’s CEFF Best of Fest Award went to a 15-minute short documentary called, “American Psychosis.” The clever, provocative film explores Americans’ conflicting values and consumerism. “American



Photo courtesy Maryanne Galvin

“Seed and Sprout: Growing the Food Rescue Revolution” explores issues of hunger and food waste in the USA. View “Seed and Sprout” at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Liberty Theatre.

Psychosis” can be seen Saturday at 10 a.m. and again at 1:10 p.m.

“Seed and Sprout: Growing the Food Rescue Revolution” made its world premiere at the CEFF in February. Now it’s coming to Pagosa’s Liberty Theatre at 1:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon. The CEFF describes “Seed and Sprout” this way: “In 2015, one in six Americans experienced hunger while over 40 percent of food produced in the USA went uneaten. The film follows eight innovative food rescue initiatives across the USA and asks: Can ordinary people end hunger by redistributing a small percentage of wasted food flooding our food system and dumping grounds? Character driven stories bring this discussion to the dinner table via personal interviews

and captivating images that will stimulate viewers to digest and take action.”

After the film fest wraps up on Saturday evening, GGP supporters will gather again at Borde Rio to unwind and discuss films.

Tickets for Friday’s premiere night and Saturday’s full day are available at www.pagosagreen.org/filmfestival and at the doors of Borde Rio and Liberty Theatre. GGP supporters are also selling tickets at the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and Exit Realty.

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Earth Week celebration: Activities, environmental expo and March for Science

By Denise Rue-Pastin
Special to The PREVIEW

The calendar for the Earth Day week of events continues to fill up and the Southwest Organization for Sustainability (SOS) would like to encourage individuals, organizations and businesses to come forward with an activity or event that they would like to sponsor in celebration of Earth Day. This is our antidote to feeling powerless in the face of the very great need to ensure that our planet remains a healthy home for all of us now and long into the future.

April 22 is the 47th celebration of Earth Day, which began in 1970 with a demonstration of 20 million Americans and has resulted in the passing of legislation. The Environmental Protection Agency and the passage of the Clean Air, Clean Water and Endangered Species acts all came out of this effort.

In 1990, Earth Day went global, with 200 million people in 141 countries participating. Today,

more than 1 billion people from 192 countries participate. The 2017 Earth Day campaign theme is Environmental and Climate Literacy. Check www.earthday.org for more details.

In addition to a multitude of other events planned in the community by a variety of individuals and organizations, this year SOS is hosting a full day of activities on April 22 at Pagosa Springs High School, followed by a March for Science through downtown Pagosa Springs. The public is invited to visit the high school commons area from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., where businesses, nonprofits and organizations will have tables (the cost to rent is \$25) with informational displays about the resources they offer regarding environmental and climate literacy.

Also, individual students and classroom groups will have displays and scientific demonstrations. At the same time, important topics will be presented by a rotation of well-respected speakers in

the high school auditorium. Following this event, there will be a gathering in the high school parking lot at 2 p.m. for a March for Science (www.marchforscience.com) through downtown Pagosa Springs.

Thus far, additional community activities happening from April 16-22 include an electronic recycling event, free environmental film, trash walks, Garden Club expo, growing dome tours, tree plantings and a library talk on the Climate Reality Project.

Visit www.sospagosa.org for more details and information. Also, watch for posters and a full listing of events in next week's paper. Until then, please consider joining the celebration. Contact the Earth Week activities coordinator, Doug Vanderlouw, at (507) 317-4195 or dvanderlouw@gmail.com.

Fire protection in Pagosa subject of next Homemakers' luncheon

By Tozi Rubin
Special to The PREVIEW

Pagosa Fire Protection District Chief Randy Larson and Deputy Chief Karn Macht will be discussing the future of the district at the Mountain View Homemakers' April meeting.

We invite all area women to join us at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 13, at the Methodist Church on Lewis Street. We socialize before we enjoy a potluck lunch provided by members. Then these firefighters will give their presentation.

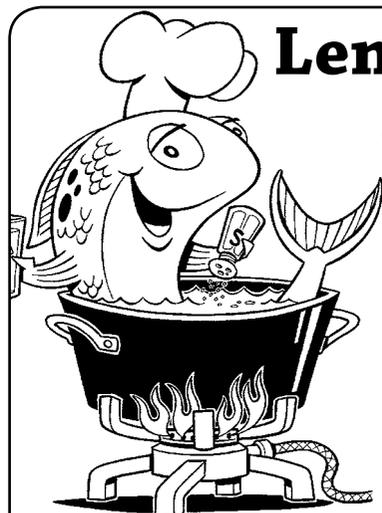
Note: Our meeting is taking place at the same time as Loaves and Fishes across the street, so parking will be at a premium. Everyone is encouraged to carpool.

Mountain View Homemakers is

a 50-year-old monthly gathering of area women who are interested in making their lives, the lives of their families and the community more enjoyable. This is a wonderful opportunity to make new friends in the community. The meetings include lunch and a speaker or activity.

We meet on the second Thursday of every month. There are no dues or membership requirements and every interested woman is welcome. Homemaking skills are not required and first-time visitors are not expected to bring food. Call Tozi at 731-3360 with questions.

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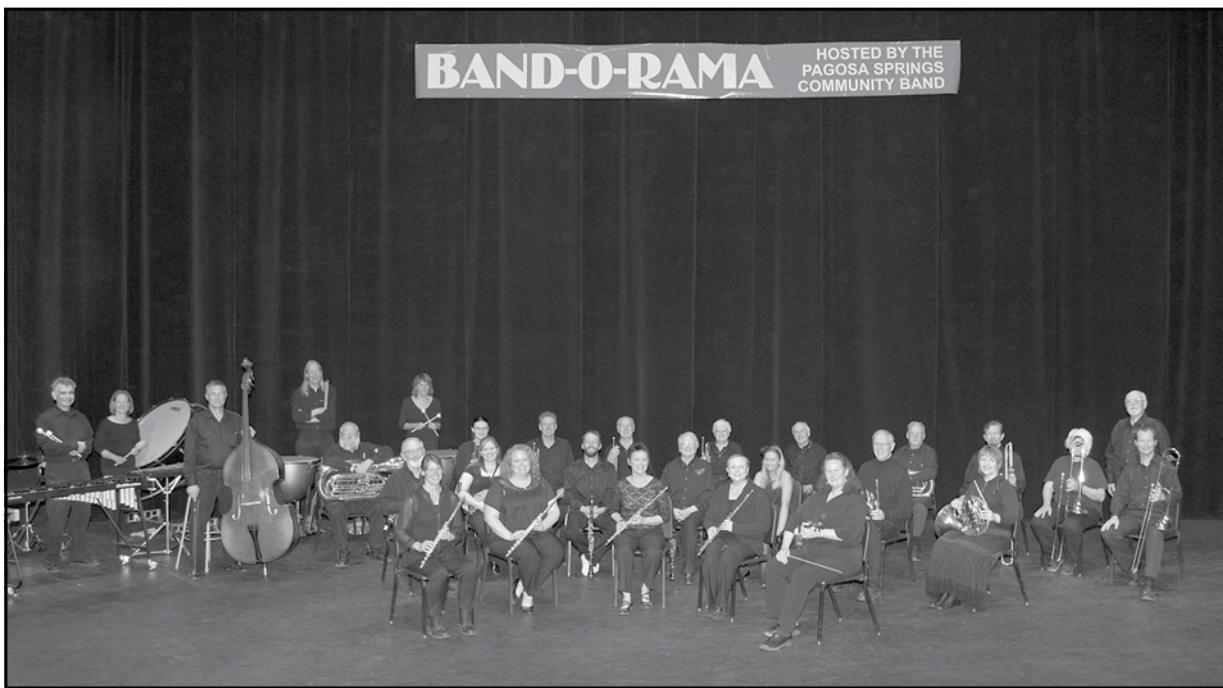


Photo courtesy Al Olson

The sixth annual Band-O-Rama concert is quickly approaching. Join the Pagosa Springs Community Band, along with our middle school and high school bands, for a fun evening of concert and jazz band music at 7 p.m. on April 22 on the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium. Admission is free.

Sixth annual Band-O-Rama coming soon

By Heidi Tanner

Special to The PREVIEW

The sixth annual Band-O-Rama is just around the corner. This year's concert will be held on April 22 at 7 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School auditorium.

The Band-O-Rama concert is hosted by the Pagosa Springs Community Band and features our middle school and high school bands along with our own band.

The Band-O-Rama concert was the brainchild of alto sax player Bill Gottschalk, a founding member of the Pagosa Springs Community Band and a retired music educator from Texas. One of the missions of the Community Band is to promote music education in our schools and the Band-O-Rama concert is our primary vehicle to fulfill this goal.

The evening is filled with a variety of concert band and jazz band music as each band performs a short set of its own pieces. The grand finale of the evening is the combined band number where all the bands are on stage together

playing a patriotic number to conclude the concert. At this point, the high school auditorium's stage is filled to the brim with musicians and the auditorium itself is booming with the sound of more than 100 concert band instruments.

The Community Band is a non-profit organization that has been holding concerts free of charge in Pagosa Springs for six years. The band is open to adult and student players alike and is an all-volunteer organization. The band presents four concerts annually.

In addition to the spring Band-O-Rama concert, the Community Band presents a fall concert that features just our band and gives us a chance to focus on some more extended pieces.

On the Fourth of July, we present our patriotic outdoor concert hosted by The Springs Resort and Spa on their back lawn.

Lastly, we present our Heralds of Christmas concert, which features our small brass ensemble The Pagosa Brass and other chamber groups from within our band's membership. We are proud to have

student band members for this concert and our adult members range in age from 18 to 70-something and include many recent high school graduates who were part of the music program in the schools prior to their graduation.

Many of our members played their instruments in their youth and have been prompted to pull their instruments out of the closet and begin playing again.

We are pleased to have as our conductors for this concert our three music educators: Dan Burch, music director at Pagosa Springs High School; Malinda Burnett,

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Easter Week Services

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Rotary's Kentucky Derby Party is an afternoon of live music, buffet luncheon and desserts, cash bar with mint juleps, silent auction, hat contest and, of course, all the splendor of the Kentucky Derby. Buy your tickets from any Rotarian or stop by Exit Realty.

Tickets for Rotary's Kentucky Derby Party on sale now

By Lisa Scott
Special to The PREVIEW

The setting at Keyah Grande Lodge is elegant, as are the partygoers. Last year's Kentucky Derby Party in Pagosa Springs brought out the most gorgeous and creative

outfits complemented with eye-catching hats on both the ladies and the gentlemen. It is the finest fare for one of the most prestigious horse races in the world.

This year's Derby party will have more of the same: A festive afternoon with live music, a buffet

luncheon and desserts, betting on the big race just like you were in Kentucky at the Derby and joining the 100,000-plus at the Louisville race track via a big-screen TV for the pre-race festivities, review of thoroughbreds, singing "My Old

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Band

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music director at Pagosa Springs Middle School; and Lisa Hartley, music director at Pagosa Springs Elementary School.

We thought it very appropriate to feature each of our music educators conducting The Pagosa Springs Community Band at this concert, which is focused on our student musicians and music education. Each of these individuals plays regularly with the Community Band and we are very appreciative of them giving of their time to conduct our group in addition to their busy teaching schedules.

The Community Band and all of

our student bands look forward to playing for you at Band-O-Rama on April 22. This is a free concert, though donations will be accepted with gratitude and a receipt can be provided to you for tax purposes.

Proceeds collected from this concert are shared equally between the Community Band, the middle school music department and the high school music department. Your donations will help to build a stronger music education program in our Pagosa schools. Thank you in advance for your assistance and we look forward to seeing you at 7 p.m. on April 22 in the high school auditorium.

Pagosa Catholic Community Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 13, Mass • 7:00 p.m. at JP II

Good Friday, April 14

Procession from IHM Church to JP II Church • 2:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross • JP II Prayer Garden • 4:00 p.m.

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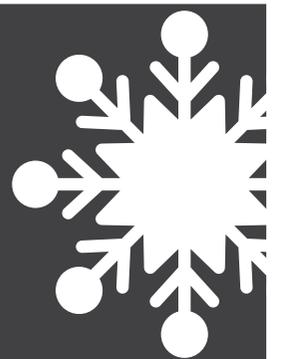
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United Way happenings, several ways to support

By **Bill Hudgins**
Special to The PREVIEW

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tance (now Rise Above Violence). With 22 dining establishments participating in this program, there are menus to suit virtually any taste.

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The 18th United Way annual Golf Tournament will tee off on June 3 at the Pagosa Springs Golf Club.

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The \$80 per player entrance fee covers cart, range balls, automatic entry to all contests and lunch. There will also be prizes for longest drive and closest to the hole.

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Derby

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Kentucky Home" and, the cherished moment — "They're off!" — as we watch the horses race around the Churchill Downs track.

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The party starts at 2 p.m. and

ends at 6 p.m. on Derby Day, May 6. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tickets are \$40 per person and include the buffet. There is a cash bar for those wanting a traditional Kentucky mint julep or their very own favorite refreshment. Tickets are available from any Rotarian or at Exit Realty, located on Put Hill.

The Kentucky Derby Party is a fundraiser of the Pagosa Springs Rotary Club. Proceeds from the party contribute significantly to the \$20,000 in scholarships awarded each year by the Rotary Club to

deserving high school graduates from Archuleta County. Other Rotary projects benefit as well: Feed The Children and the Dictionary Project for Pagosa Springs Elementary School third-graders are just two of Rotary's many projects which are funded, in part, by the Derby party.

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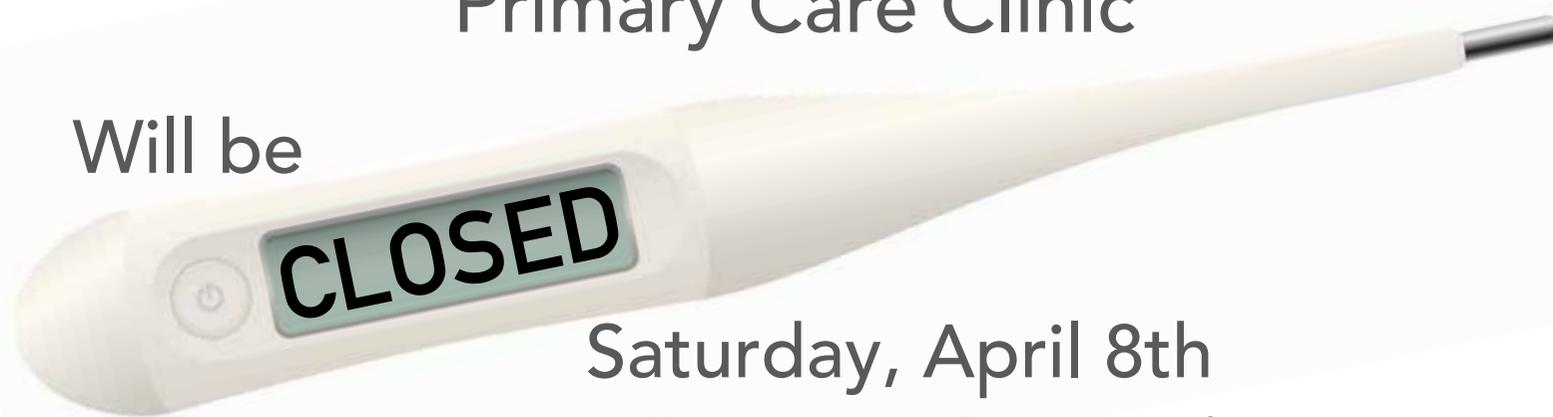
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Annual Homegrown Food Retreat celebrating ninth year

By Leslie Wustrack
Special to The PREVIEW

Growing Partners of Southwest Colorado announces its ninth annual Homegrown Food Retreat that will be held on Saturday, April 8. The public is invited to attend the event from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the ELHI Community Center in downtown Ignacio. A regional event, the retreat is held in a different location every year.

This year's Homegrown Food Retreat features keynote speaker Chef M. Karlos Baca, founder of Taste of Native Cuisine. The former executive chef at Dunton Hot Springs, Baca is classically trained in both French and Japanese cuisine. Baca's talk is entitled "Full Circle: An Indigenous Food Tale."

Baca founded the Taste of Native Cuisine organization in 2011 as a means of bringing together indigenous chefs to provide wild harvested and hunted foods for tribes in the Four Corners region. The group strives to reintroduce

and revitalize native practices through education, foraging and menu tastings.

Baca's work was featured on "Zagat Foodways: 10 Meals that Define America." A speaker at the March 2017 Food Sovereignty Symposium and Festival in Madison, Wis., Baca recently partnered with The Sioux Chef team, in hosting Yúaarükapi "Foods of our Natural World," a special five-course Indigenous Pop-up Dinner in Minneapolis, Minn.

Other speakers and topics include:

- Brandon Francis, New Mexico State University Ag Science Center — "Healing the Animas River."
- Olga Gonzalez, director of equity and inclusion, LiveWell Colorado — "Mobilizing the Power of Your Community."
- Beth LaShell, instructor, Fort Lewis College Agriculture and Biology Department — "The Colorado Cottage Foods Act Explained."
- A Community Garden Panel representing various food models

in Bayfield, Durango, Farmington and Pagosa Springs.

The Four Corners Office for Resource Efficiency (4CORE) will present a Do-It-Yourself Rain Barrel Construction Workshop which requires separate registration and fee (forecore.org/water-conservation).

The cost for the day's events, which includes lunch, is a suggested donation of \$20.

To register for the Homegrown Food Retreat, visit www.growingpartners.org or email director@growingpartners.org.

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Third annual Christian Education Fair set

By Stephen Porter
Special to The PREVIEW

Have school-age children? Interested in exploring additional education options here in Pagosa Springs or just interested in learning more about Christian education? Or, maybe you want to learn more techniques to maximize your child's learning?

The third annual Christian Education Fair will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8. The event will be held at Pagosa Bible Church and is open to the entire community.

This will be a great opportunity to hear about the variety of education styles and methods available here in Pagosa Springs, and all taught from a Biblical perspective. Sponsoring organizations include a traditional five-day-a-week school program to a University Model School, classical home schooling and home-school cooperatives. In addition, we are thrilled to add teacher and parent workshops this year.

Start off your weekend expanding your own knowledge with Pamela Gates and Breanna (Gates) Stewart of CONNECT Education. They will present information for all learners as well as solutions of particular

interest to parents of struggling learners.

Friday, April 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: (free — suitable for all learners of any age).

- Engaging Your Child's Innate Visual Memory.

Saturday, April 8, 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m.: (\$30 covers all three workshops; spouses free).

- Getting to the Root of Learning Issues.

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For more information or to register for the workshop, please visit their website at <https://www.connectededucationco.com> or call (303) 680-5551. When registering, please specify whether you are attending Friday night only or the entire workshop.

Whether you are able to attend the workshop or not, the public is invited at no cost to the Saturday afternoon open exhibits and presentations from 12:30 to 3 p.m. At this time, information booths will be open and there will be opportunities to hear presentations from local Christian schools and co-ops.

This event is sponsored by Pagosa Valor Academy, Our Savior Lutheran

School, Classical Conversations of Pagosa and Pagosa Homeschool Connection.

Please come visit and learn with us at the third annual Christian Education Fair. Attend workshops, listen to the presentations, ask questions, or drop in and pick up some information from each group.

The Event will be held at Pagosa Bible Church, located at 209 Harman Drive. For more information regarding the event, please contact Stephen Porter at 444-2419.

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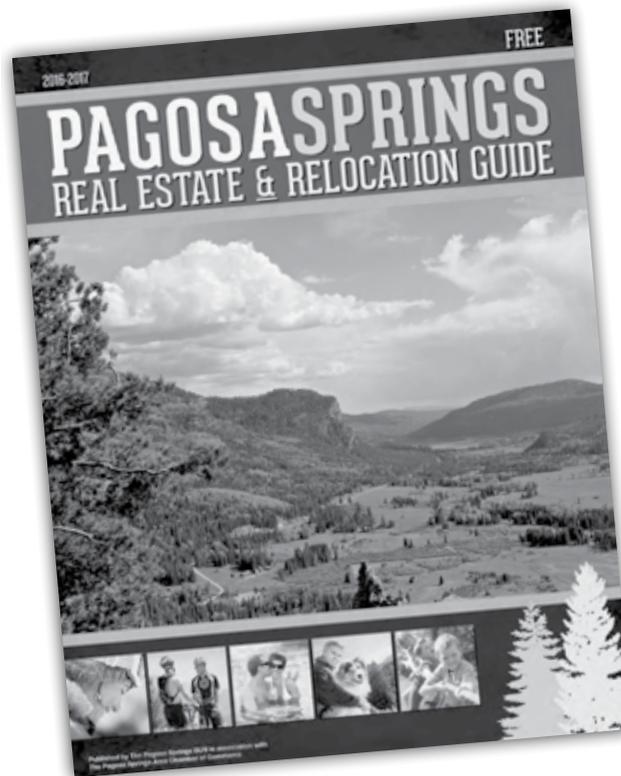
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Violin and cello duo to bring contemplative music to Sunday Night Unplugged

By Sally Neel
Special to The PREVIEW

This Sunday, April 8, at 5 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will offer its monthly Sunday Night Unplugged, an hour of music and meditation. This month, violinist Heidi Tanner and cellist Jean Broderick will combine their talents to provide a musical reprieve from the daily stresses of life.

Both classically trained artists, they frequently offer their talents to our community, whether through participation in the Pagosa Springs Community Band or as members of the pit orchestra for the high school or Curtains Up Pagosa musical theater per-

formances. Both play with the local Divertimento Quartet and, additionally, Tanner is a member of The NightSong Trio.

"Since this Sunday we embark upon the most sacred days of the year, Holy Week, a time in which we walk with Christ to Jerusalem (Palm Sunday), meet with him in the upper room where he washed his disciples' feet and shared the Last Supper (Maundy Thursday), was crucified (Good Friday), and resurrected from the tomb (Easter), this particular Unplugged service will help set our minds towards these holy events," said Fr. Doug Neel, rector of St. Patrick's.

He continued, "I look forward

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UU topic: ‘The Art of Nonviolence’

By **Cecelia Norman**
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship invites you to attend a program titled “The Art of Nonviolence,” with Cecelia Norman, this Sunday, April 9, for its regular service.

How do we cultivate mindfulness and still take action against injustice? Where do we truly start to create peace in the world in a personal or professional environment of divisiveness? Can we really be the change we wish to see in the world while also speaking up and speaking out without making others wrong or bad? Through story, song and experiential meditation, Norman will offer tangible practices in her presentation.

As a psychiatric and hospice nurse for 33 years in Texas and yoga studio owner and teacher for more

than 15 years, Norman has multi-layered experience with the inner and outer struggles of human suffering, always seeking the natural “vinyasa,” or flow of life: balance, harmony and childlike delight.

She’s explored a variety of spiritual teachings alone and with some of the “greats,” such as Pema Chodron, but her two grown children, grandson, yoga students and her dog, Sophie, have always been her greatest teachers.

Norman has offered private and group sessions in a variety of styles of yoga, meditation, energetic healing and holistic wellness, sacred yoga dance, prenatal yoga, women’s workshops and retreats, chakra healing, Reiki, healing touch, sound yoga and Thai yoga massage. Her favorite spiritual practice is being out in nature: hiking, snowshoeing, kayaking, road-tripping, creating soul fu-

sion dimensional artwork and just being in her new (as of June 2016) hometown of Pagosa Springs.

This program reflects the Unitarian Universalist principles of “The inherent worth and dignity of every person,” “Justice, equity and compassion in human relations” and “A free and responsible search for truth and meaning.”

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is a caring, inclusive fellowship dedicated to spiritual growth, justice and serving the needs of our larger community. As a Welcoming Congregation, we invite everyone to share in our faith community. We cherish diversity and foster a safe environment for all.

Enjoy refreshments and conversation after services, which are held Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in 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.

For further information, see pagosauu.org or call 731-7900.

New Thought: New service time and leadership team

By **Carla Ryan**
Special to The PREVIEW

Sunday services at Pagosa Community of New Thought (PCNT) began at a new start time last weekend (10 a.m.), as a result of a vote made by regular members of the church. By April 9, these same members will vote to finalize the process that formalizes the church bylaws. A new leadership team begins this week as

the Core Council, too.

On April 9, the service will be led by Lisa Burnson and Kevin Brown, both members of the leadership team. They have spent many hours with the outgoing minister, the Rev. Carla Ryan, learning the details of the church’s administrative tasks and ways to present the Sunday message.

This Sunday, the couple will offer their first service experience as they ■ See Service on next page

Unplugged

■ continued from previous page to hearing the combined talents of these two wonderful musicians as well as spending time in silence and meditation as we contemplate the meaning of Christ’s sacrifice for us and the triumph of his resur-

rection.”

Sunday Night Unplugged is a free monthly offering at St. Patrick’s Episcopal Church, located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The public is invited to come and enjoy a time of quiet beauty and meditation.

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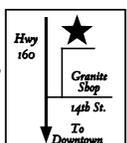
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Holy Week services at St. Patrick's will offer a spiritual journey

By Sally Neel
Special to The PREVIEW

Holy Week is the most sacred time of the Christian church year, celebrated by Christians all over the world.

Holy Week takes us on a journey with Christ during the last week of his life on earth, from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, to the Last Supper with his disciples, praying in the Garden of Gethsemane, his arrest, trial and crucifixion on the cross, his burial and ultimate victory on Easter Day. It begins this Sunday (Palm Sunday), April 9, and will be commemorated by ancient traditional liturgical services at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd.

- Palm Sunday, 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist. Service begins outside the church for the blessing of the palms and grand procession into the church. (If weather is not conducive to outdoor worship, we will meet in the parish hall.)

- Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist and healing service.

- Maundy Thursday, 6 p.m., celebration of foot washing and Holy Eucharist, followed by the Agape Meal in the parish hall and the all-night Watch at the altar of repose.

- Good Friday, 5:30 p.m., Music in Remembrance offered by "The NightSong Trio" — Sally Neel (piano/organ), Jessica Peterson (flute) and Heidi Tanner (violin). Followed by Good Friday Eucharist and veneration of the cross at 6 p.m.

- Holy Saturday, 8 p.m., The Great Vigil of Easter. Congregation is encouraged to bring bells to ring.

- Easter Sunday, 10 a.m., festival Eucharist celebration.

The Holy Week journey is filled with emotional highs and lows, a story of our own redemption

through the death and resurrection of God's Son, Jesus Christ. It begins on Palm Sunday as Jesus humbly enters Jerusalem on a donkey for the Jewish Feast of the Passover. He is greeted by enthusiastic cheers and a festival celebration, blessing the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

On Maundy Thursday, Christ's journey to the cross continues. Jesus knows his days are numbered and meets with his beloved disciples in the upper room to break bread and drink wine with them. He demonstrates his deepest love for them by the humble act of washing their feet, and tries to prepare them for what lies ahead, knowing that they cannot fully understand. Jesus tells Judas, hired by the chief priests and elders to betray his whereabouts, to go and do what he must do, knowing that it will be only a matter of hours before he is arrested.

Following the Last Supper, Jesus retires to the garden of Gethsemane to pray. (St. Patrick's offers an altar of repose in the church parish hall, where those who wish to may keep watch with Christ, praying throughout the night.)

Jesus asks his disciples to stay awake and pray with him, but they are weak and tired and soon fall asleep. Jesus' full humanity is demonstrated as he prays for God to spare him from the evil brutality that awaits him. And his divinity is equally shown as he completely and willingly subjects himself to be God's ultimate sacrificial lamb, the perfect sacrifice for the whole world. The soldiers return with Judas in the middle of the night and Jesus is arrested and taken for trial.

On Good Friday, Jesus goes before Pontius Pilate to be condemned to death, and is brutally whipped, beaten, mocked and nailed to a cross between two thieves. Yet his

final words are words of forgiveness and love, ultimately commending his soul into God's hands. The world turns dark and trembles as Christ's spirit leaves his body, leaving the world completely devoid of God.

On Saturday night, the world returns from darkness back to light as Christ is resurrected from the tomb. The Great Vigil of Easter, one of the most ancient rites of the church, recalls the stories from the Old Testament that testify to God's love and continual rescuing of humanity from evil, ultimately leading us to God's final sacrifice and redemption through Christ. Bells are rung and joyous hymns are sung as the Light returns to the darkened world through God's love and grace.

On Easter Day, Christians celebrate Christ's resurrection as he makes his first appearance to Mary outside the tomb. She is astonished to realize that evil has not triumphed. Hope, love and grace endure, available forevermore to all of God's children. Hallelujah.

"For those who participate in the Holy Week services, the impact of the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ is amplified 100 fold," said Fr. Doug Neel, rector of St. Patrick's. "I highly recommend that Christians consider Holy Week as a personal walk with our Lord through worship and prayer. Our services are open to anyone who wishes to attend."

All are welcome to fully participate in services at St. Patrick's and partake of Holy Communion. "In

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Service

■ continued from previous page reflect on spring growth, awakenings and new beginnings with a presentation that includes poetry, music and meditation.

Then on April 16 (Easter), Ryan will present her final live message. That day's service also will include her husband's participation (the Rev. Mike Ryan) and a special rose blessing ceremony. A celebration of fellowship and hospitality will follow the service. Everyone is welcome.

The PCNT leadership team will continue offering a variety of professional New Thought speakers and ministers through Internet technology and DVDs, as well as scheduling local speakers for spiritual topics, discussions and education.

PCNT honors all lifestyles, belief systems, religious paths and people

for who they are, children of the Divine. New Thought is a trans-denominational philosophy and draws from all the world's major religions to teach universal principles and spiritual concepts for a positive, joyful life. Be part of this unique spiritual adventure.

Weekly Sunday gatherings (10 a.m.) are held at the PCNT center at 2800 Cornerstone Drive, Unit 3 (across the parking lot from the Sears store).

For information about the church or New Thought in general, attend a Sunday service, email Pagosa-CommunityNewThought@gmail.com, call 749-9020, or mail to: P.O. Box 1052, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1052. You can also find us on Facebook or at our website, www.PagosaNewThought.org.

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Rise Above Violence: Victim Assistance gets a new name

By Casey Crow
Special to The PREVIEW

The year 2016 marked the 20th anniversary of the Archuleta County Victim Assistance Program (ACVAP). The local nonprofit serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, operates a 24-hour hotline and provides education and prevention programming to the community.

When it was time to celebrate ACVAP's 20th birthday, the staff began to reevaluate the organization's branding and goals for the next 20 years. It became clear that ACVAP's name often associated them with government, despite the organization operating as an independent nonprofit. With this in mind, the search for a new name began.

Director Carmen Hubbs said, "We've worked really hard for 20 years for people to know who Victim Assistance is. I feel like we've kind of arrived in the last five years and to change it is a risk because in a way it feels like we have to start all over. But I feel like the name that we have chosen really signifies what we're about. It's so much more powerful, so much more encompassing of our purpose, and I think that the community can back it up and get excited about it."

Three focus groups were formed as a means of research, including a men's group, Hispanic women's group and a group comprised of female donors and volunteers. All three groups included survivors of violence. The goal was to understand community perceptions of the organization and how a new name could authentically represent it. ACVAP also held a contest, inviting community members to submit names and logos.

For Hubbs, positivity was the key element that she hoped for in the new name: "I personally needed something that was positive ... I don't want the image of this meek victim — not that victim is a negative word in my view, you are a victim when it happens, then you transition to survivor and to thriver — but it needed to be positive and it needed to be engaging."

Last October, ACVAP was deep in preparation for The Me I Want to Be Project, which showcased works of art inspired by real stories of sur-

vivors. The night before the show, the Bear Creek building, which housed ACVAP's office, burned to the ground. Despite this tragedy, the event went on as planned.

According to Development and Evaluation Coordinator Ashley Wilson, rising above victimization was a prominent theme throughout the art show: "One of the ladies even said, 'I don't feel shame anymore, it took away my shame to talk about it, because it wasn't my fault.' So she was able to rise to that next level, not only just beyond being a survivor and healing and moving on with her life, but finding that new sense of, 'I don't have to be ashamed to talk about this anymore.'"

In the wake of the fire and the powerful art show, a new name emerged — Rise Above Violence.

"As we were voting, we had just come out of the art show and we had just come out of the fire ... with all of that in our heads, all the things that happened, the stories we had heard and the people who came forward, I think that really helped propel the narrowing in of the name. It gave us so much more a sense of what we were hoping for when people walk in the door," Wilson explained.

Goals for the future

Rise Above Violence (Rise) has finally found its new name and along with it a fresh hope for ending violence in the future.

According to Wilson's statistics, on average in Archuleta County, one person a day is affected by domestic violence or sexual assault. As striking as this is, Rise has set its sights on ending violence completely. In order to do so, it is focusing more on prevention work and shifting cultural norms while continuing direct intervention.

"That's what we're trying to change, is the culture around violence. Currently, the culture is silence. We don't talk about it. That was the goal of the art show and some of the events we're trying to move toward, is creating awareness so that we can see a cultural shift in how people view violence, in how people talk about violence and how people hold each other accountable," Wilson said.

For Hubbs, this also means helping offenders rise above their own violence.

"I want to create a positive change, even in offenders. That they no longer want to be this person. We know they are multidimensional people, that they are not just the label of offender, or abuser, or batterer. This is an aspect of them, that they know their community wants them to change and will help

them to change if they are willing."

According to Hubbs, the new name is a call to action for all people — survivors, offenders, men, women, youth, parents and community members alike.

"My heart feels it, feels those words, and I get excited about it. It gives me that positive energy like, 'Yes, I need to engage, I need to do something. I have a place in ending violence.' And that's what my hope is, that every community member, while we're not asking them to be out there as crisis workers in the middle of the night going out on scene — can you rise above it? Even in your personal life, with how you teach your children to be. Everyone can do this and that's why the name really resonates with me."

This week officially marks the launch of Rise Above Violence. Keep an eye out for the organization's new logo and website. For more information on Rise or for immediate support, call 264-9075.

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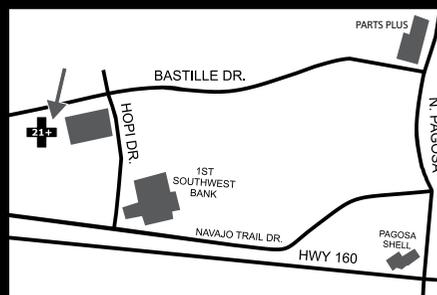
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Lifelong Learning Lectures and National Poetry Month contest

By Carole Howard
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

The ever popular free spring Lifelong Learning Lectures take place on Thursdays from April 13 to May 18 with outstanding talks from 5:30 to 7 p.m. for six weeks.

The series opens next Thursday, April 13, with a presentation called "Community Solar vs. Residential Solar: An Affordable Revolution." Karen Goodwin, Doug Large and Jonathan Dobson will discuss the present realities of going solar in Archuleta County, showing that Pagosa Springs is primed to start something truly meaningful in the field of solar energy.

On April 20, lifelong Pagosa resident Holly Metzler will discuss "Climate Reality: Meeting the Challenge Head On," focusing on the causes and effects of climate change and what we can do about it. She is currently working on her master's degree in environmental policy at the University of Denver.

Pick up a brochure at your library with more information on all six of these presentations. They will keep your life interesting and your mind agile. No registration is required.

Meanwhile, during the month of April, in honor of National Poetry Month, we're hosting an ongoing "found poetry" contest. Anyone can participate, so we hope you will put together a poem and enter to win prizes.

Found poetry refers to a poem that takes words and phrases from another source and puts them together in creative ways to produce a new poem. Examples include bookspine poems, where you stack books and use the book titles to create a poem; remixing, where you rearrange the words from another source to create something new; and blackout poetry, demonstrated at an event April 20 when teens will make a poem by finding words in a page from a book or newspaper.

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and email it to claire@pagosalibrary.org or drop off a hard copy at the library before the end of April. Winners will be announced in early May. There is no entry fee.

Library loses two full-time staff

This Tuesday, April 4, was the last day of work for Michael, our youth services and early literacy librarian, and Rachael, our adult services librarian. After eight months in Pagosa, they are moving to Boise, Idaho, and we wish them well in their new life.

"Although we find ourselves in a difficult situation, our remaining staff will continue to provide you with the incredible customer service that you have come to know over the years," said Meg Wempe, library director. "However, due to the sudden reduction in staff, we must temporarily decrease some of our programming."

Many of the adult programs will continue, with Wempe filling in at her previous role as adult services librarian. Tech Times will continue on Thursdays, but Tuesday Tech Times will be canceled temporarily. The monthly DIY and book club will continue. We also will continue to have two storytimes on Saturday, but will cancel Wednesday storytime for awhile. See below for programs that are on as usual and those with changes. Stay tuned to the library website and Facebook for updates on when to expect regular programming to resume.

"Although we hope to fill these positions quickly, we recognize the importance of finding the right candidates for your library and our community, so that we aren't

in a similar challenging spot in the future," said Wempe. "We appreciate your understanding and look forward to seeing you in the library soon."

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Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

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host a SAT study break from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for ninth- through 12th-graders studying for the SAT and PSAT. We'll have snacks and refreshments as well as books available for checkout to help you prepare for the upcoming SAT. Teens can come to study or just stop by for a break.

All-ages gaming tomorrow

Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with your family and friends tomorrow, Friday, April 7, from 2 to 3:15 p.m.

Otaku

The Otaku (anime/manga) Club meets on Monday, April 10, from 4 to 5 p.m. Join us to watch anime, talk about manga and Asian cultures, and enjoy snacks. This club is for fifth through 12th grades.

Book club for adults

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

On April 11, we will discuss "My Life on the Road" by Gloria Steinem. Stop by to pick up a copy. No registration is required.

Teen gaming

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

Medicaid and Connect for Health session

Kevin O'Connor from San Juan Basin Public Health and Renee Burch from the Archuleta County Department of Human Services will discuss options and changes to Medicaid and Connect for Health next Thursday, April 13, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. No registration is required.

Tech sessions

Drop in with your technology questions on Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Please note there will be no

Tech Time on Tuesdays in April.

LEGO and storytime cancellations

Please note there will be no storytimes or LEGO Club on Saturday, April 8. They will resume April 15.

Also, Wednesday storytime is canceled until we hire a new early literacy librarian.

Activities calendars

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

Nonfiction

"The Rules Do Not Apply" by New Yorker writer Ariel Levy is a memoir of how her life fell apart after she left for a reporting trip to Mongolia. "Unprecedented" by CNN politics writer Thomas Lake is a behind-the-scenes look at Donald Trump's campaign.

Large print

"A Million Little Things" by Susan Mallery follows a woman who is very alone in her life. "The Devil's Triangle" by Catherine Coulter and J.T. Ellison is the latest in the Brit in the FBI series. "Man Overboard" by J.A. Jance is an Ali Reynolds mystery. "The Nowhere Man" by Gregg Hurwitz is about a man who escapes a government program creating assassins. "Hillbilly Elegy" by J.D. Vance is a personal analysis of the loss of the American dream for many white, working-class Americans.

Thrillers, mysteries and suspense

"Celine" by Peter Heller is the story of an aristocratic PI specializing in reuniting families. "Copycat" by Kimberla Lawson Roby tells of a woman obsessed with being exactly like her friend. "Her Secret" by Shelley Shepard Gray is the first book in a new Amish of Hart County series. "Little Heaven" by Nick Cutter is a story of terror in

a remote New Mexico backwoods. "Say Nothing" by Brad Parks begins with the kidnapping of a judge's young twins.

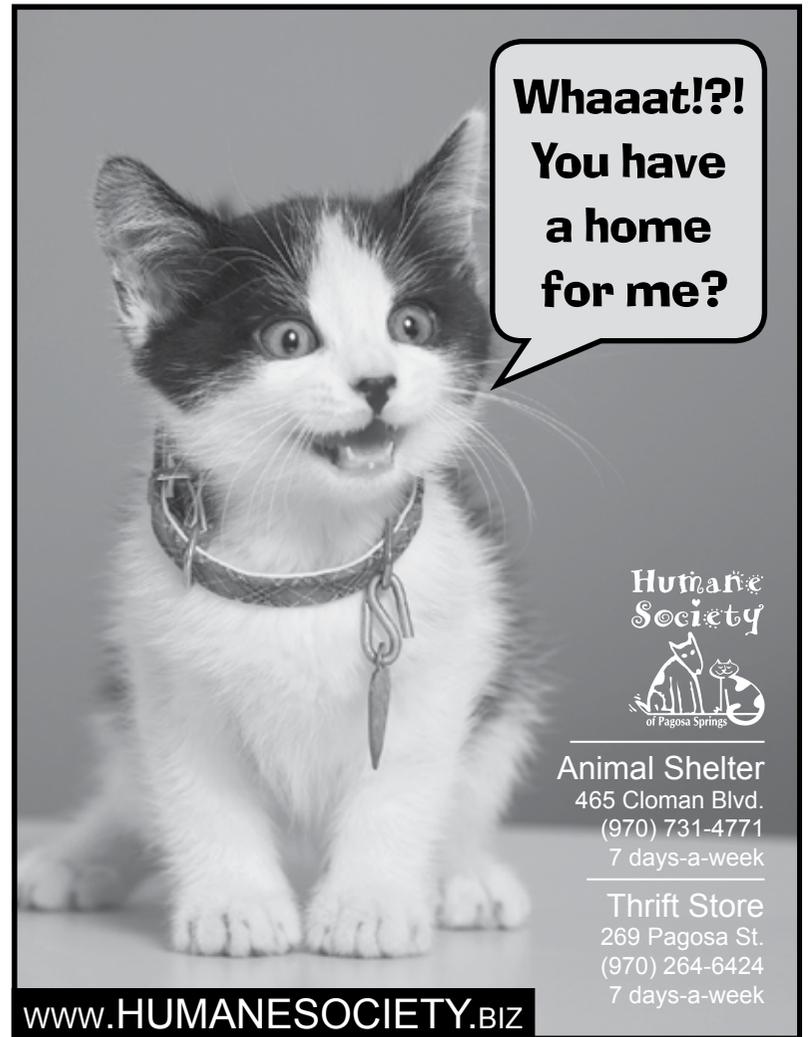
Other novels

"The Second Mrs. Hockaday" by Susan Rivers follows the life of a new bride to a Civil War soldier. "Hearts of Men" by Nickolas Butler is set in a Boy Scout summer camp in 1962. "The Good Lieutenant" by Whitney Terrell is a war story set in Bagdad. "The Wanderers" by Meg Howrey tells of three people preparing to go to Mars.

CDs

"The Marriage Lie" by Kimberly Belle begins with an air crash of a plane a man was not supposed to be on. "Dangerous Games" by Danielle Steel is a political thriller. "Forever a Hero" by Linda Lael Miller is a Carsons of Mustang Creek story. "The Lost City of the Monkey God" by Douglas Preston is the true story of one of the great discoveries of the 21st century. "The Book of Joy" provides personal stories and the wisdom of the dalai lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

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Preview Calendar

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

Thursday, April 6

- Duplicate Bridge.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- Tech Time.** 2-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.
- SAT Study Break.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Stop by to study with friends for the upcoming SAT and PSAT tests. We'll have snacks for refueling and books to help you study. Open to anyone preparing for the SAT and PSAT. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- Adult Education.** 4:30-7 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.
- Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.
- San Juan Outdoor Club.** 6:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Program speaker will

be Andy Butler. Subject: Two Gringos in Peru. Light refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Guests welcome. For more information, visit www.sanjuanoutdoorclub.org.
Yoga. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Community Center.

Friday, April 7

- Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.
- Pagosa Stitching Group.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.
- Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance, strength, flexibility and lung capacity while reducing stress and increasing an overall sense of well-being.
- Zumba.** Noon-1 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.
- Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- Gaming for All Ages.** 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and Xbox Kinect with all of your friends and fam-

ily. For all ages. Call 264-2209 for more information.
Auditions for Curtains Up Pagosa's 'Sister Act The Musical.' 2-8 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School music room. All roles are currently open. Prepare one verse of a Broadway tune of your choice and bring your sheet music; an accompanist will be provided. Reading from script

and a group dance will be part of the audition process. Contact Dale Johnson at 946-1500 for more information.
Personal Growth and Empowerment Life Coaching Class. 5-6 p.m., Community Center. Geared toward providing individuals with tools to find the inner power to make changes within — healing and under-

standing the core reason for our actions, thoughts and desires. This class is open to everyone.
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. 5-7 p.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall. Fish, coleslaw, fries, drink and dessert will be served. Cost is \$12 adults, \$11 seniors, children under 12, \$6.
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DVDs

We have DVDs of three of this year's Academy Award nominations for best picture — "Arrival," "Hacksaw Ridge" and the winner, "Moonlight." More are on their way. Other new DVDs: "American Girl" contains four American Girl films. "Wild Target" is a killer comedy.

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ship Film Caravan Premier Night. 6-9 p.m., Borde Rio Restaurant. Tickets are \$50 and include a 2017 GGP membership, the exclusive viewing of a film, a full day of Saturday's films and a buffet dinner. Premier night supporters will see the feature-length "The Memory of Fish" and the very short "The Private Lives of Salmon." Tickets are available at www.pagosagreen.org.

Third Annual Christian Education Fair. 6:30-8:30 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church. Start off with workshops and information for all learners as well as solutions of particular interest to parents of struggling learners. For more information or to register for the workshop, visit <https://www.connecteducationco.com> or call (303) 680-5551.

Saturday, April 8

Third Annual Christian Education Fair. 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Pagosa Bible Church. Cost is \$30 for all three workshops (spouses free). Getting to the Root of Learning Issues, Bright but Struggling to Write and A Natural Approach to Attention, Learning and Sensory Issues. For more information or to register for the workshops, visit <https://www.connecteducationco.com> or call (303) 680-5551. Whether you are able to attend or not, the public is invited to the Saturday afternoon open exhibits and presentation from 12:30-3 p.m., free of charge.

Pagosa Piecemakers Quilt Guild. 10 a.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship, 1044 Park Ave. Join us for fellowship, fun, meeting new friends in a shared interest atmosphere with lots of beautiful quilts and ideas for more. Visitors welcome for refreshments, show 'n' tell and inspiration. Summer-fall programs and classes will be announced.

Open Gym. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center.

Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership Film Caravan. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Liberty Theatre. A full day of feature-length and short films. Tickets are \$10 to GGP members and \$15 to nonmembers. A wristband will allow ticket holders to come and go Saturday. Tickets are available at www.pagosagreen.org.

Meditation and Recorded Dharma Talk. 10 a.m., Unitarian Universal Fellowship, Suite 15-B, 70 Greenbriar Drive. All are welcome.

Zumba. 10-11 a.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Yoga: Laugh and Let Go. 11:30

a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi self-massage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 264-4152 for more information.

Sunday, April 9

Square Dance with the High Country Squares. 2-4 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Mainstream and Plus Squares dancing with Richard Berry calling. Contact Steve at 731-0044 for more information.

Sunday Night Unplugged. 5 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. This month, violinist Heidi Tanner and cellist Jean Broderick will combine their talents to provide a musical reprieve from the daily stresses of life. The public is invited to come and enjoy a time of quiet beauty and meditation.

Bingo. 6 p.m., Parish Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m., bingo from 6-8 p.m. Concessions and cash prizes. No outside food or drink.

Monday, April 10

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

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

Audubon Rockies Volunteer Educator Training Series. 9 a.m.-noon, Ruby Sisson Memorial Library conference room. Do you catch yourself thumbing through bird and plant guides of the Rocky Mountains, or enjoy handing down your passion for the natural world to younger generations? At the Terry and Jake Hershey Four Mile Ranch, kindergarten through fourth-grade students annually explore the wonders of our local ecology. Come and learn to lead a group. For further information, email Keith Bruno at kbruno@audubon.org.

Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. 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. 2 to make an appointment.

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

Adult Education. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Interested in getting your high school equivalency or GED? Need tutoring or help with placement tests? Come and see how Mark can help you. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior center.

Otaku. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. If you are into anime or manga, this club is for you. Come watch some anime with your friends and talk about your favorite manga. For youth in the 5th-12th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

San Juan Historical Society. 5 p.m., Parelli corporate building auditorium. Members are invited to attend and vote. All are welcome to attend.

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

CPR Certification Training. 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling 264-5931.

Tuesday, April 11

Audubon Rockies Volunteer Educator Training Series. 8:30 a.m.-

2:30 p.m., Hershey Four Mile Ranch. Do you catch yourself thumbing through bird and plant guides of the Rocky Mountains, or enjoy handing down your passion for the natural world to younger generations? At the Terry and Jake Hershey Four Mile Ranch, kindergarten through fourth-grade students annually explore the wonders of our local ecology. Come and learn to lead a group. For further information, email Keith Bruno at kbruno@audubon.org.

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.

Archuleta County Republican Women. Noon, Boss Hogg's Restaurant. Scott Tipton, our U.S. congressman, will be speaking. This is a great opportunity to hear what is going on in Washington, D.C. All are welcome. Lunch will be offered for \$12. Email acrw.pagosa@gmail.com for more information.

Zumba. Noon-1 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Mahjong. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Book Club for Adults. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us to discuss

"My Life on the Road" by Gloria Steinem. Stop by and pick up a copy. Call 264-2209 for more information.

American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary. 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

Teen Gaming. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. For teens in the seventh-12th grades. Join us for Xbox Kinect 360 and snacks.

Adult Education. 4:30-7 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.

Night Yoga: YoGain. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Community Center. YoGain is a fast-paced blend of yoga asana and body-weight exercises designed to raise your heart rate and increase strength and flexibility. Open to all levels and abilities. Call 264-4152 for more information.

Terrific Tuesdays. 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Join us this month as we learn to dance the cha cha. Call Wayne at 264-4792 for more information or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa>.

Wednesday, April 12

Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. ■ See Calendar on next page



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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.

HELP (Healthy Eating Lifestyle Plan). Noon-1 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Weigh-in, support and more. Everyone welcome. Call Nancy Strait at 731-3427 for more information.

Hand and Foot. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Coed Volleyball. 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, non-competitive games open to all ages.

Jelly Beans and Squiggly Things After-School Club. 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. For information, call 903-8104.

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

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

American Legion Post 108. 6 p.m., 287 Hermosa St. Veterans group meeting.

Pagosa Springs Photography Club. 6 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Join us for socializing at 6 p.m. followed by a brief business meeting at 6:30 p.m. Our speaker will be Gregg Heid. He will be doing a lesson on critiquing photos. We will practice on some of his photos from South America. Call Andy Butler at (512) 581-1470 for more information.

First Aid Certification Training. 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register

by calling 264-5931.

Wild West Squares Introduction to Square Dance Class. 6-7 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. This is a fun easygoing class open to families, couples and singles. Suggested age for children is at least 8 years old. Call Carla Roberts to enroll at 903-6478.

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, April 13

Mountain View Homemakers. 11:30 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. The chief and assistant chief will discuss the future of the Pagosa Fire Protection District. Covered lunch provided by members. Carpooling recommended. For information, call Tozi Rubin at 731-3360.

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

Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Connect for Health/Medicaid Presentation. 1-1:45 p.m., Sisson Library. Kevin O'Connor from San Juan Basin Public Health and Renee Burch from the Archuleta County Department of Human Services will be available to inform you of your options and discuss changes to both programs. 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.

Teen Advisory Board. 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For youth in the 7th-12th grades. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

Adult Education. 4:30-7 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.

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

Lifelong Learning Lecture. 5:30-7 p.m., Sisson Library. This talk is titled "Community Solar vs. Residential Solar: An affordable Revolution." Call 264-2209 for more information.

Yoga. 6:30-7:30 p.m., Community Center.

Friday, April 14

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

Pagosa Stitching Group. 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

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Saturday, April 15

Open Gym. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center.

Baby Storytime. 9:05-9:25 a.m., Sisson Library. Twenty minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Toddler Storytime. 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. A half hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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By Traci Bishop
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Growth and Empowerment Classes will be offered on Fridays from 5 to 6 p.m. in English and from 6 to 7 p.m. in Spanish at the Community Center starting this month.

Crafting Club

Join us for creativity, crafting and idea sharing the fourth Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Center beginning this month and running through September.

This will be a time to bring your creativity, projects in progress, supplies and ideas to spend some time being crafty and connect with others that enjoy all aspects of creativity, too.

Essential oil class

Ever wondered how to use essential oils correctly? Well, here is your chance to learn how to safely use them, where they come from and how they benefit you.

Instructor Jessica McGregor will offer this class on April 15 starting at 11 a.m.

Community Center News

Dance with The High Rollers April 21

Mark your calendars and get your friends and family together for a great night out on April 21, when the Community Center will host The High Rollers for a dance.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door; children 6-12 are \$5 and children under 5 are free. Doors to the event will open at 6:30 p.m. and The High Rollers will start at 7 p.m.

A cash bar will be offered during the event. For more information or to purchase tickets, stop by the Community Center or give us a call at 264-4152.

K.I.D.S. Day Camp 2017

Looking for something fun for your child to do this summer? The Town of Pagosa Springs Ross Aragon Community Center Parks and Recreation Department is happy to announce the K.I.D.S. (Kickin' it During Summer) Day Camp is returning.

The K.I.D.S. Day Camp is open to children ages 5-12.

Each week, participants will experience a day of science/history, a day of exploring, water days and arts/crafts days.

K.I.D.S. Day Camp will start on June 5 and run through Aug. 18. It will be offered Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Activities scheduled for each day will start at 9 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m. All children that are registered for the week must be signed in and

dropped off no later than 9 a.m., no exceptions.

Applications for this program are now available. Program fees are: \$85 per child per week, \$25 per child per drop (upon availability), and there is a onetime application fee of \$15 per child. Multiple child discounts also available.

This year, there is a daily max of 50 children per day. Weekly registrations will be required. For more information about this program, please call us at the Community Center, 264-4152, ext. 532.

More information

The Community Center hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The center is located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd. The phone is 264-4152 and email is lgutierrez@pagosasprings.co.gov.

Don't forget to look at our website, <http://townofpagosasprings.com>, for upcoming events at the center or like our Facebook page, Ross Aragon Community Center Parks and Recreation Department, for updates on current events, activities and recreational programs happening.

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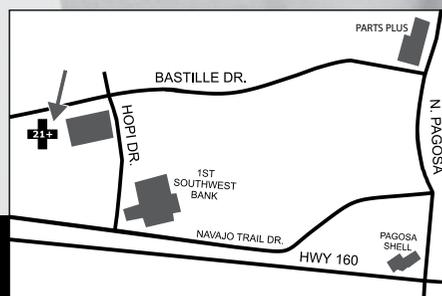
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Some medical equipment for seniors available locally

By Cheryl Wilkinson
PREVIEW Columnist



Seniors who need walking canes, walkers and other durable medical equipment can check out both the Methodist Thrift Store at 427 Lewis St. and the Humane Society Thrift Store at 279 Pagosa St.

Managers at both stores indicate equipment used by seniors is donated from time to time. Seniors shopping at either thrift store should ask at the service desk for assistance. At both stores, these items are kept in designated storage areas, and workers will be glad to assist seniors.

VITA tax assistance

For the past several years, the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) group out of Durango has come to the Pagosa Springs Senior Center offering free income tax preparation for seniors.

This year, due to lack of adequate volunteers from Tax Help Colorado, out of Denver, the Durango VITA tax volunteers will not be able to assist senior taxpayers in Pagosa Springs.

The schedule is as follows: Seniors only on Mondays (call 382-6445 for an appointment) and all ages on Saturdays (call 335-9776 for an appointment).

The qualifying income level for free assistance is \$54,000.

Next health and wellness event April 24

The Pagosa Springs Senior Cen-

ter has initiated a new pilot program expanding health and wellness services to Archuleta County seniors.

The program will include wellness, blood pressure monitoring or allow individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice.

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

Clinical assessment will be provided by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C, of Alpine Medical and Specialty Practices. Zappone has been a nurse practitioner for six years and a longtime resident of Pagosa Springs. She understands the difficulties of obtaining health care in a rural area and how these obstacles can be greater for seniors. The goal of the outreach clinic is to provide care to those who are not able to travel.

The next wellness event will be April 24.

■ See Senior on next page

Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Sky Ute Casino Resort to host the 18th annual Non-Profit Money Booth

By Brenda Grajeda
Special to The PREVIEW

Fifteen nonprofit organizations from La Plata, Archuleta and San Juan counties will compete for their share of over \$20,000 on May 18 at Sky Ute Casino Resort in the 18th Annual Non-Profit Money Booth.

Since 1999, when Sky Ute Casino Resort held the first Non-Profit Money Booth event, nearly \$350,000 has been given to local charities to support a variety of worthy causes.

Last year, selected organizations included: Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe; Blue Star Mom's New Mexico Chapter No. 1; Adult Learning Center; Education, Literacy, Health and Inspiration (ELHI); Silver SPRUCE Academy; TARA Historical Society; Great Old Broads for Wilderness; Durango Food Bank; Hope Community Christian Academy; Chimney Rock Interpre-

tive Association; La Plata County Independent Youth Performing Arts; Ignacio Community Church; Ignacio Chamber of Commerce; Community Connections; and The Prayer Tree Committee.

A reception will be held in the Events Center from 6 to 7 p.m. to honor the selected organizations and present each with a \$500 check. Then, the action will get underway at 7 p.m., when a representative from each organization will enter the money booth for 45 seconds to grab as much cash as they can.

Applications are now available at www.skyutecasino.com. All applications must be turned in no later than May 5 by 5 p.m. to be considered for admittance into the event.

For further information or to have an application faxed or emailed, contact Marketing Coordinator Tracy Leppert at (970) 563-1752 or tracy.leppert@skyutecasino.com.

The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

ACROSS

- 1 Quartet member
- 5 Catch, as flies
- 9 Contour
- 14 Bring in the sheaves
- 15 Auld lang syne
- 16 Frigid
- 17 File
- 18 Barely beat, with "out"
- 19 Part of UHF
- 20 Theatrical interval
- 22 Belief system
- 23 Knight's need
- 24 ___ a high note
- 26 Seafood delicacy
- 28 Body of art?
- 29 Barrel of laughs
- 30 Split
- 31 007, for one
- 33 "MASH" prop
- 34 Got gray
- 35 Kabul or Kathmandu
- 39 Parish residence
- 41 Cookie brand that offers Cool Mint and Cream-sicle flavors
- 42 Impede, with "down"
- 44 Go bad
- 45 Withdraw gradually
- 46 Party pooper
- 48 Finish second
- 52 Fond du ___, Wisconsin
- 53 Flower feature
- 54 Indemnify
- 55 Fragrant wood
- 57 Below zero
- 59 Errand boy
- 60 Leading lady
- 61 Fishing rod attachment
- 62 Ticket category
- 63 Twosome

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- 64 It may be a lot
- 65 Word with pot or beer
- 66 Forswear
- 67 Shut (up)

- 30 Rickety auto
- 32 Chatter, to an Aussie
- 35 Hood
- 36 Three before seven
- 37 Tranquil
- 38 Ill-gotten gains
- 40 Dried coconut meat
- 43 Tombstone material

- 47 One after another?
- 49 Individually
- 50 Stalactite site
- 51 Place for a lace
- 53 Celebrate
- 56 Wooded valley
- 58 Like venison's flavor
- 59 Blah-blah-blah
- 60 "___ not!"

DOWN

- 1 Make a collar
- 2 Primitive shelter
- 3 Sampler
- 4 Tyranny
- 5 In ___ (harmonious)
- 6 Noisy owl
- 7 Element #33
- 8 "Fancy that!"
- 9 Brush off
- 10 Place for an ace
- 11 Slim Shady, to Eminem
- 12 Governor, at times
- 13 Chapter in history
- 21 Take on
- 22 Fastening pin
- 25 It's in a jamb
- 27 Mini-whirlpool

Answers to Last Week's Crossword:

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Senior

■ continued from previous page Computer center

The Senior Center provides computer access to seniors who are members of the Discount Club.

Computer stations are available by the hour. If no one has signed up for the next hour, seniors may continue to use the computer for an additional hour(s).

Computer and Internet access is available during business hours when staff is in attendance and classes are not in session.

Medical alert system

Medical alert monitoring systems are available for seniors. We can help you get set up with a system and assist with the monthly service charges or, if you already have a system in place, we can help supplement the monthly service fees.

Please call 264-2167 for more information or to sign up.

Medicare Mondays

Are you turning 65? Do you need some help with Medicare? The San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging has openings every Monday at the Senior Center to help you with your Medicare enrollment questions.

Here are some quick tips: If you are collecting Social Security, you will be automatically enrolled in Medicare parts A and B. We can help you pick a Part D Prescription Drug Plan. If you don't enroll in a Part D plan, you could face penalties. If you are new to Medicare, you have an eight-month Special Enrollment Period to sign up for parts A, B and D around your 65th birthday. Medicare starts after your employment ends or the group health insurance plan based on your current employment ends,

whichever happens first. You do not pay late penalties if you enroll within the eight-month Special Enrollment Period. COBRA and retiree health plans are not considered coverage based on current employment.

Important dates: General enrollment runs from Jan. 1 through March 31 each year and coverage starts July 1. Oct. 15 through Dec. 7 is open (or annual) enrollment for switching plans for Part D and a Medicare Cost Plan; coverage starts Jan. 1.

If you would like to talk to a Medicare counselor, please contact the Area Agency on Aging to make an appointment. Please call 264-0501, ext. 2. We will put you in touch with one of our talented and experienced Medicare counselors.

Memberships

Senior Discount Club memberships are offered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad prepared by our kitchen staff.

The guest fee for those 59 and under is \$10 and children 10 years and under can eat for \$5 each. Access to the salad bar is only \$6 for those under 60.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, April 6 — Roast pork with lentils, glazed carrots, roasted red potatoes and salad bar.

Friday, April 7 — Crunchy baked catfish, roasted beets, sugar snap

pea medley, salad bar and lemon dessert.

Monday, April 10 — Beef and pork smoked bratwurst with red and green peppers, onions and sauerkraut on a hoagie roll, baked macaroni and cheese, seasoned green beans and salad bar.

Tuesday, April 11 — Sliced ham, pineapple sauce, sage stuffing, mashed cauliflower, salad bar and oven-baked apples and pears.

Wednesday, April 12 — Shrimp and grits, baked sweet potatoes, yellow squash medley and salad bar.

Thursday, April 13 — Red chili, charro beans, zucchini medley, cornbread, salad bar and lemon dessert.

Reservations and cancellations are required. You can make a reservation at 264-2167 by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you would like to dine in the Community Cafe at the Senior Center.

For your convenience, you can make your reservations in advance or have a standing reservation on days you know you will always attend. Please cancel if you cannot attend on your standing reservation days.

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LEGO FUN

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Scene ... Spring break fun with LEGOs. To celebrate spring break, the Ruby Sisson Library hosted a special edition of its LEGO Club for youngsters of all ages, allowing the kids of all ages to exercise their creativity.





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QUESTION: IF I HAVE SET UP A TRUST FOR SOME OR ALL OF MY ASSETS, WHAT HAPPENS TO THE TRUST WHEN I DIE?

Without looking at it, the only answer I can give is, "I don't know."

The answers provided are not intended to be and are not legal advice. They are solely intended to provide general information about estate planning and may not apply to a particular situation. No attorney-client relationship is created by these questions and answers.

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New VA regulations in effect relating to diseases associated with Camp Lejeune water

The Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) regulations to establish presumptions for the service connection of eight diseases associated with exposure to contaminants in the water supply at Camp Lejeune, N.C., recently went into effect.

"Establishing these presumptions is a demonstration of our commitment to care for those who have served our nation and have been exposed to harm as a result of that service," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. David J. Shulkin. "The Camp Lejeune presumptions will make it easier for those veterans to receive the care and benefits they earned."

The presumption of service connection applies to active duty, reserve and National Guard members who served at Camp Lejeune for a minimum of 30 days (cumulative) between Aug. 1, 1953, and Dec. 31, 1987, and are diagnosed with any of the following conditions:

- Adult leukemia.
- Aplastic anemia and other myelodysplastic syndromes.
- Bladder cancer.
- Kidney cancer.
- Liver cancer.
- Multiple myeloma.
- Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.
- Parkinson's disease.

The area included in this presumption is all of Camp Lejeune and Marine Corps Air Station New River, including satellite camps and housing areas.

This presumption complements the health care already provided for 15 illnesses or conditions as part of the Honoring America's Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012.

The Camp Lejeune Act requires the VA to provide health care to veterans who served at Camp Lejeune, and to reimburse family members or pay providers for medical expenses for those who resided there for no fewer than 30 days between Aug. 1, 1953, and Dec. 31, 1987.

For more information

The office of the Archuleta

Veterans Corner

Raymond Taylor



County veterans service officer 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 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: second Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.
- Veterans for Veterans: Every

Tuesday at 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

• Combat Veterans PTSD Group: Every other Tuesday at noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Contact Kevin Kelly at (505) 699-0824.

• Women's Group of Spouses of Veterans: First and third Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., Dr. Sharon Carter's office. Contact Charlotte at 903-9690.

Important numbers

- 799-VETS, www.Vets4VetsPSCO.org.
- Durango VA Outpatient Clinic: 247-2214.
- Farmington VA Center: (505) 326-4383.
- VAMC Albuquerque, N.M.: (800) 465-8262.
- VAMC Albuquerque, N.M., emergency notification: (800) 465-8262, ext. 5739.
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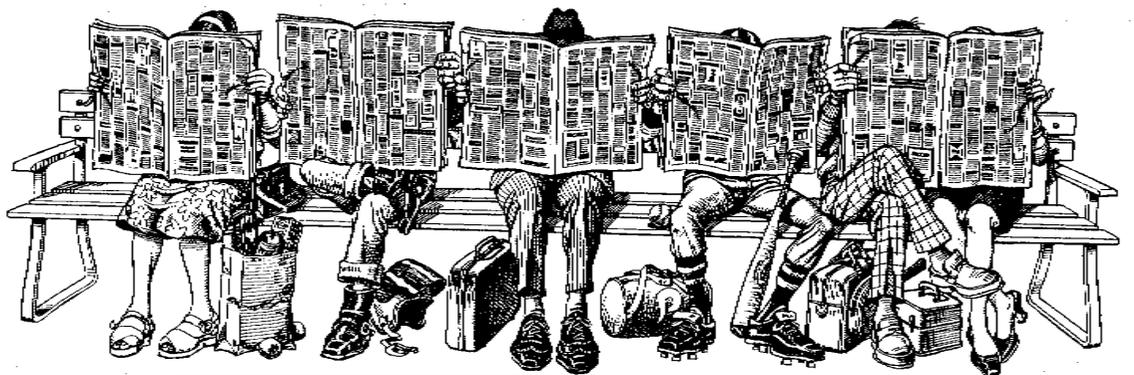
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There will be a nacho bar and cash bar for drink.

RSVP via text to Stacia Aragon, 759-0902, or on the class Facebook page by June 19.

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Wolf Creek Pass: The \$76,000 road opens

A Denver newspaper writer, describing the construction underway at Wolf Creek Pass on Oct. 22, 1915, penned the following words, "... The new road is forty-four miles long ... The cost of construction will be more than \$76,000 including \$16,000 that will be spent on the last link now underway ...



Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

The road is passable now, though not for the average motorist. Fred Catchpole, stockman, banker, and county commissioner of Archuleta County [Motter's note: Wolf Creek Pass is in Mineral County where Creede is the county seat], who had been pushing construction work on the south (west) side of the divide, recently made the first trip in an automobile ... This work will be completed by Fall, and the new road ready for use from Denver ... in the early spring ... it is felt the road will stimulate automobile travel to Colorado 25 percent ... it will also stimulate travel from southwestern Colorado to Denver ... There are many prosperous residents of that section of the country who have not bought automobiles on account of the difficulty of getting out to the east and north.

The official opening of Wolf Creek Pass took place Aug. 21, 1916. Ceremonies were planned for the summit of the 10,800-foot pass, but were moved to the head of the box canyon 12 miles to the east. About 1,000 people and 250 cars attended the ceremony. Free elk meat and coffee were served.

A Pagosa family who crossed Wolf Creek Pass that first summer leaves the following description of that adventure. Here, in the words of Myrtle Hersch, is how the journey was accomplished:

"In February of 1916, our Chalmers car was shipped from Pagosa Springs by Denver and Rio Grande Narrow Gauge Railroad to Santa Fe, New Mexico, as the town was snowed in at that time of the year. There our family, consisting of my husband David, our thirteen-year-old son Joseph, and small daughter Marguerite and I

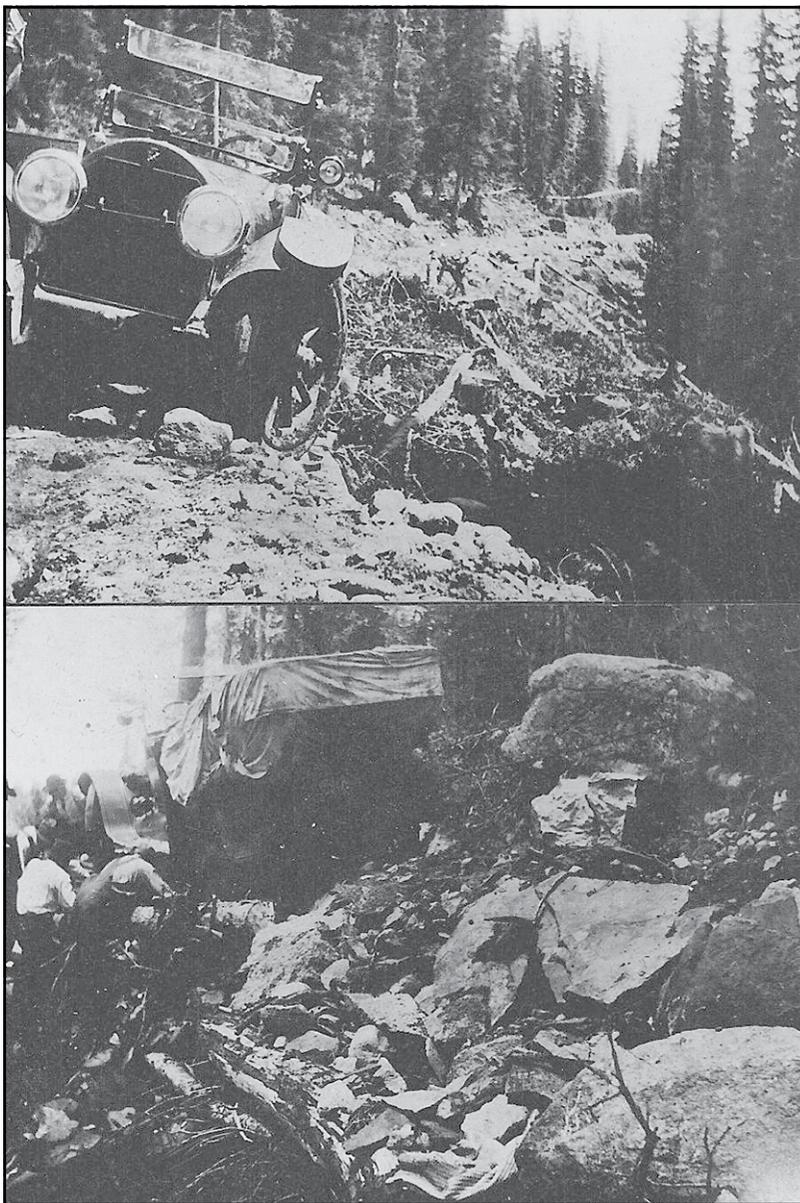


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Crossing Wolf Creek Pass in 1916 soon after it opened could be a harrowing adventure, as this photo of a car nearly going over the edge reveals. Do we need any more proof of the value of guard rails?

began a leisurely tour of 6,000 miles through warmer and lower altitude states. We planned our homecoming over the new pass, later in the summer, from the east side.

"At that time there were none of the luxury motels as of today, so we carried a complete camping equipment with us for comfortable living either inside or out in the wide open spaces. We did little real camping—like the hotels better. Tent setting we found difficult for soft hands,

so took the easier way, and kept our overnight bags easily within reach.

"On our return we spent some time in Denver, where we bought a new seven passenger Cadillac V-8 car while the Chalmers was being painted and reconditioned. Joseph went into the Cadillac garage and worked and became quite an expert at placing cars, tire changing, greasing, and what-have-you. At that time there were not the rules and regulations for drivers that we have now."

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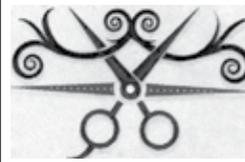
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LANDSCAPE COMPANY SEEKING QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES. Dreamscapes is now accepting applications for our 2017 landscape season. Positions include Crew Foreman, managers and general laborer positions. Competitive wages and year around work available. Please send resume to Supplypagosa@gmail.com or call (970)403-5219 for additional information.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a PRN **Call Receptionist.** The Receptionist operates clinic telephone switchboards and consoles to connect, hold and transfer telephone calls and provide information to assist callers or refer them to appropriate contacts, either in the organization or elsewhere. The Call Receptionist performs routine, and some non-routine, continuous work involved primarily with the operation of a telephone switchboard and the operation and maintenance of a computerized database of telephone information. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY IS seeking a highly motivated individual for the position of Team Leader in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. Applicant must have supervisory retail experience and a positive attitude. This position is Full-time with medical, dental, vision, 401K, employee stock purchase and a 15% team member discount available. Please apply at Tractorsupply.jobs.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER is looking for friendly helpful persons to work at our Reception Check-In Desk. The **Check-In Desk Receptionist** is the first person to greet all non-emergency patients as they arrive at the medical center. In addition, the Check-In Desk Receptionist takes names of patients as they arrive to facilitate the registration process. The Check-In Desk Receptionist must be friendly, helpful, considerate and motivated to make our patient's experience positive. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration or downloaded from www.pagosaprimedicalcenter.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

SPANISH TEACHER: Archuleta School District is accepting applications for part-time Pagosa Family School Spanish Teacher for the 2017-2018 School Year. Job Description and salary information as well as the application may be viewed/ completed online through www.mypagosa-schools.com.

AUTUMN TENEYL DESIGNS is currently hiring a part-time bookkeeper 10-15 hours/ week. Must be proficient in QuickBooks, Excel, sales tax filing, phone skills and have a great work ethic. Must provide at least 2 references. Interested inquiries please phone (970)264-1044 or email studiomgr@autumnteneyl.com.

HELP WANTED

LABORERS NEEDED. PAINTING, STAINING, carpentry. (970)403-2228.

PART-TIME GROUNDS KEEPER position available. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER is looking for a **Float Registration and Clinic Discharge Clerk.** The Float Registration and Clinic Discharge Clerk performs a variety of clerical tasks related to patient discharge processes including, without limitation, the following: registers patients, completes discharge paperwork which may include use of computer programs and applications, ensures proper documentation of patient activities, registers for additional encounters (such as lab or radiology), arranges follow-up visits as appropriate, and collects payments. The Float Registration and Discharge Clerk performs under the general supervision of the Registration Supervisor. The Float Registration and Discharge Clerk must be careful with details, customer service oriented and motivated to make our patient's experience positive. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration or downloaded from www.pagosaprimedicalcenter.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

PUBLIC WORKS GENERAL LABORER. Archuleta County is currently accepting applications for seasonal Crack Seal Laborer. Applications are available from the Archuleta County Human Resources Office in the Courthouse at 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs or on the Archuleta County website (www.archuletacounty.org). Please submit application and resume by April 14, 2017 to Human Resources, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, fax (970)264-8306 or email to fgoheen@archuletacounty.org. Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.

REPORTER - THE PAGOSA SPRINGS SUN is seeking qualified candidates. Must demonstrate aptitude for, and commitment to community newspaper journalism. Candidates must be prepared to handle deadlines, cover breaking news, report on sports and government and write features. Position is up to 30 hours a week. Send cover letter including salary expectations, resume, references and clips to Reporter Position, The Pagosa Springs SUN, PO Box 9, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or hand-deliver them to the paper at 466 Pagosa St. Emailed submissions are acceptable (helpwanted@pagosasun.com). The Pagosa Springs SUN, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. Ability to multitask and meet deadlines, type 40+ wpm, excellent customer service, organizational skills and accurate spelling a must. Must be able to lift 50 pounds. Position is 30 hours per week. Email resume to helpwanted@pagosasun.com or pick up application at front desk of The Pagosa Springs SUN. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview. No phone calls.

THE BUCK STOPS HERE Market & Eatery has an immediate opening for a full-time kitchen cook for busy restaurant where everything is made from scratch. Please apply with Kevin at 19 Navajo Trail Dr.

PAGOSA LIQUOR HIRING full-time position. Please apply at 30 N. Pagosa Blvd.

HELP WANTED

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR. Archuleta County is currently accepting applications for the position of Transportation Program Coordinator. Full job description and to apply, visit www.archuletacounty.org, applications are available from the Archuleta County Human Resources Office located at 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs. Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.

CNA CLASS STARTING APRIL 11. Full-time positions available. Alternating weekends off. Competitive wages and benefit package. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER is looking for a **Discharge Clerk.** The Discharge Clerk performs a variety of clerical tasks related to patient discharge processes including, without limitation, the following: completes discharge paperwork which may include use of computer programs and applications, ensures proper documentation of patient activities, registers for additional encounters (such as lab or radiology), arranges follow-up visits as appropriate, and collects payments. The Discharge Clerk performs under the general supervision of the Registration Supervisor. The Discharge Clerk must be careful with details, customer service oriented and motivated to make our patient's experience positive. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration or downloaded from www.pagosaprimedicalcenter.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for the **Clinic Nurse Manager.** The Clinic Nurse Manager reports to the Director of the Clinics and is responsible to plan and administer the nursing activities of the primary care clinic and specialty clinic. Among the Clinic Nurse Manager duties are: manage day-to-day clinic nursing operations and resources; lead, coach and develop clinic nursing staff; assure nursing services are delivered to each patient in accordance with quality standards; lead and support nursing staff in performance improvement; serve as an effective liaison between physicians and patient care teams; prepare short and long-range plans and budgets related to clinic nursing; manage projects; effectively assess issues and resolve issues as they arise. Bachelor's degree and RN license required, and at least five years nursing experience; previous management experience is preferred. Applications may be picked up at PSMC's Human Resources office or downloaded from www.pagosaprimedicalcenter.org. Applications and resumes must be submitted to mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

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

INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE: Archuleta School District 50 Joint is accepting applications for a half-time Elementary School Kindergarten Instructional Aides. Job description and salary schedule information and application may be viewed and completed online through www.mypagosa-schools.com.

EXPERIENCED RANCH HAND. Full time, references required. (970)884-9587.

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HELP WANTED

KITCHEN HELP, MORNING AND afternoon shifts. No experience necessary. Flexible schedule and competitive wages. Apply in person, Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa Springs. EOE.

WAITSTAFF NEEDED. USE OF iPad required. Appearance pleasant, training provided. Apply in person. No phone calls. Boss Hogg's Restaurant and Saloon.

OPENING FOR CLASS A CDL truck driver. Apply at Smithco Enterprises. 2039 E. Hwy 160.

PEAK DELI ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS or resumes from motivated people for prep/line cook, counter help and dishwasher for busy summer season. Apply at the deli 362 Pagosa St. No calls.

SECRETARY: Archuleta School District is accepting applications for part-time elementary school secretary for the 2017-2018 School Year. Job Description and salary information as well as the application may be viewed/completed online through www.mypagosa-schools.com.

PAGOSA ROOTER/ ALPINE PORTABLE Toilets is hiring a full-time employee. Pay depends on experience. Stop by office at 208 N. 14th St. or call 946-3692.

PONDEROSA LUMBER IS HIRING a full-time CDL Driver. Salary based on experience. Duties include deliveries, loading/unloading trucks, helping customers and providing inventory support. Lumber yard experience a plus. Please apply in person at Ponderosa Lumber, 2434 Eagle Dr. in Pagosa Springs or call Jim at (970)731-4111.

BOOKKEEPER/ ACCOUNTANT- Need an experienced bookkeeper with some accounting knowledge. We use QuickBooks and other financial software. Person shall be willing to take on additional duties to assist other departments. The position will begin as a part-time position leading into a full-time position. Send resume to camsunetha@gmail.com.

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: Archuleta School District 50 Joint is accepting applications for a Severe Needs Special Education Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Job description and salary schedule information and application may be viewed and completed online through www.mypagosa-schools.com.

SALES ASSOCIATE. Must pass a background check. Apply at Sears, 2800 Cornerstone Dr.

CITIZENS BANK IS NOW accepting applications for a Full-time Teller position. Experience preferred. Applications and resumes may be dropped off at 27 Talisman Drive. Equal Opportunity Employer.

CITIZENS BANK OF PAGOSA SPRINGS has an immediate opening for an experienced mortgage lender. We are looking for a results oriented individual with at least 3 years recent mortgage lending experience. Prior commercial lending experience is a plus. The position is a full-time salaried position with outstanding insurance benefits, a competitive salary and bonus based on performance. The position is located at our 27 Talisman branch in Pagosa Springs. The position is supported by an experienced lending staff. Salary is commensurate with experience. Please forward your resume to Kyle@citizensbankpagosa.com or via mail to PO Box 1508, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147. We are an equal opportunity employer.

HELP WANTED

PONDEROSA LUMBER IS HIRING a full-time yard associate. Salary based on experience. Duties include loading/unloading trucks, helping customers and providing inventory support. Lumber yard experience a plus. Please apply in person at Ponderosa Lumber, 2434 Eagle Dr. in Pagosa Springs or call Jim at 970-731-4111.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER of Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Pagosa Springs Medical Center in Pagosa Springs, CO seeks to hire an exceptional CEO to join our senior leadership team. Pagosa Springs Medical Center ("PSMC") operates an independent Critical Access Hospital, a Rural Health Clinic, and EMS/ ambulance services in the rural community of Pagosa Springs, Colorado. PSMC opened in 2008 and since that time has grown (both in facility size and service offerings) to provide community residents and visitors the following quality healthcare services: 24/7 emergency room, inpatient, orthopedic surgery, general surgery, gastroenterology, limited non-invasive cardiology, primary care, infusion therapy, lab and radiology. PSMC is a key hub in the Pagosa Springs community. PSMC is the only hospital in Archuleta County and the next closest hospital is approximately sixty miles away. PSMC is important to the economy of Pagosa Springs as it supports the success of Pagosa's tourism and second homeowner economy; further, PSMC is the largest employer in Archuleta County. The sense of community pride resonates throughout the medical center and is best captured by its retiring CEO, Brad Cochennet: "It is the privilege of all PSMC employees to fulfill the community's need for access to health care. We are proud to provide access to care while we continually elevate our quality of care, scope of services, and our facilities." PSMC seeks a qualified and experienced CEO with unique talents to: lead PSMC in its continued growth of services and facilities, navigate the challenges of an uncertain and changing payor system, and foster community goodwill and financial support for the medical center. Our CEO must be a source of stability in the medical center and in our community. Qualified applicants must have: minimum of bachelor's degree from an accredited university in an applicable field; preference for graduate degree; minimum of ten years of executive-level leadership experience with at least five years of executive-level leadership at a healthcare facility. Please send resumes to Mitzi.Bowman@psmedicalcenter.org or faxed to (970)731.0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

PAGOSA SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE is looking to fill our Membership Coordinator/ Administrative position. Must be experienced or able to learn multiple computer and data base programs including Word, Excel, Power Point, and the ability to recruit and retain businesses through strong sales and communication skills. This person must also have excellent customer service, team building, administrative and organizational skills. Must be able to work occasional weekends to assist with special events. Some benefits included. The Pagosa Springs Chamber is an equal opportunity employer. Drop resumes off at 105 Hot Springs Blvd. or email to director@pagosachamber.com by April 10, 2017.

LANDSCAPE CREW MEMBERS WANTED for the season. Competitive wages. Apply in person at 69 Park Ave. Wilson Enterprises 946-6651.

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YARD SALES

BIG MOVING SALE. Entire houseful of furnishings, antiques, compressors, saddles, tack, washer/ dryer, appliances. Too much to list. Saturday, April 1, 10a.m. at Mountain View Mini Storage on Hwy. 84.

APRIL 15, 16, 17, 11A.M.-4P.M. Moving sale- everything must go! Kayak, skis, snowshoes, garage, yard and storage items galore! 207 Northbay Circle. (303)596-0026, ask for Shellie.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH, 8A.M.-4P.M. Aspen Springs, Hwy. 160 and Deer Trail. Large house plants, household items.

PRE MOVE SALE: Lots of everything. 50 gallon fish tank \$225 with stand, John Wayne photograph \$400 with frame, Maja water ski \$400, post war Lionel train \$500, 1996 Ford 250 extended cab 7.5L engine \$10,000 as is. 21 Fiesta Pl, above Lake Pagosa. Wednesday- Saturday.

BE SURE TO CHECK for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

BIG MOVING SALE: Cookware, furniture, air conditioners, lawn mower, weed eaters, clothing, shoes, linens, some tools, snow scooper, solid oak entertainment center, small sofa, roll top desk, roll top computer cabinet, VCR (works), window fans. Too much to list. Everything must go. Saturday 8th, Sunday 9th, weather permitting, 9a.m.-? #60 Highland Ave. in Vista. No early sales.

PERSONALS

IT CAN STOP! Let us help. 24-hour domestic violence or sexual assault hotline. Confidential. 264-9075.

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AG SERVICES: HAY LOADING- unloading, field pick up, ditch cleaning, box blade and front-end loader work. RWH Bale Handling Service. Ron, (970)264-5573.

FOR SALE: GRASS ALFALFA HAY. Barn stored, no rain. Delivery available. \$5.75 per bale, also 850 lb bales, \$95. (970)883-4600.

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ONE WAY RIDE TO Albuquerque wanted. (970)403-6967.

FOR SALE

ATTENTION CONTRACTORS AND HOME-OWNERS. Are you remodeling or tearing down? Call Durango Salvage, we buy and sell building materials. Tom, (970)749-2271, Mark, 749-8235.

DESK AND SOFA TABLE. Ethan Allen solid cherry/ black desk \$85, matching sofa table \$50. 731-2583.

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DO YOU BURN FIREWOOD? The end of season sale is back! The dump truck special is now \$300 for 2+ cords! Contact FIRE&ICE, ask for Dan, (970)582-0006.

KENMORE ELITE SIDE-BY-SIDE, white, excellent condition, \$375. 731-3014.

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2007 HONDA REFLEX 250 scooter. 2,626 miles, runs like new, \$2,300 OBO. (970)264-9166.

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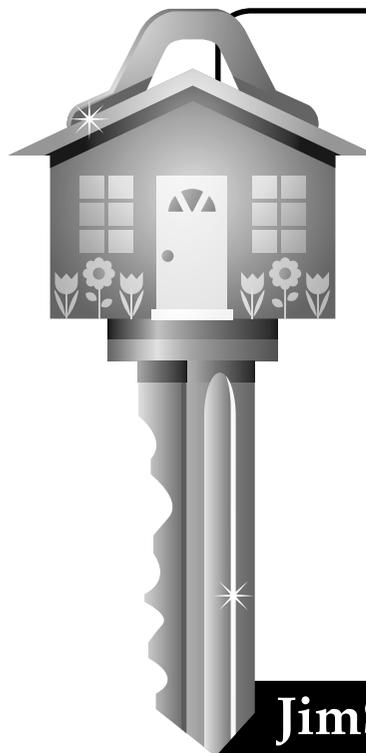
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