Pirates host Rocky Mountain Invitational

Wresting tournament begins Saturday, 10 a.m. – A12

PLPOA announces Vista zoning change

400-square-foot modular homes allowed – A3



Option for proposed 5th Street bridge rejected by town council By Jim Garrett

Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council voted unanimously against building a new bridge over the San Juan River at 5th Street at the town's cost at its meeting Tuesday night.

Whether the vote marks the end of the proposed bridge remains to be seen.

The vote came on the question whether to exercise an option for the town to build the bridge. The option is included in a 10-year vested rights agreement executed in 2012 by the town and Springs Partners LLC.

The agreement confirms the Partners' rights to develop during its 10year term 27 acres downtown south of the river and west of Hot Springs Boulevard in accordance with one of two alternative sketch plans.

Sketch Plan A provides for construction of a bridge at 5th Street and a connection road linking it to Hot Springs Boulevard through the planned development, at the town's expense. Sketch Plan B provides for the development to proceed without any bridge.

Powder Paradise





Judge to review county's 2015 executive session

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

A recording of an executive session that occurred in September 2015 will receive an in-camera inspection because of a complaint that was filed by a local resident.

The order for the in-camera inspection was signed on Jan. 3 by 6th Judicial District Court Judge Greg Lvman.

The complaint was originally filed by Archuleta County resident Greg Giehl and his attorney, Matt Roane, regarding an executive session recording that took place Sept. 22, 2015.

The executive session, held by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC), pertained to the resignation of County Attorney Todd Starr.

The complaint was filed against Archuleta County Clerk and Recorder June Madrid because she did not release the recording of the executive session to Giehl and Roane when they requested it.

The complaint was filed on Dec.15, 2015. In January of 2016, the BoCC voted to defend Madrid in the case, and authorized the legal firm Rose, Walker, Starr LLP (who holds the county's legal services contract, and a firm in which Starr is a partner) to represent Madrid in her defense. The complaint argues that, for various reasons, the executive session wasn't conducted correctly and therefore deserved to be public knowledge.

slopes. The ski area reported 34,008 skiers enjoyed skiing the fresh powder over the eight days beginning with Christmas Day and ending on New Year's Day. On Wednesday morning, the ski area reported

If built, the bridge would enhance access to the development site, and provide a new connection between the area south of the river and U.S. 160, at 5th Street.

The alternative to include a bridge in conjunction with the development was added to the 2012 agreement because the town was concerned about increasing traffic congestion south of the river, and especially at the current highway intersection.

But since fall 2015, complaints have been voiced by many, including Mayor Don Volger, that the imposition of the full cost for the bridge and the connection road on the town would be unfair. Attempts to renegotiate those terms as early as September 2015 have been publicly confirmed.

However, a clause in the 2012

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2016 was a busy and interesting year in Pagosa Country. There was no want for controversial issues, no lack of interesting news events to keep SUN readers focused on local events, situations and personalities.

This week, we review some of those events, selected by SUN staff writers from the first three months of the year.

January

• The matchup between the Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Lady Pirates basketball team and the 4A Durango Demons was a highly anticipated battle, with both teams walking onto the court undefeated.

Prior to the Jan. 5 game, Durango boasted a perfect 5-0 record, rivaling that of the Lady Pirates' im-

maculate 6-0 season. The Demons ultimately fell to

their opponents with a final score of 55-18.

• The PSHS wrestling team finished sixth out of 14 teams at its home tournament, the Rocky Mountain Invitational, on Jan. 9.

• On Jan. 11 and 12, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) held several work sessions to discuss the location of a new justice center facility.

Architectural consultants from Reynolds Ash and Associates and Reilly Johnson Architecture presented several possibilities to the BoCC concerning possible justice center locations.

These possibilities included the

See Review A8

Above and beyond the call of duty

Pagosa Springs Police Officer Logan Gholson receives a certificate of appreciation from Mayor Don Volger during Tuesday evening's meeting of the town council. Gholson was recognized for "providing dedication and professionalism, over and above the call of duty, to the citizens of Pagosa Springs. During the early morning hours of Saturday, Oct. 22, Logan went beyond the call of duty at the unprecedented and unique fire at the Adobe Building. His professional demeanor and organizational skills were instrumental with taking command of the situation, and evacuating the building in a timely and coordinated manner.'



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total to 175 inches,

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Thursday night.

The complaint alleges the following reasons:

• That the agenda documentation could have been more descriptive regarding the executive session instead of just listing "personnel matters."

• That the BoCC discussed other topics in the executive session, instead of only discussing the "personnel matters" stated on the agenda.

That the BoCC reached a deci-

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Opinion

EDITORIAL Building a bridge to the future

Springs Partners LLC received their answer Tuesday when town council unanimously voted not to proceed with the option to build a proposed vehicle bridge at 5th Street.

Council statements and public comment before and after the vote pretty much summed up that the Springs Partners 10-Year Vested Rights Agreement, as written in 2012, isn't perceived as equitable.

What began over a year ago as conversations in closed-door executive sessions, one of which was deemed inappropriate by a judge, ended with an open meeting of the council inviting public comment.

Those who spoke during the meeting talked of lessons learned and wanting to keep communication open with the developers.

One councilperson attributed pushback from the community as being due to an anti-growth agenda. A citizen assured the council that the issue was more about the town having a public process in place to include community input and negotiating a fair and equitable agreement with the Springs Partners, which didn't happen under the leadership of the town in 2012.

Others voiced that they weren't trying to stymie growth, but challenge the manner in which the matter of the 5th Street bridge had been handled. In challenging the process, the public pushed for traffic and economic studies, which, after being done, raised additional questions and concerns about future growth of the town. It was acknowledged that we do have a problem and that problem isn't going to go away.

It is imperative that a task force be established to address the issues that came up as a result of the traffic studies. We have to face the problems of the future and put a plan in place to solve the challenges as described by the traffic study.

At Tuesday evening's meeting, there was talk of appreciation for the vision and forethought of the Springs Partners as developers in our community

Assuming a negative vote by council, Springs Partners, which includes longtime community members Bill Dawson, Matt Mees and Jack Searle, provided a statement accepting the decision and considering it a final one. They indicated they would modify and implement their development plan.

We would hope that the developers, being as community-minded as they have been described, would ensure that any modifications to their plan provide the biggest benefit to the community as a whole.

There is no doubt that Pagosa Springs is changing. You will find some who will fight it every step of the way, and you will find some who will embrace it. But, we must always be careful to examine the price we are willing to pay for progress.

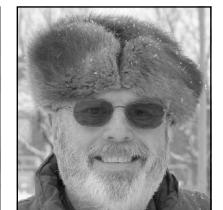
Let the conversations continue.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

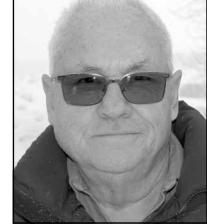
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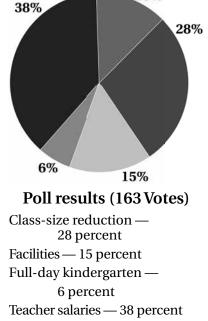
Ron Jyleen "I know they need more, mostly in the academic part, so kids will go further in life."



Joe Steele "I would probably put it into more teachers, to lower the student/teacher ratio. More emphasis on the 3 Rs."

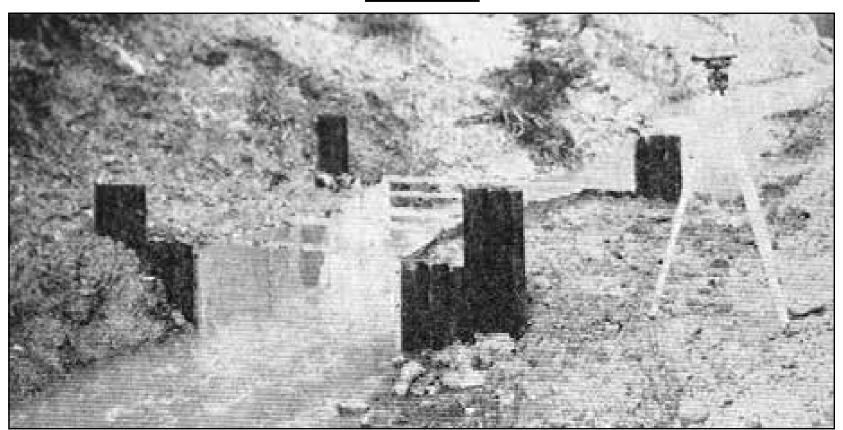
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LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

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90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of December 31, 1926 St. Joseph talent will figure largely in a book which deals with the pony express which is to be published in the early spring, says a St. Joseph (Mo.) paper. The book is "The Youngest Rider," written by Mrs. Louis Platt Hauck and illustrated by Fred Harman, a St. Joseph artist who has prepared four paintings in oil and a cover design for the book, which is a juvenile novel of historic interest.

Mrs. Minnie Mote, teacher of the Juanita school, spent Christmas at her home in Pagosa with her husband and son Francis, the latter coming over from the Fort Lewis school.

Miss Arlene Reynolds, Pagosa teacher who has been in quarantine for diphtheria, was released this morning.

75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 9, 1942 Federal officials have ordered all citizens of Ger-

many, Italy and Japan now in Colorado to turn over to local police all cameras, short wave receiving and sending sets, firearms, ammunition and similar articles. United States District Attorney Thomas J. Morrissey says all the articles will be returned to their owners after the war but that permission for continued use of the items will not be granted. Morrissey warns that wilful failure to turn over arms and cameras will result in heavy punishment. The district attorney also pointed out that all aliens who wish to travel outside their localities must apply to his office for permission. Sheriff Earl Crouse already has received two cameras, and one radio from an Archuleta county alien.

50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 5, 2017 The Wolf Creek Pass Ski area is now in its eleventh year in the present location and use is increasing each year. The ski tow and ski operations were moved to their present locations from the top of the Pass in 1956. The use of the area has skyrocketed the past few years. The heaviest week in the history of the area was recorded during the first week of Christmas vacation when 1423 skiers used the area. There were 742 skiers this past weekend. The increasing popularity of the ski area is due to several factors. One, of course, is the fact that it generally has snow earlier than other areas and

also has it later in the spring. Another very important

factor is the quality of the skiing snow which is superior

25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 9, 1992 Area residents were saddened last Thursday to learn that Archuleta County had lost a long-respected friend. Emmett L. Martinez died at home, while asleep, during the early morning hours of Thurs., Jan. 2, 1992. Known by more recent county residents for his friendly service at Jacksich Drug, Emmett spent many of his 89 years engaged in ranching and a variety of business endeavors in Pagosa Springs.

Logistics involved with displaying The Moving Wall in Pagosa Springs will be discussed Fri., Jan. 10 at a 7 p.m. public meeting at the County Commissioner's meeting room. A half-scale replica of Vietnam Veterans Memorial, The Moving Wall will be in Pagosa Springs June 2 through June 8, Veterans Service Officer Ernest Yamaguchi announced.

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Bell ringers

Dear Editor:

I want to thank all of the organizations and their members who gave of their time to be red kettle bell ringers for the Salvation Army during December.

I hope that their fundraising goal was greatly exceeded.

I do know that they all spread Christmas cheer to everyone entering and exiting City Market, no matter the weather. In fact, when I mentioned the cold, everyone dismissed this completely.

Their "Merry Christmas" wishes, smiles and bell ringing and, yes, the piñatas, were really a special addition to my holiday experience. I confess that my favorite vol-

unteer didn't actually ring a bell

Letters

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but accompanied its owner, who confided that he always collected more when he brought his dog.

I bet that participating in this campaign brought each volunteer a lot of joy and cheer as well. Thank you.

Tozi Rubin

Letters

Mouth vs. brain

Dear Editor:

OK, the holidays are over, we need to settle down to "business." America first means working together for what is best for our country without prejudice against anyone — only goodness makes things possible.

I believe it is important for evervone within all areas of government to heed the following quote of Pope Francis from his little book, "The Name of God is Mercy."

"Corruption is not an act but a condition, a personal and social state in which we become accustomed to living. The corrupt man is so closed off and contented in the complacency of his self-sufficiency that he does not allow himself to be called into question by anything or anyone. The self-confidence he has built up is based on a fraudulent behavior: he spends his life taking opportunistic shortcuts at the cost of his own and others' dignity. The corrupt man gets angry because his wallet is stolen and so he complains about the lack of safety on the streets, but then he is the one who cheats the state by avoiding taxes."

Hopefully, as the new administration learns the many truths and many

demands of governing, a political cleansing will occur in all and our government will return to one that is truly "by the people and for the people."

The Book of James, chapter 3, verse 13: states it clearly: "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by the good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom." And, I must add that true wisdom comes from our daily relationship with God through our prayers — he gives to all who ask.

Our very wise and loving village priest of a few years ago said this to me regarding good folks who make damaging comments: "Their mouth got ahead of their brain." So, think on these things as we move forward. Know you are loved.

Patty Tillerson

PLPOA will allow 400-square-foot modular homes in Vista subdivision

By Jim Garrett Staff Writer

The Pagosa Lakes Property Owner's Association (PLPOA) announced on Jan. 2 that modular homes of as little as 400 square feet will be allowed on lots within its Vista subdivision.

The Vista subdivision is roughly bordered by Vista Boulevard to the east, Lake Forest Circle to the north, and U.S. 160 to the south.

The so-called "tiny homes" will be allowed on the subdivision's MH50 lots, which in the past have been limited to mobile or manufactured homes.

Card of Thanks

Let it Snow!

Martinez

A special thank you to all who made the chili supper benefit for Marty Martinez successful: Dorothy Griego, Dorothy's Restaurant, Frances Griego, Liz Martinez, Emily Martinez, Alexa Martinez, Patricia Daniels, Darlene Martinez, Reyes Rivas, Dottie Wade, The Pagosa Springs SUN, all who allowed us to post flyManager Allen Roth, the lots carrying that designation generally are .25 acre or less in size.

The homes will be required to be installed on a permanent foundation meeting requirements of the Archuleta County Building Code. In addition, they will require a 32-square-foot covered entry, and a 60-square-foot freestanding storage building.

The zoning change was approved by the PLPOA Environmental Control Committee in December, according to Roth. That committee has the primary responsibility for administration According to PLPOA General of the Declaration of Restrictions

ers, all who came to enjoy dinner, all

who gave donations, all who bought

tickets for a genuine Dooney and

Bourke handbag, and for all who

have prayed and continue to pray

for Marty's good health. If we forgot

anyone, please forgive us. May you

all have a happy new year filled with

family, friends and abundant health.

Lenore Martinez, Maria Martinez-

Gallegos

within the Pagosa Lakes community, which sets forth restrictions on the manner of using property within its borders.

Roth said that the change was encouraged by interaction between the PLPOA staff and the affordable housing work group sponsored by Archuleta County and the Town of Pagosa Springs.

"We all need to work together to improve the community," he explained.

The PLPOA decision to allow modular homes "did stem from affordable housing concerns in the community," Roth said. He added, that even prior to the recent action. Vista had already been "geared to affordable housing," and "modular homes provide another alternative."

Roth told The SUN that he is not aware as yet of any plans to take advantage of the recent change in the restrictions for affected Vista lots. However, he does "expect a lot of people" will do so.

He predicted that prospective homeowners may be looking at costs in the range of \$80,000-\$100,000 for a home complying with the new provision.

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Business

CHAMBER NEWS Grants available for expanding child care capacity

By Mary Jo Coulehan SUN Columnist

Happy New Year. This is the time when many of us reflect on what we have been through this past year and what is in store for us. We look at how we run our lives, what good things do we want to focus on and what can we change.

Last year, the Chamber talked about community infrastructure concerns and issues that are affecting many of us and our jobs. While work groups and organizations continue to look and work on the problems, I would like to suggest some viable and necessary job opportunities for persons who may be able to work out of their home or are looking for a new career.

Child care grants

One of the bigger concerns in the community is available and affordable child care. The unavailability of this necessity greatly affects the workplace and the employee. Recent survey analysis grossly underserved in the child care arena.

Through a grant made possible by the El Pomar Foundation, the Early Childhood Council of La Plata County (ECCLP) has money available to assist child care homes and licensed centers or facilities in the works that are interested in and can expand their infant and toddler capacity in southwest Colorado including Archuleta County.

Licensed homes and centers, icensed exempt programs and licensed pending programs are all eligible. Applicants could receive between \$750 and \$1,000 for each new infant/toddler slot created. This money could assist the provider in purchasing new equipment or toys, making physical additions or renovations to their facility or other ideas.

Kimberlie Brown at ECCLP is coordinating the grant and fielding any inquiries. If you already have a child and are interested in opening

shows that Archuleta County is a child care home, Brown can also assist you in this process — which can be cumbersome. Assistance funds may become available for new homes and centers as well.

The grant is open until April 7 on a first-come, first-served basis. The infant and toddler slots must be available by April 28.

This grant is a wonderful opportunity to make even a small dent in the child care crisis that faces our community. Please take advantage of this offering by contacting Brown at kimberlieb@ecclaplate.org or 247-0760, or Mary Jo Coulehan at the Chamber at 264-2360.

Cottage industry

Another business opportunity that the Chamber has been asked to investigate and cultivate involves reputable designers in our community who do not send their products out of the United States to be produced. Moreover, they would like to create a viable production industry in our own community.

This design and production in-

dustry takes on all forms of creativity including design, sample sewing and mass production.

If you are interested in finding out more about this industry, please contact Coulehan at the Chamber at 264-2360.

Membership news

To ring in the new year, we welcome new members Cabe's Collision and Customs along with The Cabins at Hartland Ranch. Angie and Ken Gayhart have joined the Chamber as individual members.

Our renewals include the San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership, The Alley House Grille, Sunset Ranch Cabins, Summit Ski and Sports, Wayne's Wild West Guns and CDC Janitorial.

If you are interested in starting your new year off right by joining the Chamber of Commerce, please stop by our offices located at 105 Hot Springs Blvd., inside the Visitor Center, to see how Chamber benefits can help your business.



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2016 town budget amended at year-end

By Jim Garrett Staff Writer

"A budget is just a plan," Town Manager Greg Schulte told the Pagosa Springs Town Council last Thursday, and as in a military operation, "may only last five minutes" after the battle (or budget period) starts.

The remark came at a special meeting held by council on Dec. 29. The purpose of the meeting was essentially to close the 2016 budget year in compliance with Colorado law governing municipal expenditures.

Council did so following a public hearing, by formally approving an amendment of the 2016 budget with respect to expenditures it had authorized during the year, but which were not originally included when the budget was approved last fall.

The action dealt only with finalization of expenditures for the year, as required by law, and did not address revenues. Town revenues derived from taxes paid in 2016 are still being collected, especially sales two-month time lag.

The town's revenues during the year have been higher than projected in the 2016 budget. The most recent data, presented by Schulte to council during its regular meeting this week on Jan. 3, is that year to date (through October), "we are ahead of budget by approximately \$123,194, or 8%" in sales tax collections.

A lengthy list of 2016 expenditures which had been authorized by council during the year was reckoned by last week's budget amendment. An example is expenditures on the town's summer youth program, approved by council on March 1, 2016.

The program was approved as a replacement for the closed youth center, to ensure the availability of summertime activities for community youth. The town's Parks and Recreation Department oversaw the program.

At the time of its approval, council was told by department director Darren Lewis that the 11-week program would require four full-time and four part-time employees, in order to supervise up to 45 children. A get of \$40,000, fees were charged the Colorado Department of Rev- total anticipated budget of approxi- for attendance and grants to help enue, and are received subject to a mately \$40,000 for the summer was meet costs were received. When

approved by council. The amount had not been included in the original 2016 budget.

During the meeting last week, Councilor David Schanzenbaker noted that even though he recalled council's earlier approval of the numerous expenditures involved in the proposed amendment, the lengthy recap of transactions throughout the year was difficult to follow, and wondered whether it would be possible to amend the budget for individual transactions as they occurred, rather than collectively at year end.

Schulte confirmed that would be possible, but noted that a budget amendment requires legal formalities, making it prudent to defer that action to year-end.

Schulte also pointed out to The SUN following the special meeting that, in some instances, it may be difficult to know the ultimate budget impact when a transaction is initially authorized, referring to the summer youth program as an example.

Schulte noted that although the summer youth program had a budthe receipts were tallied against the expenses at the close of the program, the actual cost to the town was only \$4,000. The latter figure was thus the sum for the summer youth program that was included in the year-end budget amendment, but it would have been impossible to know that amount last March.

As remarked by councilor Tracy Bunning in connection with the proposed year-end amendment during the meeting last week, the fact that there are "changes in both directions" throughout the year supports the prudence of a final amendment, rather than piecemeal amendments throughout the year.

In total, the amendment reckoned increase expenditures (and reduced reserves) in the town's general fund, capital fund, geothermal enterprise fund and conservation trust fund. The amendment had the opposite effect on the town's trust/ impact fund.

As noted by Mayor Don Volger during the hearing, regardless of the amendment, the town's financial reserves remained well over the minimums necessary. jim@pagosasun.com





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New cost share opportunities for organic producers and handlers

By Patti Finke Special to The SUN

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producers and handlers will be certification. able to visit over 2,100 USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices to apply for federal reimbursement to assist with the cost of receiving and

"USDA reimburses organic producers up to 75 percent of the cost of organic certification, but only about half of the nation's organic operations currently participate in

the program," said FSA Administrator Val Dolcini. "Starting March 20, USDA will provide a uniform, streamlined process for organic producers and handlers to apply for ■ See Opportunities A5

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Public Meetings

The following meetings are sub- Tuesday, Jan. 10 ject to change.

Thursday, Jan. 5

- Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District special meeting. 4 p.m., PAWSD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave.
- Town of Pagosa Springs community meeting. 5:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, Hot Springs Boulevard. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the possibility of extending the Riverwalk along Hermosa Street to the 1st Street bridge. This would close the gap in the sidewalk network off of U.S. 160 between 1st Street bridge and Town Park. The potential addition of this segment would allow residents and visitors to go from the River Center all the way to Town Hall without being on the highway for a prolonged period of time.

Monday, Jan. 9

By Julie Church

Special to The SUN

Pagosa Area Geothermal Water and Power Authority meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

ACRW meeting: county

search and rescue

On Tuesday, Jan. 10, the

Archuleta County Republican

Women will be hosting Mike Le

Roux, the director of emergency

The Archuleta County Sheriff's

Office Division of Emergency

Management is responsible for

coordination of the county's emer-

gency management function. The

division is also responsible for the

coordination of search and rescue

throughout the sheriff's response

area and is responsible for wildland

operations for Archuleta County.

emergency management,

- Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session. 8:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, com-
- missioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. Archuleta County Board of County
- **Commissioners commissioner** swearing in. 11 a.m., Archuleta County Courthouse, 449 San Juan St.
- Archuleta School District Board of Education work session. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.
- Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Commission. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.
- Archuleta School District Board of Education regular meeting. 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.
- **Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors meeting.** 6:30 p.m., Station No. 1 training room, 191 North Pagosa Blvd.

Wednesday, Jan. 11 **Town of Pagosa Springs Historic**

fire response in unincorporated

Le Roux is also the vice chair-

man for Upper San Juan Search and

Rescue (USJSAR). His aim is to let

you know who they are, what they

do and how to activate help in an

emergency. He also hopes to bust

the myth that their services are

at Boss Hogg's Restaurant on Jan.

10 at noon, with doors opening at

11:30 a.m. Every one is invited to

attend. Lunch will be offered for

\$12. For more information, email

acrwpagosa@gmail.com.

This meeting will take place

areas of Archuleta County.

- Preservation Board. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall front conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.
- Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) work session. 11 a.m., Borde Rio, 356 East Pagosa St.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

- 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. 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 public meeting: Art in Pagosa Springs. 5 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Regarding art in our community including topics such as public art displays, creation of an art district, forming an artist organization, etc.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

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

Thursday, Jan. 19

- Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District work session. 4 p.m., PAWSD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave.
- **Pagosa Springs Town Council** meeting. 5 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Tuesday, Jan. 24

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 retreat. 9 a.m., Sunset Ranch, 4186 East U.S. 160.

- Archuleta School District Board of Education special meeting. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.
- Dr. Mary Fisher Medical Foundation regular board meeting. 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center main building conference room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.
- Upper San Juan Health Service District regular board meeting. 5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center main building conference room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.
- Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC) work session. 11 a.m., First Southwest Bank conference room, 249 Navajo Trail Drive.
- Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Commission. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall council chambers, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board. 5:30 p.m., Town Hall front conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd. Archuleta County Planning Commission regular meeting. 6 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

Tuesday, Jan. 31

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

Town of Pagosa Springs comprehensive plan update community open house. 5 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. The first opportunity for public comments regarding Pagosa Springs' vision and goals for the next 10-20 years. Public meeting information

should be sent to editor@pagosasun.com with "Public Meeting" in the subject line. The deadline is noon Monday each week prior to publication for that week's issue.

Opportunities

Continued from A4

organic cost share assistance either by mail or in person at USDA offices located in almost every rural county in the country."

USDA is making changes to increase participation in the National Organic Certification Cost Share Program (NOCCSP) and the Agricultural Management Assistance

FSA office.

charged for.

Historically, many state departments of agriculture have obtained grants to disburse reimbursements to those producers and handlers qualifying for cost share assistance. FSA will continue to partner with states to administer the programs. For states that want to continue to directly administer the programs,

remain at the core of the program."

scopes. Eligible producers include any To learn more about organic certified producers or handlers certification cost share, please visit who have paid organic or transiwww.fsa.usda.gov/organic or contional certification fees to a USDAtact a local FSA office by visiting accredited certifying agent. Applihttp://offices.usda.gov. cation fees, inspection costs, fees To learn more about USDA suprelated to equivalency agreement/

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Organic Certification Cost Share Program, and at the same time provide more opportunities for organic producers to access other USDA programs, such as disaster protection and loans for farms, facilities and marketing.

Producers can also access information on nonfederal agricultural resources and get referrals to local experts, including organic agriculture, through USDA's Bridges to Opportunity service at the local

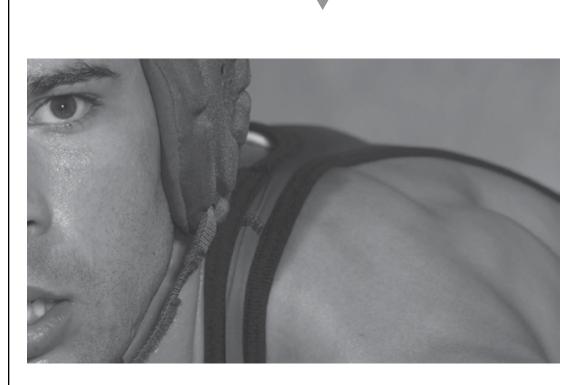
applications will be due Feb. 17, 2017.

"The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) and the National Organic Program look forward to this exciting opportunity to leverage the Farm Service Agency's rural footprint to reach more organic producers and handlers," said AMS Administrator Elanor Starmer. "At the same time, it is important to recognize and continue the valuable partnerships with states that

per diem for inspectors, user fees, sales assessments and postage are all eligible for a cost share reimbursement from USDA.

Once certified, producers and handlers are eligible to receive reimbursement for up to 75 percent of certification costs each year up to a maximum of \$750 per certification scope — crops, livestock, wild crops and handling. The announcement also adds transitional certification and state organic program fees as additional

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Education

San Juan Conservation District announces poster contest winners

By Cynthia Purcell Special to The SUN

The San Juan Conservation District hosted its annual poster contest for fifth-grade students.

This year's theme was "We All Need Trees." The students were given a presentation on the importance of conservation and using natural resources wisely.

They created a poster depicting between one and three conservation practices. District supervisors judged the posters and awarded cash prizes to the top five entries. Additionally, each student who participated in the contest received a temperature key tag.

The top winner was sent on to the state competition at the Colorado Association of Conservation District's annual meeting earlier in November.

This year's local winners are Electra Ulloa (first place and \$30), Bradley Lamoreaux (second place and \$25), Marie Smith (third place and \$20), Jeidy Moreno Echavarria (fourth place and \$15) and Yvette Rubio (fifth place and \$10).



Photo courtesy Cynthia Purcell

Winners of the San Juan Conservation District's annual poster contest for fifth-grade students are, from left to right, Jeidy Moreno Echavarria (fourth place and \$15), Electra Ulloa (first place and \$30), Marie Smith (third place and \$20), Bradley Lamoreaux (second place and \$25) and Yvette Rubio (fifth place and \$10).

2016 fall assessment shows mixed bag of results for district students

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

A report on the fall 2016 NWEA assessment for Archuleta School District (ASD) students shows that ASD students exceed the national norm at the upper grade levels for both reading and math, but are behind the national norm at the lower grade levels.

The NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Assessment) assessment is taken by students in the fall and spring.

The fall 2016 reading and math results were presented to the ASD Board of Education during the Dec. 13, 2016, regular meeting by Assistant Superintendent David Hamilton.

"We want to be above the norm from kindergarten through high school on everything," Hamilton noted.

The assessment results presented by Hamilton were compared to the national norm, or the national normative results.

Hamilton explained during the meeting that the norm is based on a scale score and is a way of taking the data and putting it into a form that can be compared from one group to another.

An August 2015 document titled "NWEA 2015 MAP Norms for Student and School Achievement Status and Growth" describes: "When educators and parents speak of improvement, progress, or growth in learning, normative performance is probably not the first thing that comes to mind. It is always important to hear about what, and how much more of the curricular content, a student has learned; but knowing how much a student has learned compared with the attainment of the student's peers

is probably a close second. For meeting this purpose, norms are critical. Norms indicate the levels of achievement and growth that are attainable for identifiable populations of students or schools."

Hamilton noted that, while ASD students were behind, they were not behind by large margins, but rather were only a "smidgen behind."

Hamilton also presented oneyear growth figures to the board, later explaining to the board that, as educators, you like to see how much a child grows while in a classroom, whereas, at the federal level, the focus is on achievement.

He also broke the data down by segments, including for minorities and students with individual education plans (IEPs). grow the r grow the r enth grade • In ma grow the r

Reading

The fall 2016 NWEA results for reading showed that, until eighth grade, ASD students are falling below the norm, with the exception of second-graders.

Figures are based on a scale of

Similar to reading, ASD students fell behind the national norm in the lower grades, but exceeded it

in 10th grade. The largest gap between the local score and the norm comes in first grade, with a local tally of 156.8 versus the norm of 162.4.

By 10th grade, ASD students scored a 233.5, ahead of the norm of 230.1.

Growth

Math

Hamilton's presentation listed the following conclusions on growth:

In reading, ASD students "Outgrow the national norm from seventh grade through tenth grade."
In math, the students "Outgrowthe students and the students of the students of

grow the national norm from eighth grade through tenth grade." • Minority students are behind ASD growth, but ahead of national growth, from the seventh grade forward. They are at or above ASD growth

ward. They are at or above ASD growth from the sixth grade on in math.There is high variance for



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Tom Seifert

Tom Seifert passed away on his 83rd birthday, Dec. 30, 2016, which he celebrated with his wife, Evelyn, family and friends.

He is survived by: his wife, Evelyn; son Tomas Seifert; daughter Patricia Ann Burton; stepson Troy Ray; stepdaughter Julia Pitts; grandchildren; great-grandchil-

dren and a great-great-grand-

child. Visitation will be held on Thursday, Jan. 5, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Hood Mortuary Chapel, 1261 E. 3rd Ave., Durango.

There will be a service on Jan. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Allison Community Presbyterian Church, with burial to follow at the Allison-Tiffany Cemetery. 250.

Seventh-graders locally were very close to the national norm, with a 214 locally and a 214.4 as the norm.

ASD eighth-graders score 219.6, versus the norm of 217.2.

Local ninth-graders scored a 223.4, versus the norm of 220.

ASD 10th-graders, the highest grade to take the assessment, scored 226.2, versus the norm of 220.4. students with IEPs, though those students are generally behind the norm and their ASD peers in the lower grades in reading, but pull ahead in the higher grades, with the same true for math.

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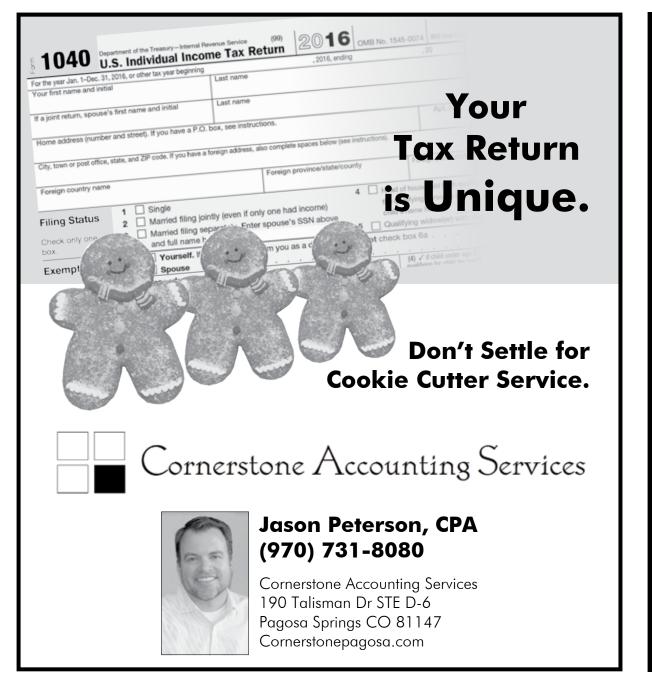


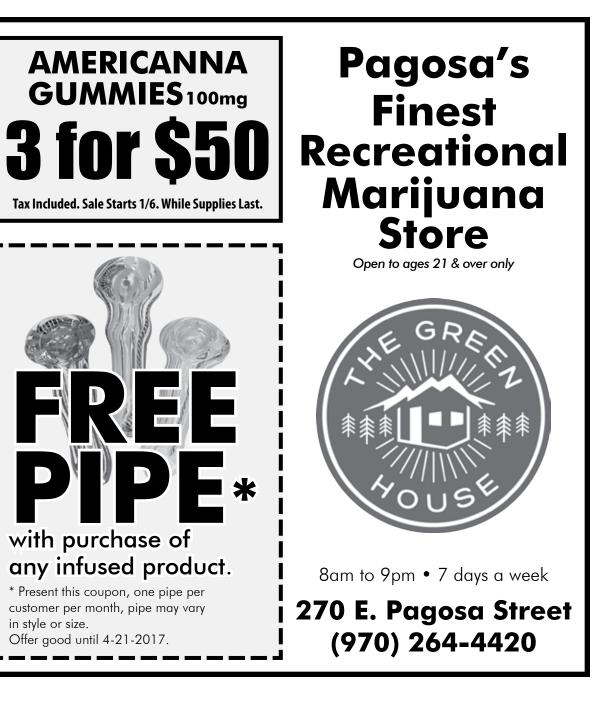
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Outdoors

Plumtaw Ultra Nordic Ski Race this Saturday

By James Dickhoff Special to The SUN

The Pagosa Nordic Club is hosting the fourth annual Plumtaw Ultra Nordic Ski Race this Saturday, Jan. 7.

This is a freestyle Nordic ski race with your choice of a 30-km or 60-km course along the base of Pagosa Peak on Fourmile Road and Plumtaw Road.

The races begin promptly at 8:30 a.m., so plan on arriving early enough to sign in, gear up and be ready to go. The starting and finish line is located 7 miles up Fourmile Road (CR 400), where winter road plowing ends. The race is held on public lands in the San Juan National Forest.

Racers can skate ski or classic ski (no set tracks) on their course choice. The event is a self supported race with limited aid stations. Race registration fee is donation-based and you can sign up at PagosaNordic.com under the events tab. There will be awards and prizes for top finishers.

Volunteer course monitors are still needed: if you are interested in helping out, please contact us at PagosaNordic@gmail.com.

Photo courtesy James Dickhoff

2016 Plumtaw Ultra Nordic ski racers make their way along the 60-km course (that's 36 miles, folks) from

Proof of ownership required to register boats, OHVs, snowmobiles with state • The vessel/vehicle make, model and year

• Previous registration certificate issued by a

• Manufacturer's certificate of origin (MCO)/

· Any court-issued document proving owner-

If an owner does not have any of these docu-

ments, the boat or vehicle can be taken to any

CPW office where it will be inspected. A law

enforcement officer will check the identification

number to make sure it hasn't been altered in a

way that might indicate the vehicle or boat had

been stolen. Documentation of the inspection

governmental entity that lists the applicant as

manufacturer's statement of origin (MSO).

By Colorado Parks and Wildlife Special to The SUN

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) reminds resident owners of boats, OHVs and snowmobiles that they must provide proof of ownership before they can register their vehicles.

Providing proof of ownership is a new regulation enacted by the Colorado Legislature. The purpose of the regulation is to assure that stolen vehicles are not being bought and sold.

The following can be used for proof of ownership:

• A bill that includes the date of sale, the names of the seller and buyer — printed and signed,

• The vessel/vehicle identification number — if known,

DUST2 to host Pagosa Springs' first fat bike race By Ann Bond

By Annie Sewell Special to The SUN

DUST2 is excited to announce

and snowshoeing across the road at Covote Park.

Parking is limited at the event site. Please meet one of the shut-

– if known,

registered owner.

ship.

Certificate of title.

San Juan National Forest accepting project proposals for Title 2 funding

registration office at (303) 791-1920.

will be provided to the state and the owner.

If you need an inspection, please call the CPW

location first to make sure that a law enforcement

officer is available. An officer is usually available

at park offices, but officers are not always avail-

If you are planning to make a purchase this

year from a private party, CPW recommends

that you obtain a bill of sale with the appropriate

information. For convenience, CPW provides a

Dealers are required to complete the registra-

For additional details, go to CPW's registration

tion application for customers and to collect the

website: cpw.state.co.us. You can also call CPW's

template for a bill of sale on its website.

Special to The SUN

Project proposals are now being accepted for natural-resource projects that benefit the San Juan local citizens representing a wide National Forest and rural econo-

the intent of the legislation will be reviewed by the San Juan Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) this

spring. The RAC, which is made up of range of interests, provides recommendations to the Forest Service on which Title 2 projects should be funded. Prior to online submittal, potential applicants must coordinate their proposal with the affected county and ranger district. To be considered, project proposals must qualify under the purposes of the act and be posted online no later than March 17. Applicants are advised to coordinate submissions with Ann Bond, San Juan RAC coordinator, at 385-1219 or abond@fs.fed.us.



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able at wildlife offices.

registration fee.

Fourmile Road to McManus Road and back. The 2017 races are set for this Saturday, Jan. 7.

that it will be hosting Pagosa's first fat bike race on Sunday, Jan. 8, from 9 a.m. to noon at Turkey Springs trailhead, off Piedra Road.

This will include three races: a 14-mile loop, 7-mile loop and kids mile.

For those of you who may not want to race, there is plenty of groomed trail for Nordic skiing tles at Pagosa Mountain Sports, 162 Pagosa St., or in the City Market parking lot 162 Country Center Drive.

Proceeds to benefit DUST2 and its urban single-track trail initiative.

To register and for more information, go to www.dustx2.com or call 507-7886.

Horsemen: Exploring historic tree carvings

By Kathy Sherer Special to The SUN

The Four Corners Back Country Horsemen will hold their monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 7 p.m. at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. Nonmembers are always welcome to attend.

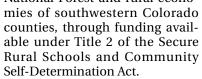
Ruth Lambert will discuss the San Juan Mountains Association's recent study of the historic Hispano tree carvings, or arborglyphs, found along the Pine-Piedra Stock Driveway in the San Juan National Forest.

In the early 1900s, the driveway was used for seasonal migrations of sheep between summer and winter pastures. As herders camped along

the route, they carved names, dates and images to mark their passing.

The study included archaeological documentation of camps, historical research and conversations with descendants of herding families. Together, the history and traditions behind these carvings provide a glimpse into the lifeways of early Hispano settlers.

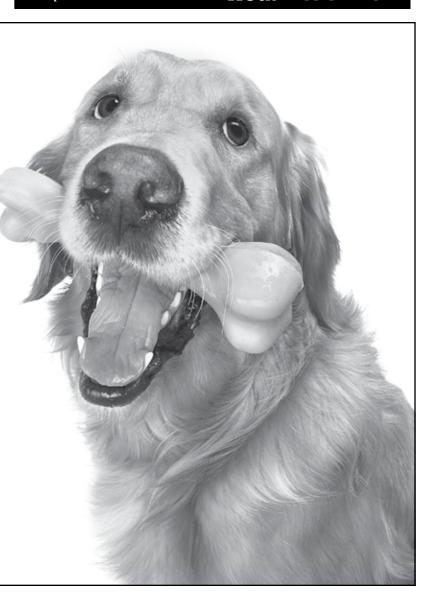
The Four Corners Back Country Horsemen work to perpetuate commonsense enjoyment of public lands by horsemen and pack stock users. To learn more, go to: www.4cbch.org or contact Cathy Roberts, chapter president, at 749-0316 or cathyroberts08@ gmail.com.



The purposes of the act include making investments and creating employment opportunities through the maintenance of existing infrastructure, implementation of stewardship objectives, and restoration of land health or water quality. Examples include projects that restore watersheds, maintain or decommission roads, manage noxious weeds, or otherwise improve forest health on or adjacent to the national forest.

Project proposals that meet

To access the San Juan Title II Project application form, go to: http://cloudapps-usda-gov.force. com/FSSRS/CreateNewProjectPa ge?rac=001t0000002JcvFAAS.





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Review.

■ Continued from front property that the county owns off of Hot Springs Boulevard, the Parelli building and revamping the current

courthouse. •Wolf Creek Ski Area saw a strong start to the ski season, boasting "the most snow in Colorado."

With 269 inches year-to-date, a summit base of 105 inches and midway depth of 82 inches, Wolf Creek had more snow than Silverton Mountain, Steamboat, Aspen/ Snowmass and Monarch Mountain.

The ski area saw between 4,500 and 4,900 visitors in the days prior to and following the pass closure over the week of Christmas.

• On Jan. 16, Pagosa Springs Middle School sustained structural damage when a drunk driver drove into it while eluding police.

An Archuleta County Sheriff's deputy observed 22-year-old Trenton Ybarra turn the wrong way down a one-way alley between San Juan and Lewis Street.

The deputy turned on his lights and pursued Ybarra's vehicle, when Ybarra proceeded to accelerate in the alley, crossed North 4th Street, and hit a dumpster before hitting the school.

Ybarra was arrested for vehicular eluding, driving a vehicle under the influence of alcohol, driving under restraint from an alcohol- or drugrelated offense, possession while under the influence, reckless driving, not having insurance in possession, having expired license plates and driving a vehicle the wrong way down a one-way street or roadway.

• A long-awaited project to thin the forest on Reservoir Hill in the Town of Pagosa Springs began on Jan. 18.

According to Town Manager Greg Schulte, "The original intent was to conduct the thinning back in winter of 2014-15. However, due to the lack of snow and cold temperatures, the thinning was deferred to this winter. The winter snow and cold temperatures enable us to minimize the impact to the grounds."

The project removed small trees in favor of large, older trees, because old-growth ponderosa pine trees enhance the aesthetic diversity of the forest and provide improved shade to forest users. In addition, the project removed "ladder fuels," so that a fire at ground level would be less likely to transition into a crown fire with increased danger of major destruction.

The project was supported by a \$63,500 grant from the Colorado State Forest Service, and covered 40 acres of the popular park.

Prior to the start of the project,

The pipeline was initially proposed by PAWSD as a solution for sewage treatment deficiencies experienced by the town at its obsolete sewage lagoons. Until PAWSD's proposal, PSSGID had been seeking to construct its own sewage treatment plant to replace the lagoons.

The decision to mediate the dispute ultimately lead to the execution by the two agencies of a new intergovermental agreement later in 2016.

• Black Hills Corp., a multistate natural gas company, announced it was moving forward in the process of acquiring SourceGas, the company that was the central provider of natural gas in the Pagosa Springs area, to the tune of approximately \$2 billion.

• It was revealed that the Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) boasted strong numbers in 2015, both financially and in terms of patient numbers.

In 2015, gross patient revenue totaled \$46.23 million, which was a 32-percent increase from 2014 and 90 percent higher than 2013.

Along with strong financials, the hospital remained extremely busy throughout 2015, including 55,800 outpatient visits, 20,800 lab visits, 9,700 imaging patients, 16,800 clinic visits and just under 7,000 emergency room visits.

• On Jan. 29, a surprised (and recently retired) Mary Helen Cammack was presented with the 2015 Outstanding Colorado Educator Award from the University of Colorado at Boulder during a PSHS student assembly.

"The Outstanding Colorado Educator Award is presented to educators across the state of Colorado who have demonstrated a commitment to helping students achieve their highest education goals," PSHS Principal Sean O'Donnell said in introducing the award.

February

• On Feb. 2, a snowmobiler died after triggering a backcountry avalanche near Tucker Ponds Road.

Snowmobile and dog teams from Archuleta County and Wolf Creek Ski Patrol, and Rio Grande and Mineral counties, located the subject about four hours after the avalanche was triggered.

• PSMC celebrated a "milestone moment" in which the organization's emergency services prevented a heart attack. The team managed a "door-to-drug" time of three minutes, putting the national benchmark of 30 minutes to shame.

According to Dr. Michelle Flemmings, the patient called 911 early in the morning complaining of chest pain, rating the pain at a seven on a scale of 10. At 1:46 a.m., the EMS team performed an EKG (electrocardiogram). At 1:48 a.m., the medical control center was called. By 2 a.m., the team contacted a cardiologist at Mercy Regional Medical Center to verify a plan of action. Flight for Life was called at 2:10 a.m. By 2:11 a.m., the patient arrived in the Emergency Department at PSMC and, three minutes later, at 2:14 a.m., the first drug was administered. The second drug was administered at 2:17 a.m. and, by 2:30 a.m., the patient reported improvement, citing a pain level of two out of 10. "Through their actions, why we are here tonight, is because the team involved in caring for this patient, down to the lab, down to radiology, down to the EMS driver achieved a door-to-drug time of three minutes ... because in little Pagosa, we beat and busted out that standard," Flemmings said. • The Pagosa Springs Town Council adopted two resolutions at its meeting on Feb. 2, committing the town to support Phase I of the proposed in-town urban single-track trails system.

work.

• On Feb. 2, the town council also agreed to provide \$15,000 for the operating expenses of Habitat for Humanity of Archuleta County during the year, with the money coming from the allocation of \$50,000 in the town's 2016 budget for Early Childhood/Attainable Housing initiatives.

Schulte suggested to council that the action would be consistent with the town's 2016 Goals and Objectives, which specified encouragement of "Workforce Housing Development" as a critical objective for the town.

In support of the request for funding by the town, Habitat board chairman Kyle Cox explained the program includes two components: construction of new homes and rehabilitation of existing homes.

Cox acknowledged that Habitat has not constructed any new homes in the downtown area, although it has done several rehabs.

He noted that a lack of availability of lots at an affordable price was impeding the building of houses in the downtown area.

• Showing a bright future for the PSHS Lady Pirates, the Pagosa Springs Middle School girls' basketball team defeated Cortez Middle School to cap off a 10-0 perfect season and bring home the third consecutive San Juan Basin League Championship.

• Plungers jumping into the icecold San Juan River raised more than \$5,000 for area nonprofits during Winterfest's Penguin Plunge.

• A Pagosa Springs woman, Jean Hanson, testified before the Colorado Senate Judiciary Committee in an effort to strengthen laws in Colorado relating to tampering with physical evidence and create a new law differentiating human remains from other physical evidence.

Hanson joined the quest to strengthen the law after her son was killed in 2014 and the man held responsible was sentenced to 15 months for tampering with physical evidence after murder and obstruction charges were dropped.

• As of Feb. 12, SourceGas became Black Hills Energy.

In July 2015, Black Hills announced it was a successful bidder to purchase SourceGas for \$1.89 billion, including the assumption of \$760 million of debt.

The purchase was approved by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, as well as the utility commissions in Arkansas, Nebraska and Wyoming.

• With a trio of wins, the Lady Pirates claimed the Intermountain

Planning Director James Dickhoff, \$4,000.

told The SUN on Feb. 16, before

council's meeting, that the town

wanted to negotiate an amendment

to table the executive session, con-

siderable comment on the potential

bridge was offered by members of

the community. In moving to table

the session, Councilor David Schan-

zenbaker suggested that issues re-

garding the potential bridge arising

under the vested rights agreement

Consistent with Schanzenbaker's

remark, it was announced during

the course of the meeting that a

public work session to discuss the

development and the construc-

tion of the bridge would be held by

Search and Rescue (USJSAR) and

the Pagosa Fire Protection District

(PFPD) conducted a search for an

unidentified woman who became

lost in the Turkey Springs area at the

was after getting lost, with the entire

search effort lasting roughly an hour

the Lady Pirates laid claim to the

the Lady Pirates garnered the No. 1

seed heading into the state playoffs

— an even better position than the

team had the previous year, when it

was the No. 2 seed and went to claim

• On Feb. 28, Pagosa Springs cel-

• On March 1, the BoCC voted

The salary increase and CoLA

Had the board done nothing, the

come from Senate Bill 15-288, a bill

passed in July 2015 by the Colorado

bill would have automatically given

elected officials a 30-percent salary

Commissioner Steve Wadley

recused himself from the meeting

before the BoCC discussed the mat-

ter, and commissioners Michael

Whiting and Clifford Lucero voted

unanimously for a 20-percent sal-

• A Pagosa Springs Parks and

Recreation Department proposal

for a summer youth program to be

to give all newly elected officials a

20-percent salary increase and a

2- to 4-percent cost of living adjust-

ebrated its 125th birthday, having

been incorporated Feb. 28, 1891.

The woman stayed where she

• For the sixth time in nine years,

With the win, and a 21-0 record,

• On Feb. 22, Upper San Juan

deserved public discussion.

council on March 17.

Gate 5 trailhead.

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March

ment (CoLA).

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General Assembly.

and a half.

Prior to the decision on Feb. 18

to the 2012 agreement.

• Following their second-place finish at the district tournament in late February, the Pirate basketball team earned the No. 16 seed heading into the state playoffs.

• On March 4, former Colorado senator and Durango native Jim Isgar passed away.

In addition to his time in the state Senate, Isgar, a Democrat, was appointed to serve as director of Rural Development for Colorado under the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 2009 by President Barack Obama.

• The Pirate basketball team was marooned in its quest for the state tournament, but not without putting up a fight.

The Pirates entered the playoffs as the No. 16 team in the state, but fell to the state's top 3A team in the Sweet 16 round.

The Pirates first faced No. 17 Basalt on March 4, with the Pirates defeating the Longhorns 54-52 in overtime.

• The Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD), which operates PSMC, canceled its district election due to having only as many candidates as open positions on the board.

Members Dr. Jim Pruitt and citizens Matt Mees and Kate Alfred (returning for another term) would begin their four-year commitment on May 3, the proposed election date.

• The fourth time was the charm for the No. 9 Centauri Falcons, who defeated the No. 1 Lady Pirates by a single point in quarterfinal game of the state playoffs, sending the Lady Pirates to the consolation bracket, where they would claim a fifth-place finish.

The Lady Pirates finished the season with a 25-1 record.

"We lost one game by one point this year. I was proud of the girls," coach Wes Lewis said.

Centauri would go on to place fourth.

• On March 12, PFPD personnel were dispatched to PSMC, on South Pagosa Boulevard, to respond to a fire.

The PFPD's incident report states that the failure of a fluorescent light structure was the cause of the fire.

The report states that there were no human factors that contributed to the fire, and that PSMC staff put the fire out with a fire extinguisher before PFPD units arrived.

• On March 15, the PFPD Board of Directors approved an IGA between the PFPD and the Town of Pagosa Springs for jurisdictional fire safety services.

"The Town Fire Code Official, or

"ultimately knocked only 24 customers in the area out of power. It happened at 8:58 a.m. and the 24 customers were back in power at 10:15 a.m."

• On March 17, the previously announced public meeting to discuss the proposed new bridge over the San Juan River at 5th Street attracted an overflow crowd of interested area residents to the Community Center.

The meeting covered the history of the potential project, its status, the possible need for the bridge, and allowed the town to hear public comment.

Comments during the meeting were offered by 36 members of the community, according to a count by The SUN. Comments varied, but many expressed concern over the benefit that the developer would realize at the town's expense. Others urged that the decision to build a bridge needed to be based on more specific information.

The meeting was not intended to make any decisions. One resident in attendance asked what the potential timeline would be. In response, Schulte generally predicted, "it will be a long process."

• On March 19, a search operation was conducted in the Piedra River Valley for two overdue hikers.

The USJSAR team arrived to the trailhead at 9 p.m. with the hikers being located around 1:20 a.m.

The hikers originally planned to thru-hike the Piedra River Trail,which is around 11 miles long, but turned around before hiking too far into the backcountry.

What the hikers didn't know is that the end trailhead was at the end of a road that was closed by the U.S. Forest Service.

Even if the hikers had completed the 11-mile hike, they would have faced an additional 12-mile hike down the closed Forest Service road.

• Seeds of Learning Early Care and Education announced that, following unsuccessful attempts to hire required staff, it was discontinuing its toddler program.

In turn, the center expanded its pre-K program.

• PSMC patient volume was, as Dr. Ralph Battels put it, "booming."

Inpatient numbers, it was announced at an USJHSD board meeting, had gone up by 50 percent in a year, clinic patients by 30 percent and emergency room by 40 percent.

• Pagosa Springs Elementary School announced it was a 2016 Healthy School Champion, having been awarded the \$500 Excellence Award for its school health efforts.

The school was one of 43 schools named as a 2016 Healthy School

Schulte told The SUN "studies have shown the density of trees and undergrowth on Reservoir Hill to be at unacceptable and unhealthy levels. As a result, a significant fire risk exists on Reservoir Hill."

The thinning project was completed in March.

• A public meeting convened by the town on Jan. 19 initiated steps to reconstruct South 8th Street.

Input received by the town during the meeting and after it, both from residents of the neighborhood and frequent users of the route providing access to Pagosa Springs High School and Yamaguchi Park, among other destinations, shaped the ultimate project.

The reconstruction work commenced in late summer, and continued until winter shutdown. The project is expected to be completed during 2017.

When done, consistent with community preferences, the reconstruction will include paving, traffic "calming" features to restrain speeding, a multiuse trail along the west side of the street, improved lighting and extensions of sidewalks to close existing gaps.

• On Jan. 21, the Pagosa Springs Town Council, sitting in its capacity as the board of the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District (PSSGID), authorized an effort to mediate a dispute with the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) under an intergovermental agreement (IGA) reached between the two agencies four years earlier.

The 2012 IGA had provided for the construction and operation of a pipeline and two pump stations to transport sewage from the town for environmentally adequate treatment at the PAWSD's Vista wastewater treatment plant.

Construction of the pipeline, costing approximately \$6.85 million, was nearing completion when PAWSD triggered the dispute by declining in December 2015 to approve funding necessary under the IGA to enable its operation during 2016, thus preventing treatment of the town's sewage at the Vista plant. The trails system concept was formulated by the local nonprofit organization Developing Urban Single Track Trails and Teams (DUST2).

Schulte told council the resolutions would commit the town to construction of an initial trail, approximately 1.5 miles long. But in addition, the resolutions would initiate "a long-term partnership" with DUST2, intended to produce ultimately a substantial trails network built largely on town property.

The network would provide a community recreational asset of potentially several miles of trails usable for mountain biking, walking, cross-country skiing and other activities. The new network would connect to other town trail systems such as the existing trails on Reservoir Hill and the Town-to-Lakes Trail. It would require funding in part by the town for construction, as well as town labor for maintenance

League title.

The three wins gave the Lady Pirates a 19-0 record on the season and 9-0 league record heading into the final regular-season game of the season, as well as a 44-game win streak.

• PSMC published a public notice, consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) patient privacy law, confirming that, in 2013, PSMC experienced a HIPAA violation that could have impacted up to 554 patients.

According to Chief Administration Officer Ann Bruzzese, the incident, which occurred in July and September of 2013, involved a former employee who accessed the 2013 scheduling calendar that included patient names, calendar of pending appointments, and in some circumstances, such information as a date of birth, phone number, a procedure, test or symptom.

Bruzzese noted that, since the breach, PSMC had implemented new measures to prevent another incident.

• The town council tabled an executive session anticipated at its Feb. 18 meeting that had been announced as an agenda item to consider the town's 10-Year Vested Rights Agreement with Springs Partners LLC. The action came against the background of a pending lawsuit challenging an earlier executive session on the agreement conducted by council in September 2015.

The agreement, reached in 2012, had confirmed rights to develop 27 acres downtown, south of the San Juan River and west of Hot Springs Boulevard. It also provided an option for the town to build a bridge over the river at 5th Street.

The potential bridge would supply an alternative connection to U.S. 160 via a connecting road through the development. It also would provide improved access to the development site, but the option specified that the bridge would be built at the town's cost, with the developer contributing only an easement for the connecting road. Mayor Don Volger, Schulte, and operated at the Ross Aragon Community Center was approved by the town council at its March 1 meeting.

Before approving the program, council members expressed the hope that it could help replace the downtown youth center, which had closed the previous fall.

A total anticipated budget of approximately \$40,000 for the summer was projected, depending on volume of attendance. A fee was expected to be charged for attendance, projected at \$85 per week or \$25 per day.

Although council appropriated funds to meet the budget, it hoped that the fees charged, supplemented by gifts and grant funds, would be sufficient that the program would ultimately break even.

After the program was over, it was reported to council by Parks and Recreation Director Darren Lewis that the program had been a success. The total out-of-pocket cost to the town was approximately designee, will conduct all annual inspections for all new and existing residential and commercial building additions, remodeling, shortterm rental, and will complete safety inspections for all special event activities ... within the Town boundaries," reads the IGA.

The IGA also states that, concerning actual fires and investigations, the town fire code official will secure the site for safety, but that the PFPD's fire marshal will perform his or her regular duties, and that the site will always be open to the PFPD for investigation.

• On March 17, a hot air balloon basket descended onto a power line near County Road 139, causing the line to break.

The balloon landed adjacent to the powerline and no one was injured.

Indiana Reed, spokesperson for the La Plata Electric Association (LPEA), wrote that the incident

Champion.

• At a March 22 meeting of the USJHSD board, it was announced that February was a record-setting month for PSMC.

Total patient revenues were 10 percent above average and four records were broken in February, a month PSMC doesn't typically see high numbers.

• Mediation of the dispute between PSSGID and PAWSD over the operation of the sewage pipeline connecting the town to the latter's Vista treatment plant occurred on March 23.

The all-day mediation yielded a series of "deal points," which were proposed as potential basis for a new IGA between the two agencies, if accepted by their respective boards.

The two boards did not immediately act on the deal points, and further action on the dispute was deferred until at least April.

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Bridge

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vested rights agreement indicates that the bridge project should be included in the town's capital plans in 2017, in the event of a decision to exercise its option under Sketch Plan A.

Town Manager Greg Schulte told council Tuesday night that provision currently entitles the Partners to be informed of the town's decision, so they can exercise their right, if appropriate, to proceed with development under Sketch Plan B.

In presenting the question for decision by council whether to exercise the option to build the bridge, Schulte noted, "If we proceed, there is a whole lot of work in front of us," adding specifically "we don't have that money" in the 2017 budget, referring to the estimated cost of \$7.5 million for the bridge project.

Issues pertaining to the potential bridge at 5th Street have been extensively discussed in several public meetings as far back as last February, and as recently as Dec. 5, when consultants' evaluations of the economic and traffic impacts of a possible bridge were presented.

Discussion of the town's option to undertake the project at its own cost was limited Tuesday night. Volger and councilor David Schanzenbaker confirmed their beliefs that the financial terms included in the agreement were not fair to the town. And Volger reiterated his prior comment that a decision by council against exercising the town's option "could put the ball in the developer's court."

Primarily, council members expressed the hope that their decision would not be the end of the matter, but that discussion about a possible bridge with the Partners would continue.

Councilor Tracy Bunning summed up matters by noting there will be issues concerning growth, development and downtown congestion of increasing importance over time. Specifically, he said "the current light and bridge at Hot Springs Boulevard is totally inadequate, and likely to get worse.'

"The cost of fixing it is going to continue to mount," he said, "and as development occurs it's going to become less likely that we're going to be

able to stay ahead of that problem."

"This may not be the time for a commitment by the town," he said, but "we have to look at where we're going" and think "about how we are going to alleviate this problem that we have, and open up the area south of the river for development."

Bunning added, "I don't want to step back" from the problem. It would be important, he observed, "to stay in touch with the developer," and others who may be affected, to work on building the town's future.

The unanimous vote against exercising the option followed.

After the vote, Schulte read a statement by members of the Springs Partners, Bill Dawson, Jack Searle and Matt Mees. The statement had been submitted prior to the vote, but anticipated its outcome.

It stated, "Springs Partners, LLC accepts the decision of the Town Council not to proceed with the 5th Street Bridge and Connection Road."

The statement continued, "Springs Partners considers the matter final and plans to modify and implement Sketch Plan 'B.' This original land plan did not include a

bridge, yet it provides a substantial economic benefit to the community ... We look forward to work with the Town on the project and thank the Mayor, Town Council and Town staff for their efforts to make a correct decision on behalf of all concerned."

However, it remained unclear after the meeting to what extent the Partners may seek to "modify" Sketch Plan B, or the scope of the right they may possess to do so without approval by the town.

According to Town Planning Director James Dickhoff, a vested rights agreement only secures the right for a stated period to develop land for specified uses and with proposed densities.

Often there may be later modification of a developer's original proposals submitted in conjunction with a vested rights agreement, Dickhoff said. But whether there is a vested rights agreement or not, before any construction can commence on a project, the town must approve a more detailed preliminary development plan, and then a final development plan.

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Judge

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sion while in executive session. Giehl and Roane filed two different motions, one for summary judgment and one for an order to show cause.

The motion for summary judgment was granted, while the motion for the order to show cause was denied.

"Plaintiff has alleged in his Amended Complaint that a public

information request was submitted by him on December 3, 2015, seeking a copy of the Executive Session recording from September 22, 2015, and that Defendant denied that request," reads the order for summary judgment handed down by Lyman.

The order goes on to state that, from a review of the record before the court, there's sufficient grounds to "support a reasonable belief" that the BoCC engaged in discussion of

matters not enumerated in state statute, "and/or that the same Board of County Commissioners adopted a proposed position or formal action in the Executive Session ... "

"Defendant (sic) seeks by his Amended Complaint, among other things, an in camera inspection of the executive session recording pursuant to ... This request is hereby Granted," reads the order. "Defendant shall tender to the Court within

15 days of this order the Executive Session recording from September 22, 2015, for in camera review."

Giehl and Starr were unavailable for comment by presstime on Wednesday.

With Lyman retiring effective Jan. 10, the in-camera review will be conducted by Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson, who will become the chief judge following Lyman's retirement.

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County establishes meeting dates, office hours

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

During a regular meeting on Jan. 3, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) adopted a resolution for routine county business.

The resolution establishes a location for the posting of county notices, sets meeting dates for the 2017 calendar year and establishes days and office hours for county offices to transact county business.

BoCC Chairman Michael Whiting was absent from the meeting, so Commissioner Clifford Lucero acted as chairman.

County Administrator Bentley Henderson presented the agenda item to the BoCC.

"These are some statutory requirements that the county is required to meet on an annual basis," said Henderson. "There are no changes, and I feel like that's a critical thing for people to understand.'

Henderson later explained that the last part of the resolution was establishing office hours.

"As has been the case in the past, our offices in the courthouse are open from 8 to 4 and this building (the administration building) is available for business from 8 to 5," said Henderson. "Statute and the resolution both reflect that the sheriff's office is open, basically, 24/7 on an as-needed basis to conduct the functions of that department."

Commissioner Steve Wadley voted to approve the resolution, with Lucero seconding the motion. Because Wadley and Lucero were the only

two commissioners in attendance, the motion proceeded to pass unanimously.

Lucero's farewell

the employees of the county and the people that he's worked with while holding office, as this was his last meeting before his term expired and he would no longer be a county commissioner. "As many of you know, today is Clifford's last meeting on the board of county commissioners, and I just wanted to take a minute to say that Clifford Lucero defines the term of 'public service,'" said Wadley. "He was here to lead the county through some of its darkest hours. When he took office, this county was nearing bankruptcy, and facing layoffs. It was a very difficult time. He worked tirelessly in his efforts to get his constitu-

ents to success. Clifford is a man of integrity, and always puts his community first, and I want to say that I'm very proud to have served with him."

Lucero thanked Wadley and stated that there were some people he wanted to thank, including all of the county staff.

'We did a fabulous job these past eight years. We had some tough times, but they did a great job. All the elected officials have been great to work with. We didn't always agree on everything, but we got along and we made things happen and it was for the best, most of the time, so thank you guys," said Lucero.

He went on to say that he had worked with four county administrators, and he had enjoyed working with all of them, especially Henderson. "I've worked with four different county finance

directors, and I think we've got a great one right Lucero then expressed words of gratitude to now. Larry Walton, holy moly, I'm so impressed by him," said Lucero. "I've worked with four different commissioners, and I'm thankful for every one of them. There's two of them that I'm especially thankful for, which is Steve and John Ranson. I'm really thankful for those two guys because they were top shelf, both of them."



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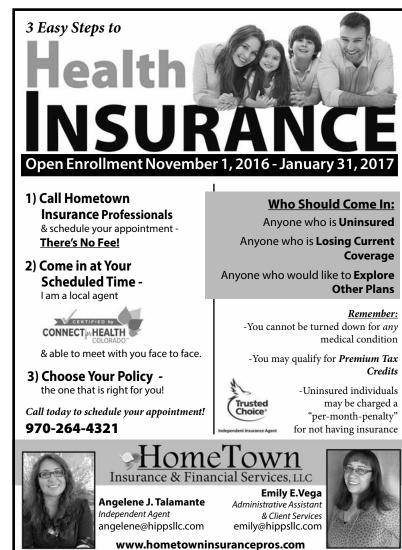
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essentially, to the office hours, nor to the meeting dates. They will continue to be on the first and third Tuesdays of each month here in this building, unless noticed otherwise."

Henderson went on to explain that public notices will continue to be posted on the official bulletin board outside of the County Administration building, located at 398 Lewis St.

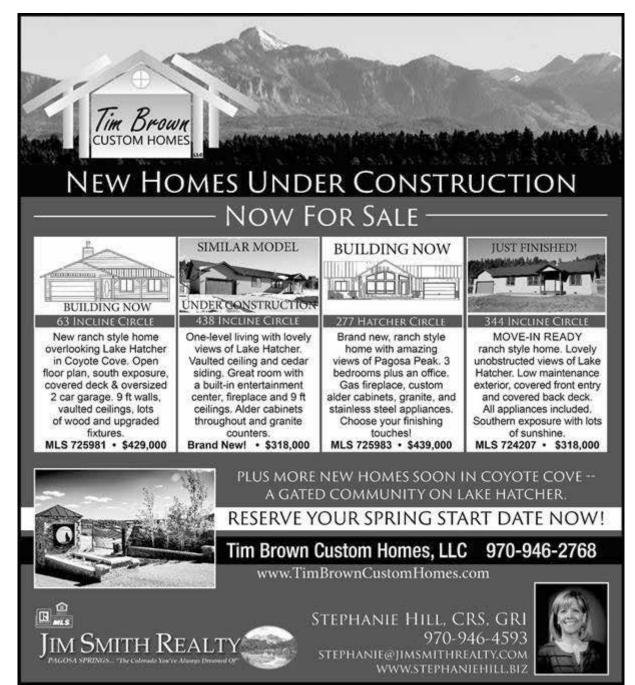
"If anybody is confused about being able to see where and when things are posted, that's going to be the location," said Henderson. "It's not our website, it's not the newspaper, it's this building,

Lucero also extended gratitude to Archuleta County's attorney, Todd Starr.

"Most importantly, I want to thank the citizens of Archuleta County," said Lucero. "They allowed me to work for them for eight years, so I'm very thankful for that."

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Snow and ice bring busy holiday for first responders

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

The Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) dealt with a busy holiday, responding to several crashes and a medical assist.

On Friday, Dec. 30, a pickup truck slid off the road and drove onto a snowbank near Treasure Falls.

According to Karn Macht of the PFPD, units were dispatched at 10:48 a.m., with the first unit arriving at 11:09 a.m.

Macht explained that the truck was on the snowbank at a precarious angle, and that, had the truck gone over the bank, it would have faced a large drop.

All of the individuals were out of the vehicle when the PFPD arrived, and all were uninjured.

Originally, an engine and a rescue vehicle was dispatched, but the rescue vehicle was later called off.

Six PFPD personnel responded, with three of them being volunteers.

A tow truck arrived to the scene and the PFPD cleared the scene at 11:24 a.m.

In the early morning of Saturday, Dec. 31, a crash occurred at the border between New Mexico and Colorado.

Macht said that the crash began in New Mexico and ended in Colorado.

He explained that the driver of the car lost control in New Mexico, hit a guardrail, and then drove onto Colorado land.

The vehicle was 50 yards off of the road, Macht estimated.

An engine, a rescue vehicle and a battalion vehicle were dispatched to the accident at 12:37 a.m., with the first unit arriving at 1:05 a.m.

Six personnel responded, with five of those responders being volunteers.

Because PFPD personnel had to dig out a snowbank in order to open the door and get the driver out of the vehicle, the incident is regarded as an extrication.

Macht added that the driver thought she had a broken collarbone and that there was alcohol in the vehicle.

The driver was transported to Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) by PSMC EMS, and units cleared the scene at 1:51 a.m.

Later that morning, an accident involving two Chevy pickup trucks occurred at the intersection of Park Avenue and Talisman Drive.

Units were dispatched at 10:31 a.m., after a truck went past the stop sign on Talisman Drive and the oncoming truck on Park Avenue was unable to stop in time, explained Macht.

An engine, a rescue vehicle and a battalion vehicle were dispatched

Macht estimated that the house

The cause of the fire is still under

Later that day, the reporting

investigation, but the fire was be-

lieved to be accidental, explained

sustained \$20,000 in damage.

to the scene, but the rescue vehicle was later canceled.

The first unit arrived on scene at 10:34 a.m.

Antifreeze and power steering fluid were leaking when units arrived, so units cleaned that up before directing traffic.

Two personnel responded to the accident, with six more on standby. The PFPD cleared the scene at 11:33 a.m.

The PFPD then responded to a medical assist from EMS for a woman who sustained a hip injury while cross-country skiing behind San Juan Veterinary Clinic.

Macht explained that units were dispatched at 11:58 a.m. and arrived at noon.

He explained that the woman was 1,000 yards from where the ambulance was, so PFPD personnel walked to the woman with a "sked sled."

Macht described a sked sled as a sled used for rescue operations, and explained that PFPD personnel packaged the patient and walked her back to the ambulance.

A rescue vehicle and a battalion vehicle were dispatched to the scene, containing six PFPD personnel, three of whom were volunteers. The scene was cleared at 12:39

p.m. On Saturday afternoon, a car

slid off the road across from Pagosa Motorsports on Put Hill.

Macht said PFPD units were dispatched at 2:50 p.m. and arrived at 2:55 p.m.

dispatched a rescue vehicle, an engine, and a battalion vehicle.

However, he later canceled the engine.

Five personnel responded to the scene, with four being volunteers.

When a tow truck arrived to move the vehicle, PFPD units cleared the scene at 3:58 p.m.

On Sunday, Jan. 1, a vehicle rollover occurred at mile marker 159.5 on U.S. 160, near the overlook on Wolf Creek Pass.

Macht explained that the vehicle was coming down the pass when it hit a patch of ice, which caused the driver to lose control and start spinning.

The vehicle then hit a patch of dry road, which caused the car to roll onto the driver's side.

PFPD units were dispatched

at 12:19 p.m. and arrived at 12:44 p.m., explained Macht.

Upon arriving, units found a few fluids leaking from the vehicle, and

cleaned them up. Macht added that units didn't clear the scene until 1:07 p.m., when a tow truck arrived.

On Monday morning, a crash occurred near mile marker 153 on Wolf Creek Pass involving two vehicles.

Macht stated that the two vehicles involved were a black sedan and a black SUV.

Macht stated that one car's headlight clipped the other car's headlight as they passed each other, resulting in the accident.

PFPD units responded in an engine, a battalion vehicle and a personal vehicle, explained Macht.

Two people were still trapped in the front of one of the vehicles, and Macht explained that he used the

side door. Macht explained that in total, there were nine individuals involved in the crash, and that five were injured.

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Macht believed that there were three adults and six children involved in the crash.

Three ambulances and an Archuleta County Mountain Express bus were used to assist the victims of the crash.

Five patients were transported to PSMC by three different ambulances, with the other four individuals taking shelter in the Mountain Express bus.

PSMC EMS Chief Jason Webb stated that usually, the EMS department runs two or three ambulances at a time, and that ambulance availability depends on the amount of resources the EMS department has available at the time.

Macht said that some of the injuries sustained included chest pain and a suspected wrist fracture. marshall@pagosasun.com

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PFPD responds to structure fire scene at 8:16 a.m.

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

In the early morning of Monday, Jan. 2, the Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) responded to a house fire.

Originally, the reporting party called 911 and reported smoke in their house with the fire alarms going off.

The fire occurred off of Antero Drive, explained PFPD's Karn Macht, adding that units were dispatched at 4:39 a.m. and the first unit arrived at 4:49 a.m.

Macht explained that the belief is that the fire started in the chimney and spread to a part of the roof structure.

Macht said the fire was knocked down and controlled at 6:41 a.m., and that the PFPD cleared the

party called again, as the creaking and popping sounds they were hearing led them to believe the fire had started up again. However, upon arriving back to

Macht.

the house, PFPD units found that the residents were only hearing the sounds of the house "settling" due to the temperature difference between the inside and outside of the house.

Macht added that although the house sustained damage, the house was still habitable and the residents were still living in it.

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Macht said that he originally

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Dec. 26 - Theft, County Road 982.

Dec. 27 — Information only, Trails Boulevard.

Dec. 28 - Found property, San Juan Street.

Dec. 29 — Criminal mischief, U.S. 160.

Dec. 29 — Harassment by phone or computer, Pinon Causeway.

Dec. 29 - Animals/nuisance, Wilderness Drive.

Dec. 29 - Drove vehicle when license suspended, glass in vehicle did not permit normal vision, Boulder Drive.

Dec. 30 - Failure to use turn signal, drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, Great West Avenue

Street. Jan. 1 - Information only, Sugar-

loaf Drive. Jan. 1 — Owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, drove vehicle when license canceled, operated a vehicle with defective head lamps, glass in vehicle did not permit normal vision, U.S. 160.

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Dec. 29 - Information only, San Juan Street Dec. 29 - Traffic/license/insur-

ance, U.S. 160. Dec. 30 - Information only, South

Pagosa Boulevard. Jan. 2 - Animal/running at large, Pagosa Street.

Jan. 2 — Tampering with motor vehicle, San Juan Street. Jan. 2 - Animal/running at large.

Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge William Anderson No report. Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

\$263.50.

Dec. 22 - Alberto Salcedo, false imprisonment, six months jail, fines and costs - \$336.50.

Dec. 29 - Paige Swinehart, registration-not in vehicle, obstructed view-windshield, drivers license-not in possession, fines and costs -\$181.50.

Dec. 29 - Thomas J. Galvin, license plates-expired, fines and costs - \$185.50.

Dec. 29 - Gregory D. Dotson, seat belt not used, fines and costs \$163.50

Dec. 29 - Gavin E. Byers, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs \$258.50

Dec. 29 - Richard P. Lachapelle, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs - \$193.50.

Dec. 30 - Michell C. Green, fail obey traffic control device, fines and costs - \$137.50.

6th Judicial District Court: Judge Greg Lyman No report.

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Sports

BASKETBALL Lady Pirates ring in new year with fifth win

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates rang in the new year with another win, bringing their record to 5-1 on the season.

The win came Tuesday evening over the 4A Durango Demons, with a 36-23 final score.

"Obviously glad to get a win against a good team in Durango,' coach Wes Lewis said following the game. "They're well coached, a big school, and they've got some good players, and so I guess any time you can get a win against a quality opponent, you're glad about that."

Going into the game, the Demons held a 6-3 record.

The game was very close in the first quarter, with the Pirates outscoring the Demons 5-4, but pulled away a little in the second quarter, ending the first half up 15-10.

The team "did a nice job in the third quarter creating some separation," Lewis said, and traded baskets with Durango in the fourth.

With a 16-point lead with about four minutes to go, Lewis noted the team went into a delayed game until the final buzzer, which left the Pirates with a 13-point win.

Twelve of those points came from Devin Wilson, who chalked up three 3-pointers, as well as landing three of five shots from the freethrow line and logging three assists.

"Devin Wilson had a nice night shooting the basketball for us," Lewis said.

Despite limited playing in the first half due to early foul trouble, Morgan Lewis tallied 11 for the Lady Pirates, including a 3-pointer.

"Hailey Griego came in and did a really nice job for a freshman. Got us some big minutes there, and then we brought Morgan back in the second quarter with about five minutes to go and she was able to play the rest of the game and stay out of foul trouble, so that was big for us," the coach said.

Griego put up two points for the Lady Pirates in the game.

And while Morgan Lewis "didn't have a huge night" offensively, the



to the team's total.

Morgan Lewis was the team's

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top rebounder on the night with Whether you should put your assets in a trust is not a question with a simple nine, followed by Wilson's seven. answer. Unless you have assets more than \$5.45 million (\$10.9 million for a married couple), there are no federal estate taxes for 2017. Colorado does not Four other Pirates pulled down have an estate tax nor are there any taxes on any asset you may inherit, called rebounds, as well. an inheritance tax. These laws can change any time Congress or the General The coach was also pleased with Assembly meets the team's defense and number of A trust can be used to protect assets for a child, someone that is mentally or turnovers physically disabled, or someone that simply cannot manage money. Some taxes, Megan Farrah also put up points "I thought our defense was relike capital gains taxes, can be delayed but eventually the tax collector will want to ally good," he said. "Early in the be paid. A candid discussion with an attorney and your tax preparer will help you decide first quarter we gave up five offenwhat will work for you and your potential heirs and whether you may need further sive rebounds, and from then on, advice from other advisers. Suite 3, Cascade Plaza, 46 Eaton Drive I think we gave up three the rest of the game" and did much better Pagosa Springs (Behind City Market) William L. not giving the Demons second and 970-398-0820 third chances to score. Hubbard hubbard43@gmail.com With eight, the coach noted, Attorney at Law Office Hours by Appointment ■ See Lady A12 Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2016 Mattress Model **Closeouts!** · COLORADO HOME · SUPPLY We are making MajesticSleep room for the 2017 models! Serta 2016 prices Save while we have the best selection Up to 50% OFF select bedroom sets **Closeout on all linens & bedding!** BRAND SOURCE Delivery and set up available All sales final on sale items, cash and carry, no returns on sale items, discounts do not apply to sale items, Hardware sale prices may not be combined with other discounts. Delivery or installation not included. 525 Navajo Trail Drive • 731-4022 See our ads on TerrysACE.com Mon-Fri 7:30-6 • Sat 8-5 • Sun 9-4

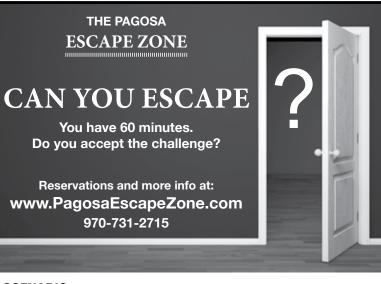
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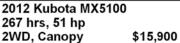
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coach noted, "She just creates a lot of attention, which opens up a lot of other kids."

in the game, tallying seven, which the coach noted was "great to see." Farrah added a team-high five assists in the game.

"That was nice to have those three kind of balancing our scoring," Wes Lewis said of Wilson, Morgan Lewis and Farrah.

Keena Murphy also added four

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WRESTLING

Pirates host Rocky Mountain Invitational this weekend

By Marshall Dunham Staff Writer

Upon returning to school from their holiday break, the Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Pirate wrestlers face a busy week.

On Thursday, Jan. 5, the Pirates will travel to La Jara to battle the Centauri Falcons.

The following day, Jan. 6, the Pirates will host the Rocky Mountain Duals.

Then, on Jan. 7, the Pirates will host the Rocky Mountain Invitational.

Besides the Pirates, 18 other teams are expected to participate in the tournament, including the Del Norte Tigers, the Bayfield Wolverines and the Mancos Bluejays.

"The Rocky Mountain Invitational Wrestling Tournament is wrestled using a modified sixteen-man bracket," reads a letter issued to the participating schools by Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Athletic Director Marcie Ham. "Using this bracket, wrestlers who lose in the championship semi-finals will wrestle for third place, while those who lose in the consolation semi-finals will wrestle for seventh place."

Coach Dan Janowsky explained that the team had a couple of voluntary practices over the holiday break, and that he figured the kids who were really into wrestling would attend.

"I'd like to have a lot of live wrestling over the holiday," said Janowsky. "I like to have un-

structured workouts. We may have a little bit of structured conditioning, but other than that, the guys come in with a partner and they get to wrestle each other and experiment on things that they want to learn about, their areas of weakness and that kind of stuff."

Janowsky said that he tries to keep practices over the holidays from becoming too structured.

"Over the holiday, I like to let them wrestle, because that's what they like," said Janowsky. "It's not such a chore to come in. You let them play to the extent that wrestling is play."

Janowsky also stated that he wanted the team to focus on getting takedowns in the standing, or neutral, position.

After wrestling at the Grand Junction Warrior Classic, Janowsky estimated that the Pirates earned as many takedowns as they had given up.

"But we don't want to be 50/50 in that department," said Janowsky. "We want to be getting 70 or 80 percent of the takedowns."

In a prior interview with SUN staff, Janowsky speculated that he would move a couple of

wrestlers from the junior varsity team to the varsity team.

Doing this would help the Pirates fill the vacant weights on the team and improve their team score.

On the idea that the holidays may figure into weight loss and gain, Janowsky said that he wasn't worried, but "that's always a potential pitfall."

"I think these guys are veteran enough to manage that," said Janowsky. "It could be an issue that first week back, but I don't think it will be a game changer. They need to do stuff on their own during break, and I feel like we have enough guys who are doing that right now."

Janowsky stated that although wrestling three days in a row can be tough, he likes to do it several times throughout the season because that's how the state tournament is structured.

Admission to the tournament will be \$5 for adults and \$4 for students.

Tournament brackets will also be available for \$1 at the concession stand.

The Rocky Mountain Duals will start at 5 p.m. on Jan. 6 in the PSHS gym.

The Rocky Mountain Invitational will begin at 10 a.m. on Jan. 7 in the PSHS gym. marshall@pagosasun.com

BASKETBALL **Pirates fall to Demons to start 2017**

By Randi Pierce Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirate basketball team fell to the pressure of the 4A Durango Demons Tuesday evening, dropping to a 3-4 record heading into conference play.

After scoring single digits three out of the game's four quarters, the Pirates lost by a final score of 45-32.

We played timid again and that really hurt us," coach Randy Sorenson explained in an email to The SUN.

Heading into the game, the Demons held a 6-1 record, while the Pirates were even at 3-3.

Despite scoring first in the affair, the Pirates found themselves down 10-7 by the end of the first quarter.

The next quarter, Pagosa added only four points to the scoreboard, but allowed Durango to tally 14, giving the Pirates a 24-11 deficit to tackle in the second half.

The Pirates increased their scoring in the third quarter to nine, but were again outscored by the Demons, who notched 11.

The Pirates outscored their visitors in the game's final quarter, 12-10, but it was too little too late, sending the Demons home with

games" scoring only 11 points in a half and 20 in three quarters.

Six different Pirates added to the scoreboard in the game, but no single Pirate managed double digits, with Isaiah Griego leading the team with eight (he averages 14.6 points per game).

Keaton Laverty followed with six points, Ethan Brown tallied five, Jesus Pacheco added four, Zach De-Vooght added three (a 3-pointer), and Cade Cowan contributed two.

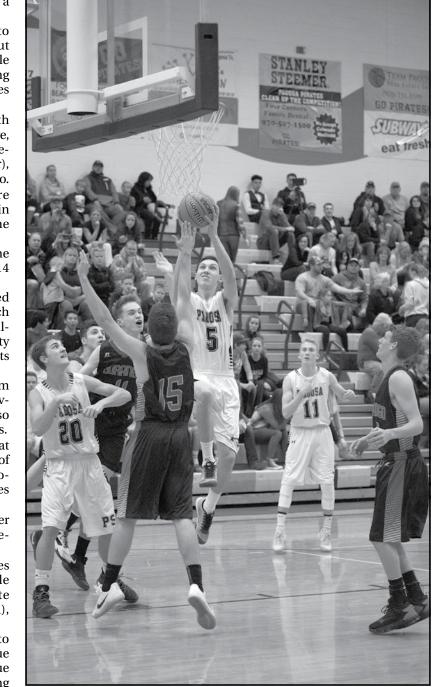
The other four points were not credited to specific players in the stats available by press time Wednesday.

Five of the Pirates' points came from the free-throw line, out of 14 attempts.

Griego and Laverty jointly led the team in rebounds, with each garnering 6 of the team's 18 pulldowns, and DeVooght and Laverty jointly led the team with two assists each.

The coach noted that the team was also missing two of its top seven players, but added that that also led to a bright spot for the Pirates.

"One of the bright notes was that we got some good minutes out of some of our young kids. We are going to need that as the season goes





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UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required t appear and defend against the claims of the Complair to Quiet Title Pursuant to Rule 105 filed with the Archuleta County District Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this Court an Answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the last day o publication. A copy of the Complaint may be obta from the clerk of the court.

If you fail to file your Answer or other response to the Complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be entered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in Complaint without further notice.

This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows:

Lot 218, Pagosa Vista, according to the plat thereo filed, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder, Archuleta

County, Colorado Respectfully submitted this 6th day of December, 2016 /s/ Daniel L Fiedler

Daniel L. Fiedler

First Publication: December 15, 2016

Last Publication: January 12, 2017 Published December 15, 22, 29, 2016 and January 5 and 12, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

COMBINED NOTICE - RESTART - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-109(2)(b)(II) FORECLOSUR SALE NO. 2014-026

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and reset sale date. To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with r to the following described Deed of Trust On June 29, 2016, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to

the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Archuleta record Original Grantor(s) DIANE P JACKSON AND ROLANE

C JACKSON Original Beneficiary(ies) WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Current Holder of Evidence of Debt BANK OF AMERICA

Date of Deed of Trust October 23, 2006

County of Recording Archuleta Recording Date of Deed of Trust October 27

Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book Page No.) 20610495

Original Principal Amount \$589,500.00

Outstanding Principal Balance \$323,288.92 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have bee violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interes when due together with all other payments provided fo in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust a other violations thereof

THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW1/4), SECTION 13 TOWNSHIP 32 NORTH, RANGE 6 WEST, N.M.P.M.

ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO.

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NOTICE OF SALE

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will

public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 02/09/2017 at 449 San Juan St, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sel to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said rea property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s) heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Deb secured by the Deed of Trust , plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, as provided by law.

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TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED; IF THE BORROWER BELIEVES THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN SECTION 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAL (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAIN ILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS DATE: 06/29/2016

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the 45-32 win.

Sorenson praised the Demons, stating, "Durango has a good basketball team with some very quick and athletic kids. They play hard and they pressure you defensively. They are disciplined and patient on offense. They are well coached."

The coach also noted several things the game brought to light for the Pirates.

"We have to learn that to handle pressure you have to attack pressure," he wrote. "We let their defense completely take us out of offense. We turned the ball over eleven times in the first half. We have to find ways to score the basketball."

The coach further added "You are not gonna win many basketball

Lady

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"Our turnovers were pretty manageable, too."

Now the Lady Pirates will look to keep up the momentum over a 10-day break from game action.

On Jan. 13, the team will open its conference schedule in MonteVista against that school's iteration of the Pirates, and will continue league play the following day in Pagosa against Alamosa.

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along," he wrote.

The Pirates are now on another hiatus of sorts, with 10 days between games.

On Jan. 13 and 14, the Pirates will open their league schedule against Monte Vista (in Monte Vista) and Alamosa (in Pagosa), respectively.

'We have until next Friday to fix things and get ready for league play," Sorenson wrote. "Our league is very tough and as I keep saying we are going to have to play good basketball every night to have a chance."

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Isaiah Griego rises above his defenders to put up a shot Tuesday evening against the Durango Demons. The Pirates fell by a score of 45-32 in the contest.

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ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO CO 81147 Phone Number: (970) 264-8160 Attorney for Plainti Daniel L. Fiedler, #44915 PO Box 5633 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 970-317-4779 E-mail: danielfiedler@gmail.com Case Number: 2016CV30080 KYLE WOODARD

Defendants:

OF THE ESTATE OF PETER L. HERNAL, JR., DECEASED; THE TESTATE AND INTESTATE SUCCESSORS OF PETER L. HERNAL, JR DECEASED SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION) PLAINTIFF KYLE WOODARD TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: McCarthy & Holthus, LLP 7700 E Arapahoe Road, Suite 230, Centennial, CO 80112 (877) 369-6122 Attorney File # CO-14-630153-JS

/ Betty A. Diller

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of JIMMY WAYNE STANDIFER, also known as Jim Standifer, Deceased Case No. 2016PR30053

All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Bepresentative or to the District Court of Archuleta unty, Colorado on or before April 22, 2017, or the claims may be forever barred.

Barbara E. Drane, Personal Repres 14 Pinion Hills Drive. Arboles, Colorado 81121 (970)883-3127

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT HEARINGS ON January 17th

Black & Veatch, representing Verizon Wireless, has applied for the Verizon Escobar Telecommunication Facility Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and Variances, on property owned by Sydonia Poenish, the N½SE14NW1/4 S6 T35N R2W NMPM, at 3700 County Rd 600 (Piedra Road), Pagosa Springs, CO. The CUP will permit a new Commercial Mobile Radio Systems (CMRS) wireless communication facility with a 65' monopole cell towe and antennas, approximately 1,000 feet west of the road (PLN16-114).

Applicant has also made a concurrent request for Variances from Section 3.1.4 of the Archuleta County Land Use Regulations maximum height of 35' in the Agricultural Estate (AE) zone, and Section 5.4.5.4 of the Land Use Regulations and Section 27.1.7.3 and 27.1.7.4 of the Archuleta County Road and Bridge Design Standards requiring paving of access, which will be heard at the same meeting by the Board of Adjustmen (PI N16-115)

Comments may be submitted to the Archuleta County Development Services-Planning Department, P.O. Bo 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147-1507, telephone: (970) 264-1390 or to Planning@archuletacounty.org prior to the public hearing by the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and Board of Adjustment on January 17, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. in the County Administration Office Meeting Room, 398 Lewis Street, Pagosa Springs. Public comment will be taken at the meeting

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DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address 449 San Juan St PO Box 148 Pagosa Springs CO 81147 Case Number: 2016CV30028 EAGLES LOFT PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC

V. DEFENDANT(S): A W TALLEY AND GAILA TALLEY LIVING REVOCABLE TRUST DATED 12/17/1990, ET AL COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE.

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DOROTHY M GIBSON

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You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 7th day of November 2013, the then County Treasurer

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Archuleta County is in the process of finalizing the above listed project constructed by Jita Contracting Inc., 1129

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All claims shall be delivered prior to January 23, 2017

Any claims received on or after January 23, 2017 shall not be considered. Claim forms can be obtained from

Davis Engineering Service Inc. (Phone 970-264-5055)

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The Humane Society of Pagosa Springs Annual Meeting

will be held at 5:30 p.m. on January 17, 2017 at the Humane Society Thrift Store meeting room located at

The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to elect Directors

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Treasurer of Archuleta County, Colorado

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within the District in Archuleta County, and needs to

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and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered October 27, 2016, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including without limitation the real property described as follows See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof Owner(s): A W Talley and Gail A Talley Living Revocable AB Trust, dated 12/17/1990, William and Mary Foundation LLC, Larry W Sauer and Janice A Sauer KNA Janice A Hughes

Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Eagles Loft Property Owners Association, recorded the 29th day of July, 1983 under Reception No. 117700 and further subject to that First Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagles Loft recorded on October 7, 1983 under Reception No. 119119 all in the office of the County Clerk and Recorded for Archuleta County, Colorado. Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Eagles Loft Property Owners Association

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

Agent: John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 6804 Rogers Ave., Suite B, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72903 Association Assessments Due to: Eagles Loft Property Owners Association, Inc.

Debt: Timeshare Owner's Assessments due to Association in the amount of A W Talley and Gail A Talley Living Revocable AB Trust,

dated 12/17/1990 \$3,981.04

William and Mary Foundation LLC \$6,334.39 Larry W Sauer and Janice A Sauer KNA Janice A Hughes

\$7.615.39 Amount of Judgment Entered on October 27, 2016: See

attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale

granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE

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

declared the same immediately fully due and payable. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will, at 10 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 in the

Office of the Archuleta County Sheriff, Civil Division, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property scribed above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchase a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: [1/5/2017]

Last Publication: [2/2/2017]

Name of Publication: [Pagosa Springs Sun] NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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

John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 6804 Rogers Ave., Suite B, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72903. INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM, as provided by the ntioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Sheriff's Department for Archuleta County

TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE.

AND REDEEM This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Property Owner's Association. Inc., recorded the 2nd day of August, 1990 under Reception No. 173556, as recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Archuleta County, Colorado, at Book 303, Page 104, et al.

Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered November 8, 2016, in the above entitled action, I am ordered to sell certain real property, improvements and personal property secured by the Declaration, including thout limitation the real property described as follows See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made apart hereof Owner(s): Dale Seeley Preece, Shauna Leigh Preece, Fred Stilwell, Raymond Lipps, Susan Bowman, Ken Williams, Cory Carter, Tonya Carter, Donna S Geis KNA Donna Dunn Mann, Bernard G Bell Jr., Geneva J Bell, Marcel C Chambellan, Louise M Chambellan, B Jack Harris, Charlotte Jan Harris, William P Haynes, Randy L Freeney, Kimetta M Freeney, Melvin R German, Valerie J D Pruitt-German, Poy Developers LLC, Doug E York and Beverly York

Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Property Owners Association, recorded the 2nd day of August, 1990 under Reception No. 173556 and First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Property Owner's Association, recorded the 2nd day of August, 1990 under Reception No. 98002628 and Subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414, and any amendments and supplements thereto, as recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, at Book 202, Page 104, Et al.. Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the

Declaration: Peregrine Property Owners Association, Inc. Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs. Agent: John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104

6804 Rogers Ave., Suite B, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72903 Association Assessments Due to: Peregrine Property Owner's Association. Inc. Debt: Timeshare Owner's Assessments due to

Association in the amount of Dale Seeley Preece and Shauna Leigh Preece \$3,870.64

Fred Stilwell \$2,605.80 Raymond Lipps and Susan Bowman \$10,337.31

Ken Williams \$4,559.86

Cory Carter and Tonya Carter \$8,993.33 Donna S Geis KNA Donna Dunn Mann \$6,033.66 Bernard G Bell Jr. and Geneva J Bell \$4,698.66 Marcel C Chambellan and Louise M Chambellan

\$3,405.19 B Jack Harris and Charlotte Jan Harris \$6.318.03

William P Haynes \$4,288.71 Randy L Freeney and Kimetta M Freeney \$3,523.91 Melvin R German and Valerie J D Pruitt-German

\$5,174.42

Pov Developers LLC \$8,903.17

Doug E York and Beverly York \$4,366.88 Amount of Judgment Entered on November 8, 2016: See attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare

Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act

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County, CO on 7/14/2015, against the following described Timeshare Property" to wit: A 126,000/17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7821-7822 in Building 11, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629, subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$3,559.86 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$4.559.86

Cory Carter and Tonya Carter, lien No. 21507457 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 154,000/17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7821-7822 in Building 11, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629. subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine ownhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$7.993.33 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$8,993.33 Donna S Geis KNA Donna Dunn Mann, lien No. 21507451 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 84,000/17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7821-7822 in Building 11, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629. subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628. and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$5,033.66

Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$6,033.66 Geneva J Bell and Bernard G Bell Jr., lien No. 21507448

filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 126.000 /17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7825-7826 in Building 13, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629, subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628. and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for

Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$3,698.66 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$4,698.66 Marcel C Chambellan and Louise M Chambellan, lien No. 21507449 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 105.000 /17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7825-7826 in Building 13, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629, subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective

Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$2,405.19

Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$3,405,19

Charlotte Jan Harris and B Jack Harris, lien No. 21507453 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 154,000 /17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7827-7828 in Building 14, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase IV, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 98002629, subject to First Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 98002628, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$5,318.03 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$6.318.03

Iotai: \$6,318.03 William P Haynes, lien No. 21504668 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 7/14/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 77,000 /17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7871-Units 7871-7872 in Building 36, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase VII, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 20005495, subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$3,288,71

pursuant to the specific assessment lien in the Second Supplemental Declaration to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Ptarmigan Townhouses recorded on June 7, 1988, under Reception No. 156203, Book 219, Page 43-48, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County Colorado

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Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Ptarmigan Property Owners Association,

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

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Debt: Timeshare Owner's Assessments due to Association in the amount of Donley Cronkhite, Winona Cronkhite, Darrell Smith,

Norma Smith, Debra Young and Teralyn Arthur \$4,160.88

Amount of Judgment Entered on October 27, 2016: See attached Exhibit "A" Type of Sale: Judicial Foreclosure Sale of Timeshare

Interest being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the Declaration, the Colorado Property Code, and the Colorado Common Ownership Act THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AND DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN PURSUANT TO THE DECLARATION.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Archuleta County. All comments

received by January 13, 2017 will be considered by Archuleta County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. RELEASE OF FUNDS Archuleta County certifies to DOLA that John Shepard in

his capacity as Planning Manager consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DOLA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Archuleta County to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO THE RELEASE OF FUNDS

DOLA will accept objections to its release of funds and Archuleta County's certification for a period of 15 days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are made on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Archuleta County; (b) Archuleta County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before the approval of a release of funds by (DOLA or OEDIT); or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures of 24 CFR Part 58 and shall be addressed to Bret Hillberry, Environmental Compliance Officer, 1313 Sherman St., Room 521, Denver, CO 80203. No objections received after 15 days from the date of request for release of funds will be considered by the state. John Shepard

Planning Manager Published January 5, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

INVITATION TO BID CDOT Project No.: STE C480-008 CDOT Project Code: SA 19219 Location: Archuleta County, CO

Name: Pinon Causeway to Aspen Village Shared Use Path Project Separate sealed BIDS for the Pinon Causeway to Aspen

Village Shared Use Path will be received by Archuleta County at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc., located at 188 South 8th Street, P.O. Box 1208, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147, until 2:00 P.M. local time on **February 9, 2017**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of the following: constructing ±3,500 linear feet of concrete and/or bituminous multi-use pathway with associated curb, gutter, curb ramps, asphalt patching, gravel placement, excavation construction traffic light pedestrian signalization modifications, retaining walls, surface drainage, and trail side landscaping including topsoil, conditioning, seeding, and mulching. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)

sets the goals for Underutilized Disadvantaged Business

Enterprises (UDBEs) in participation for a part of the work

of this Contract. The contract goal for participation in this

Contract by certified DBEs who have been determined to be underutilized has been established at 0%. The On-The-Job Training (OJT) Goal for the project is 0 hours. The project is partially within CDOT right-of-way and the Contracted much be a sublight by CDOT.

DBE Participation Plan (all included in Appendix A) must

be submitted by all bidders with their bids. If these forms

are not submitted, the bid is considered non responsive

and shall be rejected. CDOT Form 85 – Contractor's Proposal, (also in Appendix A) shall be submitted with

the bidder indicating whether the fuel cost adjustment shall apply to the contract. If the bidder fails to indicate a

choice or fails to submit Form 85, the fuel cost adjustment

will not apply to the contract. Please refer to <u>SECTION II</u>, Information to Bidders of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The provisions of Form Federal Highway Administration

(FHWA) 1273 apply to all work performed under the

CONTRACT and are to be included in all subcontracts. Please refer to <u>APPENDIX D: Colorado Department</u>

of Transportation Standard Special Provisions of the

project includes funding by CDOT administered FHWA grants; therefore the Davis Bacon Wages will apply. Archuleta County, in accordance with the provisions of

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42

US.C. §§2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby

notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any

disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded ful and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this

invitation and will not be discriminated against on the

grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration

for an award. An EEO-1 Report must be submitted to the Joint Reporting

Committee if the Contractor and subcontractors meet the

eligibility requirements (29 CFR 1602.7). For additional

information regarding these federal requirements.

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS and Plans may

be obtained on or after January 16, 2017, at the office of

Davis Engineering Service, Inc. located at the address

http://www.eeoc.gov/employers/eeo1survey/faq.cfm

please refer to

contract entered into pursuant to this advertise

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS for more information

for more information on the required Bid Documents.

Contractor must be pre-gualified by CDOT. CDOT Form 606 – Anti-Collusion Affidavit, CDOT Form 1413 – Bidders List, and CDOT Form 1414 – Anticipated

Civil Division, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147.

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 9, 2016. Tonya Hamilton, Undersheriff,

Archuleta County, Colorado By /s/ Tonya Hamilton Exhibit A

Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations As of October 27, 2016

Defendant/Property MatterAmount A W Talley and Gail A Talley Living Revocable Trust, dated 12/17/1990, lien No. 21507956 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/28/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: Unit Number 4 Building Number 4, Unit Week Number 21 in Eagle's Loft(Phase IV) as recorded in Reception No. 132402 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Third Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/ or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 10, 1985, under Reception No. 132403, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$2,981.04 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$3,981.04

William and Mary Foundation LLC, lien No. 21507955 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/28/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: Unit Number 10, Building Number 10, Unit Week Number 1 in Eagle's Loft(Phase II) as recorded in Reception No. 119118 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834, Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that First Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on October 7, 1983, in Book 203, Page 564, Reception No. 119119 all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$5,334.39 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$6,334.39

Larry W Sauer and Janice A Sauer (AKA Janice A Hughes, lien No. 21507957 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/28/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: Unit Number 24, Building Number 24, Unit Week Number 51 in Eagle's Loft(Phase III) as recorded in Reception No. 130203 in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado and shall be subject to that Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 29, 1983, in Book 200, page 834 Reception No. 117700, and further subject to that Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on May 30, 1984 under Reception No. 123459, as amended by that Firs Amendment to Second Supplemental Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership for Eagle's Loft recorded on July 13, 1984, Reception No. 124494, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$6,615.39 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$7,615.39

Published January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN.*

DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO Court Address 449 San Juan St. PO Box 148 Pagosa Springs CO 81147 Case Number: 2016CV30029 PLAINTIFF PEREGRINE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC.

DEFENDANT(S): DALE SEELEY PREECE, ET AL COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF

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

John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 6804 Bogers Ave Suite B Fort Smith Arkansas 72903 INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Sheriff's Department for Archuleta County, Civil Division, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147.

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This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 9, 2016. Tonya Hamilton Undersheriff Archuleta County, Colorado

By /s/ Tonya Hamilton

Exhibit A Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations As of November 8, 2016

Defendant/Property Matter Amount Dale Seeley Preece and Shauna Leigh Preece, lien No. 21507458 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 49.000 /35.486.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7803, 7804, 7805 and 7806 in Buildings 2 and 3, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase I, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 173553 Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$2,870.64 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$3,870.64 Fred Stilwell, lien No. 21504579 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 7/14/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 84,000 /35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7813, 7814, 7815, and 7816 in Buildings 7 and 8, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase III, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 173555 Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado, Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1,605.80 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$2.605.80

Raymond Lipps and Susan Bowman, lien No. 21507452 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 199,500 /35,486,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7813, 7814, 7815, and 7816 in Buildings 7 and 8, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase III, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 173555 Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$9,337.31 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$10,337.31 Ken Williams, lien No. 21504593 filed in Archuleta

Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$4.288.71

Bandy J. Freeney and Kimetta M Freeney lien No. 21507450 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 105,000 /17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7875-7876 in Building 38, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase VIII, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 20010666. subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$2,523.91

- Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$3,523.91

Melvin R German and Valerie J D Pruitt-German, lien No. 21507454 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 77.000 /17.743.000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7877-7878 in Building 39, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase VIII, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 20010666, subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414. and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$4,174.42

Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$5,174.42

Poy Developers LLC, lien No. 21504684 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 7/14/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 126,000 /17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7883-7884 in Building 42, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase VIII, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 20010666, subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta

County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$7,903.17 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00

Total: \$8,903,17

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PO Box 148

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Doug E York and Beverly York, lien No. 21507456 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 10/12/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: A 77,000 /17,743,000 undivided fee simple absolute interest in Units 7885-7886 in Building 43, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase VIII, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 20010666, subject to Third Supplemental Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 20002414, and any amendments and supplements thereto, all in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$3,366.88 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$4.366.88 Published January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, 449 San Juan St Pagosa Springs CO 81147 Case Number: 2016CV30030 PTARMIGAN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC. DEFENDANT(S) DONLEY CRONKHITE, ET AL COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM This Notice of Public Judicial Foreclosure Sale is given

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 9, 2016. Tonya Hamilton Undersheriff Archuleta County, Colorado

By /s/ Tonya Hamilton Exhibit A Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations

As of October 27, 2016 Defendant/Property Matter Amount Donley Cronkhite, Winona Cronkhite, Darrell Smith, Norma Smith, Debra Young and Teralyn Arthur, lien No. 21603277 filed in Archuleta County, CO on 6/1/2016, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: Unit Number 7222, Building Number 11B, Unit Week Number 13B in that property on which is located three(3)one-story buildings containing two(2)one-level townhouse units per building which are designated, respectively, as Building No. 9, Units 7217 and 7218; Building No. 10, Units 7219 and 7220; and Building No. 11, Units 7221 and 7222 as per plat recorded on June 1988, in Plat Sheet No. 326 under Reception No. 156202, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, and subject to that certain Second Supplemental Declaration to Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for

Ptarmigan Townhouses recorded on June 7, 1988, under Reception No. 156203, Book 219, Page 43-48, in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado. Unpaid Assessment & Costs: \$3,160.88 Attorney Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$4,160.88

Published January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS Date of Publication Pagosa Spring Sun: 1/5/2017 Archuleta County 1122 Hwy, 84 P.O. Box 1507 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (970) 264-1390 This notice shall satisfy procedural requirement vities to be undertaken by Archuleta County

REQUEST FOR THE RELEASE OF FUNDS On or after January 14, 2017 Housing Solutions Southwest (sub-grantee) and San Juan County (gr will submit a request to the Colorado Departm Local Affairs [DOLA] on behalf of Archuleta Cour the release of CDBG funds, under Title I of the Ho and Community Development Act of 1974, as amen or Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, to undertake the following project: Project Title: Single Family Owner Occupied Housing

Rehabilitation Program Purpose: funding for a revolving loan fund program for qualifying community members to rehabilitate and repair owner occupied single family homes, for emergency home repairs and home replacements. This program is designed primarily to address health, safety and energy

efficiency issues. Location: Grant applies to La Plata, Montezuma, Archuleta, Archuleta and Archuleta Counties in Colorado. This notice applies to Archuleta County. Estimated Cost: year one funding up to \$412,943, year two funding of up to \$420,943 and year three funding of up to \$437,943, totaling up to \$1,271,829 for all five counties

An environmental review for the project has been made by Archuleta County and is available for public examination and copying at the offices noted below Based on this review, Archuleta County has determined that a request for release of funds will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment and hence an environmental impact statement will not be undertak under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file with Archuleta County at Archuleta County, 1122 Hwy, 84 P.O. Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, (970) 264-1390. Please contact John Shepard, Planning Manager for the information. The information is also file with Housing Solutions for the Southwest, 295 Girard St, Durango, CO 81303, and may be examined or copied M-TH 9 A.M. to 4 P.M at the Housing Solutions office. Please call 970-259-1086 x32 or email esalkind@ swhousingsolutions.com to make arrange

listed above, upon payment of \$50.00 for each set. No refund will be made for returned copies. A mandatory pre-bid conference and inspection trip for prospective Bidders will be held at the office of Davis Engineering Service, Inc. (phone number (970) 264-5055), located at the address listed above, at 2:00 P.M. local time January 24, 2017. It is anticipated that the

Archuleta County District Court

by January 1, 2017 or have renewed your membership prior to the annual meeting to attend. Membership can be purchase at the Thrift Store or Animal Shelter front counter or through our website: www.humanesociety.biz Published January 5 and 12, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.

449 San Juan Street P.O. Box 148 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 In the Matter of the Determination of Heirs and of Interests in Property, of W. E. Bristol, Cynthia B. Bowmer, John Silvey Bristol, a/k/a J. S. Bristol, Frances James Bristol, John Robert Bowmer, and Suzanne Bristol, a/k/a Suzanne Bristol Hirschi Deceased Attorney for Petitioner: William E. Zimsky Abadie & Schill, PC 555 Rivergate Lane, Ste B4-180 Durango, CO 81301 Phone Number: 970-385-4401 E-mail: bill@abadieschill.com FAX Number: 970-385-4901 Atty. Reg. #: 25318 Case Number: 2016 PR 30064 NOTICE OF HEARING To All Interested Persons A hearing on PETITION FOR THE DETERMINATION OF HEIRS AND OF INTERESTS IN PROPERTY will be held at the following date, time and location Date: February 6, 2017 Time: 8 a.m. Address: 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 The names, addresses, and relationship of all interested persons, including Decedent's spouse, partner in a civil union, children, owners by inheritance, heirs and devisees: Address 33b Rhyll-Newhaven Road Relationship Pamela Rothfield Devisee of Suzanne Bristol, who Rhyll VIC 3923 was a Devisee of W. E. Bristol Australia Megan Nicole Lucas, f/k/a 708 Southmoor Lane Devisee of Cynthia Bristol

	Megan Nicole Bowmer	Wichita Falls, 1X 76302	Bowmer, who was a Devise of W. E. Bristol
	John Robert Bowmer, Jr.	2713 Austin Drive	Devisee of John Robert
		Mesquite, TX 75181	Bowmer, who was a devisee of
			Frances James Bristol, who was a devisee of John Silvey Bristol
ents for	Lora Janice Bowmer	3006 McNeil Ave., Apt 222,	Devisee of John Robert
s		Wichita Falls, TX 76309-494	Bowmer, who was a devisee of
for the			Frances James Bristol, who was a devisee of John Silvev Bristol
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nent of		6410 B. North Santa Fe	owned by Suzanne Bristol
unty for lousing		Oklahoma City, OK 73116	Hirschi, Megan Nicole Bowmer,
nended			John Robert Bowmer, Jr., and
			Lora Janice Bowmer

This Petition concerns the descent or succession of the Decedents' interest in the following property Township 33 North, Range 5 West, N.M.P.M.

Section 15: SW/4SW/4

Section 16: S/2SE/4, SE/4SW/4

Section 28: SE/4NW/4, N/2SW/4, Part of the SW/4NW/4,

Section 29: SW/ANE/4, NE/ANE/4, NW/ASE/4, SW/ASE/4, Part of SW/ANW/4 Section 32: NW/ANE/4 LESS and EXCEPT the South 370 Feet in Section 32, and NE/4NE/4, LESS and EXCEPT that portion of the NE/4NE/4 lying West of the Piedra River; that portion of the following tract of land located in the NE/4NE/4 and the NW/4NE/4, containing 1.00 acres, more or less, and more particularly described as follow: Beginning at the S/4 corner of said Section 29, said corner being a brass cap; Thence N00°01'25"E a distance of 1316.33 feet along the West line SW/4SE/4 of said Section 29 to the NW corner SW/4SE/4 of said Section 29; Thence S89°43'59"E a distance of 1339.63 feet along the North line SW/4SE/4 of said Section 29 to a fence corner, being the true point of beginning. Thence South a distance of 2275.32 feet to the South line of Lot 9 of the replat of the Dunagan Ranch; Thence West a distance o 36.05 feet; Thence N05°56'57"W a distance of 963.22 feet to a brass cap; Thence N05°53'21"E a distance to 1324.28 feet to the point of beginning. containing 519.14 acres, more or less

Together with any other mineral interest in the State of Colorado that may have been owned by W. E. Bristol, J. S. Bristol Suzanne Bristol Hirschi, alk/a Suzanne Bristol and/or Cynthia Bristol Bowmer, as of March 14, 1963, whether or not set forth above and/or accurately described above.

The Petitioner is seeking an order from the Court vesting the mineral interest described above as follows

Name	Interest
Pamela Rothfield	An undivided one-quarter interest by devise
Megan Nicole Lucas, f/k/a Megan	An undivided one-quarter interest by devise
Nicole Bowmer	
John Robert Bowmer, Jr.	An undivided one-quarter interest by devise
Lora Janice Bowmer	An undivided one-quarter interest by devise
All persons interested persons must appear a	and object to the petition on or before the hearing date and time specified
above. All objections to the petition must be	filed in writing with the Court and be served on the petitioner, through
his attorney, and the filing fee must be paid	on or before the hearing date and time specified above.
The hearing will be limited to objections tim	ely filed and served. If no objections are timely filed and served, then
the Court may enter a decree with a hearing].
Dated: December 21, 2016	
/o/ William E. Zimola	

By: William E. Zimsky, Attorney for Petitioner

Published December 29, 2016, January 5, 12 and 19, 2017 in The Pagosa Springs SUN.



Hot Chocolate Hullabaloo

Photos courtesy Rachael Perry

Families and friends gather at the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library for the Hot Chocolate Hullabaloo on Dec. 22. Despite the snowstorm, the library was packed with families drinking hot chocolate and making gingerbread houses.









Navigating Medicare can be complicated: Take this free class

By Christina Knoell Special to The SUN

Medicare is complicated. It is important that you know your rights, options, deadlines, possible penalties and where to find the information you need.

Did you know that assistance is available in Pagosa Springs through the nationwide State Health Insurance Program (SHIP)?

Trained and certified Medicare counselors are available by appointment to guide you when dealing with Medicare enrollment, questions and problems.

One of the San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging (AAA) volunteer Medicare counselors, Katy Deshler, will offer a free Medicare 101 class on Jan. 19 at the Ruby Sisson Memorial Library to help you get started. The class will start at 10:30 a.m. and will run until around noon.

Please call Kay Kaylor at AAA at 264-0501, ext. 2, to reserve your spot because spaces are limited.

Medicare help has been avail-

able in Archuleta County at the on which drugs you take. Senior Center for almost 15 years. AAA is the sponsoring agency for free Medicare counseling services on Mondays at the Senior Center (the west end of the Ross Aragon

Community Center on Hot Springs Boulevard). Please call the phone number above for basic questions and to make an appointment.

Medicare eligibility begins at age 65. Three months before your birth month, and three months after, you can enroll in Medicare and start making decisions about your options. Some of the questions you need to consider follow:

• Are you eligible for Medicare Part A and Part B? Do you need both?

• Do you have a retirement plan that will work with Medicare?

· Do you want a Medicare supplement (also called Medigap)?

• Would you prefer coverage through a Medicare Advantage plan or cost plan?

• Do you want a Part D drug plan? If so, which plan would work best for you? This varies depending

Generally, you can enroll in Medicare online at www.ssa.gov or by calling the Social Security Administration. If you are already receiving a Social Security check. you will be automatically enrolled in Part A and Part B, but you will need to enroll in Part D yourself. You can also find valuable information at www.medicare.gov.

If you are already on Medicare and have a Part D drug plan, you need to review that plan each year during the Open Enrollment Period, Oct. 15 through Dec. 7, because plan premiums and coverage of drugs change each year.

Medicare counselors at AAA are available extra days to help you during that time, or you can go to www. medicare.gov to review your plan. If you are receiving Social Security disability, you will probably be eligible for Medicare starting 24 months after your disability begins and will have a limited time period to enroll in a Part D drug plan. It is important to know all enrollment deadlines to avoid penalties.

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Americana Project to present singer/songwriter Nathaniel Talbot on Jan. 11

By Bob Hemenger Special to The PREVIEW

The Americana Project class at Pagosa Springs High School is proud to present singer/songwriter Nathaniel Talbot as the special guest in our concert series.

The Americana Project is an elective class that has been offered for the past seven years. Twice a year, a professional musician is brought in to work with the students on songwriting and performance. The experience provides them with a connection to what it takes to be a professional, touring musician and brings excitement and inspiration to the class.

Students also open the concert and join the artist for

the closing song. This school year, the class is expanding this program to add this winter special guest concert.

Talbot is a powerful natural force with a warm voice reminiscent of James Taylor. He writes thought provoking, powerful lyrics and plays the guitar in a way that is both unique and masterful. His connection with the land and nature adds a depth to his music and performance that people in Pagosa Springs will appreciate.

It's a busy life for Talbot, who runs an organic vegetable farm on Whidbey Island, in Washington state's Puget Sound.

"I work on the farm 60 hours a week between March and October. An average week during the busy season ■ See Americana on next page



Thursday

Riff Raff Brewing Company: Terry Rickard, 6 p.m.

Friday

Riff Raff Brewing Company: La La Bones, 6 p.m.

Saturday

Coyote Moon: Karaoke, 8 p.m. Riff Raff Brewing Company: Ben Gibson Duo, 6 p.m.

Sunday

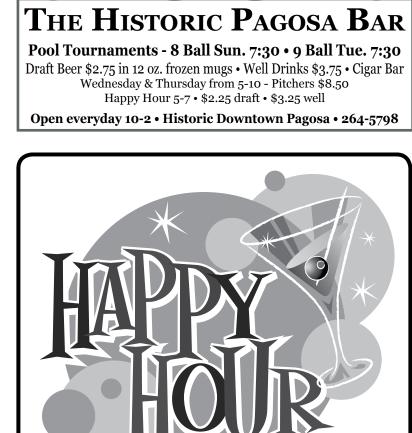
Borde Rio: Bob Hemenger, 4 p.m. Riff Raff Brewing Company: M.R. Tillman, 6 p.m.

Tuesday

Pagosa Brewing Company: Open Mic Jams, 6 p.m.

Wednesday

Pagosa Brewing Company: Live Trivia, 7 p.m.



- WEEKDAYS ~

FOOD & DRINK SPECIALS 4-6p AND LUNCH COMBOS 11a-3p



RED BYDER AND LITTLE BEAVER Reg. U.S. Pat. Office

The Pagosa Springs SUN thanks longtime Pagosa Springs supporter Mrs. Shirley Slesinger Lasswell for the privilege of being the only newspaper in the United States to publish the 'Red Ryder and Little Beaver' comic strip. The ongoing adventures of Red Ryder and Little Beaver which began appearing in the Preview section with the December 26, 1996, edition of the SUN first ran in major daily newspapers across America from December 25, 1938 through December 4, 1963. Drawn by the late Fred Harman, the comic strips are under the registered copyright restrictions of Red Ryder Enterprises, Inc.

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By Fred Harman



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■ continued from previous page has two harvest days, one market day and three days of weeding, planting and everything else," he explained.

In addition to farming, he's just released his fourth album, "Swamp Rose and Honeysuckle Vine" on Portland, Ore.'s, Fluff and Gravy Records. The album marks the harvest of a different sort for Talbot, who has also spent over two decades tending to the crafts of songwriting and guitar playing. His songs on the new album are intimately tied to the lush farmland and windswept vistas of

Talbot's music

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Whidbey Island, deeply rooted in the earth and American traditionalism.

"The folk music and big trees that surrounded my childhood were hugely impactful," said Talbot of his upbringing just a few hundred miles south of his farm in the foothills just southeast of Portland.

"I spent most of my free time running around the forest and making up adventures with

the neighbor kids," he said. "The natural setting certainly imprinted on my sense of self and how I make music."

Raised on the music of Paul Simon and Eric Clapton, Talbot began playing music at a young age, learning piano at 7 and turning to guitar around 13, later steeping himself in the sounds of local artists like Soundgarden, Elliot Smith and Kelly Joe Phelps.

Produced by Talbot, along with Rob Stroup, "Swamp Rose and Honeysuckle Vine" marks a big step forward in Talbot's evolution as a lyricist and a storyteller.

"If you listen to my previous albums, there's a lot of songs of log-

ging, botany and even soil erosion, photosynthesis and the deep beauty of hiking at night," said Talbot. But, upon becoming a farmer, he began to dig deep into our most human trait — storytelling. "There was all of a sudden all this raw, untapped material to write about. Stuff that people used to sing about — stories about farmers wrestling the landscape, loving it, abusing it, old tractors getting stuck in the wetland, kids leaving the farm, soil blowing away in the wind, long hard days of work and the amazing sense of reward and connection

with the land."

'Challenging what folk music is capable of," says Seattle Weekly, "Talbot's powerful, uplifting voice harnesses a country twang complemented by lush acoustic finger-picking and a violin that feels like it was birthed next to a babbling brook in the mountains.' Channeling the lyrical prowess and gritty charm of Anais Mitchell on tracks like "As

the Way," and the concrete characterization in the work of Elliott Smith on tracks like "Able Man," Talbot stands on the shoulders of generations of folk musicians and Americana singer/songwriters before him. His approach to music feels like that of someone who treats it as a craft handed down and honed, like the tilling of soil or the carving of wood.

Talbot's music has dirt under its fingernails, the product of decades of hard work and crafting — retuning, replanting and retelling. The result is true American roots music, combining the soulful edge of tradition with the Pacific Northwest's legacy of freedom and innovation.

The show starts at 7 p.m. at Pagosa

Springs High School on Wednesday, Jan. 11.

The cost is \$10 (12 and under are free). Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Students from the Americana Project class will open the show.

Please mark your calendars and help spread the news. This is going to be a great night of music and community.









Photo courtesv Carla Roberts

Nine recently graduated as part of the Wild West Squares introduction to square dancing class. Front row, left to right, are Luann Ormonde, Eileen Day, Susi Mays, caller Carla Roberts, Val Beaudry, Karen Swain, Sharon Parker and Tom Parker. In the back are Peter Beaudry and Bruce Swain.

Nine Wild West Squares graduate

By Carla Roberts Special to The PREVIEW

After months of learning, nine students graduated from the Wild West Squares square dance program's mainstream level on Dec. 21.

Receiving their mainstream credentials means they have learned at least 69 calls and will be eligible to dance at square dance clubs and events anywhere in the world.

Mainstream is the first level of modern western square dance and plus is the second level. The Wild West Squares teaching program strives to work with dancers at the level they need to progress.

Today's standardized dance programs make it possible for someone to dance at any dance at their level throughout the country, or the world. Yes, square dancing is done in other countries and most people don't know that the calling is always done in English.

Why square dance is standardized worldwide

All square dancing is based on one or more "squares" made up of eight dancers (four couples), who start in a "squared up set," with one couple facing each wall. The "caller" gives directions to the dancers, who must follow the directions (calls) as given.

In the early days of square danc-

ing, there was little standardization of what calls were used. It varied from caller to caller, and from region to region. This created prob-

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lems for people traveling around the country who may not know the calls being used when they danced See Squares on next page

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Join PSHS students for a 'Jolly Holiday' of a bake sale Saturday

By Becca Postma Special to The PREVIEW

Lately, there seem to be some strange goings-on at Pagosa Springs High School — students have been gathering in the band room at lunch, spontaneously breaking out into dance, muttering strange words like "supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" and singing about being chimney sweeps.

Of course, these tell-tale signs can mean only one thing: the annual PSHS spring musical is on its way. This year's production of choice? "Mary Poppins."

The production staff, led by Musical Director Dan Burch and newcomer Director/Choreographer Becca Postma, is anticipating a large and wonderful turn out for auditions, which begin Thursday, Jan. 5, after school.

But, the hard work of the students and staff is not the only thing that will be needed to bring the magic of Mary to the stage. Mary just isn't her own, wonderful self without her grand entrances and exits, creating the iconic image of the beloved nanny flying through the sky with her trusty umbrella. But, for the PSHS production, Mary needs a little help getting off the ground.

In 2007, PSHS mounted a production of "Peter Pan" and relied on a professional company to provide the flying effects needed for the show. Working with that same company is something that the high school is excited about and hopeful to implement again for "Mary Poppins." The only way the production will attempt this type of effect is with a professional company that will keep the safety and well-being of the student performers and technical crew at the forefront of the work.

Arranging this type of technical enhancement to the show, and doing it right, comes with a fairly large price tag. However, the students and staff are determined and undeterred. So far, between money allocated in the production budget and generous donations from community groups and members, the students have collected and raised over \$3,000, reaching the halfway mark. And, the efforts continue in full.

This Saturday, Jan. 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., student performers and staff will be outside of Walmart hosting one "Jolly Holiday" of a bake sale, complete with the possibility of more spontaneous song and dance. All proceeds will go towards the production and helping Mary, and a few other favorite characters, take to the sky this March. Whether you use your purchased "Spoonful of Sugar" to "Feed the Birds" or just to help the medicine go down, all contributions directly support our Pagosa Pirates and performing arts in our community.

If you can't make it out on Saturday but would like to support the production, donations can be made by contacting Burch at the high school or Postma (pshsmp@ gmail.com). Donations can also be made online at www.GoFundMe. com/PSHSMP. All donations are tax deductible and donors will receive a special "Thank You" in our show program. Cheers.

Squares.

■ continued from previous page to a new caller. This situation has been remedied by the adoption of standard dance programs set by an association of square dance callers known as Callerlab.

The levels of square dance programs

Mainstream: The level taught in most beginners classes and danced by many square dance clubs across the country. It is a fun level, easily mastered in less than a year. Most people who dance this level enjoy the activity as a fun way to meet and socialize with other people.

Plus: A slightly more difficult level for experienced dancers. Many people move up from mainstream to plus after dancing for a year or so. There are probably more square dance clubs dancing at the plus level (or offering both mainstream and plus dances) than there are at mainstream only.

Advanced: Consisting of two levels, A1 and A2, advanced dancing is for those who are more serious about the activity and want to improve their dancing skills beyond what is needed for just a social activity. Advanced dancing is lots of fun, but you have to be willing to study and work at it a little harder.

Challenge: Consisting of five levels, C1, C2, C3A, C3B and C4, challenge-level square dancing is for those who want to see how far they can go. There is absolutely no end to how hard it can get and only a very few dedicated souls ever make it all the way to C4. But, however far one progresses, there is always something new and, well, challenging, to learn.

Stay healthy this winter with square dance. Call Carla Roberts at 903-6478 to find out about Wild West Squares.

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SCENE . .

Photos courtesy Carole Howard

Scene... Stars of Thingamajig Theatre Company's two Christmas productions — "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" and "The Santaland Diaries" — performed Dec. 19 at the home of Robin and Bob Brobst. The event was a house concert fundraiser to benefit the new 24-bedroom actors' house now under construction. The nonprofit Thingamajig Theatre, in residence at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts, hosts about 75 artists every year who come from across the country to perform in highly acclaimed musicals, comedies and dramas year-round.



DO I NEED TO HAVE A TRUST FOR MY ASSETS

Whether you should put your assets in a trust is not a question with a simple answer. Unless you have assets more than \$5.45 million (\$10.9 million for a married couple), there are no federal estate taxes for 2017. Colorado does not have an estate tax nor are there any taxes on any asset you may inherit, called an inheritance tax. These laws can change any time Congress or the General Assembly meets.

A trust can be used to protect assets for a child, someone that is mentally or physically disabled, or someone that simply cannot manage money. Some taxes, like capital gains taxes, can be delayed but eventually the tax collector will want to be paid.

À candid discussion with an attorney and your tax preparer will help you decide what will work for you and your potential heirs and whether you may need further advice from other advisers. Suite 3, Cascade Plaza, 46 Eaton Drive



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Foster hope for the new year.





New York actor Andrew Start returns to Pagosa Springs as Alex More in Jonathon Tolins' Broadway hit, "Buyer and Cellar," showing Jan.13-29 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.



One-man Streisand comedy to hit PSCA stage Jan. 13

By R. Eli Townsend Special to The PREVIEW

Thingamajig Theatre Company is ringing in the new year with one of Broadway's most recent beloved comedy hits, "Buyer and Cellar."

The show is a crowd-pleaser and it doesn't take long to figure out why: most audiences are reacting to its charming narrative surface. But there's more going on than that.

In this one-person, 95-minute, intermission-less piece, Andrew Start plays Alex More, a hopeful young actor who's left New York for Los Angeles, where he hopes to establish a career as a performer.

After getting fired from a menial job at Disney, More secures another position as the keeper of the strange underground stores that Barbara Streisand actually built in her home: a doll shop, movie theater, costume shop and more. One day, the lady herself comes downstairs to play. It feels like real bonding in the basement, but will their relationship ever make it upstairs?

"Buyer and Cellar" is an outrageous comedy about the price of fame, the cost of things and the oddest of odd jobs.

In celebrating More's imagination and recollection, the show reminds us, without being strident, that it's the person within that counts. Come out this January to see the show The New York Times called "the most talked-about comedy of the year."

Thingamajig Theatre Company presents "Buyer and Cellar," rated R. Directed by Melissa Firlit. Playing Jan. 13-29 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. For tickets and information, visit pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW (7469).



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new kind of normal

I was in charge. It was my day to lead the teaching session in our writers' group and I was prepared. My lesson was to explain how to take our characters from normal to a new kind of normal in a fictional story. So much for plans.

I planned to support the lesson by giving an example from a movie I recently watched. It would show how characters drive the story and how the story changes when they encounter obstacles.

The characters in a story are either putty people or pebble people. By throwing them against problems, they will act differently. If they are putty, they will be different at the end than at the beginning. If they are a pebble, they will hit the wall with a thud, roll on the floor and not be changed.

I began. I asked if anyone had seen the movie. Four writers raised their hands. Two minutes into the lesson, I made the statement that the male character was a pebble.

One of the writers said, "No, he's putty, not a pebble." That blew my evaluation all to pieces. I couldn't argue. I wanted to, but thought better. I wanted participation from the group. I let it go; I didn't want to shoot down their enthusiasm. I wanted them to be as excited as I was over the lesson.

I proceeded with the lesson and asked, "Who cried at the end of the movie?" Four hands waved. The same writer, Jan, said, "Don't tell the ending.'

Sorry, I have to tell the ending because it's about how the characters react to their problems and how the story ends according to how they act.

As we continued with the movie, all 14 writers began crying. One of the writers who saw the movie said, "If you don't cry at the end, vou don't have a heart.'

I responded, "I didn't cry." Oh, the feathers ruffled and

flew. "You didn't cry?" Why not?" I said, "No, I didn't cry. My Sweet



Al cried; does that count?"

For support that I indeed had a putty heart, I looked to Mike, the logical one, the tough guy who watches football in the other room

while his wife cries over Hallmark. No response. Now he was crying and was no help to me at all. He'd gone from pebble to putty.

I was now spitting feathers. I asked Hank, "You're my teacher; am I a putty person? I have a teachable spirit, don't I?"

He just stared at me and asked, 'Really?'

I said again, "Hank, I'm drowning, throw me a buoy. I'm a putty person and I can change, I learn easily."

No answer from Hank.

The whole group was crying by now. No dry eyes, except for mine. Everyone had shriveled into a pool of tears. I was wading in their tears up to my neck and choking on ruffled feathers. They were weeping and talking among themselves.

This was not the reaction I wanted. I wanted them to say, "This is wonderful, you have taught us so much. Now, I can write my story."

In my Greek class later, I said to my teacher, "Hank, you looked like you were shot with a stun gun. You froze when I asked you as a teacher if I was teachable. What were you thinking?

"I was thinking, you said I was your teacher, but I didn't think I was.'

No, Hank, it wasn't about you, it was about me. I thought you were questioning whether I could be taught, not if you were my teacher. So, is it about the teacher teaching or the student learning? We all

Mercy to offer free education Jan. 6 to those with prediabetes

Bv David Bruzzese Special to The PREVIEW

People diagnosed with prediabetes are at a higher risk of developing type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease. Effectively managing prediabetes can help prevent diabetes.

In fact, studies have shown that the risk of developing type 2 diabetes can be significantly reduced through weight loss and exercise, which have been shown to be more effective in managing prediabetes than medication alone.

Anyone identified as having

prediabetes is invited to attend a free class by Sheena Carswell, CNS, BC-ADM, and Marge Morris, RD, CDE. Attendees will learn how to manage prediabetes and help prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes.

The class will be held Friday, Jan. 6, from 9 to 11 a.m. in suite 140 of the medical office building at Mercy Regional Medical Center. To register, please call 764-3415.



have a lot to learn in this new kind of normal.

Final brushstroke: Is this the new normal? Did they get the teaching while I was drowning in their tears and spitting out ruffled feathers? I don't think so. But, I know one thing. These are writers who have a story in them and who need to get their story out. They wept, they bawled and whimpered. And I was a pebble among the putty. By the end, I was the only pebble still standing.

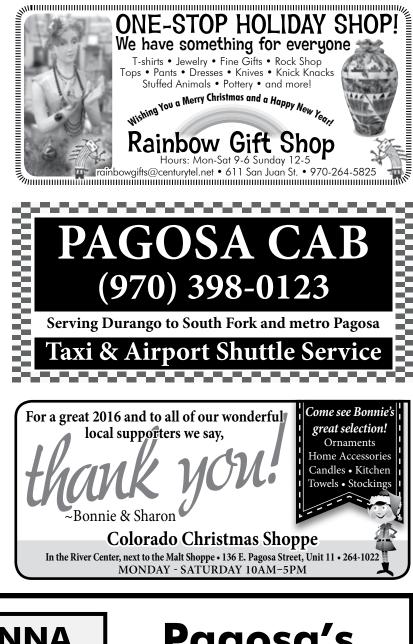
We have entered into our third year as writers of the Wolf Creek Christian Writers' Group. When we started our group, we all apologized to each other why we couldn't write, but we wanted to be writers. We still have 11 of our 12 original members and have added another 12 active writers. We have all grown as writers and hit a new kind of normal. If you want to write, this is where you want to be, crying and all.

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St. Patrick's celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany tomorrow night

By Sally Neel Special to The PREVIEW

Tomorrow evening at 5 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church will celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany with a very special service of beautiful music and Holy Eucharist.

The service will include incense, chanting, choral music, hymns, sermon and Holy Eucharist. Following the service, everyone will be invited to the parish building for a fun potluck dinner complete with king's cake.

The Epiphany is the celebration of the visitation of the Magi to the Christ child. The Magi were gentiles, probably astronomers, who were sent by King Herod to find Jesus so that "he, too, might worship him."

UU topic: 'Poverty in Pagosa: Pagosa Outreach **Connection**'

By Julie Loar and Jean Smith Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (PUUF) invites you to attend a program titled "Poverty in Pagosa: Pagosa Outreach Connection," with Julie Loar and Jean Smith, this Sunday, Ian 8

Hidden beneath the outward beauty of the majestic mountains and running river that bless Pagosa Springs is a dark shadow of crippling poverty. Smith is the fellowship's representative with Pagosa Outreach Connection.

The group is a collaboration of local churches and nonprofits that offer onetime assistance to individuals and families facing financial crisis.

The most disturbing fact about poverty in Archuleta County, is that despite all our wealth, there are people in Pagosa living in their cars and unheated trailers in the winter," said Smith. Smith will join Julie Loar for this service and share poignant stories she has heard in this crucial work in our community.

Loar is the author of several award-winning books and is currently the president of the PUUF steering committee. Smith also volunteers elsewhere in the community.

This presentation reflects the Unitarian Universalist principles of "The inherent worth and dignity of every person," "Justice, equity and compassion in human relations" and "The right of conscience and

However, Herod was not intent on worshipping Jesus, but rather to destroy him Herod was fearful of this new messiah and wanted him eliminated.

The Magi (or, traditionally, the three kings) followed the light of the star of Bethlehem that rested over the manger where Jesus lay. They brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, traditional gifts given to kings or deity; precious metal and wealth, sweet perfume for use in worship and precious oil used for anointing.

It is speculated that Mary and Joseph, Jesus' mother and father, may have used the gold to get to Egypt to hide from King Herod. We are told that Mary and Joseph were warned in a dream that Herod would send forth his

edict to kill all the male babies in his kingdom when he realized the Magi had not come back to report to him.

The Gentile scientists recognized the importance of Jesus' birth and kneeled before him to worship him. This served as God's sign that Christ came not only as the long expected Messiah for the Jews, but as the redeemer for the entire world.

The public is invited to attend this beautiful celebration as we give thanks to God and remember the visitation of the Magi to the Christ child. Bring a dish to share and join us for a night of joy.

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Different seasons of our lives

By Jan Davis Special to The PREVIEW

Summer lingers as the birds begin their migration south. The small animals of the forest store nuts and berries to sustain them through the long winter.

Mingled with early signs of fall, the trees display a colorful canopy of yellow, orange and red. Soon they will be bare and covered with a layer of white.

Hunters stake out their favorite spot for the new hunting season. The drop in temperature ushers in cooler nights and brisk mornings. The early snowfall in the mountains promises more will follow. As each season comes to an end, a new one begins.

My husband, Mike, and I are on the threshold of a new season. Our home is for sale and we will soon leave the beautiful mountains of Pagosa. The last five years have brought restoration and peace. We discovered God anew as we felt ourselves relax in the slower pace of a small town.

God displayed His rugged strength as we maneuvered through the rough terrains of the Alpine Loop. We stood in awe of His creation and took in the panoramic view.

We found rest on our hikes along the river banks of the Pie-



dra. Treasure Falls was a gentle reminder — we are His treasure.

We camped beside East Fork and laughed at the antics of our little campsite visitors. His care reflected in His provision for the creatures of the forest.

We found solitude as we kayaked Williams Lake. Adrift on the water, we felt the warmth of the sun penetrate our bodies and basked in His presence.

The peace and quiet didn't last long when we traversed the San Juan River on tubes and rafts. The rapids dumped us into the cold, rushing water. The mingle of screams and laughter filled the air. We knew His protection.

An ATV ride from Elwood Pass to Platoro reminded us of God's faithfulness. The early settlers trusted Him as they forced their way through the rugged mountain sides.

Wolf Creek Pass provided hours of winter fun. We celebrated Christmas on a snowmobile surrounded by family and a soft blanket of white. The snow provided a soft landing as we slid down hills in tubes. Amid all the laughter, we felt His joy.

We love and appreciate all things Pagosa. The memories are packed in the recesses of our mind, where God will bring them to our remembrance.

What the approaching season holds for us, only God knows. Like the early settlers, we trust Him to prepare the way. We rest in the assurance of His continual guidance.

Because of Jesus we look forward with anticipation to a new season.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 states, "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

I love you, but Jesus loves you more.

Writers' group

You are invited to write for "A Matter of Faith." Send your articles to betty@bettyslade.com.

If you want to learn more about writing, you are invited to become part of an exciting writers' group in Pagosa Springs.

The Wolf Creek Christian Writers Network Writers' Critique Group meets on Monday mornings at 9 a.m. at CrossRoad Christian Fellowship.

For further details, email betty@ bettyslade.com.

Meet the writers' group at http://bettyjslade.com/BJS/Writers_Network.html. Visit our website at http://www.wolfcreekwriters.com/ or our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/wolfcreekchristianwritersnetwork/.



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Pagosa Community of New Thought to consider 'New Beginnings with Faith'

By Carla Ryan Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Community of New Thought (PCNT) is continuing its January theme of "New Beginnings" with this coming Sunday's topic, "New Beginnings with Faith," at the 10:30 a.m. service. The music will also follow this idea.

In the Science of Mind philosophy, prayer is the key component. And faith is considered the power of prayer. Faith is defined as "a mental attitude against which there is no longer any contradiction in the mind that entertains it."

Often (and unfortunately), we see a lot of faith in the idea of fear. Fear of loss of some kind (health, job, possessions, etc.). To replace fear with faith takes a conscious effort and sometimes a few tools to help along the way. That will be the focus of the Rev. Carla Ryan's message on Jan. 8.

PCNT also has announced its class schedule for the next few **See Thought on next page**

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continued from previous page the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large."

PUUF 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. **GRANDPAPPY'S TOBOGGAN.** Introducing the

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Stress-reducing art fun for all ages on Saturday

By Carole Howard

PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Join us with your family and friends this Saturday, Jan. 7, from 3 to 4 p.m. for a special all-ages art session. Coloring and drawing zentangles are great ways to reduce stress and have fun making art.

What are zentangles? These simple, repetitive, easy-to-learn designs are meditative to make and beautiful to behold. Fans say drawing them increases focus and creativity and provides artistic satisfaction along with an increased sense of personal well-being.

All ages are welcome. No experience or registration are needed.

Start your happy new year with a chuckle and a moral

A librarian in New York handled an unusual book return a few weeks ago. According to an article in The New York Times, a retired woman, age 72, came into the Brooklyn library with a faded green copy of "Gone with the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell that belonged to the library. It was 57 years overdue. It had been due on Nov. 18, 1959.

Back then, the fee was 5 cents per calendar day for overdue books, which added up to a fine of \$1,042.10. The woman had checked out the book when she



was 15. Since then she had moved several times and the book went with her. She recently decided to reread it, at which time she noticed that it belonged to the Brooklyn library and immediately returned it. Of course, the library's records all are computerized now — and those records don't go back to 1959, so, technically, the woman did not owe any fine. In any case, she made a \$50 donation to the library. And her story reminds us all that honesty always is the best policy, even if a bit late.

Medicaid and Connect for Health session

Kevin O'Connor from the San Juan Basin Health Department and Renee Burch from the Archuleta County Department of Human Services discuss options and changes to Medicaid and Connect for Health, the Colorado health exchange, today, Thursday, Jan. 5, and next Thursday, Jan. 12, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. No registration is required.

Teen advisory board

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

The board meets once a month, the first Thursday of the month. Teens are always welcome to stop by and share their ideas informally with Claire, teen services librarian.

All-ages movie tomorrow

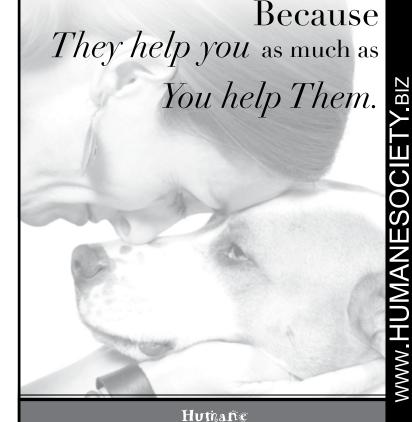
Enjoy a PG-rated movie with family and friends tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 6, from 2 to 3:15 p.m. Our contract does not permit us to name the film title in the general media but you can find it on the activities calendars.

Tech sessions

Rachael is available for Tech Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon and Tech Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m. Drop in with your technology questions. Note the Thursday sessions are an hour earlier now.

Tween gaming

Tween gaming happens Monday, Jan. 9, from 4 to 5 p.m. for fourththrough eighth-graders. Enjoy X-box See Library on next page



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Thought

■ continued from previous page months; details can be found on the church website under Education. Workshops are being planned and will be announced as speaker arrangements and their schedules are finalized.

The fifth Sunday of this month will feature a "movie message" (Jan. 29) that supports the New Thought philosophy. The title will be announced soon. Thus, that day's service may run a little longer than usual.

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For information about the church or New Thought in general, attend a Sunday service, send an email to PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com, call 749-9020, or send 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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360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. We've had very limited attendance at this event, but we keep getting requests for it, so we'll try it again.

Teen gaming

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

Book club for adults

The free book club for adults meets next Tuesday, Jan. 10, from 2 to 3 p.m.

We will not be reading a book for our January meeting. Instead, we will have a potluck and reveal the 2017 book choices for the group. Bring a dish to share and your current favorite book to recommend to others.

The book club meets the second Tuesday of each month to discuss alternating fiction and nonfiction titles. No registration is required.

Adult DIY

This month's adult DIY will take place Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 1 p.m. and features a soothing eucalyptus body scrub made with only three ingredients. You'll leave with a sweetsmelling body scrub. Materials will be provided and no registration is required.

Spanish basics

On Wednesday, Jan. 11, from 4 to 5:30 p.m., we will learn to count from 1 to 100 and express a person's age in this Spanish basics session. No registration is required.

Teen role-playing

The ever-popular role-playing

game for seventh- through 12thgraders takes place next Thursday,
Jan. 12. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters.
You can join this group any time.

Kids storytime

Every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m., join Michael for great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. This is an excellent way for kids of all ages to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers.

Baby storytime

Every Saturday from 9:05 to 9:25 a.m., join Michael for a short session of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little ones. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life.

Toddler storytime

Every Saturday from 9:30 to 10 a.m., join Michael for 30 minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays with open play afterwards. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life.

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.

Large print

"Island of Glass" by Nora Roberts is book three in the Guardians Trilogy. "The Sleeping Beauty Killer" by Mary Higgins Clark and Alafair Burke is an Under Suspicion mystery.

CDs

"Moonglow" by Michael Chabon is based on reflections shared by the author's grandfather. "Cross the Line" by James Patterson is an Alex Cross thriller.

DVDs

"Northern Lights" is based in the Nora Roberts book. "Midnight Special" is a supernatural thriller. "The Christmas Shoes" is an inspiring holiday story. "National Velvet" stars Elizabeth Taylor and Mickey Rooney.

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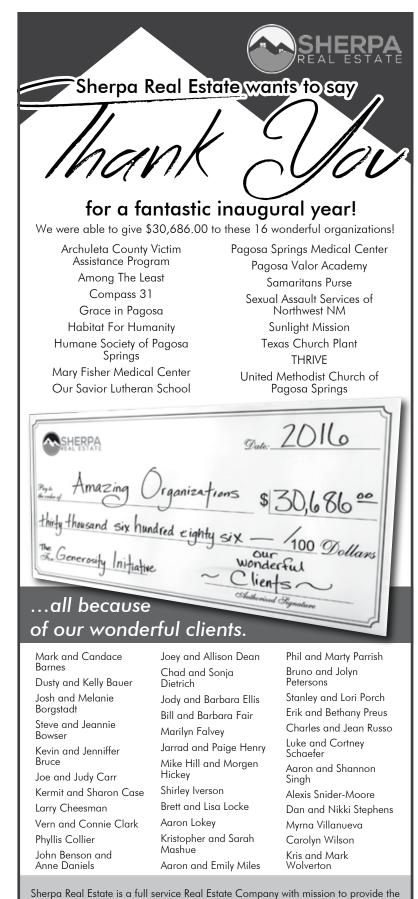
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Homemakers to present fascinating Alaskan travel stories

By Tozi Rubin Special to The PREVIEW

Mountain View Homemakers member Arlie Swett and her husband, Brian, will be the speakers

at the group's meeting on Jan. 12. Brian Swett will describe his adventure to climb Denali in Alaska. Along with his five team members, Brian attempted to climb the 20,315-foot mountain (the tallest in North America) in 1991. He will tell the story with narration and a slide show.

Arlie Swett moved to Alaska in 1973, where her career in education included elementary and high school classroom teaching, special education and district level administration. After retiring to Colorado, she has been returning to remote Alaskan villages as a literacy coach and early education consultant. She will share her experiences with travel in remote Alaskan villages by small planes, snow machines and ATVs.

The meeting will begin at 11:30 a.m. at the Methodist Church on Lewis Street. We socialize before we enjoy a potluck lunch provided by members. First-time visitors are not expected to bring food.

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 women's service organization. We welcome all area women who are interested in bettering their lives, the lives of their families and the community as a whole. The monthly meetings include lunch and a speaker or activity. This is a wonderful opportunity to make new friends in Pagosa Country.

There are no dues or membership requirements to join this friendly, interesting and diverse group of women. We meet the second Thursday of every month. So-called homemaking skills are not required.

Please call Tozi at 731-3360 with any questions.

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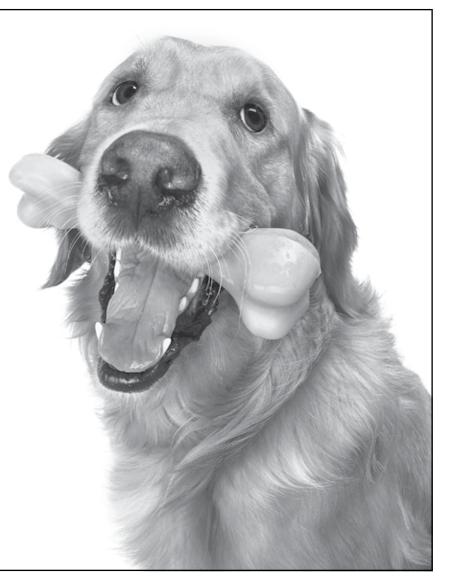
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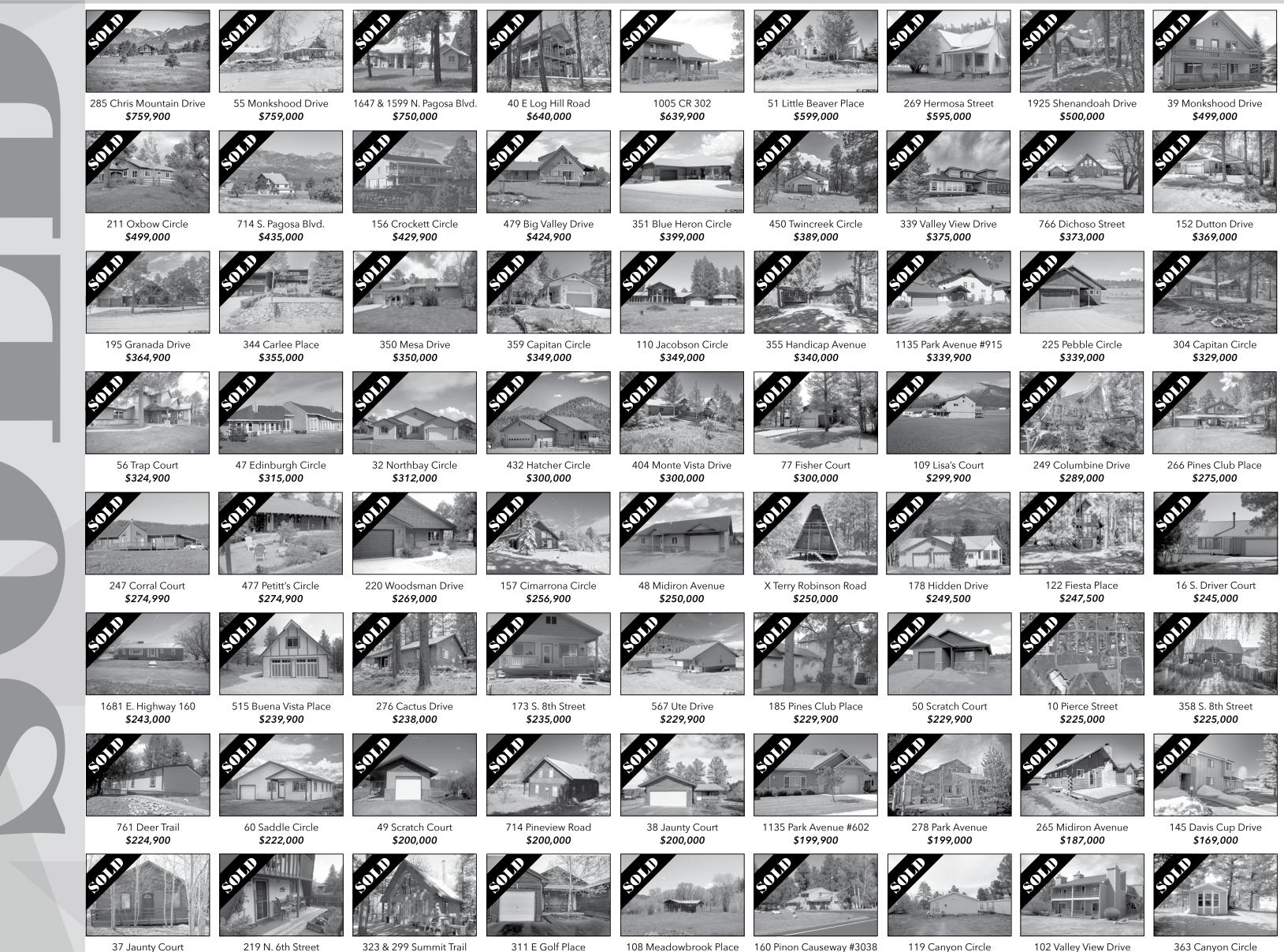
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All events listed in The PREVIEW Calendar are free of charge unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, Jan. 5

- **Overeaters Anonymous.** 11 a.m., Centerpoint Church library. Open to everyone. For more information, call Leslie at 799-0775.
- **Duplicate Bridge.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- Medicaid and Connect for Health Session. 1-1:45 p.m., Sisson Library. Kevin O'Connor from San Juan Basin Health and Renee Burch from the Archuleta County Department of Human Services will discuss options and changes to Medicaid and Connect for Health. 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.
- Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Friday, Jan. 6

- 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.
- Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.
- **Movie.** 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. All ages. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Saturday, Jan. 7

- Pagosa Nordic Club Fourth Annual Plumtaw Ultra Nordic Ski Race. 8:30 a.m., 7 miles up Fourmile Road. This is a freestyle Nordic ski race with your choice of a 30km or 60-km course along the base of Pagosa Peak. The race begins promptly, so arrive early to sign in. Race registration fee is donation based and you can sign up at PagosaNordic.com.
- 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 fam-

TEW ily 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.
- Zumba. 10-11 a.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.
- Pagosa Springs High School Benefit Bake Sale. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Walmart. All proceeds will be given to the production to support the students and the fees of renting a flying rig for technical effects.
- Yoga: Laugh and Let Go. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi selfmassage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 264-4152 for more information.
- All-Ages Art. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Coloring and drawing zentangles are great ways to reduce stress and have fun making art. What are zentangles? These simple, repetitive, easy to learn designs are meditative to make and beautiful to behold. All ages are welcome, no experience necessary. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Sunday, Jan. 8

- DUST2 Fat Bike Race. 9 a.m.-noon, Turkey Springs Trailhead. Parking is limited at the event site. Please meet one of our shuttles at Pagosa Mountain Sports, 162 Pagosa St., or at the City Market parking lot, Country Center Drive. To register and for more information, go to www.dustx2. com or call 507-7886.
- **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, Jan. 9

- Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are
- available if you don't have one. Wolf Creek Christian Writers Network. 9-11 a.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship. Writers are invited to hone their craft in fiction, nonfiction and poetry. For more information, email richgammill41@wolfcreekwriters.com or call 731-2040.
- Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 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.
- Bingo. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Bridge for Fun. 1 p.m., Senior
- Center. **Tween Gaming.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. X-box 360 Kinect, Wii and
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snacks. For youth in the 4th-8th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.

Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Homebrewing Order of Pagosa Springs. 6 p.m., Coyote Moon. Learn about the art of brewing your own beer, wine and mead, or just learn more about craft beer and fermentation. Presentations on style, flavor and processes regularly given.

CPR Certification Training. 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling 264-5931.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

- Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.
- **Tech Time.** 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Drop in with your technology questions. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.
- Archuleta County Republican Women. Noon, Boss Hogg's Restaurant. Mike Le Roux, director of emergency operations of Archuleta County and vice chair for Upper San Juan Search and Rescue, will be speaking on how they provide emergency assistance for citizens. Lunch will be offered for \$12. Email acrwpagosa@gmail.com for more information.
- Men's PTSD Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. Contact Dr. Kevin Kelly at (505) 699-0824 for more information.

Mahjong. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior Center.

Book Club for Adults. 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Be a part of our book club. We discuss alternating fiction and nonfiction titles. We will not be reading a book for the month of January. We will have a potluck and reveal the 2017 book choices for the group. Bring a dish to share and your current favorite book to recommend. All are welcome. Call 264-2209 for more information. American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary. 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

Teen Gaming. 4-5 p.m., Sisson

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Library. X-box 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. For teens in the 7th-12th grades. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further 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. Learn to dance the night club two-step, a flowing romantic dance. Call Wayne at 264-4792 for more information or go to http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

- Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.
- Library Storytime. 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Join Early Literacy Librarian Michael for great stories, fun songs and plenty of reasons to get up and move. Storytime is a great way for kids to have fun while building the skills they need to become independent readers. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- 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.

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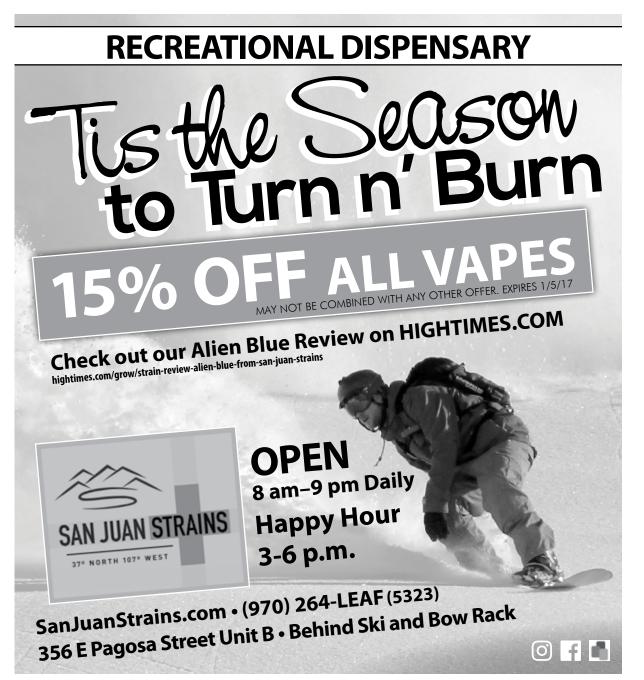


nity United Methodist Church. Weigh-in, support and more. Everyone welcome. Call Nancy Strait at 731-3427 for more information.

- Movie. 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided.
- **Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Eucalyptus Body Scrub.** 1-2 p.m., Sisson Library. Join Rachael for this do-it-yourself soothing body scrub made with only three ingredients. You'll leave with a jar of sweet-smelling body scrub. Materials provided. Call 264-2209 for more information. **Coed Volleyball.** 1-3:30 p.m., Com-
- munity Center. Friendly, noncompetitive games open to all ages.
- **Spanish Basics: Numbers.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. In this basic lesson, we will count to 100 and learn to express a person's age. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities

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- 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 followed by a brief meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- First Aid Certification Training. 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling 264-5931.
- Americana Project Presents Nathaniel Talbot. 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs High School. Singer/ songwriter Nathaniel Talbot concert. Students from the Americana Project class will open the show. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 (12 and under are free).

Thursday, Jan. 12

- Overeaters Anonymous. 11 a.m., Centerpoint Church library. Open to everyone. For more information, call Leslie at 799-0775.
- Mountain View Homemakers. 11:30 a.m., Community United Methodist Church. The program will feature fascinating Alaska travel stories. A covered-dish lunch provided by members. All area women are invited. For information, call Tozi at 731-3360. Duplicate Bridge. 1 p.m., Senior
- Center. Mexican Train. 1 p.m., Senior
- Center.

- Medicaid and Connect for Health Session. 1-1:45 p.m., Sisson
 - Library. Kevin O'Connor from San Juan Basin Health and Renee Burch from the Archuleta County Department of Human Services discuss options and changes to Medicaid and Connect for Health. 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.
- Role-Playing Game. 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters in our ongoing RPG. This is a recurring program. If you want to be a part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in anytime. For teens in the 7th-12th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Friday, Jan. 13

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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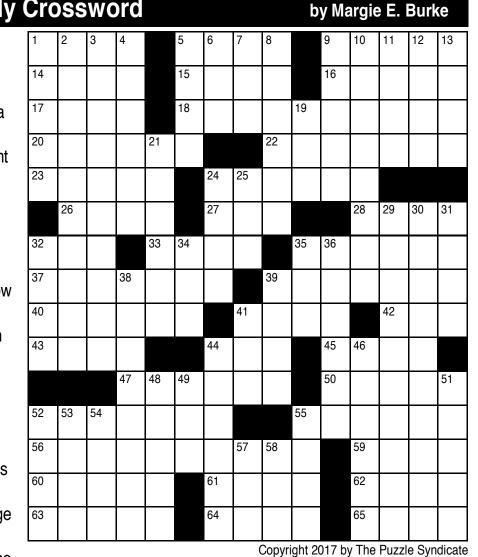
The Weekly Crossword

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- 1 Go to great heights
- 5 City in Arizona
- 9 Kind of fund
- **14** Crowning point
- 15 "Right on!"
- 16 Lake crosser
- 17 Bound
 - 18 Hudson or Haynes
 - 20 Respectful bow
- 22 Ostensible
- 23 Teen affliction
- 24 Dresser part
- 26 Plaster base
- 27 Cartoonish
- squeal
- 28 One of the Jonas brothers
- 32 Canvon edge
- 33 Viewpoint page
- 35 Insight
 - 37 Missing a piece
- 39 Run over
- 40 World leader?
- **41** Limerick, e.g.
- 42 Fish story
- 43 Branch
 - headquarters?
 - **44** Cone bearer
- 45 Pizazz
- 47 Surface, e.q.
- 50 Horse or
- greyhound
- 52 "Nonsense!"
- 55 Memorial Day event
- 56 Native
- **59** White wading bird
- **60** Allegation
- 61 Aborted mission
- 62 Cream additive
- **63** For this reason
- **64** Cave, to poets
- **65** Campsite sight

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- **1** Lively Latin dance
- 2 Titanic. for one



- 38 Stump speeches. often
- 4 Fine spread
 - 39 Cause for a
 - lawsuit
 - **41** Bakery buy

 - films
 - **44** Type of saucer 46 Cowboy's rope

 - 48 Some Japanese
- 57 Neither partner
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- 24 Real-estate
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- **29** Relentless
- 30 "The Power of Love" singer
- 31 Deep bend
- 32 Little squirt

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- Gaming. 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and X-box 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. All ages. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- **Thingamajig Theatre Presents** 'Buyer and Cellar.' 7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Alex More has a story to tell. A struggling actor in Los Angeles, he takes a job working for beloved megastar Barbra Streisand. Streisand does indeed have a mall, with shops and all, in her Malibu mansion's basement. One day, the lady herself comes down to play. It feels like real bonding in the basement, but will their relationship ever make it upstairs? For tickets and more information, go to www.pagosacenter. org or call 731-SHOW.

Saturday, Jan. 14

- 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 into 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 into everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- Meditation and Recorded Dharma Talk. 10 a.m., Unitarian Universal Fellowship, Suite 15-B, 70 Greenbriar Drive. All are welcome.
- Pagosa Piecemakers Quilting Guild. 10 a.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship Church, 1044 Park Ave. We welcome the new year with many new programs in our future for quilters and those who just want to see what it's all about. Come check out this group of talented ladies. There's always show and tell, fellowship, refreshments, new friends and old. Everyone is welcome.
- Zumba. 10-11 a.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages
- LEGO Club. 11 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Join us to build wonderful creations with LEGOs. We've got the LEGOs, just bring your imagination. For ages 6 to 13. Call 264-2209 for more information.
- Yoga: Laugh and Let Go. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi selfmassage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 264-

4152 for more information.

- Audiobooks and Ebooks: Installing and Using the Cloud Library. 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Did you know that with your library card, you have access to the library's digital downloadable materials? This includes many popular ebook and audiobook titles that can be accessed on your smartphone, laptop and many devices. If you would like help installing and using the Cloud Library, bring your device to this handson workshop. Call 264-2209 for further information.
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Sunday, Jan. 15

- **Thingamajig Theatre Presents** 'Buyer and Cellar.' 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Center for the
 - Arts. Alex More has a story to tell. A struggling actor in Los Angeles, he takes a job working for beloved megastar Barbra Streisand. Streisand does indeed have a mall, with shops and all, in her Malibu mansion's basement. One day, the lady herself comes down to play. It feels like real bonding in the basement, but will their relationship ever make it upstairs? For tickets and more information, go to www.pagosacenter.org or call 731-SHOW.
- 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, Jan. 16

- Pickleball. 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.
- Wolf Creek Christian Writers Network. 9-11 a.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship. Writers are invited to hone their craft in fiction, nonfiction and poetry. For more information, email richgammill41@wolfcreekwriters.com or call 731-2040.
- Line Dancing. 9:30-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Call Beverly for information at 264-2064.

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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.

Zumba. 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

- Veterans for Veterans. 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.
- Yoga. 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center.
- Men's PTSD Group. Noon-1:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Focusing on resolving anger and conflict. Contact Dr. Kevin Kelly at (505) 699-0824 for more information.

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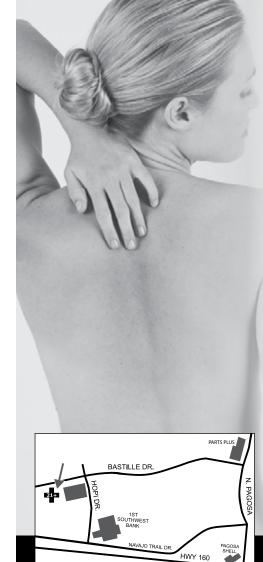
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The 1911 flood washed out every bridge in Archuleta County, including the San Juan Street bridge, as viewed in this photograph. Townspeople rigged a cable-pulley arrangement enabling the movement of people and goods across the river until the bridge could be replaced.

Mill Creek claims lives during 1911 flood

The flood of Oct. 11, 1911, was the worst natural disaster to hit the Four Corners since the beginning of recorded history. Two local men died in that flood and that is the subject of today's column.

A beautiful ranch spreads out a few miles up Mill Creek Road, just before the terrain turns into higher and more rugged country.



Mill Creek Road branches just before entering the ranch. One branch turns to the right, ascends a small hill and then follows the Rito Blanco River on a winding, everclimbing journey until it eventually dead-ends at a spot overlooking the magnificent meadow lands of the upper Blanco Basin drained by the parent Blanco River.

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Ring in the new year with dance

By Roberta Tolan PREVIEW Columnist

A very happy New Year's from the staff at the CSU Extension office.

Many of us are starting out the new year with goals of losing weight, getting into shape and improving our overall well-being. Dieting and working out is always helpful, but we can also have fun along the way by including dance in our lives.

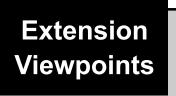
All physical movement can have fitness benefits, but movement while dancing improves more than your muscles.

Babies move to communicate their needs to parents, like stretching and yawning to show they are tired, or pulling their knees up to their chest to show they have an upset stomach. Young children are constantly moving to express themselves, to mimic something they have observed or just because it feels good.

When movement is combined with the rhythm of music, it becomes dance and the physical, emotional, social and cognitive benefits multiply.

Benefits of dance

• Physical benefits: Dance improves range of motion, muscle tone, bone strength, coordination, strength and endurance. Because dancing requires a pattern of



movements, it helps memory as well.

• Emotional benefits: Creative movement allows humans to express their emotions. Researchers at the Mayo Clinic have found that social dancing reduces stress and increases energy levels. Dancing can improve self-esteem, because it improves feeling comfortable in your own body and how it moves.

• Social benefits: We learn how to communicate and express ideas with others in a group setting. In dance, there is cooperation and interaction that helps us appreciate others.

• Cognitive benefits: Like other kinds of physical activity, dancing increases blood flow, which in turn brings more oxygen to the brain. Studies show that many of us learn the best by doing and dance is a wonderful way to learn. Learning while moving is called kinesthetic learning.

Dancing makes us smarter

A major study added to the growing evidence that stimulating off Alzheimer's disease and other dementia, much as physical exercise can keep the body fit. Dancing also increases cognitive acuity at

cine report has the following to say on the effects of recreational activities on mental acuity in aging.

The 21-year study of senior citizens, 75 and older, was led by the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City, funded by the National Institute on Aging, and published in the New England Journal of Medicine. Their method for objectively measuring mental acuity in aging was to monitor rates of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease

The study wanted to see if any physical or cognitive recreational activities influenced mental acuity. They discovered that some activities had a significant beneficial effect. Other activities had none.

They studied cognitive activities such as reading books, writing for pleasure, doing crossword puzzles, playing cards and playing musical See Viewpoints on next page



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known as Mill Creek Ranch, the road terminates at a two-story frame ranch house built in the 1890s by the same carpenter who built the E.T. Walker house once located at the eastern entry to Pagosa Springs where highways 160 and 84 come together. The E.T. Walker house has been moved to Holiday Acres, where it is being restored.

Surrounding the ranch house complex at Mill Creek Ranch are a barn and other buildings including a smaller house for a ranch manager where Pres Valdez once lived during my time in this part of the world.

Mill Creek runs through the building complex; normally a benign, welcome part of the peaceful home site smiling across acres and acres of rolling grassland used for hay and grazing. Historically, Mill Creek was called El Frio Creek on the earliest Pagosa Country maps. Speaking again historically, Mill Creek Ranch was homesteaded by John Dowel, a leader among the pioneers of Pagosa Country and the first mayor of Pagosa Springs. There can be little doubt that the Dowells cleared the land and planted the verdure surrounding the ranch house.

And so, in this idyllic mountain setting, rain began to fall on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1911. It began as a gentle rain. No doubt, the area ranchers were thankful for such a rain nurturing their fields.

'She's a soaker, just what we need," was in the minds of those depending on grass to support their herds.

Thankfulness turned to concern as the rain continued without letup and, by Thursday, soaking turned to flooding. Mild mannered Mill Creek metamorphosed into a malicious, mauling, muddy water monster, slashing and tearing at its restraining banks as if determined to escape. Above the house. driftwood piled up bank to bank, creating a growing lake which threatened to destroy the house and its neighboring buildings.

The Dowell brothers, with helpers, climbed onto the huge pile of driftwood, precariously attempting to dismantle the makeshift dam before it claimed the buildings. A portion of the debris supporting Jake Dowell and B.F. Turner broke loose, plunging the men into the roiling waters never again to see the light of day. John Dowell managed to ride the debris to safety. More next week on the 1911 flood.

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all ages. A New England Journal of Medi-

Starting the new year by improving relationships

By John Lough Special to The PREVIEW

Relationships come in many flavors. They range from very casual to quite close, such as those individuals we consider real friends, often people we have known for a long time. And, closest of all, as you might expect, is usually with someone with whom we are romantically and emotionally involved, a spouse or a significant other.

But what many of us fail to appreciate is that all good relationships require work and that's especially true as a relationship ages. While it may often feel that our associations with others simply "happen," these connections require thought and effort if we want them to endure and grow.

One important step in strengthening a relationship is simply being accepting. No two people are exactly alike and what often helps establish a relationship is that each party brings something a little different to the association. However, over time, we may forget that some of those differences were what helped establish the initial relationship. We, instead, may unconsciously be trying to make the other person more like ourselves. It helps to step back, evaluate what makes that relationship special and refocus on the positive things rather than the differences you may have.

Good relationships also have to be able to survive disagreements. There are going to be times when friends or spouses are going to have differing opinions about a particular subject, with each going in quite an opposite direction. While it might seem nice (if boring), if everyone agreed all the time, for a relationship to thrive, it's necessary sometimes to accept the other person's thoughts and to simply agree to disagree.

Another basic element for a good relationship is being able to communicate with the other person. That sounds simple, but in our busy, often stressful world, it

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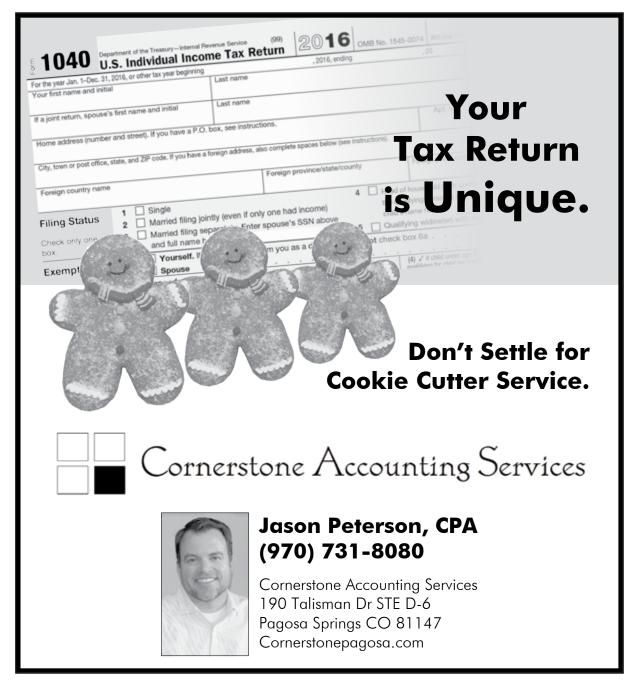
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instruments. And they studied physical activities like playing tennis or golf, swimming, bicycling, dancing, walking for exercise and doing housework.

One of the surprises of the study was that almost none of the physical activities appeared to offer any protection against dementia. There can be cardiovascular benefits, of course, but the focus of this study was the mind. There was one important exception: the only physical activity to offer protection against dementia was frequent dancing.

Reading — 35 percent reduced risk of dementia.

Bicycling and swimming - zero percent.

Doing crossword puzzles at least four days a week - 47 percent.

Playing golf — zero percent.

Dancing frequently — 76 percent. That was the greatest risk reduction of any activity studied, cognitive or physical.

We immediately ask two questions:

• Why is dancing better than other activities for improving mental capabilities?

• Does this mean all kinds of dancing, or is one kind of dancing better than another?

That's where this particular study falls short. It doesn't answer these questions as a standalone study. Fortunately, it isn't a stand-alone study. It's one of many studies, over decades, which have shown that we increase our mental capacity by exercising our cognitive processes. Intelligence: Use it or lose it. And it's the other studies which fill in the gaps in this one. Looking at all of these studies together lets us understand the bigger picture.

The essence of intelligence is making decisions. The best advice, when it comes to improving your mental acuity, is to involve yourself in activities which require split-second, rapid-fire decision making, as opposed to rote memory (retracing the same well-worn paths) or just working on your physical style.

One way to do that is to learn something new. Not just dancing, but anything new. Don't worry about the probability that you'll never use it in the future. Take a class to challenge your mind. It will stimulate the connectivity of your brain by generating the need for new pathways. Difficult classes are better for you, as they will create a greater need for new neural pathways.

Then take a dance class, which can be even more effective. Dancing integrates several brain functions at once - kinesthetic, rational, musical and emotional - further increasing your neural connectivity.

The study made another important suggestion: do it often. Seniors who did crossword puzzles four days a week had a measurably lower risk of dementia than those who did the puzzles once a week. If you can't take classes or go out dancing four times a week, then dance as much as you can. More is better.

And do it now, the sooner the better. It's essential to start building your cognitive reserve now.

See you on the dance floor.

The above information was taken from the article "Dance ... A Way to Improve Fitness" written by Tracy Trumper, family and consumer agent for CSU Extension in Phillips County and "Use It or Lose It; Dancing Makes You Smarter," written by Richard Powers, full-time instructor at Stanford University Dance Division.

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Snowed in: Be prepared

By Daris Howard Special to The PREVIEW

It was only a week before Christmas that year when the big snowstorm came. But once it started, it didn't stop for a long time. It snowed a foot of new snow that first night. The snow plows were out quickly and cleared it away, disappointing the children who had to go to school. But as the snow kept coming, the snow plows couldn't keep up, and the children eventually got a couple of extra days of Christmas break.

They were excited, but as the snow continued to come, the excitement wore off as people grew weary of shoveling. Some people out in the rural area where we live desperately tried to get out to do a last little bit of Christmas shopping. But most never made it far beyond their driveway before they had to turn back.

Once the snow had reached a depth of about 3 feet, a strong wind kicked up, blowing snow over the roads in drifts that were 10 feet high in some places. The county officials announced that all nonemergency road clearing would be discontinued until after the storm ceased. Authorities suggested that no one venture out unless it was an absolute emergency. Soon power went out and phone lines went dead.

Our family was quite comfortable. Though we usually used electric heat at night, we used a wood stove during the day. It became our whole source of heat and cooking, but we gathered around it and let the storms howl outside. Snow had to be brought in and melted for drinking, washing, and bathroom use. The only real challenge was going outside and taking care of the animals who were all snug in their sheds. I took care of all outside work and would come in looking like a snowman.

We had already finished most of our Christmas shopping and decided that what we had done would have to suffice. We had a fun Christmas. We ate lots of candy, read stories, and enjoyed the family togetherness.

It was a few days after Christmas when the winds finally stopped. By then everyone had been snowed in for over a week. The power came back on intermittently, and we learned from the radio that roads were impassible everywhere. The snow was too deep for the conventional snow plows and would have to initially be cleared by the rotary ones. The problem was that the county had a limited number of rotary snow plows, and it would take over a week before all the roads could be opened.

Over the next few days the temperature dropped to well below zero. Our family continued on as we had, having limited contact with the outside world. Then one evening, just before New Year's Day, we heard a snow machine. Soon there was a knock on our door. It was totally unexpected that anyone would be out in this freezing weather, and everyone rushed to see who it was. There stood a neighbor who lived about a mile away.

He held out a \$20 bill. "Can I buy

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can be easy to ignore someone you care about without really meaning to do it.

The key is to take time to focus on how well you are communicating with those you care about. And that doesn't just mean sharing all of your ideas and problems. It means making time for the other person, asking questions and really listening, especially when there are problem areas. Improving your relationships is a wonderful resolution to make for the new year. And making it work isn't all that hard. It just requires paying more attention and making time to listen to and enjoy that other person.

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a roll of toilet paper?"

I laughed. "A roll of toilet paper doesn't cost \$20."

He sighed. "I have already been to a couple of other neighbors trying to buy some, and it seems like everyone is on their last roll and doesn't want to part with it at any price."

"I grew up out in the middle of nowhere," I said. "And I learned to stock up for emergencies like this, so we have extra." I retrieved a whole package and brought it to him. "Keep your money and just replace the toilet paper when you get a chance."

He thanked me and left.

A few days later, after the roads were cleared, the neighbor came up to me at church. "I've got your package of toilet paper in my car," he said. "I'll get it for you right after church."

"What I gave you got you through all right, then?" I asked.

He nodded. "Yes, and I've learned my lesson. When summer comes, I plan to insulate my whole house with toilet paper. I'm not ever going to run out again."





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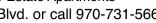


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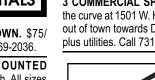
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Senior Center now offering computer help

By Cheryl Wilkinson PREVIEW Columnist

A volunteer will be in the computer center of the Pagosa Springs Senior Center on Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to help with your computer issues. Bring your computer or use one of ours.

Health and wellness program

The Senior Center has initiated a pilot program expanding health and wellness services to Archuleta County seniors.

The program includes wellness, blood pressure monitoring or allows individual area seniors to discuss two subjects of their choice. There is no charge for Medicare enrollees. Participant IDs will include Medicare card, photo ID and, if necessary, any supplemental insurances. No Medicaid is accepted at this time. Participants are encouraged to bring a list of their current medications.

Clinical assessment will be provided by Tabitha Zappone, FNP-C. Zappone has been a nurse practitioner for six years and is a longtime resident of Pagosa Springs. She understands the difficulties 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.

Computer center

The Senior Center is now providing 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.

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Tuesday, Jan. 10 — Baked potato bar, cheddar cheese, sour cream, chives, beef chili, cream of broccoli soup and salad bar. Wednesday, Jan. 11 — Ham, whipped sweet potatoes, blackeyed peas, cornbread, salad bar and baked apples with pears.

Thursday, Jan. 12 — Chicken tortilla soup, three-cheese quesadilla triangle, steamed asparagus with lemon, black bean with mango salsa and salad bar.

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