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## Broadband report: Town, county looking for action plan

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

The long-awaited report from NEO Connect, a consultant engaged by the Southwest Colorado Council of Governments (SWCOG), offering recommendations to attain legitimate broadband service within the region was finally presented to the SWCOG's board on Friday, Jan. 20.

The report was originally expected last July. It addresses shortcomings of present Internet connectivity and potential remedies for the region made up of Archuleta, La Plata, Montezuma, Dolores and San Juan counties.

Legitimate broadband service,

currently considered by the Federal Communications Commission to require minimum data transfer speeds of 25 mbps (megabits, or millions of bits of data, per second) for downloads, and 3 mbps for uploads, has long been recognized as lacking locally and throughout the region.

NEO Connect states in its report that broadband is essentially a utility, "as necessary to contemporary life as electricity, roads and water systems."

If implemented, the report notes, broadband "has the potential to create more jobs, increase the community's competitive

■ See Broadband A8

## November: Year-to-date sales tax 8.9 percent ahead of 2015

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

Sales tax collections in Archuleta County in 2016 continue to be ahead of revenues collected in 2015.

The total sales tax collection in November for Archuleta County was \$667,831.99, according to a report issued on Jan. 13 by Archuleta County Finance Director Larry Walton.

The town and county each received \$333,916.

"The year to date (January through November) 2016 sales tax is \$689,326 (8.9%) ahead of the same period in 2015," reads Walton's report. "This is higher than the rate of growth anticipated by

the County budget for this period of time."

The report lists the following categories as being up for the same 11-month period in 2015.

Revenue generated by retail trade went up 12.9 percent, or \$494,736.

Accommodations and food service increased 5.3 percent, up \$73,462.

Wholesale trade increased 21.1 percent, up \$64,309.

Manufacturing increased 9.9 percent, up \$35,908.

The "other services" category went up 11.4 percent, or \$14,648.

Utilities increased 2.2 percent, or \$13,648.

■ See Sales A8



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

Grace Smith poses for a photo with her father, Terry Smith, who was announced as the 2016 Citizen of the Year award at the Chamber of Commerce annual Membership Gala on Jan. 21. Smith was recognized for his philanthropic and economic contributions to the community for more than 30 years.

## CEO job description brings up questions of PSMC's future direction

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

Following Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) CEO Brad Cochennet's retirement announcement in May of 2016, the organization's succession planning committee worked to develop a timeline and job description to find a CEO to take over in 2018, when Cochennet's current contract ends and his resignation takes effect.

However, when it came time for the Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD) Board of Directors to approve that job description at its regular meeting on Tuesday evening, suggestions by Dr. Jim Pruitt on qualifications a future PSMC CEO should have created a question over the direction the organization would take heading into the future.

Chief Administrative Officer Ann Bruzzese provided an introduction on the matter to the board, explaining that a succession planning committee was formed that then met last fall to discuss and develop a list of attributes and things that would be beneficial in a CEO.

That committee, she explained, comprises board members Jerry Baker and Kate Alfred, Chief of Staff Dr. Ralph Battels, Dr. Bill Webb, Bruzzese and Cochennet.

■ See PSMC A8



## All Ages Art

Photos courtesy Rachael Perry

A snowstorm couldn't keep these artists away from the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library on Saturday, Jan. 21. In this session of the All Ages Art program, participants experimented with using marbles as a paint brush and played with watercolors, with great results.



## Vandalism results in higher prices at water fill stations

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District (PAWSD) offers an important service to community residents living outside its limits by providing access to clean drinking water at three fill stations.

One station is at the PAWSD headquarters on Lyn Avenue in the Pagosa Lakes area, another is off Trails Boulevard further west and the third is currently downtown, on 1st Street. (The downtown station will be relocated to the county fairgrounds this spring.)

The stations are heavily used: in 2016, 12,632,000 gallons were pumped at the three stations, at a cost of \$7.91 per 1,000 gallons.

Assuming users are generally pumping water into tanks with a 300-gallon capacity mounted in the backs of pickups, that is over 42,000 truckloads, an average rate close to

40 truckloads a day at each station.

The total revenue to PAWSD for water sold at the three fill stations in 2016 was just under \$100,000.

Until a few years back, the stations were coin-operated, but that's a lot of quarters for users to insert in coin slots. So, the machines were updated and users now pay for water by charging the cost to a credit card or an account maintained with PAWSD. Transactions are conducted by use of a video screen mounted in the machines.

Apparently, not all welcomed the change. On two occasions during 2016, as reported to the PAWSD board at its meeting Jan. 19 by Shellie Peterson, business services manager, frustrated users caused severe damage to the fill stations by punching the video screens.

On both occasions, according to information provided by PAWSD

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# Opinion

## EDITORIAL

### Citizen of the Year

The Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce seeks nominations each year for a person who has contributed in a special way to the community with measurable results, who has demonstrated leadership, who represents strong integrity, who has been active in the community in civic events that are not related to the individual's work or business. They look for a person who has changed the way we do business or has made an impact on the community.

Saturday night, the 2016 Citizen of the Year was awarded to longtime philanthropist, resident and businessman Terry Smith.

Chamber Director Mary Jo Coulehan summarized Smith's nominations for her presentation of the award: "This nominee spans over 3 decades of giving in our community not only through his philanthropy but through his community involvement. We often forget what people have done in this community years ago to get us to where we are today! He served on the Pagosa Springs Sanitation District working to transfer the operation of the utility to the town and creating the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District. He has also given of time and talent to serve on the Pagosa Springs Town Council and the Chamber of Commerce board.

"This nominee has exemplified excellence in small-business ownership. From Circle T Lumber to an ACE Hardware store that was named a 'Five-Star Platinum' ACE retailer — an award given to only about 10% of ACE's top performing stores, this businessman has demonstrated his leadership in building a strong team of leaders and a core group of employees who have remained with him for many years. These stores and the growth of these stores have aided in the economic diversity and needs of this community by also being one of the top 25 employers in Archuleta County. He continues to keep his business fresh and relevant searching for product lines that locals will embrace.

"What group in Pagosa has not benefitted from the generosity of this individual? The nomination form included 4 pages of groups that have benefitted from his generosity over the years. And his philanthropy is not only extended to groups and non-profits but to individuals that may need help in overcoming a tragedy and needs a little extra assistance like when he donated the lumber to build a ramp for an employee's little girl who was now wheelchair bound. Boy scout troops are still experiencing the generosity from this nominee 25 years later as they utilize a bridge that he donated all the redwood lumber to build the bridge with.

"If you don't see him at work you would could see him sitting in the bleachers at a school football or basketball game supporting his children and other Pagosa youths through his cheering presence and philanthropic gestures to the Boosters. There are very few areas of this community that this man's efforts have not touched not for just a year or two but for over 30 years."

In nominating Smith for the Citizen of the Year award, Shari Pierce wrote, "I have had the honor and the pleasure of knowing Terry for over 25 years in business, community activities and personally. He is a tremendous asset to our community in so many ways, but is one of those people who prefers to operate behind the scenes and so often diverts praise away from himself and to others."

"If you look up the definition of 'role model,' you will see Terry's photo," the letter continues. "Walk into his store at any given time, and you will find him working the register, assisting and greeting customers — personally demonstrating how his business operates and why it has been successful through over 30 years. But, you'll also see a man who is demonstrating the way we should all live our lives — caring for one another, doing our best, working hard for what we have, giving to our community, being a leader and a good citizen."

We can't think of a candidate worthier than Terry Smith for the 2016 Citizen of the Year Award; he has blessed our community in countless ways.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

## WHADDYA THINK?

How often do you believe or rely on weather forecasts?



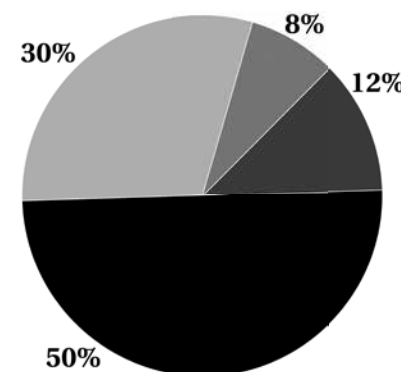
**Willis Dean**  
"Once in a while."



**Cher Cobus**  
"All the time."



**Lynne Eis**  
"Every day."

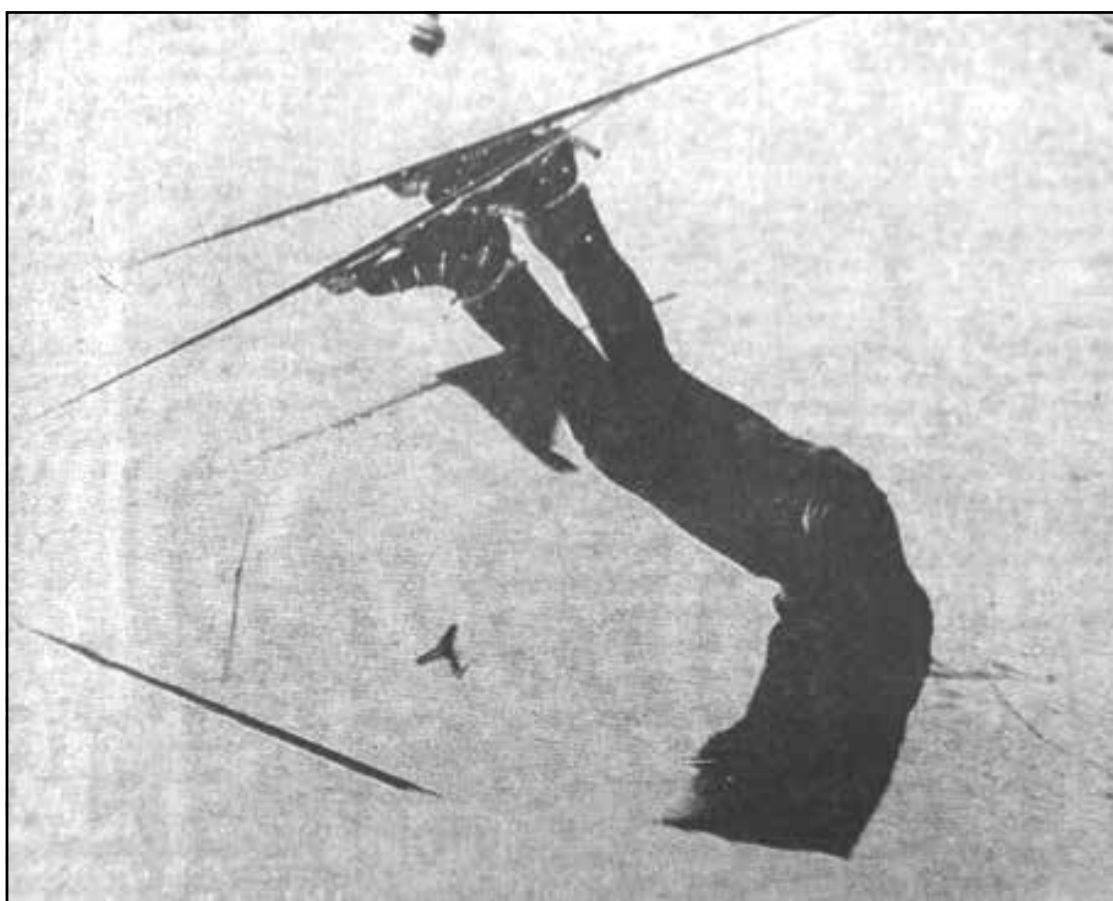


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## LOOKING BACK



From the March 12, 1970, Pagosa Springs SUN.

**HEELS OVER HEAD —** A skier at Wolf Creek Pass Ski Area during the annual Crazy Days there last Saturday made a slight mistake in his jumping ability and ended up with his feet waving in the air. This SUN photo shows the skier just as his head and shoulders went out of sight in the deep powder snow that abounds at Wolf Creek Pass Ski Area.

## LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

### 90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 21, 1927

The San Juan forest offices here report that during the year 1926, there were 384,000 million feet of lumber cut on the lands of the forest reserve. Of this amount, 1,000 feet were sold to ranchers whose places adjoin the forest. This lumber is sold at \$1 a 1,000 feet and can not be used for other than improvements on the rancher's place. Commercial sales through the year amounted to 1,682,000 feet. The C.W. Houser sale was the largest one for the year involving more than a million feet of the lumber.

Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Houser left Saturday by auto for San Diego, the former on a business mission and the latter to visit with relatives and friends. They were accompanied by Thos. Darnall.

### 75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 30, 1942

The ice harvest in this section is nearly completed, according to those who have been storing the cold slabs for the past ten days. While not as thick as usual, the ice this year is said to be of high quality, clear and solid. The local creamery expected to finish Wednesday and others who have already put up the coming year's supply include, John Snider, Joe Chambers, G. L. Cotton, Tom Flaugh and Wm. C. McComas.

Patrons of the local Welfare Department are feasting on elk meat this week as a result of distribution Monday, of two big bull elk killed north of town near Lloyd Jones ranch. The kill was made Sunday by Game Warden, Jack Fuller, after the animals had destroyed hay and feed of a number of ranchers in this area.

### 50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 26, 1967

The first Archuleta County casualty in Viet Nam was reported last Wednesday when Pfc Jesus M. Archuleta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Archuleta, was killed in action. Archuleta had been in the service less than seven months and had been in Viet Nam but a short time. The notification said that he had been killed by small arms fire after his patrol was ambushed near Cuchie. He was a rifleman in the infantry. Jesus Archuleta was born November 22, 1946 in Durango. He was killed January 18, 1967, being slightly over 20 years of age. He spent most of his life in Pagosa Springs and attended the local schools. This young citizen was the first reported Archuleta County fatality. There are several men from here in Viet Nam and this is a grim reminder that the enemy is playing for keeps.

### 25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of January 30, 1992

Due to an error in calculation, and insufficient time for an adjustment, taxpayers in the newly expanded Pagosa Fire Protection District will pay a higher mill levy than is necessary in 1992. The additional revenues will be used in a way that should help lead to a reduction of the district's 1993 levy. The Pagosa Fire Protection District territory was enlarged in 1991 when citizens within a five-mile radius of the Town of Pagosa Springs voted to ask the district board for inclusion. Taxation for services were to begin in 1992. The board approved the inclusion and the assessed valuation (a factor which, along with the district budget requirements helps determine the mill levy) for the district subsequently increased. "It was a mistake made in my office," said County Assessor David Wilson.

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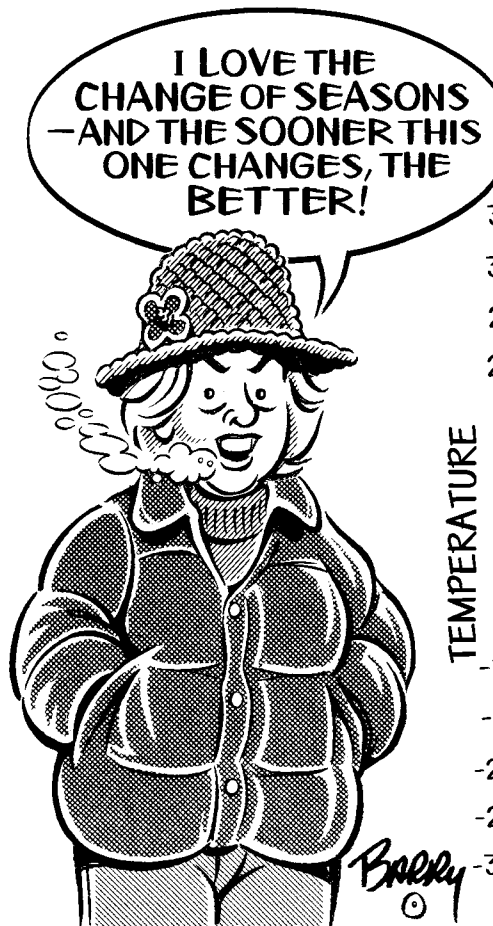
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# Letters

## Climate change

Dear Editor:  
Time for a change in Rep. Scott Tipton's stance on Colorado's environment?

I recently received a letter from Tipton responding to my concerns about rural and western Colorado's environmental issues. His response welcomes dialogue and I appreciate his openness to listen.

He stated "Environmental stewardship is one of my top priorities, and I support efforts in Congress to analyze and put forth solutions to the threats posed by climate change."

Due to the influx of new climate data, many Republican representatives and senators are taking a new look at climate change, so I don't want to hold Tipton's past voting

record against him. However, we also should not ignore a trend and, thus, miss an opportunity to act.

In 2015 there were 35 opportunities in the House to vote pro-environment for clean air, clean water, clean energy, forest management, climate change, wildlife and the public's right to know about toxic chemicals in the environment.

Of those 35 opportunities, Tipton voted against environmental stewardship 34 times and voted for a healthier environment only once. See <http://scorecard.lcv.org/moc/scott-tipton>.

I encourage dialogue with Tipton about this discrepancy. A town hall meeting, that is not by invitation only, as is usually the case, but open to the general public would be a wonderful opportunity for Tipton's constituents to hear his views on this important and timely subject.

Another concern for many of us is the willingness of our representatives to work across the aisle on environmental issues. Tipton stated in his response to me, "It is my sincere hope that Republicans and Democrats can work together in Congress to reach a solution to this problem so that we can preserve our natural environment for generations to come." Repeated invitations have been sent by Colorado constituents to Tipton to join Republican Rep. Carlos Curbello's Climate Solutions Caucus, a bipartisan group of 18 House members working together on climate change solutions. <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/climate-solutions-caucus/>.

I encourage Tipton to lead our district and represent Colorado's strong values of outdoor recreation and environmental concerns by joining this caucus.

Susan Atkinson

## Health coverage

Dear Editor:  
Recent polling by the Kaiser Family Foundation found that half of all Americans support the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

An additional 28 percent don't want to see it repealed without knowing what will replace it. And 87 percent of the 22 million folks who now have affordable health

coverage through the ACA are happy with their insurance. The Congressional Budget Office estimates the ACA is saving 45,000 lives each year. So why are Trump and the Republicans in Congress chomping at the bit to repeal and/or radically change the ACA?

The ACA provides tax credits to help many folks pay for their health insurance, and it has added an additional 8 million low income Americans (mostly children) to the Medicaid program.

Funding is coming primarily from a 0.9 percent earned income tax and a 3.9 percent unearned income tax on annual incomes greater than \$200,000 per individual or \$250,000 per couple. The Republican party has a storied track record of cutting taxes for the wealthy, so it is not surprising that congressional Republicans are talking about defunding the ACA by eliminating this tax.

Health insurance sold under the ACA is mandated to provide comprehensive coverage, which means ACA insurance policies must cover preventative health services, such as visits to a primary care physician and dental care. Preventative health care saves money, as fewer people end up hospitalized with serious illnesses.

Recently Trump, Paul Ryan and Rand Paul have said they want to offer health insurance to "the most amount of people at the least amount of cost" (Rand Paul, The Guardian 1/16/17).

Without significant federal funding, the only way to provide health insurance for everyone at a low cost is to offer catastrophic coverage policies. These policies have low premiums, but they do not cover preventative health care. Out-of-pocket costs are so high many families go bankrupt paying medical bills before their catastrophic insurance kicks in. Catastrophic policies do nothing to reduce the overall cost of health care for Americans.

The ACA is not perfect, and it can be improved. But if you think repealing the ACA might be a good idea, beware of throwing the baby out with the bathwater.

Karen Goodwin

## Unplug now

Dear Editor:  
'Twas another lovely holiday season in our sweet mountain town; and those Christmas lights were especially lovely this year from Thanksgiving till mid-January.

When the lights are left on year-round, though, they lose their "specialness," if you will.

Pagosa, please unplug. Thank you.

Addi Greer

## Mother Nature

Dear Editor:  
Pages on "climate change" have been removed from federal websites. That ought to make Mother Nature behave. Kind of like painting the roses red, eh? Sad.

Terry Pickett

## Standing up

Dear Editor:  
The emotions I've been feeling since Trump's election are grief, disbelief, fear, and hopelessness. Concern about Medicare and Medicaid, the Affordable Care Act, his "Great Wall," and his relationship with Vladimir Putin. The list goes on and on.

But now I'm so proud of every American who marched in protest around the United States on Saturday, the 21st, as well as people from around the world who marched in solidarity with them. This action was absolutely incredible. More than 1 million people participated in the marches in the U.S., and that doesn't count Washington, D.C.

The protests were part of a grassroots organizing effort meant to demonstrate a show of force opposing the new administration's agenda. To say that women's rights are human rights, in opposition to Trump's history of derogatory comments about women. And it was to stress respect for racial, gender, religious and political diversity. The hope is that this day of opposition will just be the beginning of a movement.

I could write pages about the many issues that distress me about Donald Trump. However, one development that really worries me

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# Obituaries



## Violet Mae (Anderson) De Vore

Violet Mae (Vi) De Vore, a longtime resident of Pagosa Springs, passed away peacefully the early morning of Jan. 13 at Hospice of the Valley in Arizona. She was 93. Vi was a wonderful caring wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend.

Vi was born Feb. 11, 1923, in Monte Vista, Colo., to Oscar Edward Anderson and Christine (Kolander) Anderson.

All four of Violet's grandparents migrated to the United States from Sweden. She grew up on her grandfather Swan Anderson's homestead.

After graduating from Rio Grande County High School in Monte Vista in 1941, Vi enrolled at Adams State Teachers College in Alamosa. After two years and qualified to teach, she moved to Pagosa Springs in 1943, teaching the second grade. Her first class contained 42 students. Violet taught at Pagosa Springs until 1945, then left during the summer to obtain more schooling. She taught in Center during 1945 and at Alamosa the following year, and in 1948 earned a bachelor's degree from Adams State.

On June 12, 1947, Vi went to a dance in Pagosa where she met Dick De Vore. Vi and Dick dated all that summer and fall and were married on Thanksgiving Nov. 27, 1947.

Making their home in Pagosa Springs, Vi and Dick had four children: Larry, Marla, Christine and Laure. Vi stayed home as mother until Larry started the first grade in 1955, then she started teaching the third grade. She later taught special education and over the course of three summers, earned a master's degree in special education from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley. Vi retired from teaching in 1984 following a 34-year career.

Violet loved her Pagosa community and was an active member of Rebekah Lodge for 55 years, including serving often as an officer. She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi for

50 years. She was a member of the Civic Club, of the School Improvement Community and wrote the 1996 history of the local Methodist Church, of which she was an active member for many, many years. After retirement, Vi enjoyed a trip back east and toured the Statue of Liberty, the fall foliage of New York, went to a Broadway play and got to see many wonderful things. She loved life. She enjoyed doing for others. She crocheted over 100 hearts-and-ruflles afghans for family and friends. She enjoyed playing and loved taking trips with friends to Sky Ute Casino in Ignacio.

In 2010 Vi and Dick De Vore moved to Phoenix, Ariz., with their daughters, Christine and Laure, in order to be close to their daughter, Marla, and son, Larry, and to help Christine with an illness. Vi missed her home in Pagosa and all her friends there, but family was very important to her and so home was where family was. She treasured the back-and-forth phone calls, cards, letters and visits with all her friends. She was flattered that she had trended on Facebook by some of her former students. She loved teaching.

Vi was very proud to have five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren and was happiest when we were all together. She loved playing the piano. She liked playing cards and games with the family any time. She especially liked Christmas, but made all our times together extra special.

Vi, Mom, Grandma, GGMa was loved and will be missed by all who knew her.

Vi was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, two sisters, her husband, Dick, her son, Larry, and her daughter, Christine.

She is survived by her sister, Mildred Keck; her daughters, Marla Garza and Laure De Vore, of Phoenix, Ariz.; grandchildren Richard Garza (Libby), Michelle Savage (Eric), all of Phoenix, Ariz.; Renee Liday (Mitchell), of Torrance, Calif.; Danielle Noffsinger (Paul) and Tom De Vore (Staci), all of Greeley, Colo.; great-grandchildren EJ Savage, Allie Savage, Abby Garza, Emma Garza, Violet Liday, Weston Liday, Lia Billheimer, Lily Noffsinger, Liam De Vore and Anderson De Vore; several nieces and nephews and many friends.

A private family celebration of Vi's life will be held Feb. 18, 2017, at her home in Phoenix, Ariz.

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## Terese Tarlton Hershey

1923-2017  
Terese T. (Terry) Hershey, one of America's most influential conser-

vationists, passed away peacefully on her 94th birthday at her home in Houston. Called a "Force of Nature" by former president and friend George H.W. Bush, Hershey's impact on the landscape of the United States stretched from the banks of Buffalo Bayou in Houston to every state in the Union.

Terry Hershey was born in Fort Worth, Texas, on Jan. 19, 1922, one of two children of John and Elizabeth Tarlton. She was preceded in death by her brother and a niece. Terry attended Stephens College in Columbia, Mo., and graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in philosophy in 1943. She returned to Fort Worth and established the city's very first art gallery on the family property which, following her parents' deaths, she donated to the city of Fort Worth. Today it is known as Wright-Tarlton Park in their names.

In 1958, Terry married Jacob W. Hershey, CEO of American Commercial Barge Lines. For more than a decade, they sailed the Atlantic and Caribbean from Maine to Tobago, ultimately leaving their life on the sea for their beautiful Four Mile Ranch outside of Pagosa Springs and Hershey Ranch at Stonewall in the Texas Hill Country. For years, Terry has supported a well-regarded children's outdoor education program at Four Mile Ranch in partnership with Audubon Rockies, and with the support of the local Weminuche Audubon Society, which she helped found.

Jake and Terry made their home in Houston along Buffalo Bayou and it was there that her life's work in defense of the environment began. Shortly after their marriage, the U.S. Congress approved funding for the Army Corps of Engineers to clear all natural vegetation from the banks of the Bayou, straighten its meanders and line it with cement. Incensed at the prospect of the destruction of its natural beauty, with help from oilman George Mitchell, Hershey convinced then-freshman Congressman George H.W. Bush to ask that funding be withdrawn.

From this now legendary conservation victory, Terry Hershey founded numerous organizations dedicated to environmental protection, including the Bayou Preservation Association, Citizens Who Care, The Citizen's Environmental Coalition, The Park People and Urban Harvest. Additionally, she and Jake founded the Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation which is largely dedicated to conservation.

Terry Hershey's dedication and skill was recognized by many elected officials including Houston mayors Kathy Whitmire, Bob Lanier, Lee Brown and Bill White, all of whom appointed her to successive terms on the Houston Parks Board. Gov. Dolph Briscoe appointed Hershey to the Texas Conservation

Foundation and Gov. Ann Richards named her the second woman ever to be appointed to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission, considered to be among the most prestigious appointments in state government. She was a founder of the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, along with her friend and ally, Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson.

Not content to confine her great passion and energy to Texas, Terry Hershey was a leader in many national organizations dedicated to parks and the environment, serving as a trustee of the National Recreation and Park Association, The Trust for Public Land, The National Audubon Society, The National Association of Flood Plain Managers and The National Recreation Foundation.

For her lifetime of service to the environment, Hershey received many awards including the prestigious Chevron Conservation Award, the Frances K. Hutchison Award from The Garden Clubs of America, the Cornelius Amory Pugsley Medal from The National Recreation Foundation and many more. She was the first person to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award from Houston Wilderness and she was inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame in 1991. In 2015, Audubon Texas established the Terry Hershey Women in Conservation Awards, which recognize the outstanding contributions to the environment made by women in Texas and support the development of the next generation of women in conservation.

Surely, Terry Hershey's principal impact was on the landscape, as she literally launched the modern conservation easement movement in Texas that allows private landowners to remain on the land while protecting their property in perpetuity. Thanks largely to her leadership, there are nearly 40 land trusts in Texas preserving private lands across the state and hundreds of thousands of acres protected by conservation easements.

Terry Hershey was preceded in death by her husband, Jake, in 2001. She is survived by cousins Amie Rodnick and Sissy Farenthold, by several generations of Jake's descendants, her cat Maggie and loving caregivers Janet Spencer and Veronica Garcia.

Donations in Terry's name may be made to the Weminuche Audubon Society, Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library, Humane Society of Pagosa Springs, San Juan Historical Society, Planned Parenthood and the charity of your choice.

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# Letters

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is Trump's attacks on the media. A free press is one of the foundations of our democracy.

At his press conference, Trump refused to take a question from a reporter, calling CNN "fake news." This is classic authoritarian posturing. Remember the fencing off of journalists at Trump's campaign rallies and his encouraging the crowd to treat them in a hostile manner?

At one event, he said that he "wouldn't kill journalists" but he hates them. These are the words of an American president? What?

He is obviously furious now because the media is accurately comparing the number of people in attendance for his inauguration versus the number who attended Obama's first inauguration. Members of the media are using comparative photos and facts re: the number of buses reserved, the numbers using D.C. rapid transit,

etc. In reality, his attack increases the attention given to this protest and what does it really matter? Then his aide, Kellyanne Conway, explained this as using "alternate facts," which are falsehoods.

President Trump is determined to undermine the media so that his administration can release its own "facts," telling supporters that the media reporting is false. Unfortunately, I fear that there are many of his supporters who will trust his "facts." He lied continuously during his campaign and it didn't stop his eventual win.

I'm nervous about sending this letter because I know that there are those who will attack me, not just my views. So be it. I have to stand up and be counted, too.

Tozi Rubin

## Money struggles

Dear Editor:  
So proud of Colorado voters that they approved the minimum wage

increases. Employers need to share their profits by seeing that their employees are able to enjoy an income that rewards their hard work, loyalty and commitment. With this new year, the lives of many have been lifted and hearts are singing. Of course, I know employers here in Pagosa who were already doing the right thing.

We will celebrate 70 years of marriage this year — memories of struggles, hard work and sacrifice, but blessings that are too many to count. I certainly understand how it is with our young families who struggle financially.

We had managed financially for me to be home for our children until all were in school. However, three in school began to put a strain on his income and I was able to find a nine-month job that allowed me to have summers off without pay — and the \$125/month was the "boost" we needed.

My husband's job took him away for two months every summer and without any income from me, managing expenses was difficult. One summer, an "unexpected" expense occurred and I went to the bank to see if I could get a loan for \$100.

The banker replied, "If you will sign to have \$10/month transferred to a savings account, I will lend you the money." I replied, "Sir, if I had \$10/month extra, I would not be in here asking you for a loan of \$100." He immediately approved my loan.

What was his problem? He had never walked in my shoes. Know you are loved.

Patty Tillerson

# Card of Thanks

## Girl Scouts

Girl Scout Troop No. 25075 would like to thank The Pagosa Springs SUN and KWUF for helping us advertise our food drive.

And a great big thank you to Made in Colorado Shoppe, the Ross Aragon Community Center and Bank of the San Juans for letting us put our containers in your businesses to collect the food that

was donated.

Our girls were so proud of the food they were able to collect to help our community.

All food has been donated to the Methodist Church food bank.

Also, our troop will be selling Girl Scout cookies starting on Jan. 29. Feel free to contact me at 946-2288 if you would like to purchase cookies.

Inez Winter, troop leader

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# Obituaries



## Diane Lea Holloway

Diane Lea Holloway passed away, Thursday, Jan. 19, at home with her husband by her side. A memorial service was held on Wednesday, Jan. 25, at the Pagosa Springs Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Diane was born on Oct. 3, 1939, in Santa Monica, Calif. She was adopted by George and Fern Matson in her infancy. She grew up in the Santa Monica area and graduated from school there. Diane spent most of her working life in the title insurance and real estate business.

Diane's daughter, Lianne, was born in 1959 and currently lives in Venice, Calif.

Diane met James Holloway in 1989 in Sedona, Ariz., and they were married on June 9, 1990, in Prescott, Ariz. Shortly after, they moved to Yucaipa, Calif., where they lived until she retired.

Jim and Diane moved to Pagosa Springs in 2005, where they helped manage the Liberty Theatre. Diane enjoyed "antiquing," was an avid shopper and was gifted at entertaining and home décor.

She is survived by her husband, James "Jim" Holloway, her daughter, Lianne Gold, and many close friends.



## Patricia Ann McRee

Patricia Ann McRee passed away Wednesday, Jan. 18, at home in Pagosa Springs, surrounded by family. She was 85 years old.

Patricia was born Dec. 10, 1931, to Sivert Moen and Sybil Elizabeth Whiteside Moen in Kelliher, Minn. She graduated from Albuquerque High in 1950. Patricia married William Fredrick "Fred" McRee in the early 1950s. Fred passed in 1978 and Pat began working for GE. She retired from General Electric in 1995.

Fred and Pat were dedicated to the horse community and following his passing, she continued in that endeavor. She was active in the rodeo and horse community in showing horses, participating in team roping, and served as secretary and time keeper for many rodeo associations and events. She bred, raised and showed many AQHA (American Quarter Horse Association) award winners.

She is survived by her sons, Michael McRee and Timothy (Tracie) McRee; her sisters, Karen Farr and Nancy Jones; grandchildren David, Darin, Kyle, Katelyn and Fredrick "David" McRee; daughter-in-law Teri McRee; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her spouse, Fred; her sister, Mary Fischer, and her son, Kevin McRee.

Memorial services will be held in Albuquerque at a later date.



## Dorothy Marie Toner

Dorothy Marie Toner, affectionately known as Dottie, of Pagosa Springs, joined her cowboy and lifelong partner, Ed Toner, in heaven on Jan. 18. She was 84. A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Jan. 28 at the Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St., Pagosa Springs.

Dorothy was born Oct. 8, 1932, to Lester and Bethel Marie Short in Tulsa, Okla. Her dad was a pharmacist for Walgreen's and was transferred to various places throughout her childhood. A majority of her life was spent in Amarillo, Texas, and Denver, where she graduated from East High School. She went on to attend college at Colorado A&M (Colorado State University) where she met the love of her life, Ed Toner. Ed and Dorothy both graduated and started their life of world travels and adventures together. Ed was in the Air Force for 24 years. Dorothy's childhood had prepared her for a life of traveling and Ed provided it. Upon Ed's retirement from the Air Force, Ed and Dorothy came back to the Upper Piedra.

Dorothy's passion and dedication was to her husband, family, friends and community. After raising her three children, she had a big hand in raising grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom loved her and will miss her

very much. Her loving generosity was expressed through serving the church, her dedication to the causes of women and children around the world, extensive other volunteering and being a bright spot in everyone's lives. Her hospitality was unlimited, for she knew no strangers. All were welcome and greeted with her smile, love and acceptance. She was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church, where she served on many committees, president of the United Methodist Women local chapter, and district president of the southwest district. She was a member of Daughters of the American Revolution, Homemakers, Eastern Star and the Delta Zeta Sorority.

She is survived by her three children: Rodney Toner (Marquise), of Victorville, Calif., Glen Toner (Linda), of Buckeye, Ariz., and Cynthia Toner, of the Upper Piedra, Pagosa Springs. Dorothy had eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Dorothy is also survived by her sister, Sandy Ellis (Vern), of Torrington, Wyo.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Community United Methodist Food Bank of Pagosa Springs.

## Obituaries

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## 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.

A 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.



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# Goals & Accomplishments

## Town of Pagosa Springs

SUN staff asked representatives of publicly funded agencies in Archuleta County to individually answer a trio of questions relating to the goals and accomplishments of themselves and their agencies at the turn of the year.

Their answers will be printed in The SUN over the coming weeks. Answers are printed as received and are not edited.

### Don Volger, Pagosa Springs Mayor



I think many will agree that 2016 was an interesting year as the Town pursued numerous projects and dealt with a few contentious issues. Though many questions still require answers and decisions are pending, we realized significant successes and I'm looking forward to the wonderful possibilities 2017 presents.

#### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2016?

Please note, yet again, that I accomplished nothing on my own. However, I am blessed to be involved with a wonderful team of Town Council members, staff, and volunteers who worked hard last year to make Pagosa Springs better. Recently, Town Manager Greg Schulte gave the Council a list of approximately seventy 2016 Town accomplishments that will be posted on the Town's website. Seeing that list is impressive. Since the length of this article is limited, I can't cover them all but I'll mention some.

1. The Town's Sanitation General Improvement District participated in negotiations with the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District to revise the original sewer pipeline construction project agreement. As a result, we now have a workable agreement that led to the successful completion of that major project and the pipeline is up and running, without a rate increase to our customers.
2. The Town made significant headway on other

major capital improvement projects that include; securing financing and starting the reconstruction of S. 8th Street, supporting the construction of the first Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership growing dome and amphitheater, completing the paving of our portion of Trujillo Road, receiving a Safe Route To School Grant for N. 8th Street, paving and improving the River Walk behind the River Center, replacing the Hot Springs Pedestrian Bridge and making more progress with the Town to Lakes Trail.

3. The Town Council decided to proceed with updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan. We approved funding and selected a consulting firm that will facilitate numerous public meetings designed to solicit as much information as possible from community members to be used in the Plan update. I believe their efforts will result in a working document that accurately reflects our community's desires for the future of Pagosa Springs.

#### What are your three top goals for 2017?

It's very difficult to limit the goals to only three because Town Council and staff spent considerable time reviewing and outlining the 2017 goals, objectives and action steps. Therefore, the most important goal is to keep that document in focus throughout the year. If we accomplish all of the action items listed, we'll have an extremely successful 2017!

However, I would like to see more done down-

town, the "heart" of our community. In the document I've just referenced, we identified specific action steps to re-vitalize and expand the downtown commercial area, but I hope that the Town's revised Comprehensive Plan will provide us with additional, innovative ideas.

#### What is your action plan to meet your goals?

I'll continue to support the incredible Council members, staff, and volunteers who contribute so much to our town. In addition, I plan to carefully consider the lessons learned from the challenging issues of 2016 as I make upcoming decisions, and I'll encourage those with whom I work to do the same.

I will also continue chairing Town Council meetings that welcome all who choose to attend, allowing them to share their opinions and ideas in a respectful and efficient manner, and I assure you that those comments will be factored in to the Council's decision making process.

Personally, I plan to maintain a positive attitude about what Pagosa Springs can become if we work together, hammer out our disagreements in a respectful manner, and are motivated by a love for Pagosa and a desire to pursue what's best for this special place. I will continue to believe that things can work out for the best and I'll choose to believe that our community has a bright and prosperous future.

### Greg Schulte, Pagosa Springs Town Manager



#### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2016?

The year of 2016 was a record year in many respects and it would be difficult to try and encapsulate the success of the Town to only three items. As the Mayor alludes to in his message above, we do have list of 2016 accomplishments posted on the front page of our website and I would encourage members of the community to go to the website to view the list. Many things were visible to the public and others were not so visible, but all were very important. The success of the Town is the result of the dedication and hard work of the Town staff, its advisory boards, and volunteers. It's quite simple, without them the community would not be the wonderful place that it is. Looking back over the past year, the following three things come to mind:

1. A Year of Records: 2016 was another record year for sales tax and lodgers tax, the best year ever! Related to that, we also had what we think is record number of visitors. It's not an easy thing to measure, but according to the electronic door counters, we had approximately 83,000 people come through the Visitor Center - over 17,000 in July alone!
2. Attainable Housing and Early Childhood Development: These items are particularly significant issues for Pagosa, and almost every other mountain / resort destination in Colorado. The Town Council and the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) were fortunate to have both Housing and Early Childhood Development Working Groups

that gathered information, explored options, and provided feedback to both the Council and the BoCC. 2017 will be an important year for both the Town and County to act upon the information and recommendations provided by the Working Groups. Related to the early childhood development, the Town inaugurated its Summer Youth Program in 2016. Due to the closure of the Youth Center, that left a significant childcare vacuum for parents during the summer months. Town staff did a tremendous job developing a new program to assist the parents and children of our community. By all accounts it succeeded wonderfully and will continue into 2017.

3. Various Capital Projects: In addition to the ones indicated by the Mayor above, we also put into place the new bowl in the skate park, the Centennial Park restrooms, and the Town Park Climbing Boulder. We thinned 40 acres on Reservoir Hill, made improvements at South Pagosa Park, and added more landscaping at Yamaguchi Park.

#### What are your three top goals for 2017?

I'm going to evade the instruction a little by stating the Council's four 2017 adopted goals, as follows:

1. Define and foster Pagosa's unique character and sense of place.
2. Recognize and value a healthy and authentic downtown as the community's heart.
3. Promote a vital local economy by supporting economic development, energy efficiency, and tourism.

4. Improve communication, encourage public engagement, and pursue cooperative efficient relationships.

On a more specific level, we intend to continue to place primary focus on attainable housing and early childhood development, but the public can also expect work on the following major projects:

- Completion of South 8th Street;
- Completion of both the East and West Segments of the Town To Lakes Trail;
- New paving, including areas surrounding Town Park;
- New playground equipment at Yamaguchi Park;
- Update the Housing Needs Assessment;
- Improvements for the Town Overlook Deck; and
- Rehabilitation of the 1st and Lewis Street Historic Stone Arch Bridge.

For a full listing of 2017 projects, please see the Town's website.

#### What is your action plan to meet your goals?

Our project list serves as our action plan for accomplishing our objectives in 2017. The list will be reviewed by staff continuously throughout the year and updates to Council will be provided at least quarterly. As noted in my write-up for last year, the Town works collaboratively with the County and many other partners to address numerous issues that transcend borders, particularly on attainable housing and early childhood development. We all have to work together to be most effective.

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# Pagosa Country 2016, October through December

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 months of October, November and December.

## October

The Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Lady Pirates volleyball team began October with a 10-1 record. The team then split an Intermountain League (IML) tri on Oct. 1 on its home court with a win against Monte Vista followed by a loss to Bayfield.

The split left the Lady Pirates in second place in the IML with a 5-1 league record, trailing undefeated Bayfield by a game.

On Oct. 4, a preliminary 2017 budget was presented to the Pagosa Springs Town Council by Town Manager Greg Schulte. The proposed budget was based on growth in sales tax revenues of 2 percent in 2017, less than the anticipated growth of 6 percent or better in 2016.

Sales tax is the primary source of revenue available to the town for its two primary funds, the general fund and the capital improvement fund.

Schulte told council that the town needed to anticipate the probability in its budget that sales tax revenue could reach a plateau in 2017 because it appeared there was little current room for continued expansion of local tourism given current limits on accommodations in peak season.

Proposed total expenditures for 2017 were slightly below those proposed for 2016, although due to factors such as delays in capital spending during the ongoing year, Schulte said actual expenditures might increase.

The manager noted the proposed 2017 budget was in balance and would leave the town with at least three months of reserve funds.

The Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) amended its land use regulations on Oct. 4 to limit the number of marijuana plants that can be grown on a parcel of land to 48.

The BoCC also decided to classify noncommercial marijuana cultivation as an accessory use.

The board of the Pagosa Area Geothermal Water and Power Authority (PAGWAPA) decided on Oct. 10 to seek authorization from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to "repurpose" a \$1.4 million balance remaining in a nearly \$2 million grant the agency had provided the authority in 2014.

PAGWAPA had been formed by the town and county in 2014 to explore the area's underground geothermal resources, in the hope that access to hot water deep below the surface in quantities suited for commercial exploitation could be verified by test wells drilled to 2,500 feet.

But the project was scuttled when funding by the U.S. Department of Energy dried up with a budgetary deadline in 2015, be-

fore wells could be drilled to the needed depth. Alternative means of moving forward could not then be found.

In view of the unused balance in the DOLA grant, PAGWAPA's board decided to suggest to the agency that although the exploration project had been discontinued, there were other geothermal-related purposes to which DOLA's funds could instead be devoted.

In November, the board approved a letter to be sent to DOLA with a list of possible substitute projects. But, in late December, DOLA responded negatively, and followed its response by withdrawal of the remaining balance of grant funds in view of the termination of the exploration project.

In a two-hour meeting on Oct. 10, members of the Pagosa Charter School Initiative (PCSI), Archuleta School District (ASD) Board of Education (BOE) and District Accountability Committee (DAC) discussed select questions and concerns about the pending application for the proposed Pagosa Peak Open School.

The meeting began with a presentation by Ursula Hudson, PCSI president. That presentation was then followed by several questions and concerns presented to the PCSI board that had been derived from a previous meeting between the BOE and DAC, which touched on several topics.

Later in the month, members of the community gathered to provide public input and pose questions to the BOE regarding the proposed school.

A total of two dozen people spoke at the meeting, with a mix of support, concern and questions expressed. Additional community members were in attendance.

It was announced on Oct. 11 that ASD enrollment for the 2016-17 school year was 115 students higher than expected, and 126 students higher than the 2015-2016 enrollment for the district.

ASD enrollment totals 1,498 students this year, above last year's 1,372 students and above the projected enrollment of 1,383.

After 10 years in public service, state Sen. Ellen Roberts announced her resignation from the Colorado Legislature. Roberts served House District 59 and Senate District 6 during her years in the legislature.

On Oct. 18, the PSHS boys soccer season, characterized earlier by coach Lindsey Kurt-Mason as "snakebit," came to a conclusion with a 5-4 overtime loss to Montezuma-Cortez. The loss exemplified the frustrating season, coming despite a 22-9 advantage enjoyed by the Pirates in shots on goal.

The loss followed on the heels of another close loss three days earlier at the hands of Crested Butte, 1-0, in another game in which the Pagosa side enjoyed an edge in scoring chances, with a 16-9 margin in shots on goal.

The Pirates finished their season with a record of 4-9-2, with two of the losses carrying into overtime.

The town council agreed at its meeting on Oct. 20 to pay fees and costs of \$35,063.50 to attorney Matt Roane, who represented plaintiff

Bill Hudson in a suit against the town under the Colorado Sunshine Law.

The agreement came with council's 4-1 vote of a "Full and Final Release and Settlement Agreement" to be filed in the lawsuit.

Councilor Tracy Bunning, acting as mayor pro tem for the meeting in the absence of Mayor Don Volger, voted to reject the settlement.

Hudson's suit was filed in the aftermath of an executive session held by council on Sept. 17, 2015, and challenged the legality of its action in allowing a "contract adversary" to join it in the private meeting. Principals of the Springs Partners LLC were the persons referred to in the suit as contract adversaries.

Discussion with the "adversaries" during the executive session concerned possible amendment of the 2012 agreement between the town and the Partners vesting for 10 years development rights in their 27-acre downtown tract, and allowing the town an option to build a new bridge over the San Juan River at 5th Street.

District Court Judge Gregory Lyman had ruled in August that the discussion was in violation of the Sunshine Law, and ordered the town to provide public access to a recording of the session.

The town did not appeal Lyman's ruling, and accordingly was liable for "reasonable" attorney fees under a provision of the statute. The release and settlement approved by council waived the town's right to contest the reasonableness of attorney Roane's fees.

Schulte reported to town council during its meeting on Oct. 20 that sales tax collections received by the town continued at record levels.

According to Schulte's written report, August 2016, with a total of \$495,843 sales tax received by the town, "is now the highest sales tax month ever," noting in particular that collections in August were higher than in July 2016, the previous biggest month ever, by over \$10,000.

Noting that, historically, July is the busiest sales tax month every year, Schulte cautioned in his written report this month that the unusual collections this summer may have resulted because "part of the revenue received in August 2016 may be attributable to another month or period."

On Oct. 21 and 22, the Upper San Juan Search and Rescue (USJSAR) team undertook a rescue mission for a man who suffered a horse riding accident.

The horse the man was riding slipped down a steep embankment, causing both of them to tumble down the mountain.

The man was eventually flown out of the area by the National Guard.

On Oct. 22, an early morning fire at the Adobe Building displaced more than a dozen downtown businesses and caused a disruption in the downtown water service for a portion of the day.

The structure was a total loss, and the fire was later determined to have started in the kitchen area

of the Bear Creek Saloon and Grill.

The Lady Pirates' cross-country team placed second at regionals, while their Pirate counterparts took third, sending both teams to the state tournament in Colorado Springs.

Every PSHS runner set a new personal record on what the team has dubbed the "Delta Speedway."

"It was a #awesome day," said coach Scott Anderson, adding, "They definitely exceeded outside expectations on both sides. There's not enough good things to say about that day."

The following weekend, both teams placed 12th at the state meet.

On Oct. 28, the Pagosa Pirates football team ended its season by beating the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers 53-7.

The Pirates ended the season with a 2-7 record.

On Oct. 28, an armed robbery occurred in Aspen Springs.

The robbery was committed by multiple people, and the individuals robbing the house tied the resident up before stealing some items in the house and taking the resident's car.

At the end of October, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office was evacuated for a few days, prompted due to a geothermal smell in the facility.

The evacuation was the second in two years, with an April 2015 flooding of the jail causing the facility to close permanently, with the majority of Archuleta County's inmates now being housed in La Plata County.

The Lady Pirates volleyball team finished its regular season in second place in the IML, and then won 4 of 5 matches against opponents from throughout the state in the Coal Ridge Tournament, held in New Castle, Colo., on Oct. 29-30.

The tournament left the Lady Pirates season record at 18 wins against 5 losses. The team finished behind Bayfield in the IML with a 7-3 record.

## November

Archuleta County's own Terry Schaaaf was chosen as Colorado's Fair Manager of the Year by the Colorado Association of Fairs and Shows at its annual convention Nov. 3-5.

Between Nov. 4 and 11, the damaged pedestrian bridge over the San Juan River at The Springs Resort was replaced by contractors engaged by the town.

In early summer 2015, the old bridge was found to have structural cracks. A subsequent engineering inspection could not determine whether the cracks resulted from a manufacturing flaw, improper mounting 20 years earlier or excessive loads. But, the engineer had advised the town, the bridge needed to be replaced before the 2016-17 winter, with its cold temperatures and potential snow load.

The Lady Pirates were ranked 12th in the state going into the playoffs, and hosted a first-round regional against the Rye Thunder-

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# Broadband

Continued from front ability, create new technologies, increase opportunities for the region's companies, enhance public safety, provide better and less expensive healthcare, and provide greater educational opportunities."

The NEO Connect report focuses substantial attention on an existing regional facility intended for the enhancement of broadband throughout the area, the Southwest Colorado Access Network (SCAN). SCAN was a \$4 million project

undertaken by the SWCOG in 2010 with the aid of a grant received from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs.

SCAN laid fiber in regional communities between public "anchor institutions," including government offices, schools, libraries, health care providers and the like.

Fiber refers to fiber optic cable, which has the capacity to carry light impulses at high speed, transmitting vast quantities of data for even lengthy distances without

degradation.

Fiber optic cables, often buried in trenches along roadways, are the current means of choice of delivering broadband service. But its installation is costly and requires high volumes of consumer demand to provide attractive return on private capital investment. Such high usage is usually limited to dense, urban population centers and is not present in the rural areas characterizing southwest Colorado.

In the report, NEO Connect

recommends steps to enhance the existing SCAN system so that it can be used to provide part of the hardware necessary to establish the type of Internet "utility" considered necessary.

In summary, with regard to SCAN, the report recommends that it "be leveraged further to connect more of the anchor institutions within each community, and to provide redundancy in and out of each of the communities. The SCAN project could also be expanded to include building fiber, wireless or other connectivity between the communities. This expansion would better leverage the previous work of the SCAN project, allowing more anchor institutions to receive better broadband services and can potentially provide a path forward to financial sustainability for the SCAN project."

The balance of the NEO Connect report outlines potential steps to bring broadband access to regional communities by a variety of means.

The report suggests examples of "short term" options to achieve that objective, including:

- Collaboration by the SWCOG and its members with commercial service providers to share in the costs of leased Internet transport;
- Implementation of broadband policies and ordinances and to help build anchor institutions; and
- Use of existing structures and towers for implementation of Internet transmission by wireless systems.

Long-term options identified include:

- Construction of fiber facilities connecting regional communities in collaboration with the Colorado Department of Transportation, which the report notes plans fiber installation along major highways to aid safety and traffic control, as well as with the Rural Healthcare Grant Program, a resource available to health care institutions;
- Implementation of public private partnerships for last-mile connectivity (i.e., Internet connectivity to residences); and
- Development of new tower locations to help supply broadband wireless signals to consumers.

Subsequent to the issuance of the NEO Connect report, broadband deficiencies and potential remedies were the subject of discussion at the joint work session of Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and Pagosa Springs Town Council on Tuesday morning, Jan. 24.

Much of the discussion consisted of a presentation by Jason Cox, president of the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC), a not-for-profit corporation jointly formed by the town and county to encourage development. Consistent with its mission, the CDC has been in the forefront of local efforts to achieve widespread, true local broadband connectivity.

With Cox was CDC consultant Eric Hittle, of Echo IT Consulting.

Cox and Hittle recommended that the local governments consider a series of actions to support expansion of broadband, beginning with reduction of regulatory barriers by actions such as simplification of permit processes, establishment of a focal point for project management, determination of priority areas of optimal benefit to be targeted in the community for initial expansion, and formation of cooperative relationships with commercial providers.

They continued with recommendations for the local governments to extend support for enhancements of inter-community regional fiber links and, locally, to provide training for technical personnel, encourage or facilitate wireless antenna installation, tower construction and neighborhood fiber extensions.

Members of council and the commissioners present at the joint session welcomed the presentation. In the discussion that followed, a consensus developed among the public officials in favor of forming a specific plan for concrete action, recognizing that, as commented by Commissioner Steve Wadley, accomplishment of action "is a government problem." Accordingly, Cox said the CDC would work on preparation of an action plan that will be presented to both governments.

The date for the future presentation was undetermined. [jim@pagosasun.com](mailto:jim@pagosasun.com)

# PSMC

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"Out of that came unanimous approval of a CEO job description," Bruzzese said.

The job, according to the timeline provided for the board, would be posted in March, with PSMC accepting applications in March and April.

The timeline further shows that the succession planning committee would do the initial review on the candidate applications and interview committee would interview candidates beginning in May.

June and July are set to include in-person interview and site visits for selected candidates, and the search would be narrowed to finalists that would then be publicly announced per state law.

An offer of employment would then tentatively be made in August, with August and September also including contract negotiations.

The goal is to have the new CEO begin in December or possibly January of 2018.

The timeline also notes that there is a "Commitment to current CEO through 1/31/2018 so there is potential for overlapping financial obligations."

Bruzzese also informed the board that if a new CEO is not found by Jan. 31, 2018, Cochenet had offered to stay on and help until a new CEO was on board.

She then asked the board if there were any issues with the timeline presented and if the board would approve the job description.

At that point, Pruitt pointed out that the information provided included only the job description and didn't describe the person wanted, with Bruzzese responding that the list of attributes mentioned earlier was not to be released.

Earlier, she indicated the list was for internal purposes of reviewing candidates and not to be released to the public.

Pruitt then spoke of the different roles of the board and previous CEOs, stating that the board used to have to micromanage "everything" prior to the opening of the hospital.

"I mean we didn't have enough cash on hand to buy tires for the ambulance..." he said. "And everything kind of went from there, uphill for a while, and then we sort of leveled out and then we had a CEO that we felt like did not do a good job and, actually, we went way downhill very quickly."

He then spoke of Cochenet.

"And, fortunately, Brad has come in," he continued, noting that he voted against Cochenet becoming the CEO before noting that Cochenet helped the organization out of the financial situations it was in at the time.

"And we've kind of gotten to the point now where we've built a, what

I feel like is a good, stable medical community here that can go on for years to improve on what we've gotten without necessarily having to add a lot," he added.

He likened the situation to the development of a farm, with the people now sustaining the farm.

The needs of the institution, he noted, were shifting from financial needs to "honing and polishing" the clinical aspects of the operation.

The next CEO, he indicated, should have clinical attributes, as well as financial and managerial, pointing out there's a chief financial officer to help with the finances.

That clinical experience, he said, should become the third qualification on the job description.

The other two qualifications listed under the education and experience portion of the job description are "Minimum of Bachelor's Degree from an accredited university in an applicable field" and "Minimum of ten years of executive level leadership with at least five years of executive-level leadership at a healthcare facility."

Fellow board member Greg Schulte then asked Pruitt how he would articulate a clinical requirement, with Pruitt suggesting ground-level, hands-on clinical experience as well as some administrative experience.

Bruzzese pointed out that all of the center's clinical operations are led by clinical people (either physicians or nurses) and asked if, in light of that, Pruitt still thought the need was there for clinical experience on the part of the CEO.

She also pointed out that the future CEO may have to manage a \$15 million construction project (referring to phase 2 of PSMC's planning).

Pruitt responded affirmatively, stating that a "good team" was in place to help with all of that, but the difference would be in the dialogue among the center's leadership, which would filter down to patient care and taking care of people.

Bruzzese further questioned if Pruitt still felt that way with the chief medical officer having direct oversight of the doctors, noting that the succession committee members did not feel that way.

Pruitt again answered affirmatively, suggesting that if everything is taken back to "what we're here for," which is to take care of people, the rest would fall into place.

"We're at a place where we can shift our gears" and focus on those areas, he said.

Schulte then pointed out that the job description was the product of several people and again asked how Pruitt's idea could be stated and defined.

Pruitt suggested adding a requirement of clinical experience

in the field of medicine, with how that clinical experience came (as a doctor or nurse, for example) open-ended.

"So, I guess I would say that I'm inclined to go with the existing job description, ... recognizing that it's the work of ... a group of people that, hopefully, have mulled this over," Schulte said, asking if it was something that's a big deal to add or would change the nature and character of the candidate the organization was looking for.

Bruzzese suggested that it could state a preference for someone with an undergraduate degree in a medical field or clinical experience, which then wouldn't exclude a strong candidate without that attribute.

As the discussion continued, board chair Mark Floyd asked if it would make sense to suggest to the succession planning committee to add the attribute to the other list, which Pruitt agreed with.

Later, Bruzzese suggested the qualifications be amended to something along the lines of a preference for 10 years of executive-level experience with at least five years of executive-level leadership at a health care facility and/or an equivalent mixture of clinical experience.

Chief Medical Officer Rhonda Webb suggested that restricting it too much would lessen the number of candidates.

Alfred suggested taking Pruitt's suggestion and logic to a meeting of the succession planning committee for review, even if it delayed the process.

She suggested tabling the matter at the board level.

"I think this is a totally different avenue," Alfred said. "I think Dr. Pruitt sees us as guardians of the land that's already been tilled, and I think that the job description that we put together is for continuing to expand the farm and move forward with expansion and growth, not on just maintaining a really good rural clinic that runs very well, so I think we need to go back to the committee with this."

The board agreed and the matter was tabled.

Following that, the board opted to hire Cochenet on a part-time basis from Feb. 1, 2018, through Jan. 31, 2020, to provide director services for the Dr. Mary Fisher Medical Foundation.

Despite working under the foundation that primarily serves to raise funds for PSMC, Cochenet's employment would be under PSMC, which would then "lease" Cochenet's services to the foundation.

According to the employment agreement, for 20 percent of a full-time position, the gross salary for the position is \$50,000.

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# Water

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District Manager Justin Ramsey, the video units were ruined as a result of the user's vandalism. Costs to replace the units were more than \$6,400 for each, not including labor at the sites.

In addition, each fill station was out of service for over a week following the vandalism.

In each instance, the user causing the damage was identified from a

security video and prosecuted. The first incident was at the Trails station last March and that individual has been prosecuted and convicted.

The second incident was at the downtown station in November. Charges against that individual are pending.

Ramsey said the convicted defendant has been ordered to pay restitution, but required payments are small and will go to PAWSD's

insurance carrier except for the out-of-pocket deductible.

At the meeting last week, the PAWSD board approved an increase in the cost per thousand gallons of water pumped at fill stations to help recoup the expenses relating to the damage.

Effective March 1, Ramsey said, the new charge per thousand gallons will be \$9.10.

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# Sales

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Real estate/rental increased 5.1 percent, up \$10,525.

Arts and entertainment increased 8.4 percent, or \$5,813.

The following categories were down over the same period in 2015.

Miscellaneous decreased 8.3 percent, by \$7,236.

Administrative and support was down 43.4 percent, or \$8,240.

Information decreased 1.6 percent, or \$4,521.

Mining was down 5 percent, or \$5,490.

The construction and professional and scientific categories were relatively unchanged from 2015.

In a month-to-month comparison,

breaking the sales tax report down by sector, revenue generated by retail trade went from \$295,169 in November of 2015 to \$351,284 in November of 2016, for an increase of \$56,115.

Revenue generated by accommodations and food service went from \$97,116 in November of 2015 to \$109,384 in November this year, for an increase of \$12,268.

Arts, entertainment and recreation, a sector of the local economy that is greatly influenced by tourism, went from \$3,174 in November of last year to \$2,852 in November 2016, for a decrease of \$322.

The real estate industry garnered \$12,489, decreasing \$91, while the construction industry contributed

\$13,019, an increase of \$1,462 compared to November 2015.

Wholesale trade brought in \$31,079, an increase of \$28,773; manufacturing brought in \$29,894, an increase of \$2,523; and mining brought in \$14,292, an increase of \$6,053 compared to November of last year.

The information industry garnered \$25,832, an increase of \$854 from November of 2015.

Professional, scientific and technical services contributed \$3,207, an increase of \$1,165.

Administrative, support, waste management and remediation services generated \$976, a decrease of \$779 compared to last year.

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# Art

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that them seeing their work and being able to work side by side with artists is the best way for them to feel like they are artists and contribute to the community, too."

Another idea that was echoed by the audience was the idea of turning everyday objects that can be found in town into art.

The idea was that artists who work with stone and metal could create art in the forms of benches and trash cans, which gives the town the presence of art while incorporating objects already found in the town.

One audience member said that the bike racks the town recently purchased could have been created by a local artist.

Other audience members ex-

pressed the idea that the town could get outside funding to support Pagosa's growing art scene, but without a private-public partnership or the town contributing funding, it would be hard to secure funding from outside resources.

"I would like to see us tell the story of our community with art," said a member of the audience. "There's a lot of argument and disagreement ... in our community about our history, and I'd love for us to also embrace and include our Native American artisans who are surrounding us and own part of our county."

Continued the audience member, "I love that we have creative people here, but ideas are a dime a dozen. If nobody is willing to get your hands dirty and to work, that means ... every one of us, if you are

not willing to work, sweat, labor and do the hard stuff, nothing is going to happen. They can't do it for us. You have to be willing to go to them with an idea and a plan and a budget and say, 'This is what I want to do.'"

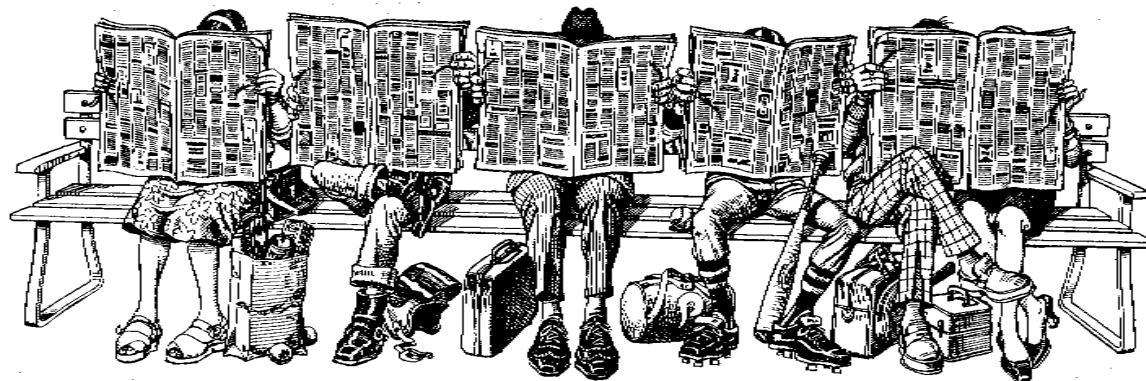
The audience member went on to say that Pagosa Springs needs a museum, as well as a way to fund that museum.

Dickhoff ended the meeting by suggesting that members of the audience look through the part of the town's comprehensive plan that pertains to art and culture and provide the town with feedback.

Dickhoff said that, hopefully, another meeting could be scheduled sometime in February or soon afterward.

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# Review

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bolts and Weld Central Rebels. The Thunderbolts had a record of 18-5 on the season, while the Rebels had a record of 19-4.

On Nov. 5, the Lady Pirates swept their home-court matches. With the triumphs before an enthusiastic crowd of chanting, flag-waving students, the team won the Class 3A Region 12 championship and advanced to the state tournament in Denver Nov. 11-12, where they were seeded ninth.

But the Lady Pirates could not advance further, losing a tough, five-set match to the fourth-seeded University High School Bulldogs. They also lost to rival Bayfield in three close sets. University continued to the semifinals, but lost to eventual champion Eaton High School, the top seed.

After the season concluded, the Lady Pirates' Megan Farrah and Morgan Lewis were honored with all-conference first team selections. Faith Ahlhardt and Taylor Jones were picked as members of the second team.

Farrah was also named to the all-state team selected by Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports.

Nov. 8 was an eventful Election Day, at the local, state and national levels.

In Archuleta County, nearly 84 percent of ballots issued were returned — setting a new record for voter turnout.

In the election, Archuleta County saw incumbent Steve Wadley elected for another term as commissioner for District 1, and Ronnie Maez elected to replace the outgoing Clifford Lucero.

Too, voters narrowly approved Ballot Issue 4A, exempting the Upper San Juan Health Service District (USJHSD) from TABOR (Taxpayer Bill of Rights) restrictions for 10 years.

But, despite the record turnout, the election was not without its difficulties — first, the local Election's Office ran out of the toner required to print the necessary number of ballots, despite assurances from the maintenance technician that the amount of toner on hand would be sufficient, leaving the office down for close to an hour.

Then, the state's voter database went down, freezing the state's abilities. Times that each county were down vary, with Archuleta County down between 45 minutes and an hour.

An anonymous tip in a 34-year-old unsolved double homicide led to the discovery of luggage belonging to one of the victims, Margaret Ann Walden. The luggage had been stored in a home near Ignacio.

Two pieces of red Sears brand, hard-sided luggage turned up — an empty suitcase and a makeup case full of Walden's things, including makeup, jewelry, a music box, trinket boxes with keepsakes, and photos.

It was announced that ASD's enrollment was up to 1,521 students, 23 additional students since the enrollment was announced in

October. The ASD board also voted to give ASD Superintendent Linda Reed a 2.05 percent raise.

On Nov. 9, Archuleta County was awarded \$200,000 via a grant to use in the process of planning the county's new justice center.

The grant was awarded by the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Commission after the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) applied for the grant in late September.

On Nov. 14, the BOE gave the PCSI application for the Pagosa Peak Open School the green light during a special meeting — a decision that was met with audience applause.

"Your charter school has been approved with conditions," ASD board president Greg Schick announced following the unanimous vote, which took place in a crowded conference room at the ASD administrative offices.

Those conditions concern the school's first-year budget and finance, educational program and standards, governance and employees.

The decision triggered a 90-day period for ASD and the PCSI board to negotiate and finalize a charter school contract that is consistent with the charter school application and the conditions outlined in the resolution. If the charter school and District need more time, they can agree to extend the 90-day deadline," according to an email from ASD Superintendent Linda Reed.

During a public hearing on Nov. 17, town council heard requests from numerous local service organizations for funding in the town's 2017 budget in the total amount of \$165,600.

Schulte told council that town policy has been that funding available to support service organizations is limited to 3 percent of the town's general fund regular revenue stream. For 2017, that would amount to a total allocation for service organizations of \$77,378.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the final amount approved by council specifically in the budgetary category for service organizations in 2017 was \$77,380.

But added to that were amounts redistributed to other budgetary categories in which funds were deemed to be available to fund additional requests.

In response to the requests originally presented, the total funding approved by council in all categories was \$132,380.

On the heels of its Nov. 14 approval by the school district to open the Pagosa Peak Open School, PCSI announced that it received a \$405,000 start-up grant through the Colorado Charter School Program on Nov. 17.

The funds will be distributed to the school over a three-year period, with \$135,000 received each year.

The grant funds can only be used for specific needs relating to the start-up of the school.

Protesters demonstrated outside the gate of BootJack Ranch

located east of Pagosa Springs on Nov. 20 in objection to the Dakota Access Pipeline by developer Energy Transfer Partners.

BootJack Ranch is owned by Energy Transfer Partners CEO Kelcy Warren.

On Nov. 28, the Town of Pagosa Springs announced it had won a national competition among local governments to receive one of six free technical assistance workshops from Smart Growth America (SGA), a nonprofit consulting organization that describes itself as being devoted to "[thinking] strategically about building better towns and cities."

The two-day program, to be scheduled during 2017 at a time remaining undetermined on the date of the announcement, will be titled "Implementing Smart Growth 101." It will include a day with community interaction, and a detailed workshop presentation by SGA experts on the following day.

Smart growth, the organization says, provides "transportation and housing choices near jobs, shops and schools."

Demonstrators gathered outside of the U.S. Forest Service's Pagosa Ranger District offices on Nov. 29, protesting the seasonal closure of Forest Service roads across the San Juan National Forest, citing, among other things, affected winter activities and that conditions do not warrant closing the roads until the spring thaw.

The 28-year-old, Christopher Gebers, who struck and killed a Colorado State Patrol cadet who was set to become one of the newest troopers in Pagosa Springs and Archuleta County was sentenced to life in prison plus an additional 342 years on Nov. 29.

The incident, which took place in Weld County on May 23, 2015, killed cadet Taylor Thyfault, 21, and seriously injured Sgt. Clinton Rushing.

Thyfault was nearing completion of his training at the CSP academy at Camp George West in Golden when he was killed, and was set to begin his field training in Pagosa in a few weeks.

Gebers was convicted on 14 counts by a Boulder County jury in September, including first-degree murder and three counts for attempted first-degree murder.

## December

The long-awaited presentations on the traffic and economic impacts of the proposed 5th Street bridge in downtown Pagosa Springs were received by an attentive audience of interested community members on Dec. 5.

If built, the new bridge over the San Juan River would link the Springs Partners' proposed 27-acre development to U.S. 160 at 5th Street. It would also provide an alternative connection to carry north/south traffic between the boulevard and the highway, relieving congestion at the busy intersection of those two downtown arteries.

The bridge became controversial in late 2015 and early 2016, after the town began efforts to renegotiate provisions dealing with the bridge contained in an agreement made in 2012 between it and the developer. As originally written, the agreement included an option allowing the town to build the bridge and connecting roads through the development, but entirely at its own cost.

The studies on traffic and economic impacts were ordered in late spring to help answer questions about the public need and value of the potential bridge.

As presented during the meeting, the studies reported that over a period of 15 to 30 years, assuming full build-out, the development would increase town tax revenues, and together with other potential development south of downtown, would cause significant traffic congestion.

In addition, the economic study suggested formation of a metro district or development authority, to help fund a potential bridge. Such bodies, the study noted, may be endowed with the ability to raise revenue for specific purposes.

Several weeks following the presentations, early in the new year on Jan. 3, town council decided not to exercise its option to build the bridge at its own expense.

Council's action put the ball "in the developer's court," according to Mayor Don Volger. But the developer responded promptly by announcing an intent to proceed to develop its acreage without the bridge.

On Dec. 6, the Archuleta County Commission appointed Lisa Jensen to serve on the county's planning commission.

The motion to appoint Jensen passed unanimously.

On Dec. 6, town council approved final 2017 budgets for the town and the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District (PSSGID).

The budgets anticipated town spending across all of its activities in the total amount of \$12.6 million, were balanced and anticipated maintenance of significant reserves in all budgetary categories.

The PSSGID budget anticipated no 2017 rate increase for service.

On Dec. 7, the BoCC voted to reverse its decision to use eminent domain to lift a deed restriction on the Hot Springs property that prevented the building of a jail and courts, among other things, and instead file for a quiet title action.

The move came after the county's attorney, Todd Starr, came to the opinion that the deed restriction at the center of the eminent domain issue is not valid.

The PSHS cheerleading squad participated in the Colorado State Spirit Championships on Dec. 8-10, finishing 14th in the cheer category among 20 competing high schools in Class 3A.

On Dec. 10, the Pagosa Pirates

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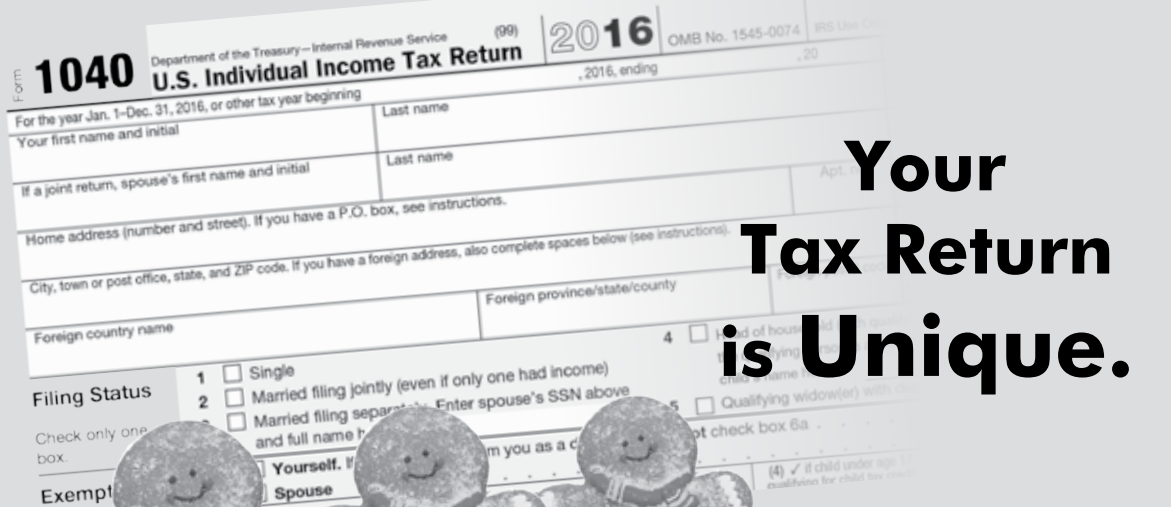
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# Local couple making a difference for Ukrainian orphaned children

By Jean Strahlendorf  
Special to The SUN

To live one's dream by providing orphaned youth in a former Soviet Union country, Ukraine, an opportunity to interrupt a cycle of abuse, drug addiction, violence and suicide is an aspiration worth pursuing.

This is the passion and life's mission of Janna and Daniel Ross, who have their roots in the Pagosa Springs/Durango area.

Janna is the daughter of the late Paul and Cathy Henry, of Pagosa Springs.

Janna and Daniel met while she was attending Fort Lewis College and Daniel was working as a youth minister in Bayfield and in construction in Durango. Daniel is a mechanical engineer who graduated from Georgia Tech. While in Durango, they also worked in a soup kitchen.

In 2010, Daniel and Janna took a two-week mission trip to Ukraine to assess the feasibility of their dream and, upon return to Durango, they sold their car, home and the majority of their possessions except those that could fit into six suitcases and two carry-on suitcases to begin a life of service.

This impassioned couple are independent missionaries under the umbrella of First Love International Ukraine, and have three major goals: support of Christian-centered transition homes for disadvantaged orphaned children after they leave the orphanage, sponsorship of foster homes for the youngest children in lieu of orphanages and, thirdly, Daniel

and Janna have a passion to instill leadership and values within both groups of children through camp programs that seek to build trusting relationships.

The majority of children in Ukrainian orphanages come from alcoholic, single-mother homes, often exhibiting symptoms of fetal alcohol syndrome. In Ukraine, children remain in orphanages until they reach the ninth to 11th grade and then are released into the country as independent youth.

The unfortunate outcome of these orphaned children is that only 30 percent of the children will finish a trade school and only 1 percent will graduate from a university.

Even more disturbing is that only 27 percent of the children will find a job, 70 percent will turn to crime, 40 percent will end up in prison and 10 percent will commit suicide.

Fifty percent of girls will resort to prostitution.

The transition homes that the Ross' support seek to interrupt the cycle of abandonment by introducing the post-orphanage children to a loving family relationship that seeks to provide guidance in decision-making, rules, structure and life skills that encompass religious values.

The adopting family assists in developing relationships based on affection, confidence building and sense of worth. This family structure also encourages the youth to pursue a college education or trade school training to foster job opportunities.

A second approach that focuses on children at a younger age is the



Photo courtesy Jean Strahlendorf

As independent missionaries, Janna and Daniel Ross provide orphaned youth in Ukraine an opportunity to interrupt a cycle of abuse, drug addiction, violence and suicide.

creation of children foster homes.

These homes intervene at a much earlier age, introducing children to stable, loving family relationships rather than orphanages. These programs seek to break the cycle wherein children from multiple generations end up in orphanages.

It has been the mission of Daniel and Janna to reverse this trend by providing the psychological, spiritual and educational support by reaching "one child at a time."

Janna stated that, "Ukraine is not home but is where we should be for the long term."

She and Daniel feel blessed to be able to live out their dreams and stated that they love their lives. They are encouraged by counting the little victories, emphasizing the bright moments and concentrating on the big picture in their efforts to make a difference in the lives of these children.

They realize that by giving to others and by extending themselves beyond their comfort zone,

they are changing lives and, as such, are part of something much larger.

Daniel and Janna financially support the establishment of transition and foster (little children) homes, the purchase of vehicles, the medical and dental needs of the children, and the educational advancement for each child under their care.

Of the 72 children who have been part of the transition home project, 62 percent of the young people finish some form of higher education, with 35 percent of the children completing university training. This has resulted in 100 percent of the young people finding jobs with only 3 percent (compared to 40 percent, see above) going to prison, and none of the young people committing suicide.

For more information about these projects and how you can participate, please contact Daniel Ross: danielross@firstloveinternational.com, First Love International P.O. Box 15836, Loves Park, IL 61132.



Photo courtesy Jean Strahlendorf

Janna and Daniel Ross

## Register now for February Ditch and Reservoir Company Alliance convention

By John McKenzie  
Special to The SUN

The Ditch and Reservoir Company Alliance (DARCA) is hosting its 15th annual convention on Feb. 15-17 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Ignacio.

Twenty speakers are scheduled for DARCA's 15th annual convention, Learning from the Southwest Water Community. A variety of speakers will discuss their views on timely subjects, emphasizing local water users in the southwest. Speakers have been invited to not only inform, but to solicit input from ditch companies and agricultural water users.

DARCA will be hosting a pre-convention workshop on Feb. 15. The workshop, Farming and Water Resources in the Southwest, includes a day-long bus tour with two stops for presentations and lunch, then concluding on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

On Feb. 17, the final day of the conference, participants may choose from three concurrent workshops:

- The Successful Adoption of Alternative Transfer Methods (ATMs) — The workshop will introduce the future of ATMs in relation to

ditch companies and the DARCA ATM handbook and continue with a review of DARCA's ATM survey.

- How Ditch Companies Can Best Deal with New Neighbors on the Ditch — This interactive session involving members of the DARCA community will explore and provide solutions for how best to deal with new neighbors on your ditch system. It will be followed by a lecture on effective communication and proven strategies for "avoiding the courtroom."

- Ditch Companies and Drones — This workshop will be an introduction to drone use by ditch companies for land surveying, GIS and measuring the capacity of reservoirs; the workshop will include a review of several case studies where DARCA members have used drones.

DARCA, a nonprofit organization established in 2001, is dedicated to serving the needs of mutual ditch and reservoir companies, irrigation districts and lateral companies. DARCA's efforts include advocacy, education and networking.

For information regarding convention registration, please visit [www.darca.org](http://www.darca.org) or contact John McKenzie at (970) 412-1960 or [john.mckenzie@darca.org](mailto:john.mckenzie@darca.org).

## Review

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wrestling team placed first in the Columbine Tournament.

The Pirates placed first out of 17 teams.

- The Lady Pirates basketball team, then ranked No. 4 in Colorado 3A basketball, found itself in unfamiliar territory to begin the 2016-2017 basketball season, owning a 2-1 record after the first week of the season.

It was the first time since the 2013 portion of the 2012-2013 season the Lady Pirates recorded a regular-season loss.

- On Dec. 12, the Colorado

Department of Transportation (CDOT) announced a grant in the amount of \$815,000 for the construction of the Harman Hill phase of the Town-to-Lakes Trail, under the federally funded Traffic Alternatives Program (TAP).

The grant followed an earlier TAP grant approved by CDOT to help fund design of the trail segment.

The new grant will require \$204,000 in matching funds from the town. Construction of the trail segment is anticipated in 2018.

Construction of the west phase of the trail, from Pinon Causeway

to Aspen Village Drive, and the east phase, between 8th Street and 10th Street, are expected to be completed during 2017. The town is continuing to work on assembling property easements needed for the route down Put Hill.

- The ASD board had an eye to the future at its Dec. 13 meeting, discussing a potential future mill levy override attempt (or other form of funding increase).

The discussion largely centered on school funding attempts throughout the state that were successful in the November election, and how the local school district

can start gearing up for a possible local attempt in the future.

According to the meeting's agenda, the Dec. 13 discussion was a continuation of discussion that took place at the board's spring retreat.

- The Lady Pirates rebounded from their earlier loss, taking first place at the Lutheran Tournament in Parker, Colo.

- The annual Festival of Trees, hosted by the Ross Aragon Community Center, raised upwards of \$14,000 for a variety of nonprofits participating in the tree auction.



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# Business

## CHAMBER NEWS

### Community Award winners celebrated at Chamber Membership Gala

By Mary Jo Coulehan  
SUN Columnist

Despite the winter weather conditions, a good crowd gathered at the Pagosa Lakes Clubhouse to enjoy the festivities at the Chamber of Commerce annual Membership Gala on Jan. 21.

There were delicious main courses and desserts, live music, a silent auction with fabulous items and the announcement of the 2016 Community Award winners.

The winners were as follows: Pagosa Pride Award — Interior went to owner Jeff Greer and The Overlook Hot Springs for the addition of six individual tubs and one "Jacuzzi" tub, taking a rugged parking lot, enclosing it, landscaping it and turning it into an outdoor soaking haven.

The Pagosa Pride Award — Exterior went to owner Tracy Bunning and High Country Title located on the corner of Lewis Street and North 5th Street. Completely changing the exterior of the building with wood and rock work, new lighting, doors, colors and just about anything you can think of gave High Country Title the nod as the winner.

The Non-Profit of the Year Award went to the Thingamajig Theater/Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. In recognition of their cultural and economic contribution to the community enhancing the lives of adults and children, Thingamajig and owners Tim and Laura Moore were thanked that they found Pagosa Springs while traveling in a beat-up van around southwest Colorado and opened their theater here in our community.

The Small Business of the Year went to a 16-year business, Pagosa Baking Company and owners Kathy Keyes and Kirsten Skeehan. This business continues to reinvest in its operation, community engagement by accepting home-grown fruits and herbs and now employs 16-20 seasonally.

The Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Lynne McCrudden, who is the founder and current president of FACE — The Foundation for Archuleta County Education and has worked with numerous nonprofit agencies including Seeds of Learning, Loaves and Fishes, Rural Philanthropy Days and St. Patrick's Episcopal Church and its functions including Shamrock Days, the Christmas Tea, making prayer quilts, the food pantry and clothing drives.

The Citizen of the Year was bestowed on resident Terry Smith for his philanthropic and economic



Photo courtesy Jeff Laydon

Winners of the 2016 Community Awards at the Chamber Membership Gala on Jan. 21 are, from left to right, Tracy Bunning, Terry Smith and Laura Moore. Bunning, with High Country Title, received The Pagosa Pride Award. Smith was chosen for the 2016 Citizen of the Year. Moore accepted the The Non-Profit of the Year Award for Thingamajig Theater/Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. Other awards included the Pagosa Pride Award for Jeff Greer of The Overlook Hot Springs; Small Business of the Year went to Pagosa Baking Company and owners Kathy Keyes and Kirsten Skeehan; and Volunteer of the Year was awarded to Lynne McCrudden.

contributions to the community for more than 30 years. As a past town council member, sanitation district member helping to form the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District, Chamber board member and business owner, Smith has contributed to hundreds of nonprofits, individuals and groups over the years. His business is one of the top 25 employers in the county and it has won several ACE awards including the "Five-Star Platinum" ACE retailer — an award given out to only about 10 percent of ACE's top-performing stores.

It cannot go without mentioning that all of the nominees were worthy candidates and it is always a difficult decision to select a winner. However, the winners of this year's awards are generous people and worthy of the recognition awarded to them. Congratulations to this year's Community Award winners.

#### New board members

At the Annual Membership Gala, the new Chamber board members for the 2017-2020 term were announced.

The new members are Jenifer Pitcher, community lifestyle coordinator for the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, Christie Spears, co-owner of Wolf Creek Broadcasting,

and Jenelle Syverson, owner of The Choke Cherry Tree.

These new board members help represent the business community. We appreciate the other nominees who ran for the board: Leanne Goebel, Dan McPherson and Jim Hayes.

#### Only two weeks left until WinterFest

The registration forms for this year's WinterFest activities are online on the Chamber's website, [www.pagosachamber.com](http://www.pagosachamber.com).

You can register for the Fat Tire Bike Race, the Penguin Plunge and the Sledz on Rez race. All of these activities will take place on Feb. 4 in the downtown area.

In addition to these activities, over 17 hot air balloon pilots will hopefully take to the air from the downtown area on Saturday morning. They will launch from the west side of town around the Wyndham area on Feb. 5.

Also added to Sunday's events is a pre-Super Bowl Corn Hole tournament hosted at Pagosa Brewing, which begins at noon. Please note that all activities are weather contingent, especially the hot air balloon launches.

If you are plunging in the Penguin Plunge or your organization is represented, please contact the Chamber to let us know so that we can get an

estimate of participants to ensure everyone gets a goodie bag and so we can tout your organization. We will post your organization online so that people know the groups they can donate to. With all the winter weather we have been having, WinterFest is shaping up to be an exciting weekend this year.

#### Maximizing Your Membership Class

Both Angela and Amanda in our office are gearing up to host the first Maximizing Your Membership class of 2017. It will be held on Monday, Jan. 30, from noon to 1:15 p.m. A light lunch will be provided and we ask that you RSVP so that enough food is available. Walk-ins are always welcome. To register, contact Amanda at 264-2360.

We have quite a few new members this week: Springs Chiropractic, Mee Hmong Cuisine and Katie Vining.

We also have Sandy Henderson joining as an individual member. Our renewals this week include Pagosa Springs Inn and Suites, Hot Springs Healers, Papa Murphy's Pizza and Ramon's Restaurant. Our nonprofit agencies renewing are the Pagosa Area Trails Council and the Pagosa Springs Noon Rotary Club.

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### Archuleta County Sheriff's Office

Jan. 16 — Driving under restraint alcohol/drug-related offense, vehicle with defective or no stop light(s), failed to display valid registration, drove vehicle without insurance, San Juan Street.

Jan. 16 — Information only, Martinez Place.

Jan. 16 — Expired temporary permit, no license plate light, drove vehicle when license suspended, U.S. 160.

Jan. 16 — Drove vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, vehicle with defective or no stop light(s), expired license plates, Pagosa Street.

Jan. 16 — Warrant arrest, Ace Court.

Jan. 17 — Theft, Vista Boulevard.

Jan. 17 — Information only, Waxing Place.

Jan. 17 — Drove vehicle when license suspended, improper registration-registration rescinded or canceled, Eagle Drive.

Jan. 18 — Warrant arrest, Elk Drive.

Jan. 19 — Information only, San Juan Street.

Jan. 19 — Information only, Ute Drive.

Jan. 21 — Information only, South 8th Street.

Jan. 21 — Under investigation, U.S. 160.

Jan. 22 — Information only, Simmons Drive.

Jan. 22 — Criminal mischief, Oak Drive.

Jan. 23 — Warrant arrest, San Juan Street.

### Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department

No report.

### Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge William Anderson

Jan. 18 — Juvenile, unsafe backing, two points, fines and costs — \$72.

Jan. 18 — Ignacita Maes, following too closely, four points, fines and costs — \$111.

Jan. 18 — Juvenile, marijuana prohibited, 12 months supervised probation, 200 hours community service (50 hours suspended), 1,500-word essay, fines and costs — \$370 (\$100 suspended).

Jan. 18 — Juvenile, truancy, six months supervised probation, 100 hours community service, fines and costs — \$170 (\$135 suspended.)

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Jan. 19 — Erik Winther, parked on designated snow route, fines and costs — \$50.

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Jan. 19 — Juvenile, truancy, six months supervised probation, 100 hours community service (50 hours suspended), fines and costs — \$270 (\$100 suspended).

### Archuleta County Court: Judge Justin P. Fay

Dec. 22, 2016 — Randall W. Blackley, violation p/o-civil, 12 months probation, fines and costs — \$899.50.

Dec. 22, 2016 — Randall Blackley, driving while ability impaired, 15 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, 12 months probation updated sentence, fines and costs — \$1,394.50.

Dec. 22, 2016 — Holly Marie Swinehart, driving while ability impaired, 30 days jail suspended imposition, 48 hours community service, 12 months alcohol evaluation and supervision probation, fines and costs — \$776.18.

Jan. 12 — James H. Thoke, driving under the influence, 90 days jail suspended imposition, 60 hours community service, one year probation, fines and costs — \$1,938.50.

Jan. 17 — John B. Mathews, speeding 10-19 over limit, fines and costs — \$193.50.

### 6th Judicial District Court: Judge Jeffrey R. Wilson

No report.

## Public meeting to address smaller lot sizes, higher density in residential districts

By James Dickhoff  
Special to The SUN

Since October 2015, the Pagosa Springs Planning Commission has been discussing smaller minimum lot sizes in the medium-density residential district (R-12) and the high-density residential district (R-18) as well as increasing the allowable density in the R-18 district from the current allowable 18 dwelling units per acre.

The planning commission and town staff have updated the Pagosa Springs Town Council on these discussions a number of times and the Affordable Housing Task Force has recently provided a recommendation of these considerations to town council.

During the process, the planning commission considered much information gathered during staff's research on the subject.

Nationally and statewide, there is a trend to allow smaller residential lot sizes in downtown districts,

which supports higher density and smaller homes, which can translate into a smaller purchase/rent price and lower utility and maintenance expenses.

Additionally, higher-density areas in close proximity to service areas help support walkable communities and take advantage of existing road, pedestrian and utility infrastructure networks, further reducing the cost of development and discouraging sprawl.

At the recommendation of the planning commission and the Housing Task Force, on Jan. 3, town council approved the first reading of Ordinance 853, an ordinance of the Town of Pagosa Springs amending portions of chapter 21 of the Pagosa Springs municipal code, land use and development code, regarding allowable dwelling unit density in the R-18 district and minimum lot sizes in the R-12 and newly created R-22 district.

The R-12 district smaller minimum lot size: The R-12 district

currently allows 12 dwelling units (du) per acre and requires the minimum lot size of 7,500 square feet per lot, the size of a typical 50-by-150 town lot. A dwelling unit must be a minimum of 400 square feet in size and can be an apartment, townhome, condominium or single family home. The current density of 12 du per acre allows two dwelling units per typical 50-by-150 lot, however, the current minimum lot size regulations prohibit subdividing the lot and selling the homes separately. This could be considered an unfair preference towards home rentals versus home ownership. Ordinance 853 would allow a 3,630-square-foot minimum lot size (12 du divided into 43,560 square feet per acre) consistent with the current allowable density in the R-12 district without increasing the allowable density.

The R-18 district smaller minimum lot size and conversion to a R-22 district: The R-18 district currently allows 18 du per acre and requires the minimum lot size of 7,500

square feet per lot, the size of a typical 50-by-150 town lot. A du must be a minimum of 400 square feet in size and can be an apartment, townhome, condominium or single family home. The current density of 18 du per acre allows three dwelling units per typical 50-by-150 lot, however, the current minimum lot size regulations prohibit subdividing the lot and selling the dwelling units separately. This could be considered an unfair preference toward home rentals versus home ownership. Ordinance 853 would increase the allowable density to 22 dwelling units per acre, in essence converting R-18 to a R-22 district, and would allow an 1,875-square-foot minimum lot size consistent with the increased density.

Smaller minimum lot sizes could help promote home ownership and may encourage home development, especially in the downtown area. Subdividing lots is considered through a subdivision and plat amendment ap-

plication submitted to the town Planning Department, however, subdivisions are considered on a lot-specific case. Not all lots will be eligible for subdivisions due to access issues, utility availability and terrain constraints.

The town's Planning Department will conduct a public meeting on Feb. 9 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ross Aragon Community Center in the Senior Center Dining Room to explain and discuss the code amendments contemplated in Ordinance 853 for the R-12 and R-18 districts.

Property owners within these districts and adjacent property owners are encouraged to attend this meeting, which is scheduled prior to town council's consideration of approving Ordinance 853 on second reading at a future public town council meeting.

The town Planning Department encourages anyone with questions to please contact its office at 264-4151, ext. 225 or [jdickhoff@pagosasprings.co.gov](mailto:jdickhoff@pagosasprings.co.gov).

## Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

### 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, Hot Springs Boulevard. The first opportunity for public comments regarding Pagosa Springs' vision and goals for the next 10-20 years.

### Tuesday, Feb. 7

#### 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.

#### Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting.

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

### Wednesday, Feb. 8

#### State Historical Fund Community Roundtable History Colorado Presentation.

10 a.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, Hot Springs Boulevard.

#### Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board.

5:30 p.m., Town Hall front conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

#### Archuleta County Planning Commission policy meeting.

6 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners'

meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

### Thursday, Feb. 9

#### Town of Pagosa Springs zoning public meeting.

Smaller lot sizes R-12 and R-18 presentation. 5:30 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, Hot Springs Boulevard.

### Monday, Feb. 13

#### San Juan Water Conservancy District regular bi-monthly meeting.

7 p.m., district offices, 46 Eaton Drive, Suite 5.

### Tuesday, Feb. 14

#### 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 Planning Commission.

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

#### Pagosa Fire Protection District Board of Directors meeting.

6:30 p.m., Station No. 1 training room, 191 North Pagosa Blvd.

### Wednesday, Feb. 15

#### Archuleta County Sheriff's Office public meeting.

For questions and answers with all department heads. 11:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

#### Upper San Juan Library District board meeting.

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

### Tuesday, Feb. 21

#### Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session.

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

#### Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners regular meeting.

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

#### Town of Pagosa Springs comprehensive plan update public meeting.

River master plan presentation, 5 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center, Hot Springs Boulevard.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 22

#### 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.

### Thursday, Feb. 23

#### Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting.

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

### Tuesday, Feb. 28

#### Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and Pagosa Springs Town Council joint work session.

8 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

#### Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners work session.

9:30 a.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St.

#### Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Commission.

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

#### Upper San Juan Health Service District regular board meeting.

5:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Medical Center main building conference room, 95 S. Pagosa Blvd.

*Public meeting information should be sent to [editor@pagosasun.com](mailto: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.*

## PFPD responds to multiple rollovers

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

Icy roads and hazardous weather brought a busy week for the Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD), which responded to several rollover accidents.

On Thursday, Jan. 19, a call reported a vehicle that rolled over near Buttercup Drive and U.S. 160.

The PFPD's Karn Macht explained that the call reported the driver had been ejected from the vehicle.

Macht said he dispatched a rescue vehicle, a fire engine and a battalion vehicle at 2:09 p.m., with the first unit arriving to the scene at 2:13 p.m.

Macht said that it appeared that the vehicle, a Dodge pickup, rolled two and a half times, landing on the other side of the highway fencing.

The vehicle was resting on its passenger side, and Macht guessed that the driver had been ejected through the passenger window.

He said that the driver wasn't complaining of injuries when the PFPD got to the scene, but that the man did seem shocked and disoriented.

The man was packaged and was transported to the Pagosa Springs Medical Center (PSMC) by PSMC EMS around 2:44 p.m.

The PFPD dispatched five personnel to the accident, with one being a volunteer.

Macht said that the scene was cleared at 3:04 p.m.

On Sunday, Jan. 22, a call went out at 6 a.m. that described a vehicle that had rolled over near Buckskin Towing on U.S. 160.

According to the PFPD's David Hartman, there were two males involved in the rollover, and that the first PFPD unit that arrived to the scene found the men to be uninjured.

Because there were no injuries and extrication was not needed, that first arriving unit proceeded

to call off the rest of the responding units.

Then, later that afternoon, PFPD units responded to a report of a car that had rolled over into Stollsteimer Creek around 1:38 p.m.

The crash occurred near mile marker 129.5, close to where County Road 700 intersects with U.S. 160.

Hartman said that, originally, he dispatched an engine and a rescue vehicle, and added that he was the first person to arrive to the scene.

He said that, upon arriving, he found the vehicle was only a couple inches in the water, and that it was resting on its driver's side.

The woman driving the vehicle had been helped out of the vehicle by others who had witnessed the incident, explained Hartman.

Because the woman was not injured and no extrication was required, Hartman called off the rest of the responding PFPD units.

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# Town awards funds to Seeds of Learning, Head Start

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

During its regular meeting on Thursday, Jan. 19, the Pagosa Springs Town Council awarded funds to nonprofit organizations that reflected the town's goals and priorities.

Three different nonprofit organizations requested funds, with those being Seeds of Learning, Archuleta County Head Start Program and Habitat for Humanity.

Seeds of Learning and Archuleta County Head Start Program fall into the town's priority of supporting early childhood development, while Habitat for Humanity falls into the town's goal of creating more affordable housing.

For 2017, the town budgeted \$45,000 to award to nonprofits, with the requests totaling \$60,000.

Seeds of Learning requested \$25,000 for its 2017 general operating budget.

Archuleta County Head Start requested \$10,000 to be applied to general facility maintenance and improvements.

Agenda documentation used at the meeting states that Habitat for Humanity requested \$25,000, roughly 8 percent of its yearly operating budget.

Pagosa Springs Town Manager Greg Schulte presented the agenda item to the town council.

Schulte explained that representatives from all of the nonprofit entities were in the audience.

Schulte also warned the council about funding general operating expenses for any of the entities.

"When we get into the business of funding general operating expenses,

then that becomes a situation where it becomes, sometimes, the assumption of what ... the budget is, and that can be problematic in those times when funding does go down," Schulte said.

A representative from Seeds of Learning explained that, although the organization asked for \$10,000 last year, it was asking for more money this year due to not being awarded some of the grants and funding it was accustomed to receiving in years past.

She added that Seeds of Learning is fully enrolled with a waiting list.

"In the past, we have built one house for a low-income family every year, and we've also done five repairs in our repair program, and the repair program has really benefited the town, I think, because a majority of our repairs have been down here," said a representative of Habitat for Humanity, later adding, "What we're trying to do with the grants is fund either our build program or our repair program or a combination of each."

The representative went on to say that Habitat for Humanity's repair program is budgeted for \$12,000, and that, if push came to shove, he'd at least like to receive that much.

"But I think we could put the full \$25,000 to good use, both through our repair program and our housing program," he said.

A representative for Archuleta County Head Start explained that its funding request was related to the building it operates in and its safety.

"We're operating out of a building here in Pagosa that's been here for over 40 years, and we have 48 preschoolers there," she explained. "Just like Seeds, we're fully enrolled with a

waiting list, and we have three areas that we've been struggling in ... We have a big fencing project, because our fencing is out of compliance and isn't high enough."

She said that another project was updating the building's fire system in order to make it safer, as well as getting better lighting and security systems for the building's entrances.

She added that, for all three of these projects, the estimated cost totaled about \$14,000.

The council proceeded to ask the applicants questions and discuss amongst themselves how to award the funds.

Council member John Egan asked representatives for both early childhood organizations what their total enrollments were.

The representative for Archuleta County Head Start said that they have 48 children enrolled, with the representative for Seeds of Learning saying that they have 50 kids enrolled.

Council member Mat deGraaf offered the idea of cutting each request in half.

"It keeps us in the neighborhood of staff's recommendation for how much we spend," deGraaf said.

Council member Nicole DeMarco stated that one way to look at how to allot the funds is to think about how many people are being affected.

She pointed out that Seeds of Learning and Archuleta County Head Start would affect more individuals than Habitat for Humanity would.

The idea was also offered by council member David Schanzenbaker to help subsidize a lot in town limits for the house that Habitat for Humanity builds every year.

Schanzenbaker asked what kind

of funding the organizations had received from Archuleta County.

"I'll tell you what I found out, I posed the question to the county, and the county said they hadn't budgeted funding for any of these ... organizations in 2017," Schulte said.

The discussion turned to the idea of awarding funds to Seeds of Learning and Archuleta County Head Start, and having Habitat for Humanity come back later in the year, with the council working with Habitat for Humanity in perhaps subsidizing a lot in town or awarding money later in the year.

"I would move that we provide Head Start with \$10,000 in funding, and that we provide Seeds of Learning with \$25,000 in funding, and that we instruct staff to negotiate directly with Habitat to see how we can best help their efforts to either building a house in town, or doing a repair on a house in town," Egan said.

It was pointed out by deGraaf that, because the town wasn't going to award funds to Habitat for Humanity, the town had leftover budgeted funds, and because Archuleta County Head Start's total estimate on its facility projects totaled \$14,000, it might be better to award them the full amount they need.

The representative for Archuleta County Head Start explained that the total estimate was specifically \$14,421.76.

Egan laughed and asked if it was OK if he rounded that up, and proceeded to amend his motion to award Archuleta County Head Start \$14,425.

The motion proceeded to pass unanimously.  
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# Town hosts open forum on arts in the community

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

On Jan. 17, the Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Department hosted a public forum to discuss arts in the community.

According to documentation that noticed the forum, the town is currently updating its comprehensive plan, and the purpose of the forum was to discuss, "increasing public art displays, creation of an art district, encouraging the art community to establish a formal organization, and other related topics."

The forum was held in the Ross Aragon Community Center, with roughly 30 artists and citizens in attendance.

"We are currently updating our 2006 comprehensive plan," said Town Planner James Dickhoff. "Within that plan, there's an art and culture component to that comprehensive plan."

Dickhoff explained that some of the art goals for the 2006 plan had been reached, but many had not.

He drew attention to some of the public art displays in the town, such as the mural on main street.

Dickhoff also said that one of the goals he had with the forum would be to identify individuals who would

be interested in forming an organization that could represent artists in the Pagosa Springs community.

Dickhoff then gave the floor to the audience, allowing each audience member to introduce themselves, share their vision for art in Pagosa Springs and give their thoughts on how they thought the town could support that vision.

The audience contained painters, sculptors, musicians, photographers, chefs, actors and actresses and many other different types of artists.

One audience member said that they hoped that art in the community would be more about the actual art, and less about money.

"I think there's a role for art that goes way beyond making money and supporting tourism," said the audience member. "I'd like to see an arts program that focuses on ... the spiritual and social value of art, beyond ... the economic value of art."

Many audience members were people who were relatively new to the area, or individuals who had gradually stopped pursuing art and were now looking to get back into it.

One audience member stated that she'd love to see programs with art that incorporate the youth of Pagosa Springs, which is an idea that

was echoed by many members of the audience.

Another audience member said that the town could help by creating better ways to recognize art, such as creating art districts.

One person said that, once a month, there was a "Friday Night Art Walk" where they lived previously, where members of the town would get refreshments and wander from gallery to gallery.

"The galleries were spread around the town pretty good, so it was a bit of a hike," said the audience member. "It always turned out really good, and was really good for the community."

The idea of creating a designated art district kept coming up during the forum, in addition to the idea of the town lowering rent for artists in the district.

Other audience members offered up the idea of creating an arts council or guild.

"My vision for art in our community is coupled with how the town can support, and that would be ... a public-private partnership where the town worked together with the artists in an effort to encourage other artists from all over to possibly make a move to Pagosa Springs based on our quality of life here," said an audience member. "There are many ways

we could do that, one of which would be ... economical support. The town has reserves and could look into purchasing properties when they become available and providing low-interest loans to artists to actually move here."

The man later said he believed that Chattanooga, Tenn., did something similar and that it worked out very well.

"After daytime, when you've done all your hiking and all of your snowboarding and bike riding, what's there to do?" asked one audience member. "In my reality, that has to do with the arts."

The man went on to say that he'd like to see the town's Riverwalk be developed into something that featured more art.

Other audience members stated that they thought a group of individuals would need to form in order to really get the art in Pagosa Springs moving in the direction everyone wanted.

"I think one of the things that would be really great is not just having classes for kids, but having collaborations with kids, where they're working with artists to create things that belong to the town," said one audience member. "I think

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# Just how much snow do you have on your roof?

By James R. Van Liere  
Special to The SUN

As a retired structural engineer, I've been asked about snow loads on roofs. Therefore, being curious, I conducted some density tests based on the snow packed along our driveway after a storm.

Based on these tests, using a digital fishing scale, supposedly accurate to a hundredth of a pound, and measuring the weight of snow in a large brass tube, it appears that the average density of the packed snow along our driveway is 18.8 pounds per cubic foot (pcf). (My rough coffee can measurement, described below, taken a couple of weeks ago, resulted a density of 19 pcf.) Thus, for snow piled 6 feet high, the snow pressure at the bottom would be six times 18.8 pcf, or 112.8 pounds per square foot (psf).

Because the local building code dictates that roofs shall be designed for a minimum snow load of 65 psf, the height at which the building code limit is exceeded is 65/18.8, or 3.5 feet. The 18.8 pcf that I derived for our location could vary considerably, so a good rule of thumb on the conservative side for this measurement is to assume that the snow density is 20 pcf. This would result in a snow depth of 3.25 feet (3 feet, 3 inches) as the limit for the local design of roofs.

A simple means to measure the snow density is to jam a coffee can (or any can with straight sides) into the snow, level off the top and put on a lid to prevent evaporation. Let the snow melt in the can and then measure the depth of the water. Divide the depth of the water by the height of the can and multiply this figure by 62.4, the density of water per cubic foot.

As an example, if the water stands 2 inches high in a 6-inch tall can, then two divided by six times 62.4 equals 20.8 pcf. If a layer of snow on a roof is 4 feet deep, then the snow load on the roof is four times 20.8, or 83.2 psf. If a flat roof is 20 feet square as an example, then the total weight of snow on the roof is 33,280 pounds. In performing this test, it is a good idea to take at least three samples, with the first sample at the top of the snow layer, the second sample at the mid-height of the snow layer, and the last sample at the bottom of the snow layer. The average calculated density of the snow from the three samples should be fairly close to the density calculated at mid-height.

In 2007, the Structural Engineers Association of Colorado (SEAC) published a new study on "ground" snow loads for the state of Colorado. This study divided ground snow loads into three layers: 1. fresh snow; 2. settled snow; and 3. compacted snow. (From a practical point of view, I would also consider that a fourth layer of ice is possible.)

For simplicity, fresh snow is assumed to have a weight of 7.5 pcf, settled snow is assumed to have a weight of 15.0 pcf and compacted snow is assumed to have a weight of 22.5 pcf. Ice would have a weight of about 62.4 pcf, or approximately 5.2 pounds per inch (ppi). These figures translate into 0.625 ppi per square foot of area (ppi/psf) for fresh snow, 1.25 ppi/psf, and 1.875 ppi/psf. Thus, the weight of three layers of snow consisting of 4 inches of fresh snow, 20 inches of settled snow and 6 inches of compacted snow would have a weight of 4x0.625 plus 20x1.25 plus 6x1.875, for a total weight of 38.75 pounds over an area of 1 square foot. In terms of an average weight per square foot, the snow load would be 38.75 pounds/2.5 feet, resulting in 15.5 pcf. This is the applied ground snow load.

Of course, the question arises, how does one distinguish between the different layers of snow? Determining the depth of fresh snow is rather easy. However, distinguishing the difference between settled snow and compacted snow is a little more difficult. Quite obviously, settled snow will vary in density with depth; consequently, as the settled snow approaches the depth of the compacted snow, the settled snow tends to approach the density of the compacted snow. Generally speaking, as one digs downward, it is possible that

one will notice that at a certain level the snow is definitely more compact. For all practical purposes, this is the point at which the settled snow layer ends and the compacted snow layer begins. I guess you could say that if it's possible with a reasonable amount of effort to jam a shovel into the snow, the layer is settled snow. If it takes considerable effort, the layer is probably compacted snow.

For a heated residence, the actual snow load on a roof is usually less than the ground snow load. This is because of some exposure to the sun and there is residual heat escaping from the roof that tends to melt some of the snow in contact with the roof, allowing this melted snow (water) to drain away (and quite often form icicles). The amount of residual heat, the pitch of the roof and the type of roof surface (metal, wood shingles, asphalt shingles, et cetera) all have an effect on the actual snow load applied to the roof. Recognizing this, the actual snow load applied to a roof is usually less than the ground snow calculated above. (This will not be true for unheated, flat roofs.) Thus, a reduction factor of roughly 0.8 to 0.9 can be applied to a calculated ground snow load in order to arrive at a closer estimate for the actual snow load on a roof.

However, if the snow density measurements are taken on the roof instead of the ground, then these measurements more accurately represent the actual snow load on the roof. Thus, using a roof reduction factor of 0.9, a roof that is 20 feet square carrying the ground snow load of 38.75 psf as calculated above would have a total roof load of 0.9x38.75 psf x 400 sf, or 13,950 pounds.

It must be noted, however, that snow densities can vary considerably depending on location, elevation, surrounding atmosphere, time of year and how much it has been exposed to the sun. High humidity areas, such as Yellowstone Park with its many geysers, tend to have higher average snow densities than Colorado, for example. Of course, the time of year also dictates the density of snow, with March and April, and sometimes May, having heavier snow densities. Thus, a light, dry, powdery snow may only weigh an ounce per cubic foot while a heavy, wet spring snow may weigh as much as 35 pounds per cubic foot. The saving grace with a heavy wet spring snow is that it may melt faster and not stay around for long; but, until it does melt, it can cause a lot of damage.

## Roof design

With respect to designing structures to support snow loads, building codes dictate the minimum snow load to be applied to a roof. However, it must be emphasized that a building code only specifies the minimum snow based on limited research and data accumulated over the years for a general locality. Every design engineer and owner must recognize that there are exceptions to the loads indicated in the building codes and plan accordingly.

Mother Nature does not recognize building codes and, just because a structure is located outside the jurisdiction for which a specific building code applies, doesn't mean that snow loads greater than the minimum stipulated will not occur.

Therefore, local conditions must be investigated, and if preference dictates, a heavier snow load than specified in the building code should be applied, even if this increases the cost of the structure.

There are many things to consider in designing the roof framing for a structure besides the snow load. Obviously, the pitch (slope) and surface covering (metal, asphalt, wood shakes) have a lot to do with the build-up of snow on a roof. Also, does the configuration of the roof lend itself to drifting snow due to wind, or are there valleys or isolated pockets susceptible to filling up with snow and increasing the snow load above the design snow load? Are there higher roofs where snow can slide from and land on a lower roof or deck; thus, not only increasing the static load on the lower roof or deck, but also actu-

ally producing a dynamic impact load on the lower roof or deck?

Building codes address these problems by providing criteria and formulas for reducing the snow load on a steeply pitched roof, roofs with different surface coverings and for computing the increase in snow load due to drifting.

In addition to the above considerations, a designer must take into account if the roof is a folded plate roof, a sawtooth roof, a barrel vault roof and whether or not it is a warm roof or a cold roof. Regardless of the type of roof, the roof must be analyzed for partial loading, which consists of a full snow load on part of the roof and half a snow load on the remaining part of the roof. Or, analyzed for unbalanced loading, which consists of a full snow load on half of the roof and no snow load on the remaining half of the roof. A full discussion concerning these aspects of roof design is beyond the scope of this article. Suffice it to say that a steeply pitched metal roof that allows the snow to slide off unhindered works well in the Pagosa area.

## Signs of failing

Of course, the main question is, how can one tell if a roof is about to fail? The simple answer is, you can't. There are clues, however, that one can see and hear. The most obvious clue is that the snow is over 3 feet deep, and sometimes one hears subtle snaps, crackles and pops within the structure. This doesn't mean that the structure is going to immediately fail but only that some warnings are being provided.

In designing a structure, a "factor-of-safety" is employed in the design process. It is beyond the scope of this article to delve into how this factor is calculated, but in general the "factor-of-safety" for structures is about 1.5. This means that a structure designed to hold a 30 psf snow load would actually be capable of supporting a 45 psf snow load, but don't count on it.

There are many components that make up a structural framing system, all of them interconnected, and any one of them could fail, from the members themselves to the connections that hold them together. Thus, a framing system could be slightly over-designed and/or over-built and capable of supporting 110 percent of the required load by code, or slightly under-designed and/or under-built and only capable of supporting 90 percent of the required snow load.

Because there are so many types of framing systems for roofs, it's not possible in this article to describe all of them and what to look for as evidence of structural distress. However, there are some general clues indicating possible structural problems, such as difficulty in opening and closing doors and windows, cracks in exterior and interior walls (especially at the upper corners of window and door frames), sagging beams and bowing columns. Another structural component to watch is overhanging eaves where snow can build up and form ice dams. This is especially true if the eaves cantilever greater than about 18 to 24 inches from the exterior wall.

Timber, or wood as a building material, has the advantage of being able to sustain an overload condition on a short-term basis and recovering, provided the overload condition is not too excessive. Structural steel on the other hand will deform to a certain point and then fail by buckling, bending or twisting, but if the roof framing members and/or its supporting members can be observed, there should be ample time to address the problem before failure occurs. Metal buildings and sheds with semi-circular roofs are subject to sudden buckling failure of the entire roof framing system due to a severe overload condition. Just because the structure has semi-circular roof doesn't mean that it can't fail. And, finally, concrete and masonry materials, being brittle, may or may not provide sufficient warning prior to failure depending on how they are reinforced.

# Snowy conditions lead to local road headaches

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

With heaps of snow and pothole craters rivaling the surface of the moon, present local road conditions are tough on everyone, not the least Archuleta County Road and Bridge employees.

Susan Goebel-Canning, county public works director, took advantage of a break in the seemingly relentless cycle of storms to discuss the problems with The SUN on Wednesday morning.

Goebel-Canning first discussed the county's normal snow removal practices. Essentially, snow-removal breaks down into two stages following any significant storm.

First, while snow is falling, crews work to keep the roads open by clearing space sufficient for two lanes of traffic. Work commences on high-priority arteries and progresses to lesser priority roads determined by patterns and volumes of traffic.

Second, when snowfall lets up, crews shift to moving snow back from the roadway by pushing it off to the side, with the objective of providing sufficient room to be able to clear the snow that will come in the next storm.

This two-stage system means that residents may find snow berms left by plows in their driveways in the aftermath of storms, not once, but twice, adding to their labor and frustration in their own efforts to deal with the snow.

Goebel-Canning explained the problem is essentially one of the laws of physics: when snow is pushed back from the road surface, it follows the path of least resistance. That is your driveway.

The difficulties this presents are well recognized by the county.

During the Board of County Commissioners work session Tuesday, commissioners Steve Wadley, Michael Whiting and Ron Maez expressed sympathy for citizens' aggravation in weather conditions like those recently experienced in the community, but unanimously concurred that as a practical matter, little could be done to avoid it.

The roads need to be cleared and the snow has to be pushed off the shoulders to do the job, forc-

ing snow into driveways. But, to clear residents' driveways, as well as the roads, would require greatly expanded county manpower and would be hugely expensive.

But a suggestion was offered by Goebel-Canning, employing the path-of-least resistance principle.

Residents should consider clearing an area of their properties extending a few feet back from the public right of way, to the right of their driveways — the direction from which plows will approach. Then, she said, the cleared area will offer a path of least resistance to snow being moved before the plow reaches the driveway, and reduce the size of the berm deposited where it will cause annoyance.

Goebel-Canning said that road and bridge has 16 employees and a matching number of pieces of equipment used for moving snow off roadways.

She said that, during a storm, plowing begins at 2 a.m. and shifts will continue up to 12 hours. But, she said, when snowfall continues at length, crews must get rest to remain fresh and be able to operate the equipment safely.

It's necessary to "find a balance between keeping roads clear and meeting the public's needs, while keeping crews in good shape and safe," she explained.

County mechanics are on duty through the night, she noted, to ensure that equipment is also ready to go at the start of plowing shifts.

Goebel-Canning pointed out that in the Pagosa area, we've been subject to a weather double-whammy recently, in the form of snow and wet combined.

This can create special problems.

One is that after the first stage of snow removal, wet snow berms lying close to the roadway freeze at night, before they can be pushed back. Pushing back is then prevented until temperatures warm the next day.

But when berms are wet and freeze, she said, only the county's road graders have the size and power to be able to push them back as normal to prepare for more snow. So that slows things down, delays completion of the important second plowing stage and complicates efforts to cope with the next

storm when it arrives.

The second problem is potholes that make some local roads resemble the surface of the moon. When conditions are wet, potholes are produced by overnight freezing of moisture on roads, followed by daytime thawing. Water expands as it freezes and the expansion levers road surfaces aside. Cracks quickly grow to holes as the freeze and thaw cycle continues.

Potholes in paved roads can often be dealt with as soon as the weather clears, Goebel-Canning said, citing the example of extensive potholes that developed on North Pagosa Boulevard in the wet conditions last week. Crews were able to use blow torches to dry the wetness out of the holes sufficiently to allow patching to be performed.

But dirt roads are a different story, because under conditions producing potholes, their surfaces are also likely to be muddy, she explained.

Under those conditions, crews must wait for weather to clear. Then, they can remove snow down to the surface of dirt roads that have sustained potholes. If conditions remain sunny for a few days, the surface will then dry out. At that point, the road can finally be regraded, by scraping with a blade to remove potholes and even the surface.

Goebel-Canning encouraged county residents to call Archuleta County Road and Bridge if they are aware of unaddressed problems, noting that the first step in dealing with a problem is being aware of it. Archuleta County Road and Bridge may be reached at 264-5660.

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## Family Reading Night: 'The Importance of Reading to your Preschool Child'

By Terri Hardeman  
Special to The SUN

Family Reading Night, which was to be held at Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library on Jan. 23, has been rescheduled for Feb. 2 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The presentation by Michael Bradley is titled "The Importance of Reading to your Preschool Child."

All families of young children in Archuleta County are cordially invited to attend. Bradley will provide a variety of books for the children to dive into during the presentation.

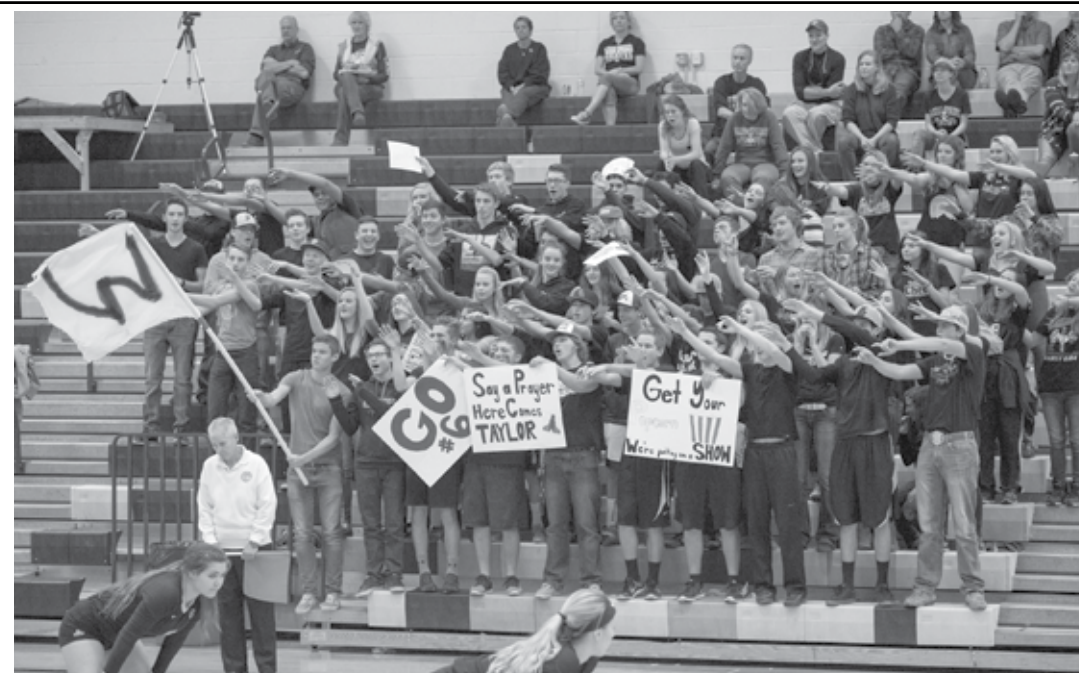
Bradley is the early literacy librarian at the library. He brings his interest in theater and music to the library for three weekly storytimes, which include stories as

well as live music and dancing. He regularly shares his talents in the community of Pagosa Springs with outreach visits to Seeds of Learning, Archuleta County Head Start, The Learning Tree Home Daycare and Our Savior Lutheran Preschool.

Bradley is part of the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge that encourages families to read great quantities of good books to their young children. He will discuss the many ways, places and types of books for families to read to their children.

For more information regarding the presentation, please call the library at 264-2209.

The event is held in collaboration with Seeds of Learning Early Care and Education Center.



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# Sports

## WRESTLING

### Pirate wrestlers fall to Mean Moose

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School Pirates wrestled hard during their dual against the Alamosa Mean Moose on Thursday, Jan. 19, but ultimately fell 45-24.

"We wrestled tough," said coach Dan Janowsky, explaining that the Mean Moose are the No. 1-ranked team in the 3A division for Colorado.

"We were favored in four out of 14 matches ... where we had the advantage," Janowsky said.

In the 138-pound division, junior Tate Hinger beat his opponent in a 4-2 decision, scoring three points for the Pirates.

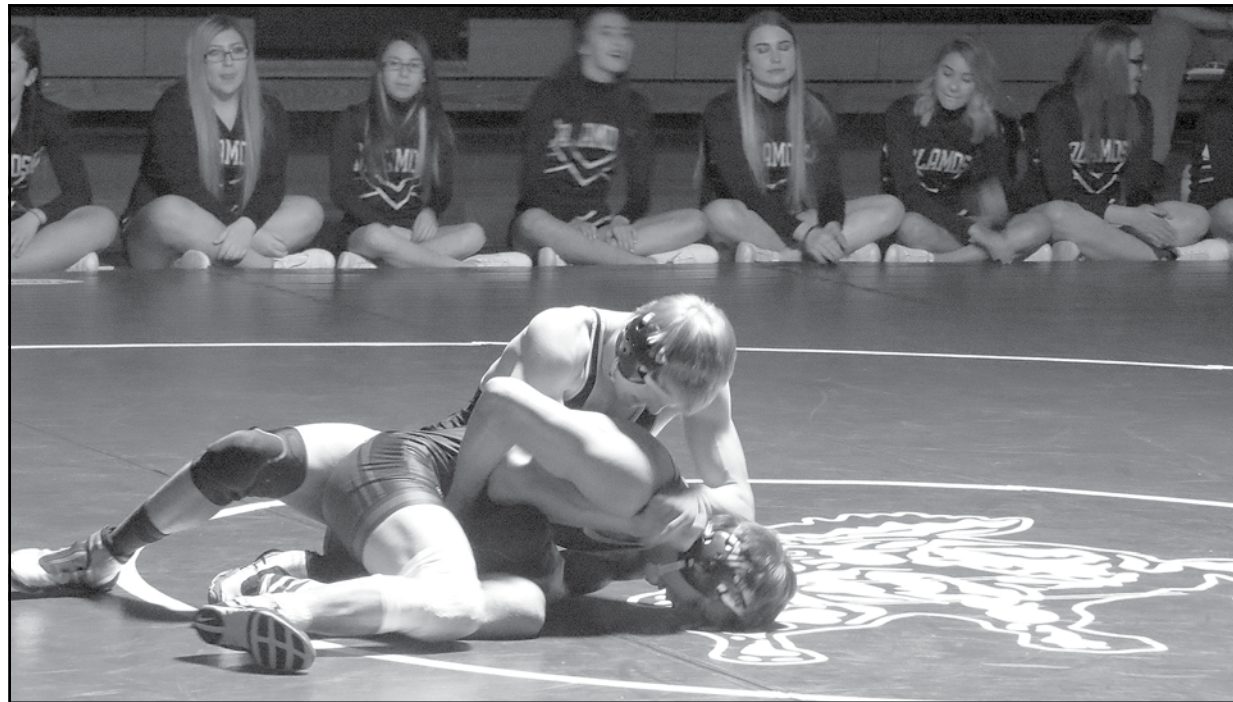
"We got a really good match out of Tate Hinger, he upset the No. 3-ranked guy in the state," Janowsky said.

At 152 pounds, junior Dalton Lucero beat his opponent by getting a pin nearly five minutes into the match.

Lucero scored the team six points.

"We picked up a pin from Dalton Lucero, which was not expected, even though we've beaten (his opponent) before," said Janowsky.

In the 160-pound division, sophomore Caleb Janowsky beat his opponent with a 4-1 decision, scoring three points for the team.



Trevor Bryant holds his opponent down during the Pirates' dual against the Alamosa Mean Moose last Thursday in Alamosa. The Pirates gave it their all, but ultimately fell to the Mean Moose 45-24.

Photo courtesy Lori Lucero

At 170 pounds, junior Colton Castro got a pin on his opponent, which scored the team six points.

In the 182-pound division, sophomore Connor Aragon got a pin on his opponent and also scored six points for the team.

Janowsky said that a lot of the other Pirates wrestled really well

but were outmatched slightly by the Mean Moose.

"I think we closed the gap," said Janowsky. "But we didn't win. I think the scores were closer. They're better than us, but we're working hard and doing what we need to do to close that gap and overtake them."

He said that, even for the kids who didn't get wins, he still felt like they were pushing themselves until the end of their matches.

"Ultimately, you want to get your hand raised. That's the ultimate sign of victory," said Janowsky. "There's a lot of little ways you can win in a match where you don't get your hand raised, but you get a feeling of progress and satisfaction, and I think our kids won a lot of those little victories. We just have to put enough of those together to get the big one."

Janowsky said that the team members had gotten better at defending their own legs while executing leg attacks on their opponents.

He said that there wasn't any-

thing he was particularly unhappy with when it came to how the Pirates wrestled during the dual, and he believed it was just a matter of pushing forward and continuing to get better.

Janowsky explained that the Pirates were working on their wrestling speed, because he felt that the wrestling techniques are coming pretty naturally at this point, so the next goal would be to increase the speed of those techniques.

"I feel confident about the progress that we're making and the direction that we're heading," Janowsky said. "I feel very confident about that."

Tonight, Jan. 26, the Pirates will travel to Cortez to take on the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers.

Then, on Saturday, Jan. 28, the Pirates will travel to Ignacio High School to participate in the Butch Melton Invitational.

The tournament will begin at 9 a.m.

"We're just getting more solid," Janowsky said.

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## RECREATION NEWS

### Register now for youth volleyball

By Darren Lewis  
SUN Columnist

4151, ext. 232.

#### Open gym Saturdays

The Ross Aragon Community Center will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for open gym. This will continue through April.

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

Please call the Community Center with any questions, 264-4152, ext. 521.

The recreation department is accepting youth volleyball registration for 9-10 and 11-12 age groups through Feb. 24.

The 9-10 division will be an instructional league held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

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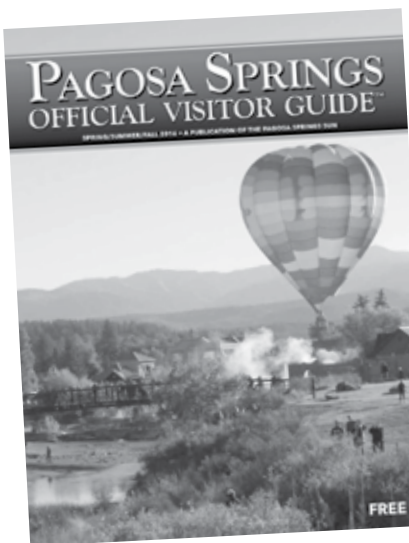
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# Wolf Creek Ski Area Fun Race results announced

Special to The SUN

The new year is off to a great start at Wolf Creek Ski Area with consistent storm cycles and strong skier counts.

A 52-inch storm cycle kicked off 2017 for Wolf Creek Ski Area. A second storm cycle moved in only a couple days after, leaving 29 inches of snow for Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend. An additional 10 inches fell during the holiday weekend, much to the delight of skiers and snowboarders.

On Jan. 15, Wolf Creek Ski Area hosted the Martin Luther King Jr. Fun Race. A total of 92 skiers and boarders took on the modified giant slalom. The fastest time of the day went to Wayne Sheldrake, of South Fork, with a time of 30.79 seconds.

Following are the locals who placed in the race.

In the Boys' 6-8, Nash Rutter placed first with a time of 34.08.

In the Boys' 9-11, Noah Rutter placed first with a time of 33.41 and Nigel Rutter placed second with a time of 36.32.

In the Men's 36-40, Joe Bush placed second with a time of 33.28.

Phil Klum placed first in the Men's 60-70 with a time of 34.75, and Doug Roberts placed second with a time of 34.75.

In the Men's 71-plus, Klaus Neubert placed first with a time of 36.51.

In the Girls' 6-8, Kenli Bush placed first with a time of 44.52.

In the Women's 36-40, Kristi Bush placed first with a time of 36.28.

In the Women's 51-60, Elizabeth Rimann placed first with a time of 38.48.

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| 16 | KODEN KUNZ         | 39.79 | 39.43  | 39.93 |
| 17 | MARIS GERIMAKOUS   | 46.90 | 46.90  |       |
| 18 | Bearrice Galbreath | 45.28 | 40.09  | 40.09 |
| 19 | Dillon Christensen | 56.88 | 100.28 | 56.88 |
| 20 | Stee Sneed         | 55.80 | 34.46  | 34.46 |
| 21 | Andy Richardson    | 40.48 |        |       |
| 22 | Jacob Britow       |       |        |       |
| 23 | Parker Christensen | 42.08 |        |       |
| 24 | Garrett Hayden     |       |        |       |
| 25 | Kamila Giermakous  |       |        |       |
| 26 | Tanner Johnson     |       |        |       |
| 27 | Kaleb Keschun      |       |        |       |
| 28 | Patrick Martinez   |       |        |       |
| 29 | River Sneed        |       |        |       |
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| 46 | Joe B              |       |        |       |
| 47 | Brent Bo           |       |        |       |
| 48 | Alex Leugers       |       |        |       |
| 49 | Kristi Bush        |       |        |       |

Kenli Bush, of Pagosa Springs, shows off her gold medal from the Jan. 15 Wolf Creek Ski Area Martin Luther King Jr. Fun Race.

Photo courtesy Wolf Creek Ski Area

## BASKETBALL

### With three games in three days, big week ahead for Lady Pirates

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

With only one game in the last week due to the winter storms in the region, the Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates have a busy week ahead, including a matchup with the No. 6-ranked Centauri Falcons Saturday evening in La Jara.

The Lady Pirates, this week ranked No. 5 (Centauri and Pagosa traded places in the Colorado High School Activities Association poll this week), are also set to face the Montezuma-Cortez Panthers this evening and the Monte Vista Panthers tomorrow evening.

"It's a big week for us," coach Wes Lewis said. "Three games in a week is always tough."

First up will be the Panthers.

The game against the Panthers originally scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 21, was postponed due to inclement weather twice and is now scheduled to be played this evening at 5:30 p.m. at PSHS.

The Panthers are 0-3 in Intermountain League (IML) play and 1-11 overall this season, compared to the Lady Pirates' 3-0 league mark and 9-1 overall record.

Following that, the Lady Pirates will travel to La Jara to face the Falcons, who defeated the Lady Pirates in last year's state tournament.

The Falcons are 4-0 in IML action this year and 12-1 overall.

Then, on Saturday, Pagosa's Pirates will welcome Monte Vista's Pirates to town.

Monte Vista is 2-2 in IML play and 7-5 overall. Monte Vista is also well-ranked in some polls, Lewis points out, meaning they can't be overlooked by Pagosa.

"We've got a big week ahead of us to say the

least," Lewis said.

All three games are scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

To be successful, the coach said the Lady Pirates need to accomplish several things, among them rebounding the basketball well, playing defense without needing help every time, helping on defense without fouling, keeping key players out of foul trouble and keeping the opposing team off the free-throw line.

The team will have one advantage it hasn't had in several games — the return of senior Megan Farrah, who sustained a concussion and broken nose in Monte Vista on Jan. 13.

In her absence, Lewis said the team found itself relying more on junior Morgan Lewis and sophomore Devin Wilson for leadership.

"She's having a great year and continues to get better," the coach said of Wilson.

The team's younger players are also doing their part.

"Every game I continue to see progress from our younger players," Wes Lewis said, adding that he is pleased with where the team is at this point in the season.

Last week, on Jan. 20, the Lady Pirates logged a win with a strong victory over the Bayfield Wolverines.

The Wolverines now hold a 4-8 mark on the season and 0-3 league record.

The Pirates built a 20-point lead in the game's first quarter, scoring 21 while holding Bayfield to a single point.

The Pirates "kind of dominated the first quarter," Lewis said, adding later, "We were pretty good on all aspects of the game."

The team was "really good" in transition, strong defensively and executed plays well in the quarter, according to Lewis.

That momentum slowed in the following quarters, with the Pirates not shooting the ball quite as well, and the team working on different plays and new things.

"Sometimes when you get up big like that, it's hard to keep your foot on the gas," Lewis said.

In the second quarter, Pagosa scored nine while allowing five, making for a halftime lead of 30-5.

Pagosa continued to quell the Wolverines' scoring attempts in the third, allowing four points while scoring 13, but were outscored 15-7 in the final period, making for a 50-25 final score in favor of the visiting Pirates.

"It was just all good all around," Lewis said. Lewis noted his respect for the Bayfield program, noting it is in a rebuilding phase and adding that Pagosa wasn't the team that would press a rebuilding team for a full 32 minutes.

"Some people continue to pour gas on the fire, but I'm not that guy," he said.

Morgan Lewis led in scoring in the game with 19 points, followed by Devin Wilson with 14. Hailey Griego, Taylor Lewis, Ada Peshlakai and Zoe Strohecker each added four points, and Keena Murphy logged one.

The team made six of eight free-throw attempts in the game.

Morgan Lewis also led in rebounds, pulling down 11 of the team's 34 rebounds on the night.

She was followed in rebounding by six from Griego; five from Murphy; three each from Wilson, Taylor Lewis and Strohecker; and one each from Alondra Hernandez, Amellia Peshlakai and Teagan Stretton.

The team stole the ball 14 times in the game and logged 16 turnovers.

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### Following narrow loss to Bayfield, Pirates look to improve league record

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs High School (PSHS) Pirate basketball team narrowly fell to the Bayfield Wolverines in a league affair on Jan. 20, leaving the Pirates in fourth place in the Intermountain League (IML) standings.

The Pirates are now 1-2 in league play and 5-6 overall on the season.

The win leaves Bayfield tied with Alamosa atop the IML with a 3-0 league mark, though Alamosa is 9-1 on the season compared to Bayfield's 7-5 overall record.

The Jan. 20 game was close throughout, with Pagosa taking an early lead in the game, ending the first quarter with a 12-11 advantage.

The second quarter was just as close, but the Wolverines outscored the Pirates 13-12, making for a 24-24 game at halftime.

It was in the second half that

the Pirates lost a little bit of traction, being outscored 18-16 in the third quarter and 17-16 in the fourth quarter, leaving the Pirates on the wrong side of a three-point difference when the final buzzer sounded.

The final score was 59-56 in favor of the hosting Wolverines.

Now, the Pirates will look to better their league mark in a series of three games in three days, beginning tonight against the

Montezuma-Cortez Panthers.

The game against the Panthers was originally scheduled to be played on Saturday, Jan. 21, but was postponed to the following Wednesday due to inclement weather in the region.

Extended poor weather again postponed the game Wednesday, leaving the game rescheduled for this evening at 7 p.m. in the PSHS gym.

The Panthers are currently third

in the league standings with a 2-1 mark in IML play and 5-7 record on the season.

On Friday, the Pirates will travel to La Jara for a 7 p.m. matchup with the Centauri Falcons, who own a 1-3 league record and are 7-6 on the season.

Saturday, Pagosa will again take on the Monte Vista Pirates, this time in Pagosa at 7 p.m.

Pagosa defeated Monte Vista in Monte Vista 67-50 on Jan. 13.

Monte Vista's Pirates are 0-4 in league play and 4-8 on the season. Coach Randy Sorenson could not be reached for comment by press time Wednesday, and stats for the game were not available.

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### Triple Impact Student-Athlete of the Week

**Trevor Bryant**  
Wrestling

**Year in school:** Junior  
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**Comments from coach Dan Janovsky:** "As much as anyone I've ever coached, Trevor Bryant is the embodiment of a Triple Impact player. To begin with, he puts in a lot of time on his own, learning new skills and honing ones he's had for a long time. This was evident as he is putting together a great season, currently with 17 wins and placing 3rd at the Alamosa Invitational last weekend. Even more than skill, Trevor brings a lot to his team. He is selfless when it comes to other members of his team, giving rides, encouragement, instruction, and most of all, a great example. His code of conduct is consistent on and off the mat. His teachers and employers would say the same of him. Trevor exemplifies what is best about wrestling and high school sports."

## Public Notices

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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, et al. vs. Archuleta County, CO on 10/28/2015, against the following described "Timeshare Property" to wit: Unit 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 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: \$6,615.39  
Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
Total: \$7,615.39  
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DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO  
Court Address:

Exhibit A  
Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations  
As of November 8, 2016  
Defendant/Property Matter Amount  
Dale Seeley Preece and Shauna Leigh Preece, et al. vs. 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 173555 Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and all amendments and supplements thereto, as recorded 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 all amendments and supplements thereto, as recorded in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.  
Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1,805.80  
Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
Total: \$2,805.80  
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 all amendments and supplements thereto, as recorded in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.  
Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1,805.80  
Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
Total: \$2,805.80  
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Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1,805.80  
Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1,805.80  
Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00  
Total: \$2,805.80  
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



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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 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 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: \$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

William P Haynes, lien No. 21504688 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 7871-7872 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 20005494, 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 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$4,288.71

Randy L 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 20010665, 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: \$2,523.91 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$3,523.91

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

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

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COLORADO Court Address: 449 San Juan St. PO Box 148 Pagosa Springs CO 81147 Case Number: 2016CV30030 PLAINTIFF: PTARMIGAN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC. v. 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 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.

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): Donley Cronkhite, Winona Cronkhite, Darrell Smith, Norma Smith, Debra Young and Terilyn Arthur Evidence of Debt: 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. Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Ptarmigan 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 A, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72903 Association Assessments Due to: Ptarmigan Property Owners Association, Inc. Debt: Timeshare Owner's Assessments due to Association in the amount of Donley Cronkhite, Winona Cronkhite, Darrell Smith, Norma Smith, Debra Young and Terilyn 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 ENCMBERED 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

HEREFORE, 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 described above, and all interest of said Grantor and the heirs and assigns of said Grantor therein, subject to the provisions of the Declaration permitting the Association thereunder to have the bid credited to the Debt up to the amount of the unpaid Debt secured by the Declaration at the time of sale, for the purpose of paying the judgment amount entered herein, and will deliver to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication: [1/5/2017] Last Publication: [2/2/2017] Name of Publication: [Pagosa Springs Sun]

YOU MAY HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY BEING FORECLOSED, OR HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS OR SUFFER CERTAIN LIABILITIES PURSUANT TO COLORADO STATUTES AS A RESULT OF SAID FORECLOSURE. YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO REDEEM SAID REAL PROPERTY OR YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CURE A DEFAULT UNDER THE DEED OF TRUST BEING FORECLOSED. A COPY OF THE STATUTES WHICH MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS IS ATTACHED HERETO. A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE PURSUANT TO §38-38-104 C.R.S. SHALL BE FILED WITH THE OFFICER AT LEAST FIFTEEN (15) CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED SALE DATE OR ANY DATE TO WHICH THE SALE IS CONTINUED. IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED. A NOTICE OF INTENT TO REDEEM FILED PURSUANT TO §38-38-302 C.R.S. SHALL BE FILED WITH THE SHERIFF NO LATER THAN EIGHT (8) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE SALE DATE. THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. IF YOU BELIEVE THAT A LENDER OR SERVICER HAS VIOLATED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT IN §38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN §38-38-103.2, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL (1-800-222-4444), THE CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (1-855-411-2372), OR BOTH, BUT THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. 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. 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 Terilyn Arthur, lien No. 21602277 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 7, 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 Attorneys Fees: \$1,000.00 Total: \$4,160.88 Published January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

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Email: jhunt@ochhoalaw.com **SUMMONS [BY PUBLICATION] THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:** You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the Amended Complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this Court an Answer or other responsive pleading. You are required to file your Answer or other responsive pleading within 35 days after the service of this Summons upon you. Service of this Summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the Amended Complaint may be obtained from the clerk of the Court. If you fail to file your Answer or other responsive pleading to the Amended Complaint in writing within the applicable time period, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint without further notice. This is an action pursuant to Rule 105, C.R.C.P. to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado more particularly described as Lots 1, 2 and 3, Martinez Mountain Estates, a Subdivision of Archuleta County, Colorado. Dated: January 6, 2017 ORTEN CAVANAGH & HOLMES, LLC By: /s/ Jonah Hunt Jonah G. Hunt, No. 34379 Published in The Pagosa Springs SUN First Publication: January 12, 2017 Last Publication: February 9, 2017 **This Summons is issued pursuant to Rule 4(g), Colorado Rules of Civil Procedure. This form should not be used where personal service is desired.** Published January 12, 19, 26, February 2 and 9, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS** Estate of Dorothy R. Moyer, Deceased Case No. 2016PR030060 in the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado. All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before June 1, 2017, or the claims may be forever barred. William L. Hubbard Attorney at Law Suite 3, Cascade Plaza 46 Eaton Drive Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147 970-398-0230 Published January 12, 19 and 26, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2016-024** To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust: On November 17, 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 records. Original Grantor(s) MILTON C. BRUDER and JANE R. BRUDER, HUSBAND AND WIFE Original Beneficiary(ies) MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR QUICKEN LOANS INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS Current Holder of Evidence of Debt BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Date of Deed of Trust February 10, 2010 County of Recording Archuleta Recording Date of Deed of Trust February 25, 2010 Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21001255 Re-Recording Date of Deed of Trust March 29, 2010 Re-Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/ Page No.) 21002130 Original Principal Amount \$84,452.00 Outstanding Principal Balance \$79,541.16 Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the evidence of debt secured by the deed of trust and other violations thereof. **THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN. LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF PAGOSA SPRINGS IN THE COUNTY OF ARCHULETA IN THE STATE OF CO CONDOMINIUM UNIT 80 IN CONDOMINIUM BUILDING 45, PINONWOOD CONDOMINIUMS, ACCORDING TO THE CONDOMINIUM MAP FILED FEBRUARY 3, 1984, AS RECEPTION NO. 121404,**

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION** Estate of James Michael Barnett, Deceased Case No. 2017 PR 30000 All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before May 19, 2017, or the claims may be forever barred. Daniel L. Fiedler P.O. Box 5633 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Published January 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**AND AS FURTHER DEFINED AND DESCRIBED IN CONDOMINIUM DECLARATION FOR PINONWOOD CONDOMINIUMS FILED FEBRUARY 8, 1984, AT BOOK 207, PAGE 789 AND AMENDMENT TO THE CONDOMINIUM DECLARATION FILED FEBRUARY 21, 1984, AT BOOK 208, PAGE 161, ALL IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO. Also known by street and number as: 164 VALLEY VIEW DR, 3207, PAGOSA SPRINGS, CO 81147. THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST. NOTICE OF SALE**

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust. THEREFORE, Notice is Herby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, 03/16/2017, at 449 San Juan St, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s) heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law. First Publication 1/19/2017 Last Publication 2/16/2017 Name of Publication Pagosa Springs Sun **IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED 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 TRACKING 38-38-103.1 OR THE PROHIBITION ON DUAL TRACKING IN SECTION 38-38-103.2, THE BORROWER MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE COLORADO ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE FEDERAL CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU (CFPB), OR BOTH. THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT WILL NOT STOP THE FORECLOSURE PROCESS. Colorado Attorney General 1300 Broadway, 10th Floor Denver, Colorado 80203 (800) 222-4444 www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov Federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau P.O. Box 4503 Iowa City, Iowa 52244 (855) 411-2372 www.consumerfinance.gov DATE: 11/17/2016 Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee in and for the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado By: /s/ Betty A. Diller, Public Trustee The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is: Janeway Law Firm, P. C. 9800 S Meridian Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80112 (303) 706-9990 Attorney File # 16-013205 The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose. ©Public Trustees' Association of Colorado Revised 1/2015 Published January 19, 26, February 2, 9 and 16, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.**

Contents of unit #16, King, will be confiscated/disposed of if not paid in full by January 28th at 9:00 a.m. Alpine Storage 970-946-0572. Published January 19 and 26, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS** Estate of James Michael Barnett, Deceased Case No. 2017 PR 30000 All persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Archuleta County, Colorado on or before May 19, 2017, or the claims may be forever barred. Daniel L. Fiedler P.O. Box 5633 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 Published January 19, 26 and February 2, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

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**DISTRICT COURT, COUNTY OF ARCHULETA, STATE OF COLORADO, CASE NO. 2016CV080054: CRAYS, LLC (Plaintiff) v. DELDEV, INC.; CAPITAL VENTURES, INC.; PAGOSA LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS ACTION (Defendants).** THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO TO ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN:

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims set forth in the complaint filed with the Archuleta County District Court in this action, by filing an answer or other response with the Clerk of the Archuleta County District Court, located at 449 SAN JUAN ST., PO BOX 148, PAGOSA SPRINGS, COLORADO 81147 (Phone: 970-725-3357). You are required to file your answer or other response within 35 days after the service of this Summons upon you pursuant to C.R.C.P. 12(a)(2). Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint need not be published with this Summons and may be obtained from the Clerk of the Archuleta County District Court. If you fail to file your answer or otherwise respond to the complaint in writing within 35 days after the date of the last publication, judgment by default may be rendered against you by the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint without further notice. This is an action to quiet the title of the Plaintiff under C.R.C.P. 105 in and to the real property situate in Archuleta County, Colorado, more particularly described as follows, and by this reference made a part hereof: LOT 501 AND LOT 502, PAGOSA TRAILS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED SEPTEMBER 13, 1971, AS RECEPTION NO. 74885, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO AND LOTS 5 & 6, IN CHRIS MOUNTAIN VILLAGE UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF FILED JUNE 4, 1973, AS RECEPTION NO. 77868, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO. Dated this 19th day of January, 2017. Attorneys for Plaintiff: Murr Siler & Accomazzo, P.C., Jamie G. Siler, Atty. Reg. No. 31284; Kimberly L. Martinez, Atty. Reg. No. 40351; 410 17th Street, Suite 2400, Denver, Colorado 80202 (Phone: 303-534-2277; Fax: 303-534-1313; Email: jsiler@msa.legal; kmartinez@msa.legal). Published in The Pagosa Springs Sun Date of First Publication: January 26, 2017 Date of Last Publication: February 23, 2017 Published January 26, February 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**PUBLIC NOTICE** The Town of Pagosa Springs has received an application for a "Conditional Use Permit" for the operation of a "Vacation Rental" to be located at 195 Eaton Drive, Unit 1023. The Town of Pagosa Springs Planning Commission will consider the "Conditional Use Permit" application at a public hearing scheduled on February 14, 2017 at 5:30PM in Town Hall located at 551 Hot Springs Blvd. Anyone wishing to provide comments should contact the Town Planning Department at 970-264-4151 x 221 or attend the public hearing. Public comments will be accepted at the public hearing. Published January 26, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

**PUBLIC NOTICE** The Town of Pagosa Springs has rescheduled and will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Ross Aragon Community Center in the senior center dining room to discuss proposed Land Use Development Code Amendments contemplated in Ordinance 853. This public meeting will occur prior to the second reading for final approval to be considered by Town Council at a future public hearing. Ordinance 853 proposes Land Use Development Code amendments that would allow smaller minimum lot sizes in the medium residential district (R-12), consistent with the current allowable density, however, would not change the current allowable density in the R-12 district. Ordinance 853 also proposes increasing the allowable density in the high density residential district (R-18) from 18 dwelling units per acre to 22 dwelling units per acre and allows smaller minimum lot sizes consistent with the proposed increased density. Ordinance 853 is available at townofpagosaprings.com for your review prior to these scheduled meetings. For more information and to provide comments, please contact the Town Planning Department at 970-264-4151 x225 and attend the public meeting. Published January 26, 2017 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

# Archuleta County Semiannual Report

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| Start Date | 07/01/16 |
| End Date   | 12/31/16 |

| Account Name              | Beginning Balance | Tax Collections | Delinquent Taxes | Specific Ownership | Miscellaneous Collections | Treasurer's Fees | Disbursements    | Ending Balance  |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 0100 County General       | \$12,270,843.88   | \$281,443.94    | \$1,023.49       | \$203,366.86       | \$3,149,220.62            | (\$61,464.25)    | (\$5,246,884.53) | \$10,597,550.01 |
| 0201 Road & Bridge        | \$6,078,456.73    | \$99,760.69     | \$270.97         | \$72,085.39        | \$2,360,532.23            | (\$43,294.03)    | (\$4,482,395.30) | \$4,085,416.68  |
| 0202 Social Service Fund  | \$674,651.03      | \$19,960.92     | \$66.02          | \$14,423.41        | \$888,515.17              | \$0.00           | (\$904,700.00)   | \$692,916.55    |
| 0210 Public Trustee       | \$10,113.11       | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$63,077.06               | \$0.00           | (\$56,083.38)    | \$17,106.79     |
| 0216 1 A                  | \$0.00            | \$0.00          | \$11.95          | \$0.00             | \$0.00                    | (\$0.36)         | \$0.00           | \$11.59         |
| 0217 1 A                  | \$554,500.72      | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$0.00                    | \$0.00           | (\$31,515.21)    | \$522,985.51    |
| 0219 Combined Dispatch    | \$17,474.69       | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$271,139.43              | (\$1,665.41)     | (\$279,846.77)   | \$61,101.94     |
| 0221 Conservation Trust   | \$981,296.91      | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$26,936.00               | \$0.00           | (\$105,363.82)   | \$902,869.09    |
| 0229 Casa Rental          | \$29,403.05       | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | (\$29,403.05)             | \$0.00           | \$0.00           | \$0.00          |
| 0310 Fairfield Settlement | \$499,007.94      | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$1,543.21                | \$0.00           | \$0.00           | \$500,551.15    |
| 0501 Solid Waste          | \$956,784.92      | \$0.00          | \$0.00           | \$0.00             | \$499,031.95              | (\$4,990.62)     | (\$301,442.85)   | \$1,149,383.40  |
| 0504 Airport              |                   |                 |                  |                    |                           |                  |                  |                 |



# Education



Photo courtesy Gwen Taylor

The top four finishers in this year's Pagosa Springs Middle School science fair are Ashlie Elliott, Lauren Peart, Olivia Craig and Timothy Hittle.

## Research and experimentation: 29 students compete in Middle School Science Fair

By Gwen Taylor  
Special to The SUN

Scientific understanding was the goal for Pagosa Springs Middle School students during the annual science fair held Jan. 18.

The fair displayed the results of nine weeks of research and experimentation by students during their science fair elective courses in the academic quarter that ended last week.

The 29 students from the sixth and seventh grades created 27 projects, which spanned a wide array of topics including the densities of different fluids, growth of crystals, cellphone radiation, comparing data sources when tracking human ancestry and if sound affects your visual perception. The various projects stemmed from a variety of disciplines including chemistry, physiology, engineering and social science.

Power was a big topic with project titles including, "Potato Power," "Wind Power," "Penny Power" and "Fruit Power." There was also a project titled, "The Power of Money," but that's a different kind of power.

Each student was interviewed and scored by three judges on aspects such as incorporation of the scientific method (idea, hypothesis, experimentation, data analysis, drawing of conclusions), creativity and poster presentation.

First place went to seventh-grader Ashlie Elliott for her project titled "Thump" that compared heart rate increase and recovery between caffeine and brief-but-intense exercise (hint: exercise won the battle for healthiest option).

Second place went to seventh-grader Lauren Peart for "Smile For The Camera," which tested whether people could tell the difference between real and fake smiles.

Third place was a tie, based on the judges' scoring, and went to

seventh-graders Olivia Craig and Timothy Hittle.

In Craig's project, "Are Appearances Everything?" she tested whether attractive versus plain packaging affected how many carrot sticks first-graders would eat. The prettier packaging made a positive difference, as those in marketing know.

Hittle's project was "Rocket Sauce," in which he investigated the effect of different liquids on the height achieved by a fluid-filled rocket propelled by air pressure.

Pagosa Springs Rotary Club generously awarded a total of \$275 to the four winners of the top three places.

Volunteer judges for the science fair included many accomplished engineers and scientists: David Smith, Gwen Taylor, Tim Taylor, Nancy Crouse, Matt Ford, Gautam Shah, Cindi Galabota, Mike Leitch and Dave Richardson. Much credit also goes to middle school science teachers Kristin Hentschel (grade six) and Tiffany Candelaria (grade seven) who guided the students through their science fair elective courses.

The next step for these young scientists will be participation at the San Juan Basin Regional Science Fair to be held March 2 in Durango.

## Retro Metro Kids: Archuleta School District's Safe Routes to School Program

By Annie Sewell  
Special to The SUN

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) is a federally funded program available for implementation in all 50 states. SRTS programs aim to create safe, convenient and fun opportunities for children to bicycle and walk to and from schools. The goal is to get more kids walking and biking to school, increase kids' safety and reverse the alarming nationwide trend toward childhood obesity and inactivity.

Communities use funds to construct new bicycle lanes, pathways and sidewalks, and launch SRTS education, promotion and enforcement campaigns in elementary and middle schools. Successful SRTS programs incorporate the Six E's: evaluation, education, encouragement, engineering, enforcement and equity.

Studies show that SRTS programs are effective at increasing rates of bicycling and walking to school and decreasing injuries.

In 2014, Archuleta School District (ASD) was awarded a \$5,000 SRTS grant for the implementation of SRTS programing and coalition building. A SRTS coalition was formed and it was decided that SRTS programs at within ASD would be called Retro Metro Kids: Bringing Back Up-Hill Both Ways to School.

The school district's SRTS coalition prioritized two things: 1) the construction of trails/sidewalks to and from the elementary and middle schools where kids could walk and ride bikes away from traffic; and 2) school programming that would teach kids how to walk and ride bikes safely alongside traffic.

### School programs

The school district has been awarded a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) SRTS

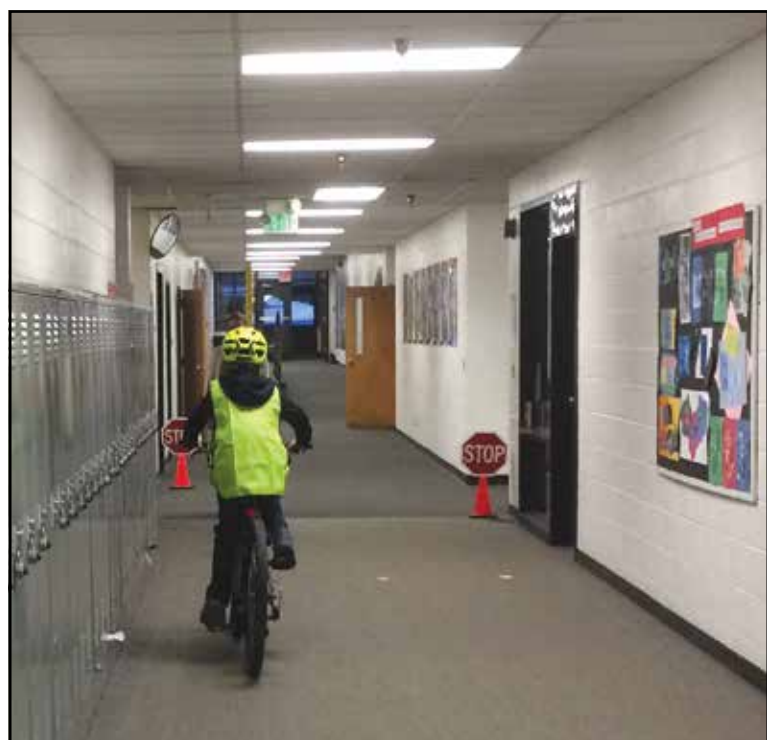


Photo courtesy Annie Sewell

A Pagosa Springs Middle School student practices bike driving skills in the hallway as part of the Retro Metro Kids Bike Driving 101 program. The course was held inside due to the snow.

non-infrastructure grant to fund the growth and continuation of current Retro Metro Kids (RMK) programing at both the elementary and middle schools.

Through this grant, the RMK program now has an educator, April Rossetti, who oversees all RMK curriculum development, and the CATCH program has its own RMK educator, Christy Taylor, who teaches the Bike Driving and Walk Safe programs.

Retro Metro Kids has partnered with the CATCH program to teach a seven-day Bike Driving 101 class in the fall and spring quarters and an innovative Walk Safe program during the winter quarters.

This spring, Bicycle Colorado will be coming to Pagosa to work with the elementary school's fitness teacher, Michele Ziegler, to establish a SRTS program for

first-grade students at Pagosa Springs Elementary School.

### Sidewalks/trails

The SRTS coalition has partnered with ASD and the Town of Pagosa Springs on a CDOT-SRTS infrastructure grant for the construction of a sidewalk extending the length of North 8th Street, along Florida Road, to North 6th Street. This sidewalk is scheduled for construction this spring.

The SRTS coalition and ASD continue to partner with DUST2 on the construction of their urban single-track sidewalk, with the goal to connect schools, parks, trails and neighborhoods with a system of dirt trails, providing a sense of adventure to your bike commute.

There is much, much more that RMK is doing, so watch for future articles.

## Apply now for County Sheriffs of Colorado scholarship program

Special to The SUN

Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez announced today that County Sheriffs of Colorado Inc. (CSOC), the state sheriffs' association, will award a \$500 scholarship to a deserving Archuleta County student next spring.

CSOC established the scholarship program in 1978. Since then, this effort has continued as a meaningful expression of the sheriffs' confidence in and respect for education and training. CSOC considers this an investment in the future and believes that its membership is helping to provide deserving students with

an opportunity to make a positive contribution to society.

Scholarship announcements have been mailed to all high school offices in the eligible counties and to all Colorado higher education institutions.

Applications are available online at [www.csoc.org](http://www.csoc.org), or at the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), which is located at 449 San Juan St.

Valdez explained that this is the 38th year that CSOC has made such scholarships available. A scholarship will be awarded in more than 30 Colorado counties this year.

Applications will be reviewed by a local citizens committee ap-

pointed by Valdez, and a selection will be made on the basis of criteria established by CSOC. This criterion includes leadership, merit, character, involvement and career purpose.

Any legal permanent resident of Archuleta County enrolled in, or applying to, a vocational training program or institution of higher learning in the state of Colorado as a full- or part-time student is eligible to apply. There are no restrictions as to the course of study or training which may be pursued and no restrictions are placed upon applications by reason of race, creed, age, sex or national origin.

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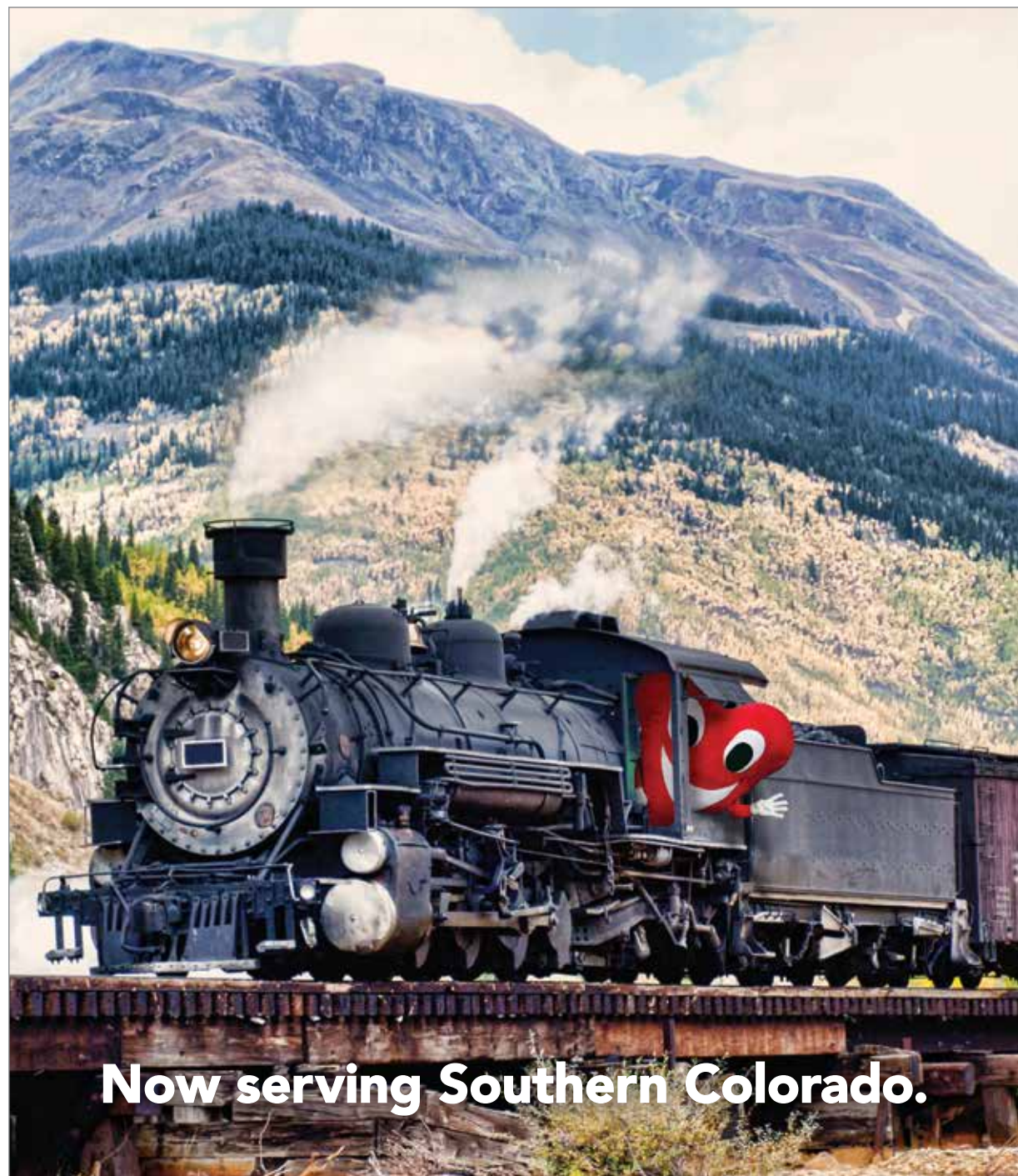
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## ARTS & LIFE

# Sledz on Rez

Saturday, Feb. 4



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# Ready for WinterFest fun? Sledz on Rez set for Feb. 4

Special to The PREVIEW

Ready for a different kind of fun? Sledz on Rez, formally known as the Anything Goes Downhill Sled Race, is again on this year's WinterFest lineup, and the fun is up to you.

Registration starts at 2 p.m. and the race at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 4, so start brainstorming and building, or come see for yourself how fun community creativity can be.

It will be just a short walk over from the Penguin Plunge. We are hoping to see anything from the "Oscar Mobile" to half of a canoe, a satellite dish, wagon, toilet or other creative "sled" fly down Reservoir Hill.

The best place to park will be in the Mary Fisher parking lot, then take a short walk up the road behind Healing Waters and Quality Inn.

A few rules of course: All entries must be homemade. No skis allowed. Speed is important — entertainment is critical. All entries must be controllable and brakes are required. An event representative will have final authority over the safety of all entries.

Bragging rights and Pagosa Perks will be awarded

for Best Team, Best of Show and Best Wreck.

This is also definitely a spectator event, as the crowd cheers on the participants as the homemade concoctions fly, roll, slide, bang, rattle, disintegrate and crash down the hill.

For the adventurous, entry forms for the race are available at The Choke Cherry Tree, Old West Press, Coyote Moon Bar and Grill, the Chamber, or online at <http://goo.gl/quGlzy/>. The registration fee for the event is \$10.

Concessions will be available on site for a suggested donation.

With great snow this year, this is an event not to miss and a great way to support and grow our flourishing community. Businesses are highly encouraged to make an entry, as well as families, groups and individuals. You don't have to be young — just young at heart.

For more information on the event or for a link to the registration form, visit the Young Professionals of Pagosa's Facebook event page, <https://www.facebook.com/events/360492884321706/>.

## Thursday

**Pagosa Brewing Company:** Live Trivia, 6 p.m.  
**Riff Raff Brewing Company:** Gleewood, 6 p.m.

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## Saturday

**Riff Raff Brewing Company:** Gary Gorence, 6 p.m.

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## Wednesday

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# Bonding time with Sweet Al

Caution! You've entering the "All Spin" Zone.

A member of our family said, "You don't write the truth in your articles."

I told him, "I write truth because it does happen. I just put my spin on it and write it as I see it."

Once a week, our youngest daughter takes her daddy out for the day. I call it, "Giving him an airing." She calls it "Bonding time with her daddy."

They enjoy each other. They grocery shop for me, talk about their dogs and go by the thrift stores. They bring home some little thing, which doesn't amount to a hill of beans, but they buy it anyway. They'll pay \$1 for it, which will end up in our next garage sale for a quarter. Or I'll give it back to the thrift store when they've forgotten about it.

Their day is about being together and the fun they have with their best friend. They come home laughing with a hundred things to tell me about their fun day. This is how I heard about their day and this is the way I spin it.

Someone tried to pick up my Sweet Al at the thrift store. Apparently, thrift stores are great places to pick up old men. I know, it surprises me, too. But, I sit back and enjoy hearing them talk.

I always thought the bars and clubs were the hopping places for meeting the eligible and not-so-eligible. Add thrift stores to the list.

Three weeks before, I received a different report from Al's 82-year-old brother. David was in Mexico during New Year's. He sent pictures of himself with a young, 20-year-old senorita whom he met at a nightclub there.

They exchanged glances, he gave her a pickup line and they teased with each other. He bought her a glass of wine and took a couple of selfies with her. He sent the pictures to the family and his Facebook friends. He picked her up but left her at the border.

Unlike his brother, Al is as innocent as the day is long. Al fiddles at the thrift store, minds his business, picks up a little find or two and puts it back. He sees something for Angel's dog to wear. He hasn't succumbed to dressing up Whiskey, yet. As I understand it, Daisy is a size four in girls now. She is on the plump side and hard to fit. But she likes dressing up for special occasions. Lord, deliver me from all of

## Artist's Lane

Betty Slade



*Someone tried to pick up my Sweet Al at the thrift store. Apparently, thrift stores are great places to pick up old men.*

this nonsense.

Al and our daughter arrived home with a story to tell about their day. A German lady waited on them. I don't know her name. For the sake of the story, I'll call her Hildegard.

Hildegard told our daughter how cute her daddy is. Other women in the store who were looking for treasures chimed in and fussed over him. They had found a treasure in My Sweet Al. They recognize Al from the newspaper articles. They giggled and Al tittered. They complimented him on the junk he was about to buy. This was their pickup line. They enjoyed the moment, but left him in the store. No harm, no foul.

Our daughter said, "Daddy won't have any trouble finding someone when you're gone. In fact, he'll probably get a younger one. The women thought Daddy was precious and they giggled over meeting a celebrity. I told them this is my daddy and his name is Sweet Al."

A truth to ponder: searching for a find with your best friend will turn your hunt into gold and you might find a relic among the throw-aways. A relic is an object surviving from an earlier time, especially one of historical or sentimental interest. I'd say that pretty well sums up My Sweet Al. A day out with his best friend is golden.

Final brushstroke: Anything over 75 years old is considered an

antique and the price just went up. Old relics in good condition are hard to find. I'd have to tell the women at the thrift stores, I get a kick from the attention you give to My Sweet Al. I love it when people pay him respect. It's OK to pick him up, but you have to put him back and leave him at the store. He's mine; I saw him first.

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## Pagosa artist Kathleen Steventon accepted into the Women Artists of the West Association



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Kathleen Steventon demonstrates her impasto palette knife painting style.

**By Kathleen Steventon**  
Special to The PREVIEW

Local artist Kathleen Steventon has been accepted as an associate member into the Women Artists of the West Association.

Steventon was selected via a WAOW juried process of her peers. WAOW is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting excellence in the profession of women's fine art.

The membership of WAOW reaches across and throughout the country, with members in more than 30 states. WAOW helps aspiring artists in the spirit of mentoring, and many of its members share their expertise through workshops and books and, for the members' proprietary benefit, an online forum for art tips and extended discussions.



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# Reader's Digest writer explores small, fictional southern community in new book

By Carole Howard  
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Henry Hurt was a greatly admired writer at Reader's Digest back when it was the world's most widely read magazine, published in 39 editions and 15 languages with 100 million readers across the globe. Many of his articles were hard-hitting investigative pieces about espionage, terrorism and disasters. His book about the investigation into John F. Kennedy's assassination was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

But Hurt also has a softer side, and some of his articles for Reader's Digest that were most popular with the magazine's readers told of ordinary people facing difficult issues in their lives. Throughout his impressive nonfiction career, in his spare time and for his own satisfaction (as he put it), he worked on novels and short stories.

Now, in retirement, he has published "Stories from The Road Not Taken," a collection of six pieces about people living in a small fictional community called Shaw's Pond in Southside Virginia.

In some ways the stories stand alone. But their characters are linked by generations and geography — and by narrator Sam Cobbett, the town's newspaper editor who has returned to his home town and whose wife has divorced him and taken his children away.

Hurt writes in a deceptively easy style reflecting a skilled craftsman rewriting and polishing his prose for perfect storytelling. His rich powers of observation and sympathetic understanding introduce us to his characters as if we are meeting new neighbors, good and bad. A few of them are endearing. Several you will not like. But all are compelling and believable. By the time you finish this book, you will feel you know the customs, values

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and behaviors of Shaw's Pond families as if you had lived there for decades.

"Stories from The Road Not Taken" has been added to the library's collection.

### Teen role-playing today

The role-playing game for seventh- through 12th-graders takes place today, Thursday, Jan. 26, from 4-5:30 p.m. Use your imagination to go on adventures and battle monsters. You can join this group any time.

### All-ages gaming tomorrow

Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and X-box 360 Kinect with your family and friends tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 27, from 2 to 3:15 p.m.

### Otaku

Monday, Jan. 30, from 4 to 5 p.m. fifth- through 12th-graders meet for Otaku. Watch some anime with your friends and talk about your favorite manga.

### Black History Month event

Wednesday, Feb. 1, bring your lunch or enjoy our snacks from noon to 1:30 p.m. while you listen to the best of TED Talks about Black History Month.

TED (stands for technology, entertainment and design) is a nonpartisan nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks. You may be familiar with the TED Radio

Hour on KSUT, our local NPR radio station.

### Paws to Read

Wednesday, Feb. 1, from 4 to 5 p.m., youngsters from kindergarten through fifth grade are invited

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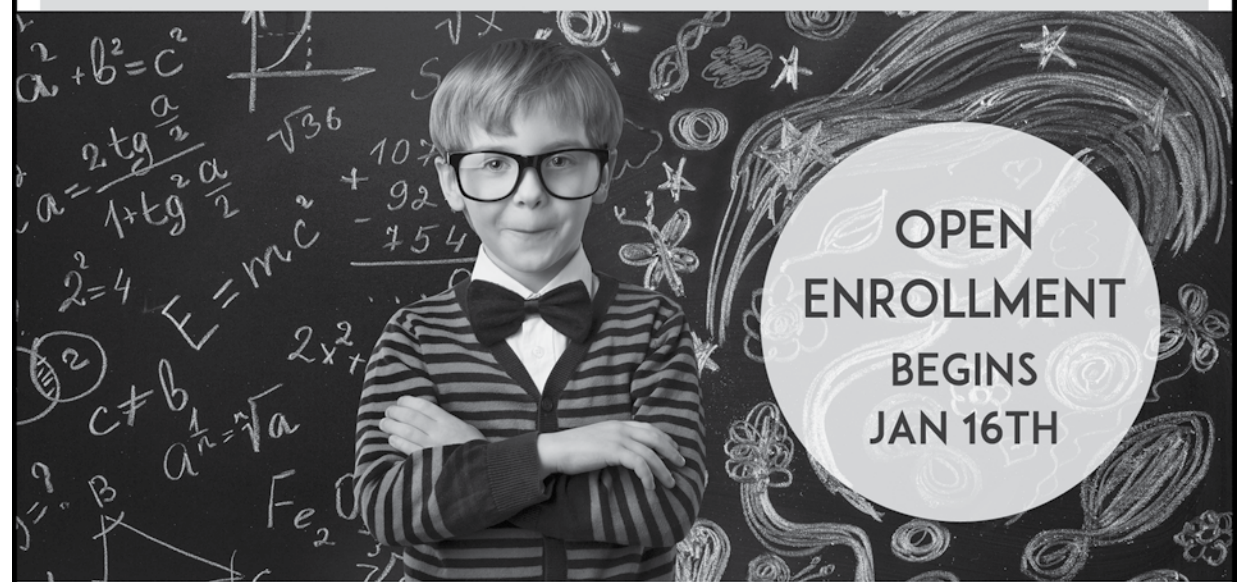
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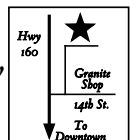






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The members of Girl Scout Troop 25075 collect food during their recent food drive. Containers were placed at several local businesses to collect food, and all the food collected was donated to the Community United Methodist Church food bank.

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to share their favorite books with Penny and Cassia, therapy dogs who love listening to stories. This is a great way for beginning readers to build confidence.

### Tech sessions

Rachael is available for Tech Tuesday 10 a.m. to noon and Tech Thursday 2 to 4 p.m. Drop in with your technology questions.

On Saturday, Jan. 28, from 3 to 4 p.m., she will lead an Introduction to Computer Terms class where you'll learn basic computer terminology like flash drive, loading, uploading, hardware and software. There also will be time for questions. No registration is required.

### Medicaid and Connect for Health session

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, the Colorado health exchange, next Thursday, Feb. 2, from 1 to 1:45 p.m. No registration is required.

### Teen advisory board

Next Thursday, Feb. 2, the teen advisory board will meet 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.

### 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.

### 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.

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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

“Shotgun: The Bleeding Ground” by C. Courtney Joyner, “The Man from Boot Hill: Dead Man's Promise” by Marcus Galloway, “The Bones of Paradise” by Jonis Agee and “A Colorado Christmas” by William W. and J.A. Johnstone are westerns.

## CDs

“Island of Glass” by Nora Roberts is book three in the Guardian, a paranormal fantasy series. “The Seventh Plague” by James Rollins is a Sigma Force adventure. “True Faith and Allegiance” by Mark Greaney is a military adventure in the Tom Clancy mode.

## Thrillers and mysteries

“Ring of Fire” by Brad is a Pike Logan thriller. “Because You're Mine” by Colleen Coble is a romantic suspense story. “Conclave” by Robert Harris goes behind the scenes when a new pope is being

elected.

## Other novels

“The Mirror Thief” by Martin Seay is set in three times and three Venices — Italy, Venice Beach and the Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas. “Mister Monkey” by Francine Prose revolves around a children's musical about a pet chimpanzee. “Mr. Splitfoot” by Samantha Hunt is a contemporary gothic story tracking two women in two times. “Britt-Marie Was Here” by Fredrik Backman follows a fastidious woman forced to deal with muddy floors, unruly children and more.

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By **Gwen Bartley**  
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Loaves and Fishes of Archuleta County, a nonprofit organization that provides free lunch every Thursday at the downtown Catholic Parish Hall on Lewis Street, is in urgent need of additional sponsors for 2017.

Sponsors volunteer to cook, serve and clean up following the meal. Loaves and Fishes provides the meat, bread and dessert (courtesy of City Market and Care and Share), as well as an experienced cook. There are currently eight weeks over the course of next year that do not have sponsors.

Current sponsors include: St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, John Paul II Catholic Church, Centerpoint Church, Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Pagosa Bible Church, Community United Methodist Church, Grace Church

and Visiting Angels, Vets for Vets, Rotary clubs (morning and noon), Weminuche Audubon Society, Socorro Senior Housing, Mountain View Homemakers Club, San Juan Outdoor Club, Pagosa Springs High School students, 4-H Club and Wyndham Resort.

"We have had smaller groups that have collaborated to provide meals in the past," said Nancy Crouse, vice president of the executive board. "We are more than happy to work with any groups that want to help."

Loaves and Fishes provides training and assistance to the volunteers so that meals run smoothly and efficiently. Volunteer groups are instructed and oversight is always available.

"We want volunteers to feel comfortable and confident so that their experience will be one of joy in serving others," Crouse said.

Loaves and Fishes, established

in 2005, provides a hot, nourishing meal to almost 300 people every week, almost 15,000 per year.

There are many in Archuleta County who cannot afford hot meals every day, some who do not have even a means of cooking a hot meal. Loaves and Fishes assures that they receive at least one balanced and nutritious hot meal each week, free of charge. Loaves and Fishes volunteers are the hub of the organization. It is through their generosity of time, talent and funding that the hungry are fed.

The purpose of this organization, Loaves and Fishes of Archuleta County, is to provide nutritious meals in a safe, warm and caring environment, free of charge to anyone who comes seeking nourishment and fellowship. The mission also provides access to community services and resources to those in need, while providing opportunities for volunteers to give of themselves in service to others.

Groups, businesses or individuals who wish to help by donating time or funding are encouraged to contact Nancy Crouse at 264-9355 or Gwen Bartley at (713) 201-2467.



Photo courtesy Guiseppe Margiotta

John Meyer, member of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 7560, presents Christina Crane of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Colorado with a \$500 donation for the upcoming bowling for Kids fundraiser. Proceeds from the Knights of Columbus' annual fish fries help fund community programs.

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### Quotable quote

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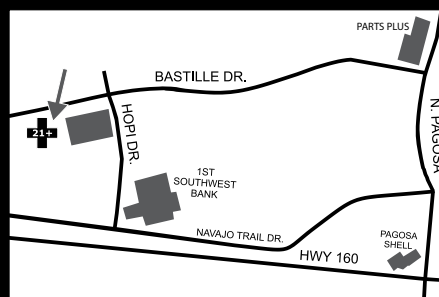
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# A phone call away

By Jan Davis  
Special to The PREVIEW

As I sit in my chair and reflect over the past year, I am thankful for family. Regardless of the distance, we are only a phone call away. Family is there for the rough times, the sad times and the celebrations. We lend a helping hand when needed. We cry together, laugh together and make memories that last a lifetime.

"Hi, Mom. Guess what? We're moving!" This was the first of many phone calls over the past year. Travis needed our help to move. Excited about his new opportunity, we packed our suitcases and headed to Texas. He and his family are now settled into a home in Oklahoma.

A phone call came in March from my niece. Her dad's courageous battle with cancer had ended. His death left a void. I had never known life without my big brother. A long drive to Oklahoma and we prepared for our final goodbye.

The phone rang in April. The caller ID said it was Hayden. "Hi, Nana. Are you and Papa coming to my graduation?"

"Of course we are. Wouldn't miss it for the world."

We drove to Oklahoma in May for his special day. A promise to our grandson fulfilled.

Another phone call came in June from Braxton. "Hi, Nana. I've bought a ring and I'm going to ask Jordan to marry me. Can we rehearse what I'm going to say?"

It didn't seem possible our oldest grandson was getting married.

"Wow! Braxton that's wonderful. I want to hear all the details."

This led to a long discussion as he talked through the when and how. I felt honored to be included in his joy. A fall wedding in 2018 will be here before we know it.

Carla, our oldest daughter, had gone through a rough divorce in 2015. She called in early July to give us a heads up. Cole, her boyfriend, wanted to ask for our blessings. They wanted a fall wedding. We were excited and happy for her, but had a few questions for Cole. After an honest conversation with him, we directed the questions to the upcoming event. We attended an intimate family celebration in October. Since then, Carla has settled into marriage and a new home with four rambunctious boys.

The phone vibrated on my desk in November. "Hi, Mom. How would you and Papa like to come and celebrate Alabama birthdays with us?"

Our daughter, Andria and Charlee had birthdays a week apart. She was the only one of our three children that didn't live in Oklahoma. It would be wonderful to spend time with them and celebrate her and

## A Matter of Faith

our grandson's birthdays.

"Sounds fun! We need an excuse for a visit." We'd planned a Thanksgiving trip to Oklahoma, so we headed out early to squeeze in time with our Alabama family.

First of December, Travis called Mike with a Christmas idea. A father-son-grandson trip to the Sugar Bowl in Louisiana.

After celebrating Christmas with our Oklahoma family, the trio rang in the new year with an OU win in New Orleans. I stayed home with the girls. We pampered ourselves with manicures, pedicures, facials and massages. Three generations came together over football and relaxation.

As a new year begins, we know there will be more phone calls and trips to schedule. Some will bring joy while others will bring heartache. Regardless, Mike and I will be there to share the experience. It's what parents do.

God, our Heavenly Father, is even closer than a telephone call. When we bow our heads and call upon Him, He will answer and provide strength and comfort. It's what He does.

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## PCNT to present movie message on Jan. 29

By **Carla Ryan**  
Special to The PREVIEW

On this fifth Sunday of the month, Jan. 29, starting at 10:30 a.m., Pagosa Community of New Thought (PCNT) will feature a movie message titled "One: A Contemporary Journey Toward a Timeless Destiny" (80 minutes).

A study guide will be offered guests to accompany the film and encourages a discussion to follow. That day's service may run a little longer than usual. Everyone is welcome.

Besides the regular Sunday morning services, the February schedule soon will include twice-monthly mid-week (Wednesday) gatherings in a class-like format,

from 6:30 to 8 p.m., on Feb. 8 and again Feb. 22.

The purpose will be to discuss the basics of the Science of Mind's (SOM) prayer (spiritual mind treatment). Former students are encouraged to bring their SOM textbook. Handouts will be provided, as well, so that all guests can participate in the lecture/discussion format.

A workshop is planned for Feb. 11 titled, "Win/Win in 7 Steps" (12:30 to 4 p.m.), to be presented by Constance d'Angelis.

The suggested donation for the workshop is \$18 and includes a workbook, as well as the opportunity to: (1) achieve success no matter the obstacles; (2) tips and tools to avoid stress, anxiety and worry;

and (3) reach your goals using techniques that change the brain. Visit [www.PagosaNewThought.org](http://www.PagosaNewThought.org) for more details about the workshop and the facilitator.

PCNT honors all lifestyles, belief systems, religious paths and people for who they are, children of the divine. New Thought is a trans-denominational philosophy and draws from all the world's major religions to teach universal principles and concepts for a positive, joyful life. Everyone is welcome.

Weekly Sunday gatherings (10:30 a.m.) are held at the PCNT center at 2800 Cornerstone Drive, Unit 3 (across the parking lot from the Sears store). Be sure to check the website when snowstorms make their appearance as Sunday services can be impacted.

For information about the church or New Thought in general, attend a Sunday service, send an email to: [PagosaCommunityNewThought@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.PagosaNewThought.org).

## UU topic: 'Transgender'

By **Angela Herrera and Donna Tara McCaughin**  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship invites you to attend an Internet-streaming program titled "Transgender," with New Mexican Rev. Angela Herrera and Donna Tara McCaughin, this Sunday, Jan. 29, for its regular service.

Did you know that, "Eve is referred to as 'him,' Adam as 'they,' and Noah as 'her;' that gender is 'highly elastic' in the Hebrew scriptures? We don't hear about that. What we usually hear about is what some theologians call 'Texts of Terror,' texts like the story of Sodom and Gomorrah, texts used to condemn, exclude, and even justify violence against certain people. It has happened against women, enslaved people, people of color, poor people and gays. The scriptures have been used against unmarried people, and they have been used to prevent people from getting married. [However, the Bible ...] doesn't support discrimination against transgender people, and it even looks like the ancient name of God is a two-gender name."

With these words, Herrera begins her Aug. 28, 2016, sermon titled "Transgender." Herrera is the associate minister at the First Unitarian Church in Albuquerque, N.M. Since many people are still confused about what being transgender is all about, Herrera helps listeners to understand four related concepts: sex, sexual orien-

tation, gender identity and gender expression. During this sermon, she also shares the pulpit with a transgender member of her congregation, Donna Tara McCaughin, who shares her story.

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

The service will be followed by the second of three "Town Hall" conversations. Members and others will continue to craft a collective vision for the next three to five years and will address issues concerning the potential for calling a part-time minister to serve the fellowship. A light lunch will follow, so please bring a dish to share.

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

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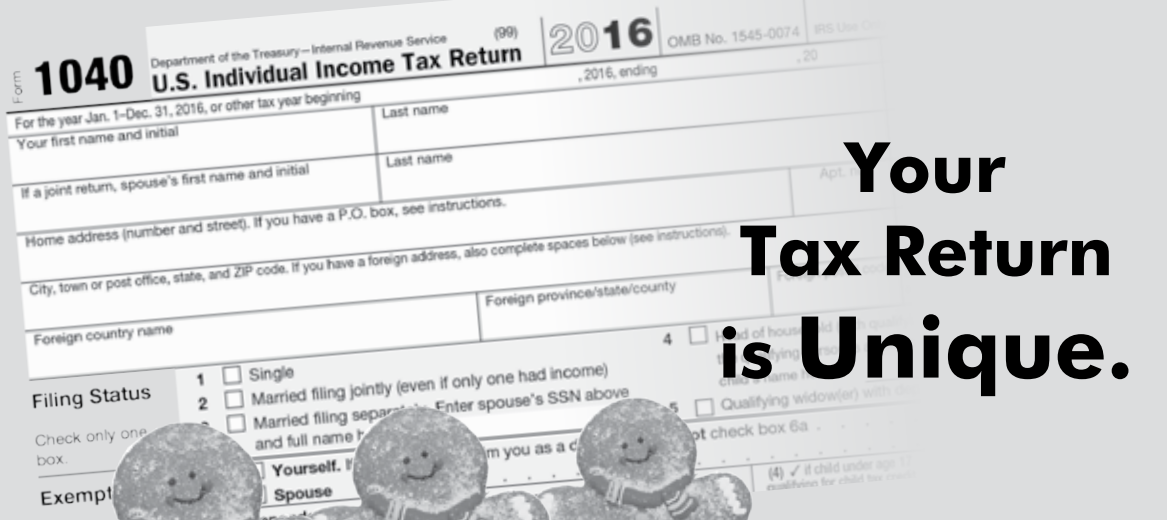
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Only the oldest old-timer today remembers Boone. Boone was located on the east side of today's U.S. 84 at the approximate point where southbound U.S. 84 leaves



### Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

the open flatlands and climbs the hill where the road to Buckles/Harris Lakes turns east. U.S. 84 continues south down Confar Hill on to Chromo.

The community of Booneville

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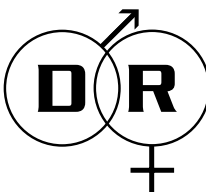
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## Past

■ continued from previous page played a significant role in early county history. It was settled by Albert Gallatin Boone, who took the ranch in Archuleta County in 1886. A.G. Boone was born in Westport, Mo., on Nov. 25, 1845, and died in Pagosa Springs on June 22, 1916. He was a direct descendant of Daniel Boone and had moved to Colorado in 1860 and settled a community called Boone before moving to Archuleta County.

For many years, the only telephone in that part of the county was at Boone's place. It was also home to an early county school. Boone served as a county commissioner for several terms and left six children when he passed on.

His brother, Charles R. Boone, also moved to the ranch in this county, where he died in 1943.

Returning to the Biggs railroad, it was extended from the Blanco River to the community of Flaugh in 1904. Flaugh was located just east of today's Echo Lake and once had a post office. It was named for the Flaugh family, which was prominent in the county back in those times. Fred Harman II's Red Ryder character was said to have been modeled after one of the Flaugh boys.

If you look east while passing the entrance to Echo Lake Park, you'll see the remnants of a concrete bridge crossing Echo Creek. That bridge was part of Biggs' railroad. If you look carefully to

the east as you drive along U.S. 84 through Coyote Park, Halfway Canyon, and on to Flaugh, you will detect the remnants of Biggs' narrow gauge railroad bed. This was a logging railroad and only incidentally used to haul freight and passengers. Much of the old railroad became U.S. 84 when that route was reworked in the 1930s.

The Biggs' mill at Edith burned in 1905 and the town burned with it. It was rebuilt and back in operation by 1906, but the flood of 1911 damaged the mill and washed away track along the Blanco and Navajo Rivers. Another fire at Edith in 1913 destroyed the machine shop, engine house and four locomotives. The blow was nearly fatal to the company, and after 1914 any logging by the New Mexico Lumber Company in Archuleta County was minimal. The mill at Edith was removed that year and by 1916 most of the tracks had been removed. McPhee & McGinnity formally dissolved the Rio Grande & Pagosa Springs Railroad Company in October of 1917.

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Andrew Start stars in “Buyer and Cellar,” playing its final weekend at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts through Jan. 29.

## Final weekend for ‘Buyer and Cellar’

By Dale Scrivenger  
Special to The PREVIEW

New York’s longest-running comedy, “Buyer and Cellar,” played its final performance on July 27, 2014. This week, Thingamajig Theatre Company plays one final weekend and closes its production of “Cellar” starring New York actor Andrew Start on Jan. 29.

The critically acclaimed comedy “Buyer and Cellar” swept the Best of 2013 Theater lists including The New York Times, Associated Press, The Hollywood Reporter, New York Post, New York Daily News and won the 2014 Lucille Lortel Award and 2013 Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Solo Production.

“Buyer and Cellar” tells the story of Alex More, a struggling actor in Los Angeles who takes a job working for beloved megastar Barbra

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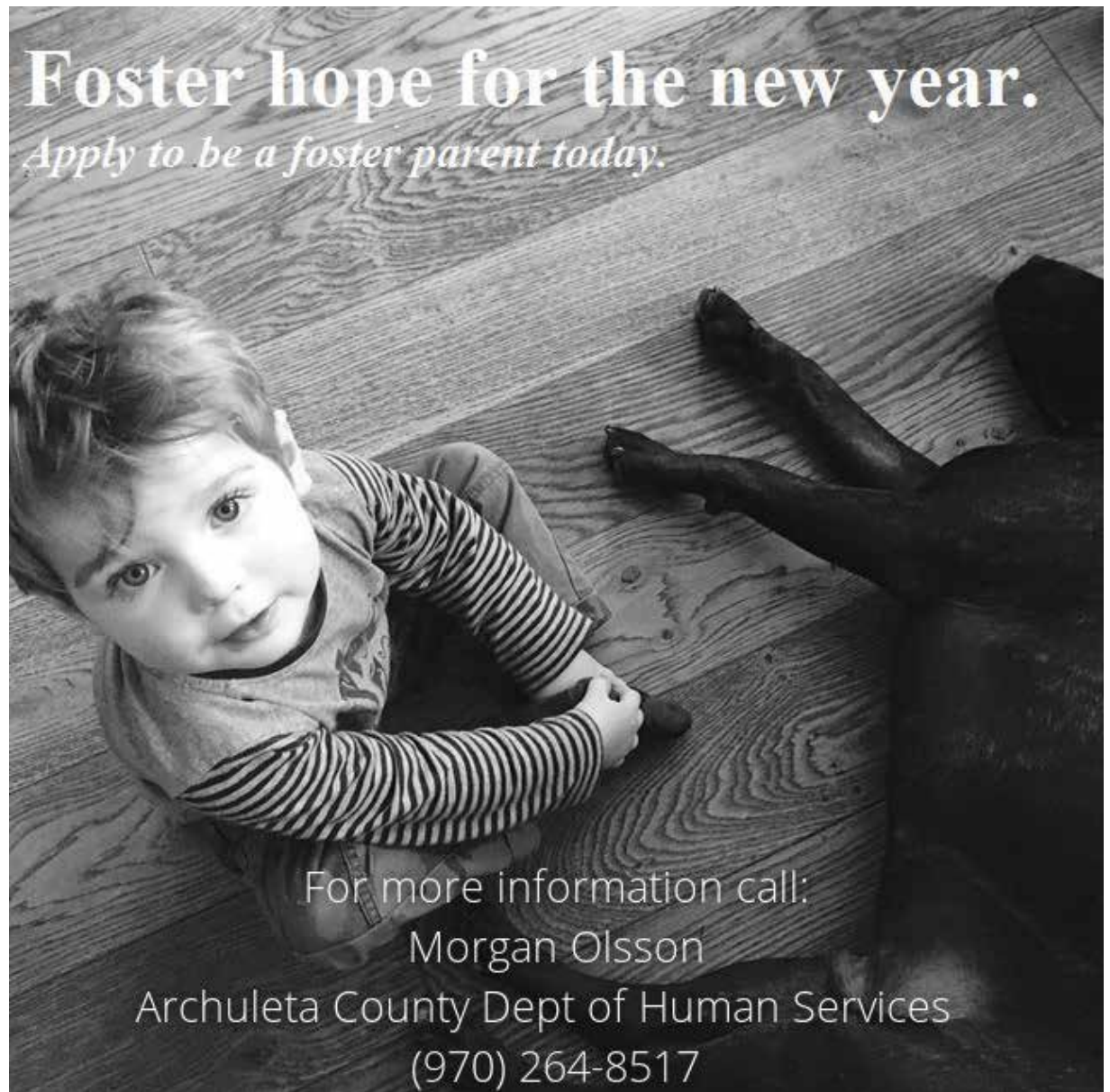
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Scene ... at Pagosa Springs Elementary School, where third-graders attended sessions about good manners on Jan. 13. Superintendent Linda Reed and Fire Capt. Kelly Robertson of the Pagosa Fire Protection District joined the girls as they made a pledge to “Gang Up for Good.” After an anti-bullying lessons, interested girls took the Blue Pinky Pledge and committed to each other that “Mean Stinks”. Principal Justin Cowan and Mathew Wolford worked with the boys on how to respect themselves and girls as they grow up to be nice young men. The activity culminated a lesson on how to tie a tie.







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# Preview Calendar

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

## Thursday, Jan. 26

**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.

**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 part of the game but missed the last event, don't worry, you can join in any time. For teens in the 7th-12th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

**Pagosa Peak Open School Enrollment Presentation.** 7 p.m., 7 Parelli Way. Parents and community members can learn about the enrollment process for this public elementary school. For more information, contact Kierstan Renner at 946-6362 or go to [www.pagosacharterschool.com](http://www.pagosacharterschool.com).

**San Juan Stargazers.** 7 p.m., Visitor Center conference room. Stephen Keil will be speaking about solar astronomy. Go to [www.sanjuanstargazers.com](http://www.sanjuanstargazers.com) or call 335-8286 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](http://www.pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

## Friday, Jan. 27

**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 Medi-

cal Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.

**Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance, strength, flexibility and lung capacity while reducing stress and increasing an overall sense of well-being.

**Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Gaming.** 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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## Saturday, Jan. 28

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

**Baby Storytime.** 9:05-9:25 a.m., Sisson Library. Twenty minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Toddler Storytime.** 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. A half hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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

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

**Yoga: Laugh and Let Go.** 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi self-massage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 264-4152 for more information.

**Introduction to Computer Terms.** 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. What's a flash drive? What's the differ-

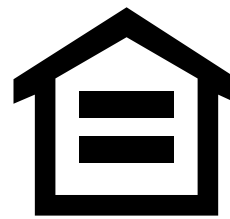
ence between uploading and downloading, hardware and software? This class will cover basic computer terminology and will leave time for specific questions.

**Pi Beta Phi.** 5 p.m., Ajia Restaurant. Alumnae and husbands will celebrate the Chinese New Year. RSVP to Carole Howard.

**Thingamajig Theatre Presents**

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**Backcountry Film Festival.** 7-8:30 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Immerse yourself in a night of films that capture the spirit of winter. Tickets are \$10-\$12 and can be purchased at [cmc.org/bcff](http://cmc.org/bcff).

## Sunday, Jan. 29

**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](http://www.pagosacenter.org) or call 731-SHOW.

**Pagosa Uke Jam.** 2:30-4:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. All levels welcome.

**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. 30

**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](mailto: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.

**Qigong.** 10 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Maintain and improve health, strength and balance.

**Caregiver Support Group.** 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. The meeting is led by Elaine Stumpo, regional director of the Alzheimer's Association. For more information, call 259-0122.

**Bingo.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Bridge for Fun.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Otaku.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Watch some anime with your friends and talk about your favorite manga. 5th-12th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Commu-

nity Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

## Tuesday, Jan. 31

**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.

**WHIPS (Women Helping in Pagosa Springs).** 11:30 a.m., Tavern Le Boeuf. The luncheon is \$12. Please call 946-1895 for your luncheon reservation by Jan. 30 so we can count on you to join us. Everyone is welcome.

**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

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**Center.**  
**Teen Gaming.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Xbox 360 Kinect. Wii and snacks. For teens in the 7th-12th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Town Comprehensive Plan Public Open House.** 5-7 p.m., Community Center. The first public open house in a series of forums that will be conducted throughout the Comprehensive Plan update, "Pagosa Springs Forward." This planning document and process will ultimately define a vision for the community and establish goals, strategies and actions to achieve that vision. The meeting will be an open house format. The town will provide light snacks and beverages.

**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, Feb. 1**

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Commu-

nity 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 Screenings.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Senior Center. San Juan Basin Health Department screenings on total cholesterol, triglycerides, blood pressure checks, referrals and translations for Spanish speakers.

**HELP (Healthy Eating Lifestyle Plan).** Noon-1 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Weigh-in, support and more. Everyone welcome. Call Nancy Strait at 731-3427 for more information.

**TED Talks About Black History Month.** Noon-1:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Bring your lunch or enjoy our snacks while you listen. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Movie.** 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided.

**Coed Volleyball.** 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, non-competitive games open to all ages.

**Jelly Beans and Squiggly Things After-School Club.** 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. For information, call 903-8104.

**Paws to Read.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Come and share your favorite books with Penny and Cassia, therapy dogs who love listening to stories. For kids in kindergarten through 5th grade. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Open to all abilities and ages.

**The Spouses/Family of Veterans Group.** 5:30-7 p.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Contact Sharon Carter, Ph.D., at 398-0883 or Charlotte at 731-1025 for further information.

**The Most Excellent Way.** 7 p.m., CrossRoad Christian Fellowship, 1044 Park Ave. The Most Excellent Way offers Bible-based relief from addictions and compulsions, with men and women meeting separately for utmost confidentiality. Call 507-0123 for more information.

**Thursday, Feb. 2**

**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

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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.  
**San Juan Outdoor Club.** 7 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Program speaker will be Mike LeRoux, director of emergency operations for Archuleta County, on Search and Rescue. Light refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Guests welcome. For more information, go to [www.sanjuanoutdoorclub.org](http://www.sanjuanoutdoorclub.org).

## Friday, Feb. 3

**Pickleball.** 8 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.  
**Pagosa Stitching Group.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., second floor of the Pruitt building, Pagosa Springs Medical Center. Bring your stitching project and enjoy coffee and camaraderie. All stitchers are welcome.  
**Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. This is a slow, gentle exercise that improves balance, strength, flexibility and lung capacity while reducing stress and increasing an overall sense

of well-being.

**Gaming.** 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and Xbox 360 Kinect with all of your friends and family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

## Saturday, Feb. 4

**WinterFest Balloon Ascension.** 8 a.m., downtown.  
**Open Gym.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center.  
**Baby Storytime.** 9:05-9:25 a.m., Sisson Library. Twenty minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.  
**Toddler Storytime.** 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. A half hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills in everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**WinterFest Fat Bike Race.** 9:30 a.m., Yamaguchi Park. Attendees can enjoy a 6K, 12K and Kids Fun Ride. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

**Pagosa Peak Open School Enrollment Presentation.** 10 a.m., 7 Parelli Way. Parents and community members can learn about the enrollment process for this public elementary school. For more information contact Kierstan Renner at 946-6362 or go to [www.pagosacharterschool.com](http://www.pagosacharterschool.com).

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

**Yoga: Laugh and Let Go.** 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Community Center. This class explores the ancient technique of chi self-massage followed by a lighter yoga asana practice. Call 264-4152 for more information.

**WinterFest Penguin Plunge.** 1 p.m.,

San Juan River, Davey's Wave. The Penguin Plunge is for the heartiest souls willing to brave swimming in the frigid San Juan River, all to benefit their favorite nonprofit agency. Plungers can download the registration form from the Chamber's website at [www.pagosachamber.com](http://www.pagosachamber.com).

**WinterFest Sledz on Rez.** 2:30 p.m., Reservoir Hill. Registration begins at 2 p.m. This year's sled race will be hosted by the Young Professionals of Pagosa Springs. Registration forms can be downloaded at [www.pagosachamber.com](http://www.pagosachamber.com).

**All Ages Art-Heart Mobiles.** 3-4 p.m., Sisson Library. Create a unique hanging mobile with brightly colored paper hearts. No matter your age, join us. Call 264-2209 for more information.

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# My Plate, My Wins; Healthy Eating Program for 2017

By Roberta Tolan  
PREVIEW Columnist

## Extension Viewpoints

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently launched a New Year's campaign to help Americans turn their resolutions into real solutions for healthy eating in 2017.

The following information on this new program was provided by the USDA Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion (CNPP).

Every January, Americans are overloaded with information about New Year's resolutions. While starting with the best intentions, many people set unrealistic resolutions and incorporate goals that are difficult to maintain.

Starting with small steps and celebrating milestones along

the way are shown to be more beneficial strategies in keeping resolutions. This is where MyPlate, MyWins comes in; MyPlate, MyWins is a resource to help Americans turn resolutions into real solutions to achieve a healthy eating style in alignment with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2015-2020.

Real solutions are small, practical changes that add up to a healthy lifestyle over time. These

changes can be incorporated into Americans' lives to maintain a healthy eating style based on the five food groups of MyPlate. It encourages consumers to find and celebrate their wins and their real solutions. Since everyone has different eating habits, MyPlate, MyWins helps individuals create their own, personalized nutrition goals and solutions.

Over the course of five weeks as part of the New Year campaign, CNPP will release five MyPlate, MyWins animated videos to the new Make Small Changes webpage. These short animated videos demonstrate simple changes Americans can make to their typical meals to decrease sodium, saturated fat and added sugars. Each video has a different theme including breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and beverages.

To supplement these videos, there are new, meal-specific webpages with nutrition information, more examples of small ways to improve typical meals, and five new MyPlate, MyWins tip sheets. The tip sheets provide suggestions for making healthier choices in typical dining environments:

potlucks and parties, coffee shops, buffets, Italian restaurants and Asian cuisine takeout. All of these resources can help consumers utilize real solutions in their typical day to achieve nutrition goals and maintain a healthy eating style now and into the future.

More information and helpful resources on this program can be found at ChooseMyPlate.gov.

### Free radon class Feb. 15

CSU Extension is offering another free class on radon awareness on Feb. 15 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Extension office located at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds.

As part of the class, each attendee will receive a free radon test kit for their home while supplies last. To preregister, call 264-5931.

### Beef Symposium Feb. 8

The 34th annual San Juan Basin Beef Symposium is taking place in Pagosa Springs on Feb. 8 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Archuleta County Fairgrounds at 344 U.S. 84.

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## Veterans

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### Veterans' groups

The following veterans groups meet in Pagosa Springs:

- American Legion Post 108: second Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

- American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary: second Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

- Veterans for Veterans: Every Tuesday at 10 a.m., St. Patrick's Episcopal Church.

- Combat Veterans PTSD Group: Every other Tuesday at noon, Community United Methodist Church, 434 Lewis St. Contact Kevin Kelly at (505) 699-0824.

- Women's Group of Spouses of Veterans: First and third Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m., Dr. Sharon Carter's office. Contact Charlotte at 903-9690.

### Important numbers

- 799-VETS, www.Vets4VetsP-SCO.org.

- Durango VA Outpatient Clinic: 247-2214.

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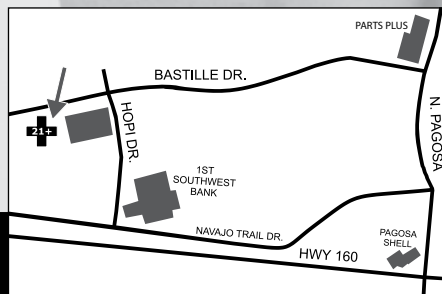
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The cost for a full day of education and a delicious hot beef lunch is only \$25 if registration is received by Feb. 3. To register or for questions, contact the Extension office at 264-5931 or mail your check made out to Archuleta County Extension to P.O. Box 370, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

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or \$150 for the entire series. Pre-registration is required by calling 264-5931. Class topics and dates are as follows:

- Feb. 9: "All You Need to Know About Gardening in the Mountains," including water, climate, growing season, wildlife and microclimates. Class is delivered live and electronically with question-and-answer availability.

- Feb. 16: "Soils, Fertilizers and Amendments," taught by Darrin Parmenter, Extension agent in La Plata County.

- March 2: "Tree and Shrub Selection, Planting and Maintenance," taught by Roberta Tolan, Extension agent in Archuleta County.

- March 9: "The State of our Forests," including insect pressures and trends, and fire mitigation, taught by Kent Grant, Colorado State Forest Service and Matt Tu-

ten, Pagosa Ranger District of the U.S. Forest Service.

- March 14: "Vegetable Gardening in the Mountains," taught by Parmenter.

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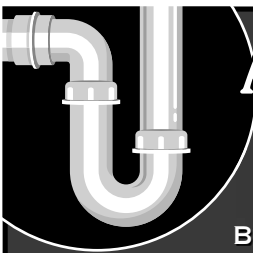
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**HIRING EXPERIENCED AND LICENSED PLUMBERS,** and plumber helpers. (970)946-7096, leave message.

**PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER** has an opening for a **Data Processing Clerk.** The clerk is responsible for accurately posting all insurance payments and adjustments, patient payments and all other types of payments received for the hospital as directed by the Controller. Daily reconciliation of accounts receivable and cash to all sub-systems. Other duties as assigned by the Controller. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration and the human resources office or downloaded from [www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org](http://www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org). Applications and resumes must be submitted to [mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org](mailto:mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org) or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

**PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER** is looking for full-time **Housekeepers.** Must be willing to work nights and some weekends. Applications may be picked up at the human resources office or downloaded at [www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org](http://www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org). Please email applications and resumes to [mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org](mailto:mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org) or fax to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

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**POWDER PORTRAITS IS CURRENTLY** seeking outgoing sales oriented individuals to train as ski photographers. No experience necessary. Full-time weekend and holiday periods included. Ski pass, \$11.50/ hour plus commission, including travel reimbursement. Applicants must know how to ski or snowboard and own appropriate ski or ride equipment. Call (719)339-4212.

**MASSAGE THERAPIST WITH HIGHEST** standards of excellence for the most professional and highest paying spa in Pagosa. Apply in person Tuesdays- Fridays. All About You Day Spa, 5 star. Ranked #3 in Colorado's Best Day Spas.

**THE BUCK STOPS HERE** is hiring a Full-time Kitchen Cook for high paced kitchen where everything is made from scratch. Great staff atmosphere and pay. Apply with Kevin at The Buck Stops Here Market & Eatery at 19 Navajo Trail Dr.

**NEW YEAR, NEW CAREER!** Come be a part of our amazing Angel team and find out why we are named "best place to work!" Be an Angel and LOVE what you do. Call Visiting Angels today! (970)264-5991.

**LOCAL RANCH LOOKING** for a wrangler/ laborer for the summer of 2017 May- October. Job description includes fence work, pasture irrigation, cattle knowledge, lawn maintenance, some heavy equipment experience a bonus. Horse experience beneficial. Email [pagosadave@gmail.com](mailto:pagosadave@gmail.com) for information.

**HOUSEKEEPING POSITIONS AVAILABLE** full time. Flexible schedules and competitive wages. Apply at Pine Ridge Extended Care, 119 Bastille Dr.

**PAGOSA SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTER** has an opening for an **Infusion RN.** The RN evaluates patients in need of intravenous treatment or medication and plans, implements and documents nursing care. Determines appropriate venipuncture site and administers injections and/or intravenous therapeutic treatments. Provides information/ education to patients and families regarding treatment. Must be willing to cross-train to Preadmission Testing (PAT), Pre Op/ PACU areas within Surgical Services. This is full time Monday- Friday 0730 to 1600. BLS/ ACLS required. ONS/ ONCC Chemotherapy Certification preferred. Applications may be picked up at hospital registration and the human resources office or downloaded from [www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org](http://www.pagosaspringsmedicalcenter.org). Applications and resumes must be submitted to [mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org](mailto:mitzi.bowman@psmedicalcenter.org) or faxed to (970)731-0907. Pagosa Springs Medical Center is an EEO employer.

**REPORTER - THE PAGOSA SPRINGS SUN** is seeking qualified candidates. Must demonstrate aptitude for, and commitment to community newspaper journalism. Candidates must be prepared to handle deadlines, cover breaking news, report on sports and government and write features. Position is up to 30 hours a week. Send cover letter including salary expectations, resume, references and clips to Reporter Position, The Pagosa Springs SUN, PO Box 9, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, or hand-deliver them to the paper at 466 Pagosa St. Emailed submissions are acceptable ([helpwanted@pagosasun.com](mailto:helpwanted@pagosasun.com)). The Pagosa Springs SUN, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer.

**DELIVERY DRIVER AND KITCHEN** help needed. Apply in person, Rosie's Pizzeria, 100 County Center Dr.

**BUS DRIVERS NEEDED:** Archuleta School District 50 Joint is in need of bus drivers. Competitive pay and training is provided. Contact Chad Bayles at 264-0392, ext. 601 or stop by the Maintenance and Transportation Department for more information. Applications are available at [www.mypagosaschools.com](http://www.mypagosaschools.com).



264-2101

# Classifieds

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Classified Deadline: Tuesday 10 a.m.

## HELP WANTED

**POSITION AVAILABLE:** Project Inspector: Pagosa Lakes is offering a part-time (2-3 days a week) position. This position requires exemplary customer service, verbal and written communication skills. The incumbent will assist with inspections requiring detailed documentation for construction projects, to ensure compliance with applicable governing documents. Some experience in construction is a plus. This position will have an hourly wage of \$14-\$16.50 per hour, depending on experience. Please bring a resume to our Administration office at 230 Port Avenue, Pagosa Springs or submit through email karen@plpoa.com by January 31st. If you have questions, you may call (970)731-5635, ext. 202.

**NOW HIRING FULL-TIME MEAT CUTTER.** This is a great career opportunity. Year round position. Experience preferred. Tasks include processing meat, jerky and smoked meat production. Please apply with Kevin at The Buck Stops Here Market & Eatery, 19 Navajo Trail Dr.

**SEASONAL WILDLAND FIREFIGHTERS-CREW MEMBER.** The Archuleta County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for Seasonal Wildland Firefighters. To view full job description, visit [www.archuletacounty.org](http://www.archuletacounty.org). Salary is \$15.69/hour. Submit application and resume to Human Resources, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 or fax (970)264-8306 or email to [fg-ohen@archuletacounty.org](mailto:fg-ohen@archuletacounty.org). Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.

**SEEKING EXPERIENCED COOK** for part-time position at \$15 hourly. Downtown location. Send resumes, PO Box 568, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147.

**PAGOSA VETERINARY CLINIC** is hiring a part-time morning front office representative. Avimark experience a plus. Please fax resume to (970)264-5834.

**INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE:** Archuleta School District 50 Joint is accepting applications for two half-time Elementary School 3rd Grade Instructional Aides. Job description and salary schedule information and application may be viewed and completed online through [www.mypagosaschools.com](http://www.mypagosaschools.com).

**LIFECARE- PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME** positions available for Personal Care Providers/ Homemakers. Working phone and reliable transportation required. Training provided to those seeking a rewarding position with our agency. Application/ information (970)516-1234, ext. 1. <http://www.lifecare-inc.com>.

**MASSAGE THERAPIST WANTED** for immediate opening. Great work environment, flexible hours, steady traffic. Apply in person at The Overlook Hot Springs, 432 Pagosa St.

**ROOFERS AND LABORERS NEEDED** with experience. (970)749-0830.

**BOOKKEEPER WANTED FOR NONPROFIT** organization. Must have a solid understanding of basic bookkeeping and accounting payable/ receivable principles. Proven years of bookkeeping experience. Ability to calculate, post and manage accounting figures and financial records. Data entry skills with hands-on experience using Excel spreadsheets, MS Office and QuickBooks. High degree of accuracy and attention to detail. Preferably an associate degree in finance, accounting or business administration. Email Kim: [kimberly@taramandala.org](mailto:kimberly@taramandala.org).

**LABORERS WANTED.** Driver's license and transportation required. Call 731-1805.

## HELP WANTED

### COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Job Vacancy #03-17  
**County Extension Director and Extension Agent**  
 Natural Resources, Community Development, 4-H Youth Development  
 Archuleta County, Pagosa Springs, CO

The position provides administrative leadership, supervision and coordination of the Archuleta County Extension programs. This position will also provide leadership and organization in the development, implementation, evaluation, and reporting of educational programs in 4-H Youth Development, STEM education, energy, agriculture, horticulture, and family and consumer science focusing on Archuleta County but assisting other counties as appropriate.

Completed bachelor's degree. Degree must be in agriculture, education, youth development, natural resources, human development, social or behavioral sciences or a closely related field.

**For full consideration all materials must be RECEIVED no later than 11:59 PM Mountain Time on Thursday February 2, 2017.**

Please apply at:  
<https://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/40754>  
 CSU conducts background checks on all final candidates. CSU is an EOE/AA Employer.

**CALLING ALL COOKS-** Pagosa Brewing & Grill seeks committed kitchen members. Competitive wages. Potential cross-training opportunities. Applications at 118 North Pagosa Blvd. No phone calls.

**SUPPORT AIDES NEEDED FULL-TIME** with benefits. Will train. Apply at Pine Ridge, 119 Bastille Dr., Pagosa Springs, Colorado.

## YARD SALES

**BE SURE TO** check for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

**CONTENTS OF UNIT #16, KING,** will be confiscated/ disposed of if not paid in full by January 28th at 9a.m. Alpine Storage, (970)946-0572.

## LOST & FOUND

**LOST BLACK AND WHITE PIT BULL,** medium sized, last seen Aspen Springs 1. \$500 reward offered. Black collar with red rabies tag. (720)224-4887.

**FOUND NECKLACE** on N. 5th St. Monday, January 23rd. Contact me with description to get it back to its owner (it looks like it has special meaning and is probably missed). (504)655-1148.

## PERSONALS

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## PETS

**DOB 12/2 READY 1/27/17.** M/F. See [www.happyheartpuppy.com](http://www.happyheartpuppy.com) or email at [labradoodles@happyheartpuppy.com](mailto:labradoodles@happyheartpuppy.com).

**DOGGY DAY CARE 81147.COM.** Open 365 days of the year! Full day and half day doggy day care and overnight boarding. Conveniently located just 1 mile from downtown Pagosa. Call (970)264-9111.

**ADOPT FROM THE** Humane Society. Stop by or call 731-4771. You'll be amazed at what we have to offer. [www.humanesociety.biz](http://www.humanesociety.biz).

## LIVESTOCK

**AG SERVICES: HAY LOADING-** unloading, field pick up, ditch cleaning, box blade and front-end loader work. RWH Bale Handling Service. Ron, (970)264-5573.

**FOR SALE: GRASS ALFALFA HAY.** Barn stored, no rain. Delivery available. \$7 per bale, also 850 lb bales, \$95. (970)764-5999.

**HI-COUNTRY AUCTION ALL Breed Bull and Breeding Stock Sale.** Tuesday, March 21 at 1p.m. Preview 10a.m.-1p.m. Location: 15062 Hwy 140, Hesperus, Colorado. Catalogue only - limited entry. Deadline March 6. BBQ from 11a.m.-1p.m. for \$4. Call to consign, Chris (970)749-0988.

**HORSE QUALITY TIMOTHY/ ORCHARD** grass hay for sale. \$6/ bale, barn stored, no rain, in Allison. (970)749-0047.

## FOR SALE

**SELL YOUR GUNS.** Only 10% consignment fee. No hassle. Licensed, bonded, insured. San Juan Trading Post, 635 San Juan St. 731-PAWN (7296).

**TRIANGLE CUSTOM MILLING.** All your custom milling and log needs. (970)398-0739, [trianglecustommilling.com](http://trianglecustommilling.com).

**ATTENTION CONTRACTORS AND HOME-OWNERS.** Are you remodeling or tearing down? Call Durango Salvage, we buy and sell building materials. Tom, (970)749-2271, Mark, 749-8235.

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**52" FLAT SCREEN TV.** Sony Bravia, LCD, 1080, like new. \$500 OBO. 731-4911.

## FOR SALE

**NEED A BATH?** Slightly used fiberglass tub and matching three piece tub surround, gold color. Delta fixtures included, right hand drain. First \$50. 264-1151.

**\$2,000 REWARD FOR DOME** shaped cedar chest that was purchased about 1 year ago at a garage sale. Call (970)731-2746.

**HD VR HEADSET** from Samsung, brand new, in box, \$100. Treadmill, \$200. Bowflex with leg attachment, \$350. Call or text (970)759-6549.

**GMC ENVOY STUDED COOPER** tires. Like new, includes rims, \$650. (970)903-9372.

**OTT'S MILL- SPECIALIZING IN** hand peeled log siding and peeled logs. Rough sawn timbers and lumber. (970)533-7997.

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**SIMPLY CLEAN HOUSECLEANING-** Efficient and thorough! Call Erin in Pagosa (949)566-3906 to schedule a cleaning or for more information.

**BEAUTIFUL 10' PRE-LIT DOUGLAS** fir Christmas tree. \$250 OBO. 264-0016.

## RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

**(2) POLARIS 800 DRAGON RMK 155"** 2010. Garage kept, low miles (under 1,000). Red/ black and grey/ black. \$5,200 each. (303)588-0332.

## AUTOS

**GUARANTEED CREDIT APPROVAL! 4X4 Auto Sales, 21698 Hwy. 160 West, Durango. (970)385-7940.**

**WANTED- RELIABLE GOOD RUNNING** van/ truck/ car for a disabled woman veteran. Owner holds vehicle title, take payments from her of \$50 to \$100 monthly until paid off. If she has a reliable car, she can earn money. (970)749-4292.

**WWW.SALSMOTORCORRAL.COM.** Visit us online to view current inventory and pricing. (970)259-8170.

**2001 FORD EXCURSION XLT.** 85K miles. Lifted, newer tires and wheels. Leather interior. Third row seat. Good condition, \$6,500. (970)946-3797.

**1998 SUBARU FORESTER. GOOD** work car, new starter, \$650 OBO. (970)903-6021.

**1995 FORD V8 4WD** pickup. Great shape, 225,000 miles, great engine, good tires, recent manifold rebuild. Owner had to leave town for health reasons. \$3,000 OBO. (970)903-1680.

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## RESIDENTIAL RENTALS

**AVAILABLE RENTALS! LAKEFRONT!** 3 bedroom, 2 bath with 2-car garage, \$1,400. **HORSE PROPERTY with barn!** 3 bedroom, 3 bath, \$2,000. **Cabin on acreage!** 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1,250. [www.NextHomeRMR.com](http://www.NextHomeRMR.com) (970)507-8655.

**620 LAKESIDE DR. #2.** 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, large 2-car garage, furnished, water and sewer included, across from North Village Lake, walking distance to rec center and City Market. Asking \$1,450 plus utilities. Call 731-2262.

**RETIRED COUPLE LOOKING** for a rural property to lease long term 3-5 years. Need unfurnished 3 bedroom, double garage, etc. Willing to perform needed maintenance. (970)946-4358.

**PANORAMIC VIEW AT 4,000'.** 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 2-1/2 garage. Partially furnished. \$1,800/ month. (760)567-8915.

**3/2 MESA HEIGHTS HOUSE.** 2,000 sq. ft., finished basement. Office. Walk to Springs. 2-car garage/ carport. Beautiful large yard, decks, Jacuzzi, gas fireplace. \$1,500/ month. (561)926-2940.

**2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH** unfurnished, very clean duplex. Laundry room with washer/ dryer hookup, single car garage or storage, quiet area, close to shopping. \$750/ month for two, plus utilities plus deposit plus last month's rent with approved rental application. No pets, nonsmoking. 1 year lease. Call Norman Ragle, (970)946-2340.

**39 TEAL CIRCLE. 2 BEDROOM,** 2 bath, 2 car garage, gas fireplace, close to Village Lake. \$1,200 plus utilities. 731-2216.

**BEAUTIFUL 3 BEDROOM,** 2-1/2 bath, two story, half duplex overlooking Lake Pagosa. Attached single garage, decks, view, hardwood floors, all appliances. Available now. \$1,250/ month plus utilities. Lease until August 1st, then one year at a time. (970)946-1439.

**MEADOWS GOLF VILLAS.** 2,468 sq. ft. unit, 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath townhome, master with bath on first floor, open living area with fireplace, second floor has 2 bedrooms with baths and large loft. Close to City Market and rec center, attached 2-car garage, large deck off living room. Lease available December 1st. \$1,650 includes snowplow and HOA dues. Call Tim Fasenmyer (512)626-8499 for additional details.

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**FOR RENT: CUTE 1 BEDROOM** plus loft totally furnished apartment located on a beautiful private ranch with abundant wildlife, 3-1/2 miles from town. Looking for a professional, no pets. Utilities and trash disposal and snow plowing included. This will be available on February 5th. Rent is \$900 a month. First, last and deposit required. Please call (970)403-9964.

**TWO RENOVATED RENTALS:** 1 studio, fenced yard for dog, \$700. 1 bedroom with office, \$850. Available February 1, 8 miles out of town. (970)731-2010.

**LAKEFRONT 3 BEDROOM,** 2 bath with hot tub on deck and boat dock. Views throughout. Big yard, garage. Rent month to month at \$1,700, 3-5 months at \$1,600, 6-9 months at \$1,500, longer at lower price by special arrangement. No pets, no smoking. Photos available. Please call (505)501-1771.



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**3 BEDROOM, 2.5 BATH HOUSE** for rent. Fully appliances, AC, 2-car garage, small fenced yard, near uptown shopping. \$1,400/ WINTER SPECIAL \$1,200 month plus utilities. No pets, no smoking. Good credit a must. Available February 1. (970)903-3911.

**FURNISHED 2 BEDROOM, 1-1/2 BATH,** 1-car garage, washer/ dryer. \$1,350 plus utilities. First, last month, plus \$1,500 deposit. Call (505)466-8385.

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## COMMERCIAL RENTALS

**AVAILABLE NOW: 2 ROOM** office suite, 492 sq. ft., with all amenities including conference room, high speed WiFi. For more information, call (970)422-7161.

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**PRIME RETAIL/ OFFICE SPACE** for lease. Approximately 900 sq. ft., 191 Talisman, unit 104. Private bath, small kitchen, offices. Great location. \$735 per month. Some utilities paid. Call (970)264-0560.

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