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## 20-percent salary increase for future elected officials

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, March 1, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) voted to give all newly elected officials a 20 percent salary increase and a 2- to 4-percent cost of living adjustment (CoLA).

The salary increase and CoLA come from Senate Bill 15-288, a bill passed in July 2015 by the Colorado General Assembly.

In a letter to Archuleta County's elected officials, BoCC Chairman Michael Whiting wrote that the bill "will impose on every county an unfunded mandate that all future (next elected) officials get an immediate and mandatory 30% salary increase, plus annual cost-of-living increases thereafter."

Whiting went on to explain that the act allows an option for counties to reduce and change the salary increase percentage through a local resolution based on tax and

■ See Salary A8



Youngsters for Our Savior Lutheran School celebrate Dr. Seuss recently by donning their hats inspired by one of the author's most famous tales, "The Cat in the Hat."

Photo courtesy Allison Wylie

## 5th Street bridge work session March 17

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

At the Pagosa Springs Town Council meeting on March 1, Mayor Don Volger announced details regarding the March 17 public work session on the projected Springs development.

The meeting will be held in the South Conference Room of the Ross Aragon Community Center at 5 p.m. on March 17.

The work session is to discuss possible construction of the 5th Street bridge in conjunction with the proposed mixed-use development slated to occur downtown, south and east of the San Juan River and west of Hot Springs Boulevard.

According to information provided to The SUN by Town Manager Greg Schulte earlier on March 1, the work session will include a presentation on the proposed development and will provide an opportunity for comments by council members and the public.

Schulte said he also expects a representative of the developer, Springs Partners LLC, to attend the session.

Extensive public comment regarding the bridge and the development occurred at town council's meeting on Feb. 18. The agenda for the meeting on that date included an executive session to discuss negotiations with Springs Partners to amend the 2012 vested rights agreement regarding the development project.

Following the comments, the executive session was tabled by council after members David Schanzenbaker and John Egan announced they favored a public discussion of the matter.

According to Schulte, negotiations with Springs Partners on pos-

■ See Bridge A8

## Commission recommends denying cell tower

By Marshall Dunham  
Staff Writer

During a regular meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 24, the Archuleta County Planning Commission voted to recommend to the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) that it deny the application for a monopine cell tower in the Lake Forest area.

The decision came after a public hearing held on the matter at the meeting, which was continued from the planning commission's Jan. 27 meeting.

According to a public notice provided by the county, "Black & Veatch, representing Verizon Wireless, is requesting approval to Rezone a parcel in the PUD zone to establish a development plan, for property owned by the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association known as the Lake Forest Open

Space ..."

The notice goes on to state that the development plan will "provide standards for placement of a Commercial Mobile Radio Systems (CMRS) wireless communication facility north of the lake, including a 70' monopine pole and faux wood equipment shelter, and continued recreation and open space use."

The hearing began with County Attorney Todd Starr explaining a point of interest regarding radio frequency emissions.

"This hearing brings an issue of preemption to the forefront. Specifically, 47 U.S. Code Section 332 provides that no state or local government may regulate the placement, construction, or modification of personal wireless service facilities on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency emissions to the extent that such facilities comply

to the commission's regulations concerning such emissions," explained Starr.

"I've looked at the cases under this statute, and my advice to the commission is that you not receive any testimony whatsoever about the health effects of these towers," Starr said. "Actually, if you're an opponent of the cell tower, the worst thing that you could do would be to mention the health effects because there is a substantial case law out there where just by mentioning it, the courts deem the tower approved."

The commission allowed both the proponents and opponents of the cell tower roughly 20 minutes each to present their side as to why the cell tower was a good or bad idea.

The opponents of the cell tower spoke first, and appeared to mainly consist of residents from the Lake Forest neighbor-

■ See Tower A8

## Town Council approves summer youth program

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

A Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Department proposal for a youth program to be operated this upcoming summer at the Ross Aragon Community Center was approved by the Pagosa Springs Town Council during its March 1 meeting.

The program will run for 11 weeks beginning in June, Monday through Friday.

The proposal was first presented

to council by Parks and Recreation Director Darren Lewis and employee Traci Bishop at a public work session on Feb. 12.

The program is expected to be a sort of summer day camp, with varied activities ranging from arts and crafts to exploration days, days for water-based activities and theme days focusing on topics such as natural wonders like volcanoes.

During both the work session and the regular meeting Tuesday

■ See Youth A8




Photo courtesy Lili Pearson

One of Pagosa Lakes' fuzziest residents poses for a photo recently. Red foxes like this one are a common sight in the area, though the critters may take on a slightly different look soon as they shed their thick winter coats.

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# Opinion

## EDITORIAL

### More winter to come

We can't imagine anyone who isn't enjoying these unseasonably warm and sunny days.

Thankfully, the ice dams are almost all melted off roofs throughout the community. Heat tapes have been unplugged.

The snow-packed roads turned to ice, then to mud, and now there is actually dry ground on area roads in places.

We relish the extra daylight.

But, we offer a word of warning — don't become complacent. March is typically the snowiest month of the year here.

Yes, it's hard to believe, but there is still more winter to come. AccuWeather is forecasting some rain and snow next week.

And, it is time to prepare for the traditional onslaught of spring breakers who will descend upon Pagosa Country in droves during the next few weeks. With Texas and Oklahoma schools and colleges taking their annual spring break, vans and vehicles full of skiers will arrive to ski Wolf Creek and soak in our healing waters while shopping at local retail stores and enjoying meals and libations at restaurants and drinking establishments.

Before those spring breakers arrive, and before the next round of snow, this weekend brings an opportunity to get out of the house and show some support for the hometown basketball teams Friday and Saturday.

Some Pirate fans will be traveling to Denver to watch the boys in the state playoffs starting on Friday at 7 p.m. and continuing Saturday at 1 p.m.

If you aren't one of those fans headed to Denver, there is still an opportunity to show your support, as the Lady Pirates won the district tournament last weekend and will host regional competition here at home as the No. 1 team in the state. Action tips off on Friday night in the Pagosa Springs High School gymnasium at 6 p.m. and continues Saturday at 1 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry starts at 5 p.m. Friday evening at the Parish Hall, so you can time it just right to support the Knights' fundraising efforts before you support your No. 1 Lady Pirates.

You can't go wrong devouring some delicious catfish, french fries, coleslaw, hush puppies and ice cream in the name of charity before catching some of the best basketball action this town has ever seen.

Sunday brings the Pagosa Nordic Spring Quad Challenge beginning at 9 a.m. at West Fork. This will be the organization's final race event of the season.

The Pagosa Nordic Club is a nonprofit, 100-percent volunteer organization serving as the local advocate for groomed cross-country ski trails. Its mission is "To enhance winter recreational opportunities in Pagosa Springs by maintaining accessible groomed winter trails for skate skiing, classic cross-country skiing and snowshoeing for all ability levels and to encourage and promote the use of these winter trails through education, marketing and events."

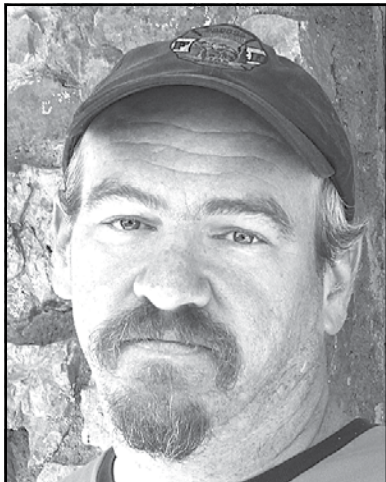
We commend the club's efforts in enhancing the winter outdoor experience for both residents and visitors alike.

Get out and take advantage of this enjoyable spring-like weather before Old Man Winter returns.

Terri Lynn Oldham House

## WHADDYA THINK?

Should Archuleta County regulate noncommercial marijuana cultivation?



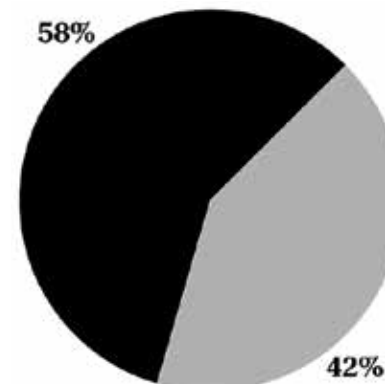
**Richard Campbell**  
"The regulations need to be as strict or stricter."



**Shawn Lucas**  
"It could cause a lot of inconveniences."



**Kierstan Renner**  
"No. You can brew your own beer; that's not regulated."



**Poll results (167 Votes)**  
Yes. — 42 percent  
No. — 58 percent

This week online: Did you participate in the local caucuses?  
Vote at [www.pagosasun.com](http://www.pagosasun.com)

## LOOKING BACK



From the Apr. 20, 1967, Pagosa Springs SUN. 1967 PIRATE — 1967 Pirate track squad members are shown here. One, Ross Gardner, was absent at the time of the photo. The others are, left to right, back row, Coach Bob Traul, Dudley Cooksey, Randy Diestelkamp, Greg Schick, Larry DeVore and Coach Wright. Left to right, front row, Richard Marquez, Larry Lister and Fordy McAlpine.

## LEGACIES

By Shari Pierce

### 90 years ago

Taken from SUN files of March 5, 1926

The First National Bank of Pagosa Springs closed its doors Monday by orders of the board of directors and is now in the hands of Bank Examiner L.G. Kennedy and assistant, R.C. Lynn, both of Denver, who arrived in this city on Tuesday and are busy making a check of the institution's assets and liabilities. While the closing of the First National Bank has created no little interest, there has been no excitement, the general public feeling that some feasible plan will be formulated for again putting the institution in the rank of stable establishments.

Harold D. Selby, who resides in the Dyke neighborhood, suffered a distinct loss Saturday morning when his ranch home and practically all contents were completely destroyed by a fire of unknown origin.

### 75 years ago

Taken from SUN files of March 7, 1941

Bob Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matthews of Pagosa, went to work for Consolidated Aircraft Febr. 21st. His brother, Jim, has been employed there for some time.

C.R. Towne, of Durango, Harold Hughes and Jimmie Sartoris got three horses from John Stevens Wednesday morning to ride up to the Buck Camp on Devil Mt., where they went for tree inspection. Use of a car is impossible.

J.P. Kimball moved back to his ranch in Cabezon canyon Sunday from the Kendrick ranch on the river.

George McCormick is building a lattice fence at the side and back of the Edna Hatcher residence this week.

### 50 years ago

Taken from SUN files of March 3, 1966

An earth-boring mole, to be used on the 8 1/2 mile long Blanco tunnel arrived here last week and was on display at the south portal of the tunnel near Chromo last Sunday. It is expected to be chewing its way north to the Blanco Basin this weekend. Chris Eastin, vice president of Colorado-Horner Construction Company, said that the huge machine weighs 60 tons and was brought from Denver by truck in a two day trip. The mole is 40 feet 2 1/2 inches long and is operated by 4 75 horsepower electric motors. The electricity for the machine will be generated at the south portal of the tunnel, on the Little Navajo River. The mole will drill north towards the Blanco Basin where the other portal of the tunnel is located.

### 25 years ago

Taken from SUN files of March 7, 1991

In the best of times, school district officials have to pinch pennies in order to provide local students with a sound basic education and an average number of extra-curricular activities. These are not the best of times, and there is concern about the potential state of district finances. The current financial problem stems from two sources: — A level of state funding that local administrators consider inadequate. — Anticipated delay in receiving all or part of \$228,075 of revenues from 1990 property taxes.

As if Superintendent Terry Alley and the school board didn't have enough to worry them, the district was informed last Friday that the district's state funding for 1991 was cut by \$41,000.

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# Letters

## Scalia

Dear Editor:  
I'm sure you know Antonin Scalia, SCOTUS justice passed away about two weeks ago. Ahh, the wailing and gnashing of teeth on the Conservative side for Scalia's acerbic negative wit while "making new law" that was so destructive to America was gone.

So what great law did he contribute toward, well let's look at some of his more erudite decisions: He decided that a piece of paper in a drawer (a corporation's charter) has the same rights as a living citizen but can never be punished with jail time. And oh let's not forget Scalia was a champion for establishing that unlimited funds can be spent attaining a political office. But one of his preeminent positions was after years of presidential effort and global desperate need, he blocked the recent Paris accord on reducing global warming. Just in case you're missing the gravitas of this conservative's darling lauded jurist, he announced recently that black kids should only be allowed to go to the second tier schools. Yup, he was definitely the Republican hero.

But all isn't loss, Clarence Thomas, remember him, the store front black SCOTUS jurist that the Republican's staked everything on getting approved for the Supreme Court — he talked — that's right, actually spoke during a trial. Clarence Thomas after 10 — that's right 10 years of silence while sitting as a jurist finally asked a question — totally gobsmacked the entire court into silence — he spoke. Here's hoping he doesn't speak again for another 10 years as Thomas' question had to be rephrased by another jurist as no one understood him.

And now the Republican Senate leader says that the Senate won't speak to any candidate to replace

Scalia. Why not, it might be another brilliant "Constitutionalist" jurist like Scalia and Thomas?

Dave Blake

## Clarification

Dear Editor:  
The Geothermal Exploration Project article in last week's SUN was well researched and well written. However, I would like to clarify the role of the Department of Energy and the role of local elected officials in the project.

The article states that the DOE (U.S. Department of Energy) "withdrew" from the project. This is incorrect. The DOE awarded \$4 million to Pagosa Verde for the Pagosa Waters project. The award's end date was September 2015. The DOE honored their commitment throughout.

Pagosa Springs is the host of an endangered species — the Pagosa skyrocket. Pagosa Waters had selected drilling sites and was ready to proceed in March of 2014. The drilling plan was submitted per federal regulation to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in March 2014. The regulations required a pre-exploration endangered species study prior to drilling. This was to take less than 60 days. Instead, it took more than six months.

The EPA required a count of individual plants. In late April the EPA required the count be taken in late June or early July because, until the skyrocket bloomed, it was indistinguishable from another native plant.

Once the count was completed in mid-July it was 60 days to EPA approval of a revised drilling program. This delayed drilling until

late September 2014 through mid-summer of 2015. Neither our scientists, nor the DOE, were confident we could complete a confirmation well before the end of the award period. This resulted in \$2 million of DOE award funds unexpended at the end of the award period on July 30, 2015.

The potential of our geothermal resource has been discussed within the community for generations. Three years ago local governments and Pagosa Verde invested in discovering that potential. The major portion of initial expense and the potential profits and benefits are owned by the citizens of the county. The early investment by our community of \$500,000 attracted over \$6 million additionally from state and federal awards. The loss of \$2 million of DOE funding leaves it to us to invest or raise funds to match the state funds of over \$1.5 million remaining if we are to continue the exploration. Our local government officials cannot commit more funds without confidence in public support.

I understand and empathize with their dilemma. It is important to invest within our means and equally important to invest wisely in our future. Our geothermal resource is key to our community branding. It remains the source of important economic drivers, especially tourism. Its potential to provide us with green economic benefits, power, heat, energy security and community revenue far into the future is compelling. I urge you to discuss the risks and benefits with our elected officials. They are striving to act responsibly in the community's best interests.

My own view is that the ben-

efits far outweigh the investment required. I believe the investment will stimulate local growth and community wealth for generations to come.

Jerome Smith

*Editor's note: Jerome Smith is the owner of Pagosa Verde, a privately owned renewable energy company.*

## Campaigns

Dear Editor:  
What can you do to continue to move our country forward to fairness for all, to bring about peace with our neighbors? Those should be the questions answered by anyone running for public office. To simply run "against" is not enough. Situations change and those in office must change course from time to time to answer the unforeseen.

Simply being a candidate who is "against" everyone and everything that has been accomplished is not one to lead our people — need to know how they would use the office — what kind of future do they intend for this country? Do they have a history of common sense rather than "single-mindedness"? Once elected, can they come together and get good things done?

It is time for campaigns of positive thoughts and positive expressions. Don't allow the media and political party antics influence your choice.

Make an effort to know all candidates, not just those running for president — we need senators and representatives who will make our government work and help our country continue to be the model for the world through the values of fairness and responsible freedom for all.

Patty Tillerson

## Obituary



### Troy Randall Rascoe

A celebration of the life of Troy Randall Rascoe will be held on March 19 at 10 a.m. at Pagosa Bible Church. The family will receive friends at a lunch gathering at Centerpoint Church immediately following.

Troy Randall Rascoe went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Feb. 19 while spending time in Florida with his family.

He was born in Converse, La., and lived in Shreveport, La., for over 27 years, and most recently lived in Pagosa Springs for the past 18 years. He proudly served his

country in the United States Air Force from 1967 to 1971. He was stationed at Norton AFB in San Bernardino, Calif., as an aircraft technician on the C-141.

Troy is survived by his wife of 48 years, Marie Temple Rascoe; daughter Ginger Smith and husband John, of Pagosa Springs; son Patrick Rascoe and wife April, of St. Augustine, Fla.; his pride and joy was his five grandsons, Hunter, Nathan and Johnathon Smith, Davis and Luke Rascoe.

Troy was preceded in death by his mother, Sammie Camille Sistrunk Myers. His father, Wallace Truitt Rascoe, and Wanda Strong Rascoe. Uncles Carroll and Lamar Rascoe, and aunt Nelwyn Davis. He was raised by his grandparents, Walter Lee and Mae Rascoe, and grew up with his aunts and uncles, who were like brothers and sisters: Buford Rascoe, Clara Hatcher, Betty Andrews, Thomas Rascoe, Douglas Rascoe, Delores McAllister and Jan Ryals, along with Kennie McVay. Brothers and sisters Sue Myers Wesson, Charles Myers, JoJo Myers, Tracy Myers Herrin and stepbrother Vince Rascoe.

He attended Louisiana College. He also worked as a machinist at Riley Baird for over 33 years. In 2013, he retired from Wyndham Resorts in Pagosa Springs. Most

of his time was spent traveling with Marie, climbing mountains and hunting. He was an amazing woodworker and craftsman. He was a mission-minded servant of the Lord and a strong man of God.

The family respectfully requests memorial donations be made instead of flowers.

CCCD — Caribbean Christian Center for the Deaf in Jamaica: 122 North Court Street, Lewisburg, WV 24901. Troy spent a great deal of time constructing buildings for deaf children to have classrooms to learn about Jesus.

MAF-Mission Aviation Fellowship: P.O. Box 47, Nampa, ID 83653. Troy volunteered his time repairing airplanes so foreign missionaries had the supplies they needed to carry out Mark 16:15, "Go ye unto all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

## Letters

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Owner of Information Services SBDC Business Advisor

**Mike Heraty**  
Pagosa Source Real Estate Advisors/Managing Broker CDC Board Director





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# Tax help Saturday at the Senior Center, home help available

By Cheryl Wilkinson  
SUN Columnist

VITA will be returning to prepare federal and state income tax returns at no charge as part of the IRS' Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

The next planned date is this Saturday, March 5, by appointment only. The gross income limit this tax season is \$54,000.

Please call 264-2167 for more information or to make an appointment.

## Home help programs

The Senior Center offers two programs to help seniors safely remain in their homes — the chore program and a program to help with home monitoring.

The chore program offers in-home chores such as cleaning appliances, rugs, windows, turning mattresses, snow removal, tree trimming, etc. Home modification chore services includes repairs, adaptations such as wheel chair ramps, installing grab bars in bathrooms, etc.

Home monitoring services are available for seniors. We can help you get set up with a system and assist with the monthly service charges or if you already have a system in place, we can help supplement the monthly service fees.

Please call Louise at 264-2167 for more information or to sign up.

## Medical alert systems

Medical Alert monitoring systems are available for seniors. We can help you get set up with a system and as-

sist with the monthly service charges or, if you already have a system in place, we can help supplement the monthly service fees.

Please call Louise at 264-2167 for more information or to sign up.

## Medicare Mondays

Are you turning 65? Are you confused about Medicare? We have openings every Monday at the Senior Center to help you with your Medicare enrollment questions.

Here are some quick tips: If you are collecting Social Security, you will be automatically enrolled in Medicare parts A and B. We can help you pick a Part D prescription drug plan. If you don't enroll in a Part D plan, you could face penalties.

If you are new to Medicare, you have an eight-month Special Enroll-

ment Period to sign up for parts A, B and D around your 65th birthday. Medicare starts after your employment ends or the group health insurance plan based on your current employment ends, whichever happens first. You do not pay late penalties if you enroll within the eight-month Special Enrollment Period. COBRA and retiree health plans are not considered coverage based on current employment.

If you would like to talk to a Medicare counselor, please contact the Area Agency on Aging to make an appointment. Please call 264-0501, ext. 2. We will put you in touch with one of our talented and experienced Medicare counselors.

## Menu

Everyone is welcome to join us for

lunch. If you are a senior (60 years and older), for only a \$4 suggested donation, you are eligible for a hot meal, drink and a salad.

The guest fee for those 59 and under is \$10 and children 10 years and under can eat for \$5 each. Access to the salad bar is only \$6 for those under 60.

Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thursday, March 3 — Chicken breast, broccoli, whole wheat roll, baked potato, salad bar and fresh fruit salad with banana.

Friday, March 4 — Seafood Alfredo, whole wheat penne pasta, Italian vegetables, focaccia bread, salad bar and fruit with yogurt.

Monday, March 7 — Chicken tostadas, brown rice, southwest veg-

etables, salad bar and peaches with strawberries.

Tuesday, March 8 — Beef meatloaf, whipped potatoes, gravy, peas and carrots, bran muffin, salad bar and peach crisp.

Wednesday, March 9 — Roast pork, sweet potatoes, California vegetable blend, whole wheat bread, salad bar and apple crisp.

Thursday, March 10 — Chicken-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, California vegetables, whole wheat roll, fruit, yogurt, salad bar and chocolate chip cookie.

Reservations and cancellations are required. You can make a reservation at 264-2167 by 9 a.m. the morning of the day you would like to dine in the Community Cafe at the Senior Center.

# Goals & Accomplishments Pagosa Fire Protection District

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Answers are printed as received and are not edited.

## Randy Larson, Assistant Chief, Pagosa Fire Protection District



### What are your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

Pagosa Fire Protection District (PFPD) has continued to provide exemplary fire protection and fire prevention in and around the PFPD boundaries. In August the District brought on Randy Larson as the Assistant Chief to run the Operations Division. Chief Larson has over 30 years of fire service experience and 15+ years as an instructor in Fire and Emergency Services in Texas and Colorado.

Pagosa Fire divided its volunteer firefighters into 4 "companies" in 2015 to assist the paid Captains in their span of control. Each Captain now has a contingent of volunteers that they are responsible for, ensuring that they are up to date on training and operational considerations. This will enhance the training and safety of the firefighters that respond to your emergency.

The District has also been working on an Interagency Governmental Agreement (IGA) with the Pagosa

Medical community. This agreement would enhance the response to critical life safety medical emergencies. Pagosa Fire and Pagosa EMS have had a "handshake" agreement for some time to assist each agency, this agreement will firm up the agreement and satisfy any legal obligations that could arise.

### What are your three top goals for 2016?

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

The continuation and expansion of services is always a priority with the Pagosa Fire Protection District. Following that creed the PFPD will be developing a comprehensive 1, 3, 5, and 10 year operational plan with a goal of expanding our service plan to meet the growth of Pagosa Springs and the PFPD. One area that will be researched and considered is the feasibility of providing staffing on a 24/7 basis. By adding paid

personnel the District can enhance services and supplement the volunteer response. This would lead the way to the possibility of the PFPD becoming a "First Responder" medical assistance. By adding the 24/7 personnel the PFPD could lower initial response times which would help lower the Insurance Service Organization (ISO) rating which helps determine insurance rates for homeowners and businesses.

PFPD plans to run a recruit academy this spring to train new volunteers and to provide certification training to existing volunteers. This will be in addition to the required training of all personnel.

The District will continue to provide public education and fire prevention activities throughout the district and in the schools through the Public Education Division. Some of the many things provided include school fire drills, the smoke detector programs, open house, in-class education for school age children, stop-drop-roll, learn not to burn, and many other public education events.

## LeRoy Lattin, Board Chairman, Pagosa Fire Protection District



### What are your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

Even though our bid to raise the mill levy was lost in the election, I feel we found a better understanding of our customers. Our customers need more information from the department on what all we can and do for them. Most people believe we just fight fires.

I am very proud to have a new Assistant Fire Chief and Assistant District Manager to help make our department run even better. The Fire Chief is who really hires these people but the board hired her and she's done a great job in finding the right people to add to the department.

This is my final months of my second four year term on the board. This will conclude my 40th year as a volunteer firefighter and board member to both the former Pagosa Springs Volunteer Fire Department and The Pagosa Fire District.

### What are your three top goals for 2016?

For 2016 goals, we will continue to look after the safety of our volunteers and provide them with the best training and equipment that we can afford. I hope to see more volunteers join the department this year as well. They are what makes our department.

I want to continue to work with the staff on Volunteer Pensions so that, in the future, when they qualify

for their pension the funds are available.

I believe in the future we will need to remodel Station 4 for better coverage of the east side of the district. Remodeling that station will add sleeping quarters like Station 1 helps get more resident Volunteer firefighters.

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

To accomplish these goals we will have to look for grants and help from DOLA on lease purchase or purchase of equipment. We will continue to work with the other government agencies to provide the best quality service we can.

# Archuleta County Sheriff's Department

## Rich Valdez, Archuleta County Sheriff



### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

2015 was an extremely challenging and exciting year for the Sheriff's Office. After taking office our organization was faced with many obstacles, but we never lost focus on our goals and direction of the organization. Although, I believe there were many accomplishments over the course of the year, I would have to say the three biggest accomplishments were:

- 1) Improved customer service and professionalism
- 2) Strengthened our relationship with the community
- 3) Remained under budget even after a major incident (jail flood)

### What are your three top goals for 2016?

- What are your top three goals for 2016?
- 1) Continue to improve our relationship with the community
  - 2) Establish/finalize two holding cells in order to decrease transportation and housing cost of inmates in La Plata County
  - 3) Proactive vs. Reactive

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

One of our biggest goals is to continue to improve our relationship with the community. Over the last year, I believe our organization has done just that. We have started such programs as reading to the kids, coffee with a cop, public question and answering meetings, and school security which we will continue throughout my tenure as Sheriff. We have already begun to work on programs for 2016 that include events such as the Special Olympic Torch run, coffee with a Cop, serving meals for Loaves and Fishes, and a Do not Text and Drive Campaign. Our organization truly understands the importance of working with the community in order to build those strong relationships; therefore, we will continue to stress the importance of customer service and professionalism within our organization. As many know, the loss of our jail created additional challenges that were not expected. Even being faced with unexpected tasks, the entire staff did an amazing job stepping up and addressing them "head on". After moving two times, working without a jail, transporting inmates to Durango three to four times a day, working with limited resour-

es, we did this all while our calls for service increased approximately 11.2%. Even with all those challenges, we still managed to implement new programs, increased our number of case reports and arrests, and still came in under budget. This year, we hope to settle things down and finish building two new holding cells that will limit the number of transports to Durango. We have implemented the Alternative Sentencing and Pre-trial services that will keep arrestees out of jail while awaiting court. This program has already shown its potential to be extremely successful. We intend on working even harder in 2016. We have re-structured each department and have put the right people in the right places. We intend to be more "proactive vs. reactive", especially in the fight against drugs. We recognize there is a drug problem within our community and we intend to utilize every resource available to address the issue. We have also received funding through grants to recognize impaired drivers within our community. With the additional funding, we will be able to increase our staffing in order to remove impaired drivers from the roadway. We are extremely excited going into 2016 and are confident it will be a great year.



# Goals & Accomplishments

## Archuleta County

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### Betty Diller, County Treasurer



#### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

1. This summer I issued a Request for Proposal for banking services. Four of our local banks submitted proposals. Each bank gave a presentation and further refined the proposal. This process resulted in the bank holding county operating monies reducing the soft fees for the analyzed account. Because of the reductions, significantly more money is able to be deposited into on call accounts to earn additional interest.

2. A major goal of mine for 2015 was to guide the development of software to manage the treasurer deed application process. The software is now in use by several counties in Colorado. The statutory fee, \$75, for processing the deed application has not changed in more than 20 years yet the responsibilities of the treasurer have increased. It is imperative that we strive for the most effective and efficient execution of this activity. Having this program makes the process much easier to track and manage. We are able to generate certificates, letters, and deeds with much less effort and greater accuracy.

3. As I worked on the treasurer deed software with the intention of combining statutes, wisdom, and practical use so that other counties could also benefit, I bore a great responsibility to ensure that everything I required to be in the program complied with Colorado Revised Statutes. I set about to write a Recommended Guidelines manual for my office. After compiling statutes and adding commentary, I met a few times with a real estate attorney who also is familiar with the duties of county treasurers. At the October Fall Seminar for the Colorado County Treasurers' Association, I presented the manual and various aspects of treasurer deed law. Prior to the development of this document, treasurers had no guidelines for federal government liens or bankruptcies regarding properties in the deed application process. It is a great reference tool and was welcomed by members of the association.

#### What are your three top goals for 2016?

1. Passage of a change to clearly allow treasurers administering a deed application to be reimbursed for third party expenses is a top priority. A public trustee is able to secure third party vendor services and products, e.g., file-specific attorney fees software costs, and be reimbursed for those expenses. There is disagreement as to whether that is allowable for deed applications processed by the treasurer. This causes treasurers to avoid seeking legal advice in some very difficult situations. None of us have funding to handle those expenses in office. I have put forth a bill to address that. It is the first action in a series to bring about changes to the statutes in this area. I look forward to seeing the legislative process in action and am hoping to bring about something good for Archuleta County as well as others.

2. Because the statutes addressing the responsibilities of the county treasurer are sprinkled throughout the Colorado Revised Statutes, there is not a good resource document for the duties of the county treasurer. Compilation of those statutes into a user-friendly format will benefit our office by giving all employees easy access to the requirements of law. Adding commentary to explain the statutes will aid employees in understanding the hows and whys of what we do to serve the public.

3. The third goal is no less important. My goal is to work with the other elected officials to increase the feeling of community in our organization. Because our offices are divided by statute, it can be challenging to relate to employees from other offices. It can be difficult to know how the action of one office impacts another office. We may not understand the challenge of others' responsibilities. I believe it is important for our organization to act more as a unit.

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

1. The bill I am putting forward has been assigned to Representative J. Paul Brown and Senator Jack Tate. It is currently in drafting and expected to be issued in final submission form soon. Successful progression includes the bill being read on the floor and assigned to committees, my traveling to Denver to testify before committees, acknowledgement of support from other county treasurers, and the votes. Throughout this process, the Colorado County Treasurers' Association is assisting me with guidance and recommendations.

2. The compilation is under way. The challenges are interpreting statutes correctly, organizing the statutes intuitively so finding the appropriate information as quickly as possible, and finding what you do not know exists. Just two weeks ago, a treasurer cited a statute that may provide a solution in a particular circumstance. No one else was familiar with that statute. There are lots of those that may affect or help our work but do not mention the county treasurer specifically. I will be combing through prior emails and surveying other treasurers to create the most complete document possible. I have set aside time each week to assure that progress is made.

3. To increase our sense of community, I will support better communication between elected officials, employee exchange programs, i.e., "Walk a mile in my shoes," training programs, and events outside of the workday. We have great people in our organization. Developing the relationships between us help us grow into a great organization.

### June Madrid, County Clerk & Recorder



#### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

1. Great Progress Made in the Digitization of our Microfiche Records

Over the course of 2015 great progress was made in the County Commissioner approved project of digitizing Archuleta County's Microfiche records. Between 1985 and 1997 records were stored on film; a microfiche machine basically took a picture of each document. We are in the process of converting the film to digital content. When the project is completed, the converted records will be available to view online along with their index information resulting in a more efficient records search.

2. Conducted a Successful 2015 Coordinated Election  
In 2015 my Election Office coordinated, planned, conducted and certified the 2015 Coordinated Election. The Election included a statewide measure, several school district races, and a fire district tax question. We also successfully implemented new signature verification rules and watcher best practices. In addition, we created several new, more efficient mail ballot processing procedures that will be used again in the Primary and Presidential Elections of 2016. Finally, we received approval to mail ballots at standard, non-profit rates resulting in a significant savings to Archuleta County.

3. Successfully Implemented "Plate on Demand" Project

The Motor Vehicle Office successfully implemented "Plate on Demand" in 2015. Motor Vehicle staff will no longer issue all license plates when you register a vehicle. Under the new process, title clerks will complete your transaction and issue you a temporary permit and the Colorado Department of Revenue delivers your license plates via the United States Postal Service. This new process frees up storage space usually used to house thousands of license plates.

#### What are your three top goals for 2016?

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

Goal #1: My number one goal in 2016 is to conduct a successful Primary and Presidential Election. My office will be conducting more voter outreach during this busy election year to ensure that all voters are up to date on current election process and deadlines. We've set up a facebook page, Archuleta County Elections, to share helpful links for voters, candidates and local districts. We also maintain the Archuleta County Election's web-page. Please like us on facebook and visit the elections web-page often.

Goal #2: On December 22, 2015 Secretary of State, Wayne Williams, recommended all Colorado Counties use a Universal Voting Systems. My second goal is to closely follow this change to Colorado Election Law and budget for the newly recommended Universal Voting System. I will spend much of 2016 preparing for the purchase and implementation of the new system. The Secretary's Election Division is in the final stages of negotiating a price and promulgating rules. Once the recommendation and costs associated are final, I will begin talking with the Board of County Commissioners and other counties to see if we may be able to collectively garner a greater discount. I plan to purchase and implement the new voting system in 2017. Our current voting system was purchased in 2002 and I'm looking forward to replacing the antiquated machines with a newer, more technically advanced system.

Goal #3: My third goal is to complete the conversion of microfiche to digital images in 2016. I budgeted an additional \$30,000 to complete the project. The funding will come from actual e-Recording revenues collected by my office. Specifically, the \$1.00 surcharge is collected

on each documented recorded. By Colorado Statute, this surcharge may only be used to update a County Recording System. Currently, there is a push to increase this surcharge so more counties may receive adequate funding to upgrade their recording systems.

### Natalie Woodruff, County Assessor



#### What were your three biggest accomplishments of 2015?

1) Completing the Bi-annual reappraisal – For 2015, there were approximately 19,118 accounts listed in the Assessor's Office. 224 owners of those accounts protested. Of those 224 protests, 112 were denied, 102 were approved 4 were voided, 5 were satisfied, and 3 were withdrawn.

2) Passing the annual statutorily mandated audit

#### What are your three top goals for 2016?

1) Pass the annual statutorily mandated audit  
2) Work with our outside vendors on implementing the remaining attributes that will be available on the Assessor portion of the website (mapping and data)  
3) Continue with documenting and updating procedures for the Assessor's office

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



## LEGISLATURE

# Making college affordable for Colorado families

High school seniors across Colorado are counting the days until graduation. Many are receiving college acceptance letters, details about how much school will cost and the amount of financial aid they can expect to receive.

Unfortunately, the news isn't always good. Many families won't be able to send their kids to their top choice without taking on substantial debt. For other families, the rising costs have put many colleges out of reach all together.

That's because students today pay quadruple what students paid 30 years ago to attend a public university. One study found that a "moderate" college budget including tuition, fees, books and room and board was about \$24,000 a year. And despite Colorado's strong economic recovery, workers' paychecks have been flat during most of that span, essentially unchanged since 1995.

We've met with parents across the state who are working full-time and still struggling to make ends meet. Whether it's the cost of college for their kids, their own students loans or

even the costs of child care, their paychecks haven't kept up.

We've heard from parents in Pueblo who put their own needs aside to ensure their children receive high-quality child care. In Fort Collins, we talked with students whose parents worked two jobs so that their children could attend college. One mom we met in Aurora was afraid she wouldn't be able to continue paying her own students loans while also helping her son pay for college. Her son dropped out of college to take a full-time job, dashing his hopes of a degree.

Our office is working on a number of initiatives to help make college more affordable and accessible. That begins with creating a path for programs that challenge the status quo and make education more respon-



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sive to the needs of students.

We have introduced a bipartisan bill to challenge the current accreditation monopoly, which is out of touch with changing workforce needs and has become a massive impediment to innovation and competition in higher education. Breaking this monopoly will allow for new, high-quality programs, approaches and opportunities to offer a better way for modern working families to acquire an education and gain the necessary skills to obtain stable, good-paying jobs.

This new system of accreditation would focus on concrete outcomes, meaning, for example, schools will have to demonstrate that students gained competency in skills employers need, found employment, and were able to repay loans. This system would help match postsecondary education with 21st century needs and drive down the cost of college by creating competition and putting pressure on existing institutions to evolve to better meet the needs of 21st century workers.

We also need to help families

plan, save and pay for college. Our office is pushing Congress to create tax credits for working- and middle-class families who contribute to 529 savings plans. We also have a plan to allow students to earn grants to pay for college in return for community service. And we are working to expand Pell Grants, making them available year-round and tax deductible when used for living expenses.

Finally, at a time when 800,000 Coloradans have a combined student loan debt of \$22 billion, we have co-sponsored a bill to allow borrowers to refinance their loans at lower interest rates, just like you can do for your home or your car.

A higher education is becoming a prerequisite for success in today's knowledge-based, global economy. We have to ensure college is affordable and accessible for Colorado families. At a time when parents and students across the state are working overtime to attain a college degree, Congress should be doing the same to make a college degree affordable for kids across the country.

# Colorado Youth Advisory Council provides perspective

The Colorado Youth Advisory Council (COYAC) met this past weekend, working hard on their policy recommendations to present to the legislature in another month. I'm the legislator co-chair of the council, so rather than heading home, I joined them in their efforts.

Since carrying the bill creating COYAC, now nine years ago, I continue to be impressed by the incredibly in-depth and thoughtful conversations and questions that I'm hearing from our young people on difficult public policy matters.

We met in Colorado Springs in an effort to occasionally have meetings outside of Denver. This helps them see and experience different parts of our wonderful state from a public policy perspective. This also increases the ability of different legislators to visit with the council while at home for the all-too-short weekend during the session.

The youth council members heard from Sen. Kent Lambert, who has served on the Joint Bud-

get Committee for a number of years, and were able to vet their ideas and ask questions regarding state finances of a very knowledgeable member of that powerful legislative committee. Rep. Janak Joshi, also from the Springs area, met informally with the council members and Senate President Bill Cadman had dinner with the students, quizzing them with his own youth policy questions and hearing a preview of their recommendations.

Cadman told the council members that while he originally doubted the value of the COYAC when first presented with the proposal in 2008, he's now a true believer in what the youth council provides to the legislature. He noted that the council



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members will be the kind of future public servants that we need in our state and country.

In this era of heightened partisan division, it's very refreshing and encouraging to see two council members, one an ardent Bernie Sanders supporter and another equally ardent about former President Ronald Reagan's leadership, sit together at a table, debating some points fiercely, but also finding areas of common agreement. It does my heart good to witness such capabilities and I'm grateful knowing that these young people are indeed some of our future leaders. A couple of past COYAC members, now graduated from college, are working as legislative aides at the Denver Capitol.

Each year, the youth council picks the topics of greatest interest and concern from its viewpoint, often different than what legislators might think. They then research those issues and formulate state-level policy recommendations. Sometimes, they'll suggest legislation be

passed or recommend agency or local governmental action. Preventing teen suicide and better ways of identifying and dealing with teen depression often comes up, but so do other topics like promoting better access to vocational learning, highlighting the need and value of life-skills courses, and the student perspective on the frequency and type of testing in high school.

Teen drug and alcohol use is another valuable topic of conversation, especially in light of Colorado's legalization of recreational marijuana. Many dollars are being spent in the public sector to discourage youth marijuana use, especially because of the negative impacts on brain development, but the critical question is whether the money is well spent on effective efforts. COYAC members provide valuable input on this challenge and I expect that they'll hear more questions from legislators on this topic when they come to the Colorado Capitol in April.

# Proffitt announces commissioner run

By Leah Ballard  
Staff Writer



Rodney Proffitt

In late February, Rodney Proffitt announced his intent to run for Archuleta County commissioner, District 1.

Proffitt is the first Democrat to announce his candidacy for the position and is currently slated to take on incumbent Steve Wadley, a Republican.

"I moved to Pagosa Springs with the sole purpose of utilizing my knowledge and skills to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors alike. Circumstances intervened and I got sidetracked. Now, I am at an age that I need to make good on the original intent for which I moved here or let it go," Proffitt stated in an email to The SUN.

According to Proffitt, "The biggest challenge this County faces is putting the Great Recession and the crippling financial issues the recession brought on behind us."

He stated there has also been "a great deal of in-fighting that held back the political will of this County

to move forward" and "Without the political will, progress is crippled. I truly believe that a more transparent way of doing business, coupled with a resolve to cooperate rather than lock horns will go a long way toward building the trust needed to overcome past differences and turf wars."

Of his goals if elected, Proffitt

indicated he plans to impose a use tax on local consumers to bolster county revenue.

Proffitt stated, "... the County has been cutting costs, but not never [sic] looked at the revenue side of the equation. I think local businesses have been hurt because this County has not had a use tax in place. I would like to test the waters to see if this County could adopt a use tax."

A use tax is a type of excise tax, attached only to specific goods, such as motor vehicles which require registration, and building materials.

Too, he wrote he would like to see the county "codify its rules and regulations so everyone can see what the County is relying on to do business" and noted he would like to look into becoming a home-rule county.

"Having put the County's house in order, I would like to appoint a committee to evaluate the possibility of making the County home rule," Proffitt wrote.

Further, Proffitt indicated that work should be done on the coun-

ty's comprehensive plan, stating it "is over 10 years old, and was so watered down when it was adopted that it has proven useless. Adopting a new comprehensive plan to guide future development would be a high priority for me."

Once a plan is in place, Proffitt noted the county could then look into "adopting a land use code that better reflects the will of its residents going forward," with the current code having incentives that were never put in place for developers and requiring "expertise and staffing beyond the capabilities of this County."

A Kansas native, Proffitt holds a law degree and previously served as town attorney for Crested Butte and city administrator for Red Lodge, Mont.

He currently holds positions on several local boards, including Rotary, the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association, San Juan Water Conservancy District, Archuleta County Democratic Party and is an advisor to the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation. [leah@pagosasure.com](mailto:leah@pagosasure.com)

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| <p>March 16<br/><b>Snow Crab Legs</b><br/><i>all you can eat</i> <b>\$25</b></p>             | <p>March 23<br/><b>Wings 75¢ each</b><br/><i>Buffalo, Hot or BBQ</i></p>             |

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Far Afield: A Conservation Love Story — 10:35 am & 4:25 pm

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# Business

## CHAMBER NEWS

### Chamber membership: What's in it for me?

By Mary Jo Coulehan  
SUN Columnist

Chamber directors all over the country are always asked, "What's in it for me if I join the Chamber?" That's not a pat or "one size fits all" answer.

My answer is, it depends upon your type of business and what stage of growth your business is in. However, as you ask yourself this question, let me refresh your knowledge of some of the benefits of being a Chamber member here in Pagosa Springs.

Without reprinting the whole membership benefits page, one of the major benefits to highlight is the Chamber's website presence. When searching for a business in Pagosa Springs, if a Chamber member, your business is more likely to pop up through the Chamber's website.

Through our online marketing and social media efforts, blogs and announcements, businesses and the activities that we promote consistently rank in the top three to five listings for a business search. Even when you're not working, our online presence is working for you.

Businesses that do not have a storefront presence, new businesses and businesses looking to stay in the forefront of people's mind regularly benefit from our Business After Hours monthly gatherings. The hosting business also gets the opportunity to show off their products and services.

While perceived as just a social gathering, these networking events generate business interaction and business deals. Think of attending the next one.

The partnerships that the Chamber has within the region and the state are also of benefit to our members.

The Chamber partners with organizations such as Region 9, the Fort Lewis College Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Club 20, La Plata Alliance and the Colorado Chamber of Commerce Executives, to name a few. Each of these organizations has an interest in the economic development and vitality of our community. Through educational classes, loan opportunities, consulting sessions, advocacy and many more involvement opportunities, the Pagosa Springs Chamber can readily offer information and benefits to business members that would be more difficult to find individually.

Perhaps you are a growth company. Your expertise and experience can assist newer and smaller businesses in our community. Remember, you were there once. Growth companies can give back and have different business needs than some of our smaller businesses. Your growth needs may be to interact with a business in another community or expand outside of our area. The Pagosa Springs Chamber can help with our connections throughout the state.

In the coming months, we will be holding focus groups for the different types of businesses in our community: startups, home-based, nonprofit agencies, early stage and growth companies. We look forward to listening to what you feel your needs are with this Chamber of Commerce.

If you are interested in being on a focus group, whether or not you are currently a Chamber member, please contact our offices so we can add you to a list and contact you when that particular focus group convenes.

The Pagosa Springs Chamber offers many free or low-cost benefits. We offer inexpensive ways for businesses to market their business by tapping into the already-established visibility of the Chamber's website. Remember, the work done by the Chamber of Commerce directly impacts the economic well-being of the community, as well as the healthy growth of the area. It encourages its membership to achieve collectively what would be impossible individually.

Visit the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce's website, [www.pagosapriceschamber.com](http://www.pagosapriceschamber.com), and view all of the benefits offered.

#### Economic forum

The Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation (CDC), in conjunction with the Town of Pagosa Springs, Archuleta County and Region 9, conducted a second-home market study.

Pagosa Springs has always "thought" that second homeowners have a huge impact in our community. Now we have the actual data. The study was analyzed and the results culminated by Donna Graves, SBDC advisor. Graves will be in attendance to present the findings along with local realtor

and CDC board member Mike Heraty.

The Real Estate Market and Second Home Study Review Forum will be held on Friday, March 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in The Springs Resort EcoLuxe conference room.

Registration is required as only a limited number of seats are available.

The cost is \$20 for CDC members and \$25 for non-CDC members and lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP by March 2 by calling the Chamber or emailing [info@pagosachamber.com](mailto:info@pagosachamber.com).

#### Welcome spring breakers

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# Salary

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"The Act established six county categories (Archuleta is Cat. III) and four subcategories (A thru D) within each county category with descending salary increases in each subcategory (A = 30% increase; B = 20%; C = 10%; and D = 0% increase)," explained Whiting. "Counties are permitted to move to any one of four subcategories (via legislation) to achieve a more location-appropriate raise, or no raise at all."

If the BoCC and elected officials chose to do nothing, the bill would have automatically passed, giving all future elected officials a 30-percent salary increase in addition to a bi-annual 2- to 4-percent CoLA.

In the letter, Whiting goes on to explain his position on the issue

and why he thought a 10-percent salary increase was justifiable.

One of the reasons Whiting cited was the amount of money the county will be spending on facilities and roads in the near future.

"If we are truly committed to solving those big problems, it would be irresponsible to take a 30%+ raise that will amount to hundreds of thousands of dollar [sic] per year, forever," reads the letter. "However, given the inverted salary dynamics in some elected offices, I think considering the 10% option is warranted."

Whiting went on to write how, from 2008 to 2016, the county struggled to give county employees a 9-percent salary increase, and for four of those years, county employees got no salary adjustments at all.

Whiting went on to write that he feels a 30-percent salary increase is unjustifiable to county employees, and ends the letter inviting elected officials to give their input at the BoCC meeting that took place March 1.

During the meeting, when the time came to discuss the salary increases, Commissioner Steve Wadley recused himself from the meeting.

Wadley explained that he was currently running for office to be a county commissioner again and therefore felt like he was voting on "putting money in his own pocket."

"Mr. Chairman, I'm going to step out of the room ... because I intend to be sitting in this chair for another four years after my term," Wadley said.

Natalie Woodruff, Archuleta County assessor, gave the BoCC and SUN staff a spreadsheet comparing elected officials' salaries with department heads' salaries.

Additionally, the spreadsheet outlines what the elected officials' new salaries would be if given a 10-, 20- or 30-percent increase.

Currently, the county commissioners, the clerk and recorder, the treasurer and assessor all have a salary of \$58,500, with the sheriff's salary being \$76,000, the coroner's salary being \$33,100 and the surveyor's salary being \$3,300.

The county administrator's salary currently rests at \$112,414, the finance director's at \$92,452, the public works director's at \$99,016 and the human services director's at \$89,434.

"Basically, elected officials are department heads," Woodruff explained to the BoCC. "We have budgets, we have staff, we have statutory requirements. We have to do a similar job to department heads."

Woodruff concluded her argument by saying, "I still believe we deserve equal pay for equal work."

Archuleta County Sheriff Rich Valdez made a comment next, saying, "I ran for office for the community and for the citizens of Archuleta County, and I'm here to provide them a service, and I'm still going to keep providing that service, but you also need to under-

stand the service we're providing is growing."

Valdez went on to talk about statistics for the county's calls for service, saying that last year, there were 16,000 calls for service.

"Out of all those calls for service, the sheriff's office was responsible for 52.2 percent," explained Valdez.

He added that the town's police department had 30 percent of those calls for service, with the Upper San Juan Health Service District having 14 percent and the Pagosa Fire Protection District handling 4 percent of those calls for service.

"Each one of those agencies, with the exception of the police department, makes more than the sheriff, by about \$20,000 to \$30,000 more," explained Valdez, adding that, in the last four years, the Archuleta County Sheriff's Office has seen about a 44-percent increase in calls for service.

"We are elected officials, and it's not that we're here looking for a higher salary, we're here fighting for the future elected officials," Valdez later added. "Right now, it is not going to affect me, I'm not going to move into a higher salary tomorrow or the next day. This is for the next elected officials."

Woodruff's spreadsheet lists what each elected official's salary will look like with a 20-percent increase, without any CoLA adjustment.

• The salary for a county commissioner, clerk and recorder, treasurer or assessor will become \$70,200.

• The salary for the county sheriff will become \$91,200.

• The salary for the county coroner will become \$39,720.

• The salary for the surveyor will become \$3,960.

"I move to approve Resolution 2016-22, adopting salary increases for all elected officials of Archuleta County and further the adoption of Senate Bill 15-288 permissible category adjustments to establish Archuleta County as a category three B county providing for a maximum 20-percent increase for elected officials of this county," moved Commissioner Clifford Lucero, with Whiting seconding the motion.

Because Wadley recused himself, only Whiting and Lucero were voting on the motion, and, therefore, it passed unanimously.

"It's a difficult decision, and it's difficult sitting up here and trying to decide how we're going to spend tax dollars because we know we have so many roads out there," Lucero stated during the commissioner's closing comments. "We're going to have to live within our means and we'll have these means, and we'll have to figure that out, but we can do that and figure it out."

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# Bridge

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sible amendment of the vested rights agreement are currently on hold, pending the March 17 work session.

Additional comments on the project were made by members of the public during council's March 1 meeting. Similar to many who spoke on Feb. 18, John Thompson urged that the potential construction of the bridge should be care-

fully evaluated. Thompson stated he doesn't specifically oppose the bridge or the prospective development, but council should "slow down" to ensure it has the opportunity for full consideration.

Likewise, Mike Heraty commented that council has a fiduciary duty to collect and evaluate the relevant economic data regarding the proposal. He cautioned that

there is ample property currently available for commercial use in the county and council should take care to ensure that construction of the proposed bridge is not essentially "investing in a speculative real estate project," but is rather supported by solid indications that the development project will succeed.

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# Tower

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hood who would be affected by the cell tower.

Because each side was only allowed 20 minutes, the opponents had nominated a speaker to present their argument as opposed to every opponent speaking briefly.

Terri Thomas, a local resident, spoke on behalf of the opponents and presented to the planning commission via a slide presentation.

Thomas' presentation began with a slide saying that, had the Lake Forest community been more aware of the situation earlier, the people of Lake Forest would have done something about it sooner.

Thomas explained that the opponents felt that the plan for the cell tower was "conceived in a vacuum and stealth in nature."

The next slide put emphasis on public safety, stating that a tower collapse or fire is a possibility.

"In the prior 3 years, the United States has experienced 15 collapses and 11 fires," reads the slide. "A fire could be catastrophic as homes surround the proposed tower location and the meadow is predominantly made up of trees, brush and grasses."

The opponents allege that the development plan for the cell tower doesn't meet Archuleta County's Land Use Regulations that define the requirements to approve development in a PUD zone.

According to the presentation, the requirements that the development plan did not meet include:

• That the development shall be compatible with the scale, intensity and type of uses located on adjacent property.

• That the design and layout of the development shall protect unique natural features and will not cause significant degradation of the environment.

• That the layout and design of the development shall preserve views and vistas; construction on ridgelines that are visible from major roadways or residential development shall be prohibited; and the design of the activity shall be compatible with the surrounding natural environment.

The presentation goes on to cite other concerns, such as the tower being in the line of sight for both first floors and second floors of homes in the surrounding area, the noise and nuisances in constructing the tower, environmental concerns pertaining to habitat fragmentation, and depreciated real estate values in the neighborhood.

The presentation concludes by arguing that there are better, alternative locations for the tower, such as the parcel of land west of Terry's Ace Hardware, or on land owned by Four Corners Materials down Piedra Road, as the owner had said he was willing to make property available for the tower.

The applicants, or proponents, for the cell tower were then given a

chance to present their side.

Jeff Shear and Greg Chamberlain were the proponents for the tower, speaking on behalf of Verizon Wireless. Chamberlain also identified himself as a radio frequency engineer.

Chamberlain talked of alternative sites that had been considered for the site of the tower and why he felt the Lake Forest site was the best option.

There are a couple of variables that go into researching sites.

"One is trouble tickets, which are generated by the customer, people calling in and expressing that they do not have good service in the area," explained Chamberlain. "This could be dropped calls. It could also be low data usage, or any number of things."

Chamberlain said that Verizon also looks at its own statistics for the area, such as dropped calls, data usage and data speeds.

The tower that Verizon currently has in the area is being "maxed out," explained Chamberlain. "We've added resources to it, over and over, but at this point of time, it's maxed out. If we have too many people on one tower making phone calls, those calls could be blocked, and that could potentially be a life-threatening issue, if its an emergency situation. So, we do need to put additional towers in the area that are closer to the community."

Chamberlain then showed several maps that demonstrated the cell signal strength of different sites that had been examined.

One site that Chamberlain showed was next to the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association headquarters. Chamberlain explained that this proposed site did not provide as much signal coverage to the north that he would have preferred, though it did cover the highway.

"This is the golf course maintenance facility," Chamberlain said, showing a different map of cell coverage. "It was pretty low for what we were trying to do. It didn't really cover the highway too well, or the neighborhood."

Additionally, Chamberlain stated that a site near the Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District had been looked into.

"That was real low elevation, that's just the nature of the terrain, and it didn't really cover the highway or the homes," Chamberlain said.

The site that was chosen in the Forest Lakes area, because it was on a hill, "covered our homes that we were trying to cover, as well as the business district along the highway," Chamberlain explained. "That's how we came to the conclusion that this was the best candidate."

Chamberlain then allowed Shear to speak, who began by saying, "A real need for this site exists, based on engineering studies and customer request. This is not a speculative project. This site has

been determined to be the best location and to provide the most coverage."

Shear went on to express how the tower is designed to blend into its environment, and "use stealth technology ... to mitigate impacts."

Shear explained that any "perceived real estate impacts are unfounded and out of line with contemporary findings."

The chance of a tower fire is also very slim, Shear argued, because the tower would have a lightning rod and be grounded.

He stated that the surrounding trees had a higher chance of catching fire than the cell tower would.

Planning commission member Anita Hooton asked Chamberlain and Shear why there didn't appear to be review of sites that were "more commercial in nature" as most of the possible sites Shear and Chamberlain discussed were near residential areas.

Chamberlain explained that Black and Veatch provided the possible sites, and admitted that more sites had been brought to his and Shear's attention, such as the ones the opponents of the cell tower mentioned in their presentation.

After each side had presented their arguments, Hooton and planning commissioner Peter Adams expressed that they felt not enough research went into the site and alternative sites.

Hooton then made a motion to recommend to the BoCC that they disapprove the cell tower application, stating that the application doesn't meet Archuleta County's Land Use Regulations that define the requirements to approve development in a PUD zone.

Hooton, Adams and planning commissioner David Parker voted in favor of the motion, while planning commissioner Michael Frederick voted against it.

The BoCC's public hearing will take place at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, at the Archuleta County Emergency Operations Center, located at 777 County Road 600 (Piedra Road).

Public comment will be accepted at the meeting.

A press release received Tuesday afternoon from Archuleta County Planning Manager John Shepard states, "Verizon Wireless, through their representatives Black & Veatch, have requested a continuance of the public hearing on their rezoning application scheduled for a special meeting on Tuesday March 8th. Verizon has also agreed to allow additional time for local review."

The BoCC will decide whether to approve or deny the continuance at the public hearing on March 8.

The FCC's "shot clock" is an order that states local jurisdiction must act on an application for new infrastructure, such as a cell tower, in 150 days, otherwise, the aggrieved party could seek judicial intervention.

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# Youth

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night, council members expressed the hope that the summer program could help replace the downtown youth center, which closed last fall.

Archuleta County commissioners and town council members, as well as staff, have recently expressed concern in various public meetings over the loss of the youth center. In its absence, they expressed a fear that the lack of youth activities may contribute to social ills, particularly when parents are out of the home for work or other obligations.

Reason for this concern is suggested by a glance at The Blotter, published weekly in The SUN. For example, in the Feb. 25 edition, The Blotter reported five juvenile convictions in Pagosa Springs Municipal Court of illegal marijuana possession, and one of illegal alcohol consumption, during the 16-day period from Jan. 27 to Feb. 11.

At the Feb. 12 work session, Town Manager Greg Schulte tied the proposal for the summer program specifically to the lack of youth programs in the community, observing that without the program, community youth "will be on the streets." And council member John Egan agreed, commenting that something is needed for community kids to do.

During the work session, Schulte pointed out to council that the

program would be a big commitment. And the proposal approved at the meeting Tuesday night confirms that reality.

To operate the program, the town will need four full-time and four part-time employees, a staffing level appropriate to supervise up to 45 children.

Organized activities will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Twice daily snacks will be served to attendees and supplies will be purchased for activities, as well as transportation costs incurred. The program's full day will run 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., allowing for drop-off and pick-up by working parents.

The total budget for the program is anticipated to be approximately \$40,000 for the summer, although the actual amount could be more or less depending on volume of attendance. It is expected that a fee will be charged, currently projected at \$85 per week or \$25 per day for each attendee.

Although council appropriated funds to meet the budget, the hope is that the fees charged, supplemented by gifts and grant funds, will be at a level sufficient that the program will ultimately break even.

During the Tuesday regular meeting, director Lewis reported to council that a gift of \$2,205 in support of the summer program had been received from Gifts from the Heart, as well as a grant of \$5,000

from El Pomar Foundation.

During the meeting, council member David Schanzenbaker asked Schulte if any discussions had occurred with Archuleta County about potential support for the summer program. The subject of town and county cooperation in supporting community recreational activities had earlier been a topic of discussion at the Feb. 23 joint work session.

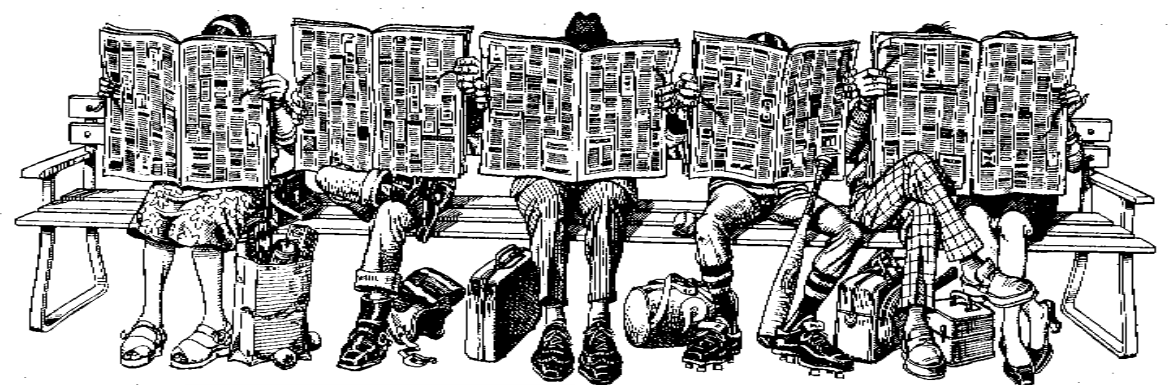
Schulte responded that a meeting between town and county staff was scheduled for Wednesday, March 2, to follow up the discussion from Feb. 23. He commented that a long-term cooperative arrangement embracing the full range of recreational activities in the community was hoped for, similar to that followed in promoting local tourism.

In another action relating to parks and recreation at its March 1 meeting, council also approved a proposal by Lewis to equip space in the recreation center as an exercise room to be open to the public. The room will include basic equipment such as a treadmill, elliptical machine, exercycle, exercise balls and small weights.

Council approved an appropriation of \$12,000 from Conservation Trust Fund monies to cover the cost. A small charge, such as \$80 for a year membership, is likely to be assessed users.

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## Council approves bid solicitation for South 8th Street reconstruction

By Jim Garrett  
Staff Writer

The Pagosa Springs Town Council approved a proposal to seek bids for the reconstruction of South 8th Street during its March 1 meeting.

The proposal, submitted by Planning Director James Dickhoff, included design configurations based on preferences expressed in public meetings held in January and Febru-

ary this year.

However, council approved the solicitation of bids including alternatives for certain features, so that the ultimate project may reflect choices that will be made after bids are received, based on prices quoted.

The basic elements of the reconstruction project will include a new asphalt roadway for the street with three lanes in the 100 block, but otherwise a single travel lane in

each direction. The three lanes in the 100 block will include a dedicated northbound left-turn lane at the intersection with U.S. 160.

Also included will be a pedestrian sidewalk on the east side of the street, a 10-foot wide multiuse trail on the west side extending from San Juan Alley in the 100 block to Apache Street, flared bump-outs with landscaping at intersections designed to restrain speeding, on-street parking on the east side in the street's 200 and 300 blocks, and lighting on both sides of the street.

Finally, the basic project will also include off-street parking in the 500 block. The parking will serve South Pagosa Park and avoid the safety hazard of children heading for the park exiting cars into traffic lanes.

Options will include limiting street lighting to the west side, surfacing the multiuse trail in concrete

rather than asphalt, extension of the east side sidewalk in the 100 block past the grocery store to the U.S. 160 intersection, and reconstruction of the southwest corner of that intersection to ease the vehicle turning radius.

According to an estimate from Davis Engineering, the cost of the project including all optional elements will be approximately \$2.77 million.

However, Dickhoff noted the possibility that bids could come in lower than anticipated. He commented this is a good time of the year to seek bids, as contractors are still looking to fill out the construction season.

Also, with the bid request including options, council may reduce the ultimate cost by deciding to drop selected items after bids are received.

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## Local, state Democratic caucuses favor Sanders

By Jim Garrett  
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Archuleta County and Colorado Democrats conducted a presidential preference poll at their caucuses Tuesday night March 1.

Republicans caucused, too, but did not conduct a preference poll.

According to Becky Herman of the local Democratic Party, the Archuleta County poll came out heavily in favor of Bernie Sanders over Hillary Clinton, by a tally of 156 to 83, with four local Democrats voting uncommitted.

Herman said the Democrats' caucus turnout was "extraordinarily wonderful."

She commented also that the volume called for great patience by attendees, and their collectively cheerful and gracious conduct was enormously gratifying. She thanked all who attended.

Per the Denver Post website, state results for the Democrat poll were similar to the local results, with Sanders drawing 71,711 votes (58.9 percent) to 49,134 (40.3 percent) for Clinton.

With regard to delegates from Colorado who will attend the later Democratic National Convention, according to the Post, based on the polling, 33 will be supporting Sanders and 24 supporting Clinton.

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## Republican Women to meet March 8

By Martha Peacock  
Special to The SUN

The Archuleta County Republican Women will be hosting a panel of high school seniors as a follow-up to the January program when Archuleta School District Superintendent Linda Reed gave an update on the school district achievements.

We are looking forward to hearing student accounts of their preparedness for higher education or other career paths they may be

pursuing.

We will also be sharing feedback from our previous Mojie Adler Scholarship recipients awarded by the Archuleta County Republican Women.

We will be meeting on March 8 at Boss Hogg's Restaurant. The meeting will start at noon. The doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Lunch will be offered for \$12.

For further information, email [acrwpagosa@gmail.com](mailto:acrwpagosa@gmail.com).

## LEAP offers Coloradans more than just help with home heating bills

By Michele Worthington  
Special to The SUN

The Low-income Energy Assistance Program's (LEAP) primary mission of helping Coloradans pay winter home heating costs is complemented by two crucial programs: the Crisis Intervention Program (CIP) and the Weatherization Assistance Program.

LEAP is a program of the Colorado Department of Human Services that helps eligible Coloradans from November through April with cash assistance for their home heating bills. As of Jan. 21, LEAP had approved more than 53,078 benefits and the average benefit was \$387.

But, LEAP's support doesn't end there. The Crisis Intervention Program operates year-round and provides assistance with the repair or replacement of the home's primary heating system, such as a furnace or wood-burning stove.

The Weatherization Assistance Program is a program from the Colorado Energy Office. It is designed to improve energy efficiency in homes throughout Colorado, thereby helping to reduce heating costs permanently.

"Our clients have a wide variety of circumstances, and we want to make sure they have the resources they need to stay warm during the winter," LEAP Manager Aggie Berens said. "Those resources extend beyond just finances. We're proud to support our clients and

other eligible Coloradans with two programs that help them with adequate home heating equipment and facilities."

For CIP, households that qualify for energy bill payment assistance through LEAP and have a non-working heating system can call toll-free (855) 469-4328 to request repair or replacement, as well as snow removal for fuel delivery in rural areas. The program does not provide regular maintenance and servicing of heating systems.

Coloradans who qualify for LEAP can also access the Weatherization Assistance Program. Weatherization is a blanket term for a variety of measures that improve a home's energy efficiency. These cost-effective improvements and upgrades will reduce energy usage, save money and improve the overall comfort of a home year-round.

Weatherization improvements may include:

- An energy audit.

- Compact fluorescent light bulb retrofits (CFLs).
- Air sealing.
- Insulation in the attic, floor and walls.
- Furnace safety testing.
- Furnace repair or replacement.
- Refrigerator replacement.
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# Downtown Task Force considers establishing district

By Shari Pierce  
Special to The SUN

The Downtown Task Force (DTF) is pleased to announce its next regular meeting on Thursday, March 10.

In partnership with the Town of Pagosa Springs and the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, the DTF has hired a consultant, Jeremy Nelson, to assist in determining interest and feasibility in forming a downtown district and to help determine what will be best for Pagosa Springs and to help educate about downtown districts.

As we all know and have experienced in the recent economic roller coaster, our downtown is a special place, but a fragile, even vulnerable, location for local businesses.

At this meeting, there will be a

discussion of possible organizational structures for the downtown area and a review of the DTF's consultant's work to date in advance of upcoming community meetings on a specific recommendation and a possible vote of business and property owners in November to establish such a district.

## Downtown assessment background

In the fall of 2012, the Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation, on behalf of the town and the citizens of Archuleta County, requested a downtown assessment team visit from Downtown Colorado Inc. (DCI). The purpose of the assessment was to bring a team of consultants specializing in downtown and community revitalization to provide direction to help

our community with downtown revitalization goals.

"There does not seem to be ONE organization or entity that represents the special interests of the downtown business community and the other residences and government agencies in the Downtown District," DCI related in its report. The report further notes that through a central entity, "... business owners can enhance their collective voices, champion their interests and create a sustainable funding stream."

As a result of its assessment, DCI recommended that the community consider forming a downtown development authority or business improvement district. The complete report from DCI is available on the town's website, [www.pagosaprisings.co.gov](http://www.pagosaprisings.co.gov).

As a result of the DCI recommendation, a group of local citizens, the DTF, have been working toward the possible formation of a downtown district. The DTF has worked with the support of the town's elected officials to learn about downtown districts in hopes of implementing recommendations from DCI.

The DTF meeting on March 10 will be held at the Ross Aragon Community Center in the West Conference Room beginning at 5:15 p.m. Typically, meetings of the DTF last about one hour.

The DTF invites friends of Pagosa Springs' downtown, including business owners, property owners, residents and anyone else who would like to see our downtown continue to improve and thrive as our county grows, to this meeting.

# Public Meetings

The following meetings are subject to change.

## Thursday, March 3

**Archuleta School District public meeting for input regarding budget needs and priorities** 5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

## Friday, March 4

**Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District special meeting.** 10 a.m., PAWSAD administrative offices, 100 Lyn Ave.

## Tuesday, March 8

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

**Archuleta County Sheriff's Office Coffee with a Cop.** 10 a.m., Junction Restaurant. Opportunity to ask questions of deputies and learn more about the Sheriff's Office.

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

**Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners special land use hearing.** 5 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting

room, 398 Lewis St.

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

**Town of Pagosa Springs Parks and Recreation Commission.** 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

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

**Archuleta School District Board of Education regular meeting.** 6 p.m., Pagosa Springs Middle School library, 309 Lewis St.

## Wednesday, March 9

**Pagosa Springs Community Development Corporation public meeting.** 5:30-7 p.m. Pagosa Lodge, 3505 E. U.S. 160.

**Town of Pagosa Springs Historic Preservation Board.** 5:45 p.m., Town Hall front conference room, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

## Thursday, March 10

**Downtown Task Force regular meeting.** 5:15 p.m., Community Center West Conference Room.

## Monday, March 14

**Pagosa Area Geothermal Water**

**and Power Authority meeting.** 5 p.m., Archuleta County administration building, commissioners' meeting room, 398 Lewis St. or Town Hall, 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

## Tuesday, March 15

**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 Fire Protection District regular board meeting.** 6:30 p.m., training room at Station 1, 191 N. Pagosa Blvd.

*Public meeting information should be sent to [editor@pagosa-sun.com](mailto:editor@pagosa-sun.com) with "Public Meeting" in the subject line. The deadline is noon Monday each week prior to publication for that week's issue.*

# 'Essentials for Thriving Nonprofits' workshop scheduled for April 29

By Paige Elliott  
Special to The SUN

Registration has opened for a professional development opportunity for nonprofit professionals in southwest Colorado.

"Essentials for Thriving Nonprofits" will bring dynamic, professional speakers to the Community Rec Center in Durango for workshops on financial management, board development, marketing and PR, and human resources. The event will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 29.

Registration for the event is \$55 and includes lunch. Visit <http://crcamerica.org/rural-philanthropy-days/regional-websites/southwest-capacity-building-opportunities/> to find more information or to register for the workshop. Fifteen registration spots for those nonprofits located in Archuleta, Dolores, Montezuma and San Juan counties will be reserved through March 25.

A limited number of scholarships are available for qualifying applicants with financial need to cover \$35 of the total registration cost. To review scholarship criteria and apply, visit <https://crcdenver.wufoo.com/forms/essentials-for-thriving-nonprofits-scholarship-app/>.

"Essentials for Thriving Nonprofits" has been planned by the Southwest Rural Philanthropy Days Interim Committee, a joint effort of local nonprofit leadership

focused on continuing professional development to build a stronger nonprofit community.

"We hope to build relationships and facilitate networking between nonprofit professionals by creating opportunities for peer discussion around best practices," said Brigen Wrinkle, executive director of the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado. "We hope to enhance relationships across county and geographic boundaries."

In addition to the Friday workshop, the Community Resource Center is offering an all-day financial leadership workshop that will take place on April 28. To find more information or to register, visit <https://www.regionline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1818793>.

Also on April 28, the Colorado Nonprofit Association will be offering one-on-one consultations covering principles and practices for nonprofit excellence. Participants will complete an online self-assessment and then meet for a personalized consultation.

Meetings will be held in the conference room on the first floor of the Smiley building in Durango. Seven meeting spots are available and members of the Colorado Nonprofit Association will be given priority.

For more information or to reserve a meeting, please contact Gerry Rasel at [grasel@coloradononprofits.org](mailto:grasel@coloradononprofits.org).

# Save the date for a very sweet evening

By Mike Stoll  
Special to The PREVIEW

The annual Humane Society Chocolate Auction and dinner will be held April 2 at the Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association clubhouse on Port Avenue.

This popular event raises funds for the daily operating expenses of the animal shelter by auctioning decadent chocolate desserts created by local chefs, caterers, candy stores, restaurants and creative chocolatiers. It is truly one sweet evening.

The live auction portion of the evening will be preceded by a seated dinner and dessert. Balloons to pop for prizes will again be available in limited quantities for purchase at the door. Tickets are \$15 and available now at the

Humane Society thrift store and animal shelter or by calling 264-5549. Seating is limited, so do not delay.

The Humane Society of Pagosa Springs does not receive funding from any national organizations such as the Humane Society of the United States, American Humane, ASPCA or United Way. The animal shelter relies on revenue from private donations, the thrift store and fundraisers such as the Chocolate Auction to continue its mission of creating a safe haven for animals in need.

Please mark your calendars for April 2 and plan to attend a truly fun event for a great cause. Watch for more details in future issues of The Pagosa Springs SUN and on the Humane Society website at [www.humanesociety.biz](http://www.humanesociety.biz).

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## Chimney Rock Interpretive Association free lecture series continues: Rock art of Utah and the Fremont culture

By Nadia Werby  
Special to The SUN

On Thursday, March 10, Chimney Rock Interpretive Association (CRIA) will host a special presentation given by author Rick Stinchfield on rock art of Utah and the Fremont culture.

Stinchfield will be speaking about the difference between the Fremont culture and the Ancestral Puebloans. He will give an overview of the rock art at both Barrier Canyon and Fremont, which are located near Capitol Reef.

The lecture is free of charge and will take place at 7 p.m., following CRIA's monthly potluck at 6 p.m. in the EcoLuxe at The Springs Resort and Spa at 165 Hot Springs Blvd.

Stinchfield retired from a career in higher education administration, much of it at the University of Northern Iowa as executive assistant to the president and head of the Division of Outreach and Community Services. After leaving the midwest, he and his wife, Lynne, moved to the Grand Canyon and worked for nearly two years in an effort to spend as much

time as possible below the rim.

A decade ago, they finally found Pagosa Springs. Both volunteer at the Pagosa Ranger District office, the Ruby M. Sisson Memorial Library and with CRIA. Additionally, this will be the 13th year that they have volunteered in interpretation at Capitol Reef National Park in Utah for three months each year.

Stinchfield is the author of "Capitol Reef National Park — The Complete Hiking and Touring Guide," and he and his wife wrote "Beyond Capitol Reef — South Central Utah, A Hiking and Touring Guide to the Area Surrounding Capitol Reef National Park."

Interest in southwestern cultures was initiated when they began volunteering at Capitol Reef. There, the Fremont culture thrived, as it did across almost all of Utah northwest of the Colorado River.

The Fremont people were contemporaneous with the Ancestral Puebloans, but several things set them apart. Differences in basketry, pottery, footwear and rock art are significant. Often, Fremont panels



Photo courtesy Rick Stinchfield

The Chimney Rock Interpretive Association will host a special presentation given by author Rick Stinchfield on rock art of Utah and the Fremont culture on Thursday, March 10.

are sited with archaic (Barrier Canyon) pictographs, and these will be featured in the presentation, as well.

The public is invited to join CRIA for its monthly potluck preceding the lecture at 6 p.m. Please bring your favorite dish of finger foods to share and join our volunteers to learn more about this nonprofit organization, which operates the interpretive

program at Chimney Rock National Monument in partnership with the USDA Forest Service and the San Juan National Forest.

CRIA also invites community members to the Chimney Rock Open House on Friday, March 18, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. This annual event will be held at the EcoLuxe.

Experienced CRIA volunteers will be on hand to introduce guests to the variety of roles that support CRIA and the flexibility in level of commitment. CRIA's Volunteer Training Days will take place on Friday and Saturday, April 15 and 16, at the PLPOA Clubhouse located at 230 Port Ave.

CRIA offers a great in-depth training program in a fun environment to anyone interested in joining its amazing team of volunteers. For more information, call the CRIA office at 731-7133 or go to www.chimneyrockco.org.

## The Blotter

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

**Archuleta County Sheriff's Office**

Feb. 22 — Identity theft/intent, San Juan Street.

Feb. 22 — Information only, Metro Drive.

Feb. 22 — Menacing-felony/aggravated/weapon, third-degree assault/simple assault, domestic violence, harassment public place obscene language or gesture, Aspenglow Boulevard.

Feb. 22 Harassment-strikes/shoves/kicks, domestic violence, false imprisonment, Circle Drive.

Feb. 22 — Agency assist, Mockingbird Place.

Feb. 23 — Schedule II substance/opium or derivative, possession of

drug paraphernalia/penalty, Ebony Court.

Feb. 23 — Warrant arrest, East Sunbeam Court.

Feb. 24 — Violation of bail bond condition-misdemeanor, San Juan Street.

Feb. 24 — Animals running at large, Buttercup Drive.

Feb. 24 — Information only, Gila Drive.

Feb. 24 — Animals running at large, U.S. 160.

Feb. 24 — Animals running at large, Oakridge Drive.

Feb. 25 — Owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without liability insurance, failed to display valid registration, failure to use turn signal, Majestic Drive.

Feb. 25 — Child abuse/negligence, County Road 700.

Feb. 25 — Information only, Grenadier Place.

Feb. 26 — Drove vehicle with license suspended, owner operated or permitted operation of vehicle without

liability insurance, Colorado license plate violation, Village Drive.

Feb. 26 — Second-degree burglary, Bastille Drive.

Feb. 26 — Drove vehicle with license suspended, failed to drive in a single lane, open container in a motor vehicle, glass in vehicle did not permit normal vision, Aspen Village Drive.

Feb. 26 — Violation of restraining order, open container in a motor vehicle, Aspen Village Drive.

Feb. 27 — Warrant arrest, South 9th Street.

Feb. 28 — Information only, Vista Boulevard.

Feb. 28 — Harassment/stalking-misdemeanor, domestic violence, North Pagosa Boulevard.

Feb. 28 — Warrant arrest, Old Sawmill Circle.

Feb. 28 — Vehicle with defective, improper or no tail lamps, false reporting to authorities, drove vehicle without insurance, drove vehicle with license suspended, U.S. 160.

Feb. 29 — Information only, San Juan Street.

**Town of Pagosa Springs Police Department**

Feb. 23 — Warrant arrest/not local, South 10th Street.

Feb. 24 — Information only, San Juan Street.

Feb. 24 — Warrant arrest/not local, Great West Avenue.

Feb. 24 — Assault/criminal mischief, Hot Springs Boulevard.

Feb. 25 — Runaway, Pagosa Street.

Feb. 26 — Traffic offense/driver's license, Aspen Village Drive.

Feb. 27 — Runaway, North 5th Street.

Feb. 27 — Felony menacing, South 7th Street.

Feb. 28 — Third-degree assault, Hot Springs Boulevard.

**Pagosa Springs Municipal Court: Judge William J. Anderson**

No report.

**Archuleta County Court: Judge Samuel H. Cassidy**

No report.

**6th Judicial District Court: Judge Greg Lyman**

No report.

## La Plata Electric Association to survey residential members in March

By Indiana Reed  
Special to The SUN

In an effort to understand more about member concerns and priorities, and help La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) engage in strategic planning for the coming decades, the cooperative will survey the residential membership — approximately 30,000 customers — during March 2016.

The mail-in/electronic survey will come to members along with their bills during the March billing cycle. Those who receive only a printed paper bill will find a hard-copy survey with their statement. Members who receive billing notices via email will be asked to take their survey online through a secure portal.

"We hope all our members will complete the survey," said Mike Dreyspring, LPEA CEO. "We want to know what is most important to each individual when it comes to their electric service and also learn our members' communications preferences. How best can

we get information to you? One of our priorities is to have open communications with our members."

According to Dreyspring, the survey is straightforward and simple to complete. The results will be tabulated by an independent, third-party firm and LPEA will receive only the final data.

LPEA has conducted telephone surveys in the past, with only a random sampling of the membership contacted. The hope is, that by surveying all members, the cooperative staff and board of directors will receive a more complete understanding of the membership.

"To build a year-to-year statistical gauge for how we're doing in serving our members, we plan to do additional surveys on a regular basis," said Dreyspring. "But people don't have to wait for a survey. We always welcome input from our members. Visit our website, www.lpea.coop, and click 'contact us' to provide comments."

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# Sports

## BASKETBALL

# Lady Pirates claim sixth district title in nine years

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

For the sixth time in nine years, the Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates laid claim to the district championship Saturday evening at Centauri High School in La Jara.

With the win, and a 21-0 record, the Lady Pirates garnered the No. 1 seed heading into the state playoffs — an even better position than the team had last year.

Last year, the Lady Pirates entered the state tournament as the No. 2 seed before bringing home the state championship, with Sterling taking the top seed. This year, Sterling is the No. 2 seed.

"It's always nice to win districts," coach Wes Lewis said, adding, "That's one of our goals."

En route to winning the district tournament, the Lady Pirates defeated the Alamosa Mean Moose and Centauri Falcons.

On Friday evening, the Lady Pirates took on the Mean Moose for the third time this season, defeating them 43-31.

"You know, we were a little bit rusty," Lewis said. "We didn't play particularly well."

Lewis gave Alamosa credit for making Pagosa work for the win, stating, "We had to work for what we got."

Pagosa jumped out to an early, 11-6 lead in the first quarter, increasing that lead to 25-6 by halftime.

The Pirates only outscored Alamosa by one point in the third quarter, however, and were bested by the Mean Moose 7-9 in the game's final quarter, making for a final score of 43-31.

Part of Alamosa's game plan, Lewis noted, was to limit Morgan Lewis and Taylor Lee-Hammer and make the other Lady Pirates beat them — which he noted they did.

Alamosa focused on limiting Lee-Hammer by playing a box-and-one on her, the coach explained, and were double- and triple-teaming Morgan Lewis.

Madi Lewis led the team with 12 points in the game, including landing two 3-pointers, with Morgan Lewis scoring nine.

Megan Farrah added eight to the team's tally, including one 3-pointer, and Lee-Hammer and Mariah Snarr each scored seven.

Six of the Pirates' points came from nine attempts at the free-throw line.

The team pulled down a total of 29 rebounds in the game, compared to Alamosa's 19.

Pagosa turned the ball over 15 times, compared to Alamosa's 18, but stole the ball only nine times compared to the Mean Moose's 14 steals.

The next evening, Pagosa again faced off against Centauri, this time in the tournament championship.

Like the Pirates' previous matchup with Centauri, both teams saw increased time at the free-throw line in the game, with Pagosa logging 22 attempts (18 successful) and Centauri logging 24 attempts (14 successful).

With several Lady Pirates finding themselves in foul trouble during the game, the coach highlighted the play of the team's younger players, particularly freshmen Devin Wilson and Morgan Thompson, stating that they "stepped up and played really well."

Too, the coach complimented the abilities of Lee-Hammer and Snarr to avoid foul trouble and remain in the game, calling it "significant to have them out there" for such a length of time.

"I think they really focused on Taylor Lee," Lewis said. "She really played a nice game within the game. ... She still was huge."

Lewis called the game a "typical" Pagosa-Centauri matchup and stated, "Sometimes it comes down to who does the better job of staying out of foul trouble."

The Pirates outscored their rivals 15-10 in the first quarter, but the Falcons were able to narrow that lead to two, 24-22, by halftime.



Photo courtesy Marcie Ham

The Pagosa Springs High School Lady Pirates pose with their championship plaque Saturday evening after defeating the Centauri Falcons 46-34 at the district tournament. The Lady Pirates garnered the No. 1 seed heading into the state tournament.

Pagosa effectively shut down the Falcons in the third quarter, scoring 14 while allowing three, but were outscored 9-8 by the Falcons in the game's final quarter, making for a 46-34 final tally in favor of Pagosa.

Madi Lewis led the Pirates in the game with 17 points, with her coach particularly highlighting her second-half play.

"Madi was really, really good in the second half," he said.

Morgan Lewis, who was plagued with foul trouble, notched nine points, Wilson and Snarr each put up six points, Lee-Hammer scored four, and Farrah and Thompson each added two.

Both teams logged 19 rebounds in the game and were nearly even on turnovers and steals, with Pagosa having 12 turnovers compared to Centauri's 11, and Pagosa

stealing the ball seven times, compared to Centauri's six.

The coach also complimented Farrah's ability to take on the Falcon's Ember Canty in the game.

"It was a total team win," he stated, later adding, "It's a good team. Centauri's a really good team."

### State tournament

Now, the Pirates are heading into March Madness in the form of the state playoffs.

As the No. 1 seed, Pagosa will host three teams for the first and Sweet 16 rounds of the playoffs.

On Friday evening, Pagosa will play No. 32 Buena Vista at 6 p.m.

Buena Vista is 7-16 on the season. In a Dec. 5, 2015, game, the Pirates defeated the Demons 71-24. "They're a lot better team now than when we played them at the

beginning of the year," Lewis said, adding, "We've got to be focused and be sharp."

Too, he said the team needs to not look at seeding, but just play its style of basketball.

Following the Lady Pirates' game, the No. 16 Grand Valley Cardinals will take on the No. 17 Colorado Springs Christian Lions at 8 p.m.

The Cardinals are 17-5 on the season, while the Lions own a 16-6 record.

The winners of each of those games will play in Saturday's Sweet 16 game at 1 p.m.

The Lady Pirates' games will be broadcast on KWUF 1400 AM.

"I'd really love to see a big crowd," Lewis said. "We'd sure love to have everybody out."

Two other Intermountain

League teams are also advancing. Centauri enters the playoffs as the No. 9 seed and will head to Bennett this week.

"I thought Centauri should have been seeded higher," Lewis noted.

The Monte Vista Lady Pirates garnered the No. 13 seed on the state bracket and will be hosted by No. 4 Moffat County.

The remainder of the state tournament will take place March 9-11 at the Denver Coliseum.

### Admission information

Per Colorado High School Athletics Association guidelines, admission will be \$7 for adults, and \$5 for K-12 students and seniors 60 and older.

The doors will open one hour prior to the first game each day.

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# Pirates earn No. 16 seed in state tournament

By Randi Pierce  
Staff Writer

Following their second-place finish at the district tournament Saturday evening in La Jara, the Pagosa Springs High School Pirate basketball team is now the No. 16 seed heading into the state playoffs.

The team will head to Denver for this week's first and Sweet 16 rounds.

The Pirates took second in the district tournament at Centauri High School after defeating rival Bayfield Friday and falling to Alamosa Saturday evening.

"In the Bayfield game we were able to come out and play well early building a thirteen point lead," coach Randy Sorenson stated in an email to The SUN.

In building that 13-point lead, the Pirates outscored the Wolverines 12-6 in the first quarter. The second quarter was closer, however, with the Wolverines closing the margin to seven at the half.

The third quarter was not as kind to the Pirates, with the Wolverines besting them 18-15 in the quarter.

"We came out flat in the third ...," Sorenson explained, adding, "The kids righted the ship though and were able to win by twelve."

In righting the ship, the Pirates outscored the Wolverines 20-12 in the game's final quarter, leading to a final score of 60-48.

Isaiah Griego led the Pirates with 20 points in

the game, followed by 12 each from Briar Erskine and Ty Kimsey.

Craig Tamburelli and Keaton Laverty each notched four assists for the Pirates.

Additional stats from the game were not available by presstime Wednesday.

The next night, the Pirates took on the Alamosa Mean Moose in the championship game, but fell short of claiming the title.

"In the Alamosa game we again came out flat for whatever reason and Alamosa built a 19 to 2 lead," Sorenson wrote.

That lead came from a 16-2 first quarter in favor of Alamosa followed by a 3-pointer to start the second quarter.

The second quarter, overall, favored Pagosa, however, with the Pirates outscoring Alamosa 18-10.

"The kids fought back though and cut the lead to 6 at half," Sorenson noted. "Again we got outscored in the third, 26 to 4, and that was pretty much the ballgame."

The Pirates scored 15 in the fourth quarter, but still lost ground, with the Mean Moose scoring 16, making for a 68-39 final score.

"Alamosa shot the ball really well and they played a great game," the coach complimented.

Kimsey led the Pirates with nine points, while Erskine and Griego each contributed seven.

Erskine led in rebounding by pulling down five, followed by Griego with four.

Kimsey led the team in assists with three.

Additional stats from the game were not available by presstime Wednesday.

### State tournament

With a 13-8 record on the season, the Pirates will now advance to the state playoffs as the No. 16 seed.

With that seeding, the Pirates will travel to Denver, where they will take on No. 17 Basalt Friday evening at 7 p.m.

Prior to that game, host Denver Science and Tech-Stapleton will play No. 32 Roaring Fork.

The winners of the two games will face off Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Sweet 16 game.

The games will be played at Bruce Randolph.

The Basalt Longhorns own a 17-5 record, while the DSST Knights boast a 21-1 record and the Roaring Fork Rams are 9-13 on the season.

"We will obviously have to play really well to advance but if the kids will play well we feel like we have a chance," Sorenson wrote.

The Pirates' game will be broadcast on 1400 AM Friday and on 106.1 FM should the Pirates advance to the Sweet 16 game Saturday and vie for a chance to advance to the Great 8.

With the district championship under their belts, Alamosa enters the state playoffs as the No. 8 seed and will host action this week.

Bayfield, too, advanced to state action, earning the No. 22 seed.

The remainder of the state tournament will take place March 9-11 at the Denver Coliseum.

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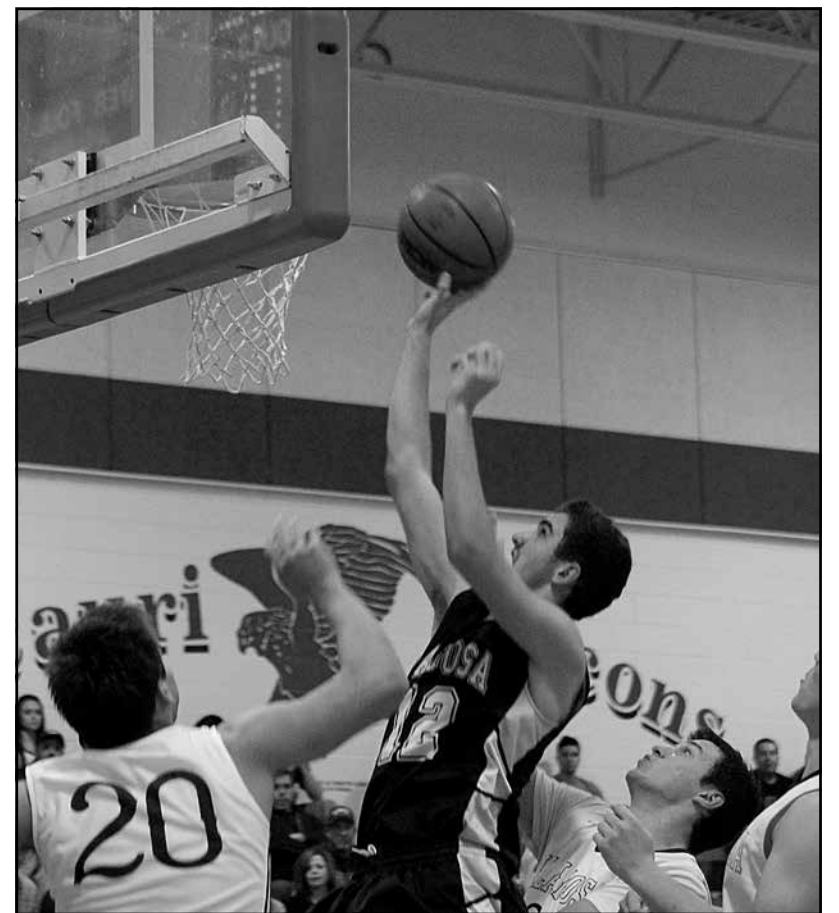


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Pirate Briar Erskine looks to add to the Pirates' side of the scoreboard during last weekend's district tournament in La Jara. Erskine tallied 19 points at the tournament and will be looking to help the Pirates advance in the state playoffs this weekend.



# Good Luck, Pirates!

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COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

# Open gym Saturday at Community Center

By Traci Bishop  
SUN Columnist

Come on down and mix up your Saturday morning with some basketball. The gym will be open to the public for use from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, please call the Ross Aragon Community Center at 264-4152.

## Because We Care

The Community Center Parks and Recreation Department is very excited to announce its new Because We Care Program. This program is run year-round and offers many opportunities for all ages in our community.

The Because We Care Program has open registrations for the Boys to Men class, a monkey boxing class, Chinese yoga class and CPR/AED certification classes.

For more information on any of the classes, please call the Community Center at 264-4152.

## K.I.D.S. (Kickin' It During Summer) Day Camp

Looking for something fun for your child to do this summer? Well,

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K.I.D.S. Day Camp is open to children ages 5-12.

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K.I.D.S. Day Camp will start on June 6 and run through Aug. 19. It will be offered Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Activities scheduled for each day will start at 9 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m.

Registration for this program will open on Friday, April 1. Program fees are \$85 per child per week, \$25 per child per drop-in and there is a one-time registration fee of \$15 per child registering.

For more information about our K.I.D.S. Day Camp, please call the center at 264-4152 or "like" our Facebook page — Ross Aragon Community Center Parks and Recreation Department.

## CPR/AED certification class

Registration for the CPR/AED class for March 24 is now open. Instructors Nicole Lagioia-Lewis and Darren Lewis will be teaching from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

This class will certify you for two years and costs \$50 per student.

Space is limited, so hurry in to the Community Center to sign up.

## Boys to Men Class

This class is designed to promote strength of character, compassion, wisdom and maturity on the boy's journey to manhood. Using martial arts, stretching, focusing and self-reflection exercises, we will explore the idea of the male's role as protector, provider and source of strength to ourselves, our families and the community. No previous experience required. This class is designed for boys 9 years of age and up.

Registrations for the Boys to Men Class are due by April 8. The registration fee is \$35 for the five-week class.

## Monkey boxing class

Based on fluidity and speed

rather than strength, monkey boxing martial arts stress rhythmic movements balance and proper body mechanics, along with up-close fighting and brutal technique in order to quickly overcome an opponent.

Not designed for sport, this is an effective and fun to learn system based on the movements of the monkey and snake. In this class, we will also learn balancing stretching, rootedness, meditation and healing herbs.

All styles and levels are welcome to register for this class. Registrations for the monkey boxing class are due by April 8. The registration fee is \$35 for the five-week class.

## Chinese yoga class

Chinese yoga is an ancient self-healing system of gentle exercises designed specifically to circulate and balance the body's energy. Chinese yoga strengthens the nervous system, deepens the breath, calms the mind, tonifies our organs and increases one's awareness.

In this class, we will learn the set of animal frolics based on the movement and spirit of the tiger, monkey, deer, snake and crane. Special attention will be given to creating resiliency and elasticity in the joints and tendons through stretching breathing and visualization.

Registration for the Chinese yoga class are due by April 8. The registration fee is \$35 for the five-week class.

## Free programs

The Community Center offers many free programs throughout the week. Check The PREVIEW calendar and the website, racc.co, for a current calendar of programs.

## Center information

Community Center hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed for lunch daily from noon to 1 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday by appointment only.

The Community Center is located at 451 Hot Springs Blvd. Phone is 264-4152, email is communitycenter@pagosasprings.co.gov.

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RECREATION NEWS

# Youth volleyball starting soon

By Darren Lewis  
SUN Columnist

The 9-10 volleyball division will be an instructional league held Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. starting March 8.

The first week of 9-10 volleyball will be on Tuesday and Thursday. Each week after will be held on Monday and Wednesday.

The 11-12 division will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for league play. Practices will start the week of March 14. The volleyball assessment for 11-12 will be held at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

## Community Center

The Community Center will be

open Saturday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for open-gym basketball only. Feel free to come use the Community Center at your leisure.

If usage is strong, organizers will look at expanding the hours on Saturdays.

Please feel free to contact the recreation office with any questions or ideas for better use of the Community Center at 264-4151, ext. 231.

## Recreation registration

You can register for all youth recreational sports offered through the recreation department at any time throughout the year. Registration for all youth sports will be located in the lobby of the Community Center.

Online registration will only be

available prior to the upcoming youth sport offered at that time.

## Ice skating pond

Due to the warm weather, the skating pond at the River Center is no longer being maintained for ice skating.

## Online registration

Through the use of Xpress Bill Pay, the Town of Pagosa Springs Recreation Department offers online registration for most youth programs.

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

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

# Donation options available on Colorado income tax form

Special to The SUN

Colorado's individual income tax form (paper or electronic) provides a way for taxpayers to make donations to nonprofit programs designated by the Colorado Legislature. The programs are listed on the tax form and taxpayers are able to make contributions to these programs whether they are getting a refund or they owe tax.

This year, there are 14 charitable causes listed on the Colorado 104 Individual Form. This year's voluntary "checkoff" Colorado programs are:

- Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Cash Fund.
- Colorado Domestic Abuse Program Fund.
- Homeless Preventative Activities Program Fund.
- Western Slope Military Veterans Cemetery Fund.
- Pet Overpopulation Fund.
- Military Family Relief Fund.
- Public Education Fund.
- Roundup River Ranch Fund.
- 9Health Fair Fund.
- American Red Cross Colorado Disaster Response, Readiness and Preparedness Fund.

- Colorado for Healthy Landscapes Fund.
- Habitat for Humanity of Colorado Fund.
- Special Olympics of Colorado Fund.
- Colorado Youth Corps Association Fund.

Donations to the checkoff funds may also be made by contacting any of the agencies listed on the Checkoff Colorado website, www.checkoffcolorado.com.

## Filing tips and refund status

Tax year 2015 income tax filing season tips are available on the

Colorado Taxation website, www.TaxColorado.com. To file your income tax return and find the status of your refund, use the Colorado Division of Revenue's free service, Revenue Online (www.Colorado.gov/RevenueOnline).

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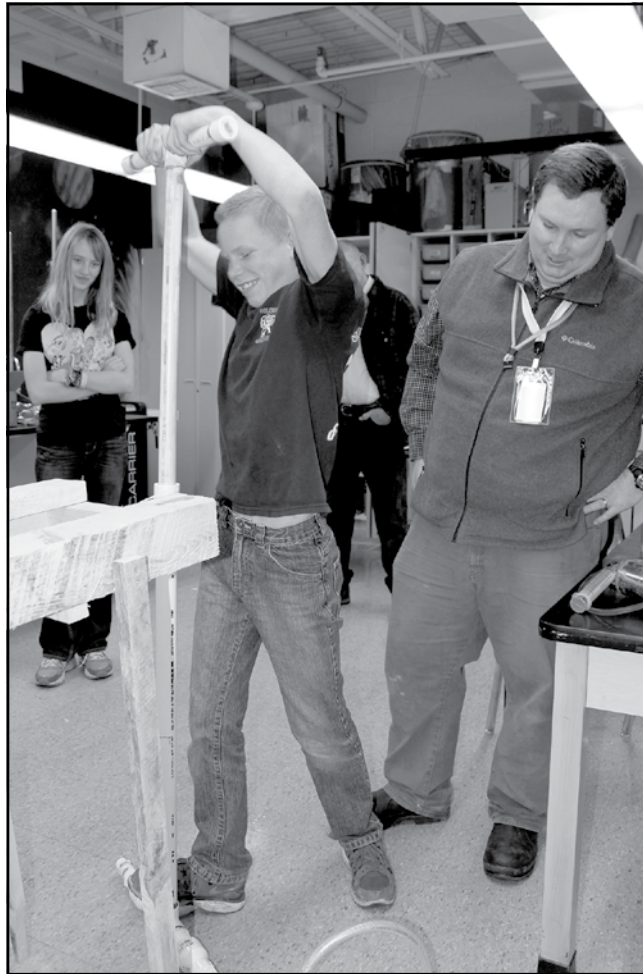


# Education



Photos courtesy Anita Hinger

Local science experts and community members Dave Richardson and Matt Ford partner with Pagosa Springs Middle School to assist with science projects in the classroom. Teachers encourage community experts to connect with students by sharing what made them fall in love with science.



## School science: Collaborating with community experts

By Anita Hinger  
Special to The SUN

Just as it is in the nature of scientists to ask questions, science teachers at Pagosa Springs Middle School (PSMS) have been asking what experiences have caused people to fall in love with science. During conversations with scientists in the community, eighth-grade science teacher Anita Hinger asked what made them excited about science in their youth.

"For me, there were two people who made me want to be a scientist: a lecturer who came to my high school and showed me the wonders of chemistry and, more importantly, my high school chemistry teacher," said Dave Richardson, an organic chemist and partner with PSMS.

"Like Dave, most of the scientists I spoke with could recall in detail one time during their schooling when an expert came into the school and gave a lecture or demonstration," related Hinger. "We began to wonder if we could recreate these moments to inspire students."

Based on this hope, PSMS began to look for these kinds of experiences for the students.

"In fact, we've had community connections in science classrooms for quite a while," said Hinger. It has been a long-standing tradition at PSMS for community members to come in to assist with science fair projects.

Seventh-grade science teacher Tiffany Candelaria said, "Having local scientists work with our science fair students provides a great opportunity for mentorship and career exploration. Students really get to connect with these scientists, have guidance as they dive deep into their projects and have another resource to help them through their academic journey on into their future."

Whereas connecting local science experts with science fair students has been beneficial, the school began looking for additional ways to make involvement even more effective.

"We've been looking for ways to utilize the expertise that is out there and to get the students excited about learning science," said Hinger. "Not surprisingly, there are a lot of generous people out there."

Early on in the year, PSMS hosted Joe Busto of the Colorado Water Conservancy Board and Pierre Kirstetter, a researcher with Oklahoma University's Advanced Radar Research Center. Not only did Busto and Kirstetter spend the day explaining current research and the connection between NASA and equipment on the PSMS roof, but also they invited students to look inside of mobile radar equipment that had been on Wolf Creek Pass gathering data.

The partnership with Busto led to another demonstration by Ed Holroyd, Ph.D. Holroyd traveled down from the Denver area to demonstrate the formation of snow crystals in the classroom.

There were many local people willing to give their time. When locals Matt Ford, Richardson, David Smith and Jeff Grovhoug were invited to share their passions for science with a science elective class, all responded willingly. During the next eight weeks, the experts brought in sea shells, electrostatic demonstrations, and explosive chemicals and hydraulics. But, most importantly, they brought in their own experience and excitement.

"It's always fun to talk about chemistry in any situation. It is even

more fun when we can share some of the mysteries and marvels of chemistry with young people who are trying to decide what they want to do in life," confirmed Richardson.

"I truly love science and any activity that we can bring into the schools that can help build a similar feeling in young students is worth the effort," added Ford.

In addition, feedback from students has been very positive. "I thought it was really cool for them to come into the class because they are genuine scientists. They got to show me what experiments that they had. It was just a really cool experience," explained eighth-grader DJ Day. "It did deepen my interest in science because I got to see how they worked out problems and how they actually did their job."

Alondra Hernandez-Antonio spoke about Ford's hydraulics lecture and demonstration as something that made her excited about water and air pressure. "I didn't know they were so different. Now, I'm excited about learning more."

These kinds of collaborations require additional effort from teachers, students and community members, but there are so many reasons which make well worth the extra work.

"There is something special that happens when someone comes in from the community. We see it when the veterans come in before Veterans Day and we saw it with every science expert," claimed Hinger. She asserted that the students operate at a higher level of maturity, respect and attentiveness, showing that they understand the privilege of having any community member come into the classroom.

Kirstetter confirmed that the students' interest was obvious: "Presenting was a great experience I enjoyed much. The students were amazing with interest and questions and I am proud to have presented to the classes."

For his part, Ford contemplated the long view: "I was very pleased to participate in this exercise with the

students. I was particularly pleased to see their engagement in the experiments and lectures. There may or may not be any scientists come out of the group, but there certainly will be a group of young people who have a better understanding of the world around them and who will have more to choose from as they pursue their life's work."

For some, coming in to share with students was a reward in itself. Busto mentioned that interacting with the students encouraged him as a scientist: "You sometimes wonder if you are on the right track. For now, I don't ask that question."

There are many more such collaborations in the works.

"We hope to have State Trooper Vining come in again this year for our car crash project and we are constantly on the lookout for these opportunities. I'm very pleased with our efforts so far. I cannot wait to see how this initiative grows in the future. It's really exciting," added Hinger.

## HOLY WEEK

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— Luke 24:6

March 20 - Palm Sunday. Services 8:15 and 11 a.m., Sunday School all ages 9:30 a.m.

March 24 - Maundy Thursday. Services 6 p.m. with Communion

March 25 - Good Friday. Services 7 p.m.

March 27 - Easter Sunday. Sunrise Service 7 a.m. at the PSMS football field, regular services at 8:15 and 11 a.m. Boy Scouts will serve breakfast on Easter from 9-11 a.m.

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## Local



Floyd and Lori McKee are proud to announce their daughter, Taylor Hill, has graduated from San Juan College in Farmington, N.M. Taylor earned her associates degree in business administration.

Taylor resides with her husband, Bryan, in Dolores, Colo. Following graduation, Taylor will continue to work for Colorado Title and Closing Services. She currently is studying to become a title examiner. Taylor is the granddaughter of Randy and Shirley Eoff and Judy Smith and Rusty McKee.

Commencement will be held May 14 at the San Juan College in Farmington.

## Card of Thanks

### Relay for Life

The Archuleta County Relay for Life Committee and our community's survivors would like to thank Coyote Moon Bar and Grill for hosting the 2016 Relay for Life kickoff last Thursday night. It was a solid turnout for the annual event benefiting the American Cancer Society. Teams from United Methodist Church, Morning Rotary, Pagosa Springs Medical Center, Bank of the San Juans, Bank of Colorado, City Market, Wyndham Vacation Resorts, Exit Realty and Arbonne, along with many other

relayers, were present. Other relay teams are being put together and more are anticipated to participate.

This year, the day-long activities will be held at Town Park on June 18, starting with a survivors breakfast at 9 a.m. Then, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., a full day is planned with fun, music and fundraisers honoring our survivors and remembering those that have lost the fight. If you would like to join the fight against cancer and either help sponsor the event or a team, or start or join an existing team, you can go to relayforlife.org/archuleta-county-co.

### FREE INFORMATION SERIES

#### "Lunch & Lights" Lighting Workshop

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# Outdoors



## Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership to host film festival, gala to build greenhouse

By Sally High  
Special to The SUN

The fourth Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership (GGP) Film Festival will be held Saturday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Liberty Theatre.

A gala GGP celebration will be held for theater ticket holders from 6 to 8 p.m. following the day of film at Pagosa Baking Company. A drawing for a "We Love Downtown Pagosa" spending spree will cap off the evening and one ticket holder will win \$1,300 in gift certificates donated by downtown merchants.

Colorado Environmental Film Festival (CEFF) premieres the world's best documentaries about the natural world each year in Golden, Colo. The GGP is bringing six of the 2016 films to Pagosa Springs.

The GGP is raising \$25,000 to add to 2015 capital funds and build the education greenhouse in Centennial Park this spring. The utilities, foundation and stem wall are in place and awaiting the greenhouse structure to be built.

Tickets are \$10 and on sale now at the Pagosa Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, Exit Realty, online at pagosagreen.org, by calling 799-1693 or at the door. Film Fest ticket holders' stubs are entered in the "We Love Downtown Pagosa" drawing.

For more information about the GGP's park on the San Juan River or the film festival on March 12, visit us at pagosagreen.org.

### Films

The following documentaries will be shown at the film festival.

"A Quest for Meaning," directed by Marc de la Menardiere, won Best Feature Film at the recent CEFF. GGP brings this feature-length film to the Liberty Theatre on March 12. Show times are 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The film showcases the adventures of two childhood friends who travel the world to meet some of the greatest thinkers of our time. This incredible voyage, full of moments of doubt and moments of joy, leads the young men to many questions. This film captures the travelers' perceived changes in human consciousness currently happening all over the planet and the desire to live in harmony with oneself and the world. The French production

is subtitled in English.

The Best Short Film of the 2016 CEFF is "Stung by Climate," directed by Nils Aucante. This half-hour English-language film features beekeepers, who are deeply concerned about the health and survival of their colonies around the world. The extreme and unpredictable weather, associated with climate change, is taking its toll and bees are dying. Unfortunately, the challenges beekeepers face are just the tip of a much larger problem. This isn't only about honey production, it's about crop pollination, which, in turn, impacts the supply and cost of food for people everywhere. "Stung by Climate" is scheduled for 12:20 p.m. and 3:25 p.m.

"Distress Call," directed by Malia Cahill, won Best Youth Film this year. This clever 15-minute short film tells the tale of a Protection League visit to Planet Earth. They find carbon dioxide levels at dangerous levels. With the help of their supercomputer, Ziri, the aliens explore the causes and consequences of Earth's changing climate before recruiting a young earthling to help warn his fellow humans. "Distress Call" can be seen at noon and again at 4:05 p.m.

Other intriguing 2016 films include "Unacceptable Risk" about four Colorado wildland firefighters and "Keep It Grand" about proposed development in the Grand Canyon.

This year, the GGP also chose a love story. "Far Afield: A Conservation Love Story" tells the story of Bert Raynes, a boy from the streets of New Jersey, who discovers the two great loves of his life: nature and Meg, his wife and muse. Drawn to the natural beauty of Jackson Hole, Wyo., Meg and Bert foster a community of wildlife lovers, motivating them to become a force for nature. With a keen intellect, sharp wit and twinkle in his eye, this 91-year-old still inspires young and old to observe and care about their wild neighbors.

Visit pagosagreen.org to view the full schedule of the GGP's CEFF Caravan films on March 12. Tickets are \$10 and each ticket stub goes into a drawing for \$1,300 in gift certificates from downtown merchants. Tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce, Exit Realty, online at pagosagreen.org, by calling 799-1693, or at the door on film festival day.

## Deduct wildfire mitigation expenses on your taxes

By Bill Trimarco  
Special to The SUN

April 15 is quickly approaching. The often-dreaded deadline for filing taxes is a source of grief for many. There is some relief, however, for anyone who paid for wildfire mitigation work on their property.

The Colorado Department of Revenue allows a subtraction from taxable income on the state tax form.

Property owners can deduct up to 50 percent of their out-of-pocket expenses for mitigation from their federal taxable income. This deduction is available for tax years 2009 through 2024. The deduction cannot exceed the lesser of the owner's taxable income or \$2,500.

You can be asked for documentation, receipts, etc., and there are some limitations. You must own the property where the work occurred and it must be in the state of Colorado. It also must be in a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) area.

There are different definitions of the WUI, but any area within 1.5 miles of areas where wildland fire could occur, such as forest or grassland, is generally considered within the WUI. This definition covers almost every property in Archuleta County.

This is a great incentive program for property owners in this state. The requirements are straightforward. If you have this income subtraction coming, take advantage of it. Details can be found at [www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/Income65.pdf](http://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/Income65.pdf).

The program will be around until at least 2024, so please use this opportunity to plan your work for this year and into the future.

Wildfire is the greatest natural threat that we face in this area and no one is immune. Burning embers from a fire can blow over a mile from the flames and will ignite anything flammable that they land on. The West Fork Fire sent embers over the relatively treeless Continental Divide in three places, allowing the fire to spread and threaten the towns of Creede and South Fork.

It has been shown repeatedly that mitigation can reduce the risk of wildfire threat to lives and property.

There are other resources available to help property owners. Once the ground dries out, Archuleta County has three slash depots where woody material from mitigation can be brought without charge: the Pagosa and Arboles transfer stations and, for PLPOA residents, the site on Sam Houston Boulevard.

FireWise of Southwest Colorado will have mitigation grants available this spring and will also offer a chipper rebate program again this year for those who rent a chipper or hire a chipping contractor.

To get a free property assessment, contact the Pagosa Fire Protection District at 731-4191, the Los Pinos Fire Protection District at 563-9501 or FireWise at 264-0430. Larger properties can benefit from programs through Colorado State Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

For more information and contacts, check the FireWise website at [southwestcoloradofires.org](http://southwestcoloradofires.org). You can also contact the FireWise coordinator for Archuleta County at [archuletafirewise@gmail.com](mailto:archuletafirewise@gmail.com).



The Wolf Creek Ski Area Fun Race Series continues with another race scheduled for Saturday, March 5. The race is free and open to skiers and snowboarders of all ages and ability levels.



Photo courtesy Sean Penton/Wolf Creek Ski Area

## Wolf Creek Ski Area Fun Race results

Special to The SUN

Feb. 20 was Wolf Creek Ski Area's Washington's Day Fun Race. The fastest time of the day went to Ricky Sutphin, of Monte Vista, with a time of 25.57 seconds.

Following are the locals who placed in the race.

In the Boys' 6-8 division, Ryder King placed second with a time of 38.67 and Eric Smith placed third with a time of 41.39.

In the Boys' 12-14, Jack Lane placed second with a time of 37.26.

In the Men's 36-40, Joe Bush placed second with a time of 31.97.

In the Men's 41-50, Mike Rich placed second with a time of 46.18.

In the Men's 61-70, Phil Clum placed second with a time of 34.10.

In the Girls' 12-14, Annabelle Bowles placed first with a time of

29.96.

In the Women's 36-40, Kristin Bush placed first with a time of 35.28.

The fourth Fun Race was held on Feb. 27. The fastest time of the day went to Don Sinkey, of Pagosa Springs, with a time of 27.71.

Following are the locals who placed in the race.

In the Boys' 6-8, Nigel Rutter placed second with a time of 33.72 and Nash Rutter placed third with a time of 40.01.

In the Boys' 9-11, Noah Rutter placed first with a time of 30.11, Andrew Bowles placed second with a time of 32.83 and Timothy Hittle placed third with a time of 34.09.

In the Boys' 12-14, Davis Parker placed first with a time of 32.00.

In the Boys' 15-17, Nate Houston placed first with a time of

30.94. In the Men's 31-35, Robert Bedtke placed first with a time of 32.35.

In the Men's 41-50, Charles Rutter placed first with a time of 29.88, Cameron Parker placed second with a time of 30.35 and Kurt Kool placed third with a time of 35.56.

In the Men's 51-60, Don Sinkey placed first with a time of 27.71 and Brent Johnston placed second with a time of 31.06.

In the Men's 61-70, Phil Clum placed first with a time of 34.47.

In the Men's 71-plus, Klaus Neubert placed first with a time of 33.84, Bryant Lemon placed second with a time of 36.93 and Herman Ator placed third with a time of 37.14.

In the Girls' 6-8, Eden Connor placed first with a time of 40.13.

In the Girls' 12-14, Annabelle Bowles placed first with a time of

30.94. In the Women's 26-30, Nikki Stephens placed first with a time of 36.39.

In the Women's 31-35, Brittany Bedtke placed first with a time of 31.78.

In the Women's 36-40, Ginger Kool placed second with a time of 36.50.

In the Women's 41-50, Ruke Rutter placed second with a time of 38.18.

In the Women's 51-60, Lyndsey Vonn Lenon placed first with a time of 36.09 and Jeannie Sinkey placed second with a time of 38.94.

The Fun Race Series continues with another Fun Race scheduled for Saturday, March 5. The race is free and open to skiers and snowboarders of all ages and ability levels.

## Nordic Club to host Spring Quad Challenge

By James Dickhoff  
Special to The SUN

The Pagosa Nordic Club is hosting the final race event of the winter season — the Pagosa Nordic Spring Quad Challenge — on Sunday, March 6.

This event includes a 10k Nordic freestyle ski at the West Fork Nordic trails, 5k run, 22k road bike back to town along U.S. 160 and a 1/2k swim at one of the downtown hot spring pools. Participants can race solo or in teams

of up to four, which allows the not-so-serious athletes to commit to a small portion of the challenge and compete with their friends.

Participants are required to check in at 7:30 a.m. at the Pagosa Springs Visitor Center located at 105 Hot Springs Blvd., with an 8 a.m. mandatory meeting before heading out to West Fork. Please do not park at the Visitor Center. You can drop off your equipment, then park east of the Visitor Center at Mary Fisher Park on San Juan Street.

The race will start promptly at 9 a.m. at West

Fork. Race awards will be held at Riff Raff Brewing Company, located at 274 Pagosa St., beginning around noon, with food and a beverage provided. Top finishers receive choice prizes and all participants have a chance to win giveaways.

Come out and join in the fun. For event information and registration, go to [PagosaNordic.com](http://PagosaNordic.com) under the events tab. The event will be held as long as we do not receive any snow that requires snowplows on the highway, so please check our Web page for any updated information.

### EXTENSION VIEWPOINTS

## Soil testing important for successful gardening

By Roberta Tolan  
SUN Columnist

The warm weather we enjoyed in February has started many gardeners thinking about spring and the gardening season ahead. It is still too early to be working the garden and even too early to start most seedlings indoors, but the one thing you can do is a soil test.

In the home garden, soil testing is valuable to establish a base line on soil limitations related to pH, salt levels and the potential need for fertilizers. Routine soil tests check for the conditions plants need to grow such as the amount of fertilizer nutrients, but do not check for foreign soil contaminants such as

petroleum products or pesticides.

A routine soil test evaluates the texture of a soil, which determines the way a soil drains. Typical textures are sand, clay or a mixture of the two. Tests also determine the percent of organic matter in the soil, a component important in the retention and release of nutrients to the plant. The pH test indicates how acidic or alkaline the soil is. Alkaline soils, or basic soils, contain water-soluble salts and acidic soils are high in acids. The pH of a soil will affect the relative availability of certain nutrients to plants.

Test results indicate the amount of available soil nutrients including nitrate nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, zinc, iron, copper and man-

ganese. Lack of one of the nutrients could cause stunted growth or yellowing leaves in plants. Additional tests determine the amount of salts in the soil, which, if too high, can stunt plant growth. Lime, gypsum and sodium levels are checked to aid in making salt management recommendations.

A soil sample may be taken at any time of year, although spring or fall sampling is usually the most convenient. The results of a test are no better than the quality of the sample sent to the laboratory and the sample must be representative of the yard or garden being considered. Gardeners who try to shortcut the sampling procedure will not receive a reliable result.

Submit a sample for each area that receives different fertilizer and soil management treatments. For example, if the front and back lawn are fertilized the same, the sample should include subsamples taken from each and mixed together. Because garden areas are managed differently from lawns, the garden should be sampled separately from the lawn.

Samples are most easily collected using a soil tube or soil auger. A garden trowel, spade, bulb planter or large knife also works. Discard any sod, surface vegetation or litter. Sampling depth is critical and varies for the type of test taken and for various labs. Each sample should be a composite of subsamples collected from randomly selected spots

within the chosen area. Take five or more subsamples from a relatively small area in the testing area. Take 10-15 subsamples for larger areas.

Collect the subsamples in a clean plastic pail, thoroughly mixing the subsamples together. Remove plant debris and break off clods. If possible, air dry the soil by spreading it out on paper towel. Place about two cups of the soil mix into the sample bag or box, label the sample container and keep a record of the area represented by each sample.

In summary, a soil test provides a glimpse into how a soil affects plant growth, but it is only one tool among many necessary to becoming a successful gardener.

### CPR and first aid

CPR and first aid certification classes are offered monthly by the CSU Extension office on the second Monday and Wednesday of each month from 6 to 10 p.m.

Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling the Extension office at 264-5931.

We will also schedule classes on additional dates with five or more registrations.

Cost for the classes is \$80 for combined CPR/first aid and \$55 for individual CPR or first aid. The type of first aid information provided will vary by the needs of the audience. Group rates are available.

Call the Extension office for information at 264-5931.



# Hunter education classes offered for spring 2016

By Don Volger  
Special to The SUN

Spring hunter education classes will be held March 5 (Internet conclusion class); March 7, 9, 11 and 12 (youth class); and March 21, 23, 25 and 26 (adult class).

The classes will run from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, March 5; 6-9 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 8 a.m.-noon on Saturdays, March 12 and 26.

Range day will be Saturday, March 26, for all classes.

Classes will be held at the Ross Aragon Community Center, South Conference Room, 451 Hot Springs Blvd.

There is no charge for these classes.

If you were born on or after Jan. 1, 1949, you are required to have a hunter safety card before you can purchase a hunting license.

Students 17 and under should attend the Internet conclusion class or the youth class. Students 18 and older should attend the adult class. Students should register online by going to [wildlife.state.co.us/hunting](http://wildlife.state.co.us/hunting) and clicking on "Hunter Education," then clicking on "find a course at a place and time to fit your schedule" at the top of the page and simply follow the directions.

Please note that the range day for all classes will be held on Saturday, March 26. Conclusion class and youth class students should be finished no later than 10 a.m. on range day. Also, the Internet conclusion class will be geared to youth, but adults are welcome. Students taking the conclusion class must complete an approved online course and bring proof of completion on Saturday, March 5.

All programs, services and activities of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife are operated in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need accommodation due to a disability, please contact Don Volger at 264-2197. To assure that the Parks and Wildlife can meet special needs, please notify Volger at least seven days before the class.

These courses are sponsored by the Pagosa Springs Police Department in conjunction with Colorado Parks and Wildlife with support from the local chapter of the Friends of the NRA.

# Public Notices

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**MASTERS PLACE CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, LLC**  
Plaintiff,  
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**BRUCE BLANKENSHIP** and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action,  
Defendants.  
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This is an action to judicial foreclosure to:  
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Plaintiff,  
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Dated this 13th day of January, 2016.

*/s/ D. Brett Van Winkle*  
D. Brett Van Winkle  
Published February 4, 11, 18, 25 and March 3, 2016 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado  
Court Address: PO Box 148, 449 San Juan St.  
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

**MASTERS PLACE CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, LLC**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**EDWARD R. VILLALOBOS, DEBRA D. VILLALOBOS** and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action,  
Defendants.  
Attorney for Plaintiff(s):  
Name: D. Brett Van Winkle  
Address: 10 Town Plaza, #504  
Durango, CO 81301  
Phone Number: (970) 426-8424  
Email: [vanwinkledb@gmail.com](mailto:vanwinkledb@gmail.com) Atty. Reg. #: 41195  
Case Number: 15CV030238

**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 Complaint filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the Clerk of this Court, an Answer or other response within thirty five (35) days after the date of the last publication. A copy of the Complaint may be obtained from the Clerk of the Court. If you fail to file your Answer or other response to the Complaint in writing within thirty five (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 judicial foreclosure to:  
Unit Number 7318, Building Number 02, Unit Week Number 08, in Masters Place Condominiums Phase One as Reception No. 161539 and in accordance with and as limited and defined by the Declaration of Individual and/or Interval Ownership, recorded under Reception Number 161911 amendments and supplements thereto in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, Colorado.  
Dated this 13th day of January, 2016.

*/s/ D. Brett Van Winkle*  
D. Brett Van Winkle  
Published February 4, 11, 18, 25 and March 3, 2016 in *The Pagosa Springs SUN*.

District Court, Archuleta County, State of Colorado  
Court Address: 449 San Juan St.  
PO Box 148  
Pagosa Springs CO 81147  
Case Number: 2015CV030037

**PERERINE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC.**  
vs.  
**DEFENDANT(S):**  
**Elien Maslow Revocable Trust Dated 2/6/2004 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 Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Property Owner's Association, Inc., recorded the 2nd day of August, 1990 under Reception No. 173556, as recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Archuleta County, Colorado, at Book 303, Page 104, et al.  
Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered November 9, 2015, 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): Elien Maslow Revocable Trust Dated 2/6/2004/Doc #20401618, William K Pebbles, Cindy S Pebbles, Jack L Temple, Lois B Temple, Joseph Selleck, Laura A Larkin, Harriet A Nowotny, William W Nowotny, Paul W Murphy, Maria N Murphy, Poy Developers LLC a Delaware LLC, Merle I Park and Dorothy M Park, Trustees or Their Successors in M & D P Co., LLC, Colleen C Mantyla Trust UAD March 20, 1988, Colleen C Mantyla, Trustee, Kevin M Oberlin, Debra J Oberlin, Elliot's World LLC a Delaware LLC, Robert J Brod, Deno G Theavaos Estate, Donald M Hall Jr., Karen E Hall, Brian Davis, Jennifer Davis, Frances D Lorr, Stephanie Leisure, Rebecca W Bakken, Bill E Pears, Luis A Mercado, Shantel R Mercado, Gary R Spencer, Rose A Spencer, Lawrence Davis, and Colleen R Callahan.

Evidence of Debt: Declaration of Protective Covenants and Internal Ownership for Peregrine Property Owner's Association, recorded the 2nd day of August, 1990 under Reception No. 173556 as recorded in the office of the County Clerk and Recorder for Archuleta County, Colorado, at Book 303, Page 104, et al.  
Current Holder of evidence of debt secured by the Declaration: Peregrine Property Owner's Association, Inc. Obligations Secured: The Declaration provides that it secures the payment of the Debt and obligations thereon in described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs.  
Agent: John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 924 Adelaide Ave., Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901  
Association Assessments Due to: Peregrine Property Owner's Association, Inc.

Debt: Timeshare Owner's Assessments due to Association in the amount of  
Ellen Maslow Revocable Trust Dated 2/6/2004  
\$4055.36  
William K Pebbles and Cindy S Pebbles \$2394.12  
Jack L Temple and Lois B Temple \$5885.18  
Joseph Selleck \$2369.15  
Laura A Larkin \$4576.42  
Harriet A Nowotny and William W Nowotny \$1773.85  
Paul W Murphy and Maria N Murphy \$2859.68  
Poy Developers LLC \$1935.41  
Merle I Park and Dorothy M Park \$4051.84  
Poy Developers LLC \$2671.78  
Colleen C Mantyla Trust UAD March 20, 1988, Colleen C Mantyla Trustee \$1942.90  
Kevin M Oberlin and Debra J Oberlin \$2550.97  
Elliot's World LLC \$4148.19  
Robert J Brod \$3097.34  
Deno G Theavaos Estate \$4833.47  
Donald M Hall Jr. and Karen E Hall \$3954.87  
Brian Davis and Jennifer Davis \$3300.09  
Frances D Lorr and Stephanie Leisure \$3372.48  
Rebecca W Bakken and Bill E Loos \$3491.65  
Luis A Mercado and Shantel R Mercado \$5649.95  
Gary R Spencer and Rose A Spencer \$3331.35  
Lawrence Davis \$2794.81  
Colleen R Callahan \$3488.92  
Amount of Judgment Entered on November 9, 2015: See attached Exhibit "A"

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

The covenants of said Declaration have been violated as follows: failure to make payments for assessments thereon in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder in and for Archuleta County, 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.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST**

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I will, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, April 6, 2016, 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: February 11, 2016  
Last Publication: March 10, 2016  
Name of Publication: [Pagosa Springs Sun]

**NOTICE OF RIGHTS**

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 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.  
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, 924 Adelaide Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901.  
Attorneys: FRANCES D LORR, and JENNIFER DAVIS, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147.

**THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**  
This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 14, 2015.  
Tonya Hamilton, Undersheriff,  
Archuleta County, Colorado  
By: Tonya Hamilton

**Exhibit A**  
**Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations**  
As of January 23, 2015

Defendant/Property Matter Amount  
Lien Statement for Ellen Maslow Revocable Trust Dated 2/6/2004 filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500441 against the following described Property to wit:  
Units 7813, 7814, 7815, and 7820 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 Internal 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: \$1867.38  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$2867.38**

Lien Statement for William K Pebbles and Cindy S Pebbles filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500442 against the following described Property to wit:  
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 Internal 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: \$2097.34  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$3097.34**

Lien Statement for Deno G Theavaos Estate filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500456 against the following described Property to wit:  
Units 7817, 7818, 7819, and 7820 in Buildings 9 and 10, 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 Internal 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: \$1394.12  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$2394.12**

Lien Statement for Jack L Temple and Lois B Temple filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500443 against the following described Property to wit:  
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 Internal 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: \$4885.18  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$5885.18**

Lien Statement for Joseph Selleck filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500444 against the following described Property to wit:  
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 Internal 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: \$2954.87  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$3954.87**

Lien Statement for Brian Davis and Jennifer Davis filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500458 against the following described Property to wit:  
Units 7817, 7818, 7819, and 7820 in Buildings 9 and 10, 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 Internal 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: \$2300.09  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$3300.09**

Lien Statement for Frances D Perrin filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500459 against the following described Property to wit:  
Units 7817, 7818, 7819, and 7820 in Buildings 9 and 10, 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 Internal Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 173556, and any amend-

Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$3576.42  
Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00  
**Total: \$4576.42**



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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.

**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.**

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

John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 924 Adelaide Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901. Attached hereto as EXHIBIT B are copies of certain Colorado statutes that may vitally affect your property rights in relation to this proceeding. Said proceeding may result in the loss of property in which you have an interest and may create personal debt against you. You may wish to seek the advice of your own private attorney concerning your rights in relation to this foreclosure proceeding.

**INTENT TO CURE OR REDEEM**, as provided by the aforementioned laws, must be directed to or conducted at the Sheriff's Department for Archuleta County, Civil Division, 449 San Juan Street, Pagosa Springs, Colorado, 81147.

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

This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 14, 2015.

Tonya Hamilton, Undersheriff, Archuleta County, Colorado

By: Tonya Hamilton

**Exhibit A**

**Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations**

**As of January 23, 2015**

**Defendant/Property Matter Amount**

Lien Statement for Marie Boling and Christopher Boling filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500466 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7821, and 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, and subject to the 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: \$4961.89

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$5961.89**

Lien Statement for Nixon Family Trust LLC, a New Mexico LLC filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500467 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7823, and 7824 in Building 12, 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, and subject to the 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: \$5694.05

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$6694.05**

Lien Statement for W Louis McDonald filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500468 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7827, and 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, and subject to the 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: \$1008.70

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$2008.70**

Lien Statement for Charles Banyard filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500469 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7829, and 7830 in Building 15, 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, and subject to the 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: \$4412.98

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$5412.98**

Lien Statement for Ed J Bengfort and Ruth Bengfort filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500470 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7829, and 7830 in Building 15, 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, and subject to the 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: \$2467.64

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$3467.64**

Lien Statement for June I Nauyoks, filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500471 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7832, and 7834 in Building 17, 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, and subject to the 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: \$645.76

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$1645.76**

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**DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO**

**Case Address:** 449 San Juan St.

**PO Box 148**

**Pagosa Springs CO 81147**

**Case Number: 2015CV30039**

**PLAINTIFF:**

**PEREGRINE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC., v.**

**DEFENDANT(S):**

**Robert W Besecker et al.**

**COMBINED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST AND RIGHTS TO CURE AND REDEEM**

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Under a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure entered November 9, 2015, in the above entitled court, 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): Robert W Besecker and Karon S Besecker, Morris Waxler, Linda Waxler, Ryan Waxler, Shawn Waxler, Thomas W Lewis, Linda G Lewis, John D McGuire, Ann McGuire, John Francis Maher and Katherine Martha Maher, Trustees of the Maher Family Trust Dated May 30, 1991 filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500475 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7843 and 7844 in Building 22, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase V, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 99006555, and subject to the Second Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 99006556, 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: \$1596.20

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$2596.20**

Lien Statement for Gary Lee Chrisman Jr. filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500476 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7843 and 7844 in Building 22, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase V, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 99006555, and subject to the Second Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 99006556, 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: \$1074.50

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$2074.50**

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**DISTRICT COURT, ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO**

**Case Address:** PO Box 148, 449 San Juan St.

**Case Number: 2015CV30020**

**PLAINTIFF:**

**BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ON MARCH 8, 2016**

**vs.**

**AUSTIN O'NEAL TAYLOR, a Sole Owner and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action, Defendants.**

**Attorney for Plaintiff(s):**

**Name: D. Brett Van Winkle**

**Address: 10 Town Plaza, #504**

**Durango, CO 81301**

**Phone Number: (970) 426-8424**

**Email: vanwinkledb@gmail.com**

**Atty. Reg. #: 41195**

**Case Number: 15CV03020**

**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 Plaintiff filed with the Court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response 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 for real property located in Archuleta County to the Plaintiff. The legal description of the property in the County of Archuleta, State of Colorado is:

Lots 88, 89 and 90 in LAKEWOOD VILLAGE, according to the plat thereof recorded April 30, 1979 as Reception No. 94867.

Dated: February 17, 2016.

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First Publication: February 25, 2016.

Last Publication: March 24, 2016.

secures the payment of the Debt and obligations therein described including, but not limited to, the payment of attorneys' fees and costs.

Agard, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 924 Adelaide Ave., Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72901

Association Assessments Due to: Peregrine Property Owner's Association, Inc.

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Morris Waxler, Linda Waxler, Ryan Waxler and Shawn Waxler \$5644.58

Thomas W Lewis and Linda G Lewis and John D McGuire and Ann McGuire \$2491.43

John Francis Maher and Katherine Martha Maher, Trustees of the Maher Family Trust \$2596.20

Gary Lee Chrisman, Jr. \$2074.50

Amount of Judgment Entered on November 9, 2015: 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 Owners Association Common Ownership Act

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

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF TIMESHARE INTEREST**

THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, with at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, April 6, 2016, 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: February 11, 2016

Last Publication: March 10

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**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.**

**THE LIEN BEING FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.**

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

John D. Alford, Attorney at Law, Reg. No. 43104, 924 Adelaide Avenue, Fort Smith, Arkansas 72901.

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

This Sheriff's Notice of Sale is signed December 14, 2015.

Tonya Hamilton, Undersheriff, Archuleta County, Colorado

By: Tonya Hamilton

**Exhibit A**

**Detail Listing of Judgment Calculations**

**As of January 23, 2015**

**Defendant/Property Matter Amount**

Lien Statement for Robert W Besecker and Karon S Besecker filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500472 against the following described Property to wit:

Units 7839 and 7840 in Building 20, as tenants in common with the other undivided interest owners of said building of Peregrine Townhouses Phase V, as depicted on the Plat recorded in Reception Number 99006555, and subject to the Second Declaration of Protective Covenants and Interval Ownership for Peregrine Townhouses recorded at Reception Number 99006556, 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: \$1733.48

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$2733.48**

Lien Statement for Morris Waxler, Linda Waxler, Ryan Waxler and Shawn Waxler filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500473 against the following described Property to wit:

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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1733.48

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

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Lien Statement for Thomas W Lewis and Linda G Lewis, John D McGuire and Ann McGuire filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500474 against the following described Property to wit:

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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1491.43

Attorneys Fees: \$1000.00

**Total: \$2491.43**

Lien Statement for John Francis Maher and Katherine Martha Maher, Trustees of the Maher Family Trust Dated May 30, 1991 filed 1/23/2015 as Doc. No. 21500475 against the following described Property to wit:

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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1596.20

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**Total: \$2596.20**

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Unpaid Assessments & Costs: \$1074.50

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**Case Address:** PO Box 148, 449 San Juan St.

**Case Number: 2015CV30021**

**PLAINTIFF:**

**BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HEARING ON MARCH 8, 2016**

**vs.**

**AUSTIN O'NEAL TAYLOR, a Sole Owner and All Unknown Persons Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Matter Of This Action, Defendants.**

**Attorney for Plaintiff(s):**

**Name: D. Brett Van Winkle**

**Address: 10 Town Plaza, #504**

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# Foster families needed in Archuleta County

By Casey Crow  
Staff Writer

Childhood is meant to be a time of exploration, curiosity, imagination and excitement, but for children escaping traumatic situations like neglect or abuse, there is one thing they need most — a family.

In 2015, 640 children in Colorado were adopted out of foster care, but there are more than 250 still waiting for families.



Jessica Coker

Fostering is the temporary care of a child who has been abused, neglected or abandoned. As part of an overall plan to help children and their families put their lives back together, foster care gives children a family environment while home conditions improve.

There are currently only two certified foster families in Archuleta County and two additional families completing the certification process.

According to Matthew Dodson, director of the Archuleta County Department of Human Services (DHS), foster families have an opportunity to make a significant difference in the life of a child.

While the number of children in need of foster care fluctuates, with more families available to foster, DHS has more flexibility in placing children with families that fit their needs and personalities.

"It's a special job to have, it's a big responsibility. We have state rules and regulations on what can and cannot occur in a foster home setting, so you know, special job, special people," Dodson said.

According to Dodson, DHS works to maintain kinship relationships between children and foster parents to the largest extent possible.

It is vital that children are able to hold on to some sense of familiarity, whether it is the child's hometown, neighborhood or school.

When a kinship-based foster family is unavailable, the next best option is placing children with foster families embedded in their home community.

"When a regional home is un-

available, the child might have to leave familiar things, which is really hard," Dodson said.

The ultimate goal for DHS is always reunification of the child and his or her biological family, which is one more reason DHS attempts to keep children close to home.

This, of course, is conditional upon the biological family's successful completion of a treatment plan addressing substance abuse, domestic violence or any issue that led to the out-of-home placement of a child.

"One thing we really stress is that fostering a child is really a temporary situation, meaning that we have a high expectation and standard for foster families to be comfortable working with biological families, because our goal is reunification," Dodson said.

Becoming a foster parent can be an immensely rewarding and fulfilling experience, but that doesn't mean it is without challenges.

"Very few of us are prepared to get a phone call at 3 a.m. in the morning when there has been a crisis situation and say, 'How would you like to have an additional two or three children in your household?'" — so it's a very difficult decision for people at times," Dodson explained.

Later, he continued, "Not always is it an immediate gratification, because some of these kids are tough. They've come from situations and backgrounds that make them a challenge from time to time."

For those who embrace the challenges and difficulties that accompany foster care, the rewards run deep.

"It allows people a chance to give back to the community, to contribute to a child's life and their family's life; that's huge. They really have this power and control to make a difference in this kid's life or the lives of a sibling group, and it's pretty big," said DHS Foster Care Coordinator Jessica Coker.

Some foster families are morally or spiritually motivated to lend themselves to children in need. Others are naturally inclined to extend their families through foster care once their children are grown.

"Sometimes people have reached a point in their life, maybe they've raised their children and they have the ability, room in their heart and skills in their mind, to

do that piece, and it's just a natural extension of their families and themselves," Dodson said.

While there is no way of knowing how many children in Archuleta County will need foster care at any given time, the more available families, the better.

"I would rather have so many homes licensed and ready to take a child than to ever be in a situation where we struggle in locating an appropriate family," Dodson said.

With the help of the community, this hope can be realized.

The minimum requirements to serve as a foster family include:

- Age 21 or over.
- Married, single, divorced or widowed.
- Must complete a social history
- CBI/FBI criminal records check.
- Physician's health certification.
- Home inspection.
- Three personal references.

Foster families are reimbursed for their expenses at rates set by Archuleta County. These rates vary with the ages of the children and the level of fostering.

Other benefits include liability insurance, continuing education opportunities and support from DHS.

Coker serves as the foster care coordinator for foster families in the county, and she is the first person at DHS solely devoted to this job.

Coker indicated that she is willing to visit service groups, churches or any other organization that might be interested in hearing about serving the children of Archuleta County through foster care. She will explain the certification process and answer any questions.

According to Dodson, "When you start to mature as a foster parent, and you start to see some of the children that you've had a hand in helping them to develop and understand what is good in our world — they come back, or you see a junior high graduation or a high school graduation, or you hear through staying connected with the child or the child's family that they are doing well — I don't know that there could be a greater reward."

For more information, email Coker at [jessica.coker@state.co.us](mailto:jessica.coker@state.co.us) or call 264-8517.

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# Scholastic Book Fair

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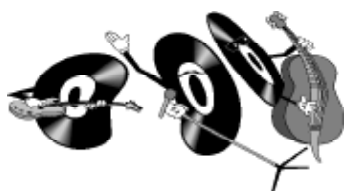
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Students from Aaron Wamsley's second-grade class hold books featured at the Book Fair and are standing in front of the groovy rainbow van that adorns the wall outside of the Book Fair. Community members and home-school families are invited to attend the Book Fair, which runs during school hours through March 10. Left to right are Leeland Auld, Milo Deitmeyer, Deisi Morin-Baxin and Jacob Castaneda.



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By Fred Harman





# Peace, love and books: Feel groovy at the Book Fair through March 10

By Lisa Scott  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Feelin' Groovy Book Fair — Peace, Love, Books! will be running through March 10 during school hours in the Pagosa Springs Elementary School library.

The community, families and teachers are invited to attend this Scholastic Book Fair and participate in all the activities that accompany the theme which are all geared to instill the love of books and reading.

The Partners In Education Committee (P.I.E.) has organized

Family Night, which will be held Wednesday, March 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. A delicious and nutritious homemade dinner of chicken Alfredo pasta, bread sticks, roasted broccoli and cauliflower, cookie and drinks will be served in the cafeteria.

Other activities include Miss Leah from the Sisson Library reading aloud while students decorate bookmarks, local dance instructor Casey Crow teaching dance moves, crafts including something tie-dyed, the large groovy van as a photo background and a fun version of musical chairs. All families

are invited to the school for a far-out evening full of fun, to shop the Book Fair and to enjoy a meal together.

The Book Fair serves several purposes for the school. First, it's a great way to introduce new literature and highlight existing books that inspire children to read. Second, it is an opportunity for every student and their families to engage in an all-school activity and create camaraderie around education. Finally, it is a fundraiser, as proceeds from book fairs are used for reading and educational improvements that are not funded through the school budget.

The community is invited to attend the Book Fair as a shopper or volunteer.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Lisa Scott at 264-2730 or sranch@centurytel.net.

# 'Over the Rainbow' fundraiser helps Girls Choir educational programs

By Linda Parker  
Special to The PREVIEW

Anyone who has ever seen "The Wizard of Oz" knows that Dorothy had to go "Over the Rainbow" for her dreams to come true. Such is the case for the Pagosa Springs Girls Choir (PSGC) as it hosts its third annual fundraiser, "Over the Rainbow: Making Dreams Come True."

While Dorothy didn't make her journey alone, neither can the PSGC. Dorothy enlisted the help of some friends, and the PSGC members are asking this community to join them in helping to make their dreams come true.

A delicious, catered dinner, a silent auction and fabulous music by Tim Sullivan will highlight this year's gala event, which is scheduled for March 11 at the Ross Aragon Community Center.

Proceeds from the event will help fund some of the choir's educational programs. Doors will open at 5 p.m., dinner will begin at 5:30, the PSGC will perform a

short program, then the rest of the evening will be full of boot-scootin' fun as Tim Sullivan takes the stage.

Tickets are \$30 per person or \$50 per couple, available at Peak Deli and at The Buck Stops Here. Table reservations of eight are also available by calling Linda Parker at 264-1434 or emailing singpagosa@gmail.com.

Ski tickets, spa packages, automotive goodies, theater tickets, and lodging and dining certificates are some of the offerings of the fabulous silent auction. Pagosa businesses have gone all out this year in helping the PSGC see its dreams become reality.

This year, the pot of gold for the girls will be found in Vail, Colo., as they attend the Bravo! Vail Music Festival next July. The choir will study symphonic music prior to the trip, learning the various families and instruments of the symphony orchestra and specific composers and symphonic works. The study will culminate in the attendance of a live performance

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# St. Patrick's Irish Festival boasts world's shortest parade

By Sally Neel  
Special to The PREVIEW

The people of Pagosa Springs seldom need an excuse to celebrate. We love a good party and welcome the opportunity to come together and have fun. Of course, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated nationwide and is never ignored here in Pagosa.

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, located at 225 S. Pagosa Blvd., will host its fourth annual Irish Festival on March 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the church parking lot, offering the opportunity for celebrants to witness the world's shortest parade.

As is the town's tradition, this year's parade will be led by none other than St. Patrick himself. Children are invited to join the saintly figure on the float and wave to the

■ See Festival on next page



Photo courtesy Sally Neel

The Pagosa Fire Protection District is happy to participate in the world's shortest St. Patrick's Day parade at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church on March 12 beginning at 11 a.m. The parade route is the length of the St. Patrick's parking lot, so don't blink or you will miss it. The Irish Festival is free to the public, so bring your friends and family members (please put pets on a leash) and come and join the fun.

## Choir

■ continued from previous page of that music in Vail, performed by none other than the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.

"To see the New York Philharmonic is something that many adults have never done, and I am thrilled that Bravo! Vail has this opportunity available," said Parker, PSGC director. "Most of my girls are not familiar at all with symphonic music, so we've chosen a program that will highlight several well-known classical composers.

"One of the works to be performed is a piano concerto and since many of the girls study piano privately, they will be able to see first hand how practicing can pay off."

Parker's hope is that by traveling to Vail and making trips like this in the future, the girls in the choir will see for themselves the opportunities and possibilities that are within their reach as artists, if they know such things exist and they are willing to work for them.

"All of our trips, like the one to the Santa Fe opera, or last year's trip to Texas to see professional musical theater performances, address an important need for the girls — to experience a world very different from their home environment of a small rural town. It is my hope that this summer's adventure will significantly broaden the girls' views and help each one develop her personal artist within while

experiencing a live performance of a world class symphony orchestra," Parker said.

Parker invites the community to come to this magical "Rainbow" event hosted by the PSGC and help make dreams come true for

the outstanding, hardworking and talented members of this group of young girls, any one of which might one day find herself as the featured soloist performing alongside a nationally known symphony orchestra.

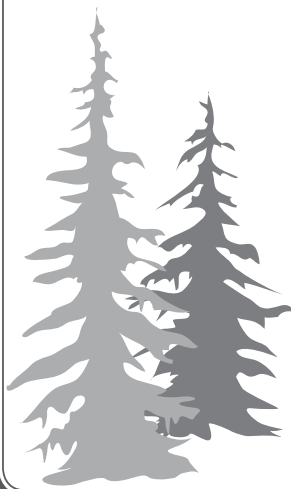
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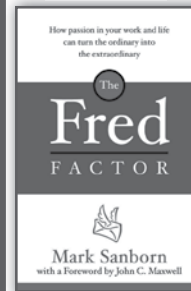
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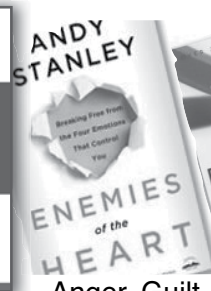
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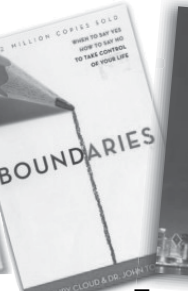
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**Community members will be back in the band room Sunday, when the Pagosa Springs Community Bands starts rehearsals for its spring Band-O-Rama concert. The band welcomes new members.**

## Pagosa Springs Community Band to start rehearsals Sunday for spring concert

By Heidi Tanner  
Special to The PREVIEW

On Sunday, March 6, the Pagosa Springs Community Band will be starting rehearsals for its spring 2016 concert. Rehearsals are held on Sunday afternoons from 2 to

4 p.m. in the Pagosa Springs High School band room.

The band's spring Band-O-Rama concert is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, in the high school auditorium.

The band is a full concert band composed of percussion, brass and woodwind instruments. Orchestral string instruments are also welcome and represented in the band.

Many of our players played their instrument in their youth and then put it down due to life's demands and have dusted them off and learned to play again. The moral of the story is, don't be shy if you haven't played for a few years as, with a little practice, you will be up and running again.

Our band has three talented

conductors who share duties of leading our band.

First, Larry Baisdon, our founding conductor, who plays trumpet and was a professional educator who led a successful large high school band program in the Houston, Texas, area.

Second, we are privileged to have Larry Elginer, also a trumpet player and vocalist and also a professional music educator from the Los Angeles area. Elginer is well known in Pagosa Springs for his work with the Pagosa Springs Community Choir and with the late John Graves.

Third, we also enjoy Malinda Fultz-Burnett, who was born and raised in Pagosa Springs and cur-

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## Festival

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adoring fans as the float slowly moves across the church parking lot. Also included will be antique cars, a hook-and-ladder fire truck, a La Plata Electric Association truck and local pipers who will serenade us with their authentic sounds of the day.

The parade will kick off the festivities for the day, providing lots of laughter and an atmosphere of a grand ol' celebration. Free hot dogs will be served by the men of the church in the parish hall and booths from local vendors and nonprofits will line the parking lot.

Vendors are invited to take advantage of the free booth space by calling 731-5801 and reserving a spot. It is a great opportunity to educate the public about your non-profit group or sell your artwork or crafts.

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## Seeds of Learning to present 'How to Read to Your Child'

By Deb Jennings  
Special to The PREVIEW

What strategies do I use when selecting a book to read to my child? What's appropriate to read to my toddler, preschooler or school-age child? How can I keep his attention? How do I go about selecting a book from the many at the library? How can my child choose from so many choices? How do I get a library card?

Find the answers to these questions and many more by attending the one-hour session "How to Read to Your Child," presented by Miss Leah, the children's librarian at the Ruby M. Sisson Library.

This session will be offered on Tuesday, March 8, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the library. Children are encouraged to attend with their families.

This event is being sponsored by Seeds of Learning Family Involvement Committee (FIC). Watch for future events, such as how to discipline your child without guilt, getting your child to eat, how to



Photo courtesy Seeds of Learning

Dave Kreuger reads to youngsters at Seeds of Learning. The early childhood education center and Ruby M. Sisson Library will present "How to Read to Your Child," a one-hour session scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

play with your child and arranging playdates at community areas to get to know and network with other families with young children.

Seeds of Learning families will receive two hours of family involvement time for this training.

Photo courtesy Seeds of Learning

"How to Read to Your Child," a one-hour session presented by Seeds of Learning, is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, at 5:30 p.m. at the library. Leah Leger, children's librarian, will lead the session.



## Concert

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rently is the Pagosa Springs Middle School music director.

Our band performs three concerts a year: Our fall concert, our Spring Band-O-Rama concert in which we feature our school bands alongside our band, and our patriotic Fourth of July concert on the back lawn of The Springs Resort.

We do ask members to contrib-

ute \$15 at the beginning of the season to assist in covering music and administrative costs. However, we will make arrangements if players are unable to pay the fee.

Registration will begin at 1:30 Sunday afternoon, March 6, in the high school band room. We welcome new members, so dust off those instruments and come and join us.

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## SE School of Movement to Present A Hot evening of 'BURLSEQUE!'

By Ali Whitman

It's time to celebrate spring by warming up your winter with a sexy new production unlike anything ever seen in Pagosa Springs. This is definitely one spectacular show you won't want to miss!

SE school of movement will share this amazing array of talent on Friday, March 18th at 7pm, and Saturday, March 19th at 1pm and 7pm only, at the Pagosa Springs Performing Arts Center. This fabulous production will showcase an abundance of local, hidden talent including; dancers, singers, aerial artists, some great music, and oh yes.... a little seduction featuring L.A. seasoned burlesque artist, Sass A Frass.

Sariah Ellsmore is the brainchild behind this one-of-a kind production. Her longtime residency here in Pagosa Springs has allowed her to develop some amazing talent through her masterful teachings within her school, SE School of Movement. Many of her students have become quite proficient as aerial artists, acro-yoga enthusiasts, and lyra performers who will finally take to the stage to share their hard work and awe-inspiring talent.

Ali Whitman is the director and choreographer for "BURLESQUE"! A newcomer and local resident to Pagosa Springs, Ali is a nationally recognized and well-known direc-



tor/choreographer from the San Diego area, who has received numerous prestigious awards for her productions. This is her first creative project in Colorado, and she has hand picked some of the best home-grown talent to perform her award winning choreography that will be seen for the first time in our area.

In addition to the fabulous Sass A Frass and her burlesque work, you can expect to see some new comers to the stage. They include, Christine Pitcher, Alyssa

Zissman, Rosanna Slingerland, Kari Eden, Alya Heber, Jacob Miskimmens, Markus Huges, Hunter Ellsmore, Jackie Kleckner and Lars Schneider.

Contributing choreographers include Karie Eden, Casey Love-day, Casey Crow and Amy Fissmer, who will bring their vision to this well-rounded collection of performers.

Tickets are selling fast and a few shows are close to being sold out, so don't hesitate to buy them today at [www.pagosacenter.org](http://www.pagosacenter.org).

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## Final Whadyacallit Drag Wednesday set for March 9

By Audrey Layne Crocker  
Special to The PREVIEW

The shoes are polished. The lashes are ready. The dresses have been chosen and the songs rehearsed. Beverly takes a deep breath and prepares for the final installation of what has become the place to be every month: Whadyacallit Drag Wednesday.

Thingamajig Theatre Company hosts a once-monthly game night that is led by one of the most fabulous “ladies” Pagosa has ever seen. A competition in Pictionary, art trivia and charades, there is never a dull moment when the best night of the month rolls around. A competition in groups of four, registration is open (\$80 for a table, \$20 individually).

One cannot attend such a fun and flirty night without finding themselves in awe of the queens who make the whole thing happen. Beverly, one of the most committed and sassy queens Pagosa will ever see, is determined to have a great time and look like a million bucks while doing it. Charity Case

and Strawberry Surprise are silly and fun as they assist in games, music choices and, of course, lead impromptu dance parties.

Although the competition is a huge part of the evening (prizes are to be had), the feeling of camaraderie in the pursuit of fun is the overwhelming theme of the evening.

With March ending the winter series and Beverly taking a hiatus, the March 9 Drag Wednesday is sure to be the one to remember. An exciting new grand prize will make its way into the evening and the queens will have fabulous numbers unlike you’ve ever seen.

Anyone looking for a way to liven up a quiet time of year can find a party right here in Pagosa. Wonderful music, a witty host and an open bar leave the door open for a night that you’ll not be able to repeat anywhere else. Registration is available at [pagosacenter.org](http://pagosacenter.org) or by phone at 731-SHOW.

Thingamajig Theatre Company is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit professional theater in residence at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

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Thingamajig Theatre Company

The final installation of Whadyacallit Drag Wednesday, a group game and dance night hosted by Pagosa’s own sassy drag queens, is set for March 9 at the Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts.

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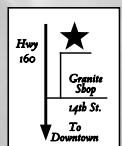
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A March 19 hoedown is set to benefit Our Savior Lutheran School, which currently provides education for kids from preschool through first grade. The fundraiser is slated to feature music from The High Rollers, as well as food, auction items and more.

## Hoedown with The High Rollers for a good cause

By Pennie DeClark  
Special to The PREVIEW

Tickets are going fast for Our Savior Lutheran fundraiser, "A Colorado Guys and Gals Country Hoedown with The High Rollers," on March 19.

It's time to dust off yer fanciest western boots, denim jeans and cowboy hat and join us for a fun night of great music, food and dancing to benefit the children of Our Savior Lutheran School.

On Saturday, March 19, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at the Our Savior Lutheran gymnasium, located at

56 Meadows Drive, the High Rollers will be playing their boot stomp'n' tracks for your entertainment.

We will also have a brisket dinner with beans, tater salad, rolls and dessert to fill up on.

Dance the night away or bid on the many silent auction items for sale while you enjoy a glass of beer or wine (available for purchase from our cash bar). All of the proceeds benefit the children at Our Savior Lutheran School. We have been serving the children of Pagosa Springs from all denominations for 23 years, providing exceptional education opportunities with small

classroom sizes in a safe and loving, Christ-centered environment. We currently offer classes for preschool through first grade and are excited to announce the addition of a second grade as well next year.

Don't wait, as tickets are going fast. Tickets are \$35 per person and must be purchased in advance; they will not be sold at the door. Stop by the Lutheran school to purchase them Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We can't wait for you to join us for a great time, with good folks for a worthy cause.

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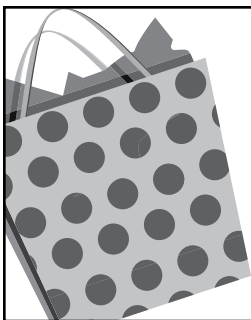
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# Luminosity Talks to hear about 'The Wake-Up Call of the Soul'

By **Sonya Flores Lugo**  
Special to The PREVIEW

Sooner or later, we all experience it. We get a wake-up call that dramatically shifts the power of our reality from one of chaos, confusion and despair to one of sublime opportunity extended to us by our soul.

Sophia, a psychotherapist and Ph.D., will address "The Wake-Up Call of the Soul" at a presentation

taking place at Luminosity Talks at the PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave., on Saturday, March 5, at 2 p.m.

The wake-up call of the soul can take many forms, but the most common include a negative turn of events such as an accident, health issue, an experience of rock-bottom despair, a loss of a loved one or even thoughts of suicide.

Sophia states that by surrendering to a power greater than

ourselves extended to us by our soul, we have the innate capacity to overcome the overwhelming challenges facing us and our world.

Luminosity Talks presents speakers and films that educate, inspire, inform and uplift in a progressive way. The focus is awakening wisdom and how it is lived. Looking at new ways of living that is in harmony with the planet and each other. Donations are appreciated.

# Homemakers to host retired Navy nurse

By **Tozi Rubin**  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Mountain View Homemakers organization is proud to host Susan Bates, a retired U.S. Navy nurse, at its next meeting on March 10.

Bates will be giving an enlightening presentation about her experiences in the military. A few years ago, she was on active duty caring for the wounded. This amazing discussion is not to be missed.

All area women are invited to this gathering at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 10, at the Extension center at the fairgrounds.

There will be a covered-dish lunch at noon. First-

time visitors are not expected to bring food.

Mountain View Homemakers is a 50-year-old monthly gathering of area women who are interested in making their lives, the lives of their families and the community more enjoyable. The meetings include lunch and a speaker or activity.

At least one meeting each year is a hands-on community project and this year it will be in April. Our July meeting is an auction/fundraiser.

We encourage interested women to join our diverse group of local ladies. There are no dues or membership requirements. We meet on the second Thursday of every month.

Call Tozi at 731-3360 with questions.

# Lane

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him cookies.

She'll talk to her daddy for hours on the phone and he pays close attention. Then it's his turn to talk. I've heard his stories a thousand times, but she acts like it's the first time she's heard them.

I'll tell him not to go by her work, but he does it anyway and takes Whiskey with him. He uses the excuse he needs to buy a bolt, a filter or something. He says he makes her day when she sees him and Whiskey. I say you're going to get her fired and she'll be living with us again. Then you won't have to go by her work.

Every once in a while, I'll have to clamp down on them. They both like the secondhand stores. They'll spend hours looking for a \$3 deal. They don't need a thing. They see it as a treasure they found together. They bring it home. I see it as another piece of junk taking up space.

Before Al's mother passed away, he spent hours and hours with her. He took care of her. And if you'd ask him today, he'd say, "If I could've done more, I would've done it."

The family says Angel needs a life. But if you asked Angel, she'd say, "If I had time to do more for Daddy, I'd do it."

So, for a father and daughter, they're having more fun together than feeding animals at the zoo. I've learned not to put my hand into the mix. It might get bit off and I need both hands to type the new novel I'm writing.

And for the remaining six cars? That's for another story.

Final brushstroke: My Sweet Al will always have his Angel and I'll always have more projects to do. Some things you don't touch, like an old red Volkswagen in the backyard with Angel's name on it. I see \$100 worth of scrap metal. Sweet Al sees a little 16-year-old

girl in a red convertible in the rain, with her older brother holding up an umbrella over her.

## Readers' comments

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Stung by Climate — 12:20 & 3:25 pm

Distress Call — noon & 4:05 pm

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# Catholics offering March Bible studies

By Roxanne Schick  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Catholic community is offering four Bible studies for men, women and families in March.

The Rev. Kenny Udumka said, "Now is the perfect season to uplift your soul by participating in Bible-based study classes and fellowship."

Bible study classes are scheduled during the day and in the evenings.

Udumka will be teaching the "Biblical Foundation of the Seven Sacraments" on Tuesday evenings after the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Pope John Paul II Catholic Church. A potluck meal will be served. "Biblical Foundation of the Seven Sacraments" is a six-week, scrip-

tural-based study geared towards families and singles. Participants should bring a dish to share and their Bibles.

Women's Fellowship features the "Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told" on Monday mornings from 9 to 11 a.m. in the narthex of Pope John Paul II. "Divine Mercy" is a 10-part series that brings to life the drama and splendor of God's merciful love revealed in sacred scripture.

Facilitator Susan Hampton said, "Women's fellowship brings Christian women of all faiths together for prayer and coffee where we can learn more about our Lord through scripture."

Women's fellowship is open to ladies of all ages.

Men's Fellowship begins with dinner on Monday night at 5:30

p.m. in the narthex of Pope John Paul II. The men have chosen "Salvation History" as this year's Bible study. "Salvation History" is a 24-week study beginning in Genesis and concluding with the Acts of the Apostles.

"'Salvation History' is a phenomenal scriptural study," said Deacon Pat McKenzie, coordinator of the Men's Fellowship. "Men will be amazed at the knowledge of Bible scholars Tim Gray and Jeff Cavins, as they provide profound insights into the scriptures."

The Men's Fellowship group concludes with the upcoming Sunday scriptural readings and a reflection from Bishop Robert Barron.

The parish will also be offering a Spanish-speaking Bible study entitled "The Great Adventure — A Journey Through the Bible" in a few weeks. The eight-week series will study both the Old Testament and New Testament. The Bible study includes a student workbook in Spanish.

For more information or to sign up for one of the Bible studies, please call John Paul II Catholic Church at 731-5744.

# Register now for Catholic vacation Bible school

By Roxanne Schick  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Catholic community is accepting registration this week for summer vacation Bible school.

"Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments — Jesus in My Heart" will be held June 20 through 24 from 8 a.m. to noon at Pope John Paul II Catholic Church for children ages 4-11 (pre-K to sixth grade). Immediate registration is encouraged to ensure a space.

The five-day program will help children deepen their love for Jesus and better understand the seven sacraments.

"A Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments — Jesus in My Heart" is a Bible-based program. The weeklong vacation Bible school will be jam-packed with great songs, crafts, fun activities and food.

Children will begin each day with an opening assembly as they gather for music, prayer, an-

nouncements, Bible verses and a skit. Adult guides will escort children through the five-station rotation, which will feature Bible stories, gospel virtues, saints of the day, art, food, and fun and games in the John Bowe prayer garden. The day will conclude with a closing assembly at noon.

Daily themes will explore the sacraments of baptism, eucharist, confirmation, reconciliation, anointing of the sick, matrimony and holy orders, as well as the gospel values of courage, gratitude, perseverance, self-control and hope.

There will be a limit to the number of children in each age group.

To reserve a space for your child, parents must complete the required registration forms and submit a registration fee of \$20 per child.

For more information, call the John Paul II Catholic Church office at 731-5744 or stop by the church, located at 353 S. Pagosa Blvd., to register.

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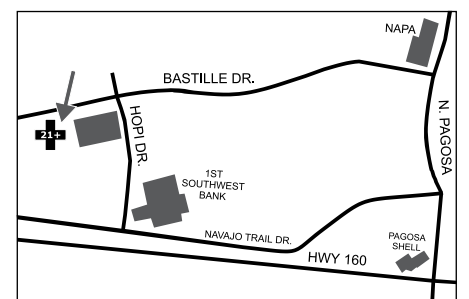
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# Unitarians to discuss sustainability

By Kurt Saindon  
Special to The PREVIEW

The Pagosa Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (PUUF) invites you to attend a program titled “How to Incorporate Sustainability into Our Lives” with Kurt Saindon, this Sunday, March 6, for its regular service.

The topic, sustainability, is Saindon’s passion. He embodies one of Unitarian Universalist’s seven principles: “Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.”

Rather than see himself strictly as a resource consumer, Saindon

uses his knowledge of solar energy, water recycling and alternatives to the use of fossil fuels to minimize his personal footprint on our planet. He will speak to the use of gray-water systems, LED lighting and solar power options.

Saindon now lives off the grid outside Pagosa Springs, using his knowledge and skills to build a sustainable farm. He also owns a small solar energy business. He has traveled extensively through the west, visiting more than 200 sustainable communities.

PUUF welcomes people of all spiritual belief systems, ethnicity

and sexual orientation and invites you to enjoy refreshments and conversation after services, which are held Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in Unit B-15 of the Greenbriar Plaza. From North Pagosa Boulevard, turn onto Park Avenue; then turn into the Greenbriar Plaza, drive to the east side of the parking lot and look for the Unitarian Universalist sign, facing north.

For further information, call 731-7900.

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

### Thursday, March 3

**Hoopsters.** 8-9 a.m., Community Center. Come on down and play some basketball.

**Scholastic Book Fair.** 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Feelin’ Groovy Book Fair — Peace, Love, Books! Call 264-2730 for more information.

**Dancin’ and Movin’ with Debbie on Video.** 9:30-10:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Just bring your love of movement. For information, call Renee at 731-0303.

**Yoga.** 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat or a towel.

**Overeaters Anonymous.** 11 a.m., Centerpoint Church library. This meeting is open to everyone. For more information, call Leslie at 799-0775.

**Movie.** 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided.

**Earth Community.** 2 p.m., Pagosa Springs Visitor Center. Action committee meeting.

**Tech Time.** 3-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Drop-in technology help with Meg. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**Teen Advisory Board.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. For youth in the 7th-12th grades. Bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs. Meet in the teen area. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**Earth Community.** 5 p.m., Sisson Library. Screening of “Farmeddon.”

**ESL Class.** 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Classes for adults. Free child care; all course materials provided. Registration is ongoing. For more information, call Lynn Rose at 507-1259 or email lyn-

nrose323bc@gmail.com.

**Duplicate Bridge.** 5-10 p.m., Community Center. Call Stan at 731-2217 to get signed up.

**Meditation Class.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. You will learn and explore various methods.

**Pagosa Valor Academy.** 6 p.m., Liberty Theatre. An invitation for you and your family to a fundraising movie event. We will start off with door prizes and finish up with “War Room.”

**Alternative Health DVD Series.** 6:30 p.m., UU Fellowship Hall, Greenbriar Plaza. “The Truth About Cancer: A Global Quest” by Ty Bollinger. “The True History of Chemotherapy and the Pharmaceutical Monopoly” is part one of the nine-part series. Contact Tonia at 422-2488 or Deni at 903-0958 for more information.

**San Juan Outdoor Club.** 7 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Program speaker is Susan Dussell. Subject will be “An African Safari.” Light refreshments at 6:30 p.m., followed by the program. Guests welcome. For more information, go to www.sanjuanoutdoorclub.org.

### Friday, March 4

**World Day of Prayer 2016.** John Paul II Catholic Church, 353 S. Pagosa Blvd. For more information, contact Robin Ball at 946-1581 or nanas91@yahoo.com.

**Pickleball.** 8-10 a.m., 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. Please wear flat-soled

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**Facebook for Individuals.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. Learn the basics of a personal Facebook account. Call 264-2209 for more information and to register.

**Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Gaming For All Ages.** 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. Enjoy video gaming on the Wii and X-box 360 Kinect with all your friends and family. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fry.** 5-7 p.m., Parish Hall.

**Course in Miracles Study Group.** 7-8:30 p.m., Yoga Clarity Studio. Call 264-0111 for more information.

**Terrific Tuesdays.** 7-9 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Learn to dance. We will be learning Argentine tango. Call Wayne at 264-4792 for more information or go to <http://www.meetup.com/Lets-Dance-Pagosa>.

## Saturday, March 5

**VITA Tax Preparation.** Senior Center. By appointment only.

**Hunter Education Class.** 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Internet conclusion class. For more information, contact Don Volger at 264-2197.

**Open Gym.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Community Center. Come start your morning out with open gym basketball.

**Baby Storytime.** 9:05-9:25 a.m., Sisson Library. For babies 0-12 months. Twenty minutes of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Toddler Storytime.** 9:30-10 a.m., Sisson Library. For toddlers 12-36 months. A half hour of stories, songs and fingerplays for you and your little one. Learn easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Zumba.** 10:15-11:15 a.m., Community Center. Come enjoy this one-of-a-kind cardio class open to all ages.

## Sunday, March 6

**Pagosa Nordic Spring Quad Challenge.** 9 a.m., West Fork. Participants are required to check in at 7:30 a.m. at the Visitor Center, 105 Hot Springs Blvd., before heading out to West Fork. This event includes a 10k Nordic Freestyle Ski, 5k run, 22k road bike back to town and a 1/2k swim at one of the downtown hot spring pools. For event information and registration, go to [PagosaNordic.com](http://PagosaNordic.com).

**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, March 7

**Pickleball.** 8-10 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Scholastic Book Fair.** 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Feelin' Groovy Book Fair — Peace, Love, Books! Call 264-2730 for more information.

**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.** 9:15-11:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Beginners are welcome at 9:15 a.m., no experience needed. Advanced group will be at 10 a.m. Call Gerry for information at 731-9734.

**Qigong.** 10 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Come help maintain and improve your health, strength and balance.

**Pagosa Bridge For Fun.** 12:30-4 p.m., Community Center.

**Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Zumba.** 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Center. Come enjoy this one-of-a-kind cardio class open to all ages.

**Hunter Education Class.** 6-9 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Youth class. For more information, contact Don Volger at 264-2197.

## Tuesday, March 8

**Hoopsters.** 8-9 a.m., Community Center. Come on down and play

some basketball.  
**Scholastic Book Fair.** 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Feelin' Groovy Book Fair — Peace, Love, Books! Call 264-2730 for more information.

**Dancin' and Movin' with Debbie on Video.** 9:30-10:30 a.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230

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# HOLY WEEK

"He is not here,  
He has risen. Hallelujah!"  
— Luke 24:6

**March 20 - Palm Sunday.** Services 8:15 and 11 a.m., Sunday School all ages 9:30 a.m.

**March 24 - Maundy Thursday.** Services 6 p.m. with Communion

**March 25 - Good Friday.** Services 7 p.m.

**March 27 - Easter Sunday.** Sunrise Service 7 a.m. at the PSHS football field, regular services at 8:15 and 11 a.m. Boy Scouts will serve breakfast on Easter from 9-11 a.m.

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**Veterans for Veterans.** 10 a.m., Pagosa Lodge.

**Archuleta County Sheriff's Coffee with a Cop.** 10 a.m., The Junction Restaurant. Deputies and community members will come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships and drink coffee.

**Yoga.** 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat or a towel.

**Tech Time.** 10 a.m.-noon, Sisson Library. Drop-in technology help with Meg. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**Archuleta County Republican Women.** Noon, Boss Hogg's Restaurant. We will host a panel of high school seniors who will discuss their educational experience in the local school system. Everyone is invited to attend. The meeting starts at noon. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be offered for \$12. For questions, email [acrwpagosa@gmail.com](mailto:acrwpagosa@gmail.com).

**Adult Coloring.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Mah Jongg.** 1-3 p.m., Community Center.

**Book Club.** 2-3 p.m., Sisson Library. Join the book club for adults. We will discuss "The Worst Hard Time" by Timothy Egan. Copies are available. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**American Legion Post 108 Ladies Auxiliary.** 4 p.m., 287 Hermosa St.

**Teen Gaming.** 4-5 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us for Xbox 360 Kinect, Wii and snacks. For youth in the 7th-12th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**ESL Class.** 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Classes for adults. Free child care; all course materials provided. Registration is ongoing. For more information, call Lynn Rose at 507-1259 or email [lynnrose323bc@gmail.com](mailto:lynnrose323bc@gmail.com).

**How to Read to Your Child.** 5:30-

6:30 p.m., Sisson Library. This event is being sponsored by Seeds of Learning Family Involvement Committee. Children are encouraged to attend with their families.

**Wednesday, March 9**

**Pickleball.** 8-10 a.m., Community Center. Loaner paddles are available if you don't have one.

**Scholastic Book Fair.** 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Feelin' Groovy Book Fair — Peace, Love, Books! Call 264-2730 for more information.

**Preschool Storytime.** 10-11 a.m., Sisson Library. Recommended for 3- to 5-year-olds. Preschoolers and their families are invited for an hour of stories, music and a craft. Develop early literacy skills while having fun. Contact the library at 264-2209 for further information.

**Flow Yoga.** 10-11:30 a.m., Community Center. Please bring a mat or a towel.

**Free Blood Pressure Check.** 10:30 a.m., Senior Center.

**Tai Chi.** 11 a.m.-noon, Community Center. Please wear flat soled shoes.

**HELP (Healthy Eating Lifestyle Plan).** Noon-1 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Weigh-in, support and more. Everyone is welcome. Call Nancy Strait at 731-3427 for more information.

**DIY Jewelry.** 1 p.m., Sisson Library. Do it yourself Shrinky Dink jewelry. Join us to make your own jewelry for your favorite holiday in March: St. Patrick's Day, beginning of spring and Easter. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**Hand and Foot.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Mexican Train.** 1 p.m., Senior Center.

**Coed Volleyball.** 1-3:30 p.m., Community Center. Friendly, non-competitive games open to all ages.

**Jelly Beans and Squiggly Things After-School Club.** 3:30-5 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School, room 9. For information, call 903-8104.

**Game Creator.** 4-5:30 p.m., Sisson Library. Join us and create your own video game and share it with friends using Sploder. For youth in the 7th-12th grades. Call 264-2209 for more information.

**ESL Conversation Class.** 5-7 p.m., Community United Methodist Church. Classes for adults. Free child care; all course materials provided. Registration is ongoing. For more information, call Lynn Rose at 507-1259 or e-mail [lynnrose323bc@gmail.com](mailto:lynnrose323bc@gmail.com).

**Scholastic Book Fair Family Night.** 5-7 p.m., Pagosa Springs Elementary School. Dinner, activities and fun for the whole family. Call (808) 721-6876 for more information.

**American Legion Post 108.** 6 p.m., 287 Hermosa St. Veterans' group meeting.

**Hunter Education Class.** 6-9 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Youth class. For more information, contact Don Volger at 264-2197.

**First Aid Certification Training.** 6-10 p.m., CSU Extension office. Anyone needing to receive or renew certification can register by calling 264-5931.

**Final Whadyacallit Drag Wednesday.** Pagosa Springs Center for the Arts. A competition in Pictionary, art trivia and charades. There is never a dull moment with Beverly.

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**Wild West Square Dance Class.** 6:45-7:45 p.m., PLPOA Vista Clubhouse, 230 Port Ave. Basic level. Open to families, couples and singles. Suggested age for children is at least 8 years old. Call Carla Roberts to enroll at 903-6478.

## Thursday, March 10

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**MountainView Homemakers.** 11:30 a.m., CSU Extension Building. Speaker will be Susan Bates, a retired Navy nurse who will talk about her military experience. Covered-dish lunch prepared by members. Questions, call 731-3360.

**Movie.** 1 p.m., Senior Center. Popcorn and beverages provided.

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## Friday, March 11

**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. Please wear flat-soled shoes.

**iPad Basics.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Sisson Library. Registration required. This class is designed for absolute beginners who have little to no experience using their iPad. Students must provide their own registered iPad. Call 264-2209 for more information and to register.

**Duplicate Bridge.** Noon-5 p.m., Community Center. Call Stan at 731-2217 to get signed up.

**Movie For All Ages.** 2-3:15 p.m., Sisson Library. A live-action remake on the classic Disney movie "Cinderella."

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fry.** 5-7 p.m., Parish Hall.

**Pagosa Springs Girls Choir 'Over the Rainbow' Fundraiser.** 5:30-10 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. This year's festivities include a silent auction, catered dinner, live musical performances and a dance. Doors open at 5 p.m. Tickets can be purchased from The Buck Stops Here, the Peak Deli and from any member of the choir.

**Hunter Education Class.** 6-9 p.m., Ross Aragon Community Center. Youth class. For more information, contact Don Volger at 264-2197.

**Course in Miracles Study Group.** 7-8:30 p.m., Yoga Clarity Studio. Call 264-0111 for more information.

## Saturday, March 12

**Hunter Education Class.** 8 a.m.-noon, Ross Aragon Community Center. Youth class. For more information, contact Don Volger at 264-2197.

**Geothermal Greenhouse Partnership's Environmental Film Festival.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Liberty Theatre. Tickets are \$10 and available at the Chamber of Commerce, Exit Realty, at the door or at [pagosagreen.org](http://pagosagreen.org). A gala celebration follows at Pagosa Baking Company from 6-8 p.m.

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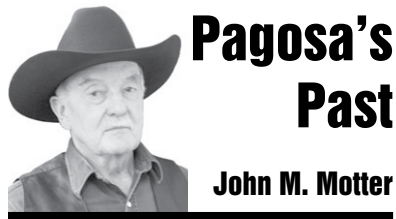
# The building of Wolf Creek Pass

We've been writing about the replacement of the state-supported Elwood Pass route into Pagosa Springs across the San Juan Mountains. The Elwood Pass route had been destroyed by flood in 1911.

The decision to replace the old route with Wolf Creek Pass was not made until 1914, after much time was spent examining all possible routes. Much politics was involved in the final choice. Construction of Wolf Creek Pass started in 1914 and continued over the next two years, with the official opening ceremonies taking place Aug. 21, 1916.

A Denver Times article described the significance of the new route: "With the building of eight miles of road from South Fork to the canyon of the south branch of the Rio Grande, the most important highway connection that has been projected across the mountains in recent years will be completed. The road will connect Denver with Pagosa Springs and Durango and the entire southwest portion of Colorado. It will provide an automobile route through a scenic portion of the state that has been visited by comparatively few people, and it will establish connection with roads now projected from Dolores to Norwood and from Durango to Silverton, thus giving the automobile his choice of two methods of making a 'circle' tour of the state."

The writer continued, "The new highway will afford a direct route to Mesa Verde National Park, and this alone should prove a great magnet for automobile travel to this state. Also the new road over the divide will open the way for transcontinental tourists to travel to the Pacific Coast via Shiprock or Farmington to Gallup, N.M., after having taken in the scenic pleasures of southwestern Colorado ... the new road will be forty-four miles long ... the cost will be more



## Pagosa's Past

John M. Motter

than \$76,000 ... on Oct. 22, 1915, Fred Catchpole of Pagosa Springs made the first crossing ... the road is expected to increase automobile travel in Colorado by 25 percent."

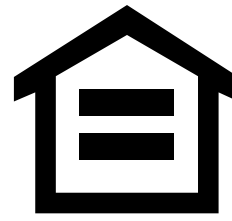
Wolf Creek was built without the equipment we take for granted today. The original highway was 12 feet wide. Catchpole supervised the work on the west side, supervising a crew of as many as 90 men. When possible, the road bed was left in its natural state. Through its first two decades, Wolf Creek Pass closed during the winter. Local merchants from both sides of the pass started from each end and met near the center to open the

pass each spring.

The official opening of Wolf Creek Pass took place Aug. 21, 1916. Ceremonies were planned for the summit of the 10,800-foot pass but were moved to the head of the box canyon 12 miles to the east. About 1,000 people and 250 cars attended the ceremony. Free elk meat and coffee were served.

Old timers told me a rumor circulated that Buck O'Neal served turkey buzzard meat to the unsuspecting crowd.

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# Change in Saturday baby and toddler storytimes

By Carole Howard  
PREVIEW Columnist, and the library staff

Ever since Leah Leger arrived in Pagosa Springs to take her new job as youth services librarian at your library, the popularity of her Saturday morning baby/toddler time has been increasing. In fact, during February, there were about 35 people attending these weekly storytime sessions.

As a result, Leger has decided to split the Saturday session in two to allow her to present a more specialized program for each age range and thus better serve the needs of our youngest patrons and their families.

Effective this Saturday, March 5, Baby Storytime will take place from 9:05 to 9:25 a.m. just for babies up to 12 months old. Then from 9:30 to 10 a.m., she will host Toddler Storytime for those aged 12-36 months.

Baby Storytime will be 20 minutes of stories, songs and finger-plays, and Toddler Storytime will be a longer, 30-minute session. Both are fun for the youngsters while at the same time providing easy tips on how to include literacy skills into everyday family life.

If you have multiple little ones, please come to whatever storytime is most convenient for you and your family. And know that your attendance is a lovely and loving gift to your child because you are fostering their literacy by introducing them to a love of reading at an early age.

## Self-checkout station

A new automatic self-checkout

## Library News

station soon will be available at your library to provide faster service and more convenience for you. We hope to have it installed by mid-March.

This new high-tech station will be especially advantageous for DVD checkouts that have been cumbersome because security issues forced us to keep the cases separate from the discs, thus requiring extra staff time to put them together once patrons had made their choices. Sadly, the DVDs tended to “walk” when left on the shelf in their cases, so such labor-intensive actions were necessary to preserve our collection. Now the most popular DVDs will be stored inside the system so they can be dispensed to patrons quickly.

Called a LAT-Cube, the station provides self-checkout for any items you want check out, not just DVDs. It provides “one-stop shopping” for you because all materials can be processed and checked out at this station.

This system has the added advantage of total privacy for patrons checking out books or other materials on sensitive topics such as divorce, substance abuse, violence and various diseases.

The station is wireless so it can

be put anywhere in the library. The plan now is to put it near the public telephone, which is across from the large print collection. This placement will allow privacy and also be close to the front circulation desk in case patrons need help to use it. We hope you like it.

## Sunday closings


Your library is closed now on Sundays.

Although our 2014 patron survey showed an apparent desire for the library to be open on Sundays, the response was lukewarm at best. We averaged only 53 patrons visiting the library on Sundays, a small number that did not justify the cost of staff and utilities needed to stay open.


Interestingly, it is not unusual for libraries in Southwest Colorado to be closed on Sundays. Durango, Ignacio, Mancos, Dolores, Cortez and Dove Creek all are closed. In fact, only Bayfield and Telluride are open on Sundays.

We hope this change does not inconvenience you, but we are sure you understand that we have a responsibility to both patrons and taxpayers to spend the library's

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## 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.

## Change of day for some tech sessions

Meg Wempe is available for the highly popular Tech Tuesdays and Thursdays sessions from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursdays. Drop in with your technology questions.

Most of the more formal sessions requiring advance registration will now be held on Fridays.

The next one is tomorrow (Friday, March 4)— Facebook for Individuals from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., when you will learn the basics of a Facebook account including how to create one, find friends, upload photos and videos, post a status update and set privacy settings.

## DIY session for adults

This month's free DIY project takes place next Wednesday, March 9, at 1 p.m., when we will make Shrinky Dink jewelry for one or more of the holidays this month.

In the past, these fun DIY sessions have included making your own cheese, sushi, centerpiece, tea wreath, candles, mustard and mayo, household cleaners, coke pops and screen-printing a T-shirt. No registration required.

## Teen advisory board

This afternoon, Thursday, March 3, the teen advisory board meets from 4 to 5 p.m. We hope you will bring your fun and innovative ideas to help us plan teen programs you will enjoy.

## Book club for adults

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

On March 8, we will discuss "The Worst Hard Time" by Timothy Egan. If you need a copy, please let us know. No registration required.

## Preschool storytime

Join Miss Leah every Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. when preschool-

ers and their families are invited to enjoy an hour of stories, music and a craft to develop early literacy skills. Recommended for 3- to 5-year-olds.

## New downloadable films

For your viewing pleasure, we have purchased IndieFlix, a streaming movie service that gives you unlimited access to more than 7,500 award-winning and popular independent shorts, feature films and documentaries from more than 50 countries — on your device, PC or Mac, with no apps needed.

Access IndieFlix through the Downloadable Content icon on the library's website. Use "Quick Pick," the discovery tool that lets you sample movies like you would music.

## Programmed Nooks

We have nine Nooks and three tablets programmed for your e-reading pleasure. The eight e-readers with content for adults contain either fiction or nonfiction best-sellers. The four youth e-readers contain books for children, juniors and young adults.

## Large print

"The Plague of Thieves Affair" by Marcia Muller and Bill Pronzini is a Carpenter and Quincannon mystery. "Saturn Run" by John Sandford and Ctein is a futuristic thriller. "Even Dogs in the Wild" by Ian Rankin is a mystery featuring John Rebus.

## Mysteries, thrillers and suspense

"NYPD Red 4" by James Patterson is the latest in this series featuring an elite task force assigned to protect the rich and famous. "The Immortals" by Jordanna Max Brodsky begins when a woman finds a body as she walks her dog in New York City. "Midnight Sun" by Jo Nesbo features a fixer who flees to the Arctic Circle to escape his drug lord boss.

## Novels

"A Doubter's Almanac" by Ethan Canin explores the nature of genius, rivalry and ambition in a family across seven decades. "Cometh the Hour" by Jeffrey Archer is the sixth and last book in the Clifton

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# The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

## ACROSS

- 1 Cider season
- 5 Kind of income
- 9 Watery snow
- 14 Mishmash
- 15 Bring to ruin
- 16 British coins
- 17 All excited
- 18 Rule
- 20 Bouncing off the walls
- 22 Mountain-climbing spike
- 23 Bamboozle
- 24 Like a Conestoga wagon
- 26 Hemingway nickname
- 27 Night light?
- 30 Antisocial sort
- 31 Backboard attachment
- 32 Middleman, maybe
- 34 Proof of pedigree
- 37 May birthstone
- 38 Pass to the side
- 39 Go back (on)
- 40 Split up
- 41 Match, in poker
- 42 Fix firmly
- 43 Went first
- 44 "Say \_\_\_\_"
- 46 Kind of case
- 48 Suffers from
- 49 Secretary, at times
- 50 London landmark
- 54 Eloquent
- 57 "So long!"
- 58 Large-eyed primate
- 59 Hamster's home
- 60 \_\_\_\_-ran
- 61 Correct, as text
- 62 Leaves home?
- 63 Onion relative

## DOWN

- 1 Pillow filler
- 2 Sea lettuce

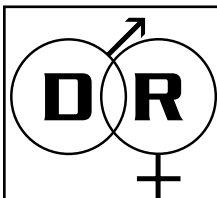
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- 3 Animal with a mane
- 4 Computer circuitry
- 5 Faulty firecracker
- 6 Intact
- 7 Groupie, to a rock star
- 8 Hang out
- 9 Spic-and-\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Authorize
- 11 Like some legislatures
- 12 Inside info
- 13 Reddish dye
- 19 Affirmative action?
- 21 Artistic potpourri
- 25 Semi-sheer fabric
- 26 Tom's father, in verse
- 27 \_\_\_\_-friendly
- 28 Stew
- 29 Ali Baba's cry
- 31 Machine gun sound
- 33 Be exultant
- 34 Mill output
- 35 Size up
- 36 Husky burden
- 38 Influence
- 40 Motorcycle add-on
- 42 Surviving organism of old
- 44 Unbroken
- 45 Sheik's bevy
- 46 Alpine sight
- 47 From around here
- 49 Focus builder
- 51 Artifice
- 52 Ill at \_\_\_\_
- 53 Corner piece
- 55 252 wine gallons
- 56 Majors in acting

## Answer to Last Week's Crossword:

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A.A. PRINCIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES GROUP** meets at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, 225 S. Pagosa Blvd. Tuesday 7p.m. Big Book Study (closed); Thursday 7p.m. Discussion (open); Questions (970)245-9649, [www.aa-westerncolorado.org](http://www.aa-westerncolorado.org) or [www.aadistrict18.org](http://www.aadistrict18.org); Ken or Charlotte 731-1025.

**AL-ANON** meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Saturday, 10:30a.m., 234 N. 2nd Street (CR200/ Snowball Road), [www.al-anon-co.org](http://www.al-anon-co.org).

**THE HUB- SPRING IN TO SUMMER** Trek Fest Bike Sale. Located in Country Center Shopping Plaza! (970)731-2002.

**NEW OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS** meeting starting December 3, 11a.m., at Centerpoint Church, 270 Cornerstone Dr. Leslie, (970)799-0775.

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS** meets Saturdays at 9a.m. at 234 N. 2nd St., aka CR 200 or Snowball Road. Open meeting, various structure. Call Lyn, 903-0655, or Carl, 903-2346, to confirm we are meeting or for information.

**A.A. PAGOSA SPRINGS GROUP.** 234 N. 2nd St./ CR 200- Snowball Rd. Sunday 10a.m. (AM); 5:30p.m. open discussion; Monday 12p.m. (D), 5:30p.m. (BB); Tuesday 12p.m. (D), 5:30p.m. (M); Wednesday 12p.m. (D), 5:30p.m. (W); Thursday 12p.m. (D), 5:30p.m. (BG); Friday 12p.m. (D), 7p.m. (D); Saturday 7:30a.m. (AM), 5:30p.m. (D). (Last Friday of the month, 6p.m. potluck, 7p.m. birthday speaker meeting.) Questions, contact (970)245-9649, [www.aa-westerncolorado.org](http://www.aa-westerncolorado.org) or [www.aadistrict18.org](http://www.aadistrict18.org), or call: Ed K. 946-2606; Val V. 264-2685; Ben B. 264-0217.

## YARD SALES

**BE SURE TO** check for more yard sales in the Too Late To Classify section.

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**BUS DRIVERS.** Archuleta County Mountain Express is accepting applications for a substitute transit bus driver. This is a part-time position with a wage of \$11.81 per hour. Job posting, applicant qualifications and application available online at [www.archuletacounty.org](http://www.archuletacounty.org). Applications accepted until position is filled. Submit application to Archuleta County Human Resources, PO Box 1507, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147, (970)264-8376 (fax). Archuleta County is an equal opportunity employer.



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# Spring has sprung the Earth Community into action

By Joan Mieritz  
Special to The PREVIEW

Today, Thursday, March 3, from 2 to 5 p.m., the Earth Community Action Committee will meet in the Pagosa Springs Visitors Center conference room to plan Earth Day events for Saturday, April 23, at Town Park.

If you would like to take part in this celebration, please come and present your suggestions. We have many ideas, but are always open to new ones. We want this to be for everyone.

Several other groups are already taking part and we are inviting you or your group to join us. If you have anything that benefits our earth and its inhabitants, then this is for you. Free trees will be given away and most activities will be free. There will be food and some items for sale.

Also, at 5 p.m. today, March 3, there will be a screening of the documentary film "Farmageddon" at the library. If you are concerned about small farmers and freedom related to food in our country, you have to see this movie. It is hard to believe what has happened in several states and we need to make sure nothing like this happens in Colorado.

A discussion will continue at a location to be determined by the group to come up with concrete ideas to prevent this from happening here. This is not just about food, but it is about the right to eat that people should have in our country.

We will be showing the documentary film "Fresh" on Monday, March 7, at 2:30 p.m. at the Visitor

Center. The film producers have waived the usual \$100 showing charge, but we were asked to request a donation.

This film is valuable for anyone concerned about healthy food for your family. It contrasts industrial farming with organic farming. It is based on the book "Omnivore's Dilemma," which will be our new book for discussion starting on Wednesday, March, 23. Michael Pollen is the author and is also in the film along with Joel Salatin. Previous Pagosa viewers from our last showing highly recommended it.

On Tuesday, March 15, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Visitor Center, we will have another evidence session. You can come and go as you please. There will be people to talk with and snacks to munch on as you peruse research studies, books and articles that are the reasons for our group's existence.

The idea to do this came about when a friend commented that GMOs cannot be dangerous or our government would not allow us to have them.

Unfortunately, that is not the case. The governments of many other countries, including most of Europe and even Russia have banned GMOs. You will find out why there is such a difference. We also have information on other topics of concern. It is so important that you have access to this information that we are staying until 6 p.m., so that people with day jobs can swing by on their way home. We invite questions and different opinions. We hope to see you for this valuable opportunity.

## Library

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Chronicles saga.

### Story CDs

"Wedding Cake Murder" by Joanne Fluke is a Hannah Swenson mystery with recipes.

### Music CDs

Come in and take a look at the wide variety of music CDs we have available to borrow, thanks to donations from patrons like you. You'll find bluegrass, classical, jazz, rock and more for your enjoyment.

### Thanks to our donors

For books and materials this week, we thank Bobbie Coppenger and several anonymous donors.

### Quotable quote

"After nourishment, shelter and companionship, stories are the thing we need most in the world." — Philip Pullman, British writer and author of the fantasy trilogy "His Dark Materials."

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